

# The Echoes

November 2016

***“In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.” I Thessalonians 5:18***

## ***Arkansas State Convention***

What a great two days we had at our Arkansas Fall Convention! This year's theme was "Preach the Word." Brother Carl Diles preached on the simplicity of the Word and Brother David Johnson preached on the power and being instant in season and out.

Saturday morning, the Holy Spirit moved in such a beautiful and precious way as He swept over the congregation with His gifts of prophecy, tongues and interpretation, and Sister Lisa Rookey sang 'Fill my cup, Lord,' as the sweet presence of the Holy Spirit swept the congregation in such a peaceful quiet. The Holy Spirit then moved in wave after wave from one minister to another with encouraging words. It was such a special and powerful time.

A special thanks to Living Word Fellowship church and Pastor Tony Monreal for the use of their facilities and for the wonderful meals that were provided. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact; State Superintendent: William Allen at [870] 335-7189; State Presbyter: Larry Swiger at [870] 883-0632; or State Secretary/Treasurer: David King at [8870] 450-2716.

## ***Kansas/Oklahoma State Conference***

This year Kansas and Oklahoma decided to try something a little different by joining with brothers and sisters from both states for a combined States Convention, and it was well attended. We met at the Best Western in Coffeyville, Kansas October 14th & 15th. The theme was from Matthew 8:23-26 entitled 'Jesus is in the Boat.'

Friday night was Kansas night, beginning with a get acquainted time where attendees from both states were invited to identify themselves, their churches and ministries. We had a time of praise and worship and special music. Kansas State Superintendent, Leonard Dewitt was the MC for the evening with State Presbyter Doug Smith sharing a message focusing on the reality that no matter how great the storm, when Jesus is leading, and we are following, and he says we are going to the other side, to a certain place or direction, we can have faith that we will get to that place despite whatever opposition might come our way.

Saturday morning, General Superintendent, Steve Fellers was the MC. During the election of officers the groups were separated for the voting. Kansas elected Rev. Leonard Dewitt of Wichita as State Superintendent. Oklahoma State Superintendent Rev. Bob Massey of Owasso was elected for a two year term, and Rev Larry Woodie was appointed as Secretary/Treasurer.

After a lunch break, there was more praise and worship followed by a message from Rev Bob Massey, focusing on the testing of our faith by the storms of life, that while they don't take the Lord by surprise, they often take us by surprise, and how the Lord uses those storms to teach us what we need to learn and strengthens our faith. Bro Fellers shared a brief message about the future of our nation, which was followed by the ordination service led by Rev. Fellers. Rev Deloy Lewis and Rev. Freda Ramy from Kansas were Ordained. Also present, and much appreciated were National Youth President, Rev. Josh and Missouri State Secretary/Treasurer Amy Patrick, and General Secretary Treasurer Donna Ross Brown and her husband Ken who came over from Missouri to share with us.

Kansas is also excited to announce they have added two new churches in the last two months. Hallowell, Kansas and Parker Kansas. It is good to get members, but always brings a little excitement when we can add a church to our group.

## ***News From Indiana***

At their State Convention Rev Jerry Daugherty, who has done an awesome job for several years, stepped down as Superintendent. Rev. Alan Dickerson is the new State Superintendent and Rev. Ray (Boomer) Christy is the new State Presbyter.

## ***The Ladies of FGCI***

The ladies of FGCI continue to be on fire for the Lord! They came with hungry hearts and in unity to our retreat. Sister Cheryl Johnson opened the service with a Word from God and then her daughter sang a beautiful song, it was awesome.

The worship team, Sis Robin Dixon and Sis. Amy Patrick, took us into the presence of the Lord. The word was ministered by Sis. Joyce Myers and the front was full of Ladies receiving from the Lord. What an outpouring! A time of fellowship was held after the service, so we were all blessed in spirit, soul, and body.

Saturday morning we returned for prayer and an exhortation from Sis. Donna Ross Brown. God wants to enlarge us and get us out of our comfort zone. Wow what a challenge!!! Afterword's we had a special teaching by Sis. Donna Craig on Three things that can hinder us from entering into the Secret Place. Sin, Anxiety & Unbelief. She is truly a teacher of the Word. Anointed songs were sung by Sis. Hannah Murphy and Sis. Becky Baslee.

A special thank you to Sis. Janet White and Sis. Joyce Wallace for being our registration ladies this year! Our morning ended with a mighty anointed message from Sis. Allison Yates. She was on fire and brought a powerful word. We left knowing we had been in the Secret Place with the Lord. Our hearts were full.

Also a special thank you to Sis. Carol Weaver for working our photo booth. We had a blast having our pictures taken; and the wonderful donations from Believers Faith Church.

By the way ladies, we have a FGCI facebook page now!!! Woohoo!!!

*Rev. Joyce Myers,  
National Ladies President*

## ***Project Navajo Christmas***

Hello brothers and sisters! It's time to get geared up for Project Navajo Christmas. We will, once again, team up with Jim and Allison Yates for our Missouri Missions Project 2016 and gather and send toys, hats and gloves to the Navajo children.

It has been a blessing and a privilege to be a part of this missions project over the past few years. I hope you will join us in blessing these children this Christmas!

If you would like to join the team traveling to the reservation it will be the first two weekends of December. For more information please contact Jim Yates, Missouri State Superintendent as [417] 321-1714 or Elizabeth Major, Missions Director at [573] 247-0497.

## ***Iowa***

My name is John Virden, newly elected State Superintendent of Iowa. I would like to take this opportunity to tell you a little about myself and my vision for FGCI.

