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# National and District Events

## 2010

### January

- 8-9 Section 1 Conference (Fox Cities)
- 15-16 Purpose Institute (Appleton/Madison)
- 19-21 Because Of The Times (Alexandra, LA)
- 23 Jr. Bible Quiz (Appleton)
- 28-29 Mid-Winter Camp North (Eau Claire)
- 29-30 Purpose Institute (Eau Claire/Oak Creek)
- 30 Senior Quiz Invitational

### February

- 4-5 Mid-Winter Camp South (Oak Creek)
- 12-13 Spanish Mid-Winter Camp (Madison)
- 19-20 Purpose Institute (Appleton/Madison)
- 19-20 Section 2 Conference (Oak Creek)
- 20 Jr Bible Quiz (Oak Creek)
- 26-27 Purpose Institute (Oak Creek/Eau Claire)
- 26-27 Section 3 Conference (Dodgeville)
- 27 Senior Quiz Invitational

### March

- 5-6 Home Mission Seminar (Oconomowoc)
- 10-12 General Home Missions Seminar (St. Louis, MO)
- 12-13 Section 5 Conference (Eau Claire)
- 19-20 Purpose Institute (Appleton/Madison)
- 20 Jr Bible Quiz (Madison)
- 24-26 District Ministers Conference (Elkhart Lake)
- 25-27 National Prison Ministry Conference (St. Louis, MO)
- 26-27 Purpose Institute (Oak Creek/Eau Claire)
- 27 Senior Quiz

### April

- 4 Easter
- 10 Music Ministry Chorus Exchange (Appleton)
- 13 Section 2 SFC Kickoff (Milwaukee)

- 15-17 Senior Quiz Extravaganza (Kansas City, MO)
- 16-17 Purpose Institute (Appleton/Madison)
- 17 Jr Bible Quiz (Racine)
- 20 Section 3 SFC Kickoff (Madison)
- 23-24 Purpose Institute (Oak Creek/Eau Claire)
- 23-24 Jr Bible Quiz Extravaganza (Columbus, OH)
- 24 Senior Quiz
- 26 Section 1 SFC Kickoff (Appleton)
- 27 Section 4 SFC Kickoff (WI Rapids)

### May

- 3 Section 5 SFC Kickoff (Rice Lake)
- 6-8 Ladies Retreat (Appleton)
- 7 Spanish Mens Rally
- 9 Mother's Day
- 15 Jr Bible Quiz (Eau Claire)
- 22 Senior Quiz Invitational
- 23 Pentecost Sunday
- 31 Memorial Day

### June

- 11-12 Jr Bible Quiz Finals (Appleton)
- 20 Father's Day
- 26 Senior Bible Quiz (Appleton)
- 28-2 Youth Camp [age 12+]

### July

- 4-9 Family Camp
- 17 Senior Quiz Finals
- 19-23 Junior Camp
- 23 Spanish Youth Rally
- 26-30 Jr Bible Quiz National Finals (St. Louis, MO)

### August

- 6-7 Men's Camp (Shawano)
- 11-13 Spanish Family Camp

### FUNDAMENTAL DOCTRINE

The basic and fundamental doctrine of this organization shall be the Bible standard of full salvation, which is repentance, baptism in water by immersion in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and the baptism of the Holy Ghost with the initial sign of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance.

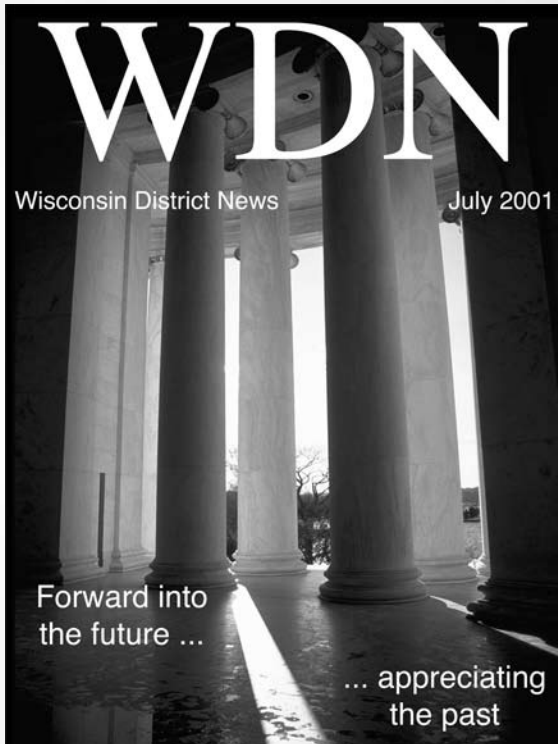
We shall endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit until we all come into the unity of the faith, at the same time admonishing all brethren that they shall not contend for their different views to the disunity of the body.

