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SPRING 2008 SCHEDULE

March 8-12

Uniontown, PA area

Ron and Sue Sepic
724-439-5439

March 14-15

Philadelphia area

Mark and Lynn Jensen
610-792-5599

April 6-9

Tulsa, OK

Fred and Brandy Kapple
918-481-8486

April 10-12

Oklahoma City, OK

Dr. Roger and Nancy Mueller
405-755-1901

Jon and Tammy West

405-495-3335

April 20-25

Indiana Area

Doug and Linda Gulley
765-348-0370

Jeff Maidow

317-201-2232

Ron and Michelle Willard

815-693-5972

April 28-May 1

Columbus, OH

Pete and Lori Stadler
614-402-9899

Joe and Margi Robison

740-707-7226

A message from Gary

Dear AFA Family,

The following letter was sent to me from Desert Pines High School in Las Vegas, Nevada. There were almost 3,000 students that received the message of freedom and the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. The principal never heard me but one teacher reacted and this letter was circulated to the other schools in the Vegas area. Here is the letter:



*Institute for Integrated Studies at
Desert Pines High School*

3800 East Harris Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada 89110-2181
Phone (702) 799-2196
FAX (702) 799-2198

Dr. Timothy Stephens, Dean of Students

Mr. Mark Lowry, Assistant Principal

*Mr. Mauricio Molina, Assistant Principal
Mr. Michael Rolands, Assistant Principal
Mrs. Sandra Whitlock, Assistant Principal*

*Mrs. Barbara Collins, Dean of Students
Mr. Mark Remillard, Dean of Students*

February 22, 2008

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Today, during an assembly, a motivational speaker volunteered his services in order to convey a speech on patriotism, citizenship, and doing the right thing as a member of society. Unfortunately, with approximately five minutes left in his presentation he began to speak in terms of religious views. At the conclusion of the assembly, the speaker passed out coins with John 3:16 inscribed on the back, which certainly hinged on a violation of the establishment clause. Accordingly, as his preaching did not rise to the level of prophesizing it was certainly deemed as being inappropriate in the eyes of the administration. To date several actions have been taken in order to keep such an incident from happening on the campus of Desert Pines High School and other schools throughout the Clark County School District. Finally, I offer you my sincere apology and want you to know that if you wish to discuss this in further detail, my door is open to you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Timothy D. Stephens
Principal
Desert Pines High School

This letter reflects the enemy's strategy to stop Christianity from being any part of the students' curriculum. It's the parents and teachers who react, not the young people. What a marvelous team I have in the Vegas area. Pastor Richard Olsen of Upland Bible Church and Mrs. Jamie Vertrees are the leadership. It was a blessing to see the open doors to the detention centers and behavioral schools. These schools are responsible for helping young people who have not been able to function in a regular school setting from self destructing. I thank all who participated in this miracle week.

I apologize that our last letter took so long to reach many of you. Thank you for continuing to pray in spite of not always knowing exactly where I am. All you know is that I am OUT THERE! I began January on a dead run. The rescheduled Northwest trip was a real test of faith. I flew to Spokane and spent a day with the Palmers. They are a most incredible family. I need to see them at least once a year to keep my perspective on what it takes to keep 23 or so kids, grandkids, friends, dogs and cats on track. They have a son in Iraq and a daughter in Peru. Please pray for the Palmers.

I then drove west to the Chelan, WA area and spoke to country schools. The leadership and students were amazing. Thank you to Murel and Ivena Barber for a job well done. I left by way of the Northern Pass and wondered if the snow would ever end. I had a 4-wheel drive vehicle which was a gift from God. Next came three Christian schools in Seattle. I spoke to 1,700 students at Standwood High School and



STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
 Christine Gruver, Principal
 Angie Hansen, Assistant Principal
 Tod Klundt, Assistant Principal/Activities Director
 Tom Wilfong, Athletic Director/Interim Dean of Students
 Kevin Plambeck, Career/Tech Director

STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
 7400 272nd Street NW, Stanwood, WA 98292
 360-629-1300

January 29, 2008

Mr. Gary Horton
 P. O. Box 235
 Trussville, AL 35173

Dear Mr. Horton:

On behalf of Stanwood High School, we thank you dearly for your appearance at our Martin Luther King, Jr. assembly. Your presentation has touched the lives of many of our students. We greatly appreciate the profound depth of your message. Your speech was extremely inspirational in many different ways. We have had reports from many students who are still contemplating the meaning of your words. We have also received comments from parents that heard about your inspirational message when their sons and daughters came home from school. The message you conveyed was a powerful one, one that will not be forgotten.

Thank you once again for making our Martin Luther King, Jr. assembly such a memorable and powerful experience.

Sincerely,

Stanwood High School Leadership Class

Handwritten signatures of the Stanwood High School Leadership Class members, including names like Courtney Collins, K. Lynn, Courtney Hicks, Hannah Stuey, Carrie Ebers, Jamie Wesson, and Melissa Autrey.

was once again blown away by the reception. I was there a few years back and the student body requested my return. I loved passing out coins to ROTC cadets, students and staff. That Wednesday and Thursday I shared my ministry with Evergreen Baptist Church and Grace Chapel. It was wonderful to see Paul and Marion Schmidtbleicher. These two churches have stood by us for many years and one of the main reasons is the Oakland family. My never ending gratitude to Don and Jeanne Oakland along with Bob and Brenda Kerr. Thank you so much Patrick and Breta McGrady for letting me stay in your home.

