

November 2017

ALAN HARRIS MINISTRIES

So being affectionately desirous of you, we were willing to have imparted unto you, not the gospel of God only, but also our own souls, because ye were dear unto us. - 1 Thessalonians 2:8

Happy Thanksgiving!

One tradition we could enjoy no matter where we ate our Thanksgiving dinner was to allow each family member time to tell about at least one thing for which he was thankful. As children of God and as Americans living in a loving family, our “thankful” lists could go on and on. From the time we open our eyes each morning, we encounter endless reasons for thankfulness. From the bed we slept in, to the water that runs from our faucet, to the breakfast we enjoy and the furniture we sit in, to the shoes we slide into, to the cars we drive or ride in...the list is endless. We often forget that most of us truly do live as “spoiled Americans.” But even if all of these “things” were stripped away, our foundational reason for gratitude would remain. We are children of God! We have been redeemed and adopted and forgiven! We have life in Christ now and a future in heaven! As Christians, we are called to do more than just “be thankful” to some mysterious force. This Thanksgiving, let’s lift our hearts and our voices in thanks to God and our Savior Jesus Christ! *The people around us need to hear that our Thanksgiving is not only one of turkey and traditions, but of gratitude to a real and active God!*

We are thankful for safety on the highways as we have traveled from Indiana to Pennsylvania, Ohio, Kansas, and Texas.



In **Chambersburg, PA** we ministered at **Open Door Church** with **Pastor Mike Sanders**. In addition to the **Sunday services**, Alan sang and brought an encouraging and challenging message in a **Leadership Banquet**. *Pictured to the left* are Mike and Terry with their son Austin and his family.

While in PA, we also ministered at **New Life Church in New Cumberland** with **Pastor Ronnie Riggins** and his wife **Beverly**. Both Ronnie and Mike are longtime friends and encouragers, and serve on our Board of Directors.

We were blessed to minister close to home at the **First Baptist Church in Centerville, IN** for their **Fifth Sunday service**. *To the right*, we are enjoying fellowship with **Pastor James Girdley**, his wife and sweet church folks.

In October we also ministered at **Hillcrest Baptist Church in Richmond** and **Good Shepherd Baptist Church in Lafayette**, and taped a program with **Glorybound TV in Richmond**. It’s always a privilege to team up with the devoted group of volunteers who bring the gospel to the region on Channel 40 in Indiana.





To the far left are our new friends, **Pastor Chris Workman** and his family who are beginning their ministry at **Harrison Avenue Baptist Church in Harrison, OH**. To the right are our “old” friends, the **Dietz family** who introduced us to the church in Harrison!

The above photos represent so much more than just “Alan and Angie with another pastor.” Each one represents another relationship that God has given us with a pastor and a church. Each represents opportunities for ministry that multiply with ripple effect as we continue to obey God’s direction in our lives. Thank you for your continued prayers and support. God is using your generosity to directly affect the lives of thousands of people.

With sincere gratitude,
Alan and Angie Harris



Happy Anniversary, Alan!

In October of 1982, Alan began serving in full-time traveling ministry. For the first few years, the ministry was known as Teen Action Ministries, and later was named Local Church Ministries. Then in 2002 Alan Harris Evangelistic Association was formed as a non-profit corporation. Through 35 years and well over a million miles traveled, Alan continues to devote his life to reaching people with the gospel. His passion to see people putting God first in their lives has not faded.

In honor of Alan’s 35 years of faithful service, would you consider making a donation of \$35 or more for our upcoming trip to India? The work there continues as new Christians are baptized and churches are planted. We are excited about returning in March of 2018. Please use the enclosed response card and envelope to send a donation and/or a note of congratulations, or to share a memory of how God has used Alan Harris Ministries to touch your life.

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2017

Thank you for your prayers as we travel!

- Nov 4: Glorybound TV taping, Richmond, IN
- Nov 5-AM: Harrison Ave Bapt Church, Harrison, OH
- Nov 12: Ramseur Baptist Church, Paris, TX
- Nov 14: Pleasantview Bapt Church, Arlington, TX
- Nov 18: Congregation Beth Simcha, San Antonio, TX
- Nov 19-AM: Tabernacle Baptist Church, Crane, TX
- Nov 26-AM: Marsh Ln Baptist Church, Dallas, TX
- Dec 3-AM: Southpointe Baptist Church, Arlington, TX
- Dec 17-AM: Life’s Journey Church, Zachary, LA
- Dec 24-AM: First Baptist Church, Lillian, AL
- Dec 31-AM: Fellowship Baptist Church, Pace, FL

Alex and Ellain Visa Journey Update:

Ellain had been assigned a visa interview date of Oct. 17. However, at the required medical exam, Ellain was informed that there was an abnormality in an X-ray. Sputum samples showed initial negative results. A two month waiting period is required to ensure that there are no bacteria present. December 5 will mark the two month period. If all is clear at that time, an interview will be rescheduled.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS ON THEIR BEHALF! They are staying active in their church in Manila as they serve in music, teaching, and discipleship ministries.