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Acts 8

2 And devout men carried Stephen to his burial, and made great lamentation over him.

3 As for Saul, he made havock of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed them to prison.

4 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.

5 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.

6 And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.

Some things stand out to me in these verses of Acts 8. First, it was after they were persecuted, they went EVERYWHERE preaching the Word! Is that what it will take to get people out preaching the Word everywhere again? When Philip went into the city and preached Christ, the people gave heed to those things. If we will go preach, I STILL believe people will give heed to the things we preach. May God light a fire in our hearts to go everywhere preaching the Word. We don't need another special program to attract people to our buildings, we need to go preach Christ in the outdoors and they will come to Christ!

What is your next step???

Keister Chronicles April—May

I'm glad to finally get a moment to write to you again after a busy Spring. Exciting things are going on as usual in this adventure of a lifetime. May our adventure chronicles encourage you and glorify God!

In April, I filled in a couple of times at the new God's Missionary Church (GMC) in Helfenstein, PA. Welcome Helfenstein to the GMC Family, you are wonderful brothers and sisters! I also took some much needed time off. April is Interchurch Holiness Convention (IHC) time, so the day before Resurrection Day I was off to Gatlinburg. On the way, I stopped in Pearisburg, VA where I filled in at the Shaver Memorial Church. It was good to stop by and see the precious family of God still carrying the torch of Christ in their church and preach on Res-

urrection Sunday. From Pearisburg, VA it was straight on to Gatlinburg. We represented the mission at IHC as usual, this time with the help of our new office manager Amy Hoover taking turns managing our



booth. I greatly appreciated her help. My daughter Gabrielle and son-in-law Erick Vazquez were there to help me tear down at the end of the convention. Thank you!

We had a wonderful number of people asking if we were doing street ministry in Gatlinburg this year. We held two street

Meetings in Gatlinburg, Harrisburg, and wilkes-Barre

 Mission Trip 68 with short-term missionaries to states void of CHM Churches

Gatlin-Gun Crowd in Gatlinburg! Round after round, they just kept blasting across the streets.

• Many help with Street meetings and had many preach, hold signs, pass

son out tracts, sing, and share testimonies. Among those who spoke were Ken Thompson, Heather Hartman, Hunter Anderson, Jason Damin, Don Litchfield, and of course myself. You many watch our two abridged videos of the street meetings here:



http://EvangelismMission.com/videos/2023-04-gat-1 & http://EvangelismMission.com/videos/2023-04-gat-2

Following IHC, I was so glad to have a couple of days with Gabi and Erick after IHC ended. We were able to do some things together. It was nice to take some time off, something I'm learning to do more of now realizing how much I need it, especially since I'm not as young and full of energy as before.

The annual Missions Convention at Penn View Bible Institute (PVBI) took place in April too and the week before it, I taught some lessons on soul winning in their personal evangelism classes. Three street events were canceled because of rain or



circumstances, but we were grateful to still able to do one event in Harrisburg, PA with the help of many PVBI students. Pastor Hunter Anderson, from the Camp Hill GMC, brought Jared

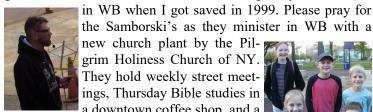
Shelenberger who is now 12 years old (pictured above on left). Jared has been out every year on the streets with us since he was nine. Bro. Anderson also brought Waylan Floyd from his congregation who shared his testimony and preached (pictured top right). You may watch the Harrisburg Video here:

http://EvangelismMission.com/videos/2023-04-harrisburg

I was able to join the Samborski's in Wilkes -Barre in May for a street meeting on the National Day of Prayer. Trevor Mills (pictured on right) traveled a distance from



western PA to join us for the street meeting. I have done street ministry in Wilkes-Barre for over two decades now. I am so grateful God has called some to be there regularly since I lived



the Samborski's as they minister in WB with a new church plant by the Pilgrim Holiness Church of NY. They hold weekly street meet-

ings, Thursday Bible studies in a downtown coffee shop, and a

church service at their home on Sundays. The Samborski children have grown in my heart are like grandkids, (since I don't have any of my own yet (praying)) we've



been out running Remote Control (RC) cars and fishing with them.



