Gospel of Peace Newsletter

EVANGELISM OUTREACH MINISTRIES

The Great Commission: And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen (Matthew 28:18-20, KJV).







MINISTRY WEBSITE

NAVIGATING THE BASICS

Navigation the basics is an overview of topics relevant to EOMinistries (EOM) that is highlighted on the ministry's website. We hope this resource is beneficial and of great value. Biblical feedback is welcome.

EOMINISTRIES UPDATE

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

There is much going on at EOM, and we would like to take this opportunity in each volume to share some of the amazing details of what God is doing for his glory. The Providence of God is astounding.

GLOBAL MISSIONS

IN THE NEWS & BEYOND

This section of the newsletter is devoted to current news in the world today that affect the Church that Christ Jesus has purchased with His own blood. The Church is built, sustained, and kept by God.

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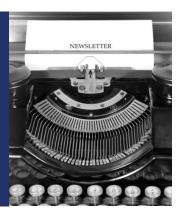
Evangelism Outreach Ministries is overseen by a Board of Directors that are men of God who labor in the Word of God and are committed to taking the Gospel to the nations that all men would know that Jesus Christ is LORD?

The Board of Directors meets on a quarterly basis where the President of EOM provides an update as to the status of the ministry and a vision for moving forward. Each member of the Board is a contributor to the viability of the ministry and is devoted to doing all things for the glory of God.

Navigating the Basics

Evangelism Outreach Ministries has a website that provides an overview of what the ministry is about and the purpose by which the ministry exists. Included on the website is the quarterly newsletter. Anyone can subscribe to this newsletter and receive it in their email.

The website is located at the following link: https://evangelismoutreachministries.com/



THE GOSPEL OF PEACE NEWSLETTER

KEEPING IT SIMPLE AND COMMUNICATING A MESSAGE

Coinciding with the EOM quarterly Board of Directors meetings is the distribution of "The Gospel of Peace Newsletter." The intended purpose of the newsletter is to share about the full gospel ministry of Evangelism Outreach Ministries. God is at work, and we are thankful for the opportunity to serve Him in this capacity. We are the Christian Church in action for the glory of God.

Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God (1 Corinthians 10:31).

Each newsletter focuses on the ministry of the Gospel and the mission of Evangelism Outreach Ministries to Evangelize, Equip, and Edify. To "Evangelize" is to preach Christ and Him crucified to the ends of the earth in keeping with the Great Commission.

And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, Io, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen (Matthew 28:18-20).

In support of this ministry goal, EOM hosts a weekly discipleship meeting where we delve deeper into the doctrines of Christ and explore the deeper issues of God's Word. Each meeting consists in the study and application of Scripture, time of prayer for one another, and Christian fellowship. This meeting has proven to be an exceptional opportunity to "grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3:18).

We are working our way through the Book of Genesis and are currently covering the life of Abraham and how his life of faith after being called by God has impacted the Christian Church, and even the world at large. Each week as we go chapter-by-chapter and verse-by-verse we are examining the rich treasure of God's word and discovering how in fact both the Old and New Testaments are one consistent message of the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

The weekly meeting is scheduled to occur on-line via Teams from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday evenings. Due to a scheduling conflict, we moved the meetings to Monday nights for a time. Having this kind of meeting provides much needed flexiblity to accommodate the schedules of participants when possible. Meeting virtually affords us the opportunity to keep in touch with one another and provides a platform for everyone to actively participate in the discipleship meetings.

For anyone interested in participating in and supporting this meeting, please contact Don Fizell via email: evangelismoutreachministries19@gmail.com. We will send a meeting link and further details.

Ministry Highlights

When Weather Impacts the Local Outreach:

Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:6, 7).



THE GOSPEL IN THE COMMUNITY

WHEN WEATHER IMPACTS THE LOCAL OUTREACH

From one gospel outreach to the next, there are some things we can control and other things that we cannot control. We can tentatively plan an outreach to the local community, ensure that we have an ample supply of gospel tracts and other ministry resources, and bring food and water to support the ministry team. But one thing we cannot control is the weather.

For anyone that knows anything about the Tampa Bay area, we are known for having severe weather that often moves through the region that can disrupt air travel, limit access to roadways and bridges, and adversely affect the EOM Team from ministering the gospel. Some storms can be adequately predicted by the National Weather Station. But there are other times in which storms seemingly develop rapidly with powerful thunder, lightning, high winds, and heavy rain.

One evening this summer we began the ministry outreach at the St. Petersburg Pier and noticed storms developing in the east and moving toward our position. We began to pray earnestly that God would send the storm around us so that we could continue the ministry outreach. Many gospel tracts and Bibles were distributed to people, and we were well underway with the outreach. That was until light rain began to cover the area. And with that we resolved to rest in the will of God and sought shelter.

