

Dear Friend of *Abiding Above*,

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It is my prayer that you are walking in His Spirit moment by moment and seeing His fruitfulness coming through your life.

I believe God has brought us together for a reason, *to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with every person, to encourage spiritual growth in every believer by the power of the Holy Spirit and to the glory of God.*

It is amazing to me how God has raised up our international outreach through caring friends like you, **our partners in ministry.** There is no way we could carry on this global ministry without you.

*Ministry To Pastors Is Ministry To Multitudes:* In just a few days I will fly to Nigeria to conduct a pastor's conference to over 200 pastors with my friend Steve Rogers, Executive Director of the Adrian Rogers Pastor's Training Institute. This is being organized by Abiding Above Ministries. If you will remember we organized a similar pastor's conference in Nairobi, Kenya, which was the first overseas conference for Steve and the Pastor's Training Institute. Abiding Above Ministries has been a blessing to them, and I strongly believe in what they are doing.

Think about it, by far, most of the world's pastor's will never be able to attend a Bible College or Seminary. There are none nearby, and if there were, they would be too expensive. This is where the Adrian Rogers Training Institute comes in; Dr. Rogers' whole life and ministry, wit and wisdom, and how he prepared and delivered his sermons has been captured on video and put into training sessions he entitled, "What Every Pastor Ought to Know." This is being made free to pastors worldwide in their own language.

Dr. Rogers' videos will be presented on a large screen and I will preach on the Spirit-filled Life of the Pastor.

*To This Cause, We Have Dedicated Our Entire Lives:* I am asking you to take part in the soul winning opportunities we have again this fall in Ethiopia where we will be expecting crowds of over 100,000 people. Many of these people will walk over 15 miles to attend! We did our first ever crusade on foreign soil last November 2007 in Ethiopia, where we had over 10,000 people pray to receive Christ.

In February 2009 we will travel back to Nigeria where we are planning the largest crusade we have ever done. We are expecting more than 300,000 people to attend and fall under the preaching of the word of God! There is nothing we feel more in earnest about than winning **souls** - reaching the unsaved with the life-transforming Gospel of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ, our precious Lord!

*"Give And It Shall Be Given Unto You..."* To make this possible He has raised up our international outreach through caring friends like you, our partners in ministry and I am asking you to help me.

The crusade in Ethiopia will cost us **\$13,600** and we expect the crusade in Nigeria to cost us **\$18,000**. This **does not** include the expenses of each team member. We are covering our own expenses there and back. These totals are **only** for the reaching of almost half a million people for Jesus Christ! Make sure you are doing something for Jesus with what He has blessed you with! What you have He has given to you because it is His. Pray and ask God what He would have you to do. **\$13,600 + \$18,000 = \$31,600**. Maybe you can easily cover this? Think, this will reach almost half a million for Christ!

Your investment in this ministry is a sound one and I encourage you to partner with us. We are entirely funded by caring Christian people just like you; we are not funded by any particular church or foundation.

When you trust God with your giving, your fellowship with God will deepen, you will find that the windows of heaven will open up to you, and the flow of divine blessing and favor in you will intensify.

*Jesus Is Coming Soon:* Listen! Jesus must be coming soon! Look at the world events and the strange weather patterns worldwide. What we do for Christ, we must do quickly! I am making my commitment this month to do the crusade in Ethiopia this fall, and the crusade in Nigeria in 2009. This is far more than a humanitarian effort to feed people temporarily, which millions of people and world celebrities are doing. This is different, and we are doing the most important thing, sharing the simple gospel of Jesus Christ, and extending an invitation for them to receive Him as Savior. One is only temporal, what you and I are doing is eternal. Let us hear those beautiful words one day from our Lord, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." **Matthew 25:21**

*Ministry In Memphis:* This has been a good month of ministry. I have preached and seen many people pray to receive Christ at the Calvary Rescue Mission, Memphis Union Mission, and Forest Hill Baptist Church. I have completed my power point series for the E.E. (Evangelism Explosion) group at Bellevue Baptist Church. Many were blessed as they saw from God's word how we are made by God, Spirit, Soul, and Body.

Our Father in heaven has seen fit to use us to lead many thousands of people to Him in less than four years since the inception of Abiding Above Ministries. I am truly humbled by what God is doing and the doors of opportunity He is opening up for us; we truly realize this has **not** been accomplished on our own. You have been with me from the beginning and I pray for you each day. I am so grateful for your prayers and your support. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.

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Colossians 3:1-3