

The Echoes

October 2011

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Romans 12:1

National Ladies Retreat

Ladies: It's time once again for our National Ladies Retreat. We are going to meet at Lebanon, Missouri. Our dates are **October 7th & 8th**. The retreat will take place at the Mills Center on 500 E. Elm Street. The theme:

'Women who make a difference.'

We can make a difference. It's how much we want to die to self & let the image of Christ be formed in us. What makes a world changer?

This year has been different for me, but I'm looking forward to a good retreat. *Rev. Joyce Myers*

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Calvary Family Worship Center

Campmeeting is coming to Calvary Family Worship Center in Belmont, Mississippi **October 9th-13th**. Beginning Sunday at 10:30 am & 6 pm. Monday through Thursday at 7 pm.

Special guests: Gerald Crabb; Lindell Cooley; Curtiss Silcox and Bishop Shawn Teal. Everyone is invited.

For more information call (662) 676-9860 or (662) 676-9619

Oklahoma State Convention

The Oklahoma State Convention is scheduled for **October 14th-15th 2011**.

It will be held in Wagoner, Oklahoma at Life Choice Fellowship with Pastor Rick Hanes hosting.

The Ingathering service will be at 7:00 pm on Friday evening.

Directions:

One mile **West** of the 51 & 69 junction on Highway 51 W, Wagoner, Oklahoma

Church address:

26243 Highway 51 West
Wagoner, Oklahoma

For more information, please call

Rev. Robert Howell, Oklahoma
Sec/Treasurer (580) 716-3422

Or

Rev. Terry Vines (405) 432-0350

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(918) 485-4593

One bed \$66.97 + tax

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Colorado State Convention

The Colorado State Convention was held in late August and all officers of the State remain in the same positions.

Superintendent:

Robert J. Hernandez

State Presbyterian: Gene Lucero

Sec/Treas: Carol Martinez

Iowa State Convention Report!

"It has been a good year for Iowa FGCI, by the Grace of God and a lot of hard work by many. Let's keep the momentum going and purpose to do something Great for God in the next 12 months," said Rev. Dan Lopez, State Superintendent.

As editor of The Echoes it is not often I receive such a complete report of State Convention activities. Iowa is doing very well financially; they have a monthly newsletter and a web-site (www.iowafullgospel.com or .org or .net) that is linked to the national web-site.

A Des Moines local Walgreens offered \$5.00 backpacks and another business donated \$500 to purchase them and school supplies and give them to kids in communities throughout Iowa.

They have also been active in 'toys for tots' in Central Iowa, and are looking into a shoebox program to send packages for children overseas.

Osceola Full Gospel Church and pastor Pete feed more than two hundred people per week through their food pantry.

Rev. Dan Lopez continues as the State Superintendent; Rev. Victor Lochmann is the new Sec./Treasurer and Rev. James Sheesley continues as State Presbyterian. They also have three district presbyters. Richard Lacey, Eastern; Gary Keller, Central; Sue Bowers, Western.

Thanks for a great report!

Editor

CONVENTION 2011



Heartbreak In Texas

As I sit here writing this letter, I have mixed emotions about what to say. I still have fond memories of General Convention and the Spirit filled services at Flag Springs church near St. James, Missouri. Yet my heart is breaking for the victims of the wild fires in Bastrop County Texas.

As of this writing two people have died from the fire, about 600 homes are destroyed, 33,000 acres have burned, one church is gone and the Bastrop State Park of 6,000 acres is all burned except for about 100 acres. Hundreds of people are now homeless.

Our daughter-in-law is staying with us because she can't get to her place due to road blocks and she doesn't know if she even has a place left to go to. None of our church members are victims of the fires and all are safe. We are also safe and it does seem the fires are burning away from us; give God the praise.

Several people that I know personally have lost their homes; two Pentecostal preachers and one Baptist, all three of them are fine men of God. Others have lost homes that we are acquainted with and it hurts us to see them hurt; I pray we can be of comfort and help to them.

The fires are still burning and we don't know yet the end of this tragedy. I've tried to give you a brief account of what is happening here, but in reality the tragedy is far greater than you can imagine or I describe.

Please pray for rain in this area and for all those who have lost their home and everything they had. Some are seniors that had years of accumulated keep-sakes and items they treasured that cannot be replaced not to mention the heart break and financial loss.

*Rev. Norman Fikes,
State Superintendent*

New Members, Reinstatements, Advancements & New Churches

Illinois:

Rev. Bobby E. Massey, Ord.

Kansas:

Rev. Leonard W. Dewitt, Lic.

Missouri:

Rev. Robert Vincent Wade, Ord.

North Carolina:

Rev. Jamie J. Wright, Lic.

Oakaloma:

Rev. James Hanes, Jr., Ord.

Rev. Ramonita Massey, Lic.

Tennessee:

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Texas:

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Hope

Graduation To Glory

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Chase, Kansas

Beloved wife of Larry, Kansas
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Mark Lavine Ministries Happenings

As most of you know, after a time of rest and seeking God I felt a release to resume traveling and ministering this year. I have been very busy throughout the summer and am now scheduling meetings for October—March. If you have need for this ministry in your church, please call and I will work with you to schedule a time.

In July, I made my first trip into the homeless camps in Tulsa, escorted by Brother Bob Massey. He has a great attitude and is a wonderful servant of God. His goal is not to supply these people's physical needs, but to form relationships with them, a trust, in order to be able to share the Word and supply their needs as He sees fit. He can be found sitting around the camp in a fold out chair, just being a friend. This warmed our hearts. People need more than our money or supply; they need our time and our love!

A few pictures of these camps are posted on our web-site. You may visit Bob's site for more pictures. We have linked it to ours.

Please continue to pray for us to have specific direction, supply and wisdom at all times. Check our web-site to see where we are ministering and sign our new guestbook and leave your testimony to God's goodness.

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The Focus Of A Conqueror

When thinking about the needs for change in the world, we first began dwelling on some part of our past. It is really hard for us to believe in victorious things when we live far beneath what God has for us.

David, when going into battle with Goliath, made a statement that caught king Saul's attention. He knew the reason he could defeat this enemy, because he had already defeated another type of enemy in the fields while guarding the sheep.

God will never place you in battles that you are not proven in. He will prepare you! He will lead you through levels of battle for training, that may be for only one major battle in your entire life time.

David had developed in his heart a knowledge of who his God was, and knew God would never let him down. All of David's victories were won while he was a shepherd in the fields. He developed the confidence in God first, before he was successful in the big battle. Preparation through testing readies your spirit to have total confidence in the Holy Spirits direction and protection.

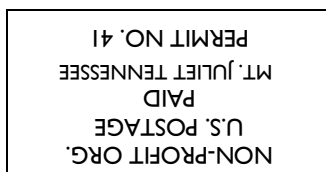
He never saw the height of the giant, he saw the successes of the two battles in the field, which he won. He didn't rehearse his defeats; he spoke of the victories. Life is a training camp that we must all go through. What you focus on the most will reflect your victories.

*Rev. Anthony Gibson, Pastor
Word of Life Church, Lafollette, Tn.*

*""And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed
by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that
good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. Romans 12:2*

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