

## A Word From Your Pastor

As I have been looking for effective ways to communicate and inspire us to live out the great commission as a church, I found the following description of being the Missional Church from a national publication.

- The missional church is one where people are exploring and rediscovering what it means to be Jesus' sent people as their identity and vocation.
- The missional church are faith communities willing and ready to be Christ's people in their own situation and place.
- The missional church knows that they must adopt a missionary stance in relation to their community.
- The missional church will be engaged with the culture (in the world) without being absorbed by the culture (not of the world).
- The missional church understands that God is already present in the culture where it finds itself.
- The missional church is about being -- being conformed to the image of God.
- The missional church is evangelistic and faithfully proclaims the gospel through word *and* deed. Words alone are not sufficient; how the gospel is embodied in our community and service is as important as what we say.
- The missional church understands the power of the gospel and does not lose confidence in it.
- The missional church will align all their activities around the mission of God.
- The missional church seeks to put the good of their neighbor over their own.
- The missional church practices hospitality by welcoming the stranger into the midst of the community.
- The missional church will see themselves as representatives of Jesus and will do nothing to dishonor his name.
- The missional church will be totally reliant on God in all it does. It will move beyond superficial faith to a life of supernatural living.
- The missional church will be desperately dependent on prayer.
- The missional church gathered will be for the purpose of worship, encouragement, supplemental teaching, training, and to seek God's presence and to be realigned with God's missionary purpose.
- The missional church is orthodox in its view of the gospel and scripture, but culturally relevant in its methods and practice so that it can engage the world view of the hearers.
- The missional church will feed deeply on the scriptures throughout the week.
- The missional church will be a community where all members are involved in learning "the way of Jesus." Spiritual development is an expectation.
- The missional church will help people discover and develop their spiritual gifts and will rely on gifted people for ministry instead of talented people.
- The missional church is a healing community where people carry each other's burdens and help restore gently.

Article from: <http://www.friendofmissional.org/>

Pastor Steve Keller

- Lifting up Word & Spirit in a life of whole-hearted worship

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## Remember in Prayer Our Expectant Mothers

Deborah Pasko, March 17

Sara Oedy, April 1

Anna Newman Hollingsworth, May 16

Elizabeth Brown July 6

Gail Lilo, July 7

## In Sympathy

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the following families who have lost loved ones over the last couple of months:

- Sunshine Beshears and her family on the loss of her grandfather, Robert Medler, Jr. of Port Crane, NY January 31
- Lisa Watkins and her family on the loss of her husband, Rick Watkins on January 25
- Kathy Davis and her family on the loss of her mother, Margaret Huntley, on December 24

## Congratulations

**Congratulations to the following couples who just had babies:**

Sophia Faith, born January 9 to David and Penny Harrison

William Chase, born January 22 to Mike & Ellen Westover

Katelyn Grace, born February 28 to Grant and Jennifer Goldenberg

## Thank You

St. Giles Family,

We address you as “family” because that is what you are. With no family in the area, God has blessed us with many friends who filled in the gap as close family since we moved to Charlotte 15 years ago. We want to extend our most sincere Thank You to you, our family, during our time of need. Many of you have brought us meals, visited me in the hospital, sent gifts, notes, and extended heartfelt love and support during this past month. The birth of our 3<sup>rd</sup> son Chase has been an unexpected, yet joyous time for us. We are thrilled to be blessed with him and are grateful he is finally home with us. Due to his premature birth, and the home monitor he has, Chase will be home bound for the next month or so. Please continue to pray for strength and peace. We are truly blessed by you! Much Love - The Westovers

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## A New Staff Member

We are very excited about our newest part time employee – Ron Hartman. After 37 years of working at Hobart Corp, Ron retired in December of 2009 and began working at St. Giles on February 1. Ron's primary duty is cleaning the church campus but he also does set ups for meetings as well as taking care of simple maintenance issues. Ron works M-F 9am -1pm. St. Giles is very fortunate to have Ron on staff!

