

Southern Missouri Ministry Network

# MESSENGER

Summer 2024

*He is*

# ENOUGH





# SUPERINTENDENT

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## He is Enough

We thank God for the way that he met with us at Network Conference in April. Here is a recap of the Ordination message at Conference.

*36 And at the time of the offering of the oblation, Elijah the prophet came near and said, "O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, and that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your word. 37 Answer me, O Lord, answer me, that this people may know that you, O Lord, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back." 38 Then the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt offering and the wood and the stones and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. 39 And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The Lord, he is God; the Lord, he is God," (1 Kings 18:36-39).*

Israel had strayed far from God. The religious leaders not only allowed but promoted idol worship; particularly Baal and Asherah. Elijah was used by God to draw the nation of Israel back to the true God! He challenged the prophets of Baal to a duel on Mount Carmel. All of Israel gathered for this monumental contest. He challenged the Israelites. "How long will you halt or limp between to opinions." If the Yahweh is God, follow him. If Baal is god worship him! The true God will bring the fire!

The prophets of Baal went first. They prepared their sacrifice and began to call upon Baal. They worshipped from morning until noon but there is no answer. Elijah begins to mock them. Maybe your God is musing (lost in thought). Maybe he is relieving himself. Cry louder... maybe you need to wake him up. In desperation, the false prophets begin to cut themselves trying to get their god's attention.

**Suddenly there is a shift in the atmosphere.** He may have not said it out loud, but the cry of Elijah is "Enough!" Enough of a people wandering around worshipping false God. Enough of frantic useless action that is producing no spiritual results. Enough he says, "Come near me. Turn your attention on me as I turn your attention on the true God."

In our world, it is time for us to cry out, "Enough! Enough of people searching for peace and hope in all the wrong places. Enough of destroyed lives and families. Enough of people dying needlessly from drug addiction. Enough of depression dragging many into a pit of despair. Enough of children being sold into sex trafficking. Enough of spiritually empty, lifeless churches that are not impacting their world.

**Could it be that the world has lost respect for the church because we have lost the power?** Enough! May we be able to say to our world, come near to us and we will show you God!

Elijah could not cause the fire; he could only prepare for the fire. He repaired the altar of the Lord that had been thrown down. Sometimes an altar will be neglected. Life happens, things get busy, or everything seems to be going fine; no real need to reach out to God. In those times, it is easy to neglect the altar, to neglect the relationship with God. One can grow cold and indifferent toward the things of God. But the nation of Israel went one giant step further. They had torn the altar down. It was a deliberate defying of God; turning their backs on the true God to worship other things.

In our nation, we went through a time of neglect toward the things of God. But like the nation of Israel, we have reached a new low. We have seen the throwing down of the altars. There was a tolerance toward spiritual things. Now there is an abhorrence toward Christianity and Jesus himself. If you continue in a place of neglect long enough, it will bring you to a place of defiance. How many areas has American torn down the altars

and begun to believe in false gods for provision and blessing? How much drought will it take for them to wake up.

When we come to Mount Carmel, there had been no rain for three-and one-half years. But the drought does not awaken; it is the fire of God that awakens! No matter how bad things may get, we will always find an excuse or an explanation. Crops are failing and storms are increasing; it must be global warming. Homosexuality is rampant; it must just be that we are finding ourselves. We are just pushing off antiquated inhibitions which have limited our freedom. We could go on and on. In the midst of the messed-up world what many would call freedom, we find is not freedom at all. In reality, those away from God are not free; they are slaves to the sins that control them.

Now Elijah begins to rebuild the altar of the Lord! By his actions, Elijah is declaring, "The Lord He is God!" He is turning his heart and the heart of Israel toward the Lord. Elijah prays a simple prayer, "Let it be known that you are God and that I am your servant! Answer me that they may know you." And the fire fell consuming the sacrifice, the water, and the stones! And the people cried, "The Lord he is God."

We are in a time in our world and our nation when we need the fire of God, the power of God more than ever before. We have gone past the point of needing a revival; we need an awaking. Revival can stir from neglect. An awakening wakes the death. Our altars have not just been neglected...they have torn down. We cannot cause the awakening to come. But we can do our part to prepare.

We like Elijah must rebuild the altars which have been torn down!

**We must rebuild the altar of repentance.** It begins with the repentance of those who are called by his name, it begins with his people! We must allow him to search us, to know us, to convict us. We must turn from that which grieves God and seek him with whole surrender.

