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Come Celebrate!

“Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” Romans 15:13 (NKJV)

Len Ministries cordially invites you to “*Save the Date*” and plan to attend the annual LMI Gala 6 to 8pm on Saturday, November 4, 2023, to be held at the Salem Centre in Jacksonville, FL. It will be a great time of fellowship, BBQ by GrillBilly, and ministry stories from 2023. The guest speaker will be Rev. Justin Barnett, pastor of Trinity Life Church of God, Lakeland, FL. The focus of his time will be centered on the effect of personal evangelism on his church as introduced by Len Ministries.

Also sharing at the Gala will be Rick and Donna Brooks from Trinity Life Church. They will be sharing about their trip to

Honduras with Len Ministries in July 2023 (see pg. 3). Additionally, Art Barnett and several others will

be giving words of encouragement to those in attendance.

Beth Showalter Toenies, LMI Board member and COO of Belfor will be the Master of Ceremonies. Along with her update of Bella Bumbas, she will

introduce Pastor Len Showalter, President of Len Ministries. Len has several stories to tell, too: 20 miles from an international war zone; being on the same road as Wagner as he was leading a revolution; and teaching an evangelism class during an earthquake. Who said mission work was not exciting?

Registration to the Gala is free, but you must reserve your seat-
 ing. Hope to see you there to hear the stories!

Celebrate Our Annual Gala

Saturday, November 4th

The joy of the Lord is my strength.

Nehemiah 8:10

Hosted Both In-Person & Virtually!
 6-8 pm at the Salem Centre
 Reservation required

www.LenMinistries.org/Gala

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Rostov-on-Don, Russia

[ROSTOV-ON-DON, RUSSIA] Rev. Len Showalter boarded a Turkish Air airplane in Chicago headed for Istanbul, Turkey, on Thursday, June 15. After a ten-hour overnight flight, he caught another three-hour flight into Moscow. Bishop Guy Landry, Pastor Denis, and interpreter Nastya Radkova and two others met Len at the DME airport. They negotiated thru the Moscow traffic headed south to Rostov-on-Don (RnD) with an overnight stop in Voronezh. The total travel time was 54 hours (includes 6 hours of rest in Voronezh). At one point they were about 10 miles from the Ukrainian border and 20 miles from the battle.

Upon arrival in RnD the team entered the shared church facility and met Pastor Sevak of the Armenian church and two of his people (pictured left). The two ladies wanted to be baptized in the Holy Spirit and one wanted to be baptized in water first. Len gladly accomodated both requests. This was the beginning of many wonderful moves by the Holy Spirit.

Len preached to different churches (same building) on Sunday - one was Armenian and the other was Messianic Jewish. Both had great responses to the Word preached.

The normal 5-day training process began on Monday and continued through Friday with about 6-hours of lectures and 2-hours of practicum on the streets. Each night the students had memorizing to accomplish in preparation for the next day. By the fourth day the students were to have their memorization done and then on the fifth day they were tested on their oral proficiency and on their listening skill from the lectures.

On Friday the class had participated in 84 professions of faith and after being tested, there were 12 that were certified to teach in their churches. The two pastors in the class extended to Pastor Len and Bishop Guy to travel to Armenia and to Israel in 2024 to equip churches to which they are connected.

After the graduation celebration, the team headed back towards Moscow. But there was a problem. Not only was the battle in Ukraine ongoing, but now there was a coup forming in Rostov-on-Don and they were headed on the same road to Moscow! The team took back roads and arrived safely in Ivanovo the next evening.

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Len baptizing two ladies



Nastya leads two to Him



Maria leads praise & worship



Pastor Alexander shares



Pastor Sevak wins one to Christ



Rostov-on-Don Class of 2023 students and teachers

Orekhovo-Zuyevo, Russia

[OREKHOVO-ZUYEVO, RUSSIA] Pastor Len, Bishop Guy, and Nastya headed to Ivanovo (see pg.2) on Saturday, June 24, where Len preached in Ivanovo Christian Center (ICC) Sunday morning. After church and lunch Nastya was returned to her home in Yaroslavl and interpreter Lena Lebedeva from Moscow joined the team as they headed to Orekhovo-Zuyevo (O-Z).



The altar call response at ICC

Len had brought a team to O-Z in 2019 and trained pastor Dmitry and his people. But now they were in their own building and wanted more. And the Lord brought even more to help with the training: Alyona, Kristina, and Margo from Vladimir.

The normal 5-day training process began on Monday and continued through Friday with about 6-hours of lectures and 2-hours of practicum on the streets. Each night the students had memorizing to accomplish in preparation for the next day. By the fourth day the students were to have the presentation memorized and then on the fifth day they took oral and written exams. On Friday the class had participated in 72 professions of faith and after being tested there were 9 that were certified to teach in their churches.

Additionally, during the week Len was asked to speak at a Wednesday night home group that met at the O-Z church. He also spoke at mid-week service on Thursday evening at another church outside O-Z which he had previously visited in 2019. As he began to speak to them, he asked “who is unsure that they would ultimately go to Heaven?” All raised their hands! Len asked again just to be sure that they understood the question. Again, all raised their hands. Len changed his sermon and shared “how someone may know for certain.” They all prayed to trust Jesus Christ for the free gift of eternal life!



Sharing on the street



Guy & Len teaching on fishing

On Saturday, July 1, Lena drove Len through the Moscow traffic back to the airport. And Len returned home through Istanbul and Chicago. It was a long but wonderful trip.

