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SPRING 2014 CALENDAR

- MARCH 19 – MARCH 31** **UKRAINE** Several Romans Workshops
- MARCH 19 – MARCH 30** **ASIA** Romans & Discipleship Workshop
- MARCH 22 – 30** **MEXICO CITY, MEXICO** Romans 1-8 Workshop
- MARCH 28 – 30** **NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS** Romans 6-8 Workshop
- MARCH 31 – APRIL 4** **LIBERIA, AFRICA** Romans 1-8 Workshop
- APRIL 25 – MAY 4** **ZAMBIA, AFRICA** Panorama of the Old Testament Workshop
- APRIL 30 – MAY 3** **FORT COLLINS, CO** Panorama of the New Testament Workshop
- MAY 3 – 11** **SIERRA LEONE, AFRICA** Panorama of the New Testament (Part 2) Workshop

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ◆ Thank you for your prayers for curriculum development. We are nearly finished with our newest curriculum, *The Panorama of the New Testament*, which follows the book of Acts verse-by-verse.
- ◆ Continue to pray for the multiple translations of our materials that are in progress. Each requires a student manual, a teacher's manual and PowerPoints.
- ◆ In the month of March, teams from the USA will travel to Liberia, Asia and Ukraine to present workshops. Please pray for them, and also for a team from Bolivia that hopes to travel to Mexico City. This trip is a real step of faith for them since they are responsible for finances, team makeup, visas and printing materials.
- ◆ Pray for our teams as some of our upcoming trips are aimed at difficult areas of the globe.

"...brethren, pray for us..." 2 Corinthians 1:11a

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February

NEWSLETTER



Upcoming Workshops

PANORAMA OF THE NEW TESTAMENT
 Fort Collins, Colorado
 April 30 -May 3

PANORAMA OF THE OLD TESTAMENT
 Duluth, Minnesota
 May 8-10

ROMANS 1-8
 Preston City, CT
 May 22-24

Plan on attending one of these upcoming workshops.

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So Jesus said to them again, "[...] as the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

John 20:21

BRET NAZWORTH

Only days after the resurrection of Christ, the disciples were hiding behind locked doors fearing for their lives.

These men were by no stretch of the imagination ready to win the world for Jesus. Low in courage and high in doubt, the world depended on them to transmit the gospel message. What would it take to motivate a crew like this?

In John 20:19-23 when Jesus appeared before his cowering disciples the first thing He told them was *"peace be with you."* Then He immediately challenged them saying, *"as the Father has sent Me, I also send you."*

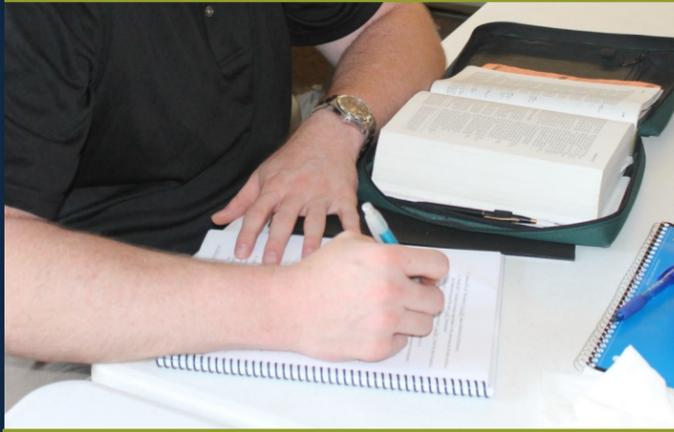
What a challenge for this group of men.

Before the disciples had a chance to respond negatively, Jesus promised that they would receive the Holy Spirit. Thankfully, at salvation, we too received the Holy Spirit. *"In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also*

believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise" Ephesians 1:13.

We want to encourage you this month as you read this newsletter. This letter focuses on three churches that are finding a way to fulfill the great commission in spite of the challenges. If you doubt your potential, think again. It's not about your weakness, but about God's power! *"[B]ut you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses [...] even to the remotest part of the earth"* Acts 1:8. Can we believe God?





PASTOR BRADLEY MASTEN

I wanted to let you know how impactful a DM2 conference was on a man in my church named Tim. I have spent the last four years getting to know Tim and investing in him on a pastoral level. While he has always been verbally responsive to teaching, he has struggled with firsthand involvement. Upon hearing about a "Panorama of the Life of Christ" workshop, he decided to invest the time to attend it.

I was unsure about his ability to keep up with the class (since he is in his seventies). However, the result of the conference on Tim's life was electrifying. Not only was he alert for the full three days of the conference, but he also took copious notes.

If I had any doubts as to whether or not his exuberance would prove to be short-term, that has not been the case. Since returning from the "Panorama of the Life of Christ" conference last fall, Tim has displayed a continuous, renewed excitement in his walk with Jesus Christ, even starting a small group study using the material from the DM2 conference. He is simply so excited to share what he learned about the life of His savior with others.



