

# Beacon

"I am the light of the world." John 8:12

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# DISTRICT DOINGS

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## Springville



Multiple anniversaries were celebrated by the Springville church in August. 2010 marked the 75th Anniversary of the church, the 25th year that Stan Handzlik has served the Springville church as pastor and Stan & Dawn's 30th wedding anniversary.

The church celebrated by inviting the community to a chicken barbeque, free concerts and games on their grounds. Duane and Beverly Durst joined the celebration along with community dignitaries, area pastors and many friends from the area. The church gave the Handzliks a 2-week trip to Hawaii as a celebratory gift.

## Windsor



The New York District School of Ministry campus directors met at the Hills of Windsor on September 20-21 for a time of relaxation, fellowship, and review of the current program. Director Randy Anson moderated the retreat as NYDSOM was critiqued and future developments projected.

## Hudson Falls



On October 24, 2010 the congregation of Gospel Lighthouse honored its leaders on "Pastor Appreciation Day." Pastors Paul and Sharon Mead are leading the church with vision and compassion.

## Richmondville



On August 22nd, Rev. Patricia Castro was officially installed as pastor of Grace Assembly of God, Richmondville. Pastor Castro is pictured surrounded by her children, church council, area pastors, Capital Section MANY Representative Raymond Richards and Executive Assistant Lawrence Frank.

## Queens Celebrating 25 Years of Ministry



Rev John & Rainy Dawn Blondo With Asst Pastor Edwin & Jocelyn Perez

On October 16, 2010 Bethlehem Church in Richmond Hill Queens honored Pastor John Blondo for 25 years of full gospel ministry. Pastor and Rainy Dawn's son was dedicated as well by Rev. Jerry Stewart.

## Oyster Bay



Participants Pause For Prayer

### North Shore AG

A number of participants in the 2010 Runner's Edge TOBAY Triathlon and their families attended a Safety and Blessing Prayer Service at North Shore Assembly of God, West Main St. in Oyster Bay on Saturday, August 28. Revs. Ray and Diane Melograne were also asked to attend on Sunday for the race opening, where Pastor Ray officiated in an opening prayer.



Rev Ray Melograne Offers a Prayer

## SEE the Vision - SEE the Future!

The mission of the New York District is to Serve, Equip and Empower Ministers and Ministries to Advance the Kingdom of God! Serve, Equip and Empower! So much of what we do involves sight. We know the scripture says "without vision, the people perish!" The Hebrew word for vision can be translated "proper understanding" or as the Amplified Bible says "redemptive revelation of God." Without a proper understanding of the Word of God, the Plan of God and the Purpose of God, we are on the wrong track heading in a wrong direction. SEEing a vision of the future or having a proper understanding of the times and what we need to get to the future, will enable us to be conformed to the Will of the Lord in moving ahead.

**"Without vision, the people perish!"**

Whatever we do needs to be done with a view to the future plan of the Lord. How often we have heard Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV) "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." That should be an encouragement to all of us. God is in the future and in "YOUR" future! He has already been there and wants you to have hope for what He has in store. There are times we might wish it said "easy future" but it does not. There is no guarantee the future will be easy, only that He is there and wants us to have the confident hope of His blessing when we arrive.

### One for One Churches

- Batavia Assembly of God - BATAVIA
- Bethel Assembly of God - BATH
- Calvary Assembly of God - CARTHAGE
- Christian Assembly of God - SCHUYLER
- Church of the Revelation - BRONX
- Faith, Hope and Love Assembly of God - BROOKLYN
- First Assembly of God - MARCY
- First Assembly of God - NIAGARA FALLS
- First Assembly of God - PORT JERVIS
- First Assembly of God - ROCHESTER
- Forest Hills Community Church - FOREST HILLS
- Gates Assembly of God - ROCHESTER
- Grace Assembly of God - WEST RICHMONDVILLE
- Granville Assembly of God - GRANVILLE
- Hamburg Assembly of God - HAMBURG
- Harvest Fellowship Assembly of God - SODUS
- Highway Tabernacle Assembly of God - MECHANICVILLE
- Kingsboro Assembly of God - GLOVERSVILLE
- Lakeshore Assembly of God - WESTFIELD
- Living Hope Assembly of God - HAMLIN
- Medford Assembly of God - MEDFORD
- Mercy Tabernacle Assembly of God - HOPEWELL JUNCTION
- Newburgh Assembly of God - NEWBURGH
- NEW BEGINNINGS ASSEMBLY OF GOD - WESTONS MILLS
- New Life Assembly of God - OGDENSBURG
- Penn Yan Assembly of God - PENN YAN
- Saratoga Assembly of God - SARATOGA SPRINGS

