

ACTS MINISTRY NEWS



Church seeks help after burglary

Independence Church was founded in 1904. Oldtimers still refer to it as Black Foot Church. The immediate area near the church was once trading grounds for native Americans.

Today, the church is transdenominational and welcomes everyone. With a heart for the marginal members of the community, they are considering moving their services to a later time to accommodate some of their members with health issues who find it difficult to get around early in the morning. They have also welcomed many young preachers, giving them a chance to preach before they begin pastoring their own flocks.

Until recently, the church was always open day and night for anyone to drop by. For many in the community, it was part of their daily activities to come by the church and get some exercise, walking in the church.

That changed when someone stole the church's heating stove. The congregation had been trying to make improvements to the building and, with that theft, they to replace the heating system along with other improvements. Anyone who would like to help with the heating or other improvements should contact Pastor Ladena Bough at Ladenabough@gmail.com.

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NEWSLETTER



Pastor Ladena Bough officiates a wedding.

Bough pastors needy in Stockton area church

What do you do when life takes an unexpected twist like a disability? If you are Pastor Ladena Bough, you thank God for the new opportunities He has given you.

Pastor Bough was content leading a Bible study and managing a law office in Kansas City, but God clearly had other plans for her. After becoming disabled, she moved back to Stockton, Missouri.

"I am blessed to have 24 hours a day available," she says. "Many pastors in the area work full-time jobs and do not have the freedom I do." In addition to pastoring a small congregation, she ministers one-on-one to members of the entire community. She is available to the needy throughout the area. She visits shut-ins and nursing home patients regularly and is just a phone call away for anyone else who needs her. She uses her legal background to help Medicare and Medicaid patients navigate the system to make sure they receive all available benefits. She has researched and contacted drug companies that help low-income people get their medications at low cost or even free. She also has helped people who need food, but who have an illegal drug record, get food through a local food bank. In Missouri, a drug conviction permanently precludes the convict from receiving food stamps.

Pastor Bough is well known throughout Stockton. She has pastored the small congregation of Independence Church since 2012, but she was familiar with the church long before that. Her great-grandfather dedicated the church in 1916 and an uncle was also a pastor of the church. Bough's husband, Bill, also had an uncle who pastored the church.



2020 NOMINEES

Please nominate people you know with Acts Ministry who fit the descriptions of the award you are nominating them for. Nominations may be emailed to 4321acts@gmail.com.

Lighthouse Award

A person who quietly serves faithfully and humbly behind the scenes.

Jimmy Dunn Award

A lay non-clergy person who provides support including service and/or financial help for ministry.

Service Award

A person(s) who provides a ministry benefit(s) that is needed with a Christian message.

Acts Media Award

A person who utilizes high-tech media means to evangelize the world for Christianity.

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Minister of the Year Award

A minister who has done an exceptional ministry or activity.

Unity in Christ Award

A person working with groups, churches, and individuals seeking to bring understanding to the body of Christ in worship and in service.

Acts Ministry Donations Can Now Be Made Via PayPal

Good news for those who may have experienced difficulties trying to donate through PayPal on the Acts Media Group website.

Please try it again.

Thanks to the persistence of Dr. Jim Wining and the know-how of Bishop Dennis Eversen, the PayPal button on the front page of the Acts Media Group website is now working correctly. You can now easily give a monthly or a one-time gift. Just click on the PayPal button and follow the prompts.

In these times of uncertainty for many with temporary loss of work due to the coronavirus, please do not forget Acts Ministry. If you can still give, please do so. Acts Ministry, as well as many other worthwhile organizations, need your help now more than ever.

From Six Feet Away— Still, Love Your Neighbors

Many of us are on lock down against the coronavirus, but we can still find ways to show God's love to others.

If you have elderly or disabled friends, neighbors or relatives, stay in contact with them. Call, text or use social media, not just to check on their physical well-being, but to easily keep them connected to life and their community.

While observing distancing, help others with their needs. Offer to pick up items from the grocery store when you go. Do yard work for someone who can't.

Share supplies. If you have enough paper goods on hand to last until the next millennium; if you make a great chicken soup; share it with someone who could use it.

There's an upside to almost any situation, including this one. Consider this a great time to reconnect with family, friends and neighbors, especially those in your own household. Play some board games. Share stories with your kids about what life was like when you were growing up, give cooking lessons or have them teach you a skill they have.

Pray for one another. None of this caught God by surprise and He is able and willing to help us through whatever trials are to come.



Dr. Marty Hamilton



Steve McAllister

Acts Television Network

Simulcast on Acts Radio

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Click on Acts TV tab along the top of the home page or check out our YouTube channel.



Pastor Dennis Eversen



Schuyler Carter

Basics of Faith

with Dr. Marty Hamilton

Fridays, 9 am

This program is designed for the person who wants to become a serious Bible student and have an in-depth study of God's word.

Special Programming

with Brandon Mabe

March 5, 9 am

Branson's Famous Baldknobbers. Brandon Mabe updates viewers on the 61st season of Branson's first show.



Tony Hammock

The Gold Standard

with Tony Hammock

Wednesdays, 9 am

What does the wise investor need to know about the markets this year? Are there other investments you need to know about? Plus look at Biblical stewardship principles

Happy Hour

with Dr. Paul Collins and Rev. Nancy Collins, Fridays, 9:30 am

Feb. 7, Dr. Bonnie MacAlmond naturopathic physician; Feb. 14, Steve Pokin, Springfield News-Leader columnist; Barry Albright, Kitchenland manager and house flipper.



