

Investing In the Lives and Eternal Destiny of Youth and Families

Xaviers' 2011 Winter Ministry Report to TCM

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Dear Ben and TCM Friends,

Greetings in Christ's love with great appreciation for the ministry responsibility the Lord God has trusted to us. *To the praise of the glory of His grace, wherein He hath made us accepted in the beloved. In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace. (Ephesians 1:7)* Thank you for your many years of faithful prayers for our family and ministry. We will continue to pray for the Lord's grace and favor to go before all of the TCM missionaries and their families.

Please, find enclosed a copy of Xaviers' 2010 Summer Ministry Report. The summer report may help to provide you with a clearer understanding of the Set Free Youth and Family Ministry present outreach.

I. FAMILY BLESSINGS AND CHALLENGES

- **Son Jonathan wife**, Rachel gave birth to their first son Jackson, September 2010.
- **Foster Daughter Malinda** gave birth to her first daughter Dayland, September 2010.
- **Daughter Rebecca and husband Chris** oldest son Joshua continues to receive very positive medical reports with regards to his scoliosis surgery. Their youngest son Isaiah 17 months old is doing wonderfully.
- **Beth has been providing medical needs** for her mother in Ohio for the past 13-weeks. Beth's mother had a very serious stroke. Lord willing we will try to have Beth's mother move to Florida, and live with us when she is released from medical rehab.
- **Every week for the past year our Daughter Rebecca and her husband Chris** provide much needed ministry administration and guidance to 160 children and their families.
- **Our Youngest daughter Rachel** has completed her first semester at State College of Florida.
- **Last week we were delightfully blessed** by a surprise visit from Charley and Jan Young.

II. (GMA) GRACE MARTIAL ARTS BIBLE CLUBS BLESSINGS AND CHALLENGES

- **I enjoyed instructing 3 week-long GMA Bible Clubs** at grace churches this summer. It was such a delight to have children, parents and the church fellowship respond to the message of reconciliation. There was also the added benefit of renewing of old acquaintances. The three GMA camps were very well attended. The camps provided a powerful ministry tool that truly connected with the kids' world while affirmed them with a Christ-centered identity.

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- **I have been greatly encouraged** by the Biblical maturity of our new youth leadership. We graduated nine new black belt leaders all home-educated, who are sincerely grounded firmly in the grace-centered finish-work doctrine. Three of these black belt students are now attending a secular collage and one student is attending a Bible college to become a missionary. The other three black belt student leaders are assisting me with teaching at our new church location in Sarasota, Florida.
- **Please find attached** to the 2011 Winter Ministry Report the Grace Martial Arts (GMA) Training Champions for Christ that outlines basic rules and the belt ranking guide and the Scripture memory guide for the student black belts.
- **INSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:** I am personally instructing 12 youth class sessions that are taught weekly at four different church locations. I also have begun instructing 2 weekly adult health and well-being classes that are being held at a local **YMCA**. The GMA schedule is posted on our www.gracemartialarts.org web-site. I often receive calls from Christian martial arts teachers from around the county asking me for information about how to blend Biblical instruction into a martial arts curriculum.
- **GMA SENIOR INSTRUCTORS:** Mark McGee a former grace pastor and John Phillips both are sixth degree black belts that I have mentored for ten years. They are both training GMA Youth leaders and instructing GMA classes separately from the classes that I teach. Mark McGee has the Grace Life Ministry and GMAF web-site with the listing of grace churches in the USA. Both of these men are exceptional Christian leaders and men of very high moral character. The Lord has used these two men as encouragers for my life and ministry.

III. PRAYER REQUESTS

- **BETH'S MOTHER'S HEALTH NEEDS:** That the Lord will guide us in our decisions regarding Beth's mother's health care.
- **EXPANDING THE GMA YOUTH MINISTRY OUTREACH:** That we will remain optimistic about the future of the GMA ministry in spite of the economic depression.
 1. Develop DVD Gospel presentations for Christian martial arts instructors
 2. Complete GMA's Training manual for students and instructors

- **PLEASE PRAY STUDENTS LEARN THREE FORMS OF DEFENSE:**

Firstly, students receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. That they acquire **Christ-Defense** together with relational Biblical life-skills. Our challenge is to lead students to know the Lord and His Word so well that they will readily employ Biblical principles and will make wise lifestyle choices.

Secondly, that students acquire **Mental-Defense** that builds Godly character and Christ-centered confidence while strengthening disciplined direction for the students' life and education.

Thirdly, that students acquire **Physical-Defense** with a maximum efficiency of non-violent self-defense skill with advanced kinetic movement principles for optimal health and well-being.

In Christ's Love with Great Appreciation, Bob Xavier

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