The churches above have committed to being "One for One" churches by committing 1% of all non-missions church income to support district ministries to the local churches:

(New "One for One" churches in caps)

(If your church has committed to being a "One for One" church and is not listed, please e-mail the office at jsanty@nydag.org)



Simeon had seen the future in Luke 2 when he declared in verses 30 and 31 "For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all people,..." He had seen Christ and was satisfied that the God of salvation had come and brought hope for tomorrow. Simeon's commentary includes the declaration that he could now die in peace knowing that God had taken care of the future and there was no need to fear or wonder.

So where does Serving, Equipping and Empowerment come from besides being a neat acrostic? Jesus said of His coming in Matthew 20 "Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. <sup>26</sup> Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>27</sup> and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— <sup>28</sup> just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." He came to serve and then declares in John 17:18 that he sends us just as He was sent! Seeing the future, living for the future and having hope for the future is being a servant!

Secondly, being effective in the future and having hope in the future requires a replication of who we are in Christ. Matthew 28:19 is clear that the Lord's command is that we make disciples (followers) of the Lord Jesus Christ! If I properly understand His revelation and Word to my life, and to your life, it requires obedience to become, not as the Marines say "be all you can be," but be all He designed me to be! To be a follower of Christ is to be an equipper, a disciple, a replicator!

Finally, Christ sent His Holy Spirit to empower us to be able to be more than we could ever be alone. The Spirit empowers us to be witnesses of all that Christ has done in our lives, starting with His gift of salvation wrapped in a blanket laid in a feed trough, dying on the cross for our salvation and then changing forever who we are at the moment we receive His redemptive touch in our lives. We are witnesses of these things! He has empowered us to live lives that are characterized by the supernatural power of God!

**"...be all He designed me to be!"**

I believe that if each of us will be servant leaders, selflessly serving those around us, discipling those who come to Christ and encouraging them to follow God's dream for their life, we will see God's vision, the revelation of His plan and the hope for tomorrow that surpasses our most outrageous imagination. And it all started in a manger in Bethlehem!

Have a **Blessed**  
**Christmas celebration**  
and **Anointed**  
**New Year in 2011!**





**BILL KIRK**

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### Shelley Carl Itinerating October 2010 - April 2011



What a Holy Spirit whirlwind of a year it has been! After returning to Japan in Oct of 2009 I became the leader of the missionaries on the field, was put on the board of Central Bible College Japan, was put on the board of Teen Challenge Japan, and served as interim pastor of the International Christian Assembly in Tokyo. In addition my work with the Fire Bible translation and the National Church Education of the Japan Assemblies continued full steam. To my surprise the Lord had me make a commitment of \$64,000 towards the building of a Teen Challenge center in Japan. What a brilliant plan of God, to bring me "home" to NY to raise funds for Teen Challenge. New York District- I know we can do it!

Because of a new law between Japan and the USA I must now be in America for 6 months and 1 day every 5 years. Therefore I am back in New York for another mini-furlough and am excited to get to as many churches as possible between now and April 2011.

To schedule me for a missions service please contact me by email (shelleycarl@msn.com) or cell phone 585-287-2483. Thank you New York for making it possible for me to serve the Risen Son in the Land of the Rising Sun!

# ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

## Leslie Latona

God is doing incredible things here in Colombia! What a blessing it has been to be a part of all that is happening in the local churches and ministries throughout the country. I am thankful for God's continued faithfulness!

I have had the privilege of teaching English, drama, puppets and a discipleship class for teens at a foundation for children with little resources. The foundation "Light of the World" provides breakfast and lunch Monday- Friday for 590 children. The children are so grateful for the meals and also receive help with their homework, music classes, discipleship groups and soccer teams.

God has also opened many doors for me to travel and present teacher workshops for Christian school teachers and Sunday school teachers. On Monday night young adults gather at my apartment for a Bible Study, English class and fellowship.

Colombia is a nation that is wide open for the gospel message. I look forward to sharing about the ministry here while home for one year. Itineration will begin in January 2011.

### Prayer Requests

Easy transition from Colombia back to NY for one year

Wisdom in setting up a sponsorship program for the children in Suba

Pastor Carlos and Janet who pastor and direct the Suba foundation

Needed finances to feed the children at the Suba Foundation



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**Chris & Rebecca Green  
Netherlands**



The Greens have had the opportunity to share their burden for the Netherlands, preach, and minister in music around the New York District! They thank the Lord for 20% of their budget raised. Chris and Rebecca's main prayer need is for pledges. They need more individuals and churches to make monthly financial commitments as they build their first foundational budget. Please help the Greens gain the full support of every church in their home district.

Contact:  
315-532-0897  
[www.allwillsee.org](http://www.allwillsee.org)

**Brooklyn Full Gospel Assembly Plants New Church**

On October 3, 2010 Queens Full Gospel Assembly was launched in their newly purchased sanctuary. Under the leadership of Pastor Michael Bacchus, Brooklyn Full Gospel Assembly purchased a former Lutheran sanctuary and parsonage to reach more and more lost people. The new sanctuary is located directly across the street from the Richmond Hill High School.

Congratulations Brooklyn Full Gospel – for your faith, vision and sacrifice to rescue the perishing!!!



Purchased in August 2010, the sanctuary has ample room to gather many people.



Pastor Bacchus stands in the lower level where there is a full kitchen and much room to grow.



Standing with Pastor Mike by the former Lutheran pulpit - now the place of the Pentecostal message.

**Sarah's Heart Dedication**

On July 31 Directors Bill & Eileen Meyer dedicated Sarah's Heart Children's Home to the Lord. Executive Presbyterian Rev. Stan Handzlik and his wife Dawn along with Sarah's Heart Board Members and friends came to pray and join the celebration.



Please pray for God to open the doors and bring the children He wants in this ministry.

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**M.A.N.Y.**

Aug \$11,498.05  
Sept \$11,552.55  
Oct \$ 9,904.00

**GIVING**

**Calvary AG Receives  
Missions Giving Award**

On October 17, 2010 Calvary AG in Ozone Park, Queens was recognized for their missions giving! Brother Nar (center) received the top 10% in NY District giving certificate on behalf of the congregation. Congratulations Calvary AG for your love for missions!





**MEARLE GROSSGLASS**  
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# SECRETARY / TREASURER

## Credential Information

### Transferred In

Jason Cooper (L) from Ohio  
Linton S. Howell, Jr. (L) from S. New England  
Deborah Huber (O) from Wisconsin/N. Michigan  
Eric Manntai (L) from S. California  
David Verzilli (O) from Ohio

### Transferred Out

Timothy Billiter (L) to Ohio

### New Credential Holder

Deborah Bolling (C)  
David Carpenter, Jr. (C)  
Thomas Harshberger (L)  
David King (L)  
James Tawiah Mensah (C-Provisional)  
Joy Okeoma (L)  
E. Peter Outar (C)  
Nancy Pierre (C)  
Brandon Scholes (L)  
Miguel Vega (C)  
Kara Whitford (C)

### Reinstated

Alvin (Chip) Green (O)  
Thomas Hwang (L)

