

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

1 Peter 1:3-5

VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH

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July 2, 2025

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PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR MISSIONARIES & MINISTRY HELPS

The Gates Family, Arabs in Dearborn, MI & The Vance Family, Colombia

IF THE SON
THEREFORE
SHALL MAKE
YOU FREE,
YE SHALL BE
FREE
INDEED.
JOHN 8:36

A STUDY OF
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Sunday School @ 10:00 AM
Sunday Worship @ 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship @ 6:00 PM

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PHYSICAL NEEDS/CANCER

Bates, Jensen (Toddler with Leukemia.)
 Baxter, Georgia (friend of Chambers)
 Cadenhead, Lyla (Ms. Carol's friend-Cracked vertebra in her spine. Lot's of pain. 80 Years old. She also has bone cancer.)
 Cook, Donna (D. Nation's cousin-Bone Cancer.)
 Deitz, Beverly (Friend of June Fox-Cancer)
 Driggers, Bill (Prostate Cancer-Radiation)
 Duvall, Larry (Debbie L. Brother-Melanoma cancer. His brain tumor is also growing again.)
 Egan, Evalee (Steven's 1st cousin-Stage 4 Cancer)
 Godfrey, Paul (P. Mills brother-in-law-Stage 4 Bone Cancer)
 Henry, Jimmy (Larry & Debbie's Son-At home recovering.)
 Henry, Larry (Prostate Cancer)
 Holland, Glenda (Friend of Steve & Harriett Angel-Leukemia)
 Houck, Amy (G. Bowles' Niece-Breast Cancer-50 years old)
 Howard, Pam (Friend of A. Jones-Lung Cancer.)
 Hurst, Derrick & Rhonda (Friends of the Southard's - Derrick has a Stage 4 brain tumor - 51 years old.)
 Jones, Brian (Chemo treatment for Brain Tumor is affecting his liver)
 Jones, Jeffrey (Brian's brother - Surgery & Chemo.)
 Mabrey, Robin (D. Lambert's friend)
 Magers, Harland (Friend of Jane Weaver-Brain cancer 46 yrs old)
 McCoy, Wanda (D. Lambert's friend)
 Ray, Mike (L. Henry's Brother-in-law-Brain aneurysm & Cancer.)
 Shuler, Kim (Chad's co-worker has Breast Cancer)
 Sprinkle, Ted (Friend of Mike F.-Aggressive Prostate Cancer.)
 Teem, Katherine (Shaye & Cheryl's Aunt 89 yrs old-Leukemia)
 Riva (H. Parris' 1st cousin-Cancer.)
 Juanita (Friend of L. George.- Pancreatic Cancer)
 White, Duane -Cancer
 Wiggins, David (Prostate Cancer spread to pelvis-radiation)
 Megan (Daughter of Pastor Marty & Pam Masitto- Cancer)



SERVICEMEN Prayer List

PFC Gavin Robinson-Army, Germany (Bowles' grandson)
 Cameron Barzotti, US Navy (Bowles' grandson)
 SGT Will Crunkleton -Ken & Polly's son -returned home.

PRAYER LIST OF MISSIONARIES

McKinney, Ron & Kay (Physical needs)
 The Vance Family (Physical needs)
 Hawke, Robert & Jean (Physical needs)
 Lucy (Dennis Lagos' mother-nearing the end of life.)
 Poe, Debbie (Squamous Cell Carcinoma in her mouth.)
 Dehart, Dawn (Detached Retina- Still awaiting surgery.)

PRAYER LIST OF PREACHERS

Bagwell, Benny & Beth
 Winch, Don (Back Pain and declining health.)
 Rodriguez, Frank -Retiring from pastoring, due to health concerns. Grace Baptist Church as they seek a pastor.
 Marty & Pam Masitto -Their health and God's leading. Rest for both of them.
 Moore, Mike (Healing from a broken vertebrae after a fall.)