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# Editorial



My First Issue

After eight years as the editor of the Wisconsin District News, the time has come to step down and pass the baton to a new editor. I am now able to announce that the WDN will be carried forward in the safe and capable hands of Bro. Craig Lundt. This name may seem familiar to those of you in Section One, as he has served as the WDN Sectional Representative for many years now. The appointment of Bro. Lundt was my recommendation to the District Board, so I think it's safe to say that I am delighted with the choice.

I had thought that I would be sad to see this day arrive, but the Lord is keeping me busy with pastoring in Dodgeville and as ever, he has more things waiting in the wings for me to do. For my final act, I get to conduct the transition. This is in two parts. First, I'd like to describe some the changes in direction coming to the newsletter and then if you'll forgive

me, I'd like to reminisce a little about my time as editor.

## New Directions

This will be the last printed issue of the newsletter. In 2010 the Wisconsin District News will be an EZine (that's fancy Internet speak for an Electronic Magazine).

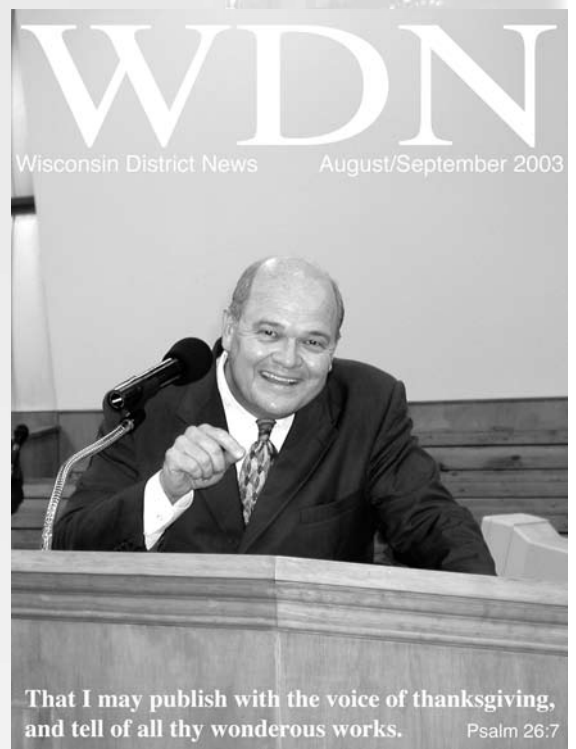
For those of you wondering just what exactly an EZine actually is, fear not, you are not alone. We are still working on that.

To start with the newsletter will probably be made available as a PDF from the website. The web address is conveniently listed on the bottom of the front cover of this issue and if we ask Sister Opheim nicely, she may even add a link to it on the district website.

Bro. Lundt will work with the District board to decide how to move forward. As a computer programmer at my day job, I have already offered some options for their consideration. I will also stay on as the website administrator for the transition.

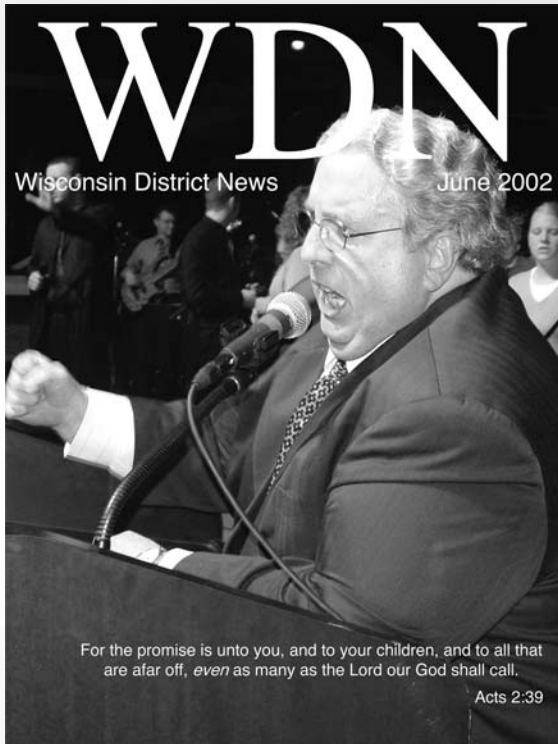
## Looking Back

It has been an honor to serve as the editor of the Wisconsin District News. I consider it a settled matter that Wisconsin is the finest district within the UPCI, so to be the public voice of that district has been humbling. It's also been nerve-wracking



Not everyone enjoys photography!





