

Merry Christmas to each of you,

What a blessed time of year to witness to the lost. It is a time it seems more acceptable to talk about Jesus publicly. Even though Christmas is celebrated by so many, many really do not know the real meaning why Christians celebrate it and it is just a false idol involving presents.

One of the saddest stories I have ever heard, was of a little child approaching a grandmother's manger scene, asking why there was a baby in it. The grandmother later wept while explaining to her sister, how her grandchild did not know who baby Jesus was. Just one generation out of the church and the grandchild did not know about the savior.

Dear friends we take for granted that people know who Jesus is. Yes as they age, they eventually learn who baby Jesus was, but many never really know about real salvation. Today, it is multiple generation outside the church for many people. This is why we must be on the street corners, in the city parks, and on the college campuses to tell people about real salvation through Jesus Christ.

This Christmas, give the gift of Eternal Life to some one, share the full Gospel with them, not just who Jesus is, but what they need to do to be saved. Also, you can help give multitudes the gift of Eternal Life by supporting our annual Fund Drive using the Fund drive slip enclosed. When we are fully funded, we can reach more of the lost around the Nation. When funds get low, we must slow down or even stop at times, and then the end result is less people hear about Jesus. So try giving the gift of Eternal Life This Christmas!

It is with great honor I write you today, to share what God has been doing around the USA. God has moved on hearts from PA to NC, OH, IN, KY, and TN. I sincerely hope you enjoy reading all about it in Keister's Chronicles.

## Keister's Chronicles: Mission Trip 70 and more...

While this newsletter is titled September—December 2023 News, I need to step back and report on the conclusion

of August where I missed an event in my last newsletter.

August



with some evangelism efforts in Lancaster, PA. Bro. Henry Galaz and I were able to help the Home Missions God's Missionary Church in Lancaster. There we setup in the downtown with the prayer stand and some signs. Pastor Darrin Fisher and his wife joined us. The Fishers walked around the streets while Henry and I ministered near the prayer stand. We all had opportunities to talk with people. I did some singing and preaching too. It was rather busy for a Saturday

after noon. In September Henry and I also were able to do some street ministry in Downtown Harrisburg and at Penn State Uni-

ended



Video at: EvangelismMission.com/videos/20 versity. It was a good experience for Henry being his first time to do anything like this, God used Henry to minister to many.

We also were able to do a night near the Bloomsburg University Bars. Jonathan Kline, Sr. and Pastor David Wise join us for a good night of preaching and sing. God moved



on hearts. • An encounter with a drug dealer on the streets caused...

The Children were hanging out the window, hollering What influenced more Bible the streets than ever before?

quent when in that part of NC. While in NC, I ministered in Greensboro twice, held a deputation service in Salisbury, NC and taught some classes at Carolina Christian Academy for my son-inlaw Erick Vazquez and my Daughter



I left on trip 70 the end of Sept with the first stop at the Pilgrim Holiness Church in Archdale, NC. They have the best location for me to park the motorhome College Students to come out on because they are most central to many of the places I fre-



Gabrielle. They are doing well at CCA and in addition educating students, they are ministering to and discipling students. Erick is also the new assistant pastor at Bethel Global Methodist.

The most memorable moment of the two Greensboro events, was the night time preaching with Sean Lentini and his family and friends. Look Sean up on Facebook, he has street ministry events frequently in northern NC. You can watch the Greensboro video for a glimpse of our night downtown. God was their!

Next stops were a mission service at Middleport, OH, preaching in Rutland, OH, followed by chapel services and evangelism events with Allegheny Wesleyan College (AWC).

I've noticed three main factors that highly influence Bible College Students to get involved in evangelism events when I visit their campuses. One is when I have opportunity to speak in their chapels or teach in their classes. The another one is when faculty and/or staff get involved and go out to evangelize with us. When a leaders at a Bible College spends time encouraging students to go and then setting the example of going, we see good results. The third effective way to increase involvement, is when a pro-evangelism student get energized to rally his peers to participate. All three happened on this trip and each school set new record attendance at



evangelism events with Evangelism Mission. Thank you to all who helped from each of the Bible Colleges I visited on Mission Trip 70. Thousands have been reached because you went!

AWC has now set the greatest number of students ever out on an evangelism event with us. 23 Students and a Faculty member Jordon Satterfield, helped make up our team of 25 on the streets of Akron, OH and some also went to Akron University. Take a look at the large group in the banner picture at the top of this letter.



most amazing things happened right as we were about to pack up to leave. School buses started parking all around us. So we keep the street meeting going a little longer than

planned. Soon the school left out and we were very busy with Gospel tracts and the children were so excited they were hanging out the windows hollering "Praise the Lord," and singing along with the children's hymns our group was singing. It was like a children's revival broke out. Halleluiah! We also had a day of evangelism



at Kent State University, many AWC students participated there too.

Next, I arrived at Union Bible College (UBC). I represented out mission work at their annual World Changers Week. Bro. James Plank preached amazingly solid messages. In all the sessions I attended, the speaker did a great job. Sister Shannon Buckler, UBC's Christian Service Director, did a great job rallying students to come out on the streets with us. Thus, UBC set their highest evangelism event participation with us ever. Bro. Sanders, their Maintenance director drove the van and assisted on the streets. Also, Wesley one of their maintenance workers helped too. Its not just faculty that make a difference on the streets, all three UBC staff were an asset to reaching the lost and enabling us all to get to downtown Indianapolis. Amy New, from Kokomo, IN, a parishioner of World Changers Week, signed up to help and went along too. She was also a big help with her gift of one on one witnessing. Everyone did a great job singing and speaking during the street meeting. Thank you to all who helped.

