

# 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"*

## Colossians 1:28-29

"We proclaim him by instructing and teaching all people with all wisdom so that we may present every person mature in Christ. Toward this goal I also labor, struggling according to his power that powerfully works in me. "(NET Bible, used by permission)

## Establishing/Equipping

As we invest in others, we do need to be mindful of where they are in their spiritual journey. Are they just curious about spiritual things? Are they going through a difficult time and searching for answers? Did they grow up in a Christian home? Did they experience rejection in their home of origin?

In each case, we must prayerfully come to understand where the Holy Spirit is working in each person's life. How do we do this on a practical basis?

1. Ask questions! Be genuinely curious.
2. Listen. Don't do all the talking. Let them share as much as they wish to share.
3. Reflect back to them what you are hearing to make sure you understand.
4. Point them to God's Word for answers.

## Kansas Communities Ministry at the Fair!

Once again, through the faithful efforts of Dick and Betty Borchard and Jim and Carrie Truax, the Kansas Communities Ministry will be represented at the Kansas State Fair.



Our booth will be in the Meadowlark Building from September 6 - 15 from 9 am to 9 pm daily. We are blessed to be able to give away totally free books and materials (sponsored by a very generous organization). We have a total of 4,526 books to give away (in 2017 we gave away 4,821 and in 2018 we gave away 4,328). In addition to free books we have 2,700 cross lapel pins to give away. We really want to bless folks with excellent quality, spiritually encouraging materials.

We've had numerous very positive comments from people who have won a complimentary 2-night stay at the Glen Eyrie Castle. If you can join us, you are invited to help

"man" the booth.

Contact Dick or Betty

Borchard ([dnbborch@cox.net](mailto:dnbborch@cox.net)) for more information. Even if you can't work at the booth, please stop by and say hello!



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## Goads and Nails

*Excerpt from Goads and Nails,  
Volume 1, pages 55-57*

*"Proclaiming the Word to the  
World"*

"Several years ago, one of the men I was discipling asked me to write down some principles of public teaching/preaching. He had traveled with me on several occasions over the years and was interested in how to prepare some thoughts to share with others. The following list was for him, but as I review the items discussed, I think they are of benefit for all of us...

All teaching must come from the following:

Read it through  
Pray it in  
Live it out  
Pass it on

We cannot bypass these middle two! Unless what we teach has changed our own lives, it is of limited effectiveness in the lives of others....God does not just send us with a message, we are the message (John 1:6)"- Richard Spann



## Ron Bennett to Speak at the Navigator Fall Conference

Mark your calendars and plan to register early for the Fall Conference on Saturday, November 2, 2019. Ron Bennett, a longtime friend of the Kansas Communities Ministry will be speaking on "Discipleship on the Resurrection Side of the Cross" at

Eastminster Presbyterian Church in Wichita.

Ron was born and raised in Iowa. He graduated from Iowa State University with a B. S. degree in Aerospace Engineering. He has worked for Boeing Aircraft and served as an infantry and military intelligence officer in the U.S. Army including a tour in Viet Nam.

Ron joined the staff of The Navigators in 1970. He has lead and supervised collegiate ministries in the Midwest as well as serving on the national leadership team for the Navigators Church Discipleship Ministry. As a senior Nav staff, he continues to coach disciplemakers and disciplmaking leaders. Ron writes a bi-weekly blog called "The Adventure of Discipleship: Knowing Christ on the resurrection side of the cross." ([www.rbennett.net](http://www.rbennett.net))

Ron and Mary live in Kansas City and have three grown children and eight grandchildren.

You won't want to miss this impactful conference and speaker! Registration will open soon at [kansasnavs.org/conferences](http://kansasnavs.org/conferences) or you should receive a brochure in the mail to register by US Mail. Stay informed about this and other ministry events by checking our Facebook page at [facebook.com/KansasCommunitiesMinistry](https://facebook.com/KansasCommunitiesMinistry).

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## Podcast on the Horizon

Be watching for the Kansas Communities Ministry Podcast. We have interviewed our first guest and will be posting the podcast sometime in September. Pray for the Lord to use it for His glory!