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FROM THE EDITOR

"Truly I tell you," Jesus said to them, "no one who has left home or wife or brothers or sisters or parents or children for the sake of the kingdom of God will fail to receive many times as much in this age, and in the age to come eternal life." (Luke 18: 29-30)

Sometimes as we evangelists travel from one meeting to the next, we often miss important times with our families. This last "Father's Day," I had just closed a blessed camp meeting with Dr. Gary Henecke at Suwannee Holiness Camp Grounds in White Springs, Florida. "Father's Day" was the closing Sunday of the camp meeting. After the morning service, I headed for Bloomington, Illinois to preach and sing at the Illinois Holiness Camp Meeting. Since this was going to be a 945 mile trip, I planned to have a good meal around Nashville, TN and then get back on the road.

As I was travelling Interstate 24, I asked my smart phone where an Outback Steakhouse might be. The answer was to go a short distance on I-24 to the 78B exit and on to the Outback in Murfreesboro, TN just east of Nashville. I was very hungry so I was really looking forward to a big dinner. When I entered the steakhouse, I was told by the hostess that it might be a thirty minute wait. I debated waiting that long but decided I needed to take a break from behind the wheel. As I was waiting, I sat with several people all talking or looking at their cell phones. I also had mine out and was looking at pictures of my family and our grandkids and probably grinning and enjoying the photo album.

When my buzzer went off, I closed the cell phone and followed the hostess to a two person booth and prepared to order. I ordered the coconut shrimp appetizer and the 11 oz. sirloin with a baked potato with extra butter and a house salad with extra blue cheese. After the waitress brought me water, some bread, and the appetizer, I re-opened my phone to smile at the grandkids

again until the steak arrived. The restaurant was full of people, many of whom were celebrating "Father's Day" with their families. I enjoyed watching the hugs and kisses and presents given to dads all around me. I took out my wallet and put my credit card on the table, to indicate to my waitress that I needed to go and get back on the road.

When my waitress came back to my table she informed me that my bill had already been taken care of. I immediately looked around the room, but did not recognize anyone. With a stunned look on my face I asked "Who paid my bill?" I believe I saw tears on the cheeks of a smiling waitress when she explained to me what had taken place. She told me that there was a woman who had been watching me enjoying my meal and probably had seen me looking at my wife, children, and grandchildren's photos on my cell phone. She explained to the waitress that she was missing her dad and wanted to do something nice to honor him. For a few moments that night, I was blessed by a daughter I had never met before and became a dad for few moments to someone missing her dad. I managed to get up, thank my waitress, and get halfway to my car before tears flooded my eyes. As I sat in my car in the parking lot of the Outback I thanked Jesus again and again for His watch care over me. I never cease to be surprised by how he blesses me in this present age and then to know we will be together for eternity is beyond words to express.

If in God's providence you read this and are the one responsible for blessing this evangelist on Sunday night June 19, 2016 at the Outback Steakhouse in Murfreesboro, TN my prayer is that you are already a daughter of the King, my sister in the faith, and the one I'll be looking to thank in person at God's big house.

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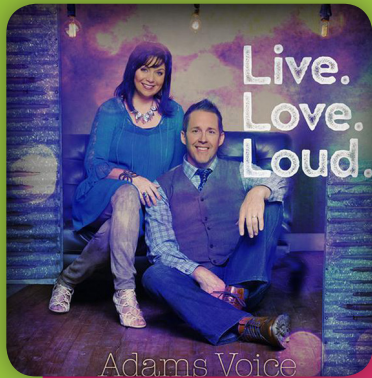
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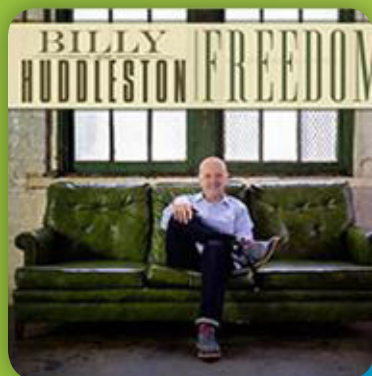
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An interview with

Billy Huddleston



by Susie Shellenberger

Billy Huddleston, a tenured evangelist in the Church of the Nazarene, has been in the field of full-time evangelism since 1998. Recently he sat down with Evangelist Susie Shellenberger for this insightful interview.

