



# World Harvest Outreach

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## *Revival Continues In The Former Soviet Union*

On September 18, I left for Russia and the former Soviet Republic of Armenia. It had been one year since I had preached and planted churches in this small but beautiful country that borders Iran and Turkey. I was anticipating seeing our brethren in the Lake Sevan region and learning of the results the renewed persecution was having on the church. What I found in Armenia was a great revival taking place in every region. Some Pastors (most of them former Bible School students) were pastoring five house churches or more. Most of them have to travel several miles by foot or whatever means of transportation they can obtain to reach their village churches. One Pastor has a large congregation in Yerevan, the Capitol, and then several village churches with about 2,000 people in which he ministers to.

Most of the churches are now having to meet in houses, because the government would not allow them to rent city owned buildings anymore. They have been told that they must buy their own buildings to worship in. The church in Sevan was using a city owned building last year when I ministered there. The building was filled to capacity (700 members) and around eighty people were saved the day I preached there. Now the church has to meet in several houses during the week and the city told them not to do this. They were informed that they would have to purchase their own building which would cost from \$10,000 - \$15,000. How can you do this when the average monthly wage is around \$9.00 per person. They asked me for help, yet I didn't have such an amount. They say that it is very difficult to get sinners to attend house services. They need a building desperately.

I preached the first night in a church in Yerevan and around fifty people came forward to pray for salvation. I preached in houses the rest of the time and in every service, we would have from six to ten people come forward to receive Christ as their personal saviour. The lost are coming to Christ all over Armenia. There is a great move of God.

Rev. Chris Brown from Pascagoula, Mississippi, also went into Armenia along with me. Brother Brown also preached in house churches and was privileged to minister in an outdoor youth meeting. He had around sixty to respond for salvation in that one service alone. Through the gifts of a church in California, he was able to sponsor two students, one of these students, without any transportation. They are going from village to village planting churches.

Pastor Duke Downs and Adrian Downs from the Living Waters Church in Chino, California, were also in Armenia. They were sponsoring new students and buying vehicles for their former students to evangelize in. These men reported a great move of God taking place in the areas they visited as well. We had great fellowship with these missionaries who are reaching out throughout the C.I.S. from the Living Waters Church.



**Here I am holding Armenian New Testaments. These will be handed out by the two Bible School students I sponsored. The whole Bible is very difficult to obtain. Now someone can have a copy of the Word Of God for their very own. You made this possible by your giving.**

Because of the faithful giving of churches and individuals all across the United States, we are able to bring much needed assistance to ministers and churches in the former Soviet Union. In Armenia, I sponsored two fine young ministers who had graduated from B.H. Clendennen's School of Christ near Moscow. These men were given more than a years salary to help them labor in the Armenian harvest. I was able to also purchase New Testaments for both of them to distribute out among the new believers. One of these brothers, by the name of Ohan Martyrossyan, is already preaching in two villages, miles apart. His greatest need is a car, which cost around two thousand dollars. I was



also able to provide the money for repairs to the van in Sevan that is used for village evangelization. I bought some equipment needed by a church and gave much needed support to other pastors and ministers. One of those was a brother living in the country of Georgia. He pastors in a mountainous area where there are around 145 villages of Armenian people, little or no electricity and cow manure is mixed with straw to heat and cook during the winter. Yet there is a move of God taking place here like in the book of Acts. A revival in the midst of one of the poorest areas in the region. They barely exist during the long winter months. I was able to contribute, along with others, to help this man of God.

Through a gift of new clothing, I took in several new shirts and pull-over sweaters for the believers in Russia and Armenia. These were a great blessing to them.

On the day when rewards are passed around, it won't be me who gets the prize for this giving. It will be you. World Harvest Outreach is just a channel for your gifts to flow through to others. We are supported by business men as well as widow women on limited incomes. By churches from various Pentecostal Denominations as well as Independent Pentecostal Churches. I deeply appreciate your confidence and trust in this work.