**We must rebuild the altar of prayer.** I was prompted a while back with a concerned thought how in times past young preachers often learned to pray by being around older preachers as they prayed. They learned to call upon God as they listened to the prayers of others. I believe one of the reasons that the church has not seen the power of the past is because we somehow skipped a generation and no one taught our young ministers to pray by example.

We must rebuild this altar. This will happen in the secret place, in the closet of prayer. But may we not only rebuild the altar of prayer in our own lives; may our public prayers carrying the power from our private prayers prod others along to call upon God. Let's rebuild the altar of prayer! (I would challenge you to get Rick Dubose's book on prayer, *In Jesus' Name: 5 Altars of Prayer that Move Heaven and Earth*.)

**We must rebuild the altar of example showing the world who Jesus really is.** We do this by letting Jesus shine through our lives. We rebuild this altar by allowing the Spirit of God to flow through us. The gifts of the spirit were never designed to stay within the four walls of the church. I believe that in these last days, we are going to see believers move in the prophetic not in some weird way but supernaturally.

Our world, our nation is ripe for awakening. As Elijah waited for just the right time, I believe it is just the right time for the church of Jesus Christ to rise up! God is looking for some Elijahs who will get close enough to him to hear his voice. He is searching for men and women who, full of his Spirit, will cry out to this world, "Enough!" He will raise up committed men and women who will rebuild the altar and show them Jesus!



# REFRESH MINISTRY WOMEN

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# Thank You

Sherry and I want to say thank you for the privilege of serving Christ and His Kingdom by serving the ministers and churches of Southern Missouri. My whole life I've been a part of this great group of ministers and churches, and in my opinion you all are the most wonderful people in the world.

Times like this cause you to look back and see what God has done. I think of the thousands of new ministers that the Executive Secretary's office has worked with and now have been credentialed. They are now effectively advancing the Kingdom of Christ. I think of the hundreds of thousands of miles driven across Southern Missouri going to preach at churches, hold business meetings and at times just going to be with a minister in their time of need. I think of standing before thousands in different countries around the world representing Southern Missouri Assemblies of God. One thing that has been true in all these times and places is the presence of the risen Christ has been there confirming His Word with signs following.

Also, times like this causes you to look ahead to what God will do in the future. One thing I know for certain: Jesus Christ has promised to build His Church and the gates of Hell will not prevail against it. I believe that there will be a healthy soul winning church in every community across Southern Missouri. I'm believing that hundreds of new missionaries will hear the call of God to go proclaim the gospel around the world. I'm also believing that our churches continue to have the vision of Missions, both at home and around the world.

Again, Sherry and I say thank you for your confidence in allowing us to be a part of the Network leadership team. It is a joy to work with Superintendent Miller and enjoy his friendship and follow his leadership.

I pray continued blessings on you and your ministry for Christ.

**Stan and Sherry Welch**





## OUR GOD IS MORE THAN ENOUGH

Recently, as I was contemplating the greatness of our God, I came to a fresh realization that not only is God Enough, He Is More Than Enough! It does not matter what comes our way, nothing that touches our lives will be too much for our Lord to handle. Please consider the Hebrew names of our God, and the significance of His attributes. A google search has brought to my attention many Hebrew names of God found in the Bible, and their meanings. Allow me to share 15 different names and their meanings:

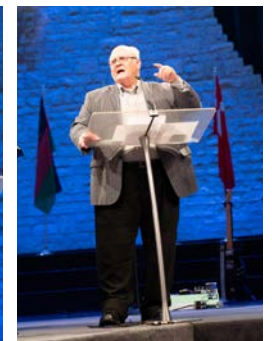
1. Jehovah Elohim - God The Creator, Genesis 1:1, Romans 11:36
2. Jehovah – Self Existent One, Exodus 3:13-14
3. Adonai – Lord, Psalm 135:5, Matthew 7:21-23
4. El Elyon- The God Most High, Genesis 45:6-7, John 19:10-11
5. El Roi – The God Who Sees, Genesis 16:36
6. El Shaddai – The All Sufficient One, Second Corinthians 12:9
7. Jehovah Jireh – The Lord Who Provides, Genesis 22:13-14
8. Jehovah Rapha – The Lord Who Heals, Genesis 15:26
9. Jehovah Nissi – The Lord My Banner, First Corinthians 15:57, Exodus 17:14-16
10. Jehoivah Shalom – The Lord is Peace, Judges 6:22-24
11. Jehovah Sabaoth – The Lord of Hosts, Second Kings 6:15-17
12. Jehovah Mekoddishkem – The Lord Who Sanctifies, Exodus 31:13
13. Jehovah Raab –The Lord My Shepherd, Psalm 23:1
14. Jehovah Tsidkenu – The Lord My Righteousness, Jeremiah 23:5-6
15. Jehovah Shammah – The Lord is Near, Psalm 46:1

What do you need today? What is happening in your life and service to the Lord. If you are feeling low, or overwhelmed, please remember that the God we serve is More Than Enough.