- **What were the circumstances in which you gave your life to Christ?**

I guess I should start at the beginning . . .

I was born July 26, 1972 in Cincinnati, Ohio to Paul and Anna Ruth Huddleston. I was the younger of two boys, and we were seen as the typical American Christian family. Mom and Dad were from southeast Kentucky and northeast Tennessee. Industry was absent in that part of the country, so needing work they moved 180 miles north to the city. They were hard working, blue-collar people. Because they were in Cincinnati out of necessity, we spent many weekends down home. They worked Monday through Friday and my brother Kenny and I attended school. But, as soon as school was out and the workweek was over, we were in the car heading south.

My grandfather was the pastor of the Wofford, Kentucky Missionary Baptist Church. I always enjoyed attending the services at his church. I can still remember singing the songs out of the red-

backed hymnal and listening as my papaw would preach truth-filled sermons. There was something special about those simple childhood days. I was introduced to Jesus at an early age.

When I was 15, I was invited by a girl from my high school to attend a revival service at the Norwood First Church of the Nazarene. I probably would have said no, but this was a girl that I wanted to get to know! And I figured by going to the revival, I'd have that opportunity.

As far as I remember I'd never been to a revival service. It was unlike anything I'd ever experienced! There was a life in these people called Nazarene. The singers sang. The preacher preached. The people responded. It was better than television, so I went back the next night.

By the last service, I realized I needed what these people had. I knew of Jesus – but now I wanted to know Him. I had observed the pattern of the service and at the appropriate time I made my way to the altar to pray. I really didn't know what to expect, but I'll never forget what I experienced.

I remember sensing two big arms wrapping around me. You wouldn't have been able to see them, but I could feel them. It was the arms of the Father. I realized then how much He loved and wanted me. And I needed Him. I've never been the same.

By the way. . . I never got the girl. But I got Jesus. And my life changed.

- **How did attending ONU help ground you spiritually?**

I'm very thankful for my time at Olivet. So many things about those years shaped and prepared me for ministry. Again, let me start at the



beginning. . .

After I was saved during the revival at Norwood First, I became serious about my relationship with Jesus. Every time there was an opportunity – whether it was youth group, Sunday school, camp meeting, revival, special services, anything – I was in church. I guess you could say that whenever the door was unlocked and the lights were on, I was there. Really, this became my second family.

During my senior year of high school I really began to feel a sense that God wanted me to attend one of our denomination's universities. As I began to seek His direction, it became clear that Olivet was to be that school. In the fall of 1990 I became an Olivetian. It was such an exciting time!

When I first went to Olivet, I planned to become a music teacher. Music had always played such an important part in my life and my music teachers were so special to me that I wanted to have that impact on the lives of others. I had a feeling that God might be calling me into full-time ministry, but I didn't really want to do this. Remember, my papaw was a pastor, so I knew a little about the sacrifice of this calling. So, I made a deal with God: I would declare music education as my major until He made it clear otherwise. It didn't take long. During the spring revival of 1991, God called me into the field of full-time evangelism. I didn't know what that meant; I just knew His voice and direction, so I changed my major.

There are so many things I could say about the education I received while at ONU. I had top-notch training from some of the greatest biblical scholars. I learned the heart for ministry I saw displayed from faculty and staff. I developed relationships that remain even today. It was stressed that I should never settle for mediocrity—to always strive to do and give God my best.



"I'll love the Christ you gave first part . . ." is a closing line from the alma mater that we would sing while in Orpheus Choir. And, honestly, that's what was modeled and instilled in me. Christ first. Everything else flows from here. I believe that was the greatest education I received at ONU.

- **Before you entered the field of evangelism, you were active in youth ministry. Talk about that experience—and did it help you develop your preaching and evangelistic gifts?**

Youth ministry is very special to me. My youth leader, Yvonne Chalfant, and my time in the youth group was so significant that I wanted to facilitate this for others.

While at Olivet, I was able to participate in the spiritual life program of the university. This gave me opportunities to be involved in ministry on many different levels. I was privileged to participate in summer internships and was invited to speak to different youth gatherings. It was definitely a time of preparation!

During my senior year at ONU I was required to complete a field placement for my degree program. To be completely honest, I didn't really want to do it. At this time I was traveling with a southern gospel quartet on weekends and didn't want to give that up. I tried everything to get out of that requirement, but I couldn't. Reluctantly, I headed for the South Lake Church of the Nazarene in Crown Point, Indiana, to serve my time. What I didn't realize was that God had plans for an extended stay.

