

## March 2014

### OSA Leadership Meeting February 2014

We all had a great leadership meeting here in snowy Charlotte, NC, earlier this month – and what a meeting it was! We stormed the gates of hell at two high schools, three abortion mills, and three abortionist's neighborhoods. Best of all, we planned our way allowing God to direct our steps as we strategized how to allow the theology of heaven to become biography in the streets of our cities this new year. Below is Rusty's report of our meeting with maybe a special surprise:

"Plans are established by counsel; by wise counsel wage war" (Proverbs 20:18). What an adventure the annual leadership meeting turned out to be for Operation Save America. Leaders from all across America braved the ice storm as they made their way to Kannapolis, NC, to discuss the New Year and storm the gates of hell. There is great glory when the saints get together to love God and serve His purposes. Though there were many weather related obstacles, the OSA saints pressed on and made it safe to fulfill our appointed time together.

**Ministry Time:** The ministry of God's word, as usual, was rich. We feasted upon God's truth to renew our devotion to Him and the just cause to end the American holocaust. Rev. Flip Benham, Pastor Keith Tucci, and other anointed men of God addressed the gathering to equip the saints to do the work of the ministry. We discussed our upcoming National Event in New Orleans, July 19-26, 2014; the States of Refuge campaign; and two new ministry opportunities. We enjoyed great fellowship, meals, and outreaches on the streets of North Carolina.

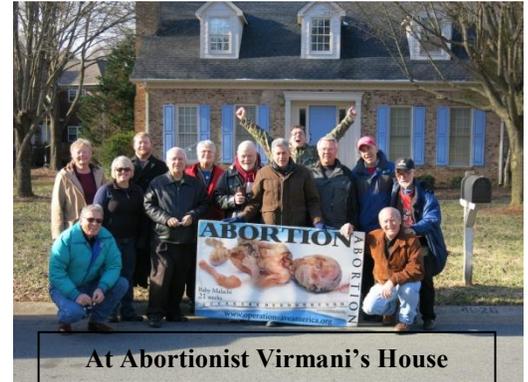
**Street Activities:** Our time together also consisted of taking the Gospel of the Kingdom to the highways and byways as our Lord commanded. Each morning we split up into teams and went to different gates of the city. The first morning we went to two high schools. We set up signs, passed out Christian/Pro-life literature, and preached the Gospel on portable sound systems. The first school had limited access to the students, but we gave 'em heaven anyway.

The second school gave us greater access to the students and we were well received. Very few students refused the tracts. The police, however, were called out and gave some of our preachers a warning about the city's sound ordinance. Everyone, that is, except me. Yep, I was not included in the warning. I began proclaiming the Gospel explaining why we were there, when a police officer noticed the sound system. My text was **Romans 6:23, "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."** The essence of the message connected the signs we held to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The first sign we showed was the picture of Malachi, which means, "My messenger."

This sign revealed the horrific reality of abortion. It demonstrated the graphic nature of this cruel act perpetrated by the sin and crime of abortion against children made in God's image. This sign revealed the wages of sin - death. On the other hand, we held live baby signs, which revealed the "gift of God is eternal life." One sign points out what happens to a nation that violates God's laws. It is ugly, horrible, and leads to death, both physical and eternal. The other sign points out what happens to nations that honor God's law. It is beautiful.

Once the police officer saw me he turned on his lights, whipped his car around, jumped out, and aggressively went after our portable sound system. He ripped it from my hands and, without a warning, wrote up a citation. He was upset about our presence at the high school. After receiving the citation I shook his hand and blessed him in the name of the Lord. The citation demanded a return on March 6<sup>th</sup> for a court trial. Instead of making the long trip back to North Carolina, I opted to pay a fine. In the long run, it was a much cheaper option, though the injustice remains.

The next day our teams went to two death camps and the neighborhoods of three abortionists. The Scriptures teach, **"And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them" (Ephesians 5:11).** Exposure became the order of the day. We exposed the truth and love of God to those lost in



sin, darkness, and despair at the death camps. We also exposed the truth about abortionists in their own neighborhoods. The saints came back with many testimonies on how the Lord used our feeble attempts to love our neighbor as ourselves, advance the Kingdom, and expose this grave evil to set the captive free.



There was no small stir on our team, which consisted of Doc Johnston, his precious family, and a new couple who joined us at our leadership meeting. The couple set up signs at the entrance of the neighborhood, while Doc's children passed out flyers in the neighborhood. Doc and I went to the abortionist's home. Unfortunately, he was not at home.

While Doc wrote a note to him calling him to repent and provide a way out through the Gospel to end his sinful activity of child murder, I noticed a couple filming us. After we went back to his home and dropped off the note, we addressed the couple. We explained why we were there and the man responded, "Go back to Virginia from whence you came." We responded, "How do you know we are from Virginia." Doc told him that he was from Ohio and I was from Texas. From there, we ministered the Gospel to them. As we shared, we both became aware that the man was brandishing a gun. Interestingly, the Gospel proved more powerful than the gun. They ran off telling us that they had called the police. Instantly, we became the church on the run. We packed up everybody and made it back safely to the camp for more meetings. Thanks be to God!

