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Colossians 4:3 "Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ..."

e are excited about what God is doing in 2022. The doors are reopening to gain entrance to the prisons, schools, and military facilities around the globe. Thank you to those who pray, financially support, and volunteer to help us at Rock of Ages Ministries. God is still sovereign, He is in control, and He is still working in the lives of His people and saving sinners that call upon Him. This quarter we will discuss the great opportunities that are open for you to serve at Rock of Ages Ministries as a volunteer or

missionary and how you can use your gifts, talents, and life experiences for God's glory. We will also look at Rock of Ages and the various ministries we are involved in and each ministry department. If you are ever in the Cleveland, Tennessee area, I want to extend to you a special invitation to visit the main office; we would be honored to have you as our special guest.



Dr. Terry Ellis President & Executive Editor From the Field:

EMERGENCY RESPONDERS

Responder New Testaments at \$2.50 a piece. Often, our giving is by faith, and we do not know the results until Heaven. However, this time, we can share some of the results with you right away and where the Lord directed us to distribute these New Testaments.

On March 9th, myself, Bro. Jeff Cassell, and a good friend, Pastor Joey Horn, set out to deliver 1,353 New Testaments to Green County and Grainger County in Tennessee, with the help of the State Chaplain for the Tennessee Highway Patrol. He drove with us all around Green County delivering NTs to every county and city police, fire, and 911-worker. As we arrived at the Greeneville City Police and delivered 70 NTs this chaplain put a NT in every officer's mailbox at the station. We also gave these officers a booklet from Rock of Ages entitled "God's Wisdom". Outside the police station, we met one of the officers who was a Christian. He was thrilled about the NTs and shared with us that he deeply cared about the souls of his coworkers. He was excited about the New Testaments, and we saw tears well up in his eyes, seeing that we cared about him and his officers receiving God's Word. After this wonderful stop, we drove throughout the county reaching all firemen, EMS workers, and dispatch personnel.

After finishing up in Green County we stopped for lunch where I had an unpleasant exchange with a man when I tried to give him a gospel tract. He was so bitter that even just the mention of God caused him to curse about his past and its troubles. We left praying that the Holy Spirit would give him another opportunity and make his heart tender toward the gospel.

Our next stop was Grainger County where we delivered 237 NTs, followed by our last stop, a volunteer fire department in Bean Station, Tennessee.

While we were waiting to attend the fire department's monthly meeting, suddenly the alarm was sounded, and all the firemen jumped on the firetruck and took off. We carried the NTs into the station and noticed on our way out a young man who was left behind. Bro. Cassell began



talking with him and when I noticed the conversation heading for Calvary, I slipped by and handed Bro. Jeff a Bible. I then got down behind our pickup truck and called upon the Lord for this young man, as also Pastor Horn was doing in the fire station garage bay. A few minutes later the young man called upon God and was born into the Kingdom of Heaven. He had just moved to Bean Station and was looking to join the Fire Department that night. He had no idea that God would send three men that day to come by his way and show him the way to Heaven. After a few minutes the fire truck returned, we met the firemen, were allowed to pray with them, and Bro. Cassell brought a guick word from their New Testaments. All three of us left rejoicing all the way home! Dear Christian friend, your sacrifice and prayers are not in vain - great is your reward in Heaven!

I would like to close this field report with an urgent prayer request. More so now than ever before as we see the day of The Lord's Return approaching, we are confronted daily with the ungodly decay and downward spiral of society around us and worldwide. Praise God, He has given us the solution - His Word, the Holy Bible! Missionaries, pastors, churches, prison chaplains, and Christians just like you, call us daily with requests for Bibles. **Would you please consider helping Rock of Ages Ministries with a donation to help publish more Rock of Ages Study Bible?**

Donations can be given through our website at roapm.org

COLTER PATTERSON Rock of Ages Missionary

nly Good Neus!

I have good news about an Officer who got saved at Turney Center Complex, Only, TN. I witness to all officers as well as the prisoners. I was in A-Building checking my mail at the Chaplains Box, an officer approached me and said, "Chaplain I know that you are a true man of God, and if there is anyone that I can trust, it is you. Through the years you that you have been at Turney Center, I have gained a high respect for you and your ministry." He proceeded to say, "Chaplain, I want to ask you a question about being saved", he went on to ask me if I believed that joining a church would take him to heaven, and I said, "No Sir, you can join every church in the State of Tennessee and still die lost unprepared to meet God". He said, "Years ago when I got out of the military I joined a church with my wife and we attended there for some time and eventually we quit going to church altogether". He said, "I have felt in my heart for a long time that something isn't right in my life and I need to know what I must do to be saved".