During my internship God made it very clear that He had placed me at South Lake for a reason. I

really didn't understand, but He made it clear. Through a series of events that would take too much time to explain, His call became clear and at the end of the school year in 1994 I began as a full-time youth pastor at South Lake.

It was both a wonderful and difficult time. Wonderful in the sense that I saw first hand what happened in a group of teens who fell in love with Jesus. Difficult because I was learning what ministry and life was all about.

It's funny you would ask about preaching . . . it was during this time that I began to develop my preaching 'voice' or style. I loved preaching to my youth group on Sunday evenings. It scared me to death, and I would literally become physically sick when I preached to the entire congregation. The people of South Lake and God were so good and patient with me during that time. I will always be thankful God allowed me to learn there with Pastor Ron Richmond. They were some of the greatest days in memory.

- **Talk a bit about receiving your call to evangelism.**

Life doesn't always turn out the way you plan. As I mentioned earlier, I originally felt called into the field of evangelism. It was very real and yet God seemed to lead me down a different path. I didn't understand at the time, but now I can see how He was preparing me for my calling. Had I not worked on staff at a church I, would have had no clue how a church functioned.

I was a youth pastor for just over three years. And, really, I loved it. I was getting opportunities to speak at large youth gatherings, train other youth workers, and interview for larger ministry positions and



likely could've been comfortable as a youth pastor for quite some time. But, God was beginning to make me uncomfortable.

God brought me back to my original call in 1997. I guess you could say that it was time for me to step into the ministry that He intended. It was a hard year. It was time to do what I was called to do. So, through a series of events God took me back to 1991 when He placed the call on my life. I had to respond. It was time.

- **It's sometimes difficult to get started in a specific field. When you entered evangelism, did your calendar simply fill up immediately, or were you directed on a variety of ways to get slated?**

One of the songs that I remember singing at my papaw's church was "Living By Faith." That's probably the best way to describe how I entered the field!

When I resigned from the youth pastorate, I really didn't know how God would bless the ministry to which He had called me. All I knew was that He had called. And yet, there were some very real issues. No one knew who I was. I didn't come from a Nazarene family. Everybody was warning that revivalism was dying—a thing of the past. So, where would I begin?

At the close of 1997, I designed a ministry brochure. I knew how people responded to brochures, because I had received many as a youth pastor. But, I didn't know how else to introduce myself. With a stamp and a prayer, I put them in the mail.

Time seemed to crawl by, but in a few weeks the phone started to ring. I can't explain it, but within

a month, God filled my first spring. After a couple of months, my first year was filled. And God has kept it filled! I

don't know how else to explain it than this: God is faithful! I realize that it's nothing I have done – It's all Him. I remember a bookmark that my youth leader Yvonne gave me as a teenager that read; "The will of God will never lead you where the grace of God cannot keep you." It seems so cliché and yet, I have found that to be true.

God has been so faithful. Really, He's been better to me than I could ever possibly deserve. And, I'm thankful.

- **You've also enjoyed using your musical gifts in evangelism. Talk about that.**

Music has always been an important part of my life. When I was in the fifth grade I remember receiving an invitation to be in the school band. I had always loved music class and singing, but now there was an opportunity to play an instrument. So I jumped at it. I began learning to play the clarinet. (I really wanted to play the trumpet, but the local music store ran out!)

As I entered the eighth grade, I was invited to play percussion in the high school band. I instantly fell in love with field competition and marching band. Besides this, it was such an honor to be included in the high school band when I was in junior high! This is really when my desire to be a music educator began. From my sophomore year on I was playing low brass instruments; baritone, trombone, really wherever there was a need. It was also during this time that I began to become involved in singing—show choir, voice lessons, music theory—music had simply become a large part in my life.



During my time at Olivet, I was a four-year member of the Orpheus Choir. This was a wonderful experience for me. In fact, Olivet would not have been the same for me outside the choir and relationship with its director and my voice teacher, Dr. George Dunbar. His gentle spirit and firm, perfectionist hand really exposed me to a level of excellence that's still an example today.

Having roots in southeast Kentucky, I've always loved bluegrass and southern gospel music. There's something about that type of harmony that thrills me. During my senior year, I was privileged to be the baritone singer for a quartet from Northwest Indiana called The United Quartet. I loved the weekend singing and was seriously considering the pursuit of music as my profession. God's plans were greater.

