

Gospel of Peace Newsletter

EVANGELISM OUTREACH MINISTRIES

The Gospel of Christ

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

(Romans 1:16, KJB)



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.

DID YOU KNOW

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, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen (Matthew 28:18-20).

To “Equip,” we come alongside believers from various local churches who have a clear profession of faith and a desire to reach the lost with the Gospel by training them to do the work of an evangelist according to Scripture. While we do recognize that there are various methods for reaching the lost, we do not use clever devices of man to reach people by watering down the Gospel to make the message more palatable to the senses. When individuals are ready to start an evangelism ministry of their own, we help supply them with the necessary resources to get them started and continue to encourage them and provide guidance along the way.

In fulfilling the mission to “Edify,” we aspire to build-up, encourage, and strengthen the local church by discipling fellow believers in the faith and promoting Christlikeness in all aspects of life. God calls His people to be Holy. There are various means of grace by which God has given the Christian Church to grow in sanctification, including in part, the study of His Word, fervent prayer, and the fellowship of Saints. We stress the importance of prioritizing these three graces in the lives of believers for their individual good, the good of the local church, and for the glory of God alone.

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Ministry Highlights

Local Outreach: Helping to Bring Lost Sheep Home

For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost. How think ye? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray? And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that sheep, than of the ninety and nine which went not astray. Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish (Matthew 18:11-14).



THE GOSPEL IN THE COMMUNITY

A WORK OF LOVE FOR THE GLORY OF GOD

A fellow Christian recently asked a very important question at the dinner table. He asked, is your ministry a parachurch ministry? This is often a loaded question that brings with it all sorts of implications. However, it is a good question. A ministry that functions beside and outside of the local church is often considered to be a parachurch organization. Evangelism Outreach Ministries would certainly fall under that category. But there is much more to be said of this matter.

Evangelism Outreach Ministries does not in any way replace the ministry of the local church. We are the Christian Church in action for the glory of God. This ministry is not encumbered with any denominational superstructures but is charged with the full gospel ministry to the nations. And there are many benefits to this of which will be highlighted briefly. We are devoted to evangelism, as well as to the vitality of the body of Christ, regardless of denominational affiliation.

Missions is often viewed as something that happens “out there somewhere.” That somewhere typically involves international endeavors. There is not anything wrong with that unless while doing so the local community is neglected. How can missions be the goal if one’s house is not in order? In many ways, communities in America have been neglected. How can the Christian Church fulfill its gospel mission without active engagement in the community outside of its four walls?

The intended purpose of the gospel is for it to be taken to the highways and byways of the world. In this there is a close-up and personal endeavor to reach people where they are at in life. To do this, the gospel must be taken to them. As we are in and amongst the local community, we often come across lost sheep of the LORD’s pasture. Many have strayed from the LORD’s flock. We endeavor to meet them where they are at and encourage them in the LORD.

We often interact with professing Christians who do not know the gospel themselves. We delight in praying with them, encouraging them in the LORD, and teaching them the way of the LORD. And one of our goals as a ministry is to guide them back to the local Christian Church. This is a much-needed service to the body of Christ. We help them get back home (Matthew 18:11-14).

The challenge can be in directing them to a Biblical Church. We are very selective in this process. Not every church organization these days is Biblical. If you are looking for a Biblical Church, contact us and we will do what we can to point you in the right direction for God’s glory.

Ministry Highlights

Local Outreach: Being a Fisher of Men

Evangelism Outreach Ministries exists to evangelize the lost, equip the saints, and edify the Church. In this endeavor we often work with other Christians and ministries in the work of the ministry for the glory of God. Our hope and prayer is that many sinners would be saved and brought into the glorious kingdom of God's dear Son, the LORD Jesus Christ.



WAYS TO BE A FISHER OF MEN

TAKING A CLOSER LOOK AT EVANGELISM



In order to follow through with the Great Commission and to make disciples of all nations, it is necessary to go where the people are located. Jesus said to Peter and Andrew, *Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men* (Matthew 4:19). And again he says *Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men* (Mark 1:17). In these they were required to leave their nets and follow Christ. Christ would make them, and they would become, fishers of men.

Anyone that knows anything about fishing knows that to catch fish the fisherman must go where the fish are located. Some locations are better than others for catching fish. There are times when there is a lot of action, and the fish are biting. There are, however, times fishermen become discouraged because the fish aren't biting like they had hoped. This is illustrated in the gospel of John, chapter twenty-one, after the resurrection of Christ Jesus the LORD.

Simon Peter said, "I go fishing." Other of the disciples would go with him and they set off together in a ship. In this endeavor they didn't catch anything. That seems about right. But in the morning Jesus was standing on the shoreline and called out to them and said, "Children, have ye any meat?" They told Jesus, "No." Jesus then said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find." They subsequently caught so much fish that they weren't able to draw their nets.

