

## NEWSLETTER

**July 2021 Edition** 

REMEMBER JUNE SRG REPORTS ARE NOW DUE



The Blackwoods will perform for ActsFest participants on July 15.

## **ActFest to Take Field Trip to Blackwoods Concert**

Are you ready for a field trip?

The venerable Branson singing family, the Blackwoods, will perform in concert for ActsFest participants on the first day of the event, July 15. A group will leave from Acts Ministry headquarters, 4166 W. Kearney St., Springfield, at 9 a.m. and arrive in Branson in time for 10 a.m. show. After the two-hour show, the group will caravan back to Springfield in time for the start of activities there at 1:30 p.m.

What can you expect?

The Blackwoods have performed with some of the most famous singing talents in the nation, including such notables as Johnny Cash, Dolly Parton, and The Oak Ridge Boys. With a history that stretches back through some

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80 years of country and gospel music, they will perform country and patriotic music and gospel. Winners of multiple awards in Southern Gospel, their hits include "I Find No Fault in Him," and "Through It All."

Anything else?

The first twenty registrants for ActsFest will receive free tickets and round-trip transportation to and from the show. Be sure to register early to be eligible. Email your registration to: 4321acts@gmail.com.

# REGISTER NOW REGISTRATION ENDS JULY 7 FOR Acts Fest 2021

To get in on the fun, entertainment and informative seminars, just email Acts Ministry at: 4321acts@gmail.com.

### **ActFest Talent Contests: A Chance to Strut Your Stuff**

Participants in ActsFest 2021 will have three different opportunities to show the world just what they can do with a song, a slab of bread — or something else entirely. If you can sing, make a great sandwich, or have some other talent, you can enter one of the talent contests that will be part of ActsFest 2021. You have a chance to win glorious prizes, fame and accolades, and a commemorative plaque.

#### **Music Contest**

If music is your thing, you'll have a chance to perform at 3 p.m. on Thursday, July 15. Rules for the competition are:

- No more than 20 entrants. (So hurry!)
- Entries must be no longer than six minutes.
- Entries may be live or recorded.
- Entry fee is \$10.

The show will be rebroadcast three times on the Acts Media website.

The wining performance will be chosen by one-dollar votes posted on the Acts Media Group website, www.actsmediagroup.com. Voting will end July 18, 2021, and the winner will be announced July 19, 2021, on the Morning Drive show. The winner will receive \$50, a Plague of Honor, and the performance will be broadcast weekly during August, 2021.

#### **Non-Music Contest**

If music *isn't* your thing, you can still compete in the second event at 4 p.m. on Thursday, July 15. Rules for the competition are:

- No more than 20 entrants.
- Entries must be no longer than six minutes.
- Entry fee is \$10.

The show will be rebroadcast three times on the Acts Media website.

The winner will be chosen by one-dollar votes posted on the Acts Media Group website, www.actsmediagroup.com. Voting will end July 18, 2021, and the winner will be announced July 19, 2021, on the Morning Drive show. The winner will receive \$50, a Plague of Honor, and the performance will be broadcast weekly during August, 2021.

#### Sandwich King Championship

The third competition will pit mayo against mustard, rye against sour dough in a sandwich-building championship. This event will happen at 1 p.m. Friday, July 16, 2021. Rules for the competition are:

- No more than 20 entrants.
- Live entries only.
- Entry fee is \$10.

The show will be rebroadcast three times on the Acts Media website.

The winner will be chosen by one-dollar votes posted on the Acts Media Group website, www.actsmediagroup.com. Voting will end July 18, 2021, and the winner will be announced July 19, 2021, on the Morning Drive show. The winner will receive \$50 and a Plague of Honor. The judge's selection will receive 10 votes toward the King.

## Five Telethons to Help Support Acts Ministry Works

ActsFest Saturday will be the scene of five fundraising efforts in support of Acts Ministry's many outreach and service programs.

#### **Veterans Church**

First will be a telethon at 9 a.m. for the Veterans Church, an outreach focused on serving the needs and issues of veterans. Hosts will be Steve McAllister and Randy Barr.

