

STREET GIDEON MINISTRIES, INC.

Dear Brothers and Sister in Messiah our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ/Yeshua,

We are so happy to be able to update you at this time on what the ministry of Street Gideon has been doing in our field of labor for the kingdom of God and to personally thank you for praying for us.

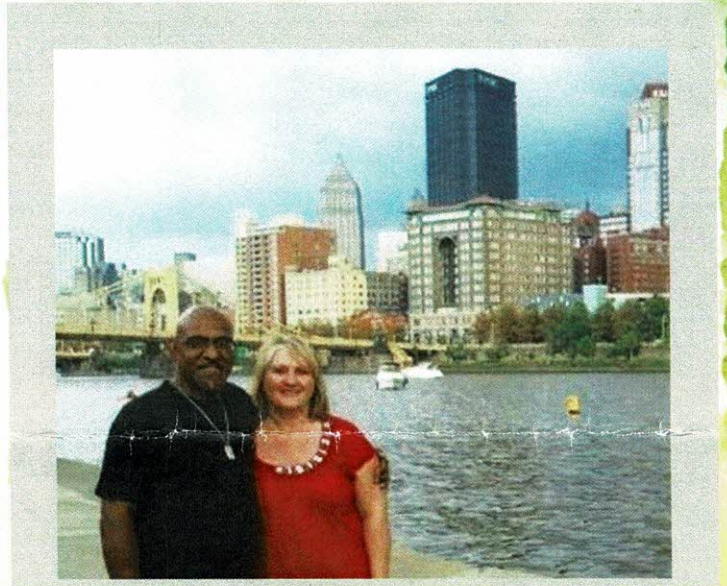
Your prayers and offerings have been a fragrant aroma up to the Lord and He has received them on your behalf.

This summer we were working in Philadelphia with the company "Vision Quest" that Carmelo was working with for the past 2 years. This summer was a great trial for us but we were protected by the words of Psalm 91, but I must tell you that working with the children of the troubled streets can really put your faith to the test because when you are living in that kind of oppression that some of these people live in especially the youth, you can't help but know that there is an atmosphere of evil that rules in the heavenly places which we read in the bible Paul wrote to the church and he said we don't fight flesh and blood, but principalities, and evil world forces.

Many seeds were planted and we know that they will bear fruit long after we have gone because it is God who causes the growth.

At this time we are resettling back into Florida and we are reestablishing ourselves for the work that God [YHVH] has called us to do in the area of Spring Hill, [Hernando County] and Central Florida.

Things have worked out quite a bit different then what we were planning for when we headed back to Florida and through this change of plan it has caused us to sit back and say O.K. Lord what is it You really want us to do for You, what is it that really stirs Your heart and how can we be used for Your kingdom purpose, Your will be done on earth, [not ours] as it is in heaven.



Thank you Lord for stopping us from falling and helping us to wait on You, and showing us that the eternal things are what concern you, not the temporal things, you know the things that are here today and gone tomorrow.

We are happy to be able to shine the light on God and his great power and to glorify Him throughout this newsletter.

We pray over each of you and your families. You're a great blessing to us and we are constantly reminded that nothing great happens with only 1 but where 2 or more are gathered, walking and praying in one accord the work of God becomes synergized and great things will come about to the Glory of God our heavenly Father.

Friend, hang in there don't give up, it isn't easy but together we will overcome and keep taking territory that Satan wants to claim. The Victory is ours and Jesus will never leave us or forsake us. Praise the Lord!! We love you so much!! For the rest of this newsletter Carmelo is going to share his account of Philly and the ministry outreaches.

Servant/Leaders
Carmelo, Marsha

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"Miracle in Troubled Streets"

I was asked to work during the day in a lock down facility in downtown Philly, PA, where most of the young inmates were convicted gang members, charged with violent crimes including murder. What was striking to me was their personal statement of their life which was really death. This statement was tattooed on their faces and necks which was to them a code of honor in the streets and they were proud of this statement. Now Marsha and I lived nearby in a housing project where 4 of these boys lived who were being released into transitional housing and they were put under our care. We not only interacted with them on a daily basis but we ministered to them through love and compassion as they opened up to us, not only praying for them but praying with them and trying to share the gospel through caring for them and their daily needs.