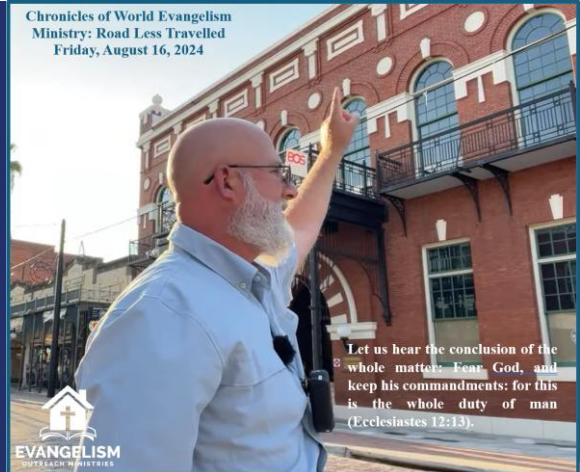
There are many ways in which to reach the local community with the Gospel. Relationships are very important, but relationships don't save a soul. Salvation is found in Christ alone. The work of fishermen is fruitless if not accomplished according to the word and direction of the LORD. Salvation is of the LORD from start to finish. God saves sinners according to His will and good pleasure. Being led by the Holy Spirit is essential in being fishers of men.



In the News & Beyond

Challenges in World of Evangelism

Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you (Matthew 5:10-12).



CHRONICLES OF WORLD EVANGELISM

AN ACCOUNT OF HOW GOD CAN DO THE IMPOSSIBLE

In being fishers of men, the Christian Church goes into the world by the authority of King Jesus with the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ the LORD. The gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth (Romans 1:16). In doing so, there are often many challenges in world evangelism that come along the way in the ministry of the gospel.

While sharing the gospel with the nations is a calling of God for everyone in the Christian Church, there are men of God that have a particular calling for the purpose of preaching Christ and Him crucified. They have an unction from the Holy One that drives them to go and do what seldom others would even attempt to accomplish. They know they have something that people need, and that something is someone whose name is Jesus.

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation (Romans 10:9, 10).

In 2024 a local team of evangelists who have been preaching the gospel in Y'bor City in Tampa, Florida found that the local police began to cite them for using amplification. To be certain, the issue isn't the microphone but is the message of the gospel that is hard for sinners to receive. Their appeals to the officers were to no avail.

They recently have found favor with the City of Tampa after a thorough legal review and are back preaching the gospel. The authority to preach the gospel goes beyond the First Amendment, it comes from Jesus Himself who rules over the nations. While these matters can be challenging, nothing is impossible with God. All things work together for good to them that love God.



Something to Consider

THE HEARING OF FAITH

DOES THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH HEAR FROM GOD?

Sometimes people get concerned over Christians claiming to hear from God. Many well-meaning Christians would assert that if you want to hear from God just read the Bible out loud. But what if Scripture actually teaches that Christians can and do hear from God and that it's normative to the Christian life? There are many examples of just this thing happening to the children of God.

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand (John 10:27,28).

Adam heard from the Lord. Noah and Abraham heard from the Lord. Moses was a man who Yahweh spoke to face to face (Exodus 33:11). Samuel and David heard from the Lord. Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel heard from the Lord. The apostles heard from the Lord. Every soul that God awakens and makes alive in regeneration hear from the Lord just like the apostle Paul (1 Timothy 1). What do we mean in hearing from God?

There is an inner witness of the Spirit that speaks directly to the soul of God's people, an inner yearning, revelation, and compulsion that guides and directs the elect according to the will of God. Without such heart cry and unction of the Spirit, the soul would still be in the grave.

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God (Romans 10:17).

The conversion of the apostle Paul wasn't an aberration. Scripture clearly teaches that his conversion is an example of every person who comes to faith and trust in Jesus Christ the LORD.

For this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might shew forth all longsuffering, for a pattern to them which should hereafter believe on him to life everlasting (1 Timothy 1:16).

This isn't a matter of whether it's accepted or not. Our opinions and traditions don't negate the clear teachings from Scripture. The Christian Church needs the voice of the Lord to awaken their souls to new life in Christ and to guide them in the wilderness in bringing them to glory.

Hearing the voice of God is Biblical. My sheep know my voice and a stranger they will not follow. This isn't necessarily an audible communication as much as it is an inner witness of the Spirit.

Romans 8 shows that there's a witness in our spirit that we belong to the LORD. What does that witness testify to and say? Read about David and how he inquired of the LORD and wouldn't even make decisions without hearing from the LORD. Jesus demonstrated this commitment and submission to the will of the Father. And the Christian Church are imitators of God.

Christians follow the example of Jesus. He testifies to the will of the Father and instructs us to walk in the way of the LORD. This hearing from God is of such importance that if a person doesn't hear from God, they don't belong to Him. One can explain it away from their traditions, confessions, creeds, and denominational standards, but what matters is what saith the LORD.

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