

The Grace Post

Ministry News



"Our love for Christ fuels the fire of revival."

SPREADING THE GOOD NEWS

Revival Happening

October was a whirlwind of activity as doors opened for two 3-day revivals in Varina and Victoria, Virginia.



Much prayer preceded the special services. This is a key factor for any spiritual enterprise and is especially effective for revival meetings. Prayer works! Prayer opens our hearts to recognize, receive, and humbly obey as the Holy Spirit moves in our midst.

Varina Church of the Nazarene expressed how they set aside time in the weeks before their revival to pray specifically for our meetings.



This prayer movement proved invaluable as God moved on hearts during the meetings. Sunday morning ushered in a unique and powerful time of altar prayer as many came

forward to pray for needs, pray for each other, and pray for a deeper relationship with God. God is good!

Sharing The Lord's Supper

Visiting rehabilitation centers to share the Lord's Supper with the residents always encourages my heart. I see others who may feel alone and help them recognize God's presence is always with them. The team from Varina helped minister one-on-one with those who shared Communion with us and those who wanted to pray.



I find it especially important to offer this Sacrament during Passion Week, Thanksgiving, and Advent seasons. Our director and secretary, Cathy Pope, helps through her connection with the Rehab Center in Henrico.

I also enjoy visiting those from the Victoria Church who are in Farmville Rehab Centers. Even though my schedule makes it difficult to visit every month, I am grateful for the opportunity to encourage and pray for these when I can go.

A Time of Rest and Renewal

This year's Evangelist Retreat was a great time of good preaching, teaching, and singing. We celebrated the Lord and our love for one another in the spirit of Christ. I reconnected with friends from last year's retreat and made new ones.

Dr. Ken Dove organized the meetings, and we were able to participate in some solid teaching and training sessions. Michael Dove provided us with training in media and tips on expanding our reach in sharing the Gospel message on social media.

Here is a quick look at some of the friends, fellow evangelists, and pastors I was able to fellowship with:



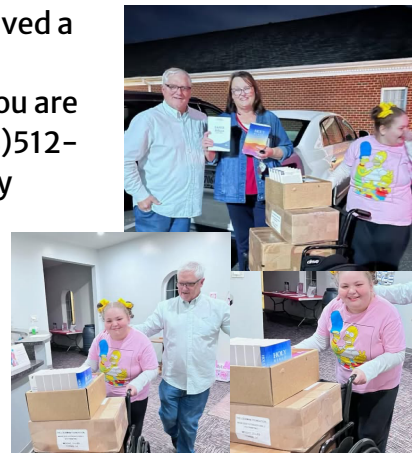
DID YOU HEAR THE NEWS? WE ARE NOW CALLED HEARTS ON FIRE!

We have given our ministry a name that reflects our mission in evangelistic efforts. We want our messages and any projects we participate in to focus on drawing people into an intimate relationship with Jesus. Hearts on Fire for Christ is our desire. We want to see the flame of Holy Spirit God ignite Virginia and beyond! Listen every Sunday Morning on WSVSAMFM.



MORE GOOD NEWS!

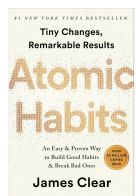
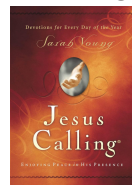
I am excited to share the good news that Hearts on Fire Ministries received a grant for Bibles (NASB English/Spanish) to be used in evangelistic outreaches. We want to encourage you in your efforts to reach out. If you are in the Virginia District, please contact Hearts on Fire Ministries at (804)512-8795 if you would like us to provide these for your ministry. As with any ministry endeavor, it takes money. Shipping prices are not cheap. Would you pray about partnering with us each month to meet this need? New things are on the horizon. I believe for the day when the Bible will once again be central to how we conduct our lives in families, the workplace, public schools, and our government. There have been times in my journey when I was sitting in an office, and there was a Bible on the table. Somehow (like I don't know :) it always called out for me to pick it up. Through evangelistic outreaches, we can place Bibles in homes, and God's grace will call out to someone in that home to pick it up and read it. Won't you give to Hearts on Fire? We can build God's Kingdom together. Thank you.



Prison Ministry

Helping the Incarcerated

Our services have exploded. We have over 40 women taking part. God is working in hearts. We just love these women where they are and teach them to follow Christ. Their lives are being changed! Hearts on Fire collected over 100 Sarah Young devotionals and journal notebooks for the women's prison ministry. The women are blessed by the gifts and have been using them daily. I see them bringing those devotions to our meetings. One of the in-house volunteers has permission to hold a weekly Bible study. Her group has grown to over 20 in attendance. She utilizes the devotional books we provided. Thank you to all who contributed to this wonderful gift of God's word.



