



## God's Missionary Church

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### Praise God for....

- Those we were able to minister to on the streets and abroad
- Mission deputation services, meeting the expenses of the mission and family support
- The three additional deer God provided to our family in direct answer to prayer that came all in one day
- Making the full time calling to this ministry clear
- The open doors for our OH & cross country mission tours
- Safety in all our travels!
- Purchased New Prayer Stand

# A Full-Time Mission

4 1/2 years in the making

"Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee." Gen. 12:1

This verse above has come to my mind a good number of times since God has called me to leave my current pastorate and venture into the land where He will show me. We are going full-time with the home mission work. We'll continue to operate the evangelism and outreach mission work doing all we have been for years with a few new things on the horizon. Enclosed with this newsletter is an outlined list of the various things we are doing in this mission work.

Proclaiming Clear Biblical Salvation through Jesus Christ who produces a transformed life!

### The Call is Loud & Clear...

In this article I will try to explain the full leading of God that came to us to make His will plainly known to me. After spending time in prayer and hearing the clear call of God, I am going full-time with the mission work. Over the last four and a half years God has been leading and building my heart up to the place where I would go full-time in this evangelistic outreach mission work. I'd like to share the awesome leadings of God for the many areas of our lives which brought me to the conclusion that the time is now.



The Mission - One day, at my church in Northampton, while taking prayer requests, I mentioned Bro. Fred Watson's family (due to his recent passing away). A brother in the Lord then stood and expressed his concern about seeing our senior evangelists & preachers passing from the scene and wondered who was going to go and do the kind of work they have done. (Brother Watson did a lot of home mission style evangelism, going where there were no churches, as well as helping small churches.) At that very moment the Lord's presence fell on my heart, and He said to me: "I want you to go." Later in the same service, a sister stood and shared how sometimes we just need to mind God and do what He wants us to do, no matter what. She went on and on about minding God. And with each word spoken it was like a loving lightening bolt from Heaven ignited my heart with the burden for the salvation of souls and the call to go. These testimonies shocked me with a deeper awareness of God's call. You see, I had been sensing the gentle leading of the Lord to go full-time as a homeland missionary ministering abroad. Now the message was getting louder and louder.

So, from this past January until May 23rd, I have been seeking the Lord about when and how to follow this call of God. During this time, I paid visits to some godly elders in our conference from which I received God-anointed words of knowledge, encouragement, and counsel. The conviction from the Lord that I need to go full-time was ringing louder. I also sensed a deeper vision growing in my heart to help small churches do outreach and hold evangelistic meetings. So, I was also praying to confirm many things with the Lord. Here are just two of the prayers I prayed specifically:

In seeking for confirmation of the call, I prayed like this "Lord, if you really want me to do outreach with small churches, as well as hold training and special services coupled with outreach, (I know when I knock on doors some will open for me to do this, but Lord), so I know this is your sure leading, have someone contact me, and ask me to do the very same thing that you are burdening my heart to do." Within a week, I was asked to visit some small churches, hold evangelism training services, do outreach, and hold special services at both churches on Sunday. Praise God, He demonstrated His will!

Another prayer for confirmation of the full-time call was, "Lord, if this is really what you want me to do, I know I'll probably start holding some revival services from time to time. If this is your will for me to leave the church and go full-time, please have someone ask me about holding a revival meeting." In a little over a week, that question was asked by a board member from a church. Wow! What a confirmation to my prayers! God clearly showed His will!

Three other main concerns on my mind during this process had to do with my church, my home, and my daughter's education. Once again, God was faithful to give me direction.

My Church - I have many concerns for the church I've pastored for 7 years. I want to see this work go on and not falter. I cling to the purpose of this church growing for the sake of the Kingdom of God. The Lord has built up this work from two people, to a functioning church with a congregation strong enough to be self-sufficient. I struggle humanly to let go of that which I've worked hard to build up. (Continued on page 2)

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I've been seeking God deeply for wisdom of what to do. One time I was praying in tears out in the forest, burdened down for my church and how it was going to continue should I leave. It was then God spoke to my heart and assured me that He could see it was taken care of. It would take me a few more weeks to fully let go of the church, but with God's continuous assurance I know I can trust God to see it succeed for the Kingdom. So God has called me to leave my post at Northampton and go full-time in front line evangelism based home mission work.