## Upcoming Dates

- Saturday, March 13 All widows/widowers are invited to the home of Margie and Steve Gladden for a special luncheon on Saturday, March 13th at 12:30 pm. Call Margie to RSVP #704-661-3556 or email [margie@stgilesepc.org](mailto:margie@stgilesepc.org).
- Sunday, March 14
- There will be a Congregational Meeting on March 14th following the morning worship service for the purpose of changing the Terms of Call for Pastor Steve Keller for 2010 for salary and housing.
  - A new season of Worship and Prayer Services, led by Gerry Edwards, will begin in the Sanctuary at 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm.
- Wednesday, March 17 Esther: A Feast of Purim "An Evening of Feasting & Gladness!" As we wrap up our season of study, come celebrate Esther's courage and God's faithful deliverance with an evening of feasting & gladness from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm! All women are invited! Childcare will be provided. Call the church office to RSVP.
- Sunday, March 28
- PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST & BALLOON LIFT**  
All parents and children are invited to attend the Palm Sunday Breakfast & Balloon Lift in the Gym at 9:30 am. This will take the place of Children's Sunday School.
- PALM SUNDAY PARADE**  
Children ages 2 yrs. and older are invited to join in the Hosanna Parade at the beginning of the worship service. Ages 2 yrs. – 6th grade line up outside Sanctuary at 10:20 am.

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## Comunidad de las Naciones (Hispanic Ministry)

The Lord has sent us musicians, and now we have a worship team! Ricardo plays bass and his cousin Chris plays lead guitar. Margie Rodriguez has stepped up to play the congas; she is a worshipper and lends her voice to the mix. And we now have two teams of singers.

The Presence of the Lord continues to manifest in our meetings, especially at the Wednesday night prayer meetings where we are learning to pray in the Spirit. The blessing is tangible as we worship our way into prayer and then pray as the Spirit leads us. We also minister to one another in prayer and prophecy.

A young Honduran man was saved at our last Wednesday night meeting. He had visited church once and then came for help with some legal papers. The Lord really touched his heart and he is now asking for material to help him grow in the Lord.

We have more youth now, and they are meeting twice a month with Orlando Villatoro. They also play soccer (the national sport) in the gym on Friday evenings.

We now have men's and women's meetings and a children's newsletter. The members of Comunidad are very thankful for all the items that have been donated – a washer and dryer, a computer, many clothes and other things. They appreciate all that St. Giles is doing to help us as a church. - Nick Bowen

## Young Adults Class (18 –35)

The Young Adults will continue their outreach to the Center of Hope on Saturday, March 6, 11:15 am - 1:00 pm. Join us as we serve a meal and share the love of God to the residents through a devotional and personal outreach. All those in their 20s/30s are also invited to our weekly study in the book of 1 Samuel every Sunday at 9:30 am. Join us for a time of warm fellowship as well as teaching and discussion centered on God's Word.

## Young at Heart (Ages 55+)

Mark March 20 on your calendar for a Dinner and a Movie! Bring a salad or vegetable dish and dessert to share with others. The meat will be provided. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 5:30 pm and watch the movie "The Keys to the Kingdom" after dinner. Come prepared for a great time of Fellowship.

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## Ministry to our Widows and Widowers

Over the last few years Steve and Margie Gladden have opened their hearts and their home to minister to the widows and widowers of St. Giles. They wanted to share from some of these special loved ones what this ministry has meant to them. If you would like to become a part of this ministry (whether you are a widow, widower, or want to help share in blessing these special group of people), please contact Margie or Steve at 704-841-8997 or Margie@stgilesepc.org.

“The ministry of St. Giles is that of LOVING like Jesus told us to. Now in my 71st year I am still enjoying love and support from you...what a blessing you are to us !! All my special memories are there...baptism, marriage, funerals...Your ministry to widows is amazing as you love and treat us in such beautiful and special ways with gourmet luncheons, cards of encouragement and love in every direction. I am so blessed to be included in this special ministry.”