Pray without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17).

To our delight, as the heavy storm began to reach our area, we witnessed the storm on radar part and go around the area. This was an amazing sight to see, and we rejoice in the LORD. Without delay, we went back out in the weather to continue the ministry outreach after covering our ministry supplies. We did get a little wet that night, but at that point it didn't matter so much. We were in the will of God.

The night was splendid, and we had the opportunity to minister the gospel to many people. This was time well spent for the glory of God. God answering our prayers is a faith builder. There have been several instances where we were facing obstacles to our ability to minister the gospel and found ourselves in prayer seeking wisdom and divine intervention.

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him (James 1:5).

Praying to God is normative in the lives of Christians. Christians pray to the Father in the name of the Son and by the Holy Spirit. In the LORD's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13), Jesus taught that we should pray in the will of the Father (God). This is what Jesus demonstrated and taught, even when he was facing crucifixion (John 17). Saints "come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find help in time of need" (Hebrews 4:16). God answers prayer and is worthy to be praised!

Ministry Highlights

The Body of Christ: Not in This Alone

Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.

(1 Corinthians 12:27).



THE BODY OF CHRIST

THE IMPORTANCE OF WORKING TOGETHER

There is a delicate balance in life that is ordained by God and is in accordance with the order of creation and all that exists. Being a good steward of what God has given us is very important. Stewardship is necessary in all that God has given us. Taken care of what God has provided is in keeping with providence of God and in being "followers of God, as dear children" (Ephesians 5:1).

Each week, EOM has an outreach to a health and rehabilitation center where we minister the gospel to residents in a large group setting as well as to other residents not able to attend the church services. While we endeavor to be a blessing to everyone involved, we find that we are blessed as well in caring for the people. This is something that has proven to be a very effective ministry.

Due to a recent illness, it was necessary to find other ministers of the gospel that would be able to cover the services to ensure that the people continue to be ministered to on a weekly basis. The feedback that we received regarding those ministers was very positive. Returning to the weekly services was met with a very warm welcome. What a joy it is to minister to the people in the love of God.

"And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it' (1 Corinthians 12:26).

There is great comfort in knowing that we are not alone. The Christian Church is the body of Christ. Every member of the body of Christ has something to offer regardless of the diversities of gifts, differences of administrations, and diversities of operations. "God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him" (1 Corinthians 12:18).

There is an order of worship each week that we follow with the church services. We aim to follow Scripture by doing all things decently and in order. Our earnest desire and prayer is that God would save sinners and that the Christian Church would be built up and edified.

Every service is an opportunity to share the love of God and to worship him in spirit and in truth (John 4:24). We begin and end the services with prayer, sing songs of praise and worship to the LORD of glory, and have a special message each week from the word of God.

We have been working our way through the Book of Exodus for the last two and a half years and are currently in chapter thirty. We find in this how God provides for and takes care of his people and how he is orderly in all that he does. God has a plan, and it's for us to follow that plan, trusting him and walking in faith and obedience. There is joy in knowing Christ and fellowshipping one with another. God is so very good.

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Exodus 29 - Israel in the Wilderness, Part 29c

A. Opening Prayer

B. Scripture: Estherews 13:15,16 - Sacrifice of Praise to God

1. The Christian Church offers the sacrifice of Praise to God

1. The Christian Church offers the sacrifice of praise to God through Christ.

a. This is only possible because of the redemptive works of Christ.

b. Christ died for the sim of his people and rose again for their justification.

c. A person who believes on the LORD Jeaus Christ is saved from the love of the prediction of the proper of sin, and presence of sin.

2. The parally of sin, power of sin, and presence of sin.

3. There is a heart-cry unto God, knowing that Jeaus is LORD.

b. This sacrifice is "the highest worship of God" (Calvin).

c. We Jeam in this the importance of prayer. Be instant in prayer.

3. This sacrifice of praise is the fruit of our Higs giving thanks to his name.

a. In this we take time to pray, we take time to give thanks unto the LORD.

b. What comes out from our lips originates in our hearts. Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh (Matthew 12:34).

c. What are some reasons why we can and should give thanks to God?

i. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, Q Modt High (Paulm 22:15):

ii. O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever (Paulm 136:1).

jiii. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jeaus Christ (I Cornthians 13:57).

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In the News & Beyond

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah (Psalm 46:1-3).



CHALLENGES IN A POST-CHRISTIAN WORLD

WHY DID THIS HAPPEN?

