

## Rodney Keister's Spring 2017 Newsletter

Preaching at Marti Gras, New Orleans, LA in Feb of 2017

**Praise the Lord Everyone. GOD is SO Great!**

It was a dark night, not any darker as far as light goes, but the presence of evil was everywhere. People were drunk, trash filled the streets to just below the knee along the curb, and people, young and old, were everywhere. Because of circumstances out of my control, I was here all alone in the midst of this vile place. While I was concerned to be out late at night on the streets in this wretched city, I had a sense of assurance that God would protect me. I made my way through the crowd to the corner where the Lord wanted me to preach from. After preaching for a little while I noticed a man who was standing nearby. He stayed close by. He wasn't like the rest of the people here at this awful event. I wonder why he just stayed nearby. To Be continued....

As you read through my mission chronicles, join me for more adventures on the streets of the USA. I trust the Lord will bless you to glorify His name and that you would be stirred to witness the Gospel truth to your community. To God Be The Glory!

### One of our Lord's Great Commission scriptures read:

"And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins." Acts 10:42-43

Some "Christians" and people of the world don't think we should publicly preach God's Judgment, yet these scriptures say otherwise. Friend, we must preach the WORD with fire and warn the lost before it is too late, that they may truly believe unto full repentance and receive remission of their sins!

My burden to preach on the streets is growing ever stronger by the day. For years I did a lot of one-on-one and prayer stand ministry, and still do, but what the Wonderful Lord has shown me is that while those methods are good and needful, they only reach the receptive. When we lift our voice on the streets and Cry Aloud with God's Word, everyone gets the Word of God, not just the receptive. Please join me on the streets in person, or at least by watching our videos of street meetings at [EvangelismMission.com/channel](http://EvangelismMission.com/channel)

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### Keister's Chronicles: October 2016 — March 2017

I want to back up and report on a few things from 2016 that I ran out of space to write about. Then bring you up to date on what's been going on in some of 2017.

Back in the beginning of October during my mission trip #34 through the New England states, one of my stops was to help a small church in Haverhill, Massachusetts. There with Pastor Josh Withe at the Pilgrim Holiness Church, we did Door-to-Door evangelism in the evenings and on Saturday did daytime campus evangelism while he was working. I also held some special services to reach the community at their church. We had knocked on many doors and had a total of 8 visitors. One of the services was the "Too Many Masters" Sermon with Baby The Dog. There was a couple that showed up and when the altar call was given, John responded and was gloriously saved along with two others who came forward and prayed to be born again. Pastor Withe has been faithful to provide discipleship lessons. John has had some struggles, but we know God is working. Please pray for John to continue to



## Join Our Team

It is an adventure of a lifetime to work for God!

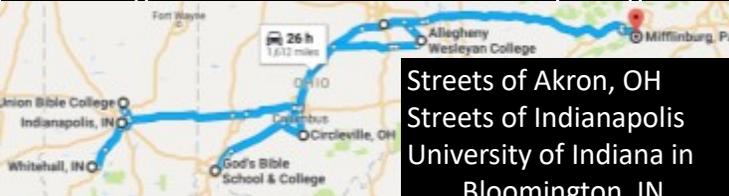
serve the Lord. And John, if you read this, know that I am praying for you and have confidence you will be strong in the Lord!

Mission Trip #35 was from October 11th through November 5th. It was the first time Bill and Sharon Potak went with me as volunteers. Our first stop was Whitehall, IN at the Whitehall Holiness Church, part of the ICHA. There I held a mixed meeting, made up of 3 days of



### Mission Trip 35

Evangelism Convention & Revival Meeting in Whitehall, IN / University Evangelism / Street Evangelism / Event Evangelism at Pumpkin Show in Circleville, OH / Mentoring Bible College Students in Street and University Evangelism



Evangelism Convention and 3 days of Revival Meetings. God helped greatly. During the days we evangelized at many doors in the Whitehall area and were also able to do daytime campus evangelism with Gabrielle. We held a late night evangelism event near Indiana University in Downtown Bloomington as well. We thank God for all who sought the Lord!

