



THE FRUIT OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

I hope this final newsletter of the year finds you maturing in your faith in Jesus. This year has been an amazing year of ministry and we all remain humbled by God's grace that keeps us effective for Him. Some of you have never heard my testimony. In order to bring God more glory, I would like to share it with you.

I grew up in a family with no religious background. The leaders in my life struggled with many sins, so that was my influence. I was born a twin. While I was in the womb, my position did not allow my right side to develop properly. I entered the world partially paralyzed and developed a speech impediment when I started talking. In the fourth grade I was diagnosed with a learning and reading disability. I was picked on a lot in school and was told that I was slow and dumb.

During my late teenage years my employer told me that I was no longer going to work with him because of my slow motor skills and comprehension. I found work in Columbia, South Carolina as a personal trainer and my idol became my body. I also joined several rock bands. With my last band we produced a CD and toured the Southeast. This life was from the pits of hell. The longer I lived, the more I hated my life. I had no purpose, no meaning, and no direction.

At the age of twenty-three, a lady invited me to a play on the life of Jesus. It explained His life from birth to His

resurrection. This was the start of my transformation. I didn't give my life to Christ that night - I continued running for a year. As I read God's word, deeper conviction of sin grew. I was on the verge of taking my life, but through God's grace, He spared me. The night I was going to take my life I found a card in my room from someone who reminded me of Jesus' love for me. Turning to the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, I repented and placed my faith in Jesus that night in my room. My view of life is simple - Jesus died and came out of the grave for me, so I have to live for Him.

My Jesus found me broken on my bedroom floor not wanting to live anymore. Oh, how can I not share His Glorious Name? He has taken a slow, crippled boy off a farm in South Carolina and given him new life. I type this with tears in my eyes. I am a man who is blessed beyond measure with an amazing wife who has believed in me from day one and three amazing girls.

May we all boast together in what Jesus Christ has done in all of our lives. God takes the least likely and does amazing things. What is holding you back from being used by God? He saved us and now He deserves our entire lives. May this testimony focus our minds and hearts with the right perspective, which is that God does the work.

I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.
1 Corinthians 3:6

Here is a brief annual report of fruit the Lord has produced during 2015. These numbers are conservative and some are not measurable at this time, but here they are. I struggle with giving numbers because of the pride that lurks in my heart. However, I want you to take time to thank God for the fruit that you are going to read about. These are not just bullet points but the power of God at work through common jars of clay. I love you and thank God every week for your partnership!

- 9 people have made confessions to follow Jesus. One of them, Carson, has stayed in contact with us and he is growing and attending a healthy church in Raleigh, NC
- 3,000 Gospel tracts have been given out
- 50 People from the different churches have joined us to share their faith
- 75 teams have spread out all over America to share the Gospel
- 10 Cities in America heard the Gospel message: Phoenix, Raleigh, Clifton, Medford, Fall River, Boston, Jupiter, Chicago, Patterson, and Willow Springs
- 9 Church plants were visited and encouraged to take the Gospel to their cities
- The number of people that have heard the Gospel from these teams – there is no way to measure
- 4 areas have been our focus: College Campuses, Abortion Clinics, Sporting Events, and Street Festivals
- 3 babies, that we know of, have been saved and countless mothers and fathers have heard the Gospel
- 3 open air preachers have completed our eight-lesson class on Open Air Preaching and will have the opportunity to enter a four-semester internship beginning in January 2016
- We had our first conference to train and equip open air preachers and those who want to share the Gospel. (Audio of the conference can be found on our YouTube channel. www.youtube.com/sebts10)
- 3 men have preached in the Open Air for the first time this year thanks to our efforts
- Our budget for this year was \$100,221.00
- We will end our fiscal year around \$55,000.00

I would like to use the rest of the newsletter to let some other evangelists speak for themselves and illustrate why we strategically focus on Abortion Clinics, Sporting Events, Street Festivals, and College Campuses. I hope that Spurgeon's words will encourage you to go out of your church doors and into your city to share the Gospel. Go proclaim the Gospel to see a life transformed!

- Tommy Waltz



C.H. Spurgeon

It would be very easy to prove that revivals of religion have usually been accompanied, if not caused, by a considerable amount of preaching out of doors, or in unusual places...There is one spot on the other side of the Thames known by the name of "Gospel Oak" and I have myself preached at Addlestone, In Surrey, under the far-spreading boughs of the ancient oak, beneath which John Knox is said to have proclaimed the Gospel during his sojourn in England. - Charles Spurgeon

Major sporting events are ideal environments for souls to hear the Gospel because there are so many souls in one place and because of the diversity of these souls.

When a preacher/evangelist can stand in one location and, during the course of two to three hours, have 10,000 - 50,000 souls hear the Gospel, *that* is a good environment. Plus, often when an environment is loud, noisy and full of distractions it is more conducive for people to relax and hear the message.

While the Word preached works in any environment humanly speaking, when people are out of their routine, relaxed, surrounded by other people who in a sense provide comfort and protection, they can more easily receive and, in their heart, respond to the Word.

Additionally, major sporting events have a cross-section of people: rich and poor, well and poorly educated, every race and gender, the powerful and the fans.

Finally, in the midst of the chaos and noise of the crowds, literature can be distributed and individual conversations can easily be held. Thus, major sporting events are the perfect place to preach the Gospel and evangelize the lost.



Zack Braddy // Abortion Clinics



The Gospel is to be preached at abortion clinics because there, more than anywhere else, lives and the glory of God are at stake. Proverbs 24:11 tells us to "Rescue those who are being taken away to death; hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter." In a very real way, as ambassadors of Christ, we are doing just that when we go to these places of death and darkness and preach the words of life and light found in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Men and women are hell-bent on destroying the lives of their own children, rebelling against the God who has given them the gift of a child and who calls them to turn to Him in faith.

We have been tasked with the job of preaching the Gospel to them in order that they might repent of their hatred and murderous intentions toward their children and place their trust and faith in the only one who can save them, Jesus Christ. When we go to proclaim the Good News, our desire is to see God glorified, to see souls won to Christ, and to see babies saved.

We go because God commands us to go (Matt. 28:18-20, Prov. 24:11, Mark 16:15), because we are to love our neighbors as ourselves, and because we want to see God put an end to the horrors and injustices of child sacrifice that occur on a daily, even moment by moment basis at these mills. As Christians, it is our duty and privilege to herald the Gospel of our King at the abortion clinic.

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College Campuses // Greg Stephens

College Campuses are a mission field unlike any other. Where else will you find a steady flow of hundreds, even thousands of passionate, sober, intelligent, yet lost, hurting and confused young adults every week? The college campus is an open air preacher's gold mine! Here the preacher is the uninvited professor, whose classroom is the open air, whose textbook is the Word of God, and whose students are those whom the Holy Spirit is challenging, convicting and confronting with the truth of the Gospel.

As Christ is boldly proclaimed on college campuses, the impact is manifold. God has a way of using the campus preacher as a catalyst to engage unbelievers, skeptics and critics, to encourage fellow Christians in the Truth, and to enlist ministry minded saints to continue the work that God began that day through the public proclamation of the Gospel!

The young people of today will be leading the world tomorrow. An effective open air preacher has the privilege of being a resource of hope by preaching the Gospel, answering questions, clarifying misunderstandings about the faith, encouraging and praying for students, and simply directing people to great Christian resources. In my opinion, college campuses today are the "sweet spot" of our nation for courageous, compassionate, clear open air Gospel preaching.