To my dearly beloved church people, whom I write to now weeping for the sorrow this creates in my heart. Please know that I leave here only at the command of God and I will miss each of you and pray for you! My dear youth; stand strong in the faith, don't give up, be soldiers for the cross and win souls for Christ, you are a mighty group of young people when you set your hearts to serve the Lord!

My Home - While out there praying in the forest, I was deeply concerned about my family's place of residence, and about leaving the secure environment of a parsonage and the steady, small salary from pastoring and transitioning to the life of a full-time missionary living by faith. It was then that God said to me "My Son left Heaven to come to Earth." Wow! Jesus left a place of security for the unknown and certain sacrifice, and He didn't even have a place to call home at times. I'm trusting God and believing He will open a door for us to have a place to live in central PA, and as I take this walk of faith, I ask those who really know how to pray to help us pray through on where God wants us to live.

My Daughter's Education – I have concerns about my daughter heading into high school, for the longest time I've desired for her to attend a conservative Christian school where they still teach victory over our sins and modesty because home schooling is out of our reach right now as a single parent. I watch many Christians loose their children to the world. I do not want to be part of that number. Over the last several years, I have sensed a draw of God for Gabrielle to attend Penn View Christian Academy. I have been inquiring of the Lord for clear direction of how and when to make such a move. The following little testimony was a very vivid call for me:

*It happened when a sermon CD automatically start playing in my CD player. (Let me explain, before you jump to conclusions.) I had placed a sermon by Daniel Stetler in my multi-deck CD player the night before, but I never got to listen to it. In the morning, I found a sermon CD I'd been looking for, (to produce for the ministry), and I put it in the CD-player and listened to it. Upon its completion, the CD-player automatically started playing the Daniel Stetler CD from the night before. (Don't be alarmed, the CD player normally advances to the next CD in the deck.) The real amazing factor was the timing and the very first words of Bro. Daniel Stetler's message. He explained the story of his wife's father being instructed by Fred Watson to put his struggling teenage daughter in Penn View. Then to top it off, later that same day, I received a call from Sister Freer at Penn View, following up with me about the possibility of Gabrielle coming to Penn View. This was not mere happenstance - It was easy to see God was speaking to me through his providential leadings. I knew it was a clear message from God!*

So our God-led intent is to move close enough to Penn View where she can attend from our home by walking or bussing depending on where we get housing, and yet where I can still be in driving distance of some smaller cities and many college campuses in central PA where I can continue to do street evangelism and outreach. I will plan to have known churches in the areas I do outreach so I can direct those who get saved or show interest in Christ to a good church nearby. Hence, I'll be an outreach evangelist to many churches all over the place. I'll continue to do the many other ministries I normally do at home. I'll be free to travel on weekends, school breaks, and summers; thus allowing me to raise my daughter & evangelize locally while she is in school. Gabrielle loves to be part of the ministry too, so I now consider it even more a Keister Family mission work.

I hope you can see and understand that I have not taken this move from pastoring to full-time home missionary work lightly, or made any rash decisions. I have sought the Lord, and awaited His confirmation time and time again. Now, I await the providence of the Lord to work out the large mound of things that need to be conquered to make this change happen and see the work progress for the Glory of God.

So, with all that said, the Lord-willing, this summer we are relocating to central Pennsylvania, where we will operate from our home. My last scheduled Sunday at my church will be the last day of July. I trust now I will be able to dedicate more time to the many things God has called me to do in this ministry. The common location of doing street evangelism will be in some of the nearby smaller cities of central PA. There will be a hopeful increase in producing godly sermons for the media ministry online and on CDs, and more developing of the front-line website for hungry souls to find God and be edified into a strong Christian walk. Adding a new, deeper dedication to help churches in need do outreach and evangelistic services as a by-faith mission based work. Doors are already beginning to open for that kind of ministry. I expect to do more conventions/seminars on outreach techniques, soul winning, discipleship training, and more... I am also open for revival meetings as God opens doors and I will also do fill in where churches need a fill in preacher, as long as they don't interfere with the outreach & evangelism mission work focus. All of this looks like it will keep us plenty busy! Be sure to see the full, outlined list of ministry duties we will be performing included with this newsletter.