We learned recently about Iryna Zarutska, a young woman who was a Ukrainian refugee, who was brutally stabbed on a commuter train in Charlotte, NC. Before long, details of this murder began to be shown graphically on video released to the public. Not long after this atrocity, Charlie Kirk with Turning Point U.S.A. was assassinated at Utah Valley University during "The American Comeback Tour."

Both stories have gripped the nation that is known for being founded upon Judeo-Christian values and beliefs. The range of emotions has gone from grief and sorrow to resolve in bringing the assassin to justice. Many Christians have found the need to pray for everyone involved in these very sad developments, even for the murderers who need Jesus. While the perpetrators of injustice sought to derail and destabilize the United States, there has been a notable "Turning Point" in this country.

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose (Romans 8:28).

On a recent EOM outreach at the St. Petersburg Pier, we found that several people joined us in this work of the ministry. What is it that brought them out to the pier that night? They had a sense of urgency in doing something. There is a desire to make a difference in this world. And the best way in which to reach this country and the world at large is with the Gospel of the LORD Jesus Christ. In this endeavor, everyone that came out was actively engaged with the community.

While engaging with the community, we had the privilege of meeting a very nice woman whose name is Star. We soon found that she is a Christian. She went on to explain how she had been seriously injured during a drive-by shooting a couple years ago. At first, she found herself to be angry with God. In time, this anger turned to calling upon the name of the LORD. And it was at that point that she first gave her life to Christ Jesus the LORD.

What all three of these stories show is that there is a reason why things happen. There is a call to action. We don't always understand the "why," but we know that God is good, and his ways are higher than our ways.

"O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever" (Psalm 136:1).

People's lives have changed, and the Christian Church is being motivated to get involved in the community. There is no better way to make a difference in the world than with the gospel, calling all men everywhere to repent of their sins and believe on the LORD Jesus Christ.

Something to Consider

JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH

WHAT ABRAHAM FOUND AND PEOPLE NEED TODAY

Justification by faith is a foundational doctrine of the faith "once delivered unto the saints" (Jude 3). Doctrine is what the whole of Scripture has to say about a particular topic. This is an important aspect in studying Scripture and rightly dividing the word of truth. The interest is not in reading into the word of God, but clearly hearing from God in his word as enabled by the Spirit of God.

"That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him" (Ephesians 1:17).

Reference to justification by faith is found in both the OT and NT. Specifically, Paul writes in Romans 1:17, Galatians 3:11, and Hebrews 10:38: "The just shall live by faith." There is also an OT passage of Scripture in Habakkuk 2:4 that says, "The just shall live by his faith." This answers the question as to how the ungodly should be just with God (Job 9:2). But whose faith is it that justifies?

Does a sinful man (Romans 3:9-20) who is dead in trespasses and sins (Ephesians 2:1) have the ability in himself to be justified before God? This is an age-old question. Does God save sinners monergistically, or does man cooperate with God and contribute to his own salvation synergistically? There is an answer to this question found clearly in the life of Abraham in the Book of Genesis.

Abram was living in Ur of the Chaldees as an idolater until one day the LORD made Himself known and his life was changed forever. Jesus says that His "sheep hear His voice" (John 10).

"Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed" (Genesis 12:1-3).

Abram's response to the word of the LORD is that he departed on the journey to Canaan (v. 5). He is known for being a man of faith. But note, this faith wasn't based on his own effort, work, or ingenuity. The LORD revealed to Abram that day the gospel (Galatians 3:8). This is a Divine Initiative. The LORD confirmed to Abram that he would have an heir (Genesis 15:4). What was Abram's response?

"And he believed in the Lord; and he counted it to him for righteousness" (Genesis 15:6).

Abram, however, struggled with assurance. There is a difference between faith and assurance (Hebrews 11:1). What is the assurance that the promises of God will come to pass? Abram sought further assurance as to how he should know that he would inherit the land promised. The LORD cut a covenant with Abram (Genesis 15:18). The promises of God are as certain as God Himself.

Salvation isn't about what Abram has done but is about what God has done and is doing. When considering "justification by faith," it's abundantly clear that the faith that pleases God is the faith granted by God to the elect by grace (Ephesians 2:8, 9). There is no merit of sinful man worthy of salvation. Justification is based solely on the "faith of Jesus Christ (Romans 3:22)" and applied to all that believe.

The "Golden Chain of Redemption" is clearly taught in Scripture (Romans 8:29,30). Salvation is of the LORD from start to finish. Without the Divine Initiative of God in creation, providence, redemption, and the new creation there would be no saving faith, life, or assurance of salvation. Jesus Christ is LORD.

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