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## A FRESH NEW START!

From Mexico to Marion, God has been moving among FIRE Church and the students at FIRE School. Those who had the opportunity to take a missions trip to Mexico, came back with life changing testimonies of how God moved in the lives of those they ministered to, as well as in their own lives. Shortly after

arriving back, the students joined the school in Marion, NC for Immersion. Together with FIRE Chicago we shared a time of unity, fellowship, and the presence of God. Not one person was able to leave without acknowledging that the Father was there and that he was beginning to

move like never before in our lives. As we have been awakened to the anticipation of what God is about to pour out on His people at FIRE we enter into the semester with excitement and expectancy. In prayer we urgently seek God for His direction, His heart, and for the revival that we so desperately desire.

## A New Perspective

My name is Amber Hunt. I am a first year student at FSM. I would like to humbly share a short but life changing lesson with you that has taken me almost 25 years of constant battle to receive.

My prayer is that you will allow God to fill your heart with this truth preventing you from having to find out through personal experience.

The lesson is this- Do not take advantage of

the privileges that God hands you or the places He sends you. Make every single moment count by living in excellence, being faithful in the littlest things that do not seem to matter or have purpose. They are the canvass that God has picked to draw His kingdom plan for you upon. What you decide to do with the small things have more eternal value than you could ever imagine. When you look back in the end you realize it was those small

things that added up to make your life's portrait. Your little choices are what determines whether you end up a crumpled mess in the trash headed for the incinerator or become a glorious masterpiece hanging in a gallery for eternity.

“If you are faithful in little things, you will be faithful in large ones. But if you are dishonest in little things, you won't be honest with greater responsibilities.” Luke 16:10 NLT

## FIRE, GIVING OR RECEIVING?



FIRE School has been taking the Gospel to Guadalajara, Mexico and demonstrating the power of God since 1998. Many churches have been impacted by the FIRE teams who have gone to serve the people of Guadalajara. FIRE School students carry the seed of Revival and the FIRE of

God into every place they serve. FIRE students have the opportunity to preach, teach, share their testimonies and pray down the power of God as they minister to those hungry for MORE of God! Testimonies of healing, deliverance and refreshing follow each service. The team also

has opportunities to feed hungry children. They have opportunities to share the fathers love to the fatherless by playing and praying with them.

Dr. Josh Peters

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## CHANGING LIVES HERE AND THERE

My trip to Mexico was a transforming time in my life and something I will never forget. I think the most powerful thing was just seeing the power of God being demonstrated. There were countless times where I could not even stand up straight because the glory of God was so powerfully

present in the room. Even the joy of the Lord fell on me. It was so wonderful being with people who are part of a different ethnic group with the same hunger, thirst, and DNA that we have here at FIRE. I look forward to eventually being a missionary in Mexico and seeing God raise up

his people from among a different nation to send out. The trip wasn't just about us giving what God has shown us, instead it went both ways and we received just as much from them!

-Michele

## A PRAYING CHURCH

Steve and Sabra Alt consider it an honor to serve as elders over the prayer ministry at FIRE. Our vision is to see FIRE become a house of prayer for the nations. That means two

things: first, the campus is a place where prayer is constantly happening. Second, the body of believers at FIRE is consumed in prayer, both at home and elsewhere. God's vision

for FIRE is very large, and the only way we will fulfill it is to have a strong prayer base backing up everything we do.

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## PRAYER CONTINUED

We want every FIRE activity to have a prayer meeting backing it up, from the ushers to the evangelism to the Sunday service. A few prayer meetings have already been started, and more will be added throughout the week as people with burdens of prayer are released to start meetings. We want to see a culture of prayer emerge, where people know that if they want to pray, they can come

to the FIRE campus, because that is where prayer is always taking place. Later this year we plan to start a major prayer thrust for the FI missionaries, where every missionary family is receiving prayer and every family at FIRE is praying for at least one of our missionaries. Our goal is that everyone associated with FIRE is covered by prayer, and everyone at FIRE is praying for others on a daily basis. When this

happens, the vision to transform the region and change the world will come to pass. A new day is dawning, the fire will fall, and through prayer we are preparing the way for the coming of the Messiah.

Steve and Sabra Alt



## A SUPERNATURAL SAFARI

I went to Africa not really having any idea what I would be doing. I felt completely inadequate, and honestly I was a little unsure of whether I was even supposed to be there or not. Deep down in my heart I knew that Africa was the right place to go, but my head was telling me so many other things. Being thrown out of my comfort zone was one

of the most terrifying yet beneficial things that I had ever been forced to experience. I found that I grew so much from merely doing things I wasn't used to doing. God knew exactly what needed to happen to make me grow, and he threw it at me with full force. I came back from Africa with a confidence that I never thought I would be able

to have.

If I could sum up my entire internship experience in one phrase, it would probably be: "facing my fears." I don't think I even knew I had so many fears until I decided to fly to Africa, by myself, to work with people I didn't even know.



