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A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM BARRY & LINDA~



Why We Are Soul Winners

We are soul winners because of the Great Commission. The last thing Jesus authorized His followers to do before He returned to the Father was: Go into all of the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. This is the great opportunity that He offers believers. This is every Christian's privilege, calling and purpose.

This is the mission to which first century Christians devoted themselves. They understood their calling. They continued the same ministry that Christ began. They know He was living in them, doing through them the same things that He did before He was crucified. That is why they were called CHRIST-ians.

The unconverted world is hurting. They have problems without answers, diseases without remedies, fears without faith, guilt without pardon, confusion without peace.

They constitute our golden opportunity for fulfillment in life, and they guarantee us success because successful evangelism is simply sharing the gospel in the power of the Holy Spirit and leaving the results with God.

As we lift needy people, we are lifted. Healing them we are healed. Loving them, we are loved. In serving them, we truly serve our Lord. Something to think about.

The Ultimate Ride

ONE OF MY GOSPEL PRESENTATIONS IS CALLED "THE FEAR FACTOR" IN WHICH I SHARE MY TESTIMONY OF LOOSING TWO OF MY FRIENDS IN WATER ACCIDENTS. ONE OF THEM WAS IN A SURFING ACCIDENT AND ANOTHER WHILE PARTYING UP AT THE COLORADO RIVER. THE STORY SEEMS TO BE ESPECIALLY COMPELLING TO YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE WONDERING WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO THEM IF THEY DIED?



FOUR SURFERS GIVE THEIR LIVES TO JESUS CHRIST AFTER HEARING MESSAGE ON "THE FEAR FACTOR"

On a warm spring evening at the Seal Beach Pier I was sharing my story when four young men who had just gotten out of the water after a late night surf session, stopped to listen and watch me paint. The Holy Spirit was working in a special way that evening. People were being drawn to our meetings as we lifted Jesus up.

As I concluded the message it became obvious that the Lord was moving on these young men in a special way. When I gave the invitation to publicly acknowledge Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord these four young guys bowed their heads and prayed the sinners prayer and gave their lives to Jesus. The water was still dripping off of them as they looked up and radiated the love of God through their smiles. May God use this moment in time to impact their lives for all time and eternity, just as He does for all who come to Him.

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LINDA PRAYS FOR NEW BELIEVERS MYRA, MARTA AND CHRISTINA DURING A SATURDAY EVENING OUTREACH SESSION AT THE REDONDO PIER

Sharing God's Love

Team member Linda loves to lift people to the throne of grace through her prayers. People of all walks of life really do appreciate someone who is willing to ask them about their personal needs, and then lift them up to God in prayer for help. Whether it's healing, finances, health issues or relationships everyone needs help in their time of need. Christ living in us, doing through us the same kinds of things He did while on earth gives us confidence that we are truly loving and serving Him.



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Let the Little Children to Come to Me!

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The best time to reach people is when they are young, before the world, the flesh and the devil has an opportunity to sway them. We

are seeing more and more children trust Christ as their Savior this year. After one of our teaching sessions we asked if any of the boys and girls were ready to trust Jesus and give their lives to Him.

Juan, Edith and Anna all responded with hands raised high! I asked if they really understood the message. The fact that we have all broken God's laws, resulting in sin. The only remedy for their sin problem is trusting in Jesus Christ to forgive them for their sins and invite Him into their hearts to give them His new life. They all understood and I prayed with them. *Jesus said, allow the little children to come to me for such is the kingdom of heaven.* Please be praying for these little ones that Jesus loves.



JUAN, EDITH AND ANNA TRUST IN JESUS.



STEVE DAVIS SHARES GOOD NEWS WITH A COUPLE FROM HUNTINGTON BEACH.

Past Accomplishments Can't Compete with Knowing Jesus Christ

Team member Steve Davis who played for the University of Southern California Trojans football team knows what it is to be in the limelight. But to him nothing compares with knowing Jesus Christ and sharing His love with others. Steve grew up in Palos Verdes, came to faith in Christ about five years ago and has been growing in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus ever since. Steve has a wonderful testimony of God's healing power after almost being killed by gang members after a Torrance High School football game. He knows for sure that Jesus is His Lord and healer. Steve knows that simple faith in Christ is the ultimate success story.

Russ Hodder: Our Partner in Reaching the Lost

I met Russ many years ago as I happened by one of his gospel presentations at the Redondo Pier. Russ has been reaching out to the lost for over 30 years as an evangelist with an organization called, "Open Air Campaigners". He also serves as an adult Sunday school teacher at his home church "Evangelical Free Church of Fullerton". The Lord has knit our hearts together in reaching out to the lost throughout the greater Los Angeles and Orange County area. Russ's unique painting and preaching style is a wonderful gift from God. He ministers at church youth camps, youth rally's and retreats throughout the year in California. I praise God that I have the privilege of working with this faithful servant of the Lord.

The Preach-O-Matic Has Landed!

It took awhile but the portable pulpit I desired has finally arrived from Pennsylvania. This equipment will save me many trips from my truck to preaching areas.

The "Preach-O-Matic" is a completely self-contained pulpit on wheels. I can now store and carry my paint kit, black light, sketch board, literature box and loud speaker in one easy trip. *'Delight yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart.'* This has been one of my



THE "PREACH-O-MATIC"

desires for a long time now and I give God all the praise and glory for it! As we dedicate it to the service of the Lord I sense in my spirit that many lost souls will be coming to Jesus through its usage.

May God bless you for your continued financial support of Barry Felis Ministries. It is vital to us that good stewardship and being careful with every penny of Gods money is our top priority. Every cent is carefully accounted for, and used only very sparingly as the Lord directs. Even in minor purchases, we always ask, (1) do we really need it? And (2) is this the best? Linda and I love you and appreciate your financial support.

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