#### **Autism Awareness Support**

This telethon helps support ministry to those dealing with autism and works to help communities understand and assist the autistic. It begins at 10 a.m. with hosts Jim Wining and Dawn Blackard.

#### **Subordinating Ministries Support**

Acts Ministry assists and helps direct a wide range of individual ministries. This telethon helps those individual ministries with funding in areas including poverty, homelessness, marriage, parolee issues, PTSD, the elderly, and social-economic issues. It begins at 11 a.m. with hosts Jim Wining and Todd Carter.

## Jackie Scott-Phillips Medical Relief & Helping Hands Fund

New this year, this telethon will help raise awareness of the needs of those with chronic and traumatic medical situations, particularly those with limited or no medical insurance. Will also address supplements that can help with health issues without harmful side effects. Beginning at 2 p.m., it will be hosted by Randal Phillips, the late Jackie Scott-Phillips' husband.

#### Acts Media Group Fundraiser

Hosts Matt Pearson, Jason Cobb and John Cockroft will discuss what AMG can and does do for Acts Ministry, its subordinates, non-profits, ministries and minsters. This event begins at 3 p.m.

Contributions to any (or all) of these causes by going to actsmediagroup.com and clicking on Donate.

## Real News Review Article of the Month Noah's Ark and John 17:9-21

#### By Dr. James Wining

It's the same thing! Noah proclaiming to friends, relatives and neighbors that a flood was coming. At this point in history, Acts Ministry proclaims the time of the evil one is coming and offers up the love and protection from God the Father. When you see the comparison, you also see man's fruitless efforts to reach such a plain that is incomprehensible due to doctrines, denominations, independence and grandiose Christianity.

"Unity, in Christ, through The Holy Spirit," vision is a simple explanation of "The Last Prayer by Jesus," John 17:9-21. Acts Ministry's proclamation means, "get in the boat!" It means, "throw away your prejudice and preconceived ideas and follow the words of Jesus. Listen and be guided by The Holy Spirit (The Comforter.) Be in unity with Jesus' instructions and be assured God The Father is there to protect."

The dangers and death of high water were prophesied by Noah; evil and destruction of life as we know it are prophesied by Acts Ministry. Who would think Christians would have problems with unity, Holy Spirit and God's power? The fact is they do. Moreover, it makes it clear why people failed to get in the boat, just as those today fail to see the essence of the last words of Jesus.

I have been president of Acts Ministry for seven annual ActsFests. I am well-pleased that we spend an abundance of time gathering together people who see the changes today, know The Bible and seek annual rejuvenation and proclamation of "In Unity, In Christ, Through The Holy Spirit!" Rejoice in this gathering called ActsFest because, while we do not know the time, we do know the clouds are upon us for a great great rain!



Dr. James Wining President Acts Ministry

## **Reframing Trauma with Hope**

#### By Donna Moller, Licensed Counselor

Trauma is often present in people's lives. My first encounter with was working with 10-13 teenagers from the Columbine shootings. That tragedy happened April 20, 1999. At the end of April, a mother contacted me because these kids were gathering at her home and she was beside herself, not knowing what to do. My husband and I began the difficult journey with these youth. Each of them were either in the library, cafeteria, or doors where Eric and Dylan entered and killed.

As we met with them, Tom and I realized we had to go through several steps to give them hope. Tom was unsure of himself, and followed my lead. I felt like it was the blind leading the blind, but we were the two God chose to help them from dread to hope. As a leader of this traumatized group, these are some of the things I learned along the way:

Listen to their story. Don't interrupt. Listen with all your heart. Laugh and cry with them. For example, they often came up with macabre humor and we often laughed. One night we were running late and called the parents. One mom heard her daughter laughing and said, "That is the first time I have heard her laugh since the shooting! Keep her all night if she is happy."

**Ask questions if you do not understand.** Don't assume you know what they are feeling.

Your voice needs to be calm and peaceful. Learn to do deep breathing.