From Bloomington we moved on to Union Bible College where I did the "Too Many Masters" Sermon in the children's Chapel and visited with Gabrielle. Then it was on to Circleville, OH to evangelize at the Pumpkin Show. Then on to Cincinnati.

In Cincinnati, I substituted for Dr. Mark Bird at GBS and taught a lesson on Evangelism after which I took students out to the University of Cincinnati for campus evangelism. I was also able to mentor GBS students downtown in street preaching as well as in how to deal with an attack on our free speech, as a lady tried to run us off public property. Then we represented our mission work at the GBS missions convention for a few days.

Our final stop was at AWC where I spoke briefly in Chapel and took AWC students to Akron for street Evangelism.

Upon arriving home after two consecutive mission trips covering a span of over 6 weeks, I fell out the motorhome door when the automatic steps failed to be out. I nearly broke my leg and did mess up ligaments. I spent the next 10 days on crutches, getting healed up.

While a large portion of Nov. was spent recovering from my wounds, writing our Nov. newsletter, and doing



### Join Our Team—Help Wanted

#### Missionary Evangelists, Guitar Player, and/or Singers

Evangelize the USA with Bro. Keister for 8-9 months across multiple mission trips throughout each year. Looking for people who do some or any of these things: play the guitar and/or sing and assist with various type of mission work here in the USA. Music and singing not required but helpful. Please call ASAP.

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office work, I did do some evangelism at Penn State University with Nathan.

December was our annual evangelism event at Christkindl Market in my home town of Mifflinburg. We also spent much time writing and producing another newsletter, fund drive letters,



and emails as well as doing more office work.

The Beginning of Jan. was saturated with working with Nathan on our belated conference reports and Calendar End of Year report preparations, as well as preparing to leave on another long mission trip.

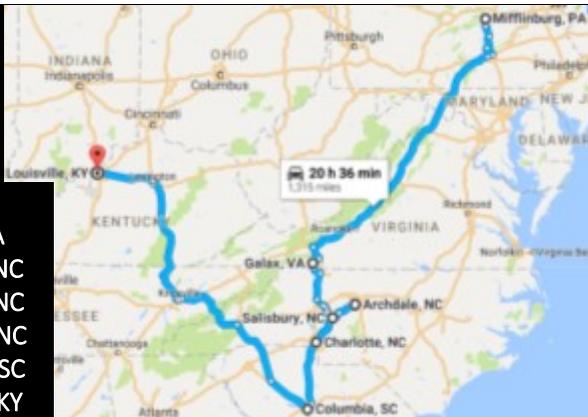
Mission Trip #36 started on Jan. 17th and ended March 10th. Bill and Sharon Potak also assisted for their 2nd trip. They have been such a big help on both the Fall and Winter Trips.

Without taking the time to write all the details of each stop, I have prepared slides that show Phase 1 & 2 of our trip marking the stops. I will point out a few details and invite you to watch the videos that I'll be releasing soon (Lord willing.) We held some mission deputation services in Galax, Archdale, Charlotte, and Columbia. We also did the "Too Many Masters" sermon at the Christian Academy in Salisbury, NC. Praise the Lord for what He did in children's hearts. We also did pro-life street ministry and preached to a crowd in downtown Charlotte, NC. (Video...soon)

### Mission Trip 36

#### Phase 1

Galax, VA  
Salisbury, NC  
Archdale, NC  
Charlotte, NC  
Columbia, SC  
Louisville, KY



In Louisville, KY, we participated in Operation Save America's Leadership Meetings and did some pro-life street ministry around a clinic. Praise the Lord for the 3 mothers who were influenced to keep their babies and walked away from doing an abortion. Pray for those mothers and babies.

