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Prayer: Dear Lord evangelist on earth reporting sir - thanking you, asking your blessing on our worship today as we report to the Church some of the facts you already know ... so you are our witness ... if our heart is pure bless us ... kill me

I am Kelly Lawson, widower, 73 years old, non-paid volunteer evangelist and servant at Main Street Church of Christ ... I do not sign checks.

Today our Worship will consist of a Report to the Church, the congregation here, our supporting congregations and our 6,693 house Churches throughout the world and you our very special radio and internet Audience who worship in your homes with us by Radio & Internet ... every Lord's Day

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Here is the stuff ... those in the US ... Postage \$... foreign go to web site print Every sermon I've preached since 2006 in our library on the Website

Titus 1:5 For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee

How to take a 19th century inter-city congregation in the hood into the 21st century ...

If God empowers us will not only survive but thrive

II Timothy 4: 5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

William Ralston Harding Bible Major – doesn't care \$ - Pay college + expenses

Administration this place nightmare – office manager- evangelist in training

up town new generation ...

Vito Luna - truck driver student evangelist wiped out -1/4 million \$ we lost 200wk Deuteronomy 15:12 indentured bond servant V:16-17 "love thee: ... "awl" ... ear? Proverbs 29:18 Where [there is] no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy [is] he.

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I am an evangelist ... all my life has been training for what I'm doing right now ...

I know you think it takes a great man for the job but there is No such thing as great men ... there is just plain old ordinary men who face great challenges ...

Again, this is a report of my ministry. Twenty-three years ago, my wife had been in the hospital nine times in a diabetic coma and she was down to 80 pounds. I had two heart attacks trying to take care of her and run an environmental engineering company with over a million a year in sales. So I came to Peak & Eastside hoping just to sit on the back row and go to Heaven.

Being the Prodigal Son of this congregation and the greatest of sinners, I have never thought that I am worthy to be the minister of the Main Street Church of Christ. Prior to 23 years ago, there is nothing in my life that does not bring me shame.

The truth is, I have failed at everything I have ever done in life but this ...

I have spent 9 1/2 years of my life in prison, mainly at the Federal Penitentiary in Leavenworth, Kansas, for multiple bank robberies, organized crime and weapons violations. Don't get me wrong, I was a very successful businessman, until the Federal Government decided that I was not a simple bar and liquor store owner, who just happened to be in the produce business.

On the other hand, since I became a Christian, I have personally discipled and baptized over 5,000 souls ... yeah, but some of you might say, 'you fell on your face, 40 years ago and are a de-frocked preacher... so was Moses'

Well, I might be de-frocked but this is the rest of the story and what I've done since being twice-saved. You do believe preachers can be restored don't you?

So, before I croak, I intend to justify by this report to the congregation and the world ... my office of evangelist for the past 23 years here at Main Street.

Authority: In all things we have only scripture for authority – You set me apart

I call heaven & earth to bear witness I have done my best to led you in following orders:

I Corinthians 2:1-2 And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. 2 For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

Acts 20:26-27 Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I [am] pure from the blood of all [men]. 27 For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.

Acts 20:33-35 I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel. (I don't even sign on the checkbook)

Acts 20:34-35 Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me. 35 I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

Mark 16:15-16 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. 16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Everything in I & II Timothy and Titus was written as instructions to evangelists

II Timothy 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

II Timothy 3:15-17 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. 16 All scripture [is] given by inspiration of God, and [is] profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works

II Timothy 4:1-5 I charge [thee] therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom; 2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; 4 And they shall turn away [their] ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. 5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

Romans 12:18-21 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. 19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but [rather] give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance [is] mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. 20 Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. 21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

Fred Vaughn, Burnett Wood & I looked at our neighborhood. Said said

"all of them homeless out there that ain't hostile let's feed em something to eat"

Matthew 25:35 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:

Jail & Hospital Chaplains ...

Matthew 25:36 Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.

Our World – Missionary

** This is the best part of the story ...

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Here is the stuff

Twenty-three years ago, I was out of duty, I walked the aisle here, confessed my sins, and dedicated what's left of my life to Jesus my Lord. Brother W. O. Scoggins, who had served here as an elder for over fifty years, encouraged me to preach and teach again. He cared not that my name was Mud. He just had that unique ability to look beyond what I was and he could clearly see what I could not ... all that I could become in Christ Jesus.

I found a Church of seniors out of order ... in which a bully & his disciples ran

Because of unfaithfulness regarding filthy money, the responsibility of this place fell upon me seventeen years ago when there were only 40 of us left. God had well prepared me in the furnace of affliction and his discipline I had well-learned.

We immediately found ourselves under lawsuit by ungodly men for \$120,000.00 plus legal fees over a flim-flam scam perpetrated by the previous administration regarding a computer and copy machine. Being a poor Church with no money or assets, this property was in great jeopardy.

I approached a very wealthy Church that our forefathers in this congregation helped plant and asked for their help with a lawyer ... I must admit that my reputation surely preceded me as a matter of gossip.

They told me no – I gave them a chance to get the blood off their hands and asked they simply "retain for \$500 a lawyer" for us – no - crying in the car I told God: I am not going around to congregations and beg for money ... I'm going to depend on you and preach the gospel and feed the poor – you are going to supply the money.

That coming Sunday a stranger came in the lobby in blue jean bib-coveralls and asked me if I could write him a receipt for his contribution and he counted me out \$10,000 cash.

The very next Sunday he returned and counted me out another \$5,000 ...

What about it church, Do You Believe In Miracles??

I believe it's as plain as the nose on your face ... God's Alive! God Did It!!

Hebrews 11:6 But without faith [*it is*] impossible to please [*him*]: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and [*that*] he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

He may not have been a heavenly angel, but he was surely a messenger sent by God.