“The Gladden’s reached out to me shortly after I became a widow. I was numb with grief, but I attended a luncheon, and that was my first realization that I could be a part of life on earth without my wonderful mate to accompany me. On-going thoughtfulness of the body of our Church has been beyond anything I have known in other churches who do a good job of entertaining the seniors, (but little show of personal involvement). I trust all the care-share groups are as attentive as our group, but I would feel free to call any one in our group to help if needed. They are family to me and keep me "in the loop." I continue to be amazed at the hospitality and wonderful gourmet meals bringing us all together. It is such a Godly gift of themselves. The thoughtfulness of the pastors and staff are remarkable, and I know they wish to fulfill the scriptures regarding widows, but I believe that it comes from their hearts. I feel so much a part I no longer ponder attending church and church activities without my mate, as it is the one comfortable place I go where there are couples. I am so thankful to the Lord for putting me here, and I share this with all my friends and family constantly.”

“The luncheons provided for the Widows and Widowers is a wonderful blessing. My mother lives with us and has participated in many of these luncheons and looks forward to each one. We moved to Charlotte two years ago and when we moved, Mom was forced to leave behind the few friends that she made in Virginia. The luncheons have provided her only opportunity for fellowship with people other than family members. They make her feel special and give her a sense of community. We are very appreciative of this valuable ministry.”

“This ministry has been so loving in their outreach to my mom. As she has gotten older, she has been less able to come to church, and she misses the fellowship of long time friends. Many times the Gladdens have reached out to her by phone or with an invitation to a lovely luncheon at their home. They have even offered transportation to help get her there. When she has been able to attend, she thoroughly enjoyed herself, sharing old times and laughs. For those who are in this older set, the thoughtful contact, care and love have meant more than words can say.”

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## St. Giles Women UPDATE FROM LEADERSHIP

We all love a good “snow day”. It gives us an excuse to rest from our hectic and often blinding schedules. But, too much rest can make us dull. After a welcomed break, the leadership of St. Giles Women see the snow melting and are energized to restructure and refresh this ministry!

Last year, the women that composed the “women’s council” developed the following vision for the women of St. Giles. It is still a NOW vision and guiding principle for ministry opportunities. To better understand the heart of this vision, consider the following definitions.

*“Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.”  
Philippians 3:12*

*St. Giles Women is a **friendship** of **uniquely** gifted women, **ready** to **confidently represent** Jesus to one another and the world through **overflowing encounters** with the living God. We seek to provide **unique** opportunities for the women in our body to **engage** in ministry that fulfills our church’s vision of “upward, inward and outward.”*

**Friendship:** a friendly relation or intimacy.

**Uniquely:** having no like or equal; unparalleled; incomparable.

**Ready:** completely prepared or in fit condition for immediate action or use.

**Confidently:** having strong belief or full assurance; sure; confident of fulfillment.

**Represent:** to stand or act in the place of, as a substitute, proxy, or agent does.

**Overflowing:** to have the contents flowing over or spilling, as an overfull container.

**Encounters:** a meeting with a person or thing, esp. a casual, unexpected, or brief meeting.

**Unique:** not typical; unusual.

**Engage:** to occupy the attention or efforts of a (person or persons).

Source: [www.dictionary.com](http://www.dictionary.com)

All women, in and out of varying seasons, will be at different places in this ideal. But, like Paul in Phil 3:12, daily we “press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of us!”

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## St. Giles Women UPDATE FROM LEADERSHIP CONTIN...

As the women of St. Giles wait upon the Lord, seeking to know His heart for our endeavors, I would like to ask three things of you:

ASK the Lord if you might be a part of the leadership team. Women with unique gifts and an eagerness to serve are needed to contribute to this team with creativity and zeal! Please contact Missy Evans ([missy.evans7@gmail.com](mailto:missy.evans7@gmail.com)) if you would like more information.

SEEK how the Lord is wanting to engage your unique gifts and willingly say YES to His invitation to you to serve women.