## New Sermon Releases on our website:

You may listen to or download many sermon recordings on our websites: [GodsMissionary.com](http://GodsMissionary.com) or the Front-Line website: [FreedomGospel.com](http://FreedomGospel.com). All of our CDs & online sermons are free.

**The Glory of the Cross**  
by Daniel Stetler  
Binghamton Camp 2009

**Specially Made by God**  
by Daniel Stetler  
Binghamton Camp 2009

**Carnality**  
by Barry Arnold  
Penns Creek Camp 2010

**Understanding Holiness as a Nature and a Quality**  
By John Brewer  
Fellowship Campmeeting 2009

**Printing Money....**  
Wish you could print money?  
We do! Actually we print our front line website, [FreedomGospel.com](http://FreedomGospel.com) and a spiritual help phone number right on the trillion and billion dollar bill Gospel tracts.



## Prayer Requests:

- God's leadership for new location in central PA
- For mission deputation services to be scheduled quickly to make people aware of the full-time mission work and to raise immediate support for our relocation
- Packing to move
- Strength for the move, back problems, help needed
- Since going full-time there is a greater need for regular monthly mission support to increase.
- For direction about our family minivan which we used for all our travels, not running well with nearly 200,000 miles on it. (wisdom and provision whether to repair or replace)
- If it be God's Will, a camper and a SUV or truck with good fuel economy capable of pulling a camper; or a motor home with good fuel economy (wisdom and provision)
- Our websites as daughter Gabrielle desires to redesign our ministry websites. Pray for her to have a fast learning rate and wisdom to make the sites just what God wants them to be. We plan to work on this together.
- Wisdom to get Folding Machine for newsletters or have some shop print them.

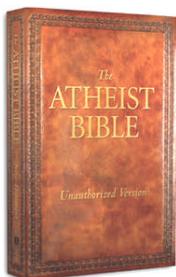
### **Scheduled Events (Lord Willing)**

- ◊ June— Mid. July;  
move to central PA
- ◊ July 16-17  
Evangelism Convention,  
Outreach, Life Testimony  
Carey St. Mission  
Zanesville, Ohio
- ◊ Sept. 18, Outreach at  
SpiritFest, Northampton, PA,
- ◊ Mission Deputation Services  
June 8, New Ringgold, PA  
June 15, Lewisburg, PA  
July 17 PM, Middleport, OH  
July 20, Rutland OH  
July 24 AM, Washington  
Court House, OH  
July 24 PM, Jackson, OH

### **Events in planning stage**

- ◊ Street Evangelism & Outreach Mission tour Joplin, Missouri and Gentry, Arkansas
- ◊ College outreach on opening wknds. PSU, BloomU, etc...

## The Atheist who wanted a Special Bible...



I had purchased some copies of Ray Comfort's "Atheist Bible," with the hopes of giving them to professed atheists when God would open the door to do so. That day came on May 23. I was out on the street with Stevie Tomek, a Penn View Bible Institute student. Bro. Tomek had talked with a professing atheist who refused anything he had to offer. When I found out about it, I captured the atheist's attention by asking him if he had read the Atheist Bible. When he heard this, his interest was peaked. He asked me if this was some reverse psychology attempt on him. I explained in this Atheist Bible that the first section of pages is about many of the atheist basic beliefs. All of a sudden he was interested and took one of the Atheist Bibles. Within a short while, I noticed him standing nearby, and he was reading the Bible. Wow, that was exciting! While Bro. Tomek was pretending to text he was able to capture this picture of the man reading the Atheist Bible.



There is hope for the atheist through God's amazing deliverance. Got any atheists where you are? If so, consider investing in some copies of this Atheist Bible at [LivingWaters.com](http://LivingWaters.com) or (800) 437-1893. These Bibles have 37 pages of things dealing with the atheist basic beliefs head-on where they live. This Bible also contains the whole New Testament followed by some great helps at the end. It is a great tool to reach an atheist.