Amy was able to be used of God to lead two people to pray for salvation during our evangelism event. I'll share an abridge testimony written by Amy New:

"I would like to begin 1st of all by giving God All the Praise for what took place that day in Indianapolis, IN. I am also grateful for the opportunity to street preach & share the Gospel in a group setting. It was truly fabulous and I would very much recommend it to anyone.

After preaching, I decided to head down and talk to individuals about Jesus. There was a mom and daughter I talked with. The mom said she was saved and that her husband was in Indy from Tennessee for a conference regarding his ministry. But when I talked to the daughter who was 8 years old, she didn't know what it meant to be born again. So I spoke to her concerning sins she may have committed and asked her if she had done them in the last week. She said yes. I told her that you can't get to heaven with sin in your heart, and that she must ask JESUS to forgive her sins, and come into her heart. I asked her if she would like to be forgiven. She then asked me to help her pray for salvation. I asked her if she was willing to give up sinning. She said yes, and we prayed

together. When we were done, I asked how she felt, and she said it's hard to ex-



plain. Then I suggested we go tell the group what the Lord had done for her.

The other one was a 39 year old man that approached me asking about our group. As I was wrapping things up with another guy. I shared with him our intentions to share the Gospel.

I asked him questions regarding sins that The Lord specifically gave me to ask. Asking if he were guilty of certain things. One of which I personally was shocked he said yes to about selling things" (drugs) "to others that could harm their bodies and de-



file themselves. He said yes, and he couldn't believe I knew that. I didn't know, but the Lord did.

He then asked me to pray with him for salvation, and I did as the Lord led me. Again, when we were done. He said wow, I really needed that. I felt that prayer and that he was going to change, things were going to be different now.

He said he couldn't wait to tell someone, he was going to go tell someone around the corner from where we were. I did suggest finding a good church to attend and not be to close to the old crowd or he could easily get dragged back down the same road. He was really excited.

There was a demon possessed woman prostituting herself and cussing right by where this gentleman got saved. But by God's help, His work prevailed. This was all done through His power and might. NOT MINE THANK YOU JESUS!!!"

That's amazing folks. God is so great, and here was Amy, first time ever with us on the streets and God mightily used her. What about you? When will you go out on the streets? I'm sure Amy never expected all this to happen. Souls prayed because she surrendered her fears, time, and will to the work of the Lord. Please take time to watch this amazing street meeting unfold in our video, and prayerfully consider what God would have you do next!!!!!

EvangelismMission.com/videos/2023-10-ubc

GBS was my final ministry location before moving on to TN. All three Bible Colleges I visited on this trip set records for the number on the streets with us. GBS was only one behind AWC with 21 Students and two Faculty making a team of 24 counting me. God once again was there in a special way as we ministered through the street meeting, one on one witnessing, and sketch board ministry.



I was grateful for the Burlington Bible Church for hosting a place to park my motorhome. I'm unable to get my mo-

torhome up the GBS ramp to park in their parking lot, so Burlington, KY is one of the closes places that can host me.

From KY it was off to TN. It is a special honor to help then God's Missionary Church with their new church plant in Halls, TN. I have been kept



quite busy ministering to the people on Sundays, preparing their church building and sign for their grand opening scheduled for January 7th. Our new Mission's Media Manager/ Tech guy, Bryan Witt has done a great job designing their website. You may check it out here <u>https://GMCHalls.com</u>. You will also find a link to their Facebook page I started for them on the website. Visit the Facebook page see what's going on. You do not have to have a Facebook account to visit it. Pray for this new church and the plans of doing outreach/ evangelism for this grand opening. If anyone is interest in helping with evangelism/outreach here in TN get in touch with me ASAP.

While volunteering here in Halls, TN, it has been a blessing to have place to park my motorhome. Thank you Halls GMC for hosting me on you grounds, you have made it possible for me to reach out to this area of the USA where I've never visited before.

I have been very inundated with more office work for the church and our mission work than expected. So I've only been able to make two trips to Memphis so far. One for scouting the city and university campus to find good places to evangelize. On my second trip to Memphis, I was able to do some campus ministry at the Univ. of Memphis. God was there is such a loving way. Please pray for Memphis as it is in the top 5 most dangerous cities in the USA. The City NEEDs Jesus! We hope to get this video released some time in late December through early Jan. <u>EvangelismMission.com/videos/2023-11-memphis</u>

I consider Mission Trip 70 concluded with my stay in TN. My next plans are to return to PA in Early February where I have some things schedule in PA before heading to OH and IN. Pray for our upcoming trips and continued ministry in TN with hopes of doing evangelism in MO, TN, AR, and MS also.

Please pray for my mother Rheta Keister. She was diagnosed with MDS cancer and has started Chemo. If the Chemo is effective she may get up to 5 years, if not it could be far less. Pray for her healing and spiritual strength.

Thank you for your prayers and support,

Rodney Keister

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