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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

**It's been too long** since I've shared what's going on in my life and in ministry. I'm afraid my old age is catching up with me! It's getting harder and harder to use the technology needed to write letters and send them, but I want to share how much Jesus means to me and what he's doing in my life.

**I've just had a triple bypass surgery**, and at 75 years old, you would think my life is about over, and it's time to retire, but there is no retirement with Jesus if you're alive! Right now, I feel like I've never been so close to Him. Jesus is my all in all, and I want to serve and be with Him. I also want as many lost souls as possible to be saved and to be with Him, too.

**A big part of my ministry** involves training others, praise God! I have had the opportunity to train many in our training seminars, plus I've mentored several men into the ministry. Just recently, a young woman named Gianna (see picture) approached me at my church and asked if I would teach her how to do evangelism and come out with our open-air team. This request confirms that my job here on earth is not over. He has more for me to do!



This is Gianna Hall who is sharing the gospel with a lost person in Kensington.

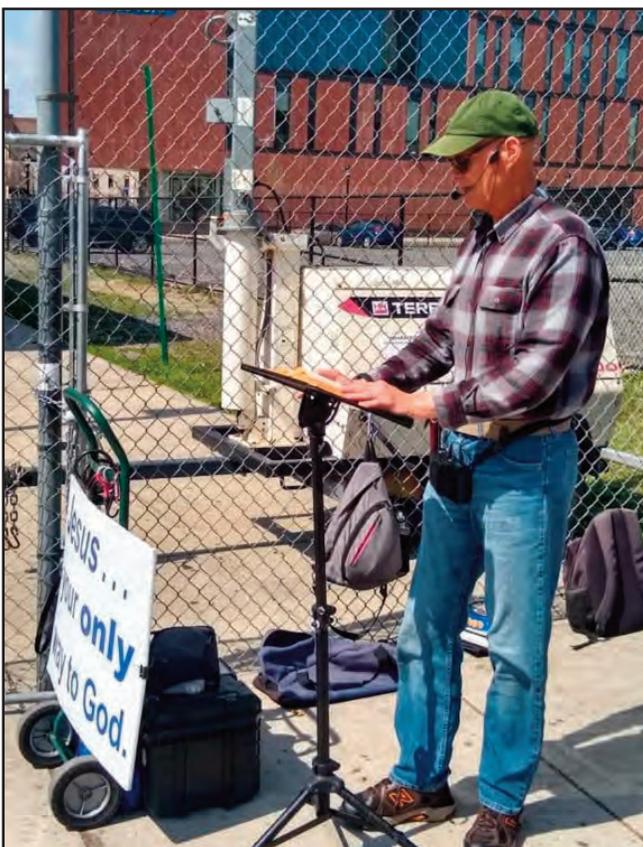
**I've done many things** since my last newsletter, and God has been using it all to work in my heart in ways I can't even explain. For example, in Kensington, there are tremendous ministry opportunities. Many lost drug addicts are just lying on



the street, wasting away. God has given me a burden for them. When I ask these people if they want to change and get out of their current situation, they say, "Yes, but just not right now." They are dying without Jesus, and they don't even care. What a tragedy and waste, but I can relate because I was just like them before I got saved. I was a failure, did poorly in school, and wasted my life on drugs. Then I met a man who was nice enough to share the gospel and show me the reality of Jesus Christ. Eventually, one night in 1978, I surrendered to Jesus, and from that point on, my life has been completely different! If any man be in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things become new. This reality is true in my life, and I want to share this great truth with as many people as possible while I am able, so they can also be saved, grow in Christ, serve God, and help others. By God's grace, I have been able to lead people to Christ, and I desire to continue doing so.



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Preaching the gospel in Camden New Jersey



Co-worker Sam Frey preaching the gospel in Kensington



It is my joy to preach the gospel where ever I can, here I am using the sketchboard



Young lady I led to the Lord in Kensington



Woman I led the Lord in Camden; she got off drugs



Man who trusted Jesus in Camden New Jersey



Young man who got saved and received the Bible



Children's meeting which took place in Philadelphia

**What a joy it is** to see people come to know Him. There have been people that I have led to the Lord, and there have been many more than I just put a tract in their hand, said a few words to them about Jesus, and had a short prayer; Jesus will use it all to bring souls into His Kingdom to glorify Himself! Oh, what a wonderful time that will be when we stand in front of Jesus and take the crown that we have earned and cast it at his feet, knowing that it was only because of Him.

**I need many things financially.** My wife, Joy, and I are just scraping by and need increased financial support. But what I need more than anything else is prayer that the power of God would be on my life and that He would continue to use me to bring souls into His Kingdom.

**God has put a wonderful message** in my heart: "Don't Give Up." I wish to share this message in churches eventually, but for now, I must live it! It's a lot easier to talk about walking with God than actually doing it. But I know the Word of God says that tribulation works patience, which I desperately need right now.



**I am so thankful for Folsom Community Church,** where I am currently attending. Their motto is "Loving God and loving others," and they truly do this. They've provided transportation for Joy and me to many doctors' appointments, and even bought us a new stove! In addition, they have given us lots of encouragement and strength through the preaching of the Word. I can't say enough good things about this body of believers.

### Current needs

- \* Joy has some very serious health issues right now. She has a bowel obstruction and a kidney infection. Both are serious and need surgery.
- \* Funds to pay down debt for the upgrades we needed on the house (windows, a door, soffits, rain gutters, and a new roof)
- \* Our car has 163,000 miles, and the frame is rusted out and very expensive to repair.
- \* Joy's teeth all need to be replaced.
- \* I also have missing teeth, but I can get along without them if need be.

I know God is in control, and our lives are in his hands. I know that God can do exceedingly and abundantly more than we ask or think, and we are trusting in that. If He would lead you to help financially, all gifts are tax-deductible when sent to our Open Air Campaigners account, PO Box D, Nazareth, PA 18064 (online giving available at [oacgive.org](http://oacgive.org)).

Yours servants in Christ,

*Dave & Joy*

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