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Check out *HomeMission's*

[YouTube page](#) for evangelistic videos!

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCChL7BfJRErWbvGBK3z4YsSQ?>

HomeMission wishes to invite congregations and individuals to access our "13 Lessons" playlist on *HomeMission's YouTube Channel*. Included are wonderful lessons for Summer Series, Bible classes and Worship service sermons. Please let us know how these encourage you!

Elders of congregations of the Lord's Church are welcome to receive *EldersNet*, a quarterly newsletter written by elders, for elders. Please email homemission444@gmail.com to let us know your interest. You may leave your mailing address for a paper copy or your email address for a digital one.

MEMORIALS

From: Jack & Rebecca York
Randy Holden
Joe Romero

COMING SOON!

WEST FREEWAY

SCHOOL OF EVANGELISM

(A Ministry of *HomeMission*)

SCHEDULED OPENING

FALL OF 2022!



WEST FREEWAY
School of Evangelism
a ministry of HOMEMISSION

We at the School are getting much closer to having all of our teachers gathered and committed. They will include **Roger Shepherd, Bob Turner, Tom Pauley, Ron Moore, Chris Graham, James Sanderson, Jeff Jenkins, Chris Swinford, Phil Sanders, Jim Mitchell** and several more. We are now less than a year away from our first class, **September 15, 2022**. I have prepared a presentation to share with churches and elderships and I am seeking appointments, especially on Wednesday nights or whenever elders meet. Be sure to let me know if your congregation would be interested in seeing that presentation and perhaps sharing with us in the work. Our new web site is under construction and should go live in a few weeks. I look forward to seeing you at *Equip* and the *HomeMission* dinner that we are sponsoring. God bless you all.

Chris Graham, Director

Glenda Graham, Secretary

Director's Report

Dear loved ones in the Lord,

Well, another month has flown by. We began with a workshop in **Paris (TX!)** with the **Westwood church of Christ**. Then, we went to **Oklahoma City**, and met with **Phil Sanders** of *In Search of the Lord's Way*, a weekly TV program known in the churches of Christ. He has agreed to be a keynote speaker at the **Revive Us Again Evangelism and Church Growth Workshop** at the **Brown Street church of Christ (Waxahachie TX)**. The date for this workshop is **March 23-26, 2022**. I hope you all will make plans to attend. **Chris Swinford** will be the Director. Many good speakers are being lined up for that event. More information in future reports.

We also met with nine churches during that week. We then went to **Nashville TN**, where we met with 14 churches and individuals. At least three of those churches want us to come back and begin working with them. Due to Hurricane Ida, we were unable to visit with one of our evangelists in **Montgomery (AL)**, and work with a church in **Elba (AL)**.

However, August allowed opportunity to speak with many churches around the country and send material to them, in lieu of coming later to do workshops. All in all, this has been a busy and productive month. In fact, we are now booked for visits and workshops all the way through April of next year. **Please keep us in your prayers** that God protects us and keeps us well so that we may continue to do His will without interruption.

May the Lord bless and keep you all!

Love, **John and Susie Orr**



Evangelist Reports

From **Steve Orduno**

Work in the Golden State of California has been extremely hampered by the **fires**. Because of the high winds, we can never tell where it's safe to go. One day it may be safe to travel, but the next day the fires could overwhelm us. It's not the fires alone, but the smoke and air quality that has made things difficult. Many of the congregations and the members have been greatly affected by this, so we solicit your prayers.

On a personal note, I continue to be hampered by a problem with my arm. I am working with doctors to see what we can do to find adequate treatment.

Please continue to pray for us on the West Coast that travel will once again be restored throughout the western United States. It is simply **the devil seeking to hamper the efforts of the Church**.

From **Jonathan Orr**

I have been visiting congregations in TX and AR, presenting **HomeMission** and thanking those congregations who have supported our efforts in 2021.

From **Mike King**

8/15/2021 **Bostonia (El Cajon CA)** Presented **HomeMission** to Darryl Tripp preacher and six men during their periodic business meeting. No feedback.

8/23 **69th St. (San Diego CA)** Presented **HomeMission** to "Working Together Meeting # 69" - periodic gathering of area preachers.

In attendance: Ernest Demps, preacher, 32nd St (San Diego CA) and one member, Anthony Feaster, preacher, Raven St (San Diego CA) Dan McCutcheon, elder, Canyon View (San Diego CA.) Also connected via Zoom, in attendance: Darryl Tripp Preacher Bostonia (El Cajon CA) and Darrell Williams, preacher, East Palomar (Chula Vista CA).