One night one of our boys escaped after hours down a fire escape and never returned I tried calling him but never got an answer.

The next day I was required to call his probation officer and they told me that he had been involved in a shooting that resulted in a murder and he was now on the run, this weighed heavy on me, so we continued to pray for him to turn himself in before he was killed or something else happened to him or someone else. We looked back on the time we shared with this young man when we had tried to redirect his anger and encouraged him to start making different choices, but we knew that ultimately he had to have the will to change despite all the odds that were fighting against him. Several months later we had another incident. One day Marsha texted me at work to tell me that another one of our boys, who had been working really hard and we had seen a lot of improvement in his life was shot at 5 times point blank, miraculously he was missed. He ran into the apartment where we lived to ask Marsha for help and to use her phone to call his sister. This was a very tense situation because now Marsha was in the middle of it. As I received this message I drove home worried about her but she was already ministering to him by calming him down and praying for him. Now mind you, my wife has never lived in an inner city hood before and it worried me, but the Lord was already at work using her to bring hope to the situation.

Marsha asked this young man if he wanted her to pray with him and he said yes, now mind you all 4 of our boys confessed to be Muslim, but we felt we had to show them, not tell them, about the love of Jesus. Marsha let him know that day that we had been praying for all of them every day and for their protection and for their well-being and that she was rejoicing because God had answered her prayers. The young man showed her where his ear was swollen from the force of the bullet grazing past his ear; all because his assailant wanted to rob him for a cell phone and a bus pass. You see life in the streets has little value and the young men are hardened to the fact that life is short for them. After that day we never saw our 4 boys again. Some of them went to jail, some were moved for their protection and we were allowed to leave to work in a different part of Pennsylvania. But our hearts will forever be changed because of the experiences we went through this past summer. We saw God wrap His arms around us and keep us safe and as hard as it was, we were able for a brief time to minister the Love of the Father to boys who had never felt His love before. Praise His Holy name.

Thank you ministry partners "Street Gideon Ministries" was able to partner with a ministry that helps feed and shelter homeless men. This summer we helped support a ministry Rehab. Program in Philly called "Whosoever Will Mission" this ministry keeps men off the streets by housing them, redirecting their lives through God's word and preparing them to be hired and hold jobs.

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At this time my work with "Vision Quest" has ended and now I am starting a new season in my ministry with Street Gideon. I am very grateful for all that Marsha and I have learned throughout our time in traveling and working with the young people in this program, and being able to use my book "Desperate cry In the Ghetto" to minister to the young men and staff.

I am now rebuilding my Home Improvement and Repair business, to help fund this ministry and we feel that this is the new direction that the Lord has for us in ministering to families with housing needs.

One youth-killed another & didn't die to Marsha

"Beacon of Hope" Franklin, P.A.

Part of the pleasure of our experience of traveling these past 2 years was to live and work in a beautiful town called Franklin. Marsha and I so enjoyed the quaintness of this small town and the beauty of the surrounding mountains. We were able to purchase an older home there last year and we felt this home was to be used for a ministry purpose like a community outreach center. You see as beautiful as the town is it still has many needs for there are many poor families that live in the area and not a lot of work opportunities. "Beacon of Hope" is being created to be used by the Lord for His purpose to help disciple and feed and minister to those in need in this community and to partner with other ministries already doing this work.

Thanks to our minister partners this summer we were able to put on 5 new steel doors to replace the old worn ones. We were able to clean up the grounds; mow the yard and add outdoor lighting. We are praying about the possibility of Carmelo returning to Franklin the summer of 2014 and finishing off the 2nd floor so we will be able to live on that floor when we are in town. The 1st floor is being repaired to be able to have a food pantry and a place to help people prepare their resumes and build up job skills for placement to work and possible transitional housing.

