

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.

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

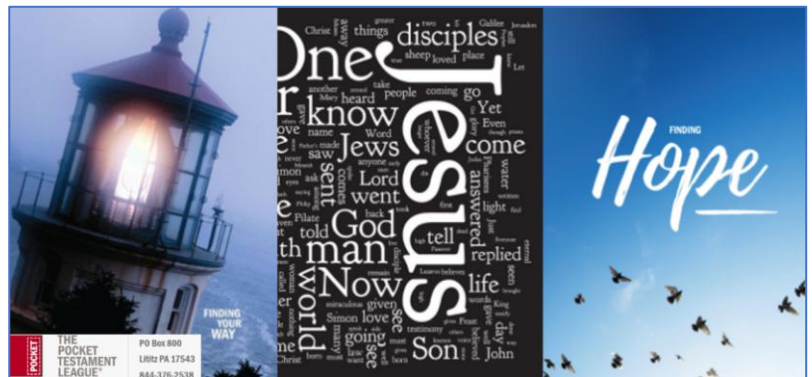
KEEPING IT SIMPLE AND COMMUNICATING A MESSAGE

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).

The mission of EOM is to “Evangelize” the world with the gospel of Jesus Christ, “Equip” other people in the Christian Church who would like to serve in the gospel ministry, and to “Edify” Christians and those people in need of encouragement in the way of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ. One way in which we “Evangelize” is to share the gospel of John in booklet form with children, young adults, and people in need of knowing Jesus.

The distribution of the gospel of John to the community is a marvelous and rewarding endeavor and is very fruitful. Children receive the gospel of John as a cherished treasure to love and to hold.



We do not know what will become of these booklets once we give them to the people, but we do know that one plants, another waters, but God gives the increase. And it is our hope and prayer that people who read the gospel of John will come to learn about Jesus and their need to know Him, and that they will be gloriously saved. God has ordained the salvation of His people through the word of God.

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

Oftentimes, we are allowed to speak to people about Jesus. On this night, a mother allowed us to give her children the booklets and to talk to them about Jesus. Our time together was very special. We trust that God will do a mighty work in their lives for His glory.

Whether young or old, rich or poor, everyone has something in common. Our sin separates us from God, and our only hope of salvation is found in Jesus Christ, the LORD. God saves sinners!



Ministry Highlights

Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed into Galilee; And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim: That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles; The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up (Matthew 4:12-16).

THE GOSPEL IN THE COMMUNITY

MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR THE GLORY OF GOD

On this night in the community, we had the privilege of being joined by our precious granddaughter, who holds a very special place in our hearts. This was her first time at the pier, and it was a night to remember.

From one week to the next, we come across a lot of people from all different walks of life. Some homeless people make their rounds walking around the neighborhood. Entertainers sing, play instruments, and perform for the public who throw money into their coffers. Local teenagers from Gibbs High School march the streets and perform music from their band. They are very loud but also very good at what they do. We can hear them blocks away.

The Saint Petersburg Pier is an attraction that people from all over the world visit while in the area. We set out to minister the gospel near the entrance of the pier. This is a central location to reach people with the gospel from every direction, whether they are walking, driving, or maneuvering through the area. One way to describe this is as fishers of men who fish the channel where the fish are plentiful. But even more so, we are following the example of Jesus. He began to preach the gospel at Capernaum. The choice of Capernaum says much about the ministry of Christ.



*From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
Matthew 4:17*

Capernaum is a very good place for Jesus to begin to preach the gospel, as it was “by the way of the sea.” There is an international trade route that runs right through Capernaum, where people from Africa, Asia, and Europe traversed. This road is known as The Via Maris or Great Trunk Road. “The term “Via Maris” comes from the Romans and hence the terminology “Via Maris” tends to be an exclusively Christian reference to the Sea Road.”¹ Many of Christ’s own people did not receive him.

He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God (John 1:11-13).

The gospel of the LORD Jesus Christ is for all the peoples of the world. There is no Jew or Gentile in Christ. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled (Luke 14:23). Everyone responds to the gospel of Jesus Christ either by accepting it or rejecting the word of the LORD. Nobody is without an excuse before God.