Scheduled for 69th St location, but doors locked so we met in the parking lot (apparently a miscommunication with the preacher at 69th St.) Anthony Feaster, (Raven St), is interested in a hybrid workshop for saints from around the area that he is in contact with. This would be a variation from the congregational unique focus model we follow. His vision is to invite these folks to attend an evangelistic workshop. I told him that I would work with him on the concept.

From **Alan Stephens**

Spent time in August with **John and Susie Orr** visiting with over 30 churches, elderships, or members in Oklahoma City OK and Nashville TN regarding **HomeMission**. Many new contacts were made and former ones strengthened.

Congregation Reports / Prayer Requests

Concord Rd (Brentwood TN) reports the baptism of a daughter by her father. Praise God!

Callisburg (TX) reports the baptism of a precious soul! Rejoice!

Prayers for those affected by the wildfires along the west coast, Hurricane Ida along the Gulf coast, with flooding elsewhere, and the earlier floods in Nashville (**Pinewood church of Christ in Hickman County** – the church building was submerged in the flood waters). Also, pray for members of the Lord's Church in danger in other lands.

Director of Outreach Report

For the first few weeks of August, I was out on the road handing out fliers for **EQUIP** and visiting churches around the Local area. Please pray for **EQUIP** and the blessing that will come out of this great weekend.

Tommy Simonton

Director of Outreach – *HomeMission*



Photo Gallery



Update from **Bridge Ave (Weslaco TX) church of Christ**. We are so excited to see this church reaching out again to the community-

This morning, we undertook a massive evangelistic follow-up of more than 500 families who came through our building for assistance when we had severe flooding. We gave them food, clothes, cleaning supplies, and even furniture and appliances. We had the opportunity of doing cleanup and repairs in a few dozen of their homes. Today, we're checking in on them to see if there's any other way we can serve them. We're mailing and hand-delivering a "**community service**" form (English and Spanish, front-back) with the goal of further developing relationships and ultimately earning **Bible studies** with them. I am so thankful and encouraged by the turnout and help.

We got more done than was thought possible! Please pray that we may bring hearts to Jesus and Glory to God!



Jonathan and Amber Orr visited the **Sweeny (TX) Church of Christ** this morning to present **HomeMission**. What a wonderful reunion of loving people! Here are some pictures with:

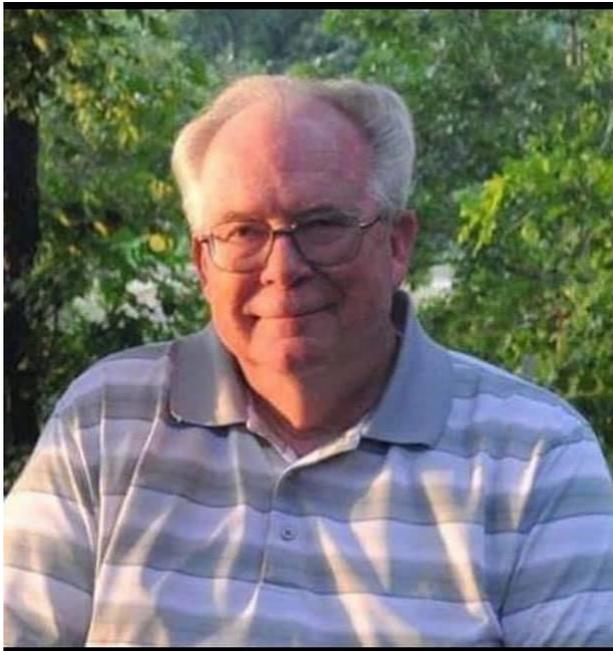
Ken & Etsuko Hysten with son, **Noah & daughter, Symphony** with **Jonathan & Amber**. Ken is the evangelist at the congregation.



John Orr, Alan Stephens, and Susie Evans Orr are in Oklahoma City this week making contacts and visiting churches. **Phil Sanders** from **In Search of the Lord's Way** has been a big help setting up church visits and giving advice.



Presenting *HomeMission* at the
Central Pike (Hermitage TN) church of
Christ



Our hearts are sad at the news of the death of **Tom Bedichek**, one of our *HomeMission* evangelists. We rejoice at his receiving his reward and appreciate all he did in the kingdom of God.