PHYSICAL NEEDS/OTHER

Allen, Dakota (Ms. Evie's relative-Colon issues.)
 Anders, Wayne (Friend of Howard P./Heart issues.)
 Antes, Aretta (Debbie L. cousin-Sepsis)
 Arceneau, Willow (Carol E. granddaughter-Encephalitis)
 Barnes, Mary (Carol E. sister-Salvation)
 Bennett, Kay (Friend of The Parris' - Health issues.)
 Blankenship, Janie (Health Issues/Gout.)
 Chambers, Shannon (Ron C. DILaw-Physical needs.)
 Chambers, Reggie & Edith (Ron Chamber's uncle & aunt-Physical needs)
 Clark, Melena & Edward-Mother & Son (Salvation and freed from drug usage.)
 Clayton, Jerry & Marian (Physical needs.)
 Cochran, Matt (Mary C. son-in-law- Doing much better and doctors can't believe the obstacles that he has overcome! PTL)
 Connerly, Sue & Leroy (Sue has Lewy Body dementia and her husband, as he cares for her.)
 Cottongim, Phyllis (Physical needs and Norm caring for her.)
 Cunningham, Willa Mae (R. Parris' sister -Physical needs.)
 Douglas, Loretta (Longtime friend of Arlene D.-Possible Leg amputation.)
 Green, Bud (Macrodeg. Eye disease and salvation.)
 Greene, Grayson (G. Greene's Granddaughter-Health Issues)
 Hatcher, Mike (Health issues-needs to see a doctor.)
 Hill, Lee (Bruce's Brother-in-law-Health issues.)
 Hohenstein, Gisela (Friend of Jane W.-Severe health issues.)
 Hunter, Kent & Elaine (Friends of H. Parris-Health issues.)
 Jones, Lynne (Friend of Carol E.-health problems and selling her cabin. Also, Carrie Keith-Heart problems.)
 LaVigne, Debbie -Continued healing.
 Love, Charlotte (Friend of the Lay's- Doing better.)
 McMahan, Braydon, Beth & Eden (Eden has been diagnosed with PCH- Pontocerebellar Hypoplasia, Type 2A. Pray for all of them.)
 Mills, Barbara (Friend of M. Fitzgerald-Dementia-Her husband, Jim, has a heart murmur & now cancer and just wants to live to take care of his wife.)
 Montgomery Family (Friends of the Hughes'-Physical, emotional & spiritual needs.)
 MuKherjee, Sam & Nikki (Carol E. granddaughter and husband. Salvation.)
 Orr, Lucas (G. Greene's. Grandson-Physical needs.)
 Pate, Ronda (Carol Einstein's Daughter-Liver complications)
 Pinsonbarger, Jo (Friend of J. Weaver-Heart Trouble)
 Rivera, Rafael (Bitterness toward God & father's salvation)
 Ringhauser, Sharon (Friend of Mike F. -Health issues)
 Rish, Boomer (Recovering from extensive surgery.)
 Robinson, Brinkley (Degenerative disk disease)
 Schweinsaupt, Samuel, Laura, Gavin & Lincoln (Please pray that the court will do the right thing for Lincoln.)
 The Schweinsaupt Family
 Smith, Wayne (Salvation)
 Spink, Linda (Carol E. 1st Cousin-Bacteremia-Serious condition in the hospital in CA. Her daughter, Tracy is caring for her.)
 Stin, Jenifer (Jewish lady who needs salvation)
 Trombly, Mavis (Good friend of the Cool's-Pacemaker and declining health.)
 Ward, Paul (Valerie Dillard's father- Stage 5 Kidney Disease.)
 Willis, Amy (Mother of VCS students. Has had 2 miscarries and is now pregnant again. Prayers for a safe pregnancy & delivery.)
 Wood, Shaye (Knee problem and pain.)
 The Gray Family (Special request)
 Mickey & Elaine (Lord we lift them up to you!)
 Unspoken Requests (2)
 Prayer Card - Jared Pearce & daughter, Ayla-Persecution
 Allen, Dakota (Ms. Evie's relative-Colon issues.)
 Stephens, Kevin (VCS Car accident-Still in the hospital.)
 Crunkleton, Carolyn (Ken's sister-Esophagus surgery yesterday.)

