

WESTERN MICHIGAN TEEN CHALLENGE

August 2013

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Dear Friends,

The word of the Gospel of Jesus Christ must continue to go forward. Jesus taught us to "go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." We are to preach the Gospel in the power of the Holy Spirit. Jesus said in **Acts 1:8**, "**But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be "witnesses" unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.**" Please pray for us as we have many opportunities to preach the Gospel that it would be preached in the power of the Holy Spirit. Jesus said in **John 15:8**, "**Herein is my Father glorified that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.**" Please pray for a great ingathering of souls, a great harvest as we continue to preach Christ to a lost and dying world. Jesus said in **John 9:4**, "**I must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.**" Time is running out. We must work while it is day. Only what's done for Christ will last. Souls...Souls...Souls for Christ! Please pray with us and for us.

BIKE-A-THON RESULTS

This was a great day of fun for all who participated. God wonderfully provided over \$30,143.00 as a result of everyone's efforts. PRAISE GOD! Winners were:

1st Place - Dawn Detra; 2nd Place - Misty Latsch;
3rd Place - Leisha Wilson



SUMMER FUN

The students spent a day lazing down the river on inner tubes, enjoying the summer and God's wonderful creation.



UPCOMING FALL BANQUETS

Grand Rapids Banquet

Thursday, September 26, 2013
Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

First Assembly of God

2100 Forty-Fourth Street SW
Grand Rapids, MI 49509

Muskegon Banquet

Thursday, October 10, 2013
Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Maranatha Bible Conference Grounds

4759 Lake Harbor Road,
Norton Shores, MI 49441

It feels like summer has just arrived, but you may want to get these fall banquet dates on your calendar. Will you attend and perhaps host a table of eight or more? We look forward to hearing from you. Adults only. For reservations, call Cindy at 231.798.7927.

GRADUATE TESTIMONIES

My name is Joshua Dirscherl. I am 21 years old from Crossville, TN. In high school the party scene appealed to me and quickly took over my life which led me to getting in trouble and selling drugs at an early age.

Over time I began to use pain pills. I was federally indicted for selling and delivering narcotics. I tried so many times to straighten up and live my

life right, but I always failed because I didn't know how to rely on God's strength. Teen Challenge has really shown me how to live a happy, Godly life. I thank the Lord every day for the new life I have in Him. **Galatians 2:20** - "**I am crucified through Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me.**"



My name is Sami George. I am from Johnstown, PA. I grew up in a Christian home with more love than I could ask for. As I got older, I started hanging around the wrong crowd, which led me down the path of a destructive lifestyle. I eventually ended up losing my job and failing out of school. I thank God for keeping His hand on me and bringing me back to Him. He has changed me from the inside out. I stand on **Romans 8:38** - "**And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.**"



I want to work for Jesus until He comes, or as long as He gives me breath and strength. Addicts, alcoholics, and people who have committed crimes continue to make their way to our doors and are coming to Christ. You on our mailing list who pray for us and contribute to this ministry will share in the benefits when Jesus comes for His body, "the church." Jesus said in John 4:36, "And He that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal." You who are sowing into this ministry are gathering fruit unto life eternal. And there will be eternal rewards. May God bless you as we labor together winning souls to Christ.

Yours in Christ as we serve the Lord of the Harvest,
Phil & Michelle McClain



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