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# Witness for Jesus

**“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” Acts 1:8 (NKJV)**

Len Ministries was founded on this very command - “to be a witness for Jesus Christ.” Since 1996 we have been into 20 nations, sharing the Good News to more than 45,000 people and seeing almost 22,500 professions and almost 3,000 assurances in faith! But the most significant number is that almost 2,500 people have been equipped to continue training others to share their faith!

Leaders have been raised up in Russia (Bishop Guy Landry), Africa (Rev. Daniele Yetna), and in Central America (Missionary Garito Stanley). These faithful leaders

continue to train pastors in their local area and across their borders spreading the Gospel as well as raising up more leaders to assist them in reaching into other areas/nations.

Much work remains to be done around the world and here in the USA. The hosting churches are always encouraged to join the work that Christ

has given us to accomplish. Churches can pray, support, and/or train their people to go to the “streets” and other nations to win souls.

Often there are many hinderances that arise when a person or church decides to participate in sharing Jesus with others. We have seen sickness,

disease, a pandemic, and various wars. But the thing that excludes most people from joining the effort is just fear - fear of failure, fear of rejection, fear of inadequacy, and many other fears. Just be reminded that Jesus gave us the Holy Spirit and with that His power to overcome all of the fears (2Tim 1:7).

We need to be obedient, trust Him, and GO. At Len Ministries we delight to help you and your church to be an overcoming witness for Him. If you desire to be equipped to share your faith with confidence, or desire to go on a short-tem mission trip locally or internationally, we are here to help you accomplish your calling. Just let us know.

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# UCI



All Souls Chapel, UCI

**[RAIFORD, FLORIDA]** Wednesday of each week Rev. Len Showalter and Rev. Tony Cozier teach evangelism to a group of men that are incarcerated at Union Correctional Institution (UCI). The current course that is being taught is “Share Your Faith.” Typically, it consists of eight sessions and is taught on a Saturday in a local church, but Len is teaching it in two-hour sessions over eight weeks (or more due to normal prison schedule).

The class time also includes praise and worship as well as an encouraging word from the outside leaders. The lessons are led by an inmate that has been with Len Ministries for almost ten years and is very strong in God’s Word. Usually, there are eight to twelve inmates in attendance. (Sorry, but pictures of the inmates and campus are not allowed.)

Len is allowed to preach on Sundays about once a quarter and often delivers a word about evangelism and Christian character. In January, Len spoke on “being complacent.” Those present in All Souls Chapel (pictured left) requested that Len address the “I” dorm with this same message. (The “I” dorm is the “faith and character building” dorm.) Len was able to return on

March 9 to teach for the weekly two-hour “Share Your Faith” class, but then stayed for the evening to teach in the dorm.

The open dorm area was full of about 60 men and several officers. Len started with the lesson in Jeremiah 44 of the potter and clay emphasizing the typical people’s response in verse 12 - “it’s hopeless.” Noting that the temptation is always to return to what we know and what we used to do and in us is the aptitude to sin. He then encouraged the men to not be complacent, but to know their purpose. Len ended with a word that he had gotten from the Lord in a dream, “Allow yourself the opportunity to believe the impossible!” And then, Psalm 68:1 “let God arise and His enemies be scattered!” **LMI**



Painting on the wall in “I” dorm

## Oasis Retreat

**[MELROSE, FLORIDA]** A group of pastors and ministers (pictured below: l-r Don Maddox, Len Showalter, Marvin Hartley, Dot Horstman, Tony Nasrallah, Tony Cozier, Jim Hull, Ken Vensel, and Art Barnett) attended a prayer retreat at Lake Swan Camp (LSC) located about 90 minutes south of Jacksonville near Melrose. They were joined via phone by Michael Nelson.

They arrived on Thursday, March 31, after meeting first for lunch at Johnny’s BBQ in Keystone Heights. They stayed in various individual air conditioned rooms located on the property of LSC overlooking Lake Rosa across the street from Lake Swan on SR 26. Two meals (dinner &

breakfast) were served cafeteria style by the cheerful staff in the nearby dining hall.



Oasis prayer group at Lake Swan Camp

The annual event consisted of three two-hour prayer sessions lead by the Holy Spirit. The theme seemed to focus on “new wine and new wine skins.” Prayers were offered up by all to the Lord for those in attendance, their families, their churches, for Jacksonville, for our nation, for Russia and Ukraine.

Thursday evening Tony Cozier led the group in the sharing of communion. Marvin closed the time with an amazing rendition of “Watch the Lamb.” After a great night’s sleep and the final morning prayer session, the group headed Florida Cracker Kitchen in Keystone Heights. All returned home Friday afternoon refreshed in the Lord. **LMI**

# Cameroon



Daniele (left) teaching teachers

**[DOUALA, CAMEROON]** Rev. Daniele Yetna held a five-day intensive Evangelism Clinic in Douala January 24 to 28, 2022. Pastor Guy Landry from Ivanovo, Russia, is Daniele's older brother and he returned to Douala to assist Daniele and to visit with his family.