Street Gideon Ministries still continues to support and partner with International outreach ministries through partnering with Dawn Ministries and Orphanage in Hyberdad, India Pastor S.J.Peter, Joyce Meyer Ministries, Precept Ministries, and continues to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the world. Thank you, Partners for making a difference.

Street Gideon Ministries is preparing to participate in My Hope with Billy Graham Nov.7-9, 2013 for his 95th birthday, www.MyHopeWithBillyGraham.org we encourage you to go online and share this info with your local pastor. This is a nationwide outreach to share the gospel with friends and neighbors to the degree you are comfortable.

Please keep this outreach in prayer.



*Beacon of Hope,
Franklin, Pennsylvania*

Marsha and I have had a real burning in our heart's to help repair homes for families either because of lack of funds, elderly or disaster. It has become apparent to both of us that this is now a new need that we must embrace as a ministry. With news almost daily of natural disasters facing many of our states and nations we are praying about being trained and equipped to reach out to those in need and also to offer our assistance to ministries that are already working in this area.

Because of this new need please keep the ministry in prayer for how we can equip a truck and trailer that can be used to asset in community outreach and or natural disasters. This is wonderful opportunity because it will just be an extension of the work Carmelo is already familiar with and doing now on an ongoing basis. There is training involved with helping people's spiritual and emotional needs during a time of crisis and as we register for that training we will pass along that information to those of you who would like to be more involved with this project.

FROM THE HEART. THE PROBLEM OF SELF/ WRITTEN BY MARSHA

This summer while Carmelo & I were ministering to some young men where we were living in Philadelphia, we realized that they were not getting enough to eat. So, we started giving them food cards & making extra food & dividing it with them & buying them groceries. Our normal household supply went up from 2 of us to 6 of us, as well as the other outreaches we were doing in the area. One day I was in the kitchen washing dishes & I started thinking about the fact that for weeks now we had been feeding these kids & to be honest it was starting to bother me a little I said to the Lord, hey, what about me! & my needs, what about me, who's going to help me? Then I realized we really didn't have any needs that God was not already supplying. Then several more weeks passed & we were still feeding the young men. I told Carmelo, listen I am afraid that if we keep feeding these boys when we leave they will have become dependent on us & it may cause a problem for them. Of course the real problem was me and I wasn't sure if I wanted to keep offering every part of myself in service to God's Kids. The real problem was what about me!!

It was like we both came to the same conclusion at the same time. When I would pray I felt the Lord was encouraging me to keep giving but honestly it didn't feel comfortable. One day Carmelo came into the kitchen & I said something & he said "Marsha, the Lord told me to keep giving & don't stop." I said, "you know what Carmelo you're right" I feel the same way even though at first I kept thinking I had other needs I wanted to save for, the Lord is showing us to just keep giving. Do you know that God was doing something in my heart, He was causing me to be a conduit a funnel for His blessings to flow through & when I finally realized what was happening I got so excited because I was getting released from the "What about Me"[reminds me of Joyce Meyer] In June it was my birthday & I had faced some difficult challenges by then, but I asked Carmelo, "for my birthday can we go shopping for the boys upstairs & buy them groceries & leave them in their apartments so when they come home they will have a surprise?" All the good stuff they like & some snacks too. Carmelo said, yes if that's what you want to do for your birthday. Well, what a great day that was running up & down the aisles throwing all the best things in the cart that we knew the boys would love to eat. Honestly, I think that was the best birthday I ever had. You know what? God was preparing me for my future with Him, He was showing me that there isn't a line anymore between my life and His life in me. He was reminding me that as you sow, you also reap & I have had a lot of blessings come to me in my time of need too. But more importantly, He is showing me that the more my heart opens to others the greater He can use me & that's how I get blessed, is being used of God. Today, I am grateful for the experience of service. I don't feel like I have to keep track anymore & being delivered from self is always the best blessing of all.

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Did you know that Street Gideon has a prayer team called the "Gideon Prayer Team" these are people who we email every week for the prayers of the ministry and its partners. If you have a calling to intercede for this ministry and would like to pray for our weekly needs, please send us an email and we will add you to the list. Or if you have a need please email us so we can pass it on to our prayer team. Thanks

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