He loves you, and He will take care of you.



Carrol Deal





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# He is Enough

Joshua 1:9 – *Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.*

## **Armed Security**

(by Church Mutual)

When you ask or allow individuals to carry a weapon on behalf of your organization or while serving your organization, much of that responsibility and liability for their actions transfers to your organization. Therefore, we strongly recommend that only highly trained individuals be allowed to carry a weapon as part of a formalized security team. Generally, an armed security team of untrained volunteers is the least desirable option, because they often lack the training and experience to handle a weapon safely in a high-stress situation. Additionally, it could cost significantly more to acquire security guard insurance in such a case.

### **If I have armed security, will it be covered in the event of an armed intruder?**

First and foremost, each situation is evaluated independently. If liability insurance for security guards is not specifically excluded, you generally have coverage depending on your situation. However, an armed security team is an additional exposure that must be reviewed by Church Mutual's underwriting department. There is also an additional survey that needs to be completed. You should provide the survey, along with your security team policy/procedures, so that our underwriting department can review them and determine potential armed security insurance costs.

### **Why might CM exclude security guard insurance?**

An armed security team creates an additional exposure that may not be covered in your policy. Church Mutual must review your security policies and procedures to determine acceptability for security guard general liability insurance. If they do not meet best practices, we may add an exclusion, and we may provide recommendations to help you develop an acceptable security team exposure.

### **What might make a team unacceptable for security guard insurance?**

- No policies/procedures and written security plan
- No training or minimal training
- No background checks on security team members
- Fully automatic weapons

- Security team members under the age of 21
- What about concealed carry holders at my church – are they covered?

When it comes to concealed carry in church by members or visitors, it is your choice to either allow or prohibit weapons in your facility. It is imperative, however, that those individuals and your organization comply with local or state laws, and that you document your decision within policies, procedures and/or signage. As a best practice, anyone carrying a concealed weapon who is not a part of a formalized armed security team should not be carrying a weapon on behalf of your organization or while serving your organization. If you choose to allow for concealed carry, members and visitors should be carrying on their own behalf and in the interest of self-defense, thus bearing responsibility for their own actions. Be mindful: If you allow a concealed carry holder to serve in a non-security related function (usher, teacher, etc.), you may still be liable. If there is an armed security team, we recommend that you don't allow concealed carry on the premise. This could result in confusion for the armed security team and members of the organization, should an event ever occur.

### **What to do before implementing armed security**

If your organization has decided to start an armed security program, there are some important steps you should take first:

1. **Know your state laws about the type of weapons security guards can carry.** If there are specific licenses required in your state, armed security guards should acquire those licenses.
2. **Post notices that you are using armed security guards.** Communication is vital, as visitors to your organization may be alarmed by the sight of weapons.
3. **Perform background checks on all individuals who will be armed.** Part of the requirements for security guard insurance are that each person who carries a weapon must undergo a criminal background check.
4. **Require that your armed guards undergo regular training.** Most states require that armed guards go through training on each specific weapon at least once every six months.



# Things I've Learned...

For nearly eight years, I have had the privilege of serving our Network as the Director of Church Health. Over that time, my health team and I have assisted well over 60 of our churches through The Acts 2 Journey, worked with dozens of pastors and church leaders to form vision and strategy to move their churches forward, and filled the pulpit of many churches who were looking for their next pastor.

As I have reflected on my time in Church Health, I am reminded of a few things I have learned along the way. These are the things that will help me as I return to being a lead pastor in a local church...and maybe they will help you too.

**1. HONEST Assessment is CRITICAL!** If you aren't willing to look at what needs improvement in your church, or in your leadership, you CANNOT get better! If you cannot handle honest feedback, you will only gather people around you who SEE things the same way you do, or who will only SAY what you want to hear.

**2. Vision & Mission are IMPORTANT!** The Scripture says, "Where there is no vision, the people perish!" (KJV) In the ESV translation it says, "Where there is NO PROPHETIC VISION, the people CAST OFF RESTRAINT?" (ESV)

That means that people who do not see or hear vision being talked about or pursued will become disillusioned and give up. They will unhook themselves from the plowing crew and find another place to invest themselves!

