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Greetings to our wonderful subscribers,

Thanksgiving and Christmas are wonderful times to remind us of all God has done for each of us. He is so wonderful that mere words cannot describe His greatness!



We are celebrating the 15th year of our mission work. God led to start doing street mission work near the end of November 2006 and by Dec 18th the mission was officially started under the home mission department of God's Missionary Church. I started as a home missionary evangelist serving within the God's Missionary Church conference, then slowly over the next few years the mission work grew to be more than just a denomination's street mission work and our name changed from God's Missionary Evangelism to Keister's Street Evangelism and Outreach Ministry. As we continued to grow both outside the GMC conference and in numbers of frequent volunteers and missionaries it was evident that "Keister's" was too personal and we needed a name that reflected our mission work better. Through prayer about a name for our mission work, God led me to use "Evangelism Mission." Across these many years God has been faithful to lead us to take the Gospel to each of the contiguous United States, and Washington D.C. While we have grown in numbers of workers, volunteers, and states we ministered in, our focus, purpose, and God led ministry has always been about winning souls and training others to do the same.

For our 15th anniversary, please pause right now to pray that God would provide wisdom and his clear leadership to write the next chapter of our lives, and that God would send laborers.

God working through your prayers and giving are what sends us across the USA and brings the Gospel to needy souls. Thank you for your many prayers and your faithful financial support.

In this letter I want to share about the many things that have happened since I last wrote to you in September and about our year end fund drive.

**Keister's Chronicles (Mid Sept—Nov)**

**Mission Trip 59**

The trip went well. I was able to hold a couple deputation services in NC and campus evangelism at UNC in Greensboro, NC. I also took a short trip to Atlanta, GA to do some scouting on where to hold the EFM tent meeting for the end of Oct. I found a few spots that might work and relayed info and some pictures to Bro. Eric Himelick to coordinate with the city for the use of a park in Atlanta.

**Home & Headquarters Moved**

Shortly after returning from Trip 59 it was time to start packing and begin moving. It was a real let down to say good by to the place in Mifflinburg, PA that was home to our family and mission office for over 10 years. We enjoyed our time there as a family, our office, the mission guest areas, and youth recreation area in the basement. Over the years we long term housed 4 people who worked for our mission, housed many missionaries on a short term bases, had some subsidized boarders of PVBI students over the summers and on other breaks, and also over flow guest housing for PVBI missions convention and the Central PA youth convention.

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I moved to the Mifflinburg house back in 2011 through answered prayer by God's direction and providence for a rent-to-own arrangement. Unfortunately since there was never anything in writing for the arrangement, the banks would not allow the work done in the building as equality when attempting to get the mortgage. Even with very good credit, without the value of the years of work and hardware we had in the building to aid equality for the purchase process, we were unable to secure a mortgage by the owners time frame. I've learned a lot through this, especially that at times God's direction changes based on others involved and that sometimes in life we are part of another persons trials. All the renovation across the years done in the building, came directly from my income. I have personally invested a lot in the building to do what God led me to do and had to walk away loosing \$15,000-\$25,000 personally to be benefit of the sale of the building to another person. Please pray that God would restore my personal losses. Even though there were great loses, there is still good news to our move!

My brother and mother bought a home together little over 5 years ago. Then a few years ago my brother got married and moved out. With me needing a place, this house seemed like a good fit.



So the Lord willing, I'm in the process of buying my brother's half of the house or possible the whole house. This will allow me to have a more economical place to live, a place for the mission office, and a full hook up for the motorhome, and a special treat of getting more time to be around my wonderful mother in her senior years. For many years, mom has been one of our mission work newsletter stuffing volunteers, and would often ask, can we do the stuffing at her house, well now she gets her wish.. LOL.

This move came with a lot of work and downsizing. We started the moving process shortly before leaving for Trip 60 and then finished up when I returned from Trip 60. I had to sell about 80% of all our furnishings. The things owned by the mission were sold and went to the mission general fund. My sold possessions helped me pay for the labor to move out. I am also thankful for the few volunteers.

