

# Evangelism Mission

News Update - June 22, 2015

Greetings in the name of Jesus,

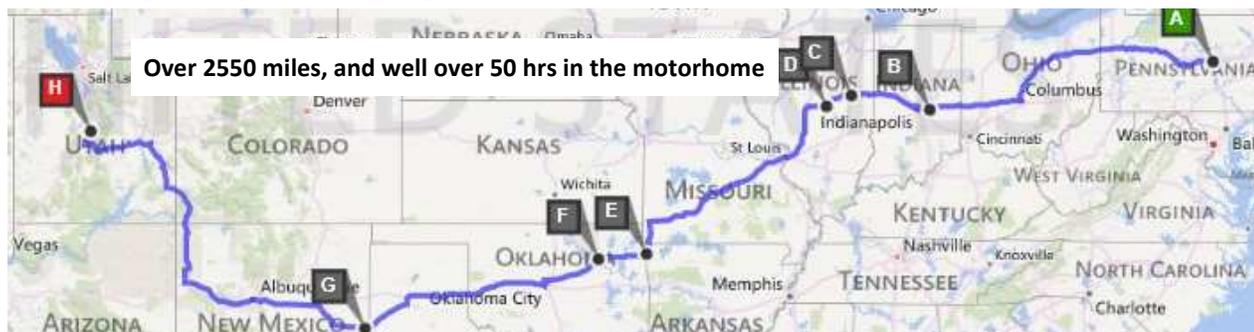
I want to take a moment to send you a news update about our trip, our missionary housing project, and the results of our May Fund Drive.

We are presently in Clovis, NM and departing for Ephraim, UT as soon as this letter is finished and we prepare the motorhome to be moved. We have helped two small churches so far on this trip. At the Church of God in Gentry, AR we did some door to door evangelism and presented the Gospel using Baby The Dog in a Thursday night children's service. Thank the Lord for those who prayed to be saved! In Clovis, NM we helped the Servant's Heart Chapel – a Bible Methodist Church plant. Here we did evangelism training, door to door evangelism, and preached a special Father's Day message called "Triumphant



versation of how the Lord was telling me to make a trip to Utah and evangelize the Mormons. Then to my shocking surprise they told me of a couple they knew who moved to Utah to become missionaries to the Mormons. So for many months now I have been planning a trip to Utah, but was unable to get in contact with Brother Shane Jones who is the missionary to the Mormons. When I finally got in touch with him while driving on this trip, I was splendidly surprised again at the awesome work of the Lord's ordaining hand in everything. You see the timing of our trip is right in line with the "The Mormon Miracle Pageant" in Manti, UT. Another amazing providential work of the Lord is that Bro. Jones will be evangelizing a new Mormon Temple grand opening in Carmel, IN – a few miles south of Union Bible College – the same week we plan to be at the Youth Congress (Great Commission Camp) which is held at UBC's campus this year. Our opportunity to evangelize Mormons just spread to Indi-

- A. Mifflinburg, PA
- B. Greenfield, IN
- C. Urbana, IL
- D. Decatur, IL
- E. Gentry, AR
- F. Tulsa, OK
- G. Clovis, NM
- H. Manti, UT



Victory over Fatherhood Failures," which was a mixture of my father's testimony and my testimony. We give God all the glory for those who sought the Lord. On this trip, in addition to helping some small churches, I shared briefly in the ICHA campmeeting in Greenfield, IN about our mission work during their Home Missions' service. I also spoke in Urbana, IL; Decatur, IL; and Tulsa, OK about our mission work and preached sermons as God led. Praise God for the hungry hearts interested in our mission work of bringing revival across the USA through evangelism to the unchurched.

## Exploration Evangelism, God's Leading for Utah

The Lord willing we are heading to Utah next where we plan to evangelize the Mormons. It has been quite a thrilling adventure to follow the leading of the Lord through His many interesting providential missions. The Utah leading has a blessed testimony that I will share with you now. I was in a series of evangelistic meetings in Tazewell, VA at a Free Will Baptist Church when for three days in a row the Lord started burdening my heart to go to Utah and evangelize the Mormons. The meetings in Tazewell were scheduled to end on Friday and I had Sunday open. I had heard about a children's faith based orphanage that the Free Will Baptists operated in southern VA, and offered to do the special Gospel message I share using our dog. When the children's home director heard about it, he invited us to come to their church across the border in TN and do the special sermon during their Sunday School. This allowed not only the children from the orphanage to be there, but also all their regular Sunday School children. So off we went to Kingsport, TN. While in Kingsport, following the Sunday School service, I attended their regular morning service. To my surprise one of the children who prayed to get saved in our Sunday School service, was sitting right in front of me. I leaned forward and talked to a couple who looked like his grandparents. Surprisingly they let me know that he was a foster child of theirs who came from a Mormon home. Well that sparked a whole con-

ana as well. Please pray for our evangelism to the Mormons in Utah this week and throughout the future as God leads.