**3. VALUES Trump EVERYTHING!** Common Values (core values) SHAPE the culture of your church. Most church conflict happens because of differing value systems among the people.

**4. The Lack of STRATEGY AND EXECUTION will undermine your ability to LEAD...and may even KILL your ministry/church.** So...we said earlier that "Where there is no vision, the people perish." But, "Where there is no STRATEGY AND EXECUTION... NOTHING happens!

I see this as the MAJOR cause of failure in churches. They had GREAT VISION...but NO step-by-step process of how they were going to achieve it! Ultimately, nothing happened.

Serving in this role has truly been one of the highlights of my life and I am thankful for the opportunity given to me by our Superintendent and Network leadership. I will be forever impacted by my interactions with some of the finest men and women serving in the local churches of this Network as pastors, deacons, and ministry leaders. Our greatest days are ahead of us... NOT behind us!

*Greg Perkins*



# CHURCH PLANTING

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## Jesus Is Enough

I have to confess. I'm never satisfied. Let me explain. As a pastor, when we have great attendance on a Sunday, I still think, if we would've only had 10 or 20 more. If these families would've shown up, we would've broken a record. If 3 people get saved, I think, why wasn't it 5? If I reach a new level of leadership opportunity, I can't just enjoy it; I have to wonder, is there more? This "It's not enough" attitude has helped me accomplish many great things in life and ministry, but if I'm not careful, it leaves me feeling unfulfilled and focused on the wrong things. The Apostle Paul wrote about some of his "fleshly" accomplishments in Philippians 3. If anyone had reason to boast in their accomplishments, it was Paul. Before coming to Christ, he followed the law blamelessly. After his Damascus Road Experience, he planted at least 14 churches. Paul could've gloried in those things, but instead, he found his fulfillment in Christ. Philippians 3:7-9 reads: "But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith." Jesus is enough! Our accomplishments and accolades, our future successes are garbage compared to knowing Christ. Everything in this life is temporal, but who we are in Christ will last forever!



### Heart Church Kansas City



Rocky & Dana Candillo

We're excited to announce that Heart Church in Kansas City will be launching this fall! Pastors Rocky and Dana Candillo have been working hard to build a team of people that will impact their community for Jesus! They are still in need of funds to launch strong. Would you consider partnering with Heart Church financially?



[reachnet.work/give](https://reachnet.work/give)  
Give Online  
Fund: Heart Church KC



We had an amazing turnout to hear Gerad Strong share his heart for church planting at our Church Multiplication One Day Event! A special thanks to Pastors Chris & Angela Gray from Encounter Church in Sedalia for helping us host such a successful day. We are excited to see new parent churches, church planters, and church partners taking the next steps to reaching every community for Jesus!



Our Training on "Building a Leadership Pipeline" was a success! Special thanks to Pastor Chad Fisher from Discover Life Church!



It was a lovely day to network with St. Louis area planters and those building the Kingdom! #reachnetwork

## GROWING HEALTHY CHURCHES ACROSS MISSOURI





# CROSS POINTE CAMP

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## Prayer Changes Things

Lives are being saved, healed, filled, called at camp this summer... because of prayer. Continue to pray for the camps this summer.

### Prayer Points for Camp

- Pray for the move of the Holy Spirit to impact every life for Christ
- Pray for safety for all at camp
- Pray that this will be the best week of the summer for the students
- Pray for all the leaders and workers under the direction of the Camp Directors
- Pray the staff and facilities of Cross Pointe Camp

*Thank you for your prayers!*



### Camp Intercession 2024

Many prayed together for the move of God



Speaker  
Alton Garrison

Thank you SMMN for your support of the New Activity Area. The Kangaroo Jumper was able to be completed by camp!



Pray on Wednesdays for REVIVAL!



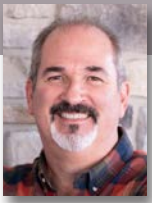
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# MEN

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## SOMO Men: Celebrating 40 Years of Ministry to Men

Men's Luncheon at Network Conference: Speaker, Pastor Tyson Coughlin



## Men's Missions Trip to Albania – October 22 – 28, 2024

Help us raise \$20,000 to purchase a ministry van for the church in Fushe Kruje, Albania. Email Greg Perkins at [GPerkins@somoag.org](mailto:GPerkins@somoag.org) to see how you can help.