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*"I was scared to death...I knew I was supposed to be there."*

Though, at many times I was scared to death, and a lot of the time felt out of place, I knew that was where I was supposed to be. In the end God revealed to me the most effective way to get over the fear of stepping out is this: just do it. If you live your life in fear of what may

happen, you may miss out on all of the great opportunities God is putting right in front of you. God is faithful. Just do it.

-Katelynn Vandenberg



## Serving Bonnke

As I reflect back to when I began Fire School of Ministry, then fast forward to now, I would have never believed the kinds of doors that would be opened up just by diligently and patiently sticking with what God placed in my heart. It has been a hard road and don't get me wrong,

there were times I almost threw in the towel for many different reasons. But the more I stick to it and pursue him, the more doors just keep opening. Just last year if you would have told me that I would have done an internship at Christ for All Nations with Daniel Kolenda and Reinhard Bonnke I would have laughed, but

as many know that is what truly happened. There are so many things I could say about this internship. When I first got there it was my dream just to ride off into the wind and preach with these guys to millions at the crusades. I knew in reality that this would not happen.




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I put it in my mind to be a servant and to serve in all areas as God would see fit. Most of my jobs were, as many would view them, menial and lacking in purpose. I did everything from cleaning, working in the mail room, accounting, e-mailing, making Christmas Cards, calling pastors, driving a box truck, and more. There were many times when, unsatisfied, I would think "God my

heart is to preach and minister." Then He really spoke to me, ministry to him is all aspects of life no matter how menial the task seems, every job is just as important as any other because they all serve the greater purpose of getting the word out to the lost. It was then I realized why I was there and prayed, "God it is such an honor just to be here, so I will make the best of it." The

godliness, character, passion and fire that Mr. Bonnke and Mr. Kolenda carry surpasses words. It was such an honor to serve them and Christ For All Nations. Remember just like in the parable of the talents, be faithful with the little talents you have and invest them, then he will add more.

-Jacob Brown

## Friendsville, Maryland!

Since arriving at FIRE School in 2010, I have had the wonderful opportunity to travel to Maryland several times to serve Pastor Mike and Sandy Robinson of The Anchor. Connecting with different parts of the body of Christ is an amazing part of traveling with the school on different ministry trips. Every time I revisit one of the churches that we have been to before, it's like seeing family that you haven't been around in a while. Everyone catches up with the things that are happening in their lives as well as what God is doing in and through them. This trip was no different. Friday night we had the privilege to serve the Anchor

through worship and preaching of the Word and watched as God moved upon several of the youth that were attending. Many of the people that were in attendance came up for prayer after the service and it was awesome to see the Lord moving upon the people's hearts. Saturday we were able to perform a bunch of practical jobs around The Anchor to help further the vision that they have for their surrounding area. Often times these kinds of jobs are overlooked as ministry yet these types of things are often the backbone of the work that is taking place. The men were gathered up to do some heavy lifting and cleanup

while the women got together and put together a garden. At the end of the day everyone came together and ate, hung out, and we finished the night with a time of prayer. Sunday was our final day at the Anchor, and again we had the amazing privilege to serve as the worship team as well as to hear several testimonies from our students and the preaching of the Word. Again we witnessed God moving upon the hearts of the people and many received prayer and encouragement. Overall we had a great weekend and it was an honor to serve The Anchor along side of my fellow students.

-Sean Graham



## Interning with Dr. Brown

During my internship I was privileged enough to serve under Ask Dr. Brown/ ICN Ministries. To many people my internship may not have seemed that exciting or impacting. I wasn't out on the streets preaching the gospel, I wasn't out running a homeless shelter, and I wasn't changing the world one prophetic word at a time. Actually, most of my internship consisted of me in a mail room for two hours followed by overseeing Dr. Brown's radio show until 4 PM. So at face value my internship doesn't sound all that groundbreaking. In fact, it may even sound boring or repetitive. But, through prayer and simple conversations with the Lord, I discovered that it's the little things that seem mundane, that God considers the fundamental seeds to change the world. Within my time preparing

thousands of letters to ministry supporters, I had a lot of time to think. Sometimes my mind would wander, questioning if I was even making the slightest difference for ICN. Sometimes I would be very proud of accomplishing certain tasks given to me. It wasn't until about the 6<sup>th</sup> week when Dr. Brown took the time out of his schedule to encourage me that I was doing a good job, that the Lord supernaturally downloaded this truth into my spirit. My perspective did a complete 180 in believing if I was making a difference or not. Suddenly every letter I stuffed became an eternal task in which only I could complete. The opportunity to pray over each CD as they were being packed, curious to know if that message would spark the birth of the next Smith Wigglesworth or Billy Graham. My heart and mind became

fixated on the possibilities that laid before me. The weight of knowing that Dr. Brown's success honestly couldn't sustain itself without the work of armor bearers taking up the little tasks blew my mind. My time and experience with ICN Ministries was priceless and I wouldn't have changed a thing about it. I was able to go on the ministry trips with Dr. Brown and I even had the opportunity to accompany him to the 2011 Apologetics Conference (IT WAS SO AWESOME!!) God did so much in my heart during my time with ICN and I am deeply grateful for all their hospitality and support. I consider everyone at ICN my friend and I pray that I always carry the tools and teachings that they helped impart in me.