### Pastoral Changes

Nikil Adwarpalker, Crossway Christian Center, Bronx  
Arthur Henderson, Calvary AG, Hudson  
Louis Krutz, Expressway AG, Buffalo  
Eric Stokesberry, Assembly of God Lomontville

### General Council Affiliation

Cooperstown AG (Michael Berger)  
Destiny Tabernacle, Brooklyn (Roy Lamazon)  
El Shaddai AG, Bronx (Tony Adu-Sarkodie)  
LifeQuest Community Church, Hilton (Rob Dickerson)

### Church Address Changes

Heritage Christian Fellowship AG  
56 Chili Ave., Rochester NY 14611

### Church Name Change

Calvary Full Gospel AG is now:  
Calvary Family Assembly of God, Yaphank

## AVAILABLE For Ministry

Rev Daniel Baez 718-904-9196	Rev Raymond Kraus 716-432-3964
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Rev George Gotman 315-866-2319	Rev Ina Warren 607-756-4916
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Rev Eunhee Hertweck 315-345-3102	Rev Morris S. Williams 732-833-0232
Rev Alan Kessler 607-825-2307	Evangelist Bob Winter 613-354-9443

## Timely Reminders



### Credential Renewals

are due December 31. Avoid late fees!

### Annual Church Ministries Reports

are due January 31, 2011. They may be completed and submitted online. at [www.gensec.ag.org](http://www.gensec.ag.org).

### Resolutions for District Council 2011

must be submitted by February 25, 2011 for consideration by the Resolutions Committee when they meet on March 18, 2011.

### District Tithe & World Missions Offerings

The District Ministry Center will be closed December 24 through January 2, 2011. To guarantee giving credit for 2010, all monies and World Missions Reports must be received by December 23. If you are giving via the district website, to insure credit for 2010 all transactions must be processed by December 17, 2010.

## Wellspring Family Center



On Sunday, September 12th the church in Brewerton reincorporated as an Article 20 assembly. It will now be known as Wellspring Family Center. The pastor is Michael McGinness. Members of the Church Council are pictured with Mike and Donnalene McGinness and the Grossglass's.



Evie Knutsen received her framed credential certificate, presented by Mearle Grossglass during Morning Worship on October 17. Evie and her husband Bernie are pastors at Sidney Assembly of God

## WITH THE LORD

Joseph Ramdeen  
Homegoing 8-26-10

*Jeremiah 17*  
Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.



# YOUTH MINISTRIES

## Pk/Mk Retreat

The annual Pk/Mk Retreat was held at Greek Peak Lodge and Hope Lake Resort in Cortland, New York. The photo highlights the fun-filled weekend...



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In order to receive credit for the 2010 giving year, ALL Speed-the-Light monies (one church check payable to Speed-the-Light) should be **sent to the NATIONAL STL OFFICE by December 15.**

## Chi-Alpha Retreat



The annual Chi-Alpha Retreat was held in October at Rock Mountain Bible Camp in Pennsylvania. Featured Speaker was Rev. Jim Bradford, General Secretary of the Assemblies of God. Worship was led by Rev. Todd Carver.



## National Fine Arts Festival

CONGRATULATIONS to all New York students that participated in the National Fine Arts Festival held in Detroit. The following students placed in the Top 10...

### Category:

Graphic Design  
T-Shirt Design  
Visual Art, 3-Dimensional  
Visual Art, 2-Dimensional  
Visual Art, 2-Dimensional  
American Sign Language Group  
Puppetry Group  
Drama Ensemble, Large  
Drama Ensemble, Large  
Drama Ensemble, Large  
Percussion Ensemble, Traditional  
Percussion, Unconventional  
Songwriting  
Vocal Solo, Female  
Vocal Solo, Spanish Female  
First Person Essay  
First Person Essay  
Short Story  
Kappa Tau Christian Band

### Name:

Katie-Ann Simons  
Brendan Decker  
Alexandria Schwock  
David Karambizi  
Kali West  
COMMEK  
Jonah  
Don't Hate the Player, Hate the Game  
Mary & Oh Joe You Didn't!  
Phyllis Geoffrey & The Big Red Dog  
Divine Rhythms  
Divine Soldiers  
Cristian Lebron  
Danielle Harris  
Thalia Rios  
Ethan White  
Shannon Houghton  
Ethan White  
All Of The Above