Please continue to pray for Armenia, Russia, and all the former Soviet Republics. Revival is taking place everywhere in this vast land. Please pray for our work in Ecuador as well. Our plans are to put a school of Christ there. Please keep me and my family in earnest prayer. The needs are great and the pressures of this kind of ministry are many. God is faithful!



**Here I am, praying for the many needs of the people in a Sunday morning service in Sevan.**



**After the message the people cried out to God in a powerful way. This church was forbidden to use the city's building anymore. They were told that they must buy their own. Though the church is several hundred strong, it is hard for them to come up with the \$10,000 - \$15,000 it will cost for a building large enough to hold them. It will take a miracle for them to realize this need met, since the average monthly wage is only nine dollars. They ask me to please help. We don't have any funds for them. Yet there are churches everywhere with tens of thousands of dollars in surplus funds that could buy the building and be blessed of God for such a great deed. We preach, sing and testify that Jesus is coming soon. Then, why do we hoard up such vast amounts of God's money, while the world perishes?**



**Here in this picture, dozens of people crowd into an apartment to worship God. The old and feeble have a hard time sitting on the floor, nevertheless, their love for Christ and the need to worship together enables them to endure the heat and discomfort.**





I sponsored these two fine ministers with the funds you gave. The one on the right (Ohan Martyrossyun) has several children to take care of. He already has two churches to pastor. One of these is in a village a great distance from his home. He has no car to travel back and forth in. A good used car cost around \$2,000. He would put it to great use for the Kingdom of God. The young man on the left (Hayk Grygryan) works the prisons and other areas where the Gospel is desperately needed. He also is in need of transportation. These men of God are not lazy. They are laboring continuously in Armenia's harvest.



This picture was taken of the same service as above. As you can see the room was packed to capacity. I was to stand in front of this little table and preach, surrounded by hungry people eager to hear the word of God.

#### Other Needs On The Mission Field

6000-7000 watt generator for the Bible School in Ecuador. (Electricity is now being turned off up to seven hours a day) \$1,000.00.

Building supplies and builders to work on the new Bible School in Ecuador.

High 8 Video camera for the filming of mission services and mission needs around the world. \$2,000.00.

Video playing equipment for the School of Christ teaching by B.H. Clendennen. We need several sets at around \$650.00 each. This will enable poor pastors to have a Holy Ghost taught Bible School.

#### Returning To Ecuador November 29

I plan to return to Guayaquil and Quito, Ecuador the end of November. Sister Turner and a ministry team, traveling at their own expense, will be accompanying me. I felt that on this trip I should go to the poor areas and preach in the small church facilities. I hope to join Sister Sanchez and Brother Freddy for a crusade in their areas of Guayaquil. Here we also plan to dedicate the new church building you helped build (see last issue of "The Reaper's Report") back after fire completely destroyed it. I also plan to take the team to Quito and preach in an area just now opening up to the Pentecostal message. As you know, I can only go if you send me. I need your help to pay for the expenses of these crusades. Please pray about it.



This is brother Ohan's house church in a northern village of Yerevan. I preached here on Saturday afternoon and rejoiced as sinners came forward to receive Christ as their Savior.



## **JOIN ME FOR TEN DAYS IN ISRAEL!**

*We are planning a ten day trip to the Holy Land for March 5-14. \$1,779.00 from New York. Plus tips and taxes. Please call for more information. \$300.00 deposit required. (615) 779-5215 (Not connected with World Harvest Outreach) Tour host: J. Darrell Turner*

## **Revival and Mission Crusade Dates**

October 22-27  
Assembly of God  
Ellisville, Mississippi

November 12 (p.m. ser. only)  
First Assembly of God  
Royce, TX

November 1-5  
Church of God  
Greenville, TX

November 15-19  
Independent Church of God  
Scottsboro, AL

November 8-12  
Grace Fellowship A/G  
Longview, TX

November 29 - December 10  
Ecuador, South America

(Special Missions Sing: November 25 at First Assembly - Waynesboro, Miss. Special guest singers, "Pentecostal Expressions, Mark Cauley and Area-Wide Mass Youth Choir". Call for more information: (601) 735-2318)

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