Douala, Cameroon Class of 2022 students and teachers

Also joining the leadership was Pastor Milton Fru, Pastor and Evangelist Jean Louis, and Rev. Francois, Director of EE for Cameroon. Len Showalter joined via zoom because of the COVID entry restrictions that were in place at that time.

The results of the week long training was fantastic: 204 people were contacted, the Gospel was shared 105 times to 171 people, and 124 persons received Christ or an assurance of their faith. All 19 students passed their exams and received their certificates! Daniele continues the follow-up work assisting the new trainers/teachers in implementation of the evangelism ministry into the various churches.

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Francois, Guy, and Milton



To the street to witness

# Woodland Acres

**[JACKSONVILLE, FL]** Rev. Len Showalter has been filling the pulpit at Woodland Acres Community Church, 8306 Free Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32211, since the passing of Rev. Gene Eberhardy February 12, 2022. (Please see "In Memory" on page 4.) Pastor Gene was a long term friend of about 40 years and Len jumped in to help with his church while Gene was in the hospital with COVID.

Len and Gene had met in the early eighties when Len was at Beaches Chapel in Neptune Beach and the church was holding Christian concerts to draw in young people. Gene was the lead in "John the Baptist" band. Until recently, Gene had been the senior pastor at Woodland Acres Community Church in the Arlington area for the past thirteen years.



Woodland Acres Community Church

Pastor Len has learned many lessons about pastoring a church and delivering a regular Word on Sundays. It has been a stretch in his spiritual growth and in his family time. He is enjoying helping the congregation grow in their knowledge and trust in the Lord as they look to the future.

Much work is needed to continue to bring the congregation up speed with their Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, and receptivity for visitors. Len is assisting with his administrative and delegative skills as well as interviewing for a replacement pastor for the congregation.

If you are in the area of Atlantic Boulevard and Arlington Road any Sunday at 10:45am, you are welcome to visit! And you might see Pastor Len.

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## In Memory....



**KEITH GIBBS**– Went to be with Jesus January 14, 2022, surrounded in love and prayer with his wife and family at the age of 68. Keith was a LMI board member and supporter of the ministry. He had a passion for Christ and sharing that love with others. He was a dive instructor, licensed yachtsman, firearms instructor, pilot, and avid softball player.

## In Memory....



**GENE EBERHARDY**– Went to Heaven to his Savior on February 12, 2022 at the age of 78. He served in the Army in Vietnam and was a founding member of the First National Rotagilla Band. After his conversion he founded John the Baptist Band, earned a Doc. in Theology, and served as a pastor. For 15+ years he served as the senior pastor of Woodland Acres Community Church.

# 2022



## A Note From Marcia...

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## Calendar

Please note: event dates and locations are subject to change and do not include travel dates.

(check [lenministries.org/wanna-go](http://lenministries.org/wanna-go))

### May 2 - 6, 2022:

International Evangelism School  
Gracias Lempira, Honduras

### Late Fall 2022:

International Evangelism School  
San Salvador, El Salvador

### October 3 - 7, 2022:

International Evangelism School  
Mityana, Uganda

**Contact LMI to join a team!**

~note possible travel restrictions due to COVID-19~

Many have asked how our brothers and sisters in Christ are doing in Russia and the Ukraine. This is a very difficult season for both countries and our prayers are with them. A past Director for EE was able to make it safely out of his city in the Ukraine. He encountered many hardships in leaving, but continued to share the Gospel as he departed, (I am not providing details for safety reasons). For our Russian brothers and sisters, this is very difficult. Please continue to pray for them. Currently we are not able to help their ministries due to the dire circumstances.

**"And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet." Matthew 24:6 (KJV)**

Len and I survived Covid in January/February. Thank you for your prayers and for the wisdom of doctors to help us. We are truly grateful for all the support.

Sara and Daryl made a trip through Jacksonville, and it was good to see them. We also hope to see our California family members in May. (Why is it that grandchildren grow up so fast?)

As for Beth, Mike, and the boys, it is an unusual season. Mike was on a short-term deployment, and Beth handled things at home like a pro in his absence. We are proud of all our adult children and love being able to see our grandchildren.

Thank you for your continued love, prayers, financial support, and encouragement. The Gospel continues to go forth and soul-winners for Christ are being raised up because of you.

May you be blessed abundantly...

Your Missionaries,

Len and Marcia Showalter  
(and dog, Medi)