Pray for the Family of Nancy Cool

Funeral Arrangements:

Saturday, July 5, 2025

11:00AM to 12:00PM Receiving of Friends

Funeral @ 12:00 PM @ VBC



Mark Your Calendar

Wednesday, July 2nd @ 7:00 PM
Regular Mid-week Service

Saturday, July 12th @ 3:00 PM

***Children's & Youth Event
@ VCS Gym***



Crossfire Ministries

Invite everyone you know!

Flyers available in the church foyer.

**(Items needed for event—
See list on the Welcome Center.)**

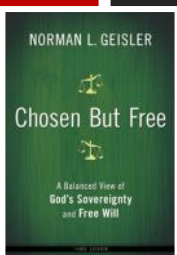


Teen Event



**Super Sonic Sunday,
July 6th @ 6PM**

Sunday, July 27th @ 12:30 PM
Deep Creek Hike & Picnic



**Join us, beginning in August, for a
class "The Case Against Calvinism."
Thank you, Pastor Jody**

Faith Promise 2025-2026

\$105,000.00 Budget

June Monthly Faith Promise

Offerings: \$9,255.00

**EXPAND Missions: The Investment you can
Bank on for Eternity!**

Monthly Payout: \$8,421.00

PRAY FOR VCS

**Victory is accepting teacher
applications. Please pray for the
Lord's will and His timing.**

**Pray for Bro. Doug as he
leads the school.**



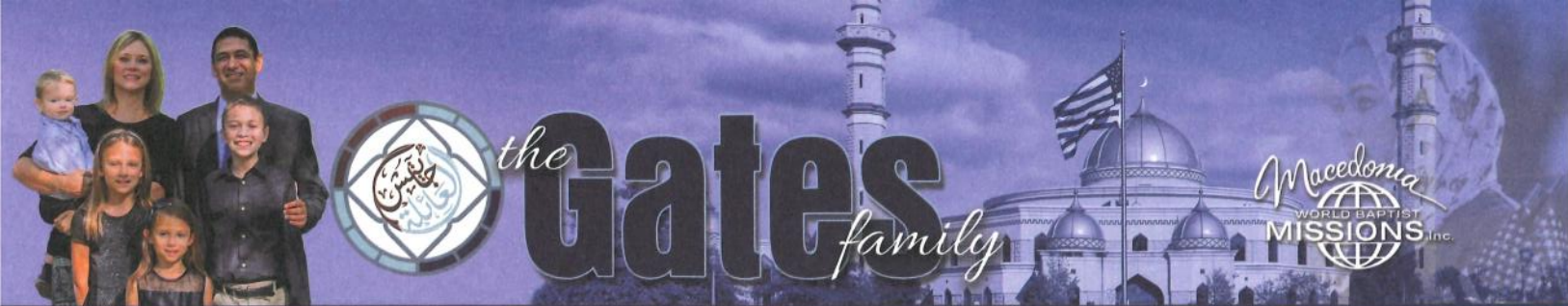
RAY MCCORMICK
July 14-19



**Pray for our Teens and those taking
them to Camp this year.**

See Welcome Center for Camper Information Sheets.





Missionaries to the Arabs of America in

Dearborn

Michigan

"And the Lord, he it is that doth go before thee, fear not, neither be dismayed" Deuteronomy 31:8

April-May 2025

Dear Friends in the Ministry of Reconciliation,

What an amazing Saviour that we have! We are blessed to be saved, and the Lord of Glory wants to save more. We thank Him for letting us serve Him amongst the Muslims of Dearborn, MI. We thank you all so much for faithfully supporting us.

New Opportunities for His Name

"I will bring you proof there is no resurrection!" A young Muslim student said. The Summer Semester started at Henry Ford College, and we see new students. Many of the ones we built relationships with still come even if they don't have classes at the time. We've been able to encourage believers and confront lies of false belief. One student just said they want to come to church and pray to see them this week. The student I spoke to about the resurrection came back, but just listened to what the Bible says about salvation. God is working!

