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### *How The Lord Used Us In January of 2016*

Greetings in the Name of Jesus!

First, let me apologize for the lateness of this report. I am normally very timely with it. We had MAD Live Events the last two days of the month, and beginning on February 1<sup>st</sup>, we were packing a 28 foot trailer to move to Tennessee. We have been in need of more space for some time now, and have had our home up for sale for the past 2½ years. We thought we had a buyer in June, but the deal fell through. We were investigating the possibility of moving to TN 4 ½ years ago, but elected to buy a home in PA. So Cathy told the realtor in TN to not send us any more homes to look at online. Then out of the blue, she began sending prospective homes in TN right before Thanksgiving. Cathy commented to me that it was strange that she started sending homes to look at without solicitation. Then the phone rang and it was a local realtor who thought he had a buyer for our house! We agreed on a price and began looking in PA. Unfortunately, we could afford the house we needed, but not the taxes. So we traveled to TN on two separate dates to look at homes, and after looking at 20 homes, we found one that we felt would work in Jonesborough, the oldest town in TN.

The closing on the sale of our home in PA was set for Feb 4<sup>th</sup>, and the closing in TN was Feb 5<sup>th</sup>. We had a lot of packing to do, and secured the help of some good friends to load the 28 foot trailer on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of February. Those two days were 16 hour days for us, and boy did our age catch up with us! Pain! Pain! Pain! My Brother in the Lord and good friend Charlie York got commitments from 4 men from his church outside of Chattanooga (about 4 hours south of us) to come up and help us unload on the 6<sup>th</sup>. It only took us 4 ½ hours to empty the truck. I am so grateful to the friends on both ends who sacrificed and served in loading and unloading our possessions. God bless them! **Our new address is 56 Mulberry Bend, Jonesborough, TN 37659. Please make a note of the change.**

We completed 4 MAD Live Events in January. On the 14<sup>th</sup> I did one for the staff of Billy Graham's flagship radio station in the Asheville area - Light 106.9. I was privileged to be the first "outsider" to be brought in to do a staff training in the 50+ years of the station's existence. The station was also cosponsoring a MAD Live Event in Hickory, NC for January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Unfortunately, the blizzard hit NC and the event had to be postponed. We had over 500 people registered, and Lord willing they'll be able to make the replacement date.

A lady from the Finger Lakes asked me for permission to create a "MAD Live Event Junior" for young children. I gladly said, "YES!!!!" While I did the normal Live Event for the adults and

teens, she taught it to the children for 4 hours on the 31<sup>st</sup> and it went very well. She is very talented and creative, and the kids had a great time learning. I now have the materials she created to be used as we see fit. We are excited about this, but praying for God's wisdom and guidance as to the best way to use them. Praise the Lord!!!!

Here are a couple of testimonies to bless and encourage you:

*"Attending Don Sunshine's Discipleship Training today at First Baptist Church, Kingston, TN was a spirit-filled experience. Being a Christian for more than sixty years, I felt secure in my walk with the Lord. But today, Don's seminar made me realize I am amiss in many areas. I cried as Don explained how God can "free-me-up" to participate in earnest discipleship. "Preparing" myself to follow the commands of the Great Commission. Don is a God-sent messenger! PTL"*

*"Hi Don- I was at your meeting in Murrysville, Pa. I just wanted to tell you what happened last week. The auto auction where I work was taken over by Adesa Auto Auctions. They had 6 managers here for 3 weeks from other locations. One of them, Pam, was reviewing the title system we have in place. Pam is from N.C. and when I asked her if she was going home for the weekend she said she wasn't. I wanted to give her one of the Gospels of John, but I wanted to build a relationship first. I really felt God was prompting me to invite her for Sunday dinner and she said she would love to come. Thru our conversations at dinner and over the next few days, I learned that she had been beaten almost to death by her first husband, was divorced and remarried, and her younger daughter had reconnected with her "real" dad and now wanted nothing to do with her. So, she wasn't allowed to see her two grandsons and an 18 month old granddaughter which she had never seen. She is a broken hearted person to say the least. Pam told me how she had become a Christian and I truly believe she's saved. We just clicked during that first dinner at our house and we both commented that no matter where you go in the world, when you meet another Christian, it feels like you've known each other all your life. She runs a dog rescue for women that have been abused and keeps their dogs for them until they find a place to live and then returns their dog to them. She has 16 in her home right now. When leaving for work on her last day here, I picked up the Gospel of Johns that came from you, and I had forgotten that one of the ones that I had chosen had 3 collies on the front. I gave it to her and thru her tears she said " you don't understand. I have wanted to have something to give these broken women when I meet them, and have been praying to God to show me what that should be. This is PERFECT!" It was then that I realized how God had orchestrated the whole thing. Who would have thought that going to your meeting, and choosing the Gospel of John with the dogs on the cover would lead to that? She said she would order a hundred as soon as she got home. As for God, his way is perfect! Many thanks, Debbie"*

### **2016 ULTIMATE ADVENTURE TRIP TO UTAH**

We have made reservations for our 2016 Ultimate Adventure trip to Utah. There is still space available but **WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU NOW**. We need at least 3 more people to break even on the trip. Please contact me if interested.



### **FEBRUARY & MARCH SCHEDULE**

- Feb 11 – Meet with Elizabethtown Ministerium regarding a future MAD Live Event I'll be doing with a group of area churches
- Feb 13 - MAD Live Event - Life in Christ Church - Bethlehem, PA
- Feb 20 - MAD Live Event - (Sponsored by Mars Hill Radio Network)
- Feb 20 - Speak at Wild Game Dinner - Albion Alliance Church, Albion, NY
- Feb 21 - MAD Live Event - Albion Alliance Church, Albion, NY
- Feb 27 - Speak at Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Conference, Fredericksburg, VA
- Feb 28 - Speak at both services - Valley Forge Baptist Temple, Valley Forge, PA
- Feb 28 - MAD Live Event for Pastors and Church leadership in Elizabethtown, PA
- Mar 6-12 - Share Christ with people at Daytona Bike Week
- Mar 13 - MAD Live Event - Bible Baptist Church - Fort Pierce, FL
- Mar 19 - MAD Live Event - The Chapel at Warren Valley, Washington, NJ
- Mar 20 - MAD Live Event - Zarephath Bible Church, Zarephath, NJ

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

- We ask for continued prayers for good health and safety as we travel and minister, and that hearts will be open to the Holy Spirit's moving.
- For God to fill our 2016 Schedule
- That the MAD Live Event with Billy Graham's radio station will be rescheduled quickly
- That the Knoxville SBC Association will schedule a MAD Live Event for all of their Pastors soon.
- For God's wisdom and guidance in incorporating the "Junior" material into our ministry offering

Love in Christ,

*Cathy and Don*