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Standing Firm

By: Dr. Gary S. Moore

Ephesians 6:13

Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Sometimes it's important to take a stand. When it comes to the gospel of Jesus Christ, we should stand firm in that truth, that Jesus died for our sins, was buried and rose again from the grave. It should be noted here that standing firm is not the same as standing still. The truth of the gospel and the urgency of the hour must motivate us to work tirelessly to get the gospel to a lost and dying world. ***That truth is the heartbeat of missions,***

getting to the lost and preaching unto them the gospel of peace.

Jesus died to save the lost and now it is our commission to get the news out, in other words, to proclaim the gospel to every living soul.

Let's consider a few principles of the gospel where we must stand and deliver. First is the source of

this truth. Remember the little song we used to sing, "Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so." The Bible is the foundation for the gospel. I'm not saved because I feel it, I'm saved because the Bible reveals to me how to be saved. If someone asks me how do you know for sure you're saved, I say, because the



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Bible says that if I believe on Jesus Christ I shall be saved. It's my rock solid authority. ***The Bible is God's inspired word, all truth without error. On this I must stand firm and never waver.*** If this foundation crumbles all of my faith is destroyed.

Now let's consider the Saviour. We must stand firm that Jesus Christ is God in the flesh, for if He is not God, He cannot save anyone. From this steadfast truth we also find the virgin birth, sinless life, sacrificial death and glorious resurrection. If Jesus is God, then all these things must be true, but if Jesus were not God, all these things must be false. Standing firm is far more important than we might first think. If we begin to falter in our confidence then our outreach to the lost will

wain away. Second Timothy 1:12 *"For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."* ***Paul was an unstoppable witness because he was persuaded of the truth of God and His Word.***

Now let's consider this: Jesus said *"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."* Mark 16:15. Mark always seemed to go straight to the point, few words but much truth. Here he makes the most emphatic statement of the great commission, preach the gospel to the whole world. No qualification, no exceptions . . . everyone should hear the gospel. Do we believe that? Are we willing to stand

firm on that truth? ***Are we willing to stand firm enough on that truth that it moves us?*** We have the lost all around us and yet we watch them destroy their lives and can never find the time to tell them about Jesus. Remember, standing firm is not the same as standing still.

While it's true that these are evil days, we still can and must stand firm. That means holding our gospel truth without wavering . . . AND reaching out to the lost and dying world with the gospel that changes lives for eternity.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Mexico Mission Trips

June & July 2025

Our three mission trips to the Yucatan Peninsula, Mexico are already underway! Working along side GPA missionaries Moises Melendez, Alfredo Pech, Carl Hewlett, and Rick Montes in Quintana Roo, there will be three different weeks of campaigns. You can follow each trip on FaceBook at Gospel Preacher Association.

Bible School Week: June 19-28, 2025 The kick off to our summer mission trips was Bible School week, offering VBS each night, lead by GPA Missionary Rick Montes and Rev. Cody Ladner. See page 3 for photos from the week.

Medical Clinic Week: July 10-19, 2025 The second week has offered full medical and dental clinic every day by lead physician Dr. David Rooney and GPA President Gary Moore. We pray that meeting the physical needs of the people will encourage them to attend our revival services where the LORD can meet their spiritual need.

Evangelistic Week: July 25-Aug 2, 2025 The final week of our Mexico outreach is the evangelistic week with preaching by GPA Missionaries Rev. Rick Montes, Rev. Clemon Chappell, and GPA Mid-Atlantic Representative Rev. Rick Glass. Bro. Clemon will also be singing each night.

GPA National Camp Meeting

September 7-12, 2025

Camp Meeting will be held at Nottingham Missionary Baptist Church at 303 W. Christine Rd, Nottingham, PA 19362. We will have special preaching and singing each night at 7pm. Make plans to join us!

GPA Share-A-Thon

September 20, 2025

Join us LIVE on FaceBook from 12 noon to 6pm for our annual GPA Share-A-Thon. We will have special preaching and singing every hour to raise support for the home office ministry and Mercy's Vessel. To make a donation or pledge, call the home office at 610-806-6555 or online at gpaissions.com.

My Friend, Ed Moore

By: Johnny Davis

I have been blessed in my life to have had some great men that have helped me in better serving the Lord. There are some older men that stood out especially as real mentors for what I needed to do. Most of them have now passed on, but the memory of them has not.