Today, I'm blessed to be able to both preach and sing. I've had the honor of recording a number of CDs and to even have my music played nationally on southern gospel radio. God has smiled upon my efforts and my singles have been on the Singing News Top 80—even in the Top 40 nationally. Again, it's more than I deserve. God always gives so much more!

I guess I'm trying to say that music has always been an important part of my life. And now, it's a large part of my ministry as well.



• **What constitutes a successful revival?**

Boy, this is a difficult question to answer: Difficult in the sense that people have so many different expectations of what revival even is.

I believe a successful revival is a focused time in/on the Word, where Jesus is revealed, people respond, and lives are changed. Through the written Word we begin to realize the Living Word among us and are enabled to live and operate in the Resurrected Word's power. That's revival.

• **What two books have you read that have influenced you spiritually?**

I love to read. And, there have been many books along the way that have had a great influence on my life and ministry.

One of my favorite authors is Ken Gire. There's something about his writing style that really speaks to me. When I first began in ministry I ran across his "Moments" series—books he had written about encounters or moments that different individuals had with the Savior. As I read these books—written in their simple, yet engaging style—I was moved. I felt the anguish and loneliness of the leper. I sensed the urgency of the woman making her way to Jesus after a 12-year hemorrhage. I saw the love and acceptance in Jesus' eyes as He looked into theirs. His writing style has influenced the way I read the Bible and has had an impact on my preaching style. Ken Gire is truly a master storyteller.

Currently I'm reading, *Walking on Water: Reflections On Faith And Art* by Madeleine L'Engle. I've only recently been introduced to her work but it's already having such an impact. There are times when you feel you may be losing your creativity, that you're stuck in a rut. Through L'Engle's words, I'm being reminded that we are all artists who are creating and rediscovering the artistry of the work in which the Master Creator has called and placed me. It's a beautiful book.

• **With such a full schedule, how do you stay personally revived?**

Anybody in ministry knows the struggle of staying personally revived. It's so important, and yet we get so focused on ministry that we tend to neglect our personal level of spiritual intensity.

Over the years, I have learned that ministry must be focused in the Word. I know that sounds simplistic, but it's true. Whenever I feel empty, it's because I haven't been being filled. If I start to think nothing is happening, or if I develop a bad attitude, it's because I haven't been focused on His word.

I'm learning the necessity of active participation with the written Word. If as a revivalist I am not being filled, I'll have nothing to give. Above all the tools and privileges we have—good books, great biblical preaching, wonderful music—we need to remember, and perhaps rediscover, the power of the Word in our lives. That should be the foundation of any ministry.

• **Has there been anyone in your past who has helped ground you spiritually and/or professionally?**

There have been so many. I'd never be able to mention everyone who has impacted my journey, but here are a few:

- **My papaw, Rev. Barton Powers** who taught me to serve faithfully without the need of fame or recognition.
- **My mom, Anna Ruth Huddleston** who showed me what a quiet life of devotion and integrity are all about.
- **My pastor and spiritual father, Rev. Morris Chalfant**, from whom



I learned to conduct myself in a professional, dignified manner in the calling of the ministry.

- **My youth leader and second mother, Yvonne Chalfant**, who always pushed me to strive for something more—to never settle for less and to always realize that it's more than just about me.
- **Dr. Stephen Manley**, who reminded me of the necessity of expositional study and preaching that has fostered a genuine love and hunger for the Word.
- **Dr. Susie Shellenberger** who has helped me find my literary voice and realize a dream of being an author.



There are truly so many who have cared enough to invest in my life. I feel tremendously blessed. I thank God for them all. I hope one day to have impacted another's life in the manner in which they have impacted mine.

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A Note from the Editor: Dr. J.K. Warrick shared with me some very enlightening statistics. While conducting a years' worth of district assemblies, he requested pastors to share their testimonies concerning when and where they had been saved and sanctified wholly. The overwhelming majority reported that they had made these crucial decisions during revivals and camp meetings. In the course of this interview, Billy emphasized that he was saved at the age of fifteen in a revival. While at ONU, Billy answered God's call on his life into full-time evangelism during the spring revival. Billy's obedience to God's call to revivalism is impacting those to whom he sings and preaches in revivals and camp meetings.

