



## THE FISHERMEN MINISTRY

MATTHEW 4:19 - AND HE SAITH UNTO THEM,  
"FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN."

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# Welcome


## March 2023

Welcome to our sixth edition of The Fishermen Ministry newsletter. We will be putting out a monthly newsletter in order to keep you up to date on what's happening. We will post featured messages, announcements, travelers corner, birthdays and more.

If you want to be added to our email list, [click here](#).


### FEATURED MESSAGE


Present Yourself at the Disposal of the Lord  
(By: Richard Eutsler Jr.)



TFM CONFERENCE DAY 4 - 2022-10-13 - RICHARD EUTSLER JR  
TheFishermenMinistry

Present Yourself at the Disposal of the Lord





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2022-10-13 - Day 4 of the 2022 Ministers Conference

Entering into His rest. Don't begrudge the learning curve to get there.

<https://fb.watch/h7cflGkTb9/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Iqnx3DewyhA> (Preaching Only)

We talk about entering into God's Rest, but few people actually make the transition. The primary reason folks don't enter into His rest is their continued clinging to the things of this life and leaning on their own works and their own ways. But the Lord has a better way. His way is to put off our old life and put on a new life in Him. It's not an instant transition, rather it's a process of being perfected. Will you embrace and yield to this process? Will you forsake this life for a better life in Christ?

Watch the Entire  
Service

Watch the Preaching ONLY

## South Carolina News



*Photograph from the Walthall family.*

### Cottageville, South Carolina Report

Those in South Carolina had a mostly quiet month. They continued to get together on most of the Sundays, making up differences as people came and went elsewhere for various reasons. Several folks also got together to fellowship for the Super Bowl, cheering opposing sides which was surely a fun event, and the next weekend for Carter's birthday!

Angie & Maggie both finished Covid quarantine and returned to their respective homes and families and all continue to be healthy.

Robin, James, Rose, & Lydia met up with John Squires for lunch in Calabash, NC

which was a great blessing to all. James & Rose then spent the weekend in Myrtle Beach while Robin and her granddaughter had some time together. Robin has now returned safely to Grace Ranch after her trip to the East Coast.

In the wake of the passing of his dear wife and Phil's visit to oversee the memorial service for Bea last month, John has entered into discipleship with Phil and rejoined fellowship. He came down from his home near Myrtle Beach to participate in the service on Sunday.

Children's PE continues with a small crew of children who have practical opportunities to walk in humility and teamwork. For their Bible study, they're working through the book of Mark with active participation from all those present.

**Ongoing events:**

- Children's Bible study continues every Friday morning at 10:45 a.m. Contact Maggie for more information at: [\(915\) 246-6136](tel:9152466136) or [Email Maggie](#)
- Children's PE takes place after children's Bible study at 12:00 p.m. on Fridays. To find out more, contact Angie [\(843\) 860-8824](tel:8438608824) or [Email Angie](#)
- Sunday evening Bible studies are at 6 p.m. and any who are inclined to join together for a meal beforehand is welcome at 5 p.m.

**People to contact:** if you have questions about the ministry in South Carolina, how you can participate, here's the list of who to get in touch with.

**The South Carolina fellowship:**

- Contact Carter: [\(303\) 257-5470](tel:3032575470) or [Email Carter](#)
- Contact Philip: [\(843\) 217-2644](tel:8432172644) or [Email Phillip](#)

**The music team and how you can be a part:**

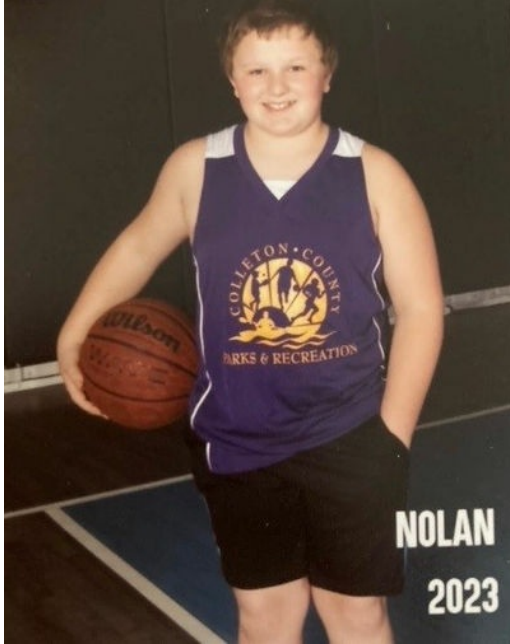
- Rose [\(803\) 387-9910](tel:8033879910) or [Email Rose](#)

**Ministry opportunities in Lynchburg, SC, contact:**

- James [\(706\) 283-2688](tel:7062832688) or [Email James](#)







## Grace Ranch - Texas News



### Grace Ranch Report

Hello again everyone. Our report from Grace Ranch will be brief for this newsletter. We are pleased to report that everyone is doing well. Those who tested positive for Covid are nearly 100% recovered, which is a great blessing.

