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HEADLINE NEWS: THE LONG AND WINDING ROAD

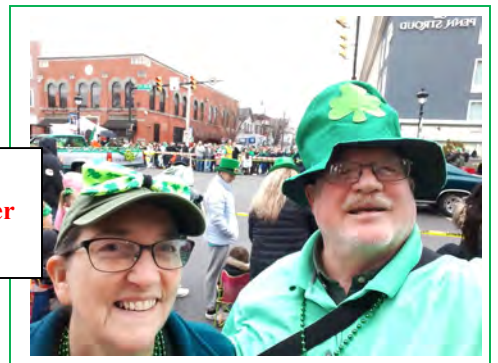
Most folks from our generation would recognize the above title as a song from the “fab-four” Beatles group of the 60s. Recently I mused nostalgically back on those childhood days when the British invasion first took place, and it certainly has been a long and winding road since then. Their song, “When I’m 64,” came out when I was 9 years old (1967), and it has taken me 55 years to catch up to that reality, but recently I celebrated that day (and of course looked up and listened to the song on YouTube). Thankfully Renae said “YES” to the song’s question, “will you still need me, will you still feed me, when I’m 64?” Renae’s similar day is fast approaching this Spring (so I only get a few days each year to get some respect as her elder (ha-ha).

I often refer to another Beatle’s song when sharing my testimony about my youth. Before coming to Christ as a young adult in college, my life was much like their song, “Nowhere Man” – “He’s a real nowhere man, living in his nowhere land, making all his nowhere plans for no-body! Doesn’t have a point of view, knows not where he’s going to, isn’t he a bit like you and me.” Well, that was a lot like me, as I was going nowhere fast, following the Rock & Roll revolution hippie hype (and maintaining a nominal nod to God in an errant, legalistic Church). However, going off to college my life really started to go somewhere – and that was right down the tubes, and fast. Thankfully that is when God intervened and got a hold of my life. Wow, has it been a wild & winding road adventure since then. I met and married Renae back in those glory days of both being newly born-again Christians, and we soon set off to the big windy city of Chicago, transferring to Moody Bible Institute/college and starting our missionary adventure there. With some good training and on the job experience there, God then put us on the road to go with the Gospel all over the map. Since then, we have crisscrossed around the USA and Canada, and Mexico, and to England, Holland Germany, Austria, Belgium, Sweden, Finland, Russia, Jamaica, and The Bahamas, as well as to Israel. Everywhere we went we spread the Gospel as much as we could. Also, with your help, we were able to send our kids even farther, on missions’ outreach trips to Russia (back in the good old glasnost days), and Africa, and Asia, and South America, as well as many places in the USA & Canada. When Jesus said “Go into all the world and preach the Gospel” and “be my witnesses” to the uttermost parts of the world, we tried to take that seriously. Of course no one (or family) could ever do that single-handedly, but we have been trying to do as much as we can, and then help send & support many other missionaries to other fields and Kingdom endeavors (which basically do cover all major areas of the world). We are so glad to be one missionary conduit opportunity for many of you to be able to invest in the Greater Kingdom cause of King Jesus, and lay up eternal treasures in Heaven, which you will enjoy and be blessed by forever! What a undeserved privileged blessing of God’s grace, by which He has saved us called us into vocational missions-ministry.

Interestingly we just passed a milestone in our missionary journey. Since moving here to the OAC USA HQ ministry to help facilitate a greater ministry effort of multitudes of missionary-evangelists all over the Country here, and the planet elsewhere, this is now the longest I have ever lived in one place – almost 14 years now. The previous record was 13 years in my childhood & youth home, growing up after my widowed Mom remarried (to my Dad Bussen, who adopted us 7 kids, when I was 5, and we became the Bussen Bunch). As such we have been able to blanket much of the entire area of multiple towns around here with the Gospel. One of the most enjoyable and prolific ways of doing that is when various towns hold some sort of annual parade. Recently a nearby town was thrilled to have a St Patrick’s day parade again, after a two-year Covid hiatus. Being majorly Irish myself we enjoyed putting on green shirts & hats and joining in on marching the parade route with the Gospel according to St Patrick tracts. Parade Gospeling is one of the easiest forms of evangelism (besides the physical marching), as people gladly receive event appropriate tracts as you pass saying “Happy... “(in this case, “St Pat’s Day”). We were able to get the Gospel out to a huge swath (multiple hundreds) of this community in one fell swoop.

