



# Ministry Updates

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Ministry is a two-way street. Sometimes the road is not well-traveled, and even a bit narrow, but it is still bi-directional.

Jesus walks it with us. Sometimes, we walk it with Jesus. The latter tends to go better.

Sometimes, a little band of ministry partners walks the road together with us. The wonder is that each one walks with Jesus and He with them, even when we are not all together! Simply amazing, this Way.

Occasionally, we meet one paused for rest. That person, too, knows Jesus. In joining the conversation, they do not break it! I know the One with us has been with the other also, the whole time, somehow.

It happens that we see others who move-up along the Way. They pass us to do something in response to a call out. Occasionally, we catch-up with them. Sometimes they pass us. Sometimes, we pass them.

Some urgently circle back past us to get others. One has to do that from time to time. In passing, we just exchange brief greetings and stories, succinctly. We long for more time but rejoice to see each is busy.

Deb and I enjoy traveling along this Way together, typically. We brush against some great ones who walk beside or who go before. They sometimes circle us, often passing unawares to us, or of us. That's good.

As we passed the last three weekends and weeks of days in the Great Lakes State, life and ministry integrate more fully on the eternal, bi-directional highway. It comes from heavens' gates along earthen terrain. Everyone sticking to the road goes to heaven, though some slow and some speed. Some backtrack from time to time before remounting. Some call for lost ones. Here's what we've seen lately:

- Two Discovery Bible Study groups have started. Two more are on tap, and maybe a fifth. Some friends on the Way are getting a little happier and because of their closer walk with Jesus.
- Two disciples in Cote d'Ivoire share the joy, encouraged that we continue here as they trained a group of Baptists in Western Cote d'Ivoire this same week.
- A ministry to prisoners in Michigan hopes to gain and exchange with others in Tennessee that also dedicated themselves to finding walkers of the Way who break out of mental, spiritual, and emotional chains, yet remain held in physical cells.
- A faithful traveler preceded his heritage to heaven's gates. We know family learned the Way from him.
- Another connection made in passing indicated how explaining the wholistic Good News could get more airtime and promotion. The road signs point to more exchanges and services ahead.
- We encouraged one congregation growing in ministry to their pastor as he ministers to them.
- A group of school children picked up on God's unchanging Way, shared in [Psalm 67](#). It is filled with opportunity, praise, and benefit because of God's mercy and love for His created ones.
- To boot, Deb or/and I visited with three groups of believers taking in a dominical worship rest stop. They learn whom we've been privileged to invite to walk in the ways of God while sharing the Way.

Many large fellowships of believers will not worship tomorrow. If you're among these, we invite you to worship in the family. Use the [linked outline with EN](#) or [FR](#) questions after choosing a text like [Psalm 67](#), [Genesis 1:24-2:2](#), or [Acts 9:1-19](#) that summarizes a key idea. As groups less than 100 or so are not recommended to disband, except risk to the elderly or infirm be touched by Coronavirus, many of you will worship socially. Click the following link for family counsel about Coronavirus that will help keep more working with us here a little longer. ([Click here](#)). We do not want to send any before the Lord calls.

Your partners in the Gospel, Verlin and Debbie

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