PASTOR MARK PERKINS

In September of 2012, experienced DM2 teachers Bret Nazworth, Brad Rigby, and Carlos Tellez came to Front Range Bible Church in Denver, Colorado to teach a workshop called "Panorama of the Old Testament". T. Kennedy and Pastor Mark Perkins assisted. We had between twelve and fifteen potential disciple-makers in attendance. The attendees were excited when they saw, through the teaching, how God's grace message was consistent throughout the Old Testament as He prepared the world for the "fullness of time," when His Son Jesus Christ came into the world. I could see from this excitement that a second generation of disciple-makers was forming.

Two women, Rene Perkins and Miranda Mathisen, representing a part of this second generation of disciple-makers, decided to teach a women's "Romans 1-8" conference. After much study and guidance, the women held a multiple-day conference at Miranda's parents' home in Fort Lupton, Colorado. Once again, there were between twelve and fifteen attendees, most of whom had never learned from the DM2 materials. The women who attended responded with great enthusiasm.

Meanwhile, God was working in some of the men who had

attended the initial workshop to conduct their own conference. Bernie, a homicide detective from the Denver area, tried his hand at teaching God's Word for the first time. He did a great job, teaching with both humor and gravitas. His explanation of the types of perspiration that people have under stress was especially relevant to the story of Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane (when Christ sweat drops of blood in anticipation of His arrest and crucifixion). Bernie has indicated a desire to continue teaching local modules, as well as a desire to be a part of an overseas teaching team.

A new disciple-maker came onto the scene during our second DM2 workshop: Pastor Brad Maston of Fort Collins Bible Church. A close friend of Pastor Perkins, Pastor Maston taught a lion's share of the workshop with excellence and enthusiasm, a true brother-in-arms. From the first DM2 workshops he attended, Maston quickly caught hold of the vision of DM2, and is now spawning a new generation of disciple-makers at Fort Collins Bible Church. (A third generation of disciple-makers will hopefully be formed when the next Colorado workshop, "Panorama of the New Testament," is held at Fort Collins Bible Church this spring.)

Another noteworthy disciple-maker in Colorado is T. Kennedy (now Dr. Kennedy) who taught several sessions in the "Panorama of the Life of Christ" workshop. Teaching sections of the workshop that featured his expertise in biblical archaeology, Kennedy used a wealth of maps and photos to guide us through Christ's life; these enriched the workshop by helping us picture the geography and culture of the times. Mr. Kennedy, like Bernie, will continue to teach in local workshops and is a potential team member for overseas trips. God is blessing this church with good teachers.

In closing, consider that Colorado is one of the toughest mission fields in the United States. Paganism, not Christianity, dominates. Few people attend churches on any given Sunday (about 10%); and there are even fewer churches with sound doctrine and solid, consistent teaching. In spite of the fact that this is a difficult field, DM2 conferences have brought several new attendees to Front Range Bible Church. Furthermore, the conferences have been drawing many Christians from the sidelines of the faith into the realm of active disciple making.

Our church, Grace Redeemer Bible Church, is located in Olympia, Washington. We have done two DM2 workshops, "Romans 1-8" in June of 2013, and "Romans 9-16" after Christmas. For some of the sessions, we had more people attend our workshop than members in our church. You can see, then, that DM2 workshops are effective outreaches, even for small churches like ours. As such, both workshops were a real blessing to our church, even for the members who were not able to attend because of their work schedules. To my surprise, a few such people opted to do the Romans 1-8 workshop week-by-week; and two people who did not originally even attend our church started coming to the week-by-week workshop.

Right now, we have three separate Romans 1-8 workshops going on in our church each week. One is a men's group that I am leading, and another is a women's group that my wife, Caren, is leading. In true disciple-making spirit, we have already asked a

few of those with good Bible backgrounds to help teach one another through the material. I even asked my seventeen-year-old son, Alex, to teach a section. He did really well!

People are starting to take the DM2 teaching to other churches in our area. This is exciting! One gentleman from another church, who had been attending our men's group, was recently asked to teach Romans 1-8 to the adult Sunday school class at his church. Please pray for this man as he takes this wonderful opportunity to help others become more acquainted with the gospel of grace. This will be a big undertaking for him since he is a layman, but he has a solid Bible background, which will certainly help him present the material to his church. He will begin this Sunday, February 2nd. I know he will do well; he taught publicly for the first time at our Romans 9-16 workshop and did an excellent job.

I am also very thankful because DM2 has made a way for me (the pastor) to teach some of our own "Sunday-schoolers" who do not have parents reinforcing their Christian walk at home (which has always been a concern to me). It has been a real blessing to teach Romans 1-8 on Thursday nights to these four young folks (along with our youngest son Paul who did not want to miss out on the fun!), aged thirteen to seventeen. These youth are doing great and really taking to it! I am soon going to ask members of my men's group to teach some of these sessions. We must not forget my oldest daughter, Rachel, who has taken Romans 1-8 to college with her. She is a freshman this year at Eastern Washington University, and has been leading a little Romans 1-8 workshop with a few of her girlfriends from college since early fall. This workshop continues to do well.

Perhaps best of all, when I travel to Ukraine to begin leading various DM2 workshops there, people in our church will thoroughly understand what I am doing. They are in full support of what DM2 is trying to accomplish on the missionary front. I am hoping and praying that, at some point down the road, I will have a team of individuals from my church that is ready and able to present a Romans 1-8 workshop in both other churches and on any mission field. Please pray that God will bring this team together soon!

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PASTOR MARK MUSSER & FAMILY