## Remainder of Mission Trip

Lord willing we plan to park the motorhome at Bro. Jones housing in Ephraim, UT. Then hope to learn from Bro. Jones some of his techniques of Mormon evangelism, and have three evenings evangelizing Mormons with him and the many others coming from around the USA to the Mormon event this week. Then we are off to Phoenix, AZ for a mission service and some city street evangelism. From there we go on to Sacramento, CA – another area God has told me to go on this trip. Pray for us as we do street evangelism in various CA cities as God leads. A big thank you to the Allegheny Wesleyan Church in Sacramento for allowing us to park and use their utilities while in CA. We have been ministering or travelling almost nonstop since we have left on June 12, and will not get a day off until we get to CA some time around July 1st. Pray we get a few days break while in CA. Often when we get a few days off they get filled with necessary work like housekeeping, repairs and shopping for supplies. Pray we really get a few days break this time!

When we leave CA a few days after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, we plan to spend a day or two in the Salt Lake City area of Utah on our way to Westfield, IN for Youth Congress. God is also wanting me to explore the possibility of helping to initiate a new conservative church in Utah. So pray we hear the voice of the Lord clearly as to where and understand when to initiate this work. If there is a future church plant, I am looking for a pastor called to Utah. If you know of anyone with a call to Utah, please get them in touch with me.

We have been blessed with mission services and offerings throughout our trip west, and are confident of arriving in Sacra-

- A. Manti, UT
- B. Phoenix, AZ
- C. Sacramento, CA
- D. Salt Lake City, UT
- E. Davenport, IA
- F. Westfield, IN
- G. York, PA



mento with the expected income from a mission service on this trip. Unfortunately, the return trip does not have any mission services scheduled so far, which always brings a bit of concern when travelling over 3000 miles to get home by July 18<sup>th</sup>. With that said, please pray about our financial needs to make a successful trip home and consider this work of the Lord in your time of giving over the next couple of weeks. Pray God would open doors for more mission services on our return trip. I can sympathize with the disciples when Jesus told them to travel without a purse. It is truly a life of faith that God has called me to. He has supplied our needs for over 8 years now through many means including those of you who whole heartily stand behind this work of the Lord. Thank you so much for minding God!

### Missionary Housing Project

The Lord's providence is amazing, little did I know the first missionary to use our space for a longer duration would be a new missionary with our own work. Praise the Lord! We have built two bedrooms and a living room/dining room area in the upstairs of our building. We have also built a full bathroom with a washer and dryer hook up, and a combined kitchen & dining area downstairs. This gives our multipurpose home a total of 4 bedrooms, two kitchens, two laundry areas, two dining areas, two bathrooms, one small restroom, one living room & dining room combined, mission office, storage room, and a living room which is also used as a counseling area. This will give us a house with private entrance guest areas for missionaries, or ministers in transition. Brother Nathan Yohe has moved in our private entrance guest areas upstairs, and Gabi and I still have bedrooms upstairs connected to the downstairs. While these areas are fully built, there still remains a lot of finishing work. We need to finish a lot of painting, suspended ceiling grid and tile work, kitchen/bathroom cabinet installations, and the flooring in most areas of the house needs to be replaced because it is over 20 years old and wearing out in many areas. Our hope this winter, is to build one more bedroom downstairs making it possible for elderly missionaries to not have to use stairs. Please pray for God's will to be fulfilled.

I had to make a decision on the direction of the building ownership after I explored options and counselled with several brethren and a few of our church leaders. Since there was not a clear alignment of vision, nor a consensus of opinion to make the building a part of our mission work, I decided to undertake responsibility for the ownership of the building personally and dedicate the use to God's work. I have paid for all the expenses of the building materials with my personal salary and housing allowance. The space in our house used by the mission will be rented to the mission at a rate below what the mission could ever rent anywhere else. This will help to cover the cost of the areas that the mission

will be using. Maybe someday the building can become a non-profit building but for now I see this as the present direction of the Lord. Pray God gives me wisdom to fulfill His leading with the building. Lord willing, we plan to finalize the purchase of the building next summer at the end of our agreed five year plan to purchase.

Thank you for all of the volunteers from various local churches in the Snyder/Union/Northumberland county areas of PA. With my severe disc problems in my back, I am very limited in what I can do myself. I want to say a special thank you to the brothers and sisters from the House of Prayer church in Milmont, PA who spent a lot of time day after day to help this project get as far as it has so Nathan Yohe could move in, and we could leave on our trip. It was critically important we had lots of volunteers or a God's Missionary Home Missionary pastor and missionary with our mission would not have had a place to live. When the Children of God all pull together much can be accomplished for the Kingdom! Thank you to all who helped from the local congregations, we could not have been functional without your help!

### May Fund Drive Results

In May we launched a fund drive with a goal of \$12,000 to cover various mission expenses. We Praise God for the \$7,953.54 that came in. We were able to meet most of our goal, if any one feels led of the Lord to help conquer the remaining balance of our goal that would be a blessing, otherwise we will just have to keep making installments on the remaining expenses and unfortunately continue to pay interest. Our average monthly budget is \$5500 - \$7000. You have been such a help through the years to make this mission work possible. Thank you to each of you for all your help both in prayer and with your donations. To God be the Glory for all He has done!



Thanks for your prayers and support,  
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