**Bombshell: "Most men will proclaim each his own goodness, But who can find a faithful man" (Proverbs 20:6)?** About a month prior to the leadership meeting, brother Flip called me. We exchanged some small talk for awhile and then Flip got to the main reason for his call. Though I heard what he was saying, it was difficult to comprehend. I had to ask him to repeat what he was communicating to me. Even then, it was hard to accept what he was saying.

In the middle of our time together at our leadership meeting, Brother Flip Benham dropped the bomb he mentioned to me in our conversation previously. Though I knew it was coming, it still took my breath away. Flip announced that after 20 years of service he was stepping aside as national director of Operation Rescue/Operation Save America. The response in the room was similar to mine. Some could hardly believe it, while others choked back the tears. Others suspected this day would come, but still struggled with the reality that Flip was stepping aside to make room for another.

During my conversation with Flip prior to the meeting, he also asked me to take his place as national director of Operation Rescue/Operation Save America. To be honest, the thought never entered my mind. For twenty years, the Lord called me to be a friend to Flip and serve him as assistant director. My only purpose was to stay faithful to the Lord in that capacity.

After he announced this to the leaders, he had me address the gathering. I had not to this point accepted the position, but asked the leaders to join me in prayer and then call me with their counsel. This report is now going out to a greater audience and my request remains. Would you please pray for Flip, OSA, and my family as we seek the Lord's will in this crucial matter.

Our National Event in New Orleans, LA, this July 19-26, 2014, will be the last event where Flip will lead the charge as national director of OSA. I encourage everyone who has been a part of OSA – past or present, to please try and make it to New Orleans this summer. The Bible says we should give honor to those whom honor is due (Romans 13:7). It is proper and fitting that we honor the man of God who has stood so faithfully in the battle for the souls of men, the lives of children, and the future of our nation. See you there in Jesus' Name.

### **Miracle In Mississippi**

We joined our brother Chet Gallagher on this, his third court appearance, in Jackson, Mississippi, for preaching the Gospel of Christ on a public sidewalk in front of the state of Mississippi's last remaining abortion mill.

Chet, with his fine attorney Steve Thornton, had one charge dismissed and two other charges continued for yet another appearance in Jackson. Chet has had to travel from Las Vegas, Nevada, to Jackson three times already to make these appearances. One more is on the way. But this time he will be tried on July 28, 2014.

Our National Event in New Orleans, July 19-26, 2014, will open the door for several of us to make a short two and a half hour trip from New Orleans to Jackson, MS, and join our brother Chet for his fourth appearance on Monday afternoon, July 28, 2014. I'm sure the city of Jackson will be ecstatic when they realize the magnitude of their invitation for us to bring the Gospel of Christ right back to the gates of hell at *Jackson Women's Health Organization*. This is awesome in Jesus' name.

2/12/2014 - Chet Gallagher calls today's court proceedings a "miracle." Chet, Roy MacMillan and other Mississippi saints were arrested this summer in front of Jackson's Women's Health Abortion clinic in Jackson, Mississippi. Chet was charged with interfering with the business, resisting arrest and a few other trumped up-charges. These arrests are due to the unholy alliance between the Jackson Police Dept. and the killing center. Sadly "protect & serve," which is protocol for all police departments, has become "persecute & slander."



After coming back to Jackson in the fall of 2013 for trial the case was postponed until today because the arresting officers did not show-up. Imagine what would have happened if Chet did not appear!! Chet returned to Jackson again for trial and his lawyer Steve was immediately offered a "deal" by the prosecutor who seemed to be beginning to understand how fruitless this case was. After talking to the Mississippi people Chet told his lawyer that he wanted to go to trial.

Upon returning to the court they were told they were being given a "dismiss" on the resisting arrest charge, the most serious of the charges, and a "continued" on the lesser charge. The court also ordered that Chet's bail be returned to him as the serious charge had been dismissed. The "interfering with a business" charge was continued until July 28, 2014. Many of us will be joining Chet on our way home from New Orleans.

The saints continue to have "church" on the streets in front of the last abortion mill in Mississippi and Satan is furious. He cannot win because God has promised that the gates of hell will not prevail against His Church.

### **Christians in Charlotte Seeing Victories – Press Conference on 41<sup>st</sup> Memorial of Roe v. Wade**

Christians battling for the lives of preborn babies at the three abortion mills in the city of Charlotte, gathered at Liberty Square (the corner of Trade and Tryon) Wednesday morning, January 22, 2014, to memorialize the over 57 million children who have been killed by abortion in America since January 22, 1973.

In the time it took for this press conference, one hour, over 200 babies died by abortion in the U.S. – baby boys who will never play baseball or go fishing with their dads and baby girls who will never laugh or dance. Yet the battle is being won for their lives as gentle Christians live out their faith in the streets of our city.