## Rescue the perishing in America...



Praise God for all the foreign mission fields we reach out to for the propagation of the Gospel. Let us also be critically concerned for the status of America! Our cities, towns, and all areas need to be reached for Christ. As anyone living in the USA can easily see, sin abounds in levels higher and higher each day. Unless we get serious about our nation's decay, we can expect no differences. If we sit by idle and let it rot, why would we blame the devil? If we can notice the problem and offer no help to solve the problem, then we are just part of the problem. The fact is, that in many areas we have not been successful in doing our part to proclaim the Gospel to every creature. Our churches were originally founded on the principle of soul-winning which resulted in new churches springing up across this land. May God help us to get on the front lines to press the battle for lost souls to be rescued from perishing in the tsunami of sin!

It is with that deep hearted purpose God has called our family to the front lines. He is our Commander in Chief. And for every soldier on the front lines there has to be people in the background that are doing their part. In order to fulfill this call of God, with the goal of outreach, centrally focused on winning souls outside the church building doors, we need your help. There is no conference of churches that funds our ministry. This is a mission work that is supported by the people of God through spontaneous, monthly, and church service contributions. In order for us to press the frontier with evangelism for lost souls, we need the people of God to mount up with a burden on their heart to be a prayer warrior, financial supporter, or volunteer. Without this we cannot fulfill the call of God for this mission work. I also, firmly believe there are others to whom God is speaking about being workers in His vineyard. So — to the Christians of this grand nation, I encourage you to earnestly pray about what God wants you to do as part of this mission work, in your home area, or a mission of your own. I firmly believe that as we each humble ourselves before the Lord, God will be faithful to show what He is calling us each to do. Sing that chorus with me:

*Here am I Lord, Send me,  
Here am I Lord, Send me,  
I will serve you faithfully  
Here am I Lord, Send me.*

Did God send one of those lightening bolts of love for the lost through your heart just now?



## New Prayer Stand and IHC Dayton, OH...



Stand was a way to display CDs. As with anything you put out on a stand on the streets, the wind is your enemy, as it blows things off tables. So, with the help of the Lord, I was able to design and build a wind-proof carousel to display my sermon CDs. It took special help from God to get all the wood cut and placed symmetrically with eight equal bays to show the titles of the CDs within a 15-inch diameter circle.



The new CD carousel is a success. I now have people walk up look through the CDs, spinning it round to read the titles. It is also wind proof and was tested in the strong winds at the IHC Street Meeting this year.



This IHC Street Meeting in Dayton was the first time that Bro. Kiser and I were out on the street together since I visited with him before starting my own ministry back in November of 2006. It was great to work together and enjoy such wonderful discussions about the advancement of God's Kingdom in both our ministries and our latest vision for our mission works.



### Drink Down the Drain by a Sermon on CD...

Its amazing to think that things done over a year ago would bring forth fruits now! I was approached by a lady and her children at the Prayer Stand, with the kids saying "Hey, isn't that our pastor where we went to church before?" I was energized as the lady told me her recent story.

She started by telling me how, just a couple of days ago, when she sat down to have a drink, she saw one of our sermon CDs across the room. She got up, put the CD in her stereo, and listened to it. Then she was inspired to get up and dump out the drink. Now here she was, just a couple of days later, and encountered me on the street. This was no coincidence. God had our paths cross at the right time, and He had that CD in the right place at the right time. That CD, which was just lying around the house, was put into action and was used by God to give a new hope and put a new focus in her life. She wanted more CDs to listen to and left the prayer stand with new ambition for the Kingdom of God.

Sermons people can listen to at home are used of God in wonderful ways to help the listener find God and grow in the Lord. Thank you to all of you who contribute. You have been used of God to reach out and help rescue a struggling soul from that drink which could have destroyed her life!



### Hearing myself preach over the phone....

What a thrill to meet a spiritually hungry man on the streets of Allentown! Marshall showed great interest in the sermons on CD, and let me know he would be listening to the CDs when he got home. Within hours of getting

home, he called me to let me know he appreciated the CDs. I could hear myself preaching from a CD in the background over the phone. It was good to know he was listening to them. In another phone call, he shared how he was glad I preached it straight and held nothing back. It encouraged me to know the messages are penetrating his heart. He could not make it to church

the following Sunday, but he has since started coming to church. This past Sunday, he sought the Lord at the Alter.



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Rev. Robby Dicken