I'm 53 years old, married to my lovely wife and partner, help mate and my friend Crissy. God has blessed us with four wonderful children, Brianne 17, Abi 11, Josie 2, and Noah 3 months. We have been blessed to be able to pastor and evangelize for the last several years.

God is so good to us and has allowed me to preach in Nicaragua, South Carolina, Virginia, North Carolina, Iowa, Georgia and a missions trip to Haiti.

With the Lords help, we are currently preaching in Leon and Osceola, Iowa on Sunday mornings and holding a mid-afternoon service, every other Sunday, at the Fort Des Moines Senior Housing Building on the south side of Des Moines.

God recently led us to lead song service at another church on Wednesday night in Des Moines. On Sunday nights we get to attend our home church. I thank God for the opportunity to play music with my family twice a month at a couple different nursing homes, where we get a chance to lift up the precious name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

I have been blessed with a full time job with the City of Des Moines for the past 20 years and I've been raising Charolais cattle for the past 17 years.

My vision for FGCI is to see the name of Jesus lifted up and spread across America and beyond. I would like to see more fellowship between members in meetings, phone calls, text, emails as it is important to have unity. I would also like to encourage members to step out in faith and to pioneer more FGCI churches. To see the youth of this great nation be saved, born again through the blood of Jesus. Sanctified, set apart from this world and filled with the precious Holy Ghost and fire. To see membership grow with people who are on fire for God and want to see the Kingdom of God grow. Members that have a burden for lost souls.

I would be interested in hearing from anyone who has an idea or an improvement they would like to see. Remember it is not about us, it's about the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Jesus Christ.

For any questions, ideas or if you just want to talk about Jesus, please feel free to call me at [515] 577-2474 or email me at [farmboy1070@gmail.com](mailto:farmboy1070@gmail.com) or [camaromaniowa@aol.com](mailto:camaromaniowa@aol.com)

*In the Masters service  
Rev. John Virden*

***Don't be pushed by your problems. Be led by your dreams.***

## Dr. Larry Woodie

Larry Woodie has known the Lord for more than 64 years and served Him in ministry for 60 plus years. He was filled with the Holy Spirit 40 years ago, is married to his wife Sue for 53 years and they have three children. He attended Rhema Bible Training center for two years from 1979-1981. He received his doctorate in 1985 from Jameson Christian College.

He built 16 churches in Canada, London, England, Norway, Jerusalem and different locations in the US. He has built 4 Bible schools and 4 Christian schools K-12. He has trained hundreds of ministers for the work of the ministry. Some have traveled to different parts of the world and others he trained them to teach in bible schools.

He has taught every area of theology in universities and had a large prison ministry in Canada which sent about 5000 monthly, either cassette tapes or books with no charge to the prisoners; even ordaining some as they qualified.

He has ministered all over the world and was present at the starting of a national charismatic church and ministry organization in Ontario, Canada. "We had hundreds of churches and ministers join us almost immediately," many he had either taught in their churches or counseled their pastor/wives and staff.

He has taught on international television and now local radio, 88.9 FM out of Grove, Oklahoma.

## New Members, Reinstatements, Advancements & New Churches

### Arkansas:

*Rev. John D McClaughlin, Lic.*  
*Rev. Canaan B. Swiger, Exh.*

### Colorado:

*Rev. Procopio R. Valdez, Ord.*

### Illinois:

*Rev. Naomi Nichois-Siedhoff, Exh.*

### Kansas:

*Rev. Amada Lynn Lewis, Exh.*

*Rev. Delroy D. Lewis, Ord.*

*Rev. Freda Remy, Ord.*

### Oregon:

*Rev. Kelly Mottice, Exh.*

Presently he has developed an international Bible school curriculum for the local Church. He has ministered in local Churches in the Grand Lake area and now is Pastor of New Beginnings church in Bernice, Oklahoma. He was ordained with FGCI in 2011 and has chartered his church with FGCI.

"I have discovered that the work of the ministry does not come without trials and persecutions. The enemy will tend to attack the leaders of the churches first and foremost. But my statement when asked how I am is, ABOVE MEASURE, because as He is, so are we in the world. The Lord is ABOVE MEASURE, and He is in me so I am ABOVE MEASURE. As a result I have defeated the enemy every time and will continue to do so and that is another story!" *email butgod1@att.net*

## Annual Reminder

Here it is, our annual reminder; if you haven't yet submitted your fees for the year I'll need them by December 31st to be able to renew your Credentials.

February 15th through April 15th is our calendar year. Also remember 2% of your Ministerial Tithes or a minimum of \$60 each year is also due!!!

If you are unsure of your balance, feel free to give me a quick call and I'll check it for you. [417] 845-7089 or email me at [rossfgci@olemac.net](mailto:rossfgci@olemac.net)

It's your consistent giving and timely attention to the financial responsibilities of membership in FGCI that keeps us financially sound. Thanks so much for your early attention to this reminder!

Sis. Donna

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## ***A Special Thanks***

I want to thank everyone for their prayers for my healing after the car wreck this summer and during my recovery. I'm doing well and am very grateful that God spared my life and has given me continued health and healing.

I'm back in the pulpit full-time at the Full Gospel Tabernacle in Lamar, Missouri where Judy and I pastor.

There is still a period of physical therapy to work through, but all in all, things are great and of course you know, God is good all the time!

We both sincerely thank you all for your prayers and cards of concern.

*Mark & Judy Lavine*

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