We also provided the book *Atomic Habits* to the 12 women who participated in the "Partners in Parenting" class over the last eight weeks. Pastor Wynne Lankford of Southside Church recommended this book to me. It is dynamically life-changing because it is a practical guide to breaking unfruitful habits through small changes made over time. I wanted to pass this wisdom along to these women. This parenting class is part of Gov. Youngkin's initiative to curb recidivism for prisoners. These

women strongly desire to be reunited with their children and want to be better equipped to parent when they are released. Thank you to all who graciously provided these and other books. **Please remember these prisoners in your prayers.**

Your faithful giving enables us to share Christ's love and message. Will you consider giving a gift today?

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A WORD FROM MY HEART TO YOURS – A Personal Post this Month from our Ministry Board Member, Cathy Pope

"God Always Shows Himself Faithful"

So many I love are hurting for various reasons. I struggle with finding the right words that might help you find the peace and hope you are so desperately seeking. But many will tune me out thinking, "just another one of those Christians believing in a fake God trying to dictate how I live my life. But the truth is that would be further from the truth. Don't get me wrong, and most of you know who I was most of my life, for I used to feel the same way and for many years proclaimed to be a Christian but was never really walking out life as one. Like many of you, there were too many times I felt weak and gave in to the "easy at the time" actions driven by ever-changing emotions and desires. It is, in fact, difficult to walk as a Christian because of free will to choose. God knew we would struggle and He never promised easy for any of us. He did promise to give us a way through as He walked along side us. The very reason Jesus died on the cross for us – to save us from ourselves. I can honestly share that as I lived the world's way, there was never peace or happiness that was real or lasting. I felt alone even in a room of people and found that they would always fail me. I never felt love because I never felt lovable. Reality was that my expectations for others were far more than what I was willing to give myself. But once I turned my life over to God, I can say with conviction that I came to better understand my own brokenness, that then allowed me to see others in a different way, too. I learned that peace is only found when you come to know who you are in Christ and that no matter who fails you – He never will. I am sharing this because most of my life – especially during the years of my divorce, losing loved ones and in fact during some of the moments while we were losing Shelby – that I felt so devastated, lost, isolated and alone. Even during times I thought I was walking in faith – I felt this way because I had taken my eyes off of God. You



see its not enough just to say you are a Christian, for you have to continue to walk it out every fleeting moment, standing on faith, trusting in HIM and letting Him be your focus, your first relationship that shapes all others to follow. I can truly say that as real are the stars, moon, and sky, so is the Peace, Joy, and Love that floods within my soul the very moments I do turn to God for help. I'm not saying that God took away the pain and suffering for that is not how it works. But what He did do was give me the comfort and peace knowing I was not alone. He always sends the right people or solution the very moment I call out to Him, or help me come to accept and trust in Him for His great plans for my life. I have come to learn that all the things I have gone through has prepared me for the next season and for Him to use me to help others. Things I never thought I could ever do, He has shown me the way. Things that I would not have believed or understood before having gone through it myself. Things that I could never see when I doubted God,

and now cannot see any other way but as real. Being a Christian is not easy by far, but not being a Christian is far more difficult in comparison with out hope, peace, joy and Agape Love. He turned this life around that was once driven by controls of abuse, drinking as a young teenager, defiance, relationships for the wrong reasons, loss of so many friendships, divorce, and so many other challenges in life. I just wish I had learned this earlier in life but as hard as one Aunt tried to help me see this – no one else was really there to influence my life in this way. But know this– My father in Heaven, Your Father and Creator, the one who cherishes you for who you are this very minute – wants you to choose Him. I so want to be an influence in your life by sharing this truth in hopes that you will find your way to Him. But to do that you have to be willing to sit still, but for a moment, feel His presence and hear His gentle silent voice calling you by name. Love you all. – Cathy Pope

THANK YOU FOR PARTNERING WITH HEARTS ON FIRE

There are those all around who are feeling alone, hurting, and grieving during this season. Won't you share the message of God's love too? Let those in your circle of influence know God is near the brokenhearted, He will bind up their wounds and set their souls free.



Evangelist Carla Pollard
and her husband Joe

Thank you for partnering with us in this ministry. You are a blessing to the Kingdom, and I am grateful for your prayers and consistent giving.

Please drop us a line and let us know how God is working in your life. I would love to hear from you.

We are thankful for all God is doing. You can email us through our website at <https://carlagpollardministries.org>. You are a part of this ministry, and we appreciate you. You are making a difference!

If you would like to be a part of what God is doing here through Hearts on Fire Ministry, you can partner with us in prayer for this ministry and through your monthly giving. Join Hearts on Fire with a monthly gift of \$25 and we will send you a CD of our radio teaching. With a suggested give of \$50/month, we will send you a CD of our radio teaching and a new devotional book on The Proverbs: *Wisdom on the Way*.

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