

## Acts Ministry Begins New Food Distribution Ministry

In a time when many are struggling with economic hardships brought on by the covid pandemic, Acts Ministry has begun a new ministry designed to help. Acts recently brought a truckload of fresh produce to the parking lot of WAMH Thrift Store in Ozark, Missouri. The food was given away as the first in a series of regular events to be held in parking lots of area businesses and charities. Plans are being finalized for additional giveaways at more locations across Southwest Missouri.

Providing fresh, healthy food is a major struggle for most food pantries. Much of what is available to them through charities is heavily-processed, shelf-stable items. Acts Ministries hopes the new program will help bridge the gap. There are no requirements to get the food. It is simply given out on a first-come, first-serve basis. Should the need at a particular location be filled and food be left over, it will be donated to established area ministries to help other food-stressed families.

"We are very pleased to have this opportunity to help people in a very hands-on way, especially when so many are unemployed and having a difficult time putting food on the table," said Dr. Jim Wining, president of Acts Ministry. "Our goal is simple; to help as many people as possible. We are finding that business leaders are very supportive of this project," he added. The distribution is beneficial all round. At the initial event in Ozark, some people who came for the food distribution became



**Workers offload fresh fruits and vegetables for distribution at WAMH Thrift Store in Ozark, Missouri. This was the first delivery of a new Acts Ministry program.**

acquainted with WAMH Thrift Store for the first time. Conversely, some who came to stop the thrift store went home with food from the event.

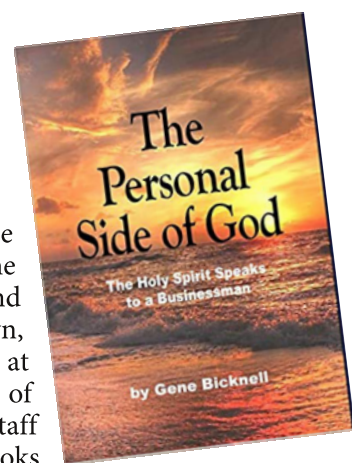
Distribution locations will be announced on Acts Media Groups programs as they become available. Acts Ministry hopes to find several distribution points around Southwest Missouri that are easy for most people to get to.

## Acts Founder Dr. Paul Collins Now Book Publisher

Everyone has an interesting story to tell; many have a fresh perspective or a unique insight into the human condition that could benefit fellow believers and well as the general reader. Perhaps you, yourself, have a compelling testimony or experience in ministry. But those stories often never get told and those perspectives are often never shared because most of us have no idea how to translate them into print.

That's where Dr. Paul Collins comes in.

If you have been involved with Acts Ministry in practically any capacity in the 27 years since its founding, the name, Dr. Paul Collins, is probably familiar to you. You might recall that he was at one time president of the organization. Indeed, he, his wife, Nancy, and a friend founded Acts Ministry back in 1993. More recently, Dr. Paul, as he is affectionately known, and Nancy host the Happy Hour on Acts Television Network. He also teaches seminars at ActsFest, often on publishing. He has bona fide credentials to do so. He is the senior editor of Windhover Publishing. With many years as a guest newspaper columnist, a magazine staff writer, book reviewer and commentator, this pastor and doctor of theology also has two books of his own to his credit.



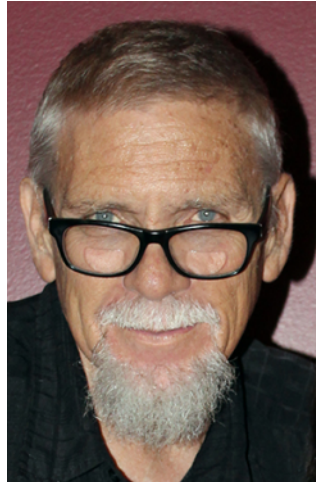
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# Kidney Fund Update The End is Near

By Jackie Scott

Randal Phillips is nearing the end of his recovery from a kidney transplant in June of 2019. It has been over a year-long, intensive, journey, with too many surgeries to count and many times taking one step forward and two steps back. Thank you so much, to all those who prayed and encouraged Randal along this journey. Thank you, too, to those who gave and made this journey possible. While Randal will have



**Randal Phillips**

regular checkups for the rest of his life, his doctors feel he is down to the one last surgery that will allow his entire system to function normally. His internal drain, which has to be replaced every few months, will be replaced with a permanent solution. The doctors are pleased at how well the kidney is functioning and all of his numbers are at last within acceptable ranges. As with all transplant patients, he will have to continue on multiple (and expensive) anti-rejection drugs the rest of his life, but he should be able to continue living in a normal manner.