Regularly KNOCK on the doors of heaven for this important facet of the St. Giles family. Pray for wisdom for leadership, revelation of God's plan for women and an understanding of how to execute His strategies.

### Looking Ahead...

**March 17<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm-8:30pm**

Esther: A Feast of Purim "An Evening of Feasting & Gladness"! Attention ALL St. Giles Women! Please join us as we wrap up our season of studying the book of Esther with Beth Moore. Even if you did not participate in the study, we want you to join us as we seize a God-given time of "happiness and joy, gladness and honor" (Es 8:16). **RSVP to the church office by Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. Please see the St. Giles website for more information and what to bring.**

### We want your input regarding women's issues

Be looking for a survey regarding women's issues at St. Giles. It will be sent to your email through an online service called Survey Monkey. PLEASE take the time to fill it out and return it! We can't promise a free trip as an incentive, but your input is significant and will be seriously considered! We CAN promise a new, relevant approach to meeting women's needs if you provide your input! If you do not have email, it will be available in hard copy form too!

### Do you have ideas for Connection Group topics?

Are you hungry for teaching on practical issues of the Christian life? Do certain books of the Bible currently stir your interest? Please let Missy Evans ([missy.evans7@gmail.com](mailto:missy.evans7@gmail.com)) know of any ideas you have for a small group study in the coming year and if you would like to teach/lead a short term study.

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## St. Giles Women UPDATE FROM LEADERSHIP CONTIN...

### The Women's Leadership

Our leadership is seeking to network, grow in vision and broaden leadership skills by attending a conference in the coming months. Please pray with us as we consider what and when. We will keep you updated and pass along any information we gain!

### Esther Update

Our last meeting of the Beth Moore, Esther, bible study concluded Tuesday, March 3. Many of us have been greatly impacted by the richness of this study! Thank you to Marty Barkey & Melanie Boyd for facilitating the Tuesday morning study and Sara Jo Burns & Jennifer Putnam for their leadership of the Wednesday evening study. Also, we would like to thank Christie Barber, Cristi Slate & Sonya Littler for their willingness to come early Tuesday mornings and help with set-up and clean-up! Lacy Larson also aided Sara Jo with technical issues & periodic leadership. The changed hearts and transformed lives could not have happened without each of them and their faithful commitment to serve!

*"I never saw myself as a warrior, partnering with God to see His purposes executed. This perspective has changed me as a wife and mother!"* Testimony of a Tuesday morning participant.

Please see the St. Giles Website for details regarding the Esther: A Feast of Purim! We are looking for volunteers to help with set-up and decorating! Contact Missy Evans if you would like to contribute to the preparation of this event.

### Helpful Resources:

*[The Supernatural Ways of Royalty: Discovering Your Rights and Privileges of Being a Son or Daughter of God](#)* by [Bill Johnson](#) and Kris Vallotton. Reveals your true identity as a child of the King of Kings, royal heir to the eternal Kingdom of God.

*[The Normal Christian Life](#)* by Watchman Nee. This great Christian classic unfolds the theme of Christ our Life.

*[FROM MOAB TO BETHLEHEM... journey to the King](#)* by Cynthia Shomaker. An in-depth study of the biblical book of Ruth.

*[Invitation to Solitude and Silence: Experiencing God's Transforming Presence](#)* by Ruth Haley Barton.

[www.epcwomeninministry.org](http://www.epcwomeninministry.org) "Ministry to women per women asking what we believe."

[www.FullFill.org](http://www.FullFill.org) "You can help others as you are filled."

[www.waymakers.org](http://www.waymakers.org) "Preparing God's way through prayer."