### Church:

Faith Chapel, Whitehall  
First Assembly, Marcy  
Church of the Resurrection, E. Syracuse  
Victory Assembly, Buffalo  
First Assembly, Binghamton  
First Assembly, Binghamton  
First Assembly, Binghamton  
Grace Assembly, Syracuse  
Church of the Resurrection, E. Syracuse  
Trinity Assembly, Clay  
Assembly of God, Hempstead  
Assembly of God, Hempstead  
Mission Church, Holmes  
Christian Center, Elmira  
Assembly of God, Bethpage  
First Assembly, Binghamton  
Trinity Assembly, Clay  
First Assembly, Binghamton  
Assembly of God, Bethpage



Youth Pastor Jeremiah Poulson & Brendan Decker



Grace Assembly, Syracuse



Church of the Resurrection, E. Syracuse

# DISCIPLESHIP & CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES



SHARON BALDWIN  
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*Have a blessed Christmas and New Year as we celebrate Christ and may He be more than a song or a story as we worship this season. Blessings,  
Sharon Baldwin*



## CLARITY LOCAL

a practical, hands-on  
**children's ministry**  
training event for your whole team

8:30am - 4:00pm at all locations

January 15, 2011  
Amityville Freedom Chapel (Long Island)  
Granville AG (Northeast)  
Hamburg AG (Western)  
Staten Island ICC

February 12, 2011  
Binghamton First AG  
Rochester Calvary AG

February 19, 2011  
Poughkeepsie Faith AG

June 18, 2011  
Bronx Church of the Revelation

Before 2 weeks prior to the date you choose  
\$30 per person  
or  
\$20 per person  
for groups of 5 or more

After 2 weeks prior to the date you choose  
\$40 per person

Brought to you by:  
New York District Children's Ministries  
and the  
National Children's Ministries Agency

Topics for the day:  
Evaluating your children's ministry  
Teaching kids what they believe  
Effective strategies for reaching kids

Learn more at:  
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Register online at:  
[www.shop.cmleadership.com](http://www.shop.cmleadership.com)

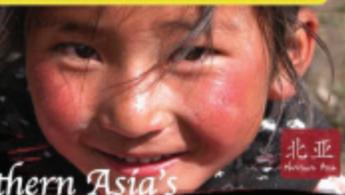


Lunch, a CLARITY Local Workbook  
and all registration materials are included

Send BGMC Offerings by  
December 31st for 2010



NY District  
2010 Special  
Projects  
•Compassion Toys  
•Blessing Backpacks  
•Touch a Village



Northern Asia's  
Compassionate Touch

Checks made payable to BGMC  
Include BGMC code for special projects

MAIL TO:

BGMC  
1445 N. Boonville Ave.  
Springfield, MO 65802

AG discipleship  
ministries

Online Training at  
[www.discipleship.ag.org](http://www.discipleship.ag.org)

Saturday, Dec. 4, 2-3pm EST  
Small Groups and Sunday School  
Register online to participate

VALLEY  
CHRISTIAN COLLEGE  
FORGE

VFCC students are looking for internship opportunities in local assemblies to fulfill course requirements for their various degree programs. Internships would run from mid-May through late July. Students will need a degree of financial compensation and the probability of accommodations in some cases. Arrangements need to be made in January. If interested contact the District Ministry Center or Peter Engert / VFCC at [PDEngert@vfcc.edu](mailto:PDEngert@vfcc.edu) for further details.

Youth Studies at Valley Forge Christian College will be hosting the 2nd annual EXO Tour, a week-long event beginning Monday, February 14, 2011. The event will feature guest speakers Reggie Dabbs and Preston Centuolo. Working with VFCC Youth Studies majors, last year Reggie and Preston shared their life story at 6 high schools in 9 student assemblies to over 4000 students.