Cheryl, Naomi, and myself met Angie in Montgomery Alabama to participate in the Gamo Squirrel Master Classic. Last year, I passed out on the first day of the hunt, which led to me learning about the aortic stenosis. I had the opportunity to share and talk about the goodness and mercy of God and how He brought me through the whole process. There was one person in particular who asked if I was “terrified” when I heard the news about needing a new valve, etc. After thinking about it for a moment, I realized that I was never really terrified about the surgery or fearful for my life. That’s a testimony of the Lord’s goodness. I shared with them about having a hope in Christ that supersedes our circumstances. When you have a hope founded on the Lord and His abilities, not your own, what is there to fear?

As many of you all know, the ranch got hit with a pretty serious wind storm that lasted a solid 12 to 14, maybe more hours. We lost power Sunday morning and did not get it back until Tuesday evening. The Lord's provision for us never faltered as the generator kept up with our needs, and we never missed a beat. We did run out of diesel Sunday evening but had enough in the tanks to get the generator going again, and it gave Bob and me a chance to go into town and fellowship along the way. It also highlighted some upgrades that we want to make to our processes and our generator building. I look forward to seeing all that accomplished.

There was some damage, mostly to Steve's office, with several of the metal panels getting peeled off. Bob found that they were not screwed in properly from the factory. We replaced them Wednesday morning before the potential of freezing rain and snow. Fortunately, we did not get either, just a light flurry. The west side of the roof will need to be replaced as some of the panels were damaged beyond repair so we are looking into getting a quote for the materials, and then Bob and I, probably mostly Bob :) will get them installed.

Last but certainly not least, Sister Robin arrived Tuesday late morning from her trip. As per our processes, she quarantined for a few days before joining back with everyone. It was a true blessing to have everyone back in the chapel again on Sunday and in the kitchen for Bible study. We are still working through the scriptures on Unity that Steve provided in his email after New Year. It's been a blessing to me to dig into them as a group. I hope that it has been so for others as well.

That's all the news for now. May the Lord continue to teach us and bring us to the place He would have us be as we yield to Him in every aspect of our lives.

**For questions regarding the Grace Ranch, Texas fellowship:**

Contact Rick:

**(928) 302-9078** or **Email Rick**

Contact Robin:

**(915) 307-0514** or **Email Robin**







## Africa Mission News



### A message from Brother Lawrence Tsimese

The month of February has been a very busy one for me as far as social events are concerned that made me travel to some parts of the country. Of the four weekends in the month, three were spent outside of my regular location. There are some social events that you can't excuse yourself from especially depending on the extent you relate to it.

I had the opportunity to attend some funeral services, thanksgiving and memorial services for deceased friends and realized that on such occasions officiating ministers from both the Orthodox and Pentecostal Christian stock preach the pure gospel message and depart from all the dogmas, doctrines and other diluted sermons that are preached regularly from the pulpits. I however missed the opportunity to see what the Jehovah's Witnesses do at their funeral services as I couldn't honor the invitation to one such funeral of the uncle of another friend because the event coincided with another program in another geographical

location.

I gathered from all the messages I heard at the funeral events that the gospel preached was clear and simple, designed to let the people assembled understand their need to repent and accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, because death is inevitable and eternity is real. The reality is that people need to hear the message of hope centered on the Gospel of Jesus Christ always and not only when someone loses their life. It is a sad, yet potent reminder of the brevity of life, and an opportunity for hearts and minds to focus in on Jesus Christ. Out of all the diversities of funeral service messages that I heard during this period, one main theme ran through them all and that is - God's holiness, man's sinfulness and deserving judgment, Christ's atoning work to save us, our essential response to repent and believe upon Christ.

There was also hospital visitation. A professional welder friend of our family, whom we affectionately call Uncle Ato, had a serious industrial accident at his workshop in which he suffered serious 3rd degree burns on all parts of his body except the right leg. When I heard of the incident and first visited, I saw how serious the situation was and prayed fervently for him to recover and not to die. My subsequent visits to him at the hospital saw marked improvements, however, healing is gradual. He is still in the hospital and recovering steadily. Kindly remember him in prayer. During my visits to the hospital, I also had the opportunity to observe and minister to some other patients in the ward. I encourage all believers to make hospital visitation a part of their ministry. Your prayer and a few words of exhortation to the sick has power to cause health recovery and also help them draw closer to God.