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## *Aletheia* MINISTRIES

“and the **TRUTH** will set you free”

Questions and Answers from Ellen Westover

### WHAT IS ALETHEIA MINISTRIES?

The word “Aletheia”, pronounced: (al ay thee’ a) is the Greek word for “truth” found in scripture. The name was birthed out of the scripture John 8:32, “and you shall know the Truth (aletheia) and the Truth shall set you free”. This ministry is an inner freedom/deliverance ministry. It is simple, Spirit-led and effective. Through the workings of the Holy Spirit, we are able to uncover blocks and strongholds in minutes instead of years. The sole purpose is to connect people to God the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit in truth. Their desire is for the Body of Christ to understand their God-given identity and the truth of who God is.

### HOW WE GOT STARTED!

In 2007 a small St. Giles connection group became drawn to the subject of inner healing. From the humble beginnings of friends ministering to friends, along with training from other ministries such as Sozo (the greek word for “saved, healed, delivered) from Bethel Church in Redding California, Elijah House, (Paul Sanford) Theophostic Prayer Ministry and others, Aletheia Ministries was birthed. We have now been ministering to the people of St. Giles and others around the Charlotte area for three years. God gave us a vision to expand the ministry this past summer and we held our first training conference in January, taught by Percy Burns, Kathy Davis, Gerry Edwards, Sandy Stump and Ellen Westover. Sixty plus people attended the complete training; about half were out of this church body and half from the surrounding Charlotte Metro area. On our Friday night Deliverance Session, led by Percy Burns, we had over 100 people attend. Out of this training, 20 people have been led to join our ministry team and will complete follow-up training and be plugged into the ministry. God’s hand has truly been on this ministry and we are seeing much fruit. We are now able to reach many more people in the Charlotte area with God’s freeing truth.

### WHAT’S NEXT?!

We have a vision for much more to come. Inner freedom is one spoke in the wheel of the St. Giles vision statement: Upward, Inward, and Outward. **Aletheia Ministries** helps people discover who they are in Christ and who Christ is in them.

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## *Aletheia* MINISTRIES (CONT.)

Looking forward we see other ministries in the works. **ALETHEIA KIDS:** Our heart is to have a “safe place” for children and youth to receive freedom and deliverance and to send our youth out into the world free and unbroken. Our prayer is for the young generation to know how God sees them and have an authentic connection to God the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. There will be more to come, stay tuned!!

**Lazarus Life:** This will be a follow through support of all who are ministered to by Aletheia. We will provide teaching, resources and mini-retreats to help people keep their walk in freedom, learn their identity in Christ and the giftings given by Him.

If you were unable to attend the conference in January, there is more training to come. We are looking to do another “basic training” conference in the fall, along with **AM Advance** training session for those who are ready to go deeper. **The audio sessions from our January conference will soon be available on the St. Giles website: [www.stgilesepc.org](http://www.stgilesepc.org)**

It is the heart of a loving God who desires to bring life, restoration, and healing by removing our “grave clothes” and setting us on the path of freedom and outreach. It never ceases to amaze me that God chooses to let us be a part of His miraculous work. I am personally blessed each and every time I am able to be a part of what he is doing!

Ellen Westover,  
Co-Founder – Aletheia Ministries

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## LIVING STONES

St. Giles Small Group Ministry



You also are like living stones. As you come to Him, you are being built into a house for worship. ~ 1 Peter 2:5

St. Giles' small group ministry is under construction, and God is using "living stones" like you to build it! We're excited about this vital aspect of life together and the ways in which our church family is connecting with the Lord and one another in small group settings.

### God Has Created Us to Be in Relationship!

George Gallup (of Gallup Polls) notes, "Americans are among the loneliest people in the world." Sadly, this seems to be true, even in the Body of Christ. It's all too easy for us to become disconnected through over-commitment and a preoccupation with the things of this world. But God has created us as relational beings, and His intention is for us to live in an intimate relationship with Him and in meaningful relationship with one another.

