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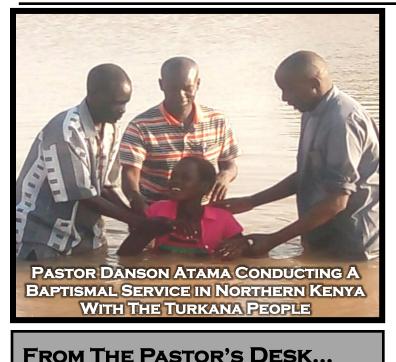
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Dear Beloved GIMI Team Members,

Early fall greetings in the precious and wonderful name of Jesus! I trust that you and your family are well, and that our gracious Lord continues to bless you richly every day of your lives as you seek to serve Him faithfully. I pray that you and yours have gotten through those long hot days of summer just passed. It seemed to me that this summer the heat was very severe, especially when it is hard sometimes for this old man to breathe in the afternoon! Well, maybe the heat is gone for the season, and now we are entering into the cool and refreshing months of fall, and then comes winter. But, I pray that we don't ever lose the fire burning in our hearts to win people to Jesus Christ. Jeremiah talked about this in Jeremiah 20:9, when he was very discouraged and wanted to quit because the people would not listen to the message he gave them from God. Pay attention to these words, "Then I said, I will not make mention of Him, nor speak any more in His name. But His word was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not stay." Jeremiah was ready to give up and quit preaching the Word of God to the Southern Kingdom of Israel because the people were mocking him and making fun of him and his message. But then, he concluded that there was no way he could quit because he had God's fire in His bones, and he had to keep sharing the Word of God.

May I say that this is the way I feel right now when it comes to having a tremendous burden for the lost world, and especially for America which is in so much trouble right now spiritually, morally, ethically, and yes, religiously. The only thing that can stop the spiraling down hill direction that our nation or any other nation goes is a genuine spiritual revival as the result of our repenting and turning back to God. I want to encourage every one of you that is reading this newsletter to ask God to place within your hearts and bones a burning zeal to tell the lost world about Jesus Christ and to help you stand up for righteousness in this evil and wicked day. I would plead with you to get involved in world missions so that the billions of people who have never heard God's simple plan of salvation would have the opportunity to hear it before Jesus comes again or before they die lost in their sins. You may not be able to go to the frontlines yourself, but you surely can be on the prayer and support team for scores of those who do want to follow God's call to the mission fields. But, I must warn you that we all must be very careful which preachers and mission ministries we support. This diligent discernment should be our standard procedure when we invest in missions. Why? Because of the corruption and waste that is in the world of religion today. I would remind you that all of the corruption is not in the politicians, but a lot of it is among preachers, churches, and mission organizations that fraud and defraud people into giving to them while their leaders get filthy rich, and the lost world dies without Jesus because they have never heard the Gospel.

#### WHY DO PREACHERS AND TEACHERS GET RICH WHILE THE LOST WORLD DIES WITHOUT JESUS?

At the risk of making some of you mad, I want to tell you that I am sick and tired of preachers and teachers becoming filthy rich while an estimated 80,000 people die in the world lost without Jesus every 24 hours. Folks, that means that because of the church's willful negligence, 30 million people die and go to hell every 12 months. Does this bother you? I will tell you that it really bothers me! And, when I see the billions of dollars being wasted by so-called preachers and teachers of the Gospel, along with denominations that misuse God's money by the millions and millions of dollars, I get extremely angry; especially after I have been working in Africa for over 31 years and I know the tremendous response to the Gospel that is going on there, if they could only get the message of salvation. Our GIMI ministry sees someone pray to receive Christ for every \$2.71 we spend through our mission effort. Just imagine how many thousands of people we could see saved if we had some of the millions and millions of dollars wasted by Gospel merchants pretending to be God's servants. Let me show you something that may make you angry!

#### Please Note The Worth Of God's Servants!!!

I am going to give you a list of the names and net worths of some of our top preachers and teachers in America and just let you know where God's money is going while the lost world is begging for the Good News of Jesus Christ. The following information comes from the Trend Chasers' Constative web sites. Just maybe this will cause some of you to stop and reconsider where you send your funds!

In addition to this list of preachers and teachers, there are many more that are literally getting rich with God's money while men, women, boys, and girls die lost without the Gospel message. And, just think about how many children are starving without food and the proper medicine simply because they are living in poverty in a huge part of the world. By the way, this list just includes Americans without the listing of enormously wealthy preachers in Nigeria, South Africa, England, and many other countries. I don't even know how these professing