I immediately sought counsel from:

Brother Adair Chapman – his widow's here today

The White Rock preacher and eldership – give property to them, they lease back to us – No Thanks

Jack Keller for a "bulldog-fighting lawyer"

We:

Hired Hal Maxwell, attorney-at-law and others and countersued.

I asked the church to appoint other faithful men as trustees of the property.

Forced one thief to return \$30,000, of the hundreds of thousands stolen.

Dis-fellowshipped the other thief, who was in prison, when he refused to repent. Settled the lawsuit for \$17,000.00 and paid the lawyer.

It was a near thing, but God delivered us from the snare of Satan.

Twenty-three years ago, there was over a hundred seniors here when I began burying them. Twelve years ago, there were only 40 of them left and I have buried all but five of the 40. I loved them all, visited with them in their homes, in the hospitals, nursing homes, protected them, fed them, and served them to the very best of my ability.

I must confess, I have a dog in this hunt. In 1903, the Kelly family and the Lawson families left Tennessee on covered wagons and came to Peak and Main (as it was known then), and helped establish this church. My grandparents were buried here in the 1930s. My parents were married here in 1928, and I was born here in 1944. My parents were buried here in the 1980s. As a boy, I well remember rushing to Lakewood to beat the Baptists to Wyatt's Cafeteria. And to really tell the truth, beat the brethren from Pearl & Bryan and Sears & Summit too.

In the last 23 years, we have maintained a church in the middle of the 'hood, dedicated ourselves to preaching, radio and internet, and feeding.

Radio Station Pictures ...

On December 6 of 2015, we were doubling our international broadcast from ten to twenty, and it was to be a great day, rejoicing in celebration. At 6:00 in the morning that Sunday I had to take my wife, Ginger, to Baylor Hospital in an ambulance because of her diabetes and high blood pressure. That day, she contracted an antibiotic-resistant super virus, giving her ADEM and paralyzing her for the past year. When I arrived at church I learned from our sound technician that rats had eaten our speaker and microphone wires, and we had no sound system. Being a professional public speaker I have always know that you preach and speak to the back row and not to the microphone, so I had no problem preaching. Our kitchen manager informed me that rats had run amuck in our supply room before, and they are filthy creatures that carry disease and urinate when they run... They destroyed all of our back stock of paper plates, to-go boxes, knives, forks, and spoons, etc. - over \$3,000 worth, an entire dumpster full of supplies. Ginger suffered terribly for a year, and I spoon-fed her daily, emptying her catheter and colostomy bags until she went to be with the Lord on October 28. Let me ask you, what power is there on earth that can paralyze and murder an evangelist's wife, who is also lord of the rats, on the very day that God doubles from ten to twenty international radio broadcasts preaching the gospel to all of the world? Now that I'm a widower, please pray for me, that I can dedicate all of the time and energy that I dedicated to Ginger, to being a better Christian, preacher, evangelist, teacher and servant of the poor.

To all those I have sinned against or offended with my life, I beg you in the name of Jesus to forgive me. He has ... and now I finally walk in His paths, preach His word to all the world, minister to the poor, the meek and the down trodden and I will sing His praises forever with the saints in glory.

Thank you Ginger

NOW PUNISH the DEVIL

Early Church added members - individually, one at a time

Acts 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added [*unto them*] about three thousand souls.

Acts 2:47 Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

Multiplied members.

Acts 6:7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Added congregations -

Acts 9:31 Then had the churches rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.

Acts 12:24 But the word of God grew and multiplied.

Churches ... whole congregations ... were added daily ...

Acts 16:5 And so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily.

Acts 19:20 So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed.

This is where we are at right now ... we are adding house churches daily multiple congregations.

As of last month we have added 6,693 house Churches.

Goal: 100,000 house Churches and broadcast all 24 hours each Sunday.

Who did listen to 154,767 sermons or took written lessons or listened to a cappella song albums.

As of last month we also had 11,820 potential adherents as visitors

Step up and multiply house Churches.

The way we are going to do that is:

I want to make an evangelist out of each and every one of you.

I want each & every one you to dedicate, your mansion, your home, your house, your apartment, your shack, your hut, your shanty your lean-to, your abode; to the Lord.

½ way fellowship Church house between friends & neighbors & your local Congregation.

Do as Jesus taught:

Luke 14:21-24 So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. 22 And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. 23 And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel [them] to come in, that my house may be filled. 24 For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

Tell everyone we are like the original Church: "we gather together on Sunday for a fellowship meal followed by a short time in which we worship God in our home.

Next year I'm going to start back through the Bible again/ teaching the Seed lesson.

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History of this 120 year old congregation

Sold a piece property 2006 and we still have every penny in:

We own 53,989 sq. feet on Main, Peak & Eastside a little less $\frac{1}{2}$ a city block North Texas and specifically this property is in the Bullseye of the world For \$

This Property is going to go up and soar in value now regulations are off business

Election spared us the threat of property taxes ...

We have done everything possible to build a Church in this neighborhood ...

Mailed Door to Door & House to House

Young man from the Memphis School of Preaching mailed every address Downtown

Brought William Ralston a Harding University who was Bible major and we want to take him on as an indentured bond servant a ... mistheos ...

He is going to try and evangelize a younger generation in this uptown crowd.

If any of you can support him, contact me, or go to Paypal on our website, and why not make it a recurring gift in support of this young evangelist.

Our options are:

Stay here, build a new generation, inner-city church.

Sell the building

Large house, 2 lots

13 acres, steel building

\$ for Radio and internet for 100 years

Website B.W. Johnson Preached 1860-1894 Illinois, J.W. McGarvey 1860-1911 Lexington Ky. College & Burton Coffman every verse commentary finished 1992