Missionary housing may live on since Lewis Ray and Amy Hoover moved back from pastoring in Florida and are in the process of creating an Airbnb rental unit adjacent to the their home only about 6 miles from Mifflinburg. Since we had to shutdown our mission guest areas, and the Hoovers bought nearly all the mission guest furniture and a lot of my personal furniture, it planted a seed in the Hoover's hearts to also use their Airbnb rental unit for free guest areas for missionaries when not rented. So praise the Lord the mission guest area in Union County PA will live on!

So after an exhausting move, we have started the many projects at the new place including the new office building project, creating a RV hookup for the motorhome, and moving of the car port to make room for the motorhome.

**Building a New Office**

The new house had a small building attached to the side of the garage. We thought a little renovation to the 12x14 existing structure would make a good office for the mission, but to my surprise just two days before moving the office I found out it would take a lot of work. This small building had a hot tub in it for many years and the moister and carpenter ants had recked havoc on the wood structure.



As you can see by looking at the studs near the concrete, what some of the damages were. The more were investigated the failing structure, the more we realized it need to be completely torn down to the concrete slab and rebuilt. So this is a major urgent building project.

In this picture below you can see the start of the office building project. We have started construction by faith that we will raise the estimated \$7000-8000 for the office building project. Building materials are high right now, but we are thankful we can get a head start on the project by buying the materials at 0% interest for 6-18 months. We would like to pay it all off through the fund drive funds. Pray more volunteers to help, all the funds all come in, and we would complete the office build before any serous snow storms arrive. Our office is temporarily setup at the God's Missionary headquarters building in Penns Creek. We praise God for this temporary office space.



**Mission Trip 60**

Trip 60 took place in the middle of my moving madness. I went to OH and IN for some deputation services, UBC's World Changers Week, a revival meeting and campus evangelism. I also had to make a stop at the Amish RV refrigerator center in Shipshewana, IN and have the motorhome refrigerator replace. Thank the Lord, the refrigerator was half the price of retail.

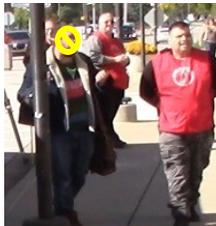
I am grateful for the deputation services in OH and IN. The revival services at the Wesleyan Holiness Church in Indianapolis were blessed by the presence of the Lord and seekers. To God Be The Glory.

World Changes Week at UBC is always a joy. I represented the mission there and was able to attend some of the sessions of the event. One of the big blessings was meeting a young lady's new husband at the convention. I use to pastor Alissa Wrightsman back in 2001, she got married to Charles (aka: Jason) Black. Bro. Black has a real heart to reach the lost. Many joined us for the IUPUI evangelism event including the Blacks, David Gilbert



& Erika Regalado (students from UBC), and Harold Taylor from the Beech Grove church.

The IUPUI campus evangelism reached a lot of souls with the Gospel. Many of us had opportunity to pray with people about various needs. Erika, Jason (an Iraq veteran), and I were all led of God to do some preaching on campus. Unfortunately when Jason was fired up preaching a heckler decided to be severely disrespectful to God and Jason. God helped Bro. Taylor to lead the man aside and ministered to him one on one allowing us to continue ministering. Bro. Taylor was able to defuse the man's quarrel and was in contact with him over the phone a few days later. Please pray for the man to find God. You may watch some of the video footage of the event here: <http://EvangelismMission.com/videos/2021-11-IUPUI>



My final stop of Trip 60 was to be Atlanta, GA to team up with EFM. Unfortunately due to lack of laborers and that I had to be moved out of the Mifflinburg house by the end of Oct we have to postpone the Atlanta tent meeting until Lord Willing 2022.

After returning from Trip 60 I returned home to finish up the moving thru the end of Oct. Oct and Nov's ministry action was low because of all the moving and work at the new house. My heart aches for the lost month of evangelism efforts because of the move.

### November—Post Move

November was spent working on creating a place behind the garage and new office to park the motorhome. This involved moving a carport lower in the yard and spreading 59 tons of stone to the tune of \$1300. We also started building the new office and RV hookup for the motorhome.



My mother Rheta and sister Amy made a few days trip with me for Gabrielle's wedding in Elkin, NC. My estranged wife Kim and I



walked her down the aisle and Gabi's Grandpa Owens gave her away. We welcome her husband Erick Vazquez to the family who is the campus pastor at Carolina Christian Academy in Thomasville.