"Why did God have to die? How could He? A young Muslim man asked me at the Spring Festival. WOW! The Lord brought out hundreds to our festival this year. It's a blessing to see so many come and have a great time with family. What is amazing is seeing them sit down and listen to preaching about the King. When I finished a Muslim lady came and said she wanted a Bible and that she learned from what I preached. The young man described above came after Pastor Staub preached. He told me he will visit us this Sunday. We also have contact info from those we met and others that registered. Keep praying for those that heard.

"I am Muslim, you are Christian, that's okay!" A man said as we were at the park. The Lord opened the door for us to minister at the park. Brother Joseph of Silvery Lane started a kid's ministry in the park nearby and asked us to meet there at least one Wednesday a month with our Bible study. We were able to minister to some of the adults and he was able to preach a message to the kids while they ate pizza. We will start our weekly park outreach at this same park in the next couple of weeks. The name of Jesus will be magnified there weekly. We will have a table with Bibles and materials about the ministry.

"Can we do the conference at three different churches?" Pastor Jon Canavan asked. We visited New York in preparation for the Christ Is Conference NYC. I got to talk to a Muslim man from Turkey that said there are many ways to heaven, but Jesus didn't die on the cross. What a great need! The Conference is scheduled June 4-6. Wednesday, we will be at Gospel Light Baptist Jamaica NY Pastor Dana Dice. Thursday, we will be at All Nations Baptist Church Pastor Dan Shaefer. Friday, we will be with Pastor Jon Canavan Living Hope Baptist Church in the Bronx. If you are in NYC or nearby, we would love to have you come!

"The same way The Father loves the Son, is how He loves us!" I preached at the Great Commission Conference. Some local ministries wanted to encourage the believers that serve the community. I was asked to preach along with my friend, Pastor Josh Levesque. The next day two others preached and everyone at the conference left to invite people to the Spring Festival. We passed out about 5000 door hangers and witnessed to some that came to the doors. The LORD used these efforts, and many came because of the doorhangers, word of mouth and social media ads.

I was able to visit two churches to share the work. Bible Baptist Seymour TN Pastor David Jeffers. The Lord used them mightily to encourage us and now they support us. We also gave an update at Faith Baptist Church Pikeville TN with Pastor Ashburn, a faithful supporter for years. Pastor Girgis in Egypt helped host a huge evangelism conference with Pastor Gary Wilkins, Brother Brian Treadway and Operation GO International. 75 Egyptian pastors came, and many committed to evangelism and discipleship.

Family Matters

I have such an amazing family! Beth planned a surprise birthday party for me and family from GA and my sister Diana flew in. I left to meet Hussein, and I came home and many of my friends were there! What a blessing to have friends and family that love me. A huge surprise!!

Think On These Things...

Son or Slave? We ask this to Muslims. What is better to be a child of God or a slave? The highest relationship in Islam is a slave. I am blessed to be called a child of the king and have an everlasting relationship. Pray as we spread the news of the Almighty!

The Gates Family

that in all things He might have the preeminence. Colossians 1:18

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Dear Praying Friends & Family,

We praise the Lord for the many opportunities he is opening up for us here in Colombia. We never tire of seeing people come to know Him!

EASTER CELEBRATION

Every day is a gift from God, and as believers, every week we celebrate the resurrection of Christ in our churches. But there's just something special about Easter Sunday. We praise the Lord for multiple guests, professions of faith, baptisms, and new members joining each of the local congregations here in Bucaramanga. The churches are full and the tomb is empty!

SPREADING THE GOSPEL

The more we understand the Gospel, the more we are compelled to share it! Recently, our churches have seen significant fruit through tract distribution, outreach events, and especially our Online presence. Our YouTube channel (@verdadenamorbg) has been experiencing massive growth, with tens of thousands of people watching and hearing the gospel each week. We praise the Lord for each opportunity to lead others to Him!