Other such Gospel opportunities nearby here include Memorial Day and Labor Day, and Halloween and Christmas, which has given us the yearly opportunity to reach multitudes more in our area here.

Also doing Gospel tract delivery ministry, house to house and other venues – over 2500 so far in 2022



Working with the HQ Office director, Mr. C (John Cutlip), serving evangelists Nationwide & Worldwide, is a real privilege-blessing!

Reaching kids in Christian & public schools and at Sunday school – see more on back



PRAYER CONCERNS

- **Please PRAISE & THANK the Lord with us for all His mercy & grace to put up with us, and to work in & through us, as unworthy as we are - AMAZING GRACE INDEED!!!**
- **Please pray**, as we were contacted by a receptive publisher for my finished book titled “LIVING THE LAST WORDS OF JESUS,” but they require me to invest \$3800 up front in helping them with the production & promotion cost. Please pray for God's blessing in providing that if this is His will to move forward with this project to help the Great Commission cause!
- **Please pray for God's provision for all our needs in 2022, especially the several thousand dollars needed to take care of several medical and dental concerns that we have no insurance coverage for (but just look to and trust our Father-provider)**
- **Please pray for the prodigal problem in our family, and for the salvation for many unsaved relatives (especially our Moms).**
- **Also, we are well into a new era of increased hostility towards Christianity, and I believe the Biblical tribulation (and rapture) is just around one of the next near corners. This is no time to cut and run, but to keep on keeping on for King Jesus even if we become casualties for Christ in the battle of the ages between Satanic forces and the Church of God. Please pray we will stay ever faithful and bring glory to God whether by life or by death! Hang in there dear saints of God – our Savior is mounting up and ready to ride to the rescue, along with all of us as part of Calvary's cavalry (see Revelation 19-20)!**
- **Please pray for our Grandkids, and our adult kids, to daily seek and follow the Lord's will for their lives, and receive his provisions and protections and directions and blessings for living lives of eternal distinction and fruitfulness in serving, glorifying, and pleasing the Lord!!!**
- **Please pray for the new great awakening & revival needed to sweep across America & Canada, to predominantly trust in God and the Bible again, and for OAC and us to be blessed and used of God to play a faithful and fruitful, and even more extensive role in helping with that. We are praying for the Lord to call new evangelists & supporters to start up around 10 new branches by 2025. America is dangerously on the brink of a SECULAR-HUMANISTIC-HEDONISTIC-SOCIALISTIC take-over which would be terrible for everybody, and only the power of the Lord and His Gospel can deliver us from such evil.**
- **Please pray for Renae as she finishes up her weekly after school Life-Skills class for a handful of socially at-risk Middle School students – for opportunities to speak truth into their lives (all truth is God's truth).**
- **Also, for the one-on-one mentoring relationship Renae is beginning with one of her female 7th grade students.**

THANK YOU SO MUCH!!



HAPPY EASTER BLESSINGS TO ALL YOU WHO RECEIVE THIS I PRAY - AND ETERNAL THANKS TO THOSE WHO CARE TO PRAY, AND THOSE WHO HELP KEEP US SUPPLIED AS WE SERVE THE RISEN SAVIOR AND HIS KINGDOM CAUSE OF BRINGING NEW LIGHT & LIFE ETERNAL TO PEOPLE IN A DARK & DYING WORLD!!!
Still going with the Gospel for the Lord, and for the lost, Michael & Renae Bussen

FOR THOSE WHOM GOD IS LEADING TO PARTNER WITH US IN HELPING US KEEP THE BILLS PAID, SO WE CAN KEEP GOING WITH OAC AND THE GOSPEL, THANK YOU SO MUCH - YOU ARE MUCH NEEDED & APPRECIATED!! PLEASE SEND FUNDS WRITTEN OUT TO “OPEN AIR CAMPAIGNERS,” AS A TAX-DEDUCTIBLE SUPPORT DONATION (with a note designating it as **Bussen family support** – even little amounts by many add up and are helpful, and are always very much appreciated):

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