Perdue's Pen

The Illumination of the Word John 1:1-5



Nelson Perdue

“In Him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.” Jesus said, “I am the Light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.” In I Timothy 3:16a, Paul writes, “And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh.”

J. Paul Taylor, one time Bishop in the Free Methodist church said that “this was not the mystery of darkness but the mystery of light.” The topic is the Illumination of the Word, and while Peter’s comprehensive term for God was Holy, John’s term is Light. The word Light speaks of His purity, glory, brilliance, effulgence, radiance.

We read in Genesis that in the beginning “the earth was without form and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep...and God said, let there be light: and there was light...and God divided the light from the darkness.” (Genesis 1: 2 - 4) At the time of creation the world was in a state of chaotic night. Six times it said that God worked from ‘evening to morning’. Man works from morning to evening but God always moves from darkness to light.

Following the fall of man in the Garden, once again conditions became chaotic and the darkness was impenetrable. The only ray of light for man was the promise that the seed of the woman would bruise the serpents head. That promise finally came to fruition. “When the fullness of time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.” (Galatians 4: 4-5) The incarnation of the Word was the fulfillment of that promise. “The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, And we beheld His glory, the glory of the only begotten of the Father full of grace and truth.” (John 1:14) This is the mystery and message of the Light, the illumination of the Word.

Without light, the world would be a gloomy dungeon. Darkness produces many ramifications. Depression can be caused by darkness. Insects and vermin spread disease and do their destructive work in the dark.

During WW II, the blackouts in London, England caused rats to multiply and spread disease, and they had to have a day of rat killing to decrease their population. A study of crimes was made of cities of 1000 population or more and the crime rate decreased 43% after they increased the lighting on the streets. "Men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil." (John 3: 19) There is danger in darkness but there is safety in light.

What is most dangerous is the moral darkness that is engulfing our world. The depravity and degradation of man is evident all around us. "For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people." (Isaiah 60:2) It was in this cesspool of moral darkness that the Son of God came to be the 'Light of the world!' In Exodus 33: 18-20 Moses asked God to show him His glory and God said, "thou cannot see my face...no man can see me and live." Jesus came "to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." The reason we could behold Jesus, the Light of the world, was because the glory was veiled in the flesh, even though Peter, James, and John got a glimpse of His glory on the Mount of Transfiguration.

When one reads the first chapter of Romans, he sees the progression of depravity. "When they knew God, they glorified Him not as God." In fact, "they changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and four footed beasts, and creeping things." With their bodies degraded, intellect darkened, and emotions depraved "God gave them up." You see the consummation of dark depravity in the last verse of Romans chapter one, "who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them."

Jesus has come and lights every man that comes into the world. This truth was prophesied in Isaiah 49:6 "I will give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the ends of the earth." The sun, which is the center of our solar system, pales in comparison to Him who is the Light of the world. When we come to Him all darkness flees because the darkness cannot put His light out. His is an unchanging and an unconquered light. We have the promise "he that follows me shall not walk in darkness, but shall

have the light of life." (John 20:12) He is the Way the Truth and the Life as well as the Light that illuminates our pathway. "For the path of the just is as the shining light that shineth more and more unto the perfect day." (Proverbs 4:18) When we finally enter into that Celestial city we are told by John the Revelator, "that city will have no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof." (Revelation 21:23)

"While we have the light" let us be faithful to "walk in the light...so that the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." (I John 1:7) Jesus said that all who follow Him are 'the light of the world.' His exhortation to all who follow Him is "let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." (Matthew 5: 16) Let us keep our lamps trimmed and burning with the oil of the Holy Ghost for we are told "they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever." (Daniel 12:3)

*"The whole world was lost in the darkness of sin;
The Light of the world is Jesus.
Like sunshine at noon-day His glory shone in;
The Light of the world is Jesus."*

*"No darkness have we who in Jesus abide;
The Light of the world is Jesus.
We walk in the Light when we follow our Guide;
The Light of the world is Jesus."*

*"No need of the sunlight in heaven we're told;
The Light of the world is Jesus.
The Lamb is the Light in the city of gold;
The Light of the world is Jesus."*

*"Come to the Light; tis shining for thee.
Sweetly the Light has dawned upon me.
Once I was blind, but now I can see.
The Light of the world is Jesus."*