Upon returning from the wedding it was time to produce this letter.

### The Lord willing, our Plans for December and Trip 61

I expect it will take much of December to finish the office construction and move the office. Then we need to work on the upstairs of the house. I am living full time in the motorhome for right now until I can do the necessary remodeling in the upstairs. It was last used a few years ago by my brother and his daughter. Unfortunately with no one living up there some birds got in around an AC unit and wreck havoc in the finished attic. It will require all the carpet removed and supper cleaning of walls. It would be very helpful with my foot and joint problems if I had a mini apartment not just a bedroom up because steps are painful for me. Please join me in praying for God's leadership, timing and funding to proceed with the renovation of the upstairs. If things go late with the office construction,

the upstairs may have to wait until I return in April from Trip 61. In addition building projects, I plan to evangelize some universities, cities, and Christmas events in PA. Pray for souls to be saved.

So far the leading for Mission Trip 61 is to leave the 2nd week in Jan following all the year end office work and go to VA, NC, SC, GA, FL, AL, MS, LA, TX, NM, AZ, CA, UT and ending in Gatlinburg TN for IHC in April. The plan is to do ministry along the way at universities and to help small churches where we can. If you know of small churches that could use some outreach help along our path, please reach out to me and get on our schedule. There are several who have interest in meeting up with me at some points along the way to help for a week or more with the evangelism abroad. Pray for these volunteers to be able to help and for more laborers.

Pray for Doug Gardei a frequent office helper who has taken on being our interim bookkeeper since Jeffrey moved on from the treasurer position. Jess, his wife, helps with cleaning and some office things too. I'd like to say a big thank you to Jeffrey Neidermyer for serving as the mission treasurer since May of 2017!



### Holiness Pioneers, LV & SLC update

Las Vegas and Salt Lake city are some of the primary goals on the 2nd half of the Trip 61 planned for March. I consider these two cities part of the Holiness Pioneers vision to see churches launched there. The church we launched in Salt Lake City back in November of 2020 still has no workers since our SLC worker left this past May. Please join us in praying God would send laborers there. We had to discontinue the zoom based church services to SLC as it was too difficult without a key person to head up outreach and link up with me for the services. I am trying to meet via zoom with our parishioners at least once a month when possible. Please pray for our key SLC men, Dr. Wilson and James, as they are without a local holiness church.

Thank you,  
Rodney Keister

## 2021 End of Year Fund Drive

Its hard to image another year is almost over and its time to launch our end of year fund drive. For many years we have been doing at least one fund drive a year. These fund drives have greatly helped us to mind God and aid in achieving His will for reaching the lost across the USA. I'll be very brief this year and get right to the point.

We have several areas to address in this years fund drive:

Our office building project. The office is the heart of our treasury and communication to each of you. It contains our file server, printing equipment, and all the records. We have printed over a half a million piece of paper for the work of the Lord. We need to raise approximately \$7000-8000 for the construction and another \$1100 to complete the buyout on our large copier/printer that has saved us thousands already by printing in-house.

General fund covers operations and many office expenses & labor.

My missionary expenses includes all the travel & related expenses and the income necessary for me to continue in the labor of the Lord. This year the move has cost a lot and all the work we've done and are still working on to make a RV hookup by the new office. In addition to the goal below, your prayers, support and volunteering are greatly needed to achieve livelihood at the new location.

Finally we would like to wrap up the Motorhome Launch expenses and reimbursements. We started this project in January after we bought the motorhome. The motorhome is crucial to our operation!

The figures below are what we hope and pray to raise thru the end of 2021 and to give us a thrust into 2022. Below is a cut-out response card with the specific figures. Please prayerfully considering help with this end of year fund drive. Thank you!

#### Office Building Project and Printer Buyout (goal \$9100)

\$5000 \$2500 \$1000 \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 \$25 \$\_\_\_\_\_

#### General Fund (goal \$3000)

\$1000 \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 \$25 \$\_\_\_\_\_

#### Keister's Support (Goal: \$11,500)

\$5000 \$2500 \$1000 \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 \$25 \$\_\_\_\_\_

#### Motorhome Launch Project (\$15,000 raised, \$5300 remaining)

\$2500 \$1000 \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 \$25 \$\_\_\_\_\_

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