

STREET GIDEON MINISTRIES, INC.

SUMMER 2015 NEWSLETTER



THANK YOU

*Did you know that every week
this ministry has a prayer team
that prays over our ministry
partners & your requests?
Please email us any prayer
requests you may have!!*

Thank you Prayer Team!!!



Greetings to our Family, Friends & Ministry Partners

Marsha & I are always so happy to be able to share with you all that the Lord is doing in this ministry & Thank you for all that you are doing to help us grow & expand through your prayers & financial support. Without these things we would not be able to accomplish all that the Lord has called us to do through this ministry. The Summer is a great time to relax & unwind, take family vacations, enjoy the beach & get out in the cool part of the day for walks, but in God's work [Proverbs 6:7-8, 30:24-25] he describes "the little tiny ant that has no Chief, Officer or ruler" but yet they march in a line, in order to accomplish a common goal, they prepare food in the summer for the coming season of winter. How do they do that? Well, God made them & He gave them an instinct to know what they must do to survive all year long. As a matter of fact, God calls them "a tiny creature but exceedingly wise." Well, that's how Marsha & I feel about the summer we love to enjoy ourselves but we are also aware that we must continue to take the necessary steps to have things put in place for the ministry when the fall comes.

Learning how to enjoy life & also balance our obligations in our works is a great way to enjoy our walk with the Lord. So we are praying that you have a wonderful summer but also that you are guided by the Holy Spirit throughout the summer season so you will feel His Shalom, Peace in all areas of your life. Marsha & I love you all very much & we hope you enjoy reading this newsletter & continue to be a part of all God has called us to do.

In His Service, Carmelo, Marsha

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Community Neighborhood Outreach

Carmelo & I are currently living in St. Cloud, Florida & we have been living in the same community for about 1 ½ year. During this time we have had several families that have needed help with food & emergency situations. While we feel blessed to always help those in need living next door to people & reaching out to them requires a great deal of wisdom & guidance from the Holy Spirit. But we have felt that this is what the Lord Has called us to do, help our neighbor as we would ourselves.

One of our neighbors is called "Nick" & we noticed Nick because he was what we call the working poor who had a small business on the side he was retired but just never seem to have enough money at the end of the month for food. The Lord really laid it on our hearts to help Nick by delivering groceries to him. So because of the ministry offerings that came in, we were able to help feed him for several months & offer him the love of the Lord.

Eventually Nick knew he had to move back up north where he had family so he could live with them & work to get back on his feet. One day Nick came over when he saw us outside & in tears he said, "many people have come to my house to talk to me about Jesus but you are the only people who showed me Jesus, I will never forget what you did to help me, I will remember you for the rest of my life"

You know for several days after" Nick" left I would still go to the window & look for him, but he was gone. My peace comes from knowing that he got to know my Jesus through physical food & spiritual food; the 2 most important ingredients for Life. Thank you family!! This ministry would not be able to help the needy without your support.

Partnering & Participating with Calvary Assembly of God, Thacker Ave, Kissimmee, Florida

Beacon of Hope Outreach

For several years [2-3] one of our goals has been to open a community center in a neighborhood of need where we would be able to minister to the families in that area. Marsha & I have been searching & praying for the perfect place that the Lord would choose for this center. At this time we are really excited to tell you [We have finally found] The Lord has revealed the home for "Beacon of Hope" in Franklin, Pennsylvania. Praise the Lord!

The home we have bought is a very large 2 story home that is very old. The house was actually built probably in the late 1800's but is listed as being built in 1900's it is a very solid wood building built into a very large rock foundation. It has 8 rooms including 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, attic, and basement. Marsha & I will live in one part of the house for a period of time and will use the rest of the home to begin the work of creating the modules that the Lord would like us to use for this outreach. The ministry has also recently purchased 2 double lots of land behind the house to use for additional parking & to clear & grow a community garden.

We will offer:

- Bible teachings for discipleship and Spiritual growth
- Food pantry to distribute food to those in need
- Planting and growing a community garden for neighbors to grow and cultivate their own food
- Job skills workshop and career center/ wood shop
- Inter city Youth Outreach
- Woman's bible classes emotional healing and deliverance
- Parenting classes for families with high risk behaviors

We are already forming relationships with the local government officials, chamber of commerce, community leaders, and area churches that see our vision for this home and have been greatly encouraging us by their support for this much needed work in their community. There is a lot of work that needs to be done on the inside of this home such as new plumbing and electrical, painting and cleaning up the yard and inside of the home. We already have several laborers that are willing to help but we could always use more committed believers and churches that would like to partner & offer support for this ongoing project.

We will be completing this work in stages according to God's will.

Final Stages:

1. Purchasing & Installing toilet, sink & shower
2. Repairing the upstairs bathroom
3. Purchasing & installing kitchen appliances
4. Painting the outside and inside of the house
5. Buffing Floors & polishing them
6. Inspection of electrical plumbing



Recently the ministry has also purchased a 2nd property a 1.20 acre of land in Hernando County, Florida that we will be building a future home on for "Beacon of Hope" in Florida. This will be a permanent site that will mirror the work that we will be doing in Franklin, Pennsylvania.

We believe God has called to do this work for His kingdom purpose here on earth & that this work lines up with His word to feed the needy both spiritual & physical food. To reach out to the lost & hurting with the love of Christ & to see them be delivered & healed from past sins & hurts through the power of His Holy word; The Bible.

International Outreach

Street Gideon Ministries is committed to spreading the gospel both locally, nationally and around the world. Some of the overseas ministries we continue to partner with to spread the love & word of God in tangible ways:

- Joyce Meyer Ministries
- Billy Graham Evangelistic Association
- Discovering the Jewish Jesus
- Compassion International – Releasing Children from Extreme Poverty
- Christian Aid – Dawn Ministries, Pastor Peter, Helen, India

Marsha & I were praying this year to support a child overseas & that we would be able to help find (him or her) & their family with the real needs of food, clothing, shelter & also develop them in a “Christian” environment. God answered our prayer! This year the ministry is partnering with Compassion Int. & through your monthly support we are sponsoring a 4-year old boy in Indonesia named “Yosean” & we were able to offer financial support & we write to him every month & he is able to send us back letters through a translator. He participates in a community Christian Center where he learns about Jesus. He is able to run & play with other children & he has a full belly & sleeps in a brick home at nights. Things that all little children should be able to enjoy. Also through your support of this ministry adds an additional small offering we send each month to help children in extremely dangerous environments where AIDS & Sex Trafficking are prevalent.

Thank you & please keep little Yosean & his family in prayer.

From the Heart, written by Carmelo

Matthew 11:28-30, Not long ago I was required to travel to Maryland with my job. While I was working one day I overheard one of my co-workers having a conversation with another co-worker & the one was telling the other steps he took to stop drinking. Now it occurred to me that Jesus said in Matthew that if you are tired and weary come to Me & I will give you rest. So I went on about my day. That night the man who was concerned about his drinking came over to my room & he asked me what I thought he should do to stop drinking. I told him about the scripture & what Jesus said,

“My yoke is easy & My burden is light” I know because I found myself in that same desperate situation many years ago. The Ministry was called to help those who are lost & in need of a Savior.

Today I am so thankful that I am on the other side & can be used for God to reach out to the lost & hurting for His Glory & Honor!! Marsha & I continue to work in marketplace ministry to support ourselves & the work of this ministry. God has opened many doors for us to share this gospel at our jobs & we are very grateful for all these opportunities.

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pray about becoming a partner with this ministry.
We can always use your monthly or a one-time offering donation.



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