

ON THE ROAD...

Pursuing God’s call to encourage, exhort, and equip leaders and congregations
 A newsletter from Henry and Millie Buckwalter to family, friends, and prayer partners

BRIEF REVIEW OF VISITS THE PAST THREE MONTHS

February 11 – Bronx, NY

Good News Christian Church takes seriously their mandate to share the Good News of the Gospel. They evangelize regularly on the streets and as warmer weather approaches they will do various kinds of ministries in local parks. We’re grateful for the pastoral leadership of Bishop James and Andrea Miller along with Associate Pastor Jessie and Barbara Ruffin. It was a blessing to visit the congregation.



(Pictures, Associate Pastor Jessie and Barbara Ruffin and Sisters Isabelle and Iraida Rodriguez)

We are very grateful for the excellent oversight and coaching that Bishop Jim is giving to the four pastoral couples and congregations in Connecticut.

February 25 – Bridgeport, CT

We were happy to worship with Pastor Wendell and Trudy Guy and the members of Transforming Lives Church. Currently, the group is meeting in the Guy home. This vibrant group of believers has been praying together via phone each evening for 82 consecutive days. Pastor Wendell testifies that this experience has



been transformative for his life and the congregation. We join them in praising the Lord for answers to prayers for healing, job provision, and marriage restoration.



(Pictures – Previous column – Trudy is announcing via cupcakes the gender of the baby they are expecting in August. It’s a girl! Additionally, congratulations to Trudy who will graduate with a Bachelors degree in May from Liberty University. Above: Some of the members from Transforming Lives Church. Pastor Wendell, in front of picture on the wall, with his wife Trudy in front of him.)

March 11 – Lancaster, PA

Millie and I were invited to minister at West End Mennonite Church in Lancaster. Pastor Josef and Brenda Berthold planted this church over 20 years ago. In the early years of the church, I was his coach. I have continued to keep in touch with Josef over the years and have been a part of their prayer



(Picture – With Josef and Brenda Berthold) intercessors team. This congregation has sent out additional groups/congregations. To alleviate a space issue for seating on Sunday morning, a couple

of groups meet in homes once a month for the Sunday service. This serves as a creative way to avoid buying a larger property and allows them to maintain their strategic location in downtown Lancaster. Josef was recently ordained bishop to serve the groups and individuals that have been sent out from West End.

March 15-17 – Waterbury, CT

The HFC Pastor and Spouse Retreat was held in Waterbury, CT. The theme was “Pursuing God’s Presence.” Rather than invite a speaker from outside the network, we felt led to have various pastors from within the network share messages on this theme and a couple of additional topics. The 28 participants expressed deep gratitude for the privilege of hearing from others within the network. There was a beautiful spirit of unity and fellowship. The Beacon of Light congregation once again provided excellent catered meals. (Pictures from the retreat)



March 18 – Waterbury, CT

We were blessed to visit and minister at Beacon of Light Community Church. Pastor Winston and Sister Ingrid Gordon have faithfully served this congregation for nearly 20 years. They demonstrate perseverance, faithfulness, and compassion. They are praying for more laborers to join and assist them in the ministry. Your prayers for them and the congregation are deeply appreciated. (Picture – Pastor Winston and Sister Ingrid Gordon)



SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

-For Pastor Lawum Kayamba who will be returning to The Congo at the end of April for nearly a month to give leadership to an agricultural project to assist orphans related to his family.

-For the mission team that will be going to Haiti from Gospel Light Community Church along with Wesley Mullis and myself from April 9-14. Pray for God’s anointing for this leadership training event. One hundred thirty leaders have preregistered.

**TRAVEL ITINERARY
April - June**

April

9-14 – Assist in leadership training event in Marmont Region of north-central Haiti

May

5-6 – Visit and minister at Building 103 Church, Canton, PA
20 – Visit and minister at Emmanuel Eritrean Church, Alexandria, VA
27 – Visit and minister at Abundant Life Chinese Mennonite Church, Philadelphia, PA

June

24 – Visit and minister at Boston Chinese Church of Saving Grace