In his recent book, *Creating Community*, Andy Stanley (Charles Stanley's son) writes, "*The kind of connections we need are more than casual. Casual connections aren't life-giving. They can't provide what Jesus dreams for and what He died for. They can't provide the oneness with God or oneness with each other that makes the world take notice. The kind that God uses in the hearts of people. The kind that transforms lives. Only the church in community can display that kind of relational oneness. Only God's Spirit unleashed through His Body can make that kind of difference...*"

*"This is what God has called the church to be about: creating environments where authentic community can take place. Building relational, transforming communities where people are experiencing oneness with God and oneness with one another. Communities that are so satisfying, so unique, and so compelling that they create thirst in a watching world"* (p. 45).

The purpose of Living Stones is to create opportunities for members, friends, and visitors to live in community and experience the reality of our church's

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## LIVING STONES (Cont).

St. Giles Small Group Ministry

Destination Statement: Pursuing the heart of God together by moving...

**UPWARD** ... Lifting up Word and Spirit in a life of wholehearted worship

**INWARD** ... Discovering who we are in Christ and who Christ is in us

**OUTWARD**...Recognizing our spiritual gifts and using them to reach our world for Jesus

We're seeing this happening in increasing measure as small groups meet and experience oneness together in the Lord.

The Living Stones leadership team\* continues to pray and seek the Lord's plan for 2010 and beyond. Our heart and intention is to build on the foundation that has already been laid, acknowledging as we do that Jesus Christ alone is our "*chief cornerstone*" (1 Peter 2:6-7). Each time we meet, the Lord is faithful to communicate *His* heart and intention for Living Stones. Our primary goals for this year include...

Encouraging and training small group leaders

Raising up new leaders

Establishing new small groups

Strengthening our upward, inward, and outward focus

Together, let's continue to be built up into a spiritual house that wholeheartedly worships the Lord...encourages us to discover who we are in Christ and who He is in us...and empowers us to reach our world for Christ. Continue to look for exciting and encouraging updates in this newsletter!

Your Fellow Living Stone,

*Karen White*

\* The current Living Stones leadership team consists of...

Lon & Shari Adams

Marty Barkey

Deanne Smith

Doug Smith

Karen White

Please contact Karen White if you are interested in belonging to a small group -

[whitewillows@comporium.net](mailto:whitewillows@comporium.net)

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## The Nehemiah Vision Committee

A few weeks ago, the Nehemiah Vision Committee sent a personal letter to all the membership of St. Giles, but we are also doing a reprint of the same information here.

After meeting for almost two years, the Nehemiah Vision Committee feels the Lord is refining our vision regarding the St. Giles campus. There has been a steady conviction to keep pressing forward in faith, for the plans that are in God's heart to expand and/or improve our facilities.

The committee and the Session have come to agreement on the first step toward making our vision a reality. We have signed a contract with WGM Design (a Charlotte architectural firm) and starting sometime in February, they will conduct a research to develop viable and cost effective options, and a plan for St. Giles to consider.

For many years, money has been set aside and earmarked specifically for buildings and improvements. Existing money will be accessed for this first step, with a total amount to be spent of \$12,500. This first step does not commit us to a building program. Any recommendations will be applicable for the next several years, or until we decide to move forward with a larger commitment.

Please know that you may direct any and all questions to anyone on the Nehemiah Vision Committee.

Kindest Regards,

The Nehemiah Vision Committee:

Bruce Andrews-chair, David Evans-vice-chair, Daniel Burns, Tim Burns, Mick Campbell, Steve Keller, Kay McGarity, Marlise Newman, and Bob Poole

Session: Jeff Barhite, Bud Carrier, Gerry Edwards, Norman Kaneklides, Steve Keller, and Eric Newman

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## Loaves & Fishes

Food Pantry Generates Christ-Like Love by Ron James

A homeless man and his fiancé, Joseph & Diana, came to us for food in February. Joseph said he really appreciated the food. They accepted an invitation to worship and have been visiting regularly ever since. Money from St. Giles' "Thank Offering" provided housing for a week, and then Joseph offered to repair wind-damage to the motel's roof for two additional weeks of lodging. The Lord and motel manager worked out this deal, but what about the future?