(The Light of the World Is Jesus, Philip P. Bliss 1875)

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**ADAMS, MICHAEL (T)**

- Nov 6 Medway, OH (Bethel Community)
- Nov 13 Medway, OH (Bethel Community)

**BURKHALTER, PAT (T)**

- Nov 30-Dec 4 Haltom City, TX
- Jan 25-29 Post, TX (Post)

**COVINGTON, NATHAN**

- Jan 20-25 Allen Park, MI (Allen Park)
- Jan 29-Feb 1 Elkhart, IN (Northside)

**GALLIMORE, DAVID**

- Nov 6-9 Sparta, MI
- Nov 13-16 Jumping Branch, WV (Gospel Tabernacle)
- Nov 18-20 Carlsbad, NM (Church Street)
- Jan 15-22 Lakeland, FL (Light and Life Free Methodist)
- Jan 29-Feb 1 Lafayette, LA (Nouvelle)
- Feb 5-12 East Dublin, GA (Graham Memorial)
- Feb 15-19 Tifton, GA (First)
- Feb 26-Mar 1 East Dublin, GA (Brewton Baptist)

**GESSNER, DON AND SHIRL**

- Nov 1-30 Indianapolis, IN (Velocity at Raceway Center)
- Dec 1-31 Indianapolis, IN (Velocity at Raceway Center)
- Jan 1-15 Indianapolis, IN (Velocity at Raceway Center)
- Jan 20-21 Tampa, FL (E3-LifeBridge FMC)
- Jan 27-28 Murieta, CA (E3-Centerpoint Ministries FMC)
- Feb 1-5 Indianapolis, IN (Velocity at Raceway Center)
- Feb 10-11 Stanwood, WA (E3-Warm Beach Conference Center)
- Feb 12-28 Indianapolis, IN (Velocity at Raceway Center)

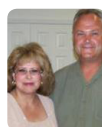
**GREENWAY, KENNETH (T)**

- Nov 6-11 Alapaha, GA (The Open Door)
- Nov 13-16 Kings Mountain, NC (Kings Mountain)
- Nov 17-20 Carthage, NC (Community Friends)
- Nov 27-30 Thomasville, NC (Potter's Clay Baptist)

- Jan 15-22 Thomasville, NC (Mt. Zion Wesleyan)
- Jan 29-Feb 1 Trinity, NC (Trindale Baptist)
- Feb 5-8 Gloster, MS (Royal Chapel)
- Feb 12-15 Cascilla, MS (Rosebloom)
- Feb 17-19 Thomasville, NC (Southside Baptist)
- Feb 26-Mar 1 Irwinton, GA (Voice of Truth)

**JACOB, THOMAS**

- Nov 4-6 Huntington, WV (Walnut Hills)
- Nov 11-13 Bradford, OH (Bradford)

**LIVERSAGE, JERRY**

- Nov 2 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Nov 9 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Nov 13 Westminster, CA (Huntington Westminster Apartments)
- Nov 16 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Nov 22 Costa Mesa, CA (Responding Recovery Television)
- Nov 30 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Dec 7 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Dec 11 Westminster, CA (Huntington Westminster Apartments)
- Dec 14 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Dec 20 Costa Mesa, CA (Responding Recovery Television)
- Dec 21 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Dec 28 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Jan 4 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Jan 8 Westminster, CA (Huntington Westminster Apartments)
- Jan 11 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Jan 17 Costa Mesa, CA (Responding Recovery Television)
- Jan 18 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Jan 25 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Feb 1 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Feb 8 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Feb 12 Westminster, CA (Huntington Westminster Apartments)
- Feb 12 Westminster, CA (Huntington Westminster Apartments)
- Feb 15 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)
- Feb 21 Costa Mesa, CA (Responding Recovery Television)
- Feb 22 Yucaipa, CA (ACADC Institute)

**LOMAN, H. LANE**

- Nov 6-9 Birds, IL (Birds Free Methodist)
- Nov 13-16 Westport, IN (Waynesburg Christian Church)
- Nov 18-20 Highland, IN
- Nov 27-30 Uhrichsville, OH (Feed Spring Church)
- Jan 1 Bellefontaine, OH (First Church of God)
- Jan 8-11 Hartford City, IN (Olive Branch)
- Jan 15 Kissimmee, FL (Grace Fellowship of Four Corners)
- Jan 26-29 Collins, MS (Methodist Protestant Spiritual Leadership Conferen)
- Feb 5-8 Albany, GA (Grace)
- Feb 9-12 Eatonton, GA (Lakeshore Community)
- Feb 16-26 Lakeland, FL (Florida Holiness Camp)