The first to me was my 'ol country Pastor, *Bobby Metters*. He always treated me as a son and taught me that the Bible is to be studied, yes, but that it does and needs to be applied in life.

Then there was *Dr. Tolbert Moore*. He believed in me as a missionary, and he saw to it that I was able to fulfill my calling. Definitely I would not be where I am without him.

Brother *Don Jackson* showed me the way in what to do to get to the field and answered questions on taking care of church work needs.

Brother *Rex McPherson* came to survey our work when we were in Moldova. He was always firm on his guidance but caring for us on a personal level.

All these men helped me move forward in ministry, but there was one that was different from all the rest.

Brother Ed Moore.

When we first became part of the GPA, we were of course introduced to many of the association. Over time I came to know one man that has especially been a blessing through time.

When I first met Brother Ed Moore, I could see he was a man of great dignity, yet I never saw him belittle anyone. He tried to be the best he could be, while reaching out to others.

Through the years I witnessed how deadly serious he was about preaching the Word,

yet he had a brilliant sense of humor. It was certainly a humor that I loved. He would say things so serious in a sermon that you would think was going to go one direction, then he would have his "punch line". He then had me fighting back laughing out loud in the service, but his point had been made. He did the same thing anytime I was with him. Just a wonderful dry sense of humor.

I also saw how devoted he was to the deeper truths of God's Word.

I always remember one sermon in particular he preached. The point was that we are to pray for others to be drawn to God. He mentioned how we will always pray, "Lord, do whatever it takes for them to get right with you." He then noted that God would bring trouble into that person's life to break them so that they repent. Then we turn around, feel sorry for them, and "bail them out" of the situation. As a result they don't repent. We are literally undoing the very thing we prayed about! That has never left me. So profound.

Recently our youngest son passed away at just twenty years old. This has been so devastating. During this the Lord touched Brother Ed to reach out to me and help me through the darkest time. He showed me his ability to mentor, but in this he was such a dear friend. He spent time with me, and while together, we would share our pain. He would share about how hard it was on him when his granddaughter passed away at four years old. You could see he was still hurting, and I shared how I felt in my grief.

Having someone to understand was a great comfort. I would be on the edge of crying, and with his humor he would instead get a laugh out of me. I needed that. In March I saw him once more. I had the

honor of spending the whole afternoon with him. We went to a local restaurant, came back to the parsonage, and talked some more. We discussed our heartaches of loved ones gone on, the passing of great men of the Gospel, about his deep concern for *Ebenezer Community Baptist* where he was ministering, matters of the Bible, and so much more. As someone in my situation, it was just what I needed. I did not know that was the last time I would see him.

Just a few weeks later I called him to invite him to our home. No answer. About a week later I called again and left a message. Still no answer. Knowing him I assumed he was traveling somewhere to preach and would get back to me. I then learned of his passing. The grief I had been working through returned on this loss. ***He had been there for me in my pain as a Brother in Christ, a father in the ministry, and a precious friend.***

The Bible tells us in Hebrews that some have entertained angels unawares. I fully understand what that means doctrinally.

"Let brotherly love continue. Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares." Hebrews 13:1,2

I have to tell you though. . . ***It sure feels like God sent an angel my way.***

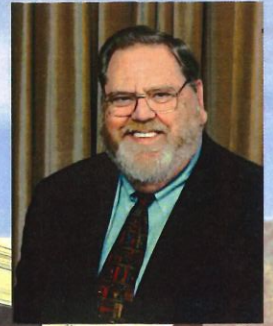


In Remembrance

Dr. Edwin G. Moore, Jr

1/18/1942—3/19/2025

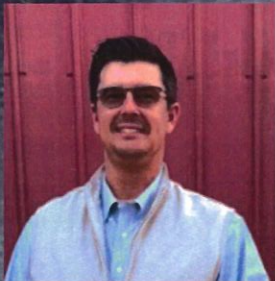
Brother Ed served in many churches in many states over the years. Most notably was his love and devotion to the people of Wales where he served for 17 years as a GPA Missionary. He faithfully served as Welsh and European Director for over 20 years. He is now reunited with his wife of 59 years, Nina. He will be remembered for his depth in preaching the Word, compassion for others, and his sense of humor.