The abortion industry in the city of Charlotte is crumbling under the weight of its own sin. And we simple little Christians are going to be there to push it over the cliff. We are going to continue storming the gates of hell in Jesus' Name until it's over – until God allows us to push this horrible industry into its grave. We will not leave a marker over it to remind us of the horror it has wrought to our city.

- This past year, 356 babies (there actually were many more than this) were saved from abortion.
- Two notorious abortionists, after being exposed by the Gospel of Christ, have retired for good.
- The NC Department of Health is now inspecting (sometimes closing) these filthy mills.
- We have added another sonogram RV, staffed with real nurses, to be at the abortion mills daily.
- The number of days the three abortion mills are operating has been cut in half.
- The number of abortions is down.
- The number of abortionists is down,

- The number of abortion mills – soon to be down.
- All of this to the praise and glory of Almighty God!

**“Abortion will come to an end in the city of Charlotte when the church of Jesus Christ makes up her mind it will come to an end – and not one second sooner!”**

**Battle for the Heart and Soul of New Orleans, Heating Up** by Rusty Thomas

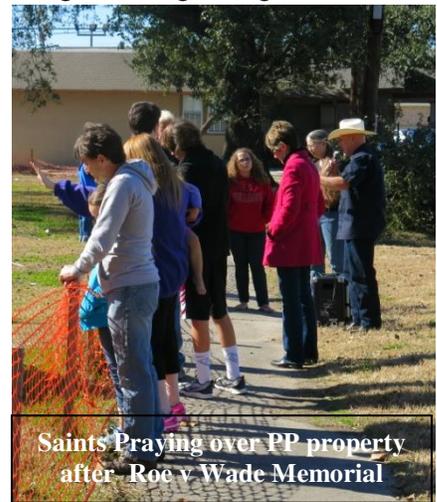
Pastor Dale Sochia and I spied out the land in the heart of the French Quarter in New Orleans in preparation for our national event in July. It was devastating and heart wrenching, a broken sea of humanity. Such demonic darkness and despair – it was everywhere. Every kind of foolishness, sin, idolatry, and perversion, was on display and hardened souls given over to all kinds of debauchery.

My heart broke and wept over their lost condition. Folks, if you plan on coming to New Orleans, we need to come in much brokenness for we will be dealing with a broken people. Begin to pray now that God breaks up the hard ground, breaks strongholds, and hearts are prepared to hear the Gospel of the Kingdom that has the power to liberate their souls and change their lives.

I want to invite our street preaching buddies and pro-life warriors to join us July 19-26, 2014. Come in the full armor and righteousness of God. There is a city swallowed up in darkness awaiting to see a great light.

We had a powerful time at the gates of hell on Saturday. About one hundred saints came out to commemorate the 41st anniversary of *Roe v. Wade* in New Orleans. It created no small stir. The workers were apoplectic. Neighbors were upset. Police were called. The Gospel of the Kingdom became biography in the streets. We win when this happens!

**Fox 8 News New Orleans, LA, 2/3,/2014**, -The Archdiocese of New Orleans warns it will boycott businesses that consider helping Planned Parenthood construct a new facility Uptown. "We cannot cooperate with evil." This is the message Archbishop Gregory Aymond sent to Catholics in a letter published in the Clarion Herald over the weekend. Aymond's letter issues a stern warning. In it he says, "The Archdiocese...will strive in its privately funded work not to enter into business relationships with any person or organization that participates in actions that are essential to making this abortion facility a reality."



Saints Praying over PP property after Roe v Wade Memorial

New Orleans City Business editor Greg LaRose said of Aymond's message, "This, I think, is fairly unprecedented." LaRose says the Archdiocese of New Orleans is itself constantly growing and spending millions of dollars on construction projects. "It does catch the attention of contractors knowing that they are one of, for the lack of a better term, the big spenders, in the market." LaRose believes the threat of being blacklisted could scare some companies away from the Planned Parenthood project.

The 8,000-square-foot facility on South Claiborne Avenue would be the first Planned Parenthood site in New Orleans at which abortions are performed. In December, the City of New Orleans gave final approval to a construction permit for the project. This is a shame! Pray that no contractors will build this killing structure.

**Rusty Thomas to Become the New Director of Operation Save America**

As you may have already gleaned reading this newsletter, Flip will be passing the mantle of the Directorship of OSA to Rusty Thomas during our National Event in New Orleans this summer. He is stepping aside but not away from the vision and mission of this ministry. It is simply time for another to take his place and move us further up and further into the Kingdom of God. **“There is a time for everything...” Ecclesiastes 3:1-8.** Rusty has heard the call and, after seeking God and the counsel of many, has graciously accepted it as from God Himself, though he did not seek it, nor expect it, nor did the thought ever cross his mind. Pray for Him!

Keep storming the gates of hell in Jesus’ Name til we meet again in New Orleans this summer - flip