

# CELEBRATING 20 YEARS Making Disciples Aflame for Christ

MARCH 2023

*"Go therefore and make disciples...teaching them to observe all that I commanded..." (Matthew 28:19-20)*

**AS YOU KNOW, GOD'S CALLING ON THIS MINISTRY IS TO MAKE DISCIPLES THROUGH THE TEACHING OF GOD'S WORD TO HIS PEOPLE.** And that is exactly what we've been doing these 20 years.

On March 11<sup>th</sup>, we held the annual Board of Directors meeting with Sal LaMastra (TX), John Conley (WV), Craig Edmonds (PA), and Gary McCutcheon (SC). We are so thankful for the leadership of these men that have faithfully served this ministry for years.



In the Annual Ministry Report, we shared that currently **26 MEN; 79 WOMEN; AND 10 GIRLS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 13-21 ARE BEING TAUGHT THE WORD OF GOD EVERY WEEK!** Our class listing is on the back of this letter. God transforms lives through His Word!



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**WE ALSO TEACH THROUGH OUR NEWSLETTERS!** We recently started **Monthly Scripture Reading Plans** (which are also posted on our WEB site at [www.AFlameforChrist.org](http://www.AFlameforChrist.org)). This month's topic is on Biblical Evidence of True Salvation. How can a person know they are truly Christian? It's a vitally important question! It's important for Biblical Assurance for those that are truly Christian, and obviously of vital importance to those that may have a false sense of security with God. **WE PRAY THAT YOU WILL CAREFULLY AND PRAYERFULLY SEEK THE LORD'S COUNSEL THROUGH THESE SCRIPTURES.**

**WE ALSO TEACH THROUGH BLOGS** which you can read on our WEB site. Right now, you can find teachings on the Book of Ecclesiastes from our Guest Blogger, Lance Hutson. Lance is the son of Pastor Chad Hutson, a husband to Tara and a father to Ben and baby Micah. We pray that these teachings are profitable to your spiritual growth and witness.



**IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE GAVE A PERSONAL UPDATE!** Ray just turned 76! By God's grace he had a third birthday we didn't expect, and his semiannual PETSCAN continues to show "No Evidence of Cancer"! This is truly God's amazing grace – and by God's grace, Ray perseveres and labors through the daily battle of incurable side effects incurred from the 2019 cancer treatments.

I (Tressa) am now 61 and doing well. I have been in a season of caring for loved ones. Mom (now 88) had a lodged kidney stone with infection. It was a rough few months, but mom is now doing great. Since October I've been serving as both Power of Attorney and Medical POA for my uncle (83) who is in a rehab facility undergoing treatments for CLL Leukemia which had been in remission for 12 years. It has been a rough road for him, but he continues to make great progress! Your prayers for Uncle Norman would be appreciated.

Gwen is now 78 and doing wonderful. By God's grace, her daughter Renee and son-in-law Jason are cancer free. They too have endured some rough years, but God has done a mighty work in their lives!

These situations have had their challenges, but overall have been a blessing from the Lord. God transforms us from the inside out during the trials of life – especially as we seek Him in His Word and in prayer. He is so faithful!

**WE ARE SO THANKFUL FOR YOU!** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all,

*Ray, Tressa and Gwen*

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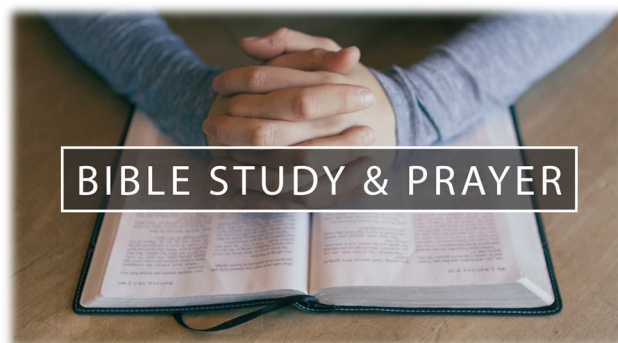
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**NO MATTER WHERE YOU LIVE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE  
IN ANY OF THE WEEKLY STUDIES, PLEASE CONTACT US!**

### **WEEKLY GROUP STUDIES/MEETINGS INCLUDE:**

- ⇒ **9:30 AM SUNDAY MORNING LADIES (FROM TEENS TO 90's!) BIBLE STUDY** currently in the Book of Genesis taught in person by Tressa at Lumberport Baptist Church
- ⇒ **7:00 PM MONDAY NIGHT YOUNG LADIES BIBLE STUDY** currently in the Book of Genesis taught ONLINE by Tressa via Zoom
- ⇒ **10:30 AM TUESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY** currently in the Book of Genesis taught ONLINE by Tressa via Zoom
- ⇒ **7:00 PM TUESDAY NIGHT PRAYER MEETING** led by Ray ONLINE via Zoom
- ⇒ **10:30 AM WEDNESDAY MORNING LADIES STUDY on DISCERNING THE PLIGHT OF MAN** -- A Scriptural workbook study by Paul Washer on who GOD is and how we are to relate to HIM. This study meets in person in Bridgeport.
- ⇒ **6:00 PM WEDNESDAY EVENING ADULT BIBLE STUDY** currently in the Book of 1 Samuel taught in person by Ray at Lumberport Baptist Church.
- ⇒ **7:00 PM THURSDAY NIGHT LADIES BIBLE STUDY** currently in the book of Genesis taught ONLINE by Tressa via Zoom
- ⇒ **7:00 PM THURSDAY NIGHT MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** in the book of 1 Timothy taught ONLINE by Ray via Zoom
- ⇒ **9:30 AM FRIDAY MORNING LADIES STUDY on DISCERNING THE PLIGHT OF MAN** taught ONLINE by Gwen via Zoom