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## "Jesus Was More Than Enough"

This was our National Women's Theme in 2014 and its still true today!

Acts 17:25

*"He himself gives life and breath to everything, and He satisfies every need there is."*

**God's grace is enough....to Redeem**  
compensate for the faults or bad aspects of (something)

**God's power is enough....to Transform**  
make a thorough or dramatic change in the form, appearance, or character of

**God's love is enough.....to Trust**  
firm belief in the reliability, truth, ability, or strength of someone or something

**God's presence is enough.....to Satisfy**  
meet the expectations, needs, or desires of (someone).

### Psalm 145:16-19

16 You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

17 The LORD is righteous in all his ways and loving toward all he has made.

18 The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

19 He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them.

**Jesus is truly more than enough!**

2024 SOMO WOMEN FALL RETREATS ON THE LAKE

# Captivated BY HIS LOVE

*"We know how much God loves us and we have put our trust in His love."  
1 John 4:16*

EAST SEPTEMBER 12-14  
WEST SEPTEMBER 19-21

George Westlake III  
Speaker

Sherry Welch  
SOMO Women's Director

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Marigold Cheshier  
Speaker



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# ROYAL RANGERS

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## Ten Leaders Honored for 50 Years of Service

In April we conducted our annual District Leaders Conference at Oak Grove AG in Springfield. As part of this event, we recognized Royal Rangers leaders for their service in specific areas of the ministry. This year we had the special opportunity to recognize a group of men for the incredible accomplishment of having served over 50 years in the ministry of Royal Rangers.

These ten men were presented with the Royal Rangers Alumni Lifetime Service Award. The Lifetime Service Award is a national award representing one of the highest honors a Royal Rangers leader can receive, for which these men are well worthy recipients.

These individuals have served in various roles in Royal Rangers in both our district and the national

program since the early days when this program first began. They have served as instructors in training classes and national training camps. They have built facilities at Camp Millhouser as well as the national campgrounds at Camp Eagle Rock. They have led groups of men and boys on missions trips and service projects. They have served as outpost leaders, as members of our district staff, and in countless other roles through the years and continue to serve in some capacity to this day.

Only heaven knows the impact these men have had on the lives of boys over the last 50 years, and we greatly appreciate their service, along with all Royal Rangers leaders who have served, and continue to serve so faithfully year after year.



Bob Sederwall – Springfield Evangel Temple, Frank Reed – Fair Play Harvest AG, Steve Copeland – Mansfield First AG, Don Higinbotham – Seneca AG, Dennis Faulkner – Winona AG, Pat Davis – Strafford First AG, Ray Reece – Springfield Central AG, Jerry Haines – KC Englewood AG.  
Not shown: Don Bixler – KC Evangel Temple and Max Towler – Park Hills Harvest Christian Center.



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BASED RESOURCING**



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### SUNDAY EXPERIENCE

Discover our free kids curriculum provided by Bible Engagement Project - all without spending a dime. Get everything you need to teach lessons that capture kids' attention and hearts!

### MIDWEEK DISCIPLESHIP CLUBS

Explore our midweek discipleship clubs that spark interest and create deep connections. Our clubs bridge the gap between Sundays, weaving mentoring and experiential learning together. Using Bible Engagement Project kids curriculum, each week is designed to enrich your comprehensive discipleship plan with intergenerational wisdom and guidance.

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Boost your impact by growing your personal leadership skills and intentionally investing in your volunteers. Our comprehensive toolkit offers scripted volunteer team meetings and online training resources - all crafted to enhance your team's skills and spiritual growth.

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# YOUTH

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# SOUTHERN MISSOURI YOUTH MINISTRY

## UPCOMING EVENTS



## CAMP SEASON IS FINALLY HERE

and the hype is real! We're are so excited because we know that this will be the best year yet! We've been praying and believing that every student and leader will experience God in a new way – and we're not going at it alone. We're inviting you to partner with us in prayer! Together, we're believing for God to show up in powerful ways! We're expecting students to experience breakthroughs, healings, and to be called like never before. Because when it comes down to it, we know one thing for sure: God is more than enough for whatever comes our way. So, join us in prayer, and let's see what miracles await at Youth Camp 24!

Each year at camp, our hearts desire is to see what we can improve and better for the next year. That being said, we have some exciting announcements we have been working on to improve some policies at the camps grounds during Youth Camp.

