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How The Lord Used Us in September 2019

“May we embrace humility as our best friend. I am talking about genuine humility – a genuine understanding that I am what I am by the grace of God and that I am gifted as I am gifted because of the grace of God. I should use my gifts by His grace and for His purposes only. It’s not about me. I am not the one who is important here.”

Chuck Swindoll’s Comments on Micah 6:8

Greetings Brothers and Sisters!

As we close out our 11th year of serving the Lord full time at Don Sunshine Ministries, we cannot help but lift our praises to our God! He has protected us, provided for our needs, and used us to impact over 35,000 lives in 26 states and Canada. We have also been blessed to see God save about 1,600 people at our events. It seems hard for me to believe and grasp, but what a privilege! After 11 years, we are still raising support and our regular monthly support is at about 60%, even after all of these years. The love offerings that we have received at our events have kept us alive and doing the ministry full time. We are grateful for them! As we begin our 12th year of ministry, if the Lord lays it on your heart, would you commit to help us each month with whatever you can afford? Thank you!

We had a great month of ministry we had in September. We completed 9 MAD Live Events, and I was interviewed on TV station WGG5 16 out of suburban Greenville, TN. The interview lasted about 40 minutes and it was a fairly thorough interview about my testimony, how I got into ministry, how the MAD Live Event came about, and how God is using it to further the Kingdom. I’ll have a link posted on our ministry website soon so you can watch it if you’d like. We pray that this TV exposure will open doors of ministry for us as we’ll have 9 weeks with no Live Events from Nov 2nd to Jan 11th, and we need to fill the 2020 calendar.

We trained 518 people this month at our events and were blessed to see the Lord use our MAD Live Events to save another 24 people! Praise God for what He has done!

Thank you for your prayers regarding us finding a new home. We looked at lots of houses, had a deposit on one then lost it to a higher bidder, had another contract on a different house, then we backed out of the deal to a bad home inspection. But we are excited to have found a house that will serve our needs and we’ll be moving about 13 miles away on October 21st. We are thrilled that we won’t have to look for another church to worship and serve in as we will only be about 20 minutes from our home church. Our new address will be 413 Cedar Grove Road, Johnson City, TN. 37601. There are lots of logistics to make this move successfully, so we covet your prayers for a smooth move.

OCTOBER – DECEMBER SCHEDULE

- Oct 5 - MAD Live Event # 630 - Bonsack Baptist Church, Roanoke, VA
- Oct 6 - Speak at Winfree Baptist Church, Midlothian, VA
- Oct 13 - MAD Live Event # 631 - Ridge Church of the Brethren, Shippensburg, PA
- Oct 17-19 - Share the Gospel with off-road enthusiasts at the Windrock Jamboree, Oliver Springs, TN
- Oct 25 - Gospel presentation at lunch at the “106.9 The Light’s Sporting Clays Event”, Waxhaw, NC
- Oct 25 - MAD Live Event # 632 - Part 1 - The Rock Church, Morganton, NC
- Oct 26 - MAD Live Event - Part 2 - The Rock Church, Morganton, NC

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- Nov 2 - MAD Live Event # 633 in partnership with KSBj radio in Houston, TX - held at the College of Biblical Studies, Houston, TX – This our first MAD Live Event with KSBj for their listening audience. Lord willing, we'll be able to partner with them many more times in the future.
- December Annual Board of Directors Meeting - Exact date to be determined

2020 ULTIMATE ADVENTURE TRIP TO UTAH

We are now accepting reservations for our 2020 trip to Utah. The trip will run from June 28th to July 7th. Cost is \$1,795 per person plus travel to Salt Lake City. All we need is a \$500 deposit per person. The balance isn't due until mid-late May of next year. No experience is necessary and you don't have to be a tri-athlete to participate and enjoy what we have planned. There are 2 videos on our website so you can get a feel for what we do on the trip. There is also a spiritual emphasis on the trip. If you're interested or have questions, please contact me.



RV FINANCIAL NEEDS – PLEASE HELP US ELIMINATE THIS DEBT!

We have had some major issues with the RV...the air conditioner, microwave, and leveling jacks, to be specific. The rig is just out of warranty, but we purchased an extended warranty for just this situation. The rig is now fixed but we are fighting with the Extended warranty company to get reimbursed for the repair. What a pain! We thank those of you who have sent in funds to help pay off this debt. What a blessing you are! The balance on the RV loan is down to \$12,315.48! We would appreciate it if you would pray about helping us eliminate this debt. If you feel led to help, you may send us a check. Just put "For RV" in the memo portion of your check. Remember, all donations are tax-deductible. Thank you so much!



Someone gave me a great suggestion, but I don't know how to implement it. She suggested that I do my training online for a fee, and market it to Pastors and church leadership on Facebook. Lord willing we'd be able to equip many more people. If any of you are knowledgeable about how to do seminars for a fee on Facebook or elsewhere, I'd love to speak with you about it. Please call me.

PLEASE PRAY WITH US

- SCHEDULE - We have a slow time every November-January as churches typically won't book any special events due to the holidays. With the house hunting and packing to move, I haven't had the time to make phone calls that I need to do to fill the beginning of 2020. Please pray that God will somehow provide us with bookings for next year and that He'll supply our financial needs through the slow time.
- Please continue to pray for our granddaughter, Maya. Progress is being made.
- For no more health issues after the coronary artery blockage problem in June.
- For God's Spirit to move in the hearts of those attending our events.
- For the Lord to bring us someone, to teach our training in Spanish.
- For the funds to come in so we can pay off the ministry coach.

Love in Christ Jesus,

Cathy and Don

Dear Friend,

I call you "friend" because we connected by our appreciation for Don and Cathy Sunshine and the ministry to which the Lord has called them.

For several years I worked alongside Don at Family Life, and not only enjoyed his friendship, his passion for Christ, and his work ethic; but also I learned much in those early days of his "Rescue" seminars.

I've been in "vocational ministry" for over thirty years, and I seldom meet people with the zeal combined with knowledge and passion evident in Don.

For all those years I've been "on support," just as Don is. Don and Cathy ask the Lord to raise up folks to stand with them as co-laborers in the gospel by investing the powerful combination of finance and prayer.

As you are probably aware, thus far the incoming funds are not matching the needs. I asked Don if I could write you to simply encourage you to prayerfully consider a couple things:

- 1) In this age of "it's all about me" "Christianity," is it valuable...even critical...to have someone like Don training teens and adults in effective, Christ-honoring evangelism?
- 2) In fact, is there *any* other investment more valued?
- 3) Will you pray and think about standing with the Sunshine's in order to ensure the continuance of their ministry?

If you are already giving, could you increase your giving at least a bit? If you are giving occasionally, could you contemplate giving monthly that the Sunshines might better budget?

And, if you've not given to this point; would you allow for the possibility that the Lord has prompted me to write in order that you might sense His leading to be a vital link in the chain of effectiveness that is Don's ministry?

I encourage you to call Don should you have questions, and if the Lord leads you to action as you pray, let him know of your decision,

Literally thousands have heard Don's training...and those thousands have impacted countless others with the gospel...Let's keep this unique, effective, and on-the-heart-of-God ministry going!

Thank you for your time...

Serving in His grace,

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