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Things to Pray for...

- -Pray for me this year to evangelize the Jefferson City Capitol Building.
- -Pray for the 2025 Legislative Session in relation to attendance in the 3-4 Bible studies.
- -Pray for the Capitol Staff Bible study that meets on Monday mornings.
- -Pray for the Senate Bible study that will meet early on Thursday mornings.
- -Pray for the incoming freshmen to the State House that I can encourage many to attend the Bible study I will lead from "Oaks in Office" titled, "The Five Institutions of God".
- -Pray that the men and women in attendance would submit themselves to the authority of God's Word, and that it would have a transforming impact on their thinking and living.
- -Pray for a new vehicle (or new to) the Goodsell family to replace the 2007 Ford F-150 that has 217,000 miles and a future problematic engine noise. This ministry requires me to drive 25,000 miles a year. **Need a tax write-off?** Consider donating a vehicle to our ministry. We can provide a tax-deductible receipt for your donation.
- -Pray for my bi-vocational role at Dry Fork Baptist Church in Guthrie (10 minutes from home). This enables me to preach every Sunday, keeping me critically sharp and challenged by the study of Scripture.

We Need Ministry Partners...

We desire to reach as many elected officials for Christ, but as we approach the end of the year, we are a little behind in meeting our financial goals.

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- MO State Senator Mike Moon (29th District)

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-John Adams

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CAPITOL MINISTRIES

MISSOURI STATE DIRECTOR / NORTH AMERICA GLOBAL DIRECTOR



Juliet, Nathanael, Caleb, Katie and Josiah

Hello Friends and Ministry Partners!!!

Praise the Lord for it has been a tremendous year in relation to ministry growth at the Jefferson City Capitol Building. Not only have weekly Bible studies been well attended but an increasing number of political leaders at the Missouri Capitol have supported what we do by either spoken or written word. This included three Senator's, six House Representatives, Secretary of State J. Ashcroft and Lieutenant Governor Mike Kehoe, now Governor-elect. All honor and praise to God for any favor that has been granted as the ministry expands.

"Making Disciples of Jesus Christ in the Political Arena Throughout the World" is what we do. We never become involved with legislation or in the endorsement of political candidates for office. Personally, I find this essential

to the success of this ministry. It is biblical for the pastor/teacher to stay in his lane of the swimming pool and concentrate on evangelism, discipleship and pastoring, and leave law making in the hands of the elected official chosen by God. "Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God." (Romans 13:1)

From all accounts around the globe there is a great move of GOD to send men of biblically sound character and with the teaching gift (**Eph. 4:11**) to permeate the political realm with a high-protein diet of the Word of God.

CAPITOL MINISTRIES

State Recruits Join Local Government Ministry Training in Florence, KY



It's estimated that there are 500,000 locally elected public officials serving in America today. As a broader ministry desire we partner with local churches to train gifted men who are willing to bring the truth of God's Word into various city halls, county commissioners' offices, school boards, and magistrate offices. Capitol Ministries National have been working hard on developing training materials and curricula for churches to use in this way, mainly through my good friend Brian Solomon.



The training conference held December 2nd-5th, 2024 for LGM leaders in Florence, KY, was an opportunity for US State growth as four recruits and Jonathan Fisher (AL) who is currently serving in Alaska attended. I am pleased to share that Tom Greco (ID), Dr. Bryan Sims (MD), Bob Thompson (PA) and Jonathan Zachariou (CA) have joined Capitol Ministries as State Ministry leaders. This brings the total number of state ministry leaders to 33. In the past two years by God's grace North America ministry has increased by 11. With 2 potential MLs in the pipeline going into 2025, the growth of state ministry looks promising. The vision of ministry presence in every state capitol with two qualified and passionate followers of Christ who are seasoned Bible teachers is closer than ever.

A biblical worldview is essential and so when I knew we would visit the Creation Museum I reached out to a couple of Aussies. Our group was blessed by an hour presentation on the critical importance of a Biblical worldview from *Genesis* by Ken Ham from "Answers in Genesis". (*Photo: Ken Ham and Mark Looy*).

Goodsell Ministry Update

Global Director's Meeting Mammoth Lakes, California



In June, our Global Ministry Leader Team gathered in Mammoth Lakes, California for our annual strategic planning meeting. CapMin's Global Directors give oversight to North America, Latin America, Europe, Asia, the Caribbean, Africa, and the South Pacific Islands. Our team spent considerable time refining goals for ministry expansion in 2024/2025. We projected that an additional 113 new ministries for leaders at all levels of government would be launched through the end of this year. This will bring the total of ministries to 279, up 68 percent from the 166 existing ministries in 2023. The largest increase will be in Local Government Ministries to city and county leaders which will rise 171 percent from last year's 56 to 152 by December. *Continue to pray for our international efforts!*

The Capitol Staff Bible Study - will continue to grow into the 2025 Legislative Session with more being taught the Word of God. My good friends Jeff Mark and Luke Schrandt are pictured with Robert Hayden. I note that every Legislative Assistant is a gatekeeper to the office and is appreciated.



<u>Family Update</u> — It has been another year of family adjustment as our eldest son Caleb started college in August at Missouri State University in Springfield, Missouri. Caleb is doing well in his desired study focused on Media. Our daughter Juliet is in her 3rd year at the University of Central Missouri studying Interior Design and has been on the Dean's List since her freshman year. Josiah, our red head is a freshman, and Nathanael (grade 7) is heavily into football and wrestling. Katie has had a change in occupations and is now working for a home health company. In October I began to serve as pastor of a small country church, New Fork Baptist Church. This is our church home and where we are called to serve as a family. We praise God for the opportunity to continue to serve the "King of kings, and Lord of lords" (Revelation 19:16) at the Missouri State Capitol building in Jefferson City.