### Visitors Policy

- For the safety of our campers, every adult who attends and/or visits our campground during youth & kids camps are required to have a completed and clear background check prior to their arrival at camp.
- Visitors will be required to plan their visit on the Youth & Kids website, the Sunday prior to the start of the desired camp.
- go to [smyonline.com/camp](http://smyonline.com/camp), to "Plan Your Visit", for camp.

## CALLED RETREAT

Attention all world changers, Called Retreat registration is LIVE, and it's time to level up your journey! If you've been wondering "What's next?" in your path towards ministry, this retreat is for you!

**Also, Pastors are invited to join us for a power-packed lunch on Saturday, July 13th, where you can share wisdom and pour into the next generation of leaders. To RSVP to this lunch, email [youth@somoag.org](mailto:youth@somoag.org).**

Students don't forget to register by June 26th, and snag yourself an exclusive Called Retreat T-shirt! Don't miss out on this chance to dive deeper into your calling and connect with fellow students. Reserve your spot today and get ready to step boldly into the purpose that awaits you!

## ENGAGE THE CAMPUS

Engage the Campus is an opportunity to inspire, equip and empower students, youth leaders and churches to reach schools with the hope of Jesus!

The desire is for every student to share Jesus with their friends and to engage their campus through prayer. We want to unite with other followers of Christ and have a powerful campus impact through serving, campus clubs, and outreaches.

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# SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES

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WOW we had a "READY" Camp Meeting with Dwight Jones as our special speaker. His anointed preaching and insights into the end times we are in were inspirational. God blessed the services and new opportunities were presented to the 50 Plusers to get involved in reaching out to their community. God answered prayer and we had good weather, and people are already looking forward to 2025.



Speaker Dwight Jones



Director John Heide



Rep Michael Dillinger



Stan Welch – Heide's 20<sup>th</sup> year as directors



Olympic Winners



Crafts



Area Rep Choir



Phillip Sharp Devotions



Coloring Contest



Rep Meeting and Lunch



Arlie Singleton, Deanna Speck



Jim French serving



Powerful Altar Times





# He is ENOUGH

109<sup>th</sup> Southern Missouri Ministry Network Conference

## Momentum



## Celebration Service



## Business and Award of Honor



# He is ENOUGH

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## Missions Rally



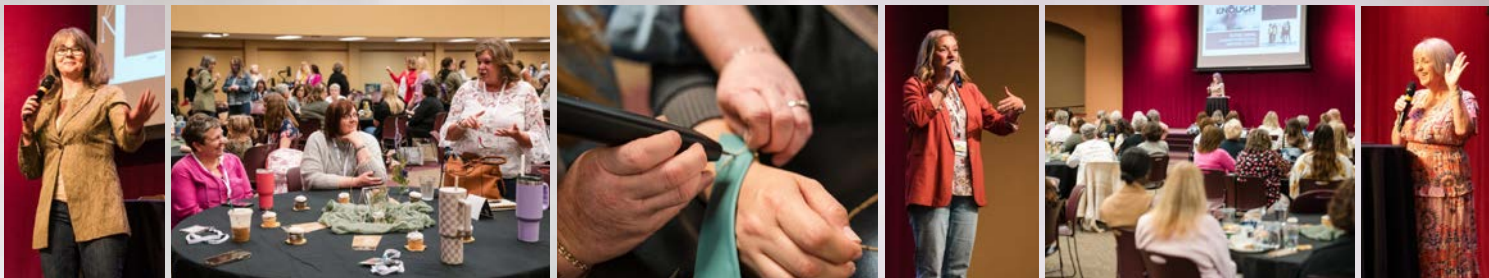
## Prayer and Praise



# He is ENOUGH

109<sup>th</sup> Southern Missouri Ministry Network Conference

## Women's Luncheon



## Men's Luncheon



## Ordination



# Commissionings

## Welcome!



**Seymour Life Church celebrates Pastor Sherry Welch's 10th Anniversary**



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Dixon Assembly of God**



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## In Memoriam

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## Ministerial Updates

### New Pastors

Aaron Caswell . . . . . Life 360 Fordland  
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### Transfer In

Jackie Smith . . . . . North Texas  
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 Kim Kaminski . . . . . Indiana  
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 Alex Howell . . . . . Kansas  
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### New Churches

PAC-Mammoth Springs AR LIFE360. 7/12/2023  
 PAC-Pacific Life Stream . . . . . 9/17/2023 launch

### Church Closings

Marble Hill-Cape Girardeau . . . . . 8/7/2023

## Available for Ministry

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