**MANLEY, STEPHEN**

- Jan 13-15 Lebanon, TN (Cross Style Conference)
- Feb 1-5 West Columbia, SC (Central)
- Feb 26-Mar 1 Sullivan, IN

**MCDUFF, RONALD**

- Nov 12-13 Cañon City, CO (Four Mile Correctional Center)
- Nov 19 Longmont, CO (Regent Retirement Center)

**MITCHELL, ROYCE**

- Nov 4 Redmond, OR (Assembly of God)
- Nov 6 Gresham, OR (Family Worship Center)
- Nov 6 Grass Valley, OR (First Baptist)
- Nov 30 Boise, ID (New Hope)
- Dec 2 Sun City, AZ (Evangel Assembly of God)
- Dec 4 Santee, CA (Faith Bible Fellowship)
- Dec 16 Kimberly, ID (Crossroads United Methodist)
- Dec 18 Weiser, ID
- Dec 18 Wilder, ID (Crossroads Assembly of God)
- Jan 6 Ripon, CA (Immanuel Christian Reformed)
- Jan 8 Los Altos Hills, CA (Bridges Community)
- Jan 13 Moreno Valley, CA (Christian Assembly)
- Jan 20 Menlo Park, CA (Presbyterian)
- Feb 3 Lake Havasu City, AZ
- Feb 4 Sierra Vista, AZ
- Feb 5 Green Valley, AZ (Community)
- Feb 5 Apache Junction, AZ (Bonita Vista Mobile Home Park)
- Feb 26 Surprise, AZ (Calvary Chapel)

**PERKINS, HAL O.**

- Nov 6-9 Lenexa, KS (Central)
- Nov 13-16 Valparaiso, IN
- Nov 20-23 South Bend, IN (New Beginnings Community Fellowship)
- Nov 27-30 Cadillac, MI (Church of Discovery)
- Jan 8-11 Dalton, GA (First)
- Jan 15-18 Clinton, MS (Dayspring Community)
- Jan 22-25 Warrior, AL (Faith)
- Jan 29-Feb 1 Madison, AL (First)
- Feb 5-8 Longview, TX (First)
- Feb 12-15 Miami, OK (New Life)
- Feb 19-22 Riverdale, GA (New Day)
- Feb 26-Mar 1 Birmingham, AL (Crossroads Community)

**SHAVER, CHIC (T)**

- Nov 5-9 Slidell, LA (First)

**SHELLENBERGER, SUSIE (T)**

- Nov 4-6 Nixa, MO
- Nov 15 Bethany, OK (Southern Nazarene University)
- Nov 18-20 Marion, OH (First)
- Jan 7-11 Fredericksburg, VA (Salem Fields Community)
- Jan 13-15 Mesa, AZ (First)
- Jan 22-25 Las Vegas, NV (First)
- Jan 27-30 San Antonio, TX (First)
- Feb 3-5 Nacogdoches, TX (First)
- Feb 11-12 Salem, OR (South)
- Feb 17-19 Naperville, IL (Trinity)
- Feb 24-26 Benton, AR (First)

**STIVERSON, CYNTHIA**

- Nov 19 Newark, OH (Woven Women Marketplace & Boutique (First))
- Feb 3-5 Newark, OH (Woven Women's Spiritual Retreat)

**ULMET, BILL (T)**

- Nov 1-5 Elkton, KY (Potter's House)
- Nov 5-9 Buchanan, MI
- Nov 16-19 Laurens, SC (Laurens Cornerstone)