On Saturday, January 19th my last stop in Washington was Vancouver. Pastor Kendal Weekes allowed me to speak to the fine folks of Grace Haven Bible Church. I consider the Weekes as family. Monday I drove to McMinnville, OR and hooked up with the Dolence family who have enriched my life for over twenty years. That night I spoke to the Yamhill County Jail which consisted of eighty men and eight women. Later I spoke to a lock-up facility with ten tough teenagers in attendance. I ended with a large youth group at a local church in that area. Upon leaving McMinnville, I drove late into the night toward East Oregon to get to some more high schools and another detention center. This is where I get to spend time with the Donigians. It was their son Aram who first got me into schools in the state of Oregon. I loved the time we spent together as I prepared to drive seven hours back to Spokane through one very serious snowstorm. God's grace is

sufficient since I'm still here.

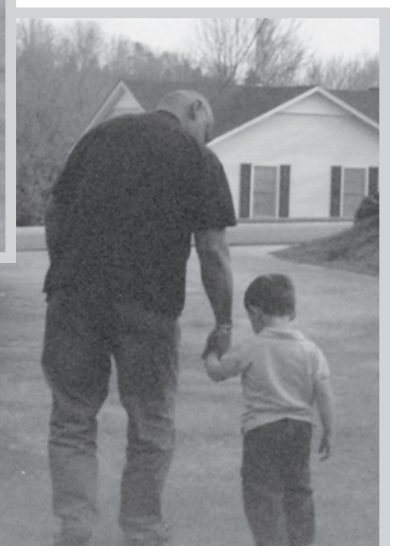
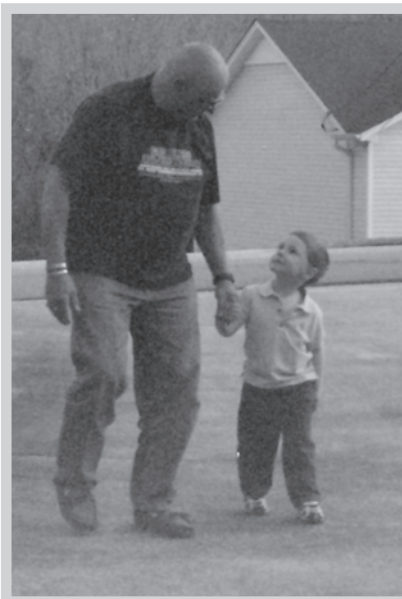
As February was approaching I made it to the Richmond, VA area. Jon Bryant, who I met at the ripe old age of seven, is now my point man. We met with some of his church leaders to plan a way to reach the young people in that area. I sure enjoyed my time at a small Christian School, Crestwood Presbyterian. Jon and Nanette spoiled me in their new home and I look forward to what God will do in the days to come. Then it was a seventy mile drive to one of the oldest military schools still standing. Fishburne Military School was built in 1879 and holds eighty cadets. I salute these strong warriors. After that I drove another 60 miles down to Lynchburg, and linked up with Todd Campo, another warrior. Todd is the superintendent of Liberty Academy which holds close to 1,000 incredible young people. I spoke to a small church that night then onto the academy the next morning beginning at 10 AM and ending at 3 PM. What a day! I spoke to the first assembly then the teachers continued bringing their students back hour after hour for wonderful follow-up sessions. The next morning I went back at 7:30 AM just to encourage the faculty. I got to have time with the 4-5 graders and also stayed to talk to 2-3 graders. I love those little ones. I made it back to Todd and JoAnn's just to wind down and rest so I could drive all the way back to sweet home Alabama. I am excited about the potential open doors in Virginia. Thank you Todd and JoAnn for the hospitality and leadership that will open the Lynchburg area.

Well dear family, that brings me to March and you have that schedule. It remains difficult to put these miracles of God's ministry into words. Thank you for traveling with me by prayer and being God's provision in sending me to all these places to present His good news. Please note the new schedule along with our new court date for my daughter and our grandson. It is April 15th..... a very taxing day for ALL of us. I do ask and thank you for your continued prayers on behalf of our little man's life and soul. Because of all He Remains to be,
 Gary, Ruthie, TJ, Shane and the AFA team

Acts 20:24

But my life is worth nothing unless I use it for doing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus—the work of telling others the Good News about God's wonderful kindness and love.

P.S. from the editor: In case you are wondering how a 66 year old man with more physical disabilities than you can imagine keeps this pace - look up motivated in the dictionary and add personal love for the Lord Jesus Christ.



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TJ,

I heard your dad speak last night and was amazed it brought me to tears and i was speechless. I want to share this message with my whole family. And i would like to give him props for being so on fire for God i can just see God in him and the way he delivers this message and i would like to thank him so much for the words that he spoke tonight. He told me to tell you that i have red hair just like your mama. He also said that if i wanted anything that i could ask you to send me somethings and you would know what to send or you would ask him what to send. I would greatly appreciate it.

Thank You so much and I want you to know i think your father is an amazing man and that God is doing great things through him in the hearts of the American people.

Sincerely, Crystal Neubig
 McMinnville, OR 97128