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# A WORD FROM THE EDITOR

It's November... a time to acknowledge and show gratitude for all that God has given us and done for us throughout the year. Some may find it harder to give thanks than in prior years due to the unprecedented number of crises we have had to deal with but the reality is that God is worthy of our praise for no other reason than He is God and He is good. That being said, take some time to make a list of other things you are thankful for and be sure to review and update it often.

In this issue of *Go Scatter* I will be sharing about some of the amazing opportunities God provided for me, and other GSM Team Members, to partner with Him and others during the month of October. I will also be sharing praises and prayer requests, giving you a glimpse of what is coming up new in November, and sharing some "Everyday Evangelism" tips that you can try on your own.

Blessings,

Rev. Randy LeBaron

**President & Founder** 





I was excited to be able to preach every Sunday in October! I shared in churches in Albion, Belfast, and South Dayton.

I enjoy speaking at churches multiple times because there is a level of fellowship and trust that forms which allows for more fruitful experiences.

One my goals since starting GSM has been to volunteer my time and talents to help other organizations fulfill their mission.

In addition to regularly volunteering at Hands 4 Hope, counseling at Care Net, and providing Pastoral Care throughout the community there were a few events.

#### **Care Net Center of Greater Orleans**

October 17<sup>th</sup> was their Fall Fundraiser "Walk 4 Life". In addition to creating a promotional poster and garnering donations from local businesses I joined fellow GSM Board Member Kyle Holz in his "Lugia's on Wheels" Ice Cream Truck. We served "Poopy Diaper" Sundaes for every participant as they finished the course. TAKE 5 Blogger Wende Swick is the Executive Director for Care-Net.

## **Giving Blood & Getting Shots**

One way to make a big difference while exerting little effort is to give blood. Ten min. of your time could help save a life!

Speaking of helping to save lives... fellow GSM Board Member Dave Good, who is a pharmacist by trade, has spent hours giving flu shots (including mine) and even took the time on his morning off to take a COVID + patient in another city their meds.



### LEO (Law Enforcement Officer) Support

Beyond my regular day on call each week as a Volunteer Orleans County Sheriff's Chaplain I met with the other Chaplains for our quarterly meeting and I gathered with members of the Sheriff's Office and The ARC for a bimonthly time of coffee and fellowship.

I had the privilege of joining officers on ride alongs on two Wednesday evenings. Not only was it a great opportunity to connect with some officers I did not know well beforehand but I also got to see the world through their eyes and get a better understanding of what they deal with and how I can pray more specifically for them.

I also had the opportunity to assist OpOverwatch by producing a promotional video for them and I am looking forward to joining them for Chaplain Training in November.



The four facets of Everyday Evangelism are: Prayer, Aware, Care, & Share. We will explore some practical aspects of each one over the next few months.

We touched on prayer last month when we talked about praying <u>with</u> others vs simply promising to pray <u>for</u> them. Today I want to challenge you to pray a simple, yet dangerous, five-word prayer every morning this month.

## "Lord, Your Agenda not mine."

I call this a dangerous prayer because it is one that God will always answer (that has been my experience anyway) and one that will take you out of your comfort zone of control and place you on the a path of putting God's Will and others' needs ahead of your own.

SEND ME A MESSAGE AND LET ME KNOW ABOUT SOME OF THE WAYS GOD ANSWERS THIS PRAYER!!!



After a short hiatus both "REFILL with RANDY" and the "TAKE 5 Blog" are coming back this month!

"REFILL with RANDY" returns for Season 2 on 11/18 so tune in for new episodes starting on YouTube & FB at the new premier time of 8am. You can also watch past episodes from Season 1 on YouTube, FB, or at GoScatterMinistries.org

The "TAKE 5 Blog" Team will be taking on Advent starting on Sunday November 29<sup>th</sup>. For the four weeks of Advent our bloggers (Randy, Debbie, Kyle, Wende, and Dave) will be writing in response to four questions regarding this season of anticipation as we celebrate the first time Christ came and look forward in expectation of the next.

# **2020 Speaking Dates**

- 11/01/20 Preaching @Belfast Free Methodist Church
- 0 11/08/20 Preaching @Belfast Free Methodist Church
- 0 11/15/20 Preaching @Belfast Free Methodist Church
- 11/22/20 Preaching @The Lord's House (Waterport, NY)
- 0 11/29/20 Preaching @Dansville Free Methodist Church
- o 12/12-13 Preaching @Gowanda Free Methodist Church
- o 12/27/20 Preaching @Roberts Memorial Free Methodist Church (Cattaraugus, NY)

# **Prayer Requests**

- Pray for my family as we mourn the loss of two of our kitties that went missing a month ago. • Pray also for continued good health for Sheryl and the kids while in school and at college.
- Praise the Lord that I have all but two Sundays booked through the remainder of 2020! • Please pray for new opportunities, speaking engagements beyond Sunday morning pulpit fill, and being able to book ahead for 2021.
- Pray for the clients I am counseling and doing Bible studies with through Care-Net.
- Pray for all of the pastors who are weary after leading their churches through the pandemic • and are now preparing for Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas Services/Outreach Events. Pray that God would inspire each one as they come up with creative ways to meet the needs of others in the midst of social distancing protocols.
- Prayer for Pastor Eddie & Rose English whose daughter Angela lost her battle with cancer. ٠
- Praise the Lord for two new GSM Monthly Ministry Partners and our first GSM Monthly Church Partner! On that note please pray for God to open the door for more donors and new GSM Monthly Individual & Church Partners. I will be mailing churches later this week asking them to consider supporting GSM by including us in their 2021 Budget, receiving either a Thanksgiving or Christmas Eve Missions Offering on GSM's behalf, and/or promoting GSM Monthly Ministry Partner materials to members of their congregations.
- Pray for seeds planted and for all who have taken the next step in their spiritual walk.
- Pray for more opportunities to scatter seeds through words and deeds.

# **GSM MONTHLY MINISTRY PARTNERS**

Thank you to all who have become Monthly Partners and invested in the mission of GSM!

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In addition to honorariums received for speaking engagements Pastor Randy relies on the generous support of individual donors and churches. As both the Conference Evangelist and the sole employee of GSM he has established different methods of fundraising much like a modern day missionary. To that end, and in an effort to create a consistent and sustainable support structure moving forward, we are launching the Monthly Ministry Partner Program. This is a great new way to invest, and take more of a vested interest, in furthering the gospel message through the ongoing mission and ministries of Pastor Randy and GSM. There are five different commitment levels to choose from for individuals and churches and each comes with benefits and services as a way of saying "Thank You" as well as keeping you up to date and engaged with the life of the ministry.

**PLEASE E-MAIL ME** at <u>randylebaron@gmail.com</u> with: (1) The giving method you will be using (see below), (2) The monthly amount you are committing to over the next year, (3) The day of the month it will be sent on, (4) Your contact info. (Full name, Phone, e-mail, address, etc.)

## TO GIVE BY CHECK AND RECEIVE A YEAR-END TAX RECEIPT

Make your check out to: *Genesis Conference FMC* and write: *Evangelist Fund* in the memo line. Mail to: Genesis Conference 2260 Westside Drive

P.O. Box 206 N. Chili, NY 14514

\*For monthly giving I would suggest setting up automated e-checks from your bank.

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