I had a Rock of Ages Study Bible with me that I had intended to give to a prisoner and showed him that there must be a drawing of the Holy Spirit to God according to John 6:44, and that he must realize he's a sinner, and he must repent of his sins to get to heaven. I asked if he believed in heaven and he said yes, I asked if he believed in hell and he said, "Yes, that is where I'm going if I don't get saved". I showed him in the Bible how he could be saved. After I shared the scripture with him he we bowed his head and asked Jesus Christ to come in his heart. He said, "Chaplain, I feel a whole lot better now". I assured him it was because he was a child of Jesus Christ. We went our separate ways and when I got to the chapel, the Holy Spirit impressed on my heart to take him a ROA Study Bible and some gospel material. I gave him the Bible and materials and told him of a good church to attend in Decatur, TN. This officer still thanks me every time I see him.

I called the pastor and asked him if the officer and his wife came to his church and he said that the officer and his wife had started attending the church. I told the pastor that I had led the man to the Lord but did not think his wife was saved and asked if he would talk with her. The wife got saved at the church and both got baptized and joined the church. The Holy Spirit never gives up on anyone; even years after joining a church, this officer knew he wasn't saved. God allowed our paths to cross and I was able to lead him to Christ.



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Public Schools (US)	
Number of visitation hours	544
Total number in attendance	18,799
Services	945
Professions of Faith	144
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Public Schools (Foreign)	
Total number in attendance	114,604
Professions of Faith	11,274
Prisons / Adult Male (US)	
Number of visitation hours	793
Total number in attendance	13,732
Services	485
Professions of Faith	688
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Prisons / Adult Female (US)	
Number of visitation hours	6
Total number in attendance	3,286
Services	127
Professions of Faith	274
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Military

Military	
Service Attendance	296
Professions of faith	11
Special Services (US & Foreign)	4
Church	76
Prison	0
Schools	0
Other	0
Total Services	326
Professions of Faith	76
Publishing Department	
Professions of Faith	37
Discipleship Institute	
Total active students	15,272
Total volunteer hours	1715,449
Professions of Faith	1,151
Church Services,	
Soul Winning & Other	
Number of Services	4,349
Professions of Faith	273
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Missionary Chaplaincy (US) Number of visitation hours	2 001
	3,001
Total number in attendance	13,303
Services	1,937
Professions of Faith	330
Total Air Miles Flown	
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By all ROA missionaries worldwide	1,598,288
Total Miles Driven	
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2021 TOTAL SAVED:	26,803
	20,003

We have averaged a soul saved every 20 minutes around the clock throughout 2021.

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TO GOD BE THE GLORY! Psalms 29:2

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Sunday, July 31 – Thursday, Aug. 4, 2022

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Speakers:

Sunday Al	M & PM	Brian McBride
Monday	PM	Brian McBride
Tuesday	AM	Joel Logan, Ricky Gravley
Tuesday	PM	Brian McBride
Wednesday	AM	Brian McBride, Joel Logan, Ricky Gravley
Wednesday	PM	Joe Arthur
Thursday	AM	Joel Logan, Ricky Gravley
Thursday	PM	Joe Arthur

Singers:

Mon-Thurs

Kurt LaBouve, Doug Raines Family









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Pastor Gene Rowell

Dr. Terry Ellis

President, Rock of Ages Ministries

Chapel Update

We are in the process of completing a 300 seat Prayer Chapel at the main office that will be used for missionary training, special prayer meetings, conferences, and our MAPS (Missionary Advancement Preparation School). MAPS is our missionary training for church youth and youth camps that will be hosted at Rock of Ages. We are excited about how God will use the chapel for His glory as our MAPS has already challenged several youths to surrender their lives to missions and to full time service for the Lord. The chapel will allow us to expand our training outreach and impact among youth.

Please join with us in prayer for a couple of items needed for the chapel:

- 300 chairs at \$76 each
- Hymn books at \$13.95 each
- Carpet & installation at \$10,000
- Sound system at \$20,000

All donations for these items should be marked for Chapel or a specific item

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IS THERE A PLACE OF SERVICE FOR ME?



"If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour" **John 12:26**

IS THERE A PLACE OF SERVICE FOR ME?

As we consider John 12:26, there is a place of service for you, and it could be with Rock of Ages Ministries. If you are an adult over 21 and long for full-time service, this could be your place. You may be thinking, "Considering my age, am I too old? I have a calling, but is my education inadequate? Do these limitations disqualify me? The answer to each question is no. Let us show you the possibilities of how you can make a difference that will last for eternity. Here are some opportunities to consider where you might serve in full-time ministry or as a volunteer, both men, and women.

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Dr. Ricky Dunsford Executive Vice President Rock of Ages Ministries



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