Never judge the person's trauma. It is trauma to them. One of our boys told his story. He was sitting next to his best friend and got bored. His last words to his friend were, "You are boring! I am out of here!" He left and in five minutes his friend was dead. The survivors guilt was enormous. The

group just engulfed him with love.

**Listen for understanding**, not to figure out answers. Tom and I listened to the Holy Spirit intently. As a leader, my belief in hope and confidence that people can overcome is absolute. It seems as though they "catch" my hope. Affirm the person in their work toward healing.

If the person is a believer, find out where they are in their faith. If not, ask permission to share wisdom literature such as the Bible. Embrace the leadership God has gifted you with and lead!

Follow through with your commitments to the traumatized individual.

**Never say, "I know how you feel."** You do not and cannot even if your trauma is similar.

We stayed with these youth for almost two years. Some gave their testimonies in front of large classes; all experienced more trauma. An 11-year-old was murdered in January, 2000. All the kids knew him. His body was found in a dump-ster a half mile from the school. More trauma for all of us!!

Another Columbine student committed suicide in April, 2000. Everyone said he was doing so well! He was a neighbor and close friend of one of our youth. My kids were traumatized again. I asked if they had contemplated suicide. My heart broke. Everyone of them had. More listening, encouraging, affirming them in their daily choices.

Trauma to hope. Tom and I were able to lead them into hope. Thank you dear Jesus! God is good, all the time.

Believers can do this because the Holy Spirit leads us.

## **ACTSFEST 2021 SCHEDULE**

#### THURSDAY, JULY 15

## 8 a.m. Fellowship with Light Breakfast Snack

Coffee and Donuts, Booth Setup Hosts: Matt Pearson & Jason Cobb

## 9 a.m. Travel to Branson for Blackwoods Concert

Depart from Headquarters, 4166 W. Kearney St., Springfield, for the American Theater, 2905 76 Country Blvd., Branson. Transportation Provided.

10 a.m.

-Noon Blackwoods Concert at American Theatre

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1:30 p.m. Lunch Break & Drive Time Back to Headquarters

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#### 2 p.m. What Can AMG Broadcasting Do for YOU?

Tours of Broadcasting Services, Equipment Demonstrations, Discussion on Live Broadcasting Mediums, Facebook, YouTube, Daily Motion, Twitter, Linked In, and Our Website, www.actsmediagroup.com

Hosts: Matt Pearson & John Cockroft

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#### 2:30 p.m. Issues Facing Non-Profits & Subordinated Ministries

How to Work with State and Federal Regulators, 990EZ, Annual Filing, SRG Requirements, Working in the Secular World **Hosts: Donna Moller & Jim Wining** 

## 3 p.m. Live & Pre-Recorded Music Talent Award Competition

2021 ActsFest Music Champion

Maximum of 20 competitors. No more than six minutes long. Entry fee, \$10. Winner chosen based on \$1 votes via website, www.actsmediagroup.com. Show will be rebroadcast three times and on website. Voting ends July 18, 2021. Winner announced July 19, 2021, on the Morning Drive. Award: Plaque of Honor, \$50, and performance broadcast weekly during August, 2021.

Host: John Cockroft; Judge: Dennis Eversen

## 4 p.m. Live & Pre-Recorded Talent Award Competition

2021 ActsFest Talent Champion (Excludes Music) Maximum of 20 competitors. No more than six minutes long. Entry fee, \$10. Winner chosen based on \$1 votes via website, www. actsmediagroup.com. Show will be rebroadcast three times and on website. Voting ends July 18, 2021. Winner announced July 19, 2021, on the Morning Drive. Award: Plaque of Honor, \$50, and performance broadcast weekly during August, 2021.