*For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.
Romans 10:13*

¹ Jewish Virtual Library, *Ancient Jewish History: Via Maris*. Accessed May 30, 2026, <https://jewishvirtuallibrary.org/via-maris>.

Growing in Grace

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth (2 Timothy 2:15).

Luke 1:1-4

Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us, Even as they delivered them unto us, which from the beginning were eyewitnesses, and ministers of the word; It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write unto thee in order, most excellent Theophilus, That thou mightest know the certainty of those things, wherein thou hast been instructed.

EOM WEEKLY DISCIPLESHIP MEETING

GROWING IN GRACE FOR THE GLORY OF GOD

Evangelism Outreach Ministries hosts a weekly discipleship meeting for anyone interested in taking a deeper dive into Scripture. We have been making our way through the Book of Genesis and are currently in chapter twenty-one. This has been an exceptional journey in the Word of God.

Our goal is to study Scripture verse by verse and chapter by chapter. One way in which to foster one's knowledge and understanding of Scripture is through an in-depth study, teaching, and practical application of the Word of God. Instead of racing through the Bible, we take time to examine it.

Recently, a young man who has been faithfully attending the meetings each week expressed a desire to teach the Bible in the Book of Luke. He has been added to the rotation of teachers for the edification of saints, his further development in the LORD, and for the glory of God.

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The first message he taught is from Luke 1:1-4. For this meeting, he studied the Word of God and developed a PowerPoint Presentation. The meetings are held each week via Teams. Teams is a very helpful tool for meeting and sharing information remotely online.

What is always amazing is how much treasure is found while working through Scripture. In this text alone, there are many things that we examined while viewing the subject matter in light of the whole of Scripture. From an Exegetical, Biblical, Systematic, and Practical theological approach, we aim to make the most use of our weekly studies and pray that we would be conformed to the image of Christ.

Luke was a Gentile who accompanied the apostle Paul and is believed to be the author of the Book of Luke. In this book, he presents the gospel as being for all people. He did not personally witness the ministry of Christ but does bear witness to the work of the apostles and what is most certainly believed.

The book of Luke is very detailed and provides a reliable and indispensable testimony of Christ and the glorious truth of the gospel. There are also astonishing and glorious claims of Christ.

And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me (Luke 24:44).

If there is any doubt regarding the message of the Bible, Jesus makes it very clear to His disciples, before His ascension to glory. The Old Testament anticipates the coming of the Messiah. And Luke affirms that this Messiah is Jesus Christ the LORD who saves His people from their sins. We've only just begun our study of the Book of Luke, but we anticipate this endeavor to be fruitful and edifying.

In the News & Beyond

For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ. But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtily, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him (2 Corinthians 11:1-4).



FOR THE CHURCH
ANDREW D. NASELLI
WHY "LET GO AND LET GOD" IS A BAD IDEA
What is "let-go-and-let-God" theology? It's called Keswick theology, and is one of the most significant strands of second-blessing theology. It assumes that Christians experience two "blessings." The first is getting "saved," and the second is getting serious. The change is dramatic: from a defeated life to a victorious life; from a lower life to a higher life; from a shallow life to a deeper life; from a fruitless life to a more abundant life; from being "carnal" to being "spiritual"; and from merely having Jesus as your Savior to making Jesus your Master. People experience this second blessing through surrender and faith: "Let go and let God."
 Keswick theology comes from the early Keswick movement. Keswick (pronounced KEE-sick) is a small town in the scenic Lake District of northwest England. Since 1875, it has hosted a weekly meeting solely for the Keswick Convention. The movement's first generation (about 1875-1920) emphasized what we still call "Keswick theology" today.
 People who influenced Keswick theology include John Wesley, Charles Finney, and Hannah Whitall Smith. Significant proponents of Keswick theology include from H. Hopkins

THE HIGHER LIFE MOVEMENT

UNDERSTANDING THE HIGHER LIFE MOVEMENT AND ITS DANGERS

There is a weekly Bible study at Cracker Barrel on Saturday mornings that has been a real blessing. Recently, the teacher shared some remarks about the Higher Life Movement that struck a chord. For some time, there has been an effort to understand why so many problems are surfacing in the visible church related to pastoral misconduct and heresies that trouble many souls and unity in the Church.