2025 GPA NATIONAL CAMP MEETING
SEPTEMBER 7-12, 2025

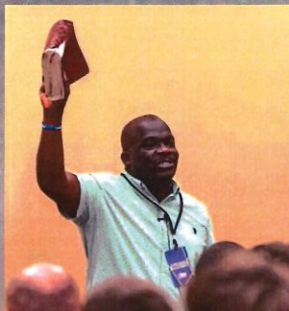
DARE to Dream

Working to Fulfill the Great Commission



Cody Ladner

SUNDAY AM & PM



Elemon Chappell

MONDAY & TUESDAY



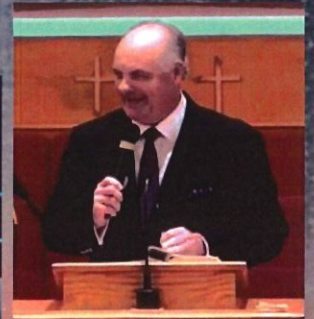
Ronnie Barefield

WEDNESDAY



Billy Sampson

MONDAY WEDNESDAY



Joe Arthur

THURSDAY & FRIDAY



The Rockesters

THURS-FRIDAY

Nottingham Missionary Baptist Church
303 W. Christine Rd, Nottingham, PA 19362
Services at 7pm each night, Dinner served at 5:30pm



GPA TRAVEL NEWSLETTER



The Mercy Project

FELIPPE CARRILLO PUERTO, MEXICO

JUNE 2025 VBS WEEK



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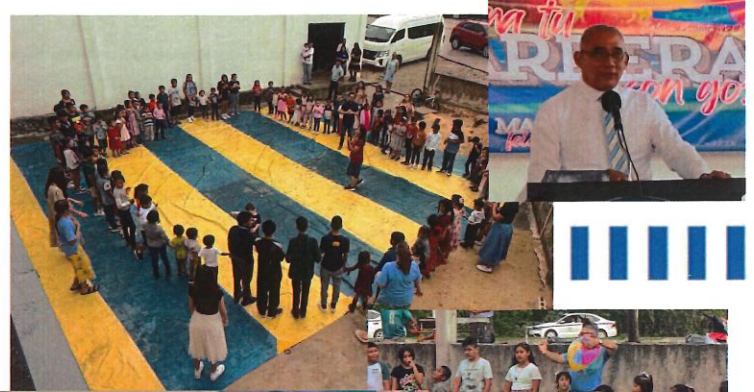
Snack Time



Bible Time



Games



Working along side GPA Missionaries Alfredo Pech, Moises Melendez, Rick Montes, and Pastor Cody Ladner the GPAMM mission team was able to offer five nights of Bible School services to the children and families of Felipe Carrillo Puerto, Mexico.

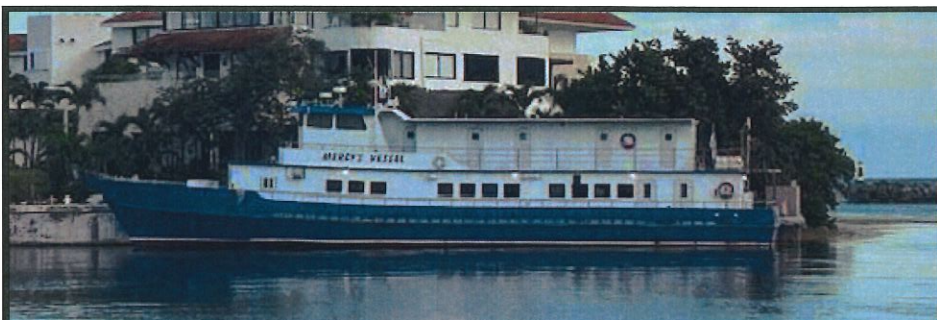
They went out into the streets for visitation every afternoon, handing out fliers and information about the services each night. There were 135 children in attendance on the final night, with many salvations.



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Mercy's Vessel

Here is Mercy's Vessel docked in Puerto Aventuras, Mexico. Launched from her home port in Gulfport Mississippi on June 9th, this is her longest voyage yet staying for three different mission trips in the Yucatan Peninsula this summer. There is always cost with the ship, but the cost has been more extensive due to the extended stay in Mexico. Having the ship on site for our team members has offered lodging and meals onboard which is a great service. If you would like to support the ministry of Mercy's Vessel and our VBS, Medical, and Evangelistic teams, please scan the QR code →



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