-Clay Pauley

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## R. E. A. C. H.

March 22-25 FIRE School and FIRE Church held an outreach event in Downtown Charlotte and the Logan Community in Concord.

The event kicked off Thursday night with all night corporate prayer. This was a focused time of worship and prayer for the community around us.

On Friday we evangelized in the Logan community and spread the word about the concert we were to be hosting on Saturday. After gathering for dinner together Friday night, we went to downtown Charlotte for a few hours of evangelizing and passing out "blessing

Sunday morning services were conducted by the FIRE School students and staff. It was a powerful time of personal testimonies and testimonies from the weekend of outreach. Keith Collins preached a convicting message of being bold disciples to our own community. After sharing lunch together, we went back to the Logan Community and the UNC Charlotte campus for more evangelizing. And Again, the Kingdom of God was enlarged as a student on the UNC Charlotte campus repented of his sins!

bags" to the homeless. Our initial plan was to gather at the main intersection downtown. We were going to have live worship music, prayer and outreach. The Lord had other plans - heavy thunderstorms forced us to stay in our vans and pray for direction. A word came forward to head to the main bus terminal (it is covered). The harvest was plentiful! The Word was preached to thirsty hearts, sick bodies were healed, faith was restored to the backslidden and sin was repented of. Praise God!

On Saturday, we went to the

Sunday night we all gathered together for a time of fellowship and testimonies.

There were many testimonies from the weekend, but the testimonies of lives being surrendered to Jesus are always the most encouraging! One 22-year old young man, in particular, had been praying to God every night for the past several months to show up in his life if indeed He was real. When the Gospel was shared to him in boldness, he felt conviction for his fallen state and he knew that God was revealing Himself. He

Logan Community in Concord to host our concert.

Again, the Lord proved faithful as souls were ushered into the Kingdom! Salvation in the name of Jesus was proclaimed, bodies were healed and 7 people repented of their sins and placed their faith in Jesus Christ. Praise God! After gathering for dinner Saturday night, a small group went back to the bus terminal in downtown Charlotte. And again, the Kingdom of God was enlarged as a convicted felon out on bail repented of his sins and surrendered his life to Christ.

bowed his head in the middle of Logan, with his homeboys looking on, and repented of his sins. In the midst of such darkness and oppression in that community, it was a beautiful moment of Perfect Light casting out all darkness. Praise God!

-Neil Broere



God moves during the REACH outreach.



Reaching out to the children of Logan Community

## We're So Proud of our Grads!



Graduates receiving prayer during FSM's Graduation Ceremony.



Jacob Brown was the valedictorian of his class. He also received the Student's Choice Award.

## Class of 2012

Sunday  
May 13th



Katelynn Vandenberg received the Female Ministry Award.



Gabriel Sanchez received the Male Ministry Award.



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## **CHICAGO FIRE!**

This past semester I was in Chicago doing my internship for FIRE School of Ministry Chicago. My passion is Christ Himself and exalting Him above and beyond anything else. This is one of the reasons why I went to Chicago. I was drawn there by the Lord, when I got there I was just overwhelmed by the needs of the people. Chicago is one of the largest cities in the nation and it is filled with lost people. Atheism is predominant and false religions are rising up; there are also homosexual communities, and the thousands upon thousands of young people roaming the streets. I was burdened and had a jealousy for the glory of God.

Being there I had the privilege of being involved in a variety of

ministry opportunities, such as: pastoral ministry, visiting hurting people, hearing stories of gang violence and people getting killed on a daily basis. One man I visited was in a coma because a gang beat him up for no reason. He was an elderly man with kids. Things like this happened daily, we need revival! I also was able to minister to high school students, where I went on a daily basis to reach out. I had the chance to pour into students lives who never truly heard the biblical gospel. At a teen challenge I taught the weekly chapel service. It was a huge blessing teaching to hungry men who want to be used by God. Many grew in their faith and hunger for more of Jesus. There was also a homeless ministry at the Church I was able to be a part of. Through this God really showed

me what it means to serve. Besides all this I took every opportunity I had to evangelize. Just lifting up the name of Jesus in: the universities, the Muslim neighborhoods, the high schools, etc.. God answered so much prayer as lives were transformed before my eyes.

This was an experience I will never forget, I would be glad to go again if the Lord were to call me back. May revival come to Chicago and to this nation. It really is the only hope. To God be the glory, Amen!

-Gabriel Sanchez



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