It was good to spend some time doing things besides ministry together. Pray for my wife Kimberly as she still lives in Wilkes-Barre and pray Sister Samborski

(pictured on left) will have open doors to minister to her. You may watch our Wilkes-Barre street meeting video here:

http://EvangelismMission.com/videos/2023-05-wb

May and early June were busy trying to get things ready for my next mission trip with tons of personal work, various motorhome maintenance projects, some time off, a youth ministry event at a friend's RC racetrack in Stillwater, PA. There were



30 from local churches that attended the youth event and Pastor Aurand delivered a solid devotional for the youth and we had lots of food, fun, and fellowship. I finally got a bed setup in my new bedroom upstairs in the house, just in time for Gabi and Erick to make a sudden trip home because of my mother being in the hospital after a close call from internal bleeding which led to cauterizing her stomach. Thank the Lord she recovered. Please pray for her continued recovery and to always be ready for Heaven.

June started off with hail the size of golf balls damaging 4 of the 5 vent and AC covers on the roof of the motorhome as well as damage to both slide-out topper canvases.



Thank the Lord for Insurance, and a handyman who was willing on short notice to install new covers enabling me to leave on this trip. The damaged slide-out toppers will have to be replaced when I return from this trip. Please pray no storms worsen the slide-out toppers material so I can make it through this trip.

Mission Trip 68 is already underway

Please earnestly pray for our Evangelism Mission Trip 68. God has answered prayer in sending me some short-term missionaries for this trip. Gabrielle is meeting me in Denver for a few days; Henry Galaz and Royal Grubbs are meeting me in Salt



Lake City; and John William, Thomas Havis, and Mark Scharf are meeting me in Minneapolis, MN. Pray for all our help on this trip that nothing would prevent them from traveling and helping, also for God to move on them to reach many souls. Several of our stops are relative to our Holiness Pioneers Initiative.

If you are new to following our mission work, not familiar, or not remembering what our Holiness Pioneers initiative is, let me briefly explain. Holiness Pioneers is what we call our endeavors to reach states and cities that have no Conservative Holiness Churches (CHC) in them by doing exploration evangelism. Then from newly saved and/or newly found hungry Christians, we try start new churches or mission stations. We hope to do this with whatever CHM denomina-



tion or association has interest in helping with the new work. You may learn more of our vision at: http://HolinessPioneers.com.

The fact that there are so many states without solid churches in them,

should motivate everyone of us to do something about it. You can help in many ways. Try joining us on mission trips, answer the call to be a church planter in one of these forsaken states, or perhaps you can help fund our endeavors. This year we plan to minister in many of the states that are in need.

Will you help us reach these dark states? Our goal this year is to continue reaching out in Utah, make our first attempt in

Minnesota, return to Rhode Island for a 2nd visit, and possible a first attempt in Connecticut. While Rhode Island and Connecticut are not planned until late summer or early Fall, Utah and Minnesota are inline on this trip. We plan to do street meetings and hold bible studies with hungry hearts in SLC & Minneapolis. We also plan to start an aggressive remote discipleship program for new converts. This is another way you can help. We need help discipling those we meet. Will you rise up to help disciple new Christians? Call or text me right away at 570-397-0507 if you are interested in helping do remote discipleship.

In addition to our normal operating supporters, we are looking for faithful supporters to get on board with our Holiness Pioneers Initiative. Perhaps God is speaking to you about helping us reach these unreached states. By donating to our Holiness Pioneers fund it will aid us on this trip and we pray there is enough after this trip so we can get more of the needed tent meeting equipment for our upcoming events in Rhode Island.

Thank you for your prayers and support,

Rodney Keister, Missionary Evangelist and Director of EM

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