"We've never been without jobs or a home before," Joseph explained. "A few months ago, Diana and I found ourselves in a financial position we'd never experienced. Due to a series of decisions and a poor economy, while seeking assistance to meet our basic needs, we were referred to Loaves and Fishes, which in turn introduced us to St. Giles. Both Loaves and Fishes and St. Giles have shown us a Christ-like love that has called us home to a faith of which we had lost sight. We are thankful to God and his guidance in bringing us not only to a place of help, but also a place of love and worship in our lives."

## Charlotte Awake

Charlotte Awake is a ministry that was birthed from the need to see dramatic change in the Charlotte-Metrolina Region toward church unity and accountability. Coming together with a Prayer, Care and Share strategy, this is being accomplished by involving major ministries, local churches and pastors, lay leadership, major businesses and other non-profits. Charlotte Awake will be a catalyst for transformation.

Outreach Opportunity: Join several members of St. Giles and help out at the Charlotte Awake Prayer Tent. The tent is located on the corner of Tryon and Trade every first and third Wed. from 10am – 1 pm. For more information go to [www.charlotteawake.com](http://www.charlotteawake.com)

## Israel Trip

Please be in prayer for Jeanne Corwin, John Brown and Frank & Sharon Bynum who will be in Israel March 1-11.

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## Missionaries We Support

### Alongside Ministries

Doni & Gail Lilo (Albania)

### EPC

Paul & Elizabeth Branch (Argentina)  
Jonathan & Fozia Young (India)

### Exciting Word Ministries

Steve & Cornelia Robinson (India)

**Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminar**  
Chaplaincy: Percy Burns

**International Friendship Ministries**  
Raj & Cathy Aluri (South Carolina)

### Rooted, Inc.

Michael & Esther Franklin (Scotland)

### Mission to Unreached Peoples

Corey & Angelika Booher (Poland)  
The Watkins

### Wycliffe

Ron & Marty Barkey  
Bill & Sally Dyck  
Rister & Esther Jenkins  
Mark & Kirstin Jenkins  
John & Bonnie Price  
Mary Walker

### YWAM, Tyler TX

Glenn & Carol Price

## News from our Missionaries



On Tuesday, January 12, a powerful earthquake caused massive damage in Haiti, and in particular the capital city of Port-au-Prince. Many faith communities and missions agencies have provided ministry to the survivors. Two that share close ties with St Giles are YWAM's Mercy Works and JAARs. Glenn Price writes that Mercy Works sent their sixth medical team to Haiti on February 22 along with a "Container of Compassion" filled with all kinds of supplies to outfit a Refugee Camp. To date YWAM Mercy Works has medically treated over 20,000 people with more than 100 volunteers. The ongoing need is great, and we will be continuing to work in Haiti at least throughout 2010.

Doni and Gail Lilo will arrive in Charlotte on Friday April 23rd to prepare for the birth of their second child. The Lilo's need to borrow a car and are asking the body at St. Giles if anyone has as a car their family could use. Please let the church office know if you can help in this way.

Corey and Angelika, Daniel and Samuel will arrive in the states approximately April 15<sup>th</sup> and will stay through the end of May. While they are here they'll need to borrow the following items: High Chair, Stroller, Pak-N-Go. Please call let the church office know if you can help with any of the above items.

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## News from our Missionaries Cont...



From Mike & Esther Franklin: Café News: “After being closed for over a year, it was great to see the café used for outreach! The café is strategically located on the main high street in Lanark and we believe it will be a light to the community. We’ve already had a great response from the outreach events and our hope is that in opening the café there will be an increasing impact.

A Personal Note: Things are generally going well. In regard to our new location and roles, we both believe we are right where God wants us and we feel a sense of purpose and satisfaction in what we are doing. We are blessed by the relationships we are forming here as well. However, we do miss having our close friends from the past season so nearby.

We sold our flat in September in a difficult market—praise God! We are praying for the right place to put down roots here. We have not seen anything yet. Please pray with us for God’s provision with a home (great home, finances for down payment, favor with mortgage lender, etc.)”