**Evangelist Billy Cole**

and great fun and I'd like to share a few of my thanks, thoughts and tales.

The first thank you goes to the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation. The life of an Apostolic (let alone a Pastor) was never originally in my plans, but now as a recycled atheist, it seems a wonderful way to live.

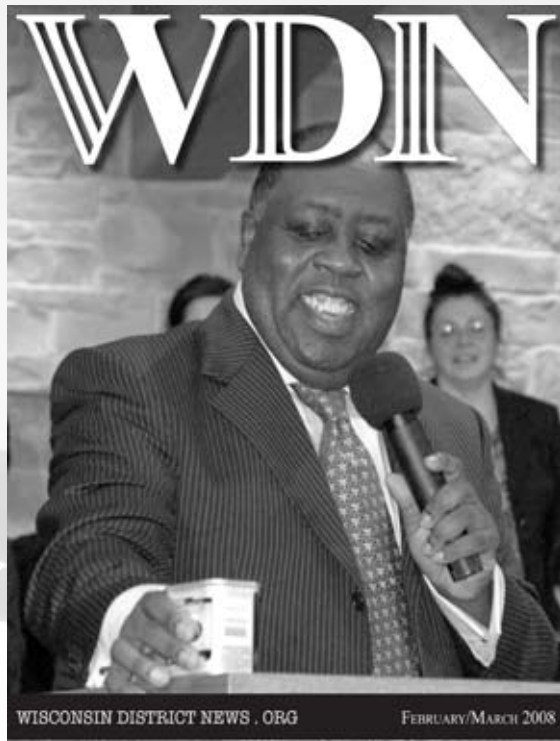
I'd like to thank the District Board for taking a chance on this - then - unlicensed fellow. They trusted me and supplied all the resources I needed to be successful. These are some of the finest people I have ever had the privilege to know.

I'd like to thank all of the people who sent in reports and pictures of events. Material is the lifeblood of a newsletter, so never running out has been an amazing experience.

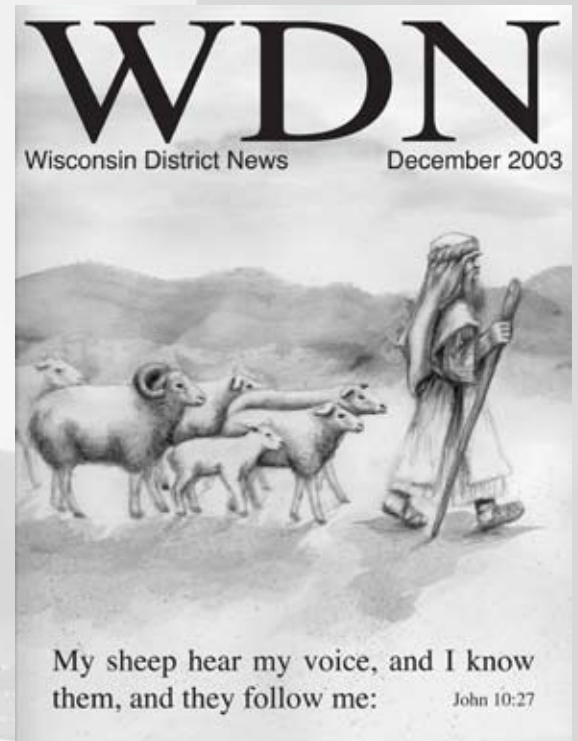
A huge thank you to all of you who haven't minded that I have to get up at every event and take pictures of the guest speakers. This was one of the most nerve-wracking parts of the job to learn as I prefer to stay out of the spotlight (literally). Bro. Kaske helped greatly by reminding me that I was supposed to do it and that I should not feel embarrassed getting up close to the speakers to get my pictures. That said, not all of my victims, errr ... I mean subjects, have been happy about being photographed.

Wrapping up my final editorial, this has been a wonderful experience. Humbling and exciting at the same time. I have enjoyed the journey and even more enjoyed the companions on the way. Bless you all.

*Pastor Simon Chappell  
Dodgeville*



**Sometimes it's better not to ask!**



**One of our wonderful Christmas covers**



## Antigua Report



This has been a great year in Antigua, so very much has happened already. Back in May Sis. Thimm came down to finish up our electrical work. Her son John helped us finish the balcony and build some new pews so we can fill the church. In June, Pastor Richard Gilliss from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania along with his son Rick helped us put up the ceiling, which turned out GREAT.