The final surgery is planned for Oct. 5 at St. Luke's Hospital in Kansas City. He should be hospitalized for a week or so and the doctors assure him that he will see complete recovery by the end of October, coincidentally, just in time for his birthday. Please remember him in your prayers. Phone calls and cards are welcome, too.

While Randal is nearing the end of his journey back to normal health, this should not be the end of Acts Ministry's Kidney Fund. Over 430,000 patients undergo dialysis on a regular, three-times-a-week, basis in America alone. As was the case with Randal, funding is a major barrier for many patients getting the lifesaving transplant they need. While state and federal funds are available, they do not completely cover all costs; Acts Kidney Fund is of major assistance in helping Randal cover the costs of anti-rejection drugs and other medical needs. With proper funding, Acts Kidney Fund can go on to help countless others. It is literally a life-saving and a life-giving ministry. Nothing would be more edifying at the end of Randal's struggles, than to see AKF reach out and offer others help and support in the same way.

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## Dr. Collins, Book Publisher

But, today, most of his work involves helping fellow Christians get their works in print. From his airy, light-filled writing room on the second level of his home in Springfield, he shepherds other authors' works from the idea stage, through editing, proofing and design. When needed, he also directs cover designs, printing and promotion, and helps authors get necessary copyrights, ISBN and Library of Congress book numbers. He has worked with Amazon.com to sell books through their website.

It could be a lucrative business, but Dr. Collins doesn't profit from his work. "If you don't put things in a book," he said, "it may very well be that your children and grandchildren may never know some of the thoughts you have had." That is his main concern. Thus far, he has helped guide five nonfiction books into publication. He is currently working with the author on a series of four novels for children and young adults.

One unique service that Dr. Collins helps with is a relatively new printing concept called Print on Demand. Traditionally, setup expenses for printing a book demanded that a large number of copies be produced to help diffuse the cost per copy. With POD, books are printed after customers place orders for them and can be printed in small or even single quantities without large prepress expenses. This makes small-run publications much more affordable. Windhover works with a POD printer that is owned by a book distributor, giving authors exposure to readers both nationally and internationally.

So, if you have a book in mind, what does Dr. Collins advise?

First, the age of typed or handwritten, over-the-transom, manuscript is dead. All work must be submitted online in Microsoft Word format; that's the norm with the current technology and it helps keep production costs low. Also, he says, while he will work with any Christian writer at any stage in the process, it is best, if you are considering a

project, to contact Windhover early—at the idea stage—rather than after your book is finished. This helps him and his team guide you through the process and will provide you with a better end product.

If you would like to contact Dr. Collins, he may be reached through his website at: [www.drpaulcollins.com](http://www.drpaulcollins.com), or through Acts Ministry.



**Dr. Paul Collins,  
Windhover Publishing**



# What to do When God Calls You

*By Jean Andress*

I was burned out at my job. I was ready to quit and do anything else, then a flash of insight, a moment of clarity, "Why not take a vacation." Yep, you labeled me, I'm a Type A: get the job done, no matter the consequences. "Well," I thought, "what a novel idea." So I started researching where and when I would go. I knew it needed to be soon. I ended up at a women's retreat in North Carolina. It was the first time I had gone solo to something like this; it turned out everyone I knew was busy.