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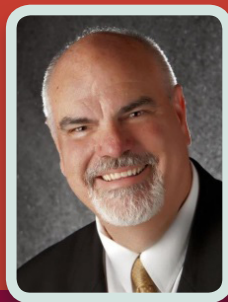
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Darlene Wheeling Starner is a good friend of mine. I just got a call from her relating this unbelievable event that she had experienced. Darlene was traveling on a work related trip from her home in Maryland to a van repair business in Pennsylvania. She was listening to one of my new CDs and was praising the Lord as she was driving. She came to a stop light and with hands raised and tears in her eyes she continued being blessed. A policeman who pulled up beside her became concerned and pulled her over. "I noticed you seem to be in some trouble because you're raising your hands and crying. Are you O.K.?" Darlene nervously replied, "I was just praising the Lord while listening to some praise music." The officer said, "Well, turn your radio back on!" Darlene said, "It's a CD, officer!" to which he replies "Turn it back on!" Darlene assumed the officer may not have believed her response thinking she might be on drugs or something. As she played the CD the officer said, "Oh, that's Mark Murphy." Stunned, Darlene said, "You know Mark Murphy?" "Sure do, I have his tapes and some CDs. When I lived in Marion, Ohio, he sang in my church." Darlene replied, "You know he's had some difficult days this past year." The officer replied, "Yes I know, he's had cancer but he's made it through." I asked Darlene if she got a ticket. Officer Mark Cole said, "No ticket, no warning, but make sure you're in church tomorrow." Darlene replied, "I will! You make sure you are too." And then she added, "You be safe, officer."

WARNING!! You might want to pull off to praise the Lord while listening to my music LOL.

Mark N. Murphy



Vickie and I drove to Monte Vista, Colorado to begin revival services on Sunday morning, where Rev. Michael Staton is pastor. Before the morning service, I was given my clip-on tie mic at the sound booth.

I was greeted by Bryton Burkhardt, a 13-year old boy who smiled and shook my hand and welcomed me back. Then he relayed his testimony: he was saved at age 6, when he prayed to ask Jesus Christ into his heart, as he rode in the back seat of his dad's pick-up truck.

He told me that when I came for my first revival in February, 2010, he came to the altar and accepted his CALL to preach, at age 7.

I returned to this church in March 2011 for my second revival there and was very impressed with Bryton's progress.

In 2013 he was on a Bible-Quiz Team attending a competition at the General Assembly in Indianapolis. Bryton made it a priority to locate me and update me on his progress with his CALL.



The sixth annual Evangelists' Homecoming Camp Meeting was held at the Indian Lake Nazarene Campgrounds in Vicksburg, MI on year the attendance and offerings in the services have increased. The camp meeting is a source of blessing and encouragement to evangelists. The residents of Indian Lake Camp Ground and the surrounding area offer great support for our meetings. This year we Rev. and Mrs. Larry Leckrone and Rev. and Mrs. Norman Moore with the Lifetime Achievement Award. Thank you to all the districts were able to send funds to help underwrite the expenses of the camp meeting. A special thanks is extended by all to Olivet Nazarene generous support and financial gift. The Lord willing, we are making plans for the Labor Day weekend 2017 for our next homecom

Bright Day for Bryton

By Tenured Evangelist
Norman Moore

During the past 6 years we have talked by phone and corresponded by mail. Bryton has already preached in his church when the youth were leading the service!

Sunday night after my message I gave an invitation for folks to come to the altar for prayer. Among those who responded was Westin, Bryton's little brother. Vickie was sitting on the front row and our teary eyes met as I looked down from the platform. We saw Bryton come to the altar, kneel beside his brother, place his arm around his shoulder and pray with him.

I gave Bryton a new Bible and showed him how to use the concordance in the back and the center-page references. He asked me to give him the names and addresses of Nazarene Universities that I would recommend. In just 5 years he will be a Freshman in college studying to be a pastor in the Church of the Nazarene.

You never know all that God is doing in the heart of a 7-year-old boy! I remember when Bryton came to the altar in my first revival there in 2010: wearing Wrangler jeans, a plaid western

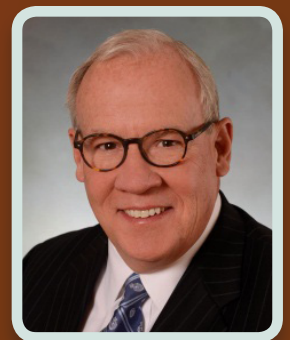
shirt with pearl snap buttons, a wide leather belt with a big silver oval buckle and two-tone cowboy boots. That was a Bright Day for Bryton!

Through all this I see the literal fulfillment in Bryton's life of Philippians 1:6, "he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus"; also Philippians 2:13, "for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose".

This week has been a huge reminder for me, when as an 11-year-old bus-kid from an unchurched home I was saved, sanctified and called to preach. I also preached my first sermon when I was 13! It's a blessing to help pass it on!

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