We have been working very hard teaching bible studies. On Wednesday nights we have gone through the book of Acts, two chapters a week. Every week they all took a test on the two chapters and had a memory verse to do. We had our young people getting 80 to 95% right. At first they did not like the tests, but the longer they studied the more excited they got when getting their test back to see how each one did.

In July, I went to the Leeward Island Conference, in the Island of St. Johns, U.S.V.I. pastored by Michael Herbert. I went a week early to help Pastor Herbert get ready. We had a great turnout, around 7 got the Holy Ghost and many prayed back through. It was nice to be preached to and hear the great things that Jesus is doing on all the Islands.

There was much to do getting ready for our building dedication on Sept. 19, and our special services celebrating ten years of ministry on the 20th. Bro. Steve Shirley preached for us on Saturday and Sunday

a.m. He did a great job; many people were touched in a special way. We broke our record on Sunday with a 107 in service. Pastor Michael Herbert preached on Sunday p.m., that weekend we had 2 more get the Holy Ghost. The very next week we had a young lady, Snoveia, receive the Holy Ghost and was baptized. So far in 2009 we have baptized 21 in that saving Name of Jesus Christ. He has filled 18 with the Holy Ghost. We have also had a number of husbands come in and get baptized, soon to be filled with the Holy Ghost.

We have found an engine & transmission for our old van, so we are working on that now. Soon we will start to build the bars for the windows and most everything will be done with the building.



In time, we would like to start a work in another village with Gods help, some laborers, and your prayers. We are reaching Antigua with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

From all of us here in Antigua, we want to thank everyone that has prayed for us and given so very much that we could build a church both people and building. To God be the Glory!!!!!!!!!!!!

I thought I was done with the letter, but we had another AWESOME Sunday when Milton Jeremy a friend of Snoveia received the Holy Ghost and was baptized, it was only his second time here. Then Sunday night Snoveia invited Richie Thomas, who



## Section One SOAR Report

They did it again. Calvary Apostolic hosted its second annual Section One Soaring Higher Conference featuring speakers on Outreach, New Converts Assimilation, Ushering, and Sound Ministry. What a success! If you were unable to attend CD's are available; see details below on how to order. Bro. Welch opened the conference with an introduction and prayer and we were on our way to which ever break out sessions we selected.



Pastor Phil Bridges

### OUTREACH:

Bro. Phil Bridges, of Neenah, had the first session of Outreach. He grabbed everyone's attention right away proclaiming he was a Hershey's salesman and passing out Hershey's candy. What does a Hershey's salesman do? He puts his product out there. He wants you to get a taste of his product, so you will fall in

love with it. The same is true of Jesus and the gospel. We want to get Him out to the public so they can fall in love with him. Great concept!

He also pointed out how outreach and revival are different. Outreach is reaching out to others while revival is "in" reaching. Revival is the work of the Spirit in God's people. We need both, but they are not one and the same. He gave us some principles about proper planning and shared different ways of outreach. His focus was on reaching

out to the communities we live in and getting to know the city officials. Bring love to the people around us. Show them who Jesus is. Give them a taste so they will be hooked on God.

The second session of Outreach was led by Bro. Dale Pace of Fond du Lac. He started with scripture from Matthew pointing out how God calls "ordinary people" like the disciples and focuses on the children because they are the future. He noted that we need to stay "soul minded" not number minded. His focus was on having a successful bus ministry.

This shouldn't be approached as a one-time event, but as something you will invest time in for years. You don't have to have an actual bus to start this ministry, but a love for children and their souls. The goal is to impact the parents as well as the children. Bro. Pace told of three projects that have worked well for their bus ministry. They have a Christmas party and the parents are invited and they serve breakfast to their children who come on the bus each Sunday. In the third project, church members "adopt" a bus child to be a part of their family during service times. They also give gifts at birthdays or Christmas and invite the child and his/her parents on outings.

### ASSIMILATING NEW BELIEVERS:

"When new people visit your church, it's a big deal. When they come back, it's an even bigger deal. But what then?" Bro. Paul Bennett from Eau Claire, gave us some interesting statistics during his first session. "When laypersons make fifteen-minute visits to homes of first time visitors within thirty-six hours, 85% of them return the following week" (Magnetic 72-73). This percentage continues to drop with each passing day and if the visit is made by the pastor instead of a layperson. "Effective visitor follow-up focuses on building relationships." We must make visitors feel welcomed and genuinely loved. Then we have to teach and disciple

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them.

In his second session, Bro. Bennett gave us specific topics that should be taught to new converts. 1. Teach the principle of “self-denial”. 2. Teach the concept of perseverance. 3. Young converts should be taught to be Holy. 4. Teach converts to “shine their lights”. 5. Converts must be taught how to win souls. 6. Teach them to read their Bibles and pray. We also need to watch over them, pray for them and involve them in appropriate tasks in the local church.