Name	<u>Net Worth</u>
1. Charles Stanley	\$1,500,000
2. Jack Van Impe	\$2,500,000
3. John Hagee	\$5,000.000
4. Eddie Long	\$5,000,000
5. John MacArthur	\$5,000,000
6. Kay Arthur	\$5,000,000
7. Joyce Meyer	\$8,000,000
8. Franklin Graham	\$10,000,000
9. Ed Young, Jr.	\$11,000,000
10. Ernest Angley	\$15,000,000
11. Kirk Cameron	\$20,000,000
12. Billy Graham	\$25,000,000
13. Rick Warren	\$25,000,000
14. Creflo Dollar	\$27,000,000
15. John Danforth	\$30,000,000
16. Joel Osteen	\$40,000,000
17. Benny Hinn	\$42,000,000
18. Robert Tilton	\$50,000,000
19. Janice Crouch	\$50,000,000
20. Pat Robertson	\$100,000,000
21. T.D. Jakes	\$150,000,000
22. George Foreman	\$250,000,000
23. Kenneth Copeland	\$760,000,000

preachers and teachers can even sleep at night when they are filthy rich while over 25,000 children die every day in poverty-riddled countries without adequate food and the proper medicine. As an illustration of this, I am including the photo of a precious little six year old girl whose name is Rachel. She died just last week of malaria in northern Kenya. She was the daughter of one of our Kenyan preachers, Shadrack Ekai Chuma. She is now truly with Jesus, but what a heart break it is for her family. I would ask all of you to really pray for Pastor Shadrack and his family. If some of you would like to help financially with Rachel's funeral expenses, please send your gifts to GIMI and designate them for "Rachel's Funeral Expenses". We will send the funds directly to Rachel's family.

We are told that 26% of the world's population is starving while the preachers and teachers that I have listed live in lavish homes and some of whom fly around the world in private jets. This is especially true for Kenneth Copeland, who I believe is one of the world's biggest

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charlatans. He is so much like the false prophets during Jeremiah's day. May God help us to cut these people out of our giving and redirect our funds to those who are living with simplicity and are making a difference in the world for Christ. Enough is enough, and the world needs to know it!



RACHEL'S GRAVE IN NORTHERN KENYA

# "Our Work In Ukraine Keeps Moving On"

Most of you know that over the past few months GIMI has had to really cut back in much of our ministry in several African countries and also in Ukraine due to a down turn in contributions. We have tried very hard to keep as much ministry going on with what funds we have. We have had to do this in Ukraine by only sending givers' designated funds to Pastor Dima and his team. Yet, even with having to cut back, Pastor Dima and his workers continue on with their great ministry in their church, the school ministry, the prison ministry, and also in their street evangelism. Pastor Dima and his dear wife, Victoria, are two of the hardest working people I have ever known in the ministry of our Lord. Jo Anne and I love them tremendously, and we are so proud of what they have done for Jesus. I would ask you to please pray for them during these more difficult days, and also pray that God might help us financially so that we can restore what we used to do to support there efforts in the beautiful country of Ukraine. Dima and his team are really making an eternal impact for Jesus in this formerly communistic nation. Their ministry is so needed at this troubled time in their country, so pray that God will supply the need to keep supporting their work for Jesus.











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#### FIRST CHURCH OF FICKLEVILLE, ANYWHERE

Most of you GIMI friends know that I have been in the ministry for over 50 years. During these years, my wife, Jo Anne, and I have had the privilege of leading 10 Baptist churches throughout the United States. We have had wonderful experiences with some of these churches' growing rapidly, with many people coming to Christ. In a few of the other churches, we had good growth, but nothing amazing. However, having pastored all of these churches, we have been first hand observers of the dedicated people and the visionary attitudes that have contributed to church growth and development. On the other hand, we have watched people with almost no dedication to Christ and to the local church who have contributed nothing but discouragement to the church leaders and to fellow church members in the flock. But honestly folks, Jo Anne and I have never seen such fickle people in the churches as we are seeing today in this generation. We are seeing it in many churches where we visit, and to be truthful, we have seen it here in our own new growing church. So, because no one with cancer can be treated properly until they are professionally diagnosed by well-trained doctors, I believe that as an older, seasoned pastor, with years of experience, that I need to make a diagnosis of the First Church of Fickleville and see if I might be able to help people get well from their willful disease of fickleness.

#### What Is Fickleness?

According to Webster's Dictionary, the word fickle means the following: likely to change often, changeable, fluctuating, inconsistent, uncertain, unpredictable, unsettled, unstable, unsteady, variable, volatile, aimless, erratic, hit-or-miss, irregular, vacillating, wavering, undependable, unreliable, untrustworthy, and on and on we might go. And yes, even as I typed the words, the names of church people kept coming to my minds. These are the terrible characteristics of so many professing believers today. These people never accomplish anything of eternal value because they are basically living for the moment. Attending church and following Christ are just two of the many options and alternatives that they choose from each week. If they have nothing else to do, or if they have no other place to go, they might show up at church or some church activity. They make promises with their mouths and rarely fulfill them. They get all worked up about special things they might do like working in Vacation Bible School, helping to serve a meal to the elderly, or just anything where they might get a little special attention.

And then, when this special event is over and it is time for "regular worship and church again", you might not see them for weeks. Why, these people even get all emotionally worked up in a church worship service, lift their hands, and shout hallelujah! But then, they go home and you don't see them for weeks. And God forbid that the pastor or some other church leader contact them! Because, if they do, the church member from Fickleville will get very angry because they don't won't to be held accountable for their negligence. They are usually self-centered people with no time for anyone else.