Diving into this subject matter uncovered the writings of Dr. Andrew D. Naselli. He has written a book entitled: "Let Go and Let God? A Survey and Analysis of Keswick Theology." This book is available online through LOGOS. The Higher Life Movement is called Keswick Theology. This subject matter addresses a topic that touches the visible church, in one way or another, all over the world.

Naselli also wrote an article, referenced above in PDF form, in the Tabletalk August 2011 entitled: Why "Let God And Let God" is a Bad Idea.² He writes: "What is "let-go-and-let-God" theology? It's called Keswick theology, and it's one of the most significant strands of second-blessing theology. It assumes that Christians experience two "blessings." The first is getting "saved," and the second is getting serious."

For many years there has been an ongoing debate in Christianity concerning what happens when a person is born again and what their new life in Christ looks like. This seemed to be an innocent disagreement. But the fruit of this Higher Life teaching has proven itself to be anything but a simple disagreement. This error has contributed to much division in the Church, false doctrine, and apostasy.

Biblically speaking, a person who is born of the Spirit is justified by faith when they believe on the LORD Jesus Christ (Romans 3-5). They receive the forgiveness of sins, the imputed righteousness of Christ, adoption into the family of God, and are a temple of the Holy Spirit. Yet the Higher Life Movement makes much ado about what they call the second blessing. Consider the ramifications of this unbelief.

Naselli continues: "The change is dramatic: from a defeated life to a victorious life; from a lower life to a higher life; from a shallow life to a deeper life; from a fruitless life to a more abundant life; from being "carnal" to being "spiritual"; and from merely having Jesus as your Savior to making Jesus your Master. People experience this second blessing through surrender and faith: "Let go and let God"

This divides the Church into "the haves" and the "have-nots." Included in this is sinless perfection and a passivity that is problematic in the life of Christians. They don't get involved. Why should we do anything if it's a matter of let go and let God? This very clearly misrepresents what it means to be a Christian and adversely affects the fellowship of saints. Faith without works is dead (James 2:20).

² Andrew Naselli, Why "Let God And Let God" is a Bad Idea. Accessed May 30, 2026, https://andynaselli.com/wp-content/uploads/2011_Keswick.pdf.

Something to Consider

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 ... For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved (Romans 10:9-13).



WORK IN PROGRESS

HOW CHRIST MAKES THE DIFFERENCE IN THE SOULS OF MEN

We were contacted recently by a local church and invited to preach one evening. The Scripture that lay heavily on my heart was Ephesians 2:8-10. This passage of Scripture is a weighty matter to consider, and it was very timely for this opportunity to share the word of God, as they also asked me to share my testimony. While considering the work of God in my own life, there was a sense of nostalgia, preaching at a local YMCA where I once played baseball as a young teenager in the 1970s and early 1980s.

If you had asked me then if I wanted to be a preacher, I most likely would have declined. At the time, I was not prepared for such an undertaking. In fact, much of my adult life was spent providing for my wife and children. I was also very busy with my career and later became a college student pursuing an education and degree in Professional Aeronautics from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. My understanding of theology did not go very deep, but that would all change one evening.

While our family was sitting on our bed, praying and reading the Bible together, the LORD began a mighty work that I did not expect at all. That work was a call into the gospel ministry.

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord (1 Corinthians 15:58).

As I look back over the years, it is astonishing to see what has transpired. From a young boy giving his life to Christ in 1975, to a family man in his early forties, entering the gospel ministry was not on the radar. But something changed in me, a word spoken so clearly that it got a hold of my person, and my life was forever changed. This was a big endeavor for me. But my response to the LORD was, I'll do whatever you've called me to do, but I ask that you would be with me and give me the strength to do it.

Now in my late 50s, I cannot help but give praise to God for what He has done and continues to do. I have learned that I am a work in progress. And that work is the work of God. The workmanship of God is not by accident. The Bible teaches that God's people are chosen in Christ from before the foundation of the world. Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ (Philippians 1:6). In this and in all things, God gets the glory.

From beginning to end, God is good. The Christian life is intentional worship and service to the LORD of glory. He is worthy to be praised. His work is perfect (Deuteronomy 32:4)!

Work in Progress

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:8-10

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