

KANSAS COMMUNITIES MINISTRY UPDATE

"My objective is to know Christ in my own life in ever-increasing depth and to make disciples and develop laborers at all times, under any conditions, in every place I go"

1 Corinthians 13:12-13

"For now we see in a mirror indirectly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know in part, but then I will know fully, just as I have been fully known. And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love." (NET Bible, used by permission)

Evangelism

Do you know any "WOOLy" persons? "When we're out among the lost, we're looking for WOOLY people (persons of peace) whom God has prepared to receive the message & pass it on to others. This is the same strategy Jesus used when he sent out his disciples." – from <http://wigtakedmm.com/go-out-among-the-lost/> (Disciple Making Movements). What does "WOOLy" stand for?

W: Welcoming (Luke 10:5-8). Is the person welcoming to you, open and receptive?

OO: Open Oikos: Will they open their house/household to hear the message? "Typically we'll ask someone, 'Would you like to bring your family & friends together to discover more about God through his Word?'"

L: Listen: Will the person listen and obey the Word?
(y: Just makes it an adjective!)



Eddie Broussard to be guest speaker for men's retreat

Eddie Broussard, International Vice President for the Navigators will be our speaker at Cross Wind Conference Center, April 24-25, 2020.

Eddie serves on the Navigators International Executive Team. He will be speaking on "The Abiding Life" from John 15:1-7. **Sign up today at <https://tinyurl.com/2020KSMensRetreat>**

His messages will address "The Root of Abiding," "The Interior Life of Abiding," and "The Fruit of Abiding." From Eddie: "One of the most important New Testament pictures of a life pleasing to God came to us in a parable of Jesus. The night He was betrayed, Jesus described the life lived in fruitful fellowship with the Father and the Son using the figure of the Gardener, the True Vine, and the branches. In four messages, we will delve into The Abiding Life, John 15:1-7."

Eddie graduated from Texas A&M in 1978 with a BS in pre-medicine and zoology, then did graduate work in education and has taught chemistry in Texas. He lives with his wife Barbie in the Colorado Springs area.

Deadline for sign up is March 31. First time attendees, students and active duty military can attend for \$50 (half price of the \$100 registration fee). Sign up today at the link above!



Goads and Nails

*Excerpt from Goads and Nails,
Volume 1, pages 74-78*

Enoch Walked with God

"Enoch walked with God; then he was no more, because God took him away." Genesis 5:24

"One of the subjects that has occupied my interest in terms of knowing Christ is that of what it means to walk with God. The picture we are given in Genesis 5 is the first example in scripture of one who 'walked with God' since the fall of the human race into sin. It stands in marked contrast to the world at that time, characterized by the Lord in Genesis 6:5 'And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.' (KJV)

"We see references to Enoch ... in Hebrews 11:5, 'By faith Enoch ... was commended as one who pleased God.' [Also] in Jude 14-15 ... where his emphasis was on the judgment given to the ungodly. [This] indicates that the goal of his walk by faith was one that would lead to Godliness." – Richard Spann



Accomplishments at the Cross (Part 2)

By Dennis Finley, MD

Last month we started to look at the many profound accomplishments which took place at the cross where our Savior died for us. This cross

was intended by the authorities to inflict maximum atrocities and torture of the intended victim. It was an example of extreme cruelty, brutality and awfulness on the person. It humiliated the one in the most humiliating way. Overwhelming suffering was the point.

From Scripture, here are some of the accomplishments which occurred at the cross:

Galatians 2:20: Believers are crucified with Christ.

Galatians 6:14: Through the cross, we can boast of the cross.

The world has been crucified to believers. **Ephesians 1:7:**

Redemption through His blood. **Ephesians 2:13:** Unbelievers

brought near by the blood of Christ. **Philippians 2:8:**

Christ's extreme obedience even to death. **Colossians 1:20:**

Reconciliation and peace by the blood of His cross.

Colossians 2:14: Debt, decrees and hostility nailed to the

cross. **1 Peter 1:18-19:** Redeemed by the blood of Christ.

Hebrews 9:22: Blood cleanses all kinds of things and is

required for forgiveness. **1 John 1:7:** Christ's blood cleanses us

from all sin. **Revelation 1:5:** Released us from our sins by His

blood. **Revelation 5:9:** Purchased folks from everywhere by

His blood. **Revelation 12:11:** Overcomers by the blood of the Lamb.

Christ's work on the cross is marvelous, extensive and effective for redemption, victory, forgiveness, salvation and many other things. This meditation is not exhaustive. The message of the cross is explosive, overall encompassing and for believers of every decade, every century. Objectors say, "blood is obnoxious," "this is the gospel of gore," and "this is slaughterhouse religion." Nothing could be further from the truth. We rejoice in the cross.

It is a delicious irony that this former torture device is now the cherished symbol of the Christian faith. We rejoice! We have victory through the cross. We are so glad, so happy for the cross of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Soli Deo Gloria!*
— Dennis Finley, MD.