Matt Pearson

Morning Drive

with Matt Pearson and Jacon Cobb

Weekdays, 8 am

It's the best way time to wake up; face a new day with joy and excitement. Their zest for life and love for God is contagious



Jason Cobb

Power Hour

with Schuyler Carter Thursdays, 9 am

Finally a program that talks to real men about real issues and helps them become what God intended them to be

Something to Celebrate

with Bishop Tom Young

and Amber Weigard-Buckley

Tuesdays, 9 am

You may hear from an author or find a new restaurant, hear inspiring testimonies. You will always find something to celebrate.

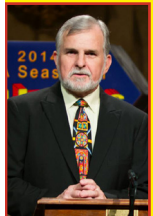
Veterans Church

with Rev. Bruce Pearson

and Rev. Leo Frohman

Thursdays, 9 am

A program by and for veterans and their families, but all are welcome to attend the Bible study.



Bishop Tom Young

Spirit in America

with Randy Baar, Days, 9 am

An new version of a popular series produced by Baar and broadcast on cable. Interesting interviews and talented performers

Brighter Living Live

with Steve McAllister, Day, 9 am

Steve knows just about every performer in Branson. Expect to see your favorite Branson stars as well as other interesting interviews



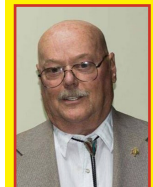
Amber Weigard-Buckley

Transcendental Interactions

with Pastor Dennis Eversen

Days, Time TBA

Miraculous encounters and transcendental interactions. Considering how the spiritual world *is* the real world and our perception is clouded by the physical world.



Rev. Bruce Pearson



Randy Barr



**Rev. Nancy Collins
Dr. Paul Collins**



Rev. Leo Frohman

**Remember:
March SRG Reports
are now due**

Real News Review Article of the Month

Coronavirus brings fear over faith

How many times have we been told, "It's for the common good?" Incidentally, haven't we all been persuaded to believe it's more efficient and productive to globalize services, products and people? What would you think if that exact procedure was used in history with horrific results. Well, maybe now, with the coronavirus pandemic condition upon us, listening might make sense. Moreover, what if there is comfort in knowing a Christian response.

The coronavirus is pandemic because of public transportation. In fact, it would likely not even be endemic if public transportation ceased. Worldwide public transportation by air and sea makes every spot on the earth vulnerable to diseases. Maybe there is a reason why there is a separation of peoples by language and a separation of peoples into separate land masses called continents. I wonder what book touches on this separation issue and its purpose.

When we look through time at endemic and pandemic diseases from the Dark Ages, 476-1453 AD, to polio in 1952-1979 certain common factors applied. The greater the connection of people the greater the presence of the disease. The only thing which seemed to work short of a vaccination was migration and lack of connection. People in the Dark Ages fled the centralized areas for rural subsistence living. This was not uncommon to their previous life conditions but in this circumstance with much fewer people in connection.

Home Safe Now

Virus Traps Eversen Daughter in Europe

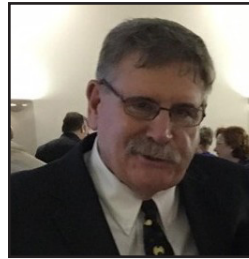
Grace Eversen, the teenage daughter of Bishop Dennis and Sylvia Eversen, was on a trip to Spain, visiting a friend whose parents are missionaries there. The girls anticipated spending time together visiting tourist sights in Spain. But shortly after Grace arrived, coronavirus began making headlines in both Spain and the United States. Instead of sightseeing, the girls spent two days together, locked down in her hosts' residence.

Soon, it became clear that Grace either had to leave Spain before the border was closed or spend the duration of the health crisis in Spain. Naturally, the Eversens wanted their daughter home. Prayer requests went out and many in Acts Ministry as well as others in the body of Christ began to pray for her quick return.

The fact that Grace was still a minor complicated matters. Dennis contacted the airline that she had booked with on line. He was transferred to other airlines, but there simply did not seem to be a way to get her back home. Meanwhile, Sylvia and a neighbor visited the airport in Springfield. Their friends in Spain were

Polio was heavily related to children in the USA. However, from that entry, adults suffered greater harm than children. Children suffered paralysis in one in 1000 cases while adults one in 75 cases. The disease required drastic actions many of which we see again today. However, the overriding assumption seems to be the greater the connection the greater is the exposure to endemic and pandemic disease.

Globalism, whether its mass transportation between continents or worldwide international transportation, both seem to magnify the issues involved with new disease outbreaks. This is one of the heavy prices of globalism. The only comfort we can have short of a constant flow of miracle vaccinations is the comfort of Jesus. He offered Himself, provided the healing of communion and the peace of knowing we will have eternal life. As simple as this may appear millions today choose "fear over faith," and live each day in despair and not in the joy of Jesus' love.



Dr. James R. Wining
President, ACTS Ministry

also trying to help and they called Sylvia just as she was leaving the airport. They asked a question Sylvia couldn't answer, so they turned around and went back into the airport to find an answer. The airline worker at the desk was usually assigned to that position, but, ultimately, she was able to help them.

Grace went through multiple busy airports on her way home and came in contact with many people. She was tested at the airports and exhibited symptoms that could have been the virus. When she arrived home, the health department retested her and the family self-quarantined at home. When they received the test results March 24, she tested negative for the coronavirus.

The relieved family believes that God answered their prayers and that it was only through His grace that Grace was able to get home. Also, Dennis says, those simple things like staying a distance apart and washing your hands really do help. He says she practiced social distancing and hand washing as much as possible through all of the airports on her journey back.