Additionally, there will be a Wednesday evening concert featuring Reggie Dabbs, and on Thursday, February 17, regional youth leaders are invited to attend REFRESH! - a day of refreshing for regional youth leaders which will include chapel, lunch and several afternoon sessions with our guest speakers and our Youth Specialist, Phil Baker. Registration will be available at [www.vfcc.edu/refresh](http://www.vfcc.edu/refresh).

The staff at the  
New York District Ministry Center  
would like to wish you all a



*Merry Christmas*  
and a

*Blessed New Year*



# GIRLS MINISTRIES

The Girls Ministries Department wishes you a

**Blessed Christmas** and a

**Wonderful New Year**



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*Live  
Love  
Laugh*

All women & high school girls  
*are invited*

High School Girls have their  
own track of Breakout Sessions



February 25 & 26, 2011  
Albany Ramada Plaza

John 10:10

*I have come  
that they may have life,  
and have it  
to the full.*

*Today's New International Version*

**Speaker: Kerry Clarensau**  
National Women's Department Director

Women of Purpose & Girls Ministries



Linda Morrison & Lisa Durant



# WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

*Have a blessed Christmas!*

THE Morrison family



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## HIGHLIGHTS from the 2010 Women of Purpose Conference



God will create a new thing in this land:  
A transformed woman will embrace the transforming God!

Jeremiah 31:22





**DON SNYDER**

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# VOLUNTEERS IN CORRECTIONS

The past quarter for Volunteers In Corrections has been unique! On October 15th, **Grace House Buffalo** dedicated their renovated firehouse in Buffalo. In the Chapel of the building was the "ribbon cutting." (Photo: from left to right, Rev. T. Reid, Rev. T. King, Lynette Galloway, Rev. R. Burgio, Carl Calabrese, Sheryl King, Mayor Byron Brown, and Councilman R. Fontana) Mayor Byron Brown of Buffalo commended the work of Grace House Buffalo in the community. Rev. and Mrs. Terry King are to be commended for their hard work to see Grace House Buffalo into an effective reality.

On October 23rd, the Michigan District AG held their **Outreach Volunteer Program Conference** in Lansing, MI. Chaplain Don Snyder attended to glean ideas for Volunteers In Corrections for possible future implementation. Rev. David Pace and Rev. Len Hill were the conveners of the Conference. Rev. Pace and Rev. Hill oriented volunteers on mentoring, visitation, letter writing, and other prison ministry options in the Michigan Department of Corrections. The attendees included several ex-offenders.

On October 26th, Chaplain Paul Metzger of the Livingston County Jail hosted the annual "Jail Ministry Clergy Day." These are always very informative and well attended.

On October 27th, Chaplain Don Snyder was invited to represent Chaplaincy at the **AGUSM Fair** at Zion Bible College. Because Don and Ruth were both from the Class of 1966, it was a great honor to visit the new Haverhill, MA campus. Chaplain Snyder had opportunity to speak in 3 classes and have a window in the Chapel service that day. A booth was set up, and many students came by and picked up water containers.

Thanks to the NY District for continued support to reach the incarcerated with the Gospel!

-Chaplain Don Snyder, VIC Director



Outreach Volunteer Program Conference



AGUSM Fair at Zion Bible College



Grace House Buffalo

## DISTRICT DOINGS

### Weston Mills



On Sunday, September 26th, the congregation of New Beginnings Assembly of God, Weston Mills celebrated the dedication of the refurbished sanctuary. Superintendent Duane Durst shared the morning message and led the dedication.

### Brooklyn



Brooklyn Full Gospel Assembly (Pastor Michael Bacchus) celebrated 32 years of ministry on October 10, 2010.



### Windsor



On September 17th and 18th, 21 of the New York District Senior Royal Ranger leadership gathered at the Hills of Windsor with Superintendent Duane Durst for a time of fellowship, sharing, and prayer as they walked the Conference Center property.