CHILDREN'S DAY

The last Saturday of April is known as Children's Day here in Colombia. As in years past, this year we had a blast celebrating by inviting kids from the area and hosting a big event. Besides the games, face-painting, candy, meal, skits, and fun songs, we show them Jesus. Between events at our churches and the nonprofit center, hundreds of kids and their parents heard the Gospel, and dozens made professions of faith in Christ for salvation. What joy!

QUICK VISIT TO THE USA

At the end of May, we were able to travel to the States to visit family and a couple of our supporting churches. On our first Sunday back, I preached at our sending church, Lighthouse Baptist in Dawsonville, GA, and several people made professions of faith following the sermon. Praise the Lord!

YOUTH CAMP

Please pray for our annual teen and singles camp, which is scheduled to take place at the end of June. We'll be hosting a group from one of our supporting churches, Trinity Baptist Church in Georgia. We expect around 100 young people from our churches, and we're praying that God will work mightily in their lives. Many teens have the desire to attend, but they lack the necessary resources. Would you consider sponsoring one or more? The cost is approximately \$50 per person, and donations can be sent to Macedonia, marked "Aaron Vance — camp."

Thank you, once again, for holding the ropes for us as we minister in Colombia. We are constantly amazed at God's faithfulness and the work that He is doing here in us and through us. It's all about Him!

With Love and Prayers, Aaron & Aubrie Vance
(Along with the girls — Amira, Anabel, Aris, & Alethea!)



What a joy it is to worship our risen Savior alongside of his church!



Passing out tracts and church invites with our two oldest daughters.



Celebrating Children's Day with the kids in Café Madrid. It takes a team!



Aris and Alethea, our youngest, got to enjoy kids day (and ice cream) too!



These fiery sunsets remind us almost daily that our God is big and powerful, and his light is dawning in Colombia.



"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen." — (Ephesians 3:20-21)

From the Heart of a Pastor - "Christians and Chicken"



Christians and Chicken

Some time ago I witnessed a scene that made my heart swell with joy. I was having supper with my family in a restaurant when I saw the most wonderful experience take place. At booths on either side of me, there were two sets of young ladies eating their meals with one another. All four of them appeared to be in their early twenties. They were laughing and talking, as they enjoyed their chicken sandwiches, waffle fries, and lemonades. But what made my day was what was also sitting on the table that evening. For among the physical nourishment was spiritual food; as they each had a *Bible* in front of them.

I listened carefully for several minutes, as they talked with one another about sin, salvation, and the Savior. And I must hand it to them; they didn't pull any punches or dance around the issues. They were as pointed and as practical as any sermon I have heard on those matters that they were discussing. I sat as long as I could before I spoke to each table respectively. I explained that I loved seeing what was happening, as real one-on-one discipleship was taking place. They all smiled and thanked me for the encouragement.

But the truth being known, they were the ones that had encouraged me. So often, we are prone to seeing only what is sinful and wicked and ungodly around us. Do not get me wrong, there is certainly more than enough of that going on in our world. But not every "twenty-something" is following the call of the wild. Not every teen, or college student, or young couple is only interested in this life and what they can get out of it. We must always remember that in every age, on every continent, among every people group, there are men, women, boys and girls that are striving to serve the Savior every day!

As I look back on the event, I find myself also thankful for the freedom that these young ladies had to do what they were doing. Thankfully no one was protesting them sharing their faith, as they ate their food. Happily there were no prohibitions from the eating establishment telling them that they could not discuss Christ and a relationship with Him. That night I was proud to be both a Christian and an American. And I believe that this type of occurrence is what was in the hearts and minds of the Founding Fathers when they purposed to give us a nation "conceived in liberty" where everyone could "worship their Creator according to the dictates of their own hearts."

During the month of July, as we celebrate America's Independence, let us rejoice in the freedom we have in Christ and the freedom we have as citizens of this nation. Let us remember, "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."