#### FIRST IMPRESSIONS

Mike Hughes and Pete Moore, from Appleton, took turns telling about their experiences being ushers at Apostolic Truth Church. I was only able to attend one of their sessions. In this session, Bro. Mike Hughes talked about six requirements for ushers in their church. 1. Born again, 2. Loyal to Pastor, 3. Work in harmony with others, 4. Lover of men’s souls, 5. Faithful in tithes and offering and 6. Have a stable walk with God. Their job is to keep order.

They arrive 45 minutes early (rotate prayer time) and make sure the church is open, stocked and clean. They greet everyone before service and thank them for coming after service. During service they also take up offering and three go together to deliver it to a secure office. A couple of the six men are “on-duty” for the entire service. They watch for needs of parishoners and Pastor. They are to be friendly, help seat visitors by the aisle and try to remember names. This is a ministry you can really get involved in and it is an excellent way to “let your light shine before men.”

#### MEDIA MINISTRY

Bro. Andy Soto, from ATC as well, brought us Andy’s Café for the sound department. The “RECIPE” that works for him includes these ingredients: quality, professionally installed sound system, and quality speakers, microphones, equalizer cables, monitors, speakers, playback cassette decks and CD players. I think the key word here is “quality”. The final ingredient or

“icing on your cake” is your mixing skills.

When mixing, keep these layers in mind. The first layer of sound is called

ambient noise and this is the noise in the room (i.e. air system, conversations, movement) that the sound system has to overcome. The second layer is acoustical instruments. Begin with the main instrument, then add drums and then add other non-electronic instruments. The third level consists of electronic instruments.

Gradually add each sound to make sure it is a nice blend. When done try to leave the room

for five minutes and listen to silence then go back and listen to the whole instrumental mix. Last add vocals. Add each vocalist one at a time. Add the primary vocalist last. This person needs to be heard and understood above the rest of the instruments and background vocals. You may need to add a personalized touch to this “recipe”. “You know what your audience likes to hear and you know the demands for your specific event.”

#### CLOSING

Bro. Sharp, of Menasha, led the final question/answer session, where the panel of presenters answered questions. It was a great seminar. If you would like to order a CD of a presenter, contact Calvary Apostolic at 715-823-2774. CD’s are \$2 each plus \$4 for shipping.



**Pastor Dale Pace**



**Pastor Paul Bennett**



## *Antigua Report (cont.)*

is the cousin of Milton. Our young people prayed Richie through to the Holy Ghost. Ever since the Conference in July God has been working to prepare us like never before. It all started when Pastor Herbert left me at the airport in St. Thomas to bring some guests over to St. Johns. I did not know their names or what they looked like or even what airline they would be coming in on. He dropped me off and said you will know who they are. As I sat there looking at all the people coming through the gate, God gave me a message to preach "How Do You See Me". The very next Sunday I preached that message, it was a call to Holiness.

Every one of our services have been building one upon another. When we had our special services, and broke our record with 107 something else broke in the Spirit. The people are coming with an anticipation to see what God will do in the services.

As we opened our morning service Jake one of our young men had everyone to get in a circle to hold hands and pray. The circle went from the platform to the sidewalls, all the way across the back that is over 170 feet, if you would put us in a straight line. They all prayed with such fervour. Then Sis. Browne came up with Mauricia to lead worship. She told us as we were praying God gave her a vision of the church being so filled that they would be standing along the

walls just to get in. She also said that we would have a revival of young people and they will be winning the lost. That morning in the altar call Sis. Smith told three people that were standing next to each other, we are going to pray that God fills you with the Holy Ghost. She told them that they would all repent and when they laid their hands on them God would fill them. As Sis. Smith and Jake began to pray with them, Milton started talking in tongues. Jake and Sis. Smith just looked at each other and thought that was QUICK. Then that night as Ben, Mauricia, Euraldo, and Milton was praying for Richie to receive the Holy Ghost I went over by them to pray for Richie. When I began to pray all four of those young people were praying in tongues for Richie, and the Spirit said, let them do it. So I left them to it, with in five minutes, I saw four big smiles and one young man talking in tongues. Just like Sis. Browne said, the last three people to be baptized and filled with the Holy Ghost have been between 17 and 20 years of age. We cannot wait to see what God will do this week.

We now have 20 filled with the Holy Ghost and 22 Baptized for the year.

In His Service,

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*Bro. & Sis. Smith, Benjamin  
and the Saints of Antigua, West Indies*

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