# MEN'S MINISTRIES



The MM/LFTL Leadership pray that as we celebrate the memory of the birth of our Savior and Lord this Christmas, you are filled with exceeding joy and fall before Him to worship Him and sing Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased. Have a blessed Christmas season!

## 2010 Men's Convention recap

As the 2010 Men's Convention has passed, our prayer is that THE DUST NEVER SETTLES. Men from across the state of New York gathered and connected in a move of the Spirit that was truly amazing.

National MM/LFTL Director Tom Greene challenged us on Friday night to be men like Elijah and Elisha. He encouraged the young men to ask themselves what they wanted from their lives—hopefully to be twice the men of God that they see in the Elijah's in their lives. The older men were challenged to live in such a way that those who follow want to be twice the men of God they are. This meant that they needed to raise the bar in their own lives to be prayer warriors, men of action, men following the Master and men seeking the greater gifts.

At the time of the altar call, there were so many men who came forward that the entire building became an altar of the Lord. Men filled the front and streamed down every aisle as some accepted Christ as Lord and Savior, others rededicated themselves to Christ, others were healed and others received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.



Saturday morning, we shared communion as a body of men believers and once again were challenged by Tom Greene with the passage from James to be men of action and to live out our salvation in ways that brings God glory. Tom shared the RTR strategy of reach, teach, release men to be all God is calling us to be.

Rev. Bill Kirk challenged us on Saturday afternoon to go deeper in the things of the Lord and in our walk with Christ.

Rev. Randy Czyz challenged us to be men of purity and integrity by building guard-rails in our walk of sexual purity and by fleeing from impurity.

Men who came early on Friday enjoyed the Adventure Events where they got connected by playing flag football, or by learning to bow hunt or fly fish or by receiving a wonderful work out through our physical fitness event.

We would like to thank all those who made this year's convention a wonderful gathering of men where we were connected to our God, to Jesus Christ, to the Holy Spirit and to one another. We give God the glory. You can hear the speakers at [www.nymen.org](http://www.nymen.org) under the convention tab.



Tom Greene

## Light for the Lost

Light for the Lost giving has steadily been increasing. Thank-you to all who have become Councilman and have made faith pledges so that we can share the light of Christ with the lost. The cover of last month's Spotlight (the official voice of LFTL) featured how YOUR offerings helped the DiTrolio Family share the light of Christ through LFTL. [www.lftl.ag.org](http://www.lftl.ag.org).

Coming in February is the 2011 National Men's Ministries Leadership Conference in Branson Missouri. For more info go to [www.men.ag.org](http://www.men.ag.org).

We are looking for men to fill the open positions in our leadership team around the state. If you feel God is calling you, speak to your pastor and then get in touch with the Director at [tom@semer.net](mailto:tom@semer.net) or by calling 716-983-9565.



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# ROYAL RANGERS

## District Royal Rangers Summit 2011

A district-wide conference for all Royal Rangers and those interested in starting a Royal Rangers church ministry

**April 1-2, 2011**

**Theme:**

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Owego Treadway Inn & Conference Center, Owego, NY

For room reservations call 607-687-4500

(Mention the Royal Rangers Conference when you call – rates are \$89.95 based on double occupancy)

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Royal Rangers exists to "evangelize, equip, and empower the next generation of Christlike men and lifelong servant leaders."

**Make your plans to attend today!**

*Additional information and registration details will be available online at [www.nyroyalrangers.org](http://www.nyroyalrangers.org)*



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## New York District School of Ministry

# NYDSOM

Christmas means a lot of things to a lot of people! Celebrating the Savior's birth and love, family, children, grandchildren, friends, slowing down for a few days, warm fires, smiles, Christmas trees, and to sum it up good times (even if it is cold). Christmas also means we have just wrapped up another year for the New York District School of Ministry!

It was a year of increased fruit and effectiveness! The 2010 class schedule ended in November with a total enrollment of over 268 students with an average of 155 students per month. There are now 3 missionaries, at least six senior pastors, dozens of youth and associate pastors that are alumni of NYDSOM. That is effectiveness in the Lord's harvest!