### **Discipleship**

The last Sunday of February I attended the memorial and thanksgiving service for the late Pastor William Kwabena Kamassah, who happens to be the half brother of Pastor Anthony Glago at the Word Power Ministry, located at Keta in the Volta Region. The host, Pastor Bernard preached on Discipleship, citing the late Kamassah as an example of one who obeyed the command to preach and make disciples of all nations. According to him all believers must move forward into discipleship and not just remain as nominal church goers. After the service I chatted with him briefly and told him about The Fishermen Ministry being a discipleship ministry. Pastor Bernard expressed interest to know more about TFM. He would be visiting the website for a start and make contact later. Let's keep him also in prayer.

Both **Pastors Wilson** and **Korsah** are still honoring discipleship appointments. Whilst pastor Korsah has advanced with topical studies now on 'Repentance', Pastor Wilson is yet to complete the part 2 of the Ezekiel 33 document due to a break in communication for a while because of certain domestic/social challenges he has.

I have received some documents from Megan and Steve and their landlord to support my quest for the South Africa visa so I can travel to the country in April 2023. I will appreciate your prayers for a smooth process.



## What's Going on in South Africa

### South Africa Report

The month of February has been a visual highlight to the Athertons who have been blessed to travel from Gauteng and the Johannesburg area in which Megan grew up down to Cape Town, which was the last place Megan called home before leaving for the U.S. in 2001.

Joan flew down and spent the first 2 weeks in Cape Town with the family, joining them in most of the outings and visits, learning more about how to walk by faith, spending almost all her time with her daughter's family on their explorations and visits.

They've spent time with people Megan knows, many of whom she hasn't seen in 20-33 years. There has been a bit of surprise as they've watched the various interactions they've been part of and who seems open to the Lord and His ways. They've visited twice with 2 families and everyone else once, though several of those will have another opportunity as their time in Cape Town runs out.

Generally speaking, Steve has had opportunities to minister to the men one-on-one, while Megan spent time with the wives and the Atherton children spent time with theirs or hanging out together as siblings, which has been good. They continue in their homeschooling and Civil Air Patrol activities on the trip.

Cape Town is visually naturally beautiful and the people who live there spend a lot of time outdoors. The Athertons have had many outdoor adventures exploring, climbing the mountain, going on hikes, visiting a couple of vineyards and a natural penguin sanctuary, swimming in the frigid Atlantic Ocean, taking boat rides to Robben Island (where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned as a political prisoner for many years) and a small island covered in seals, and scenic drives en route to places, to mention but a few of the activities. Megan's newsletter has photos and brief information on what they're doing for others to see South Africa with them as they visit with fresh eyes and a camera.

They're preparing to leave Cape Town and head north up the east coast. The first 2.5 weeks will be the busiest with them staying in 6 or more different places in 17 days, stopping to visit or stay with multiple people Megan knows along the way.



Please pray for South Africa and for the Athertons! Their time on this trip is past the halfway mark and there are yet many people to see. May the Lord direct their interactions and journey to His glory and the benefit of all involved, sustaining them in Him in all ways.

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If you aren't already receiving Megan's daily newsletter on their trip and you would like to be on the email list, please [email her directly](#).

## Some photos from Megan's newsletter



## TRAVEL



### Athertons in South Africa

Steve, Megan and their children are currently headed back from Cape Town towards Johannesburg, South Africa. Please keep them in prayer. If you're in SA and would like to get together with them, please use the information below to get in touch with them.

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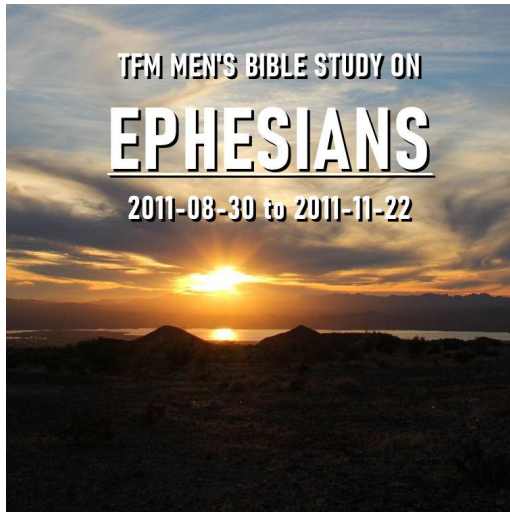
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## MESSAGES TO REMEMBER



### EPHESIANS Men's Bible Study

In 2011 we had a men's topical Bible study on the book of Ephesians. It reinforces us in things we know and can help with some of the things we struggle with.

[Click For Entire Bible Study](#)

## THE GREAT COMMISSION

Everyone knows the "Great Commission". It was succinctly set forth by Christ and recorded in Mark Chapter 16:

15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

## UPCOMING TFM DATES TO REMEMBER

March

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KAREN HOCKER BIRTHDAY

March

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CHARLES HOCKER BIRTHDAY

March  
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NAOMI EUTSLER BIRTHDAY

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BRYLIE WALTHALL BIRTHDAY

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