These people keep their children and grandchildren out of church on Sundays and other worship times if they have any other thing to do. And, if you call on them to do some particular job in the church, they will usually only do it if they can get some glory. And beyond this, these fickleites are usually high maintenance and demand special attention if they ever get around to doing anything. They are not team players because team players are more interested in the winning of the team rather than displaying their own abilities before the crowd. And beloved friends, these fickle folks are destroying the fruitfulness and growth of our local churches. So, it is my prayer that every person who reads this newsletter might stop and take a personal inventory of his or her life and see if there are any signs of fickleitis. If there is, please, please take this dreaded disease to the Great Physician and ask Him to heal it immediately. Why? Because the Kingdom of God and the success of the Great Commission and world missions are depending upon reliable and genuine people who will carry out the mission God has given them to do.

Now, before I move on, let me give you two vivid illustrations from the Bible of fickleness. One of these may be found in the Gospels. Do you remember when Jesus rode the donkey into Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives and the crowd threw down palm leaves and shouted, "Hosanna to the highest!"? And then, just a short time later, these same people stood outside the court of Pilate and shouted, "Crucify Him!". I don't know how Jesus felt as He was attacked and abused by fickle people because He was free from sin. But, I do know how it feels to have church members promise me one day or one Sunday that they are going to be faithful and support me as their pastor, and within two or three days, they get mad and leave the church. I have had the same thing happen with people who have promised to support our GIMI mission program, especially some younger people and younger preachers, then a few days later, these same people are gone and can't be found. And then, I find out that it is always my fault, but this information comes from friends of those who left, because those who leave are so fickle that they don't have the courage to even tell you face to face why they are leaving. I even had this to happen recently here at our new church. And truthfully, this is why I feel led to deal with this because every pastor I know deals with this regularly in this generation of professing believers.

The last illustration that I want to give you is found in Acts 14, where Paul and Barnabas were in the city of Lystra on their first missionary journey. Paul had just healed a man at the gate of the city who had been crippled from his birth. The man jumped up and began to leap and run in the city filled with excitement! The people in that pagan city were so caught up with excitement that they thought Paul and Barnabus were the Greek gods of Jupiter (Zeus) and Mercurius (Hermes). They sent for the priest of these pagan gods, and they were about to make a sacrificial offering unto Paul and Barnabus. But Paul and Barnabus would not have it, and they ran into the crowd and tore their clothing showing the people of Lystra that they were just humans like themselves. These mixed up Jews and wicked Gentiles got so mad at Paul because he was the spokesman, that they took him outside the city gate and stoned him brutally, and left him for dead. Folks, please notice this! One minute they wanted to worship God's servants as gods, and the next minute they wanted to kill them. Would you say that they were enormously fickle? I surely would. And yet, this fickleness was surely not just localized to Lystra in that day and time. Why? Because our churches are full of these fickle folks fooling around feverishly with the work of Jesus today! May God stamp out this fickleitis and give us in the Kingdom of God some more Pauls who will stick by the stuff, even when it is not safe to do so. We need to learn that serving Jesus faithfully and taking His Gospel to the lost world is not about us, but about Him and them. When we go to church to see what others can do for us, rather than to see what we can do for Jesus and others, we won't last very long. Why? Because we are self-centered human beings who are always seeking attention. But when we are faced with accountability to be faithful and hold to our promises, so very often we get mad and go looking for another place to display our fickleness! May God stop this terrible disease in this generation before it spreads even more!



# A Great Big Thank You!

I want to close this long article this time by sharing a "Great Big Thank You" with every one of you that has remained so faithful in helping GIMI down through these years of ministry. Jo Anne and I could never have continued this ministry for so long were it not for dear friends like you helping us. It has been a tremendously difficult work to keep everything going, but yet, the rewards have been so phenomenal! Over the past seventeen years, you have helped us share Christ with over eight million people with over two million of these praying to receive Jesus as their personal Savior. This has been a terrific harvest! And, already this year, we have shared the Gospel message with over 300,000 people with over 40,000 of these having prayed to receive Christ. And then, our national preachers have done a remarkable job in following up on those that have been saved and wanted to serve Christ. We sincerely appreciate all of them for their undivided devotion to Christ and His children. Because you folks have given, we have seen hundreds and hundreds of divine miracles. So, thank you for being so faithful to pray and give!

I would like to ask all of you who have been giving so faithfully to please continue giving, because time is so short and Jesus is coming soon. And to those of you who have not been giving, could I please ask you to prayerfully consider getting involved so that you can share in the eternal rewards for the thousands and thousands of souls that we have been able to bring to Christ in the past, and especially for those who will be saved in the future. As I have stated so many times, this is a team effort, and we really need you on our team. You might not be able to go to the mission fields of the world, but if you will help us, we will go and you can share in the harvest because of your prayers and support. Please know that Jo Anne and I love all of you, and we pray for you regularly!



Eternally grateful, Dr. Stan Frye President of GIMI John 4:35

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