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Alyona helping Len win two to Jesus



Orekhovo-Zuyevo Class of 2023 students and teachers



The above 2 brought 5 friends to hear

Siberia, Russia

[ULAN-UDE, SIBERIA, RUSSIA] Amended report from Pastor Sergey:

“Thank you for praying for us and our service in Siberia. We continue to actively preach the gospel in the city and villages, on the streets and knocking on every home. Our team goes out weekly for 3 to 5 days to share hope with many people. A lot of people hear about Christ.



A special event that happened in July is our 5-day camp at Lake Baikal, and the main purpose of this event is to invite non-believers. This year, more than 150 people came there and about 30 people were unbelievers and young people; there are many people who came out to repent on the last day to reconcile with God. We continue to meet with converts, some of them have started attending Sunday services. We rejoice that seven brothers have received water baptism and it is a blessing that the church is slowly growing with God's help and through your prayers.



And we also continue to do a lot of work in the villages with those people who have believed through the ministry of our outreach teams and try to regularly support and encourage those home groups that were started by our evangelists; we are glad that most of the groups hold meetings and analysis of the word of God on their own. In one of the villages we bought a small house, where one sister moved and we are starting to hold a service there.

Thank you for praying for us and it is a great honor and blessing for us that thanks to prayers and financial participation, we continue the work of Gospel in Buryatia and start new groups.

Please continue to pray for us, our team and for many people to turn to Christ through our gospel ministry.

God bless you!
Pastor Sergey and our team.”

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Siguatepeque, Honduras

[SIGUATEPEQUE, HONDURAS] Early Saturday morning, July 15, Cathy Russi, Donna Brooks, Rick Brooks, Rick Wyman, and Len Showalter (pictured right) boarded a plane headed for San Pedro Sula via Atlanta. After a brief wait at immigration due to missing paperwork they were greeted by Lidia Dole, Director of LMI Central America. Others were there, too, to greet us. Some continued with us in a van on a 4-hour trip up into the mountains to Siguatepeque, compliments of The House of Restoration Church.

We checked into the Hotel Alantico. After a few room adjustments and a nights sleep we were headed up to the top of a mountain for church on Sunday. Pastor Maynor and Pastora Linda and more warmly welcomed us. After an hour of great praise and worship, Len spoke on "More of Jesus and less of me" paraphrased from John 3:30. The Word was well received and all came forward to be prayed for.

The normal 5-day training process began on Monday and continued through Friday with about 6-hours of lectures and 2-hours of practicum on the streets. Each night the students had memorizing to accomplish in preparation for the next day. By the fourth day the students were to have their memorization completed and then on the fifth day they were tested with an oral and a written exam.

The best witnessing opportunity presented itself as the eight teams went to a central park next to the main Catholic church. People were just sitting in the park, relaxing, and wanting to talk. And there were many kids walking through the area after school and would stop to listen. Also on Wednesday the American team went to a nearby elementary school where 89 students, teachers and parents received Jesus as Lord and Savior (pictured right)!

By Friday the class had participated in 285 professions of faith and after being tested there were 12 that were certified to teach in their churches. Of the graduates Rick and Donna Brooks were from the American team and interpreter Aicxa (pronounced I-E-Sa) was from the Choloma, Hondurian team.

One mistake was made as the team asked for bottled water but was served water in a bottle. Anyway after a few days the symptoms disappeared. The team returned home on Saturday to fully recover.

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The American team



Who wants to receive Jesus?



Lidia wins 4 in ice cream shop



Rick shares



Donna wins another



Siguatepeque Class of 2023 students and teachers

Just the Facts:

	Gospel Shared	To # of people	Professions & Assurances	Certified Trainers	Certified Teachers	Baptism in H.S
Personal (June - July)	6	6	3			
Rostov-on-Don, Russia	108	154	84		12	22
Orehovo-Zuyevo, Russia	78	149	72		9	
Siguatopeque, Honduras	131	324	285		12	
Totals	323	633	444	0	33	22
%Saved/Assurances		70.1%				



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A Note From Marcia...

As you have just read, it has been a busy time for us. Thank you for being a part of this ministry through your prayers, love, financial gifts, and encouragements. It is because of you that Soul-Winners for Jesus Christ are being raised up all over the world!

As for us personally, life seems to be going by at warp speed. We have noticed that we don't move as quickly or recover quite as quickly as a few years ago. This aging thing really is not fun. We are so very grateful to still do all the things we do, despite our aches and pains. When you travel to other nations, it is obvious how very blessed we are, no matter what the news may tell us.

With our love, thankfulness, and appreciation,

Your Missionaries,

*Len and Marcia
Showalter
and Medi*

A little family news: We were unable to go visit our California family members due to scheduling conflicts on both sides. Our granddaughters are growing up so fast and it is challenging not being a part of their daily lives. We are blessed to be around our grandsons here in Jacksonville. Isaac, (The Story of Isaac on Facebook) continues to baffle the medical specialists, and Adrian is growing up so fast. Having raised three girls, I can tell you that boys and girls are not created equal. How can one little person have so much energy? Our Michigan crew stays busy with their careers, traveling, and with their one-year-old four-legged grand-dog. We were hoping to visit them in September, but again... scheduling. Family is everything and we miss our children, their spouses, grandchildren, and granddogs very much.



Calendar

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

(check lenministries.org/wanna-go)

September 25 - 29, 2023:
International Evangelism School
Mwanza, Tanzania

October 16 -20, 2023:
International Evangelism School
Madrid, Spain

November 4, 2023:
Len Ministries Gala

February 19 - 23, 2024:
International Evangelism School
Jacksonville, FL

April 15- 19, 2024:
International Evangelism School
Tema, Ghana

June 2024:
International Evangelism School
Siberia, Russia

July 2024:
International Evangelism School
Choloma, Honduras

Contact LMI to join a team!