As we look to March of 2011 and a New Year, NYDSOM will open up new locations in Port Jervis at First AG with Pastor Joe Iannone as Site Coordinator and a Spanish site at Glad Tidings, Bronx with Pastor Efrain Figuero as Site Coordinator. We are grateful for these churches and leaders joining in the effort to equip leaders for the Harvest. These additions bring our total site locations serving across the Empire State to seven!

NYDSOM is an opportunity for you to take steps in the direction of answering His call and destiny in your life. It is also an opportunity for education along with building needed relationships and connections for those aspiring to do more in ministry. Our prayer for 2011 as in the past is, "Lord give us those whom we can help, fulfill Your calling and destiny in their lives."

Classes will resume in March 2011 across the state. You can get the needed forms to enroll in the School and register for a class on the District Website NYDAG.org >> Resources>> NYDSOM or just email us at NYDSOM@juno.com or call 518-438-3841.

This Christmas is very special for the Anson family in that we shall enjoy the addition of our granddaughter baby Lucie (and of course Janna, Haley and Lucas!) During the Christmas Season and all year long may you and yours enjoy the love and beauty of the Christ child! May your Holiday Season be blessed with family, friends and the love of Jesus!

Merry Christmas,  
Randy & Tammie Anson

# DISTRICT WINTER CALENDAR

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

December

			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	<b>January 4 Sectional Prayer:</b> Queens – Howard Beach AG 10 AM; North Central – New Beginnings AG, Edward (10 AM); Central – New Life, Oneida (10 AM); Southern Tier – Corning AG (2 PM); Western – Hamburg AG (7 PM); Northeast – Warrensburg AG (5 PM);		15	16	17	18
19			22	23	24 Christmas Eve (DMC Closed)	Christmas
26	27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	
Christmas Holiday (District Ministry Center Closed)						

January

						1 New Year's Day
2	3	4	5	6 Regional Credential Interviews	7 RR Executive Staff Meeting, Owego	8 Update CTN; District Ministry Center
National Week of Prayer (January 2 - 8)						
9 Sectional Prayer: Capital-First AG, Albany (6 PM); Lakeshore- Greece AG (6:30 PM) Church Planting Day	10 Sectional Prayer: South Central – Sidney AG & Christian AG, Cortland (10 AM)	11 Sectional Prayer: Long Is – Medford AG (10 AM); BMW – Van Nest, Bronx (10 AM); Brooklyn/SI – Restoration Temple AG (6:30 PM)	13 Sectional Prayer: Hudson Val. – Faith AG, Chestnut Ridge (10 AM)	14	15 Children's Min. One Day Training Hamburg AG & ICC, Staten Island Women of Purp. Semi- Annual Evaluation Due	
16	17 Martin Luther King Day (DMC Closed)	18 Executive Presbytery Meeting District Ministry Center	19	20	21	22 Women of Purp./GM Day w/ the Girlfriends (Central, N. Central & S. Central) Location TBA
23/30 National Men's Ministries Day 1/30/11	23/31	25	26	27 VISION Tour - Metro region	28	29 CE/CM Committee Meeting, District Ministry Center

February

		1	2	3	4 RR North East Regional Conference, Lancaster PA	5
				World Assemblies of God Congress, India (February 3-14)		
6	7	8	9	10 VISION Tour - Eastern region	11	12 Children's Min. One Day Training 1st AG, Binghamton & Faith AG, Poughkeepsie
World Assemblies of God Congress, India (February 3-14)						
13	14 Valentine's Day	15 Executive Presbytery Meeting, DMC	16	17	18	19
World Assemblies of God Congress, India (cont.)						
20	21	22	23	24	25 Dist. Council Resolution: <b>DEADLINE</b> GM Women of Purpose – INSPIRE (H.S. Girls) - Albany	26 Women of Purp. Sect. Raps Team Meeting – Location TBA
27 National Women of Purpose Day	28					

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