Host: John Cockroft, Judge: Dennis Eversen

#### FRIDAY, JULY 16

#### 9 a.m. Fellowship with Light Breakfast, Communion Offered

Hosts: Mark James and Jodi Myer

## 10 a.m. Non-Church Ministry & Social Cause Advocacy

Explains the Role of AMG, ATN, and Ministries in the USA and Worldwide. Social Causes Including Homelessness, PTSD, Autism, Addictions, Elderly, Disabled and Disadvantaged Hosts: Jim Wining, Paul Collins & Larry Green

#### 11 a.m. How to Increase Your Footprint in Ministry Connection

New Definition of Evangelism, Church Relevance, Ministry Service, Education and Connection Host Panel: Jane Campbell, Billy Burris, Ledena Bough, and Dennis Eversen

Noon Lunch Break

#### 1 p.m. ActsFest 2021 Sandwich King Championship

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Host: Matt Pearson, Judge: TBD

## 2 p.m. Ministry in Changing Times

A Discussion about Changes in Government, Religion, Morals and Ethics. Suggestions as to How to Prepare, Serve and Plan for the Future.

Hosts: Dr. Paul Collins & Commissioner Lynn Morris

## 3 p.m. Acts Ministry, Inc., Board of Directors Meeting

#### **SATURDAY, JULY 17**

#### 9 a.m. ActsFest 2021 Telethon for Acts Ministry Works: Veterans Church

Discussion about Veterans' Issues and Needs.

Hosts: Steve McAllister\*\* & Randy Barr

#### 10 a.m. ActsFest 2021 Telethon for Acts Ministry Works: Autism Awareness Support

Discussion about Autism Issues and Needs.

Hosts: Jim Wining & Dawn Blackard

#### 11 a.m. ActsFest 2021 Telethon for Acts Ministry Works: Supporting Subordinated Ministries

What are Subordinated Ministries Doing for the Poor, Homeless, Marriages, Parolees, PTSD, Elderly and Social Economic Issues Hosts: Jim Wining & Todd Carter\*\*

#### Noon-

## 2 p.m. ActsFest Recognition Luncheon

AWARDS:

- Dennis Coad Minister of the Year
- Jimmy Dunn Lay Leader of the Year
- Lighthouse Award
- Jackie Scott-Phillips Service Award
- Acts Media Group Award

Hosts: Jim Wining & Dennis Eversen (Limited to 28 Guests)

#### 2 p.m. Jackie Scott-Phillips Medical Relief & Helping Hands Fund

Raising Awareness of Financial Needs of Those with Medical Needs and Limited or No Health Insurance. Also, Supplements without Harmful Side Effects Host: Randal Phillips\*

#### 3 p.m. ActsFest 2021 Acts Media Group Fund-raiser

What AMG Does and Can Do for Acts Ministry, its Subordinates, Non-Profits, Ministries and Ministers

Hosts: Matt Pearson, Jason Cobb & John Cockroft

## **SUNDAY, JULY 18**

2:00 p.m.

## First Church Chapel Service

Message: "Unity in Christ Through the Holy Spirit"
More Now is Needed Than Ever;
More "Doing the Right Thing Wherever Needed"

Pastor/Minister: Dr. Paul Collins, founder

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## **Morning Drive**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 8-9 a.m.

**Hosts: Matt Pearson and Jason Cobb** 

## **Morning Mouth**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9-10 a.m. Hosts: Johnny Rooster and Matt Pearson

## The Bucket List

Monday, 10-11 a.m. Hosts: Dr. Paul and Nancy Collins

## **Learning Curve**

Tuesday, 9-10 a.m. Host: TBA

## **Reality Check**

Tuesday, 10-11 a.m. Host: Dr. R.K. Sanders

## The Spirit in America/ Silver Linings

Alternating Wednesdays, 8-9 a.m. Host: Randy Baar; TBA

## **Changing Times**

Wednesday, 10-11 a.m.

Hosts: Lynn Morris and Dawn Blackard

## **Penny for Your Thoughts**

Thursday, 9-10 a.m. Host: Susan Abar

## Wisdom for Today

Thursday, 10-11 a.m. Host: TBA

## **Open Ended**

Friday, 10-11 a.m. Hosts: Peggy and Geoff Haberen