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# How The Lord Used Us in August of 2017

### Hello Brothers and Sisters!

We thank God for a productive August. Normally, this is one of the "quiet" months on the calendar year, but this year we were blessed to have 4 MAD Live Events and to see one man give his life to Jesus Christ in repentance and faith! Praise our God!!

I was out a number of times on the trails in SW VA working on our "off-road" ministry. I had a number of opportunities to share the Gospel one on one and pray with people. Here's an amazing testimony that I received from someone in PA. I trust it will bless your heart and encourage you. ANYONE, young and old, can do what I teach:

"Hi Bro. Sunshine, in the summer you came to VFBT and we attended the Saturday class with our kids. Our second son loved everything you talked about and it got him on fire for God. He came home and bought \$20 worth of gospel of Johns with his own money. He is 10. He has been handing them out. He loved when you were here again in July. At church last week he found labels for the church in the trash because the print wasn't lined up right on the labels. so he got them out and brought them home. He used the ones that were pretty readable to put in the back of the gospel of John's that he has left. My mother in law was visiting from Ukraine where she is a missionary. My son asked me to drop them off near the train station in Norristown. They handed out all of the gospel of John's that he had left. He has also been reading the book Follow me. Thank you for being used of God to help even children to be more passionate about sharing the gospel."

## SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER SCHEDULE

- Sept 9 MAD Live Event Holy Ridge Baptist Church, Blacksburg, SC
- Sept 10 MAD Live Event Beach Grove Baptist Church, Louisville, TN
- Sept 15-16 MAD Live Event for teens at the Lamoka Baptist Camp, Tyrone, NY
- Sept 19 Share the Gospel at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church Food Pantry night
- Sept 23 MAD Live Event in partnership with "The Journey FM Tree of Life Ministries, Lynchburg, VA This our first MAD Live Event with them and we look forward to doing more!
- Sept 24 MAD Live Event Niles Ferry Baptist Church, Greenback, TN
- Oct 1 Freedom Biker Church, Monroe, NC Preach at AM Svc; MAD Live Event 1PM
- Oct 6 MAD Live Event Ransomville Free Methodist Church, Ransomville, NY
- Oct 7-9 Fall Foliage Motorcycle Outreach Ride Western NY hosted by Ransomville Free Methodist Church - I will be sharing the Gospel and speaking several times over the weekend
- Oct 8 Speak at both services Fluvanna Community Church, Jamestown, NY
- Oct 28 MAD Live Event Fleetwood Bible Church, Fleetwood, PA

- Oct 29 MAD Live Event Calvary Baptist Church, Reading, PA
- Nov 4 MAD Live Event Nashville, TN Exact location to be determined
- Nov 5 MAD Live Event Prospect Baptist Church, Walland, TN
- Nov 11 Walk thru the Bible Old Testament seminar Everett Hills Baptist Church, Maryville, TN
- Nov 18 MAD Live Event Sugar Mountain Baptist Church, Newland, NC

### **FINANCES**

It's been awhile since I updated you on our financial position. We are currently at 65% of our regular monthly support needed. We have been blessed over the past 3 years to have been the beneficiary of a very large financial grant from a Christian Foundation which believes in what we are doing to help equip the Body of Christ to fulfill the Great Commission. This large grant will run out in October of this year, which will reduce our regular support to about 55%. We praise God for His faithfulness and blessings on our ministry over the past eight years, even though our regular support has not been 100%. He has kept us alive and serving Him full time through the love offerings that have been given to us as we have done the MAD Live Events. We would greatly appreciate your prayers concerning the finances and we would ask you to seek the Lord asking Him if you should begin a monthly partnership with us to continue to build the Kingdom. Would you please pray about this? Thanks...that's all we can ask.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Thank you for your continued prayers regarding our schedule. As you can see, God is at work answering them! What an amazing summer He has planned! There are some incredible doors being opened. Please pray for the requests below:

- We are scheduled to be at the Windrock Park in Oliver Springs, TN in October, for their annual Jamboree, which draws thousands of people and many families. This is a 73,000 acre outdoor recreation park for off-road enthusiasts. We already have FREE Gospel Displays at their Campground Office and at their General Store. We have asked for permission to set up a Prayer Tent in the Vendor area at the Jamboree. The man who makes the decision is thinking about it. Please pray the Lord that we will find favor with the Lord and that He will open this particular door of ministry for us.
- Praise God for a great schedule for this year. It looks like we will have completed 50
  MAD Live Events this year! Pray for our 2018 schedule. We are presently working to fill
  it!
- Pray for our finances that God would provide additional monthly partners, large and small to help us reach 100%!

Love in Christ,

Cathy and Don

Dear Friend,

I call you "friend" because we connected by our appreciation for Don and Cathy Sunshine and the ministry to which the Lord has called them.

For several years I worked alongside Don at Family Life, and not only enjoyed his friendship, his passion for Christ, and his work ethic; but also I learned much in those early days of his "Rescue" seminars.

I've been in "vocational ministry" for over thirty years, and I seldom meet people with the zeal combined with knowledge and passion evident in Don.

For all those years I've been "on support," just as Don is. Don and Cathy ask the Lord to raise up folks to stand with them as co-laborers in the gospel by investing the powerful combination of finance and prayer.

As you are probably aware, thus far the incoming funds are not matching the needs. I asked Don if I could write you to simply encourage you to prayerfully consider a couple things:

- 1) In this age of "it's all about me" "Christianity," is it valuable...even critical...to have someone like Don training teens and adults in effective, Christ-honoring evangelism?
- 2) In fact, is there any other investment more valued?
- 3) Will you pray and think about standing with the Sunshine's in order to ensure the continuance of their ministry?

If you are already giving, could you increase your giving at least a bit? If you are giving occasionally, could you contemplate giving monthly that the Sunshines might better budget?

And, if you've not given to this point; would you allow for the possibility that the Lord has prompted me to write in order that you might sense His leading to be a vital link in the chain of effectiveness that is Don's ministry?

I encourage you to call Don should you have questions, and if the Lord leads you to action as you pray, let him know of your decision,

Literally thousands have heard Don's training...and those thousands have impacted countless others with the gospel...Let's keep this unique, effective, and on-the-heart-of-God ministry going!

Thank you for your time...

Serving in His grace,

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