From Louisville our Mission Trip #36 continued on to DeRidder. It was a great honor to work with the Pilgrim Nazarene Church in DeRidder, LA. There I held an Evangelism Convention and did Door to Door Evangelism. One of the neat things is how God brings you to people's houses and then puts a burden on your heart to pray for them. I was especially burdened for one home and felt strongly I needed to return to it the next day. But I could not remember where it was. God works in mysterious ways, as we ended up getting wrapped around an unusually-shaped city block and somehow ended up back at that house, which was blocks off of our walking course. I was shocked to find a young man home who wanted to come to the meetings. His brother had destroyed his flyer and now he had no idea how to reach us or where to go.



### Evangelism Mission Trip # 36

Phase 2  
DeRidder, LA  
Gloster, MS  
Mardi Gras, New Orleans, LA  
Tuscaloosa, AL  
Mississippi State University  
Westfield, IN

Praise the Lord, through the mighty hand of God, we were back at his door again. His name was "Believin". That's right "Believin." I say praise the Lord, for seeing sure was "Believin." "Believin" was such a fresh breath to the meetings and even played his guitar in the services. He really enjoyed worshipping with us and sought the Lord for a closer walk at the altar. There is a lot more to this story that perhaps will make the book that I'm writing.

It was nice to hear the testimonies of the brethren in DeRidder, how the Evangelism Convention changed their lives. One brother said, "I Will Never Be the Same Again!" Oh how I wish all our churches would catch a real life-changing vision to win the lost! To God be the Glory for how hearts were changed!

From DeRidder, I went to visit a new friend I made through another friend. Charlie Kennon in Gloster, MS. What a Godly Brother he is and Godly family he has. It turned out that our visit with them was right during a Street Preacher's Camp Meeting held at his church. After some great times of fellowship and some motorhome repairs, we were off to New Orleans.

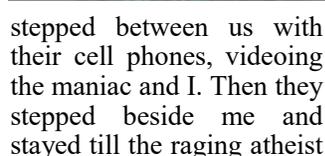
The Holiness Church in Ponchatoula, LA hosted us with a place to park about an hour from the city. They also have been without a pastor and I was able to fill in for a Sunday and share about our mission work too.

I started this newsletter with a teaser about a dark, evil place. That place is New Orleans during Marti Gras. I felt so clear of the Lord that I needed to preach there this year and I may return again as the Lord leads.

Praise God, I know the Word was preached and people got help, but perhaps I was the one who got the most help. I was amazed that while I was in that wicked place seemingly all alone, I was not alone! The man that was diagonal beside/behind me kept affirming me that he appreciated what I was preaching. It wasn't for a little while that I realized this man was staying right here near me. I still wonder if he was an angel, because after a short time of preaching, a raving Atheist showed up and start getting nasty with me. Then to my amazement, a few young men



showed up just as the man was going ballistic on me and waving his arms at me. I was not sure if he was so angry he was going to hit me or not. Then both of the young men



stepped between us with their cell phones, videoing the maniac and I. Then they stepped beside me and stayed till the raging atheist left. Soon another two street preachers showed up and by then it was time for me to go. So I was never alone because God was there, some young men stepped between me and danger, and perhaps an angel was standing by. I still have not compiled the videos and don't know how to beep out the constant foul language yet, but I am looking forward to releasing it soon.



I had to leave Marti Gras earlier than planned as our case finally came up in Federal Court in Tuscaloosa, AL. This was just a Preliminary Injunction hearing but it was best I was present. Praise the Lord, Tuscaloosa, was right on my way north to Indiana, so it was not far off my course. I wish I had good news, but the judge did not grant us the Preliminary Injunction we sought, so it will have to go to full trial. Please pray for this case. Just as a reminder or notification for those who don't know or remember, I am not in trouble with the Law. The Law is in trouble with God and I. They violated my civil rights and the Center for Religious Expression has taken my case. Pray for our free speech rights to be allowed in AL. More at a later date.... Sign up for our email to get current events more quickly.

Lord willing I'll pick up with my Keister's Chronicles starting again in mid March 2017 for my Summer Newsletter. (see the accompanying Praise, Prayer, and Project List)

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and Lord of Lords: Jesus Christ,

Bro. Rodney Keister

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