I was at this retreat by myself, hundreds of miles from home, and amazing things started happening. I signed up for a massage; after all this counted as a vacation. The woman turned out to not do massages but was an energy healer and intuitive. She said she couldn't do the session because I had a whole lot of angels with me. I said, "Well I need a lot to keep me out of trouble." She said it wasn't a joke, that I need to take it seriously. Come to find out I'd been given a spiritual gift and it was time I knew about it. I could feel the energy in my hands and knew the message was true.

Do all calls have to be this dramatic? No, not at all. The compassion you feel on seeing a hungry child makes you want to feed that child and so you do. That is answering the call. Having a heart for the homeless in your community spurs you to join a blanket and coat drive. That is answering the call. Understanding the loneliness that can come with growing older convicts you to start visiting nursing homes. That is answering the call. There are endless ways that God uses our hearts to join Him in service to our fellows.

As a friend recently told me when I asked her the question, "What do you do when God calls you?" you get busy doing something along the lines of the call. For her, she had to give up selling Mary Kay and take a speaking class. She is now making inspirational podcasts. I started on a long road of learning different healing modalities. Trust God. He will lead the way as we answer the call one step at a time.

## Sorting Out Conviction vs. Condemnation

*Donna Moller*

*Christian Counselor*

My last sharing was on the truth, as a believer, that I am holy, blameless, righteous. This is true, regardless of your feelings. The balance of this truth is to know that, while we are never condemned, the Holy Spirit will correct us and convict us of sin. That is one of His many jobs within our lives. He convicts through His Word, through others, through preaching, and our own thoughts. The antidote for conviction is intentional repentance, forgiveness, and prayer which allows the Lord to minister His power to transform.

The unfortunate piece of His conviction of sin is that clients often view the truth of the word of God as condemnation. They think a loving God would never put conviction upon them. They confuse conviction with condemnation. Hence, the need to reinforce the fact that they are His children with no condemnation, coupled with His power to transform and sanctify us.

I view the church as the only possible place we can work out our salvation, our sanctification process. This is because the body of believers I am with is to be a sanctuary of peace, humility, patience, and gentleness. Believers should be able to truly be themselves. Sanctification is quicker when we can share our hearts safely. Each believer I am fellowshiping with needs to know His truth and walk in love (Eph 4:1-3). There is to be no judgment of the person I am ministering to and counseling. None! And the balance? Judgment begins in the house of the Lord; we are

called to judge sinful behavior. The counseling setting requires safety for the counselee. No safety? No transformation. Would that the church understood this!

**Housekeeping counseling guidelines:** Read your state laws! Every state is different. Christian counselors have the highest number of lawsuits against them. Being a pastor/biblical counselor does not exempt you from these laws, ever. Confidentiality issues are the number one reason for lawsuits against Christian counselors. Pastors and church counselors break this law (and it is a law, not a suggestion) consistently. Do not share with anyone without a written release.

Feel free to email me with any questions you may have. My email is [domol62@comcast.net](mailto:domol62@comcast.net).



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### **Morning Drive** *Mon.-Fri., 8-9 a.m.*

Hosts: Matt Pearson and Jason Cobb

### **Brighter Living** *Mon., 9-10 a.m.*

Host: Steve McAllister

### **Sacred Ways** *Mon., 10-11 a.m.*

Hosts: Troy and Belinda Johanson

### **The Spirit in America**

*Tues., 9-10 a.m.* Host: Randy Baar

### **Crime Time** *Tues., 10-11 a.m.*

Host: Steve Albrieht

### **The New Gold Standard**

*Wed., 9-10 a.m.* Host: Tony Hammock

### **Open Ended** *Wed., 10-11 a.m.*

Hosts: Peggy and Geoff Haberen

### **Penny for Your Thoughts**

*Thurs., 9-10 a.m.* Host: Susan Abar

### **Power Hour** *Thurs., 10-11 a.m.*

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### **Morning Mouth** *Fri., 9-9:30 a.m.*

Hosts: Johnny Rooster and  
Matt Pearson

### **Happy Hour** *Fri., 9:30-10:30 a.m.*

Hosts: Dr. Paul and Nancy Collins

## New Afternoon and Evening Shows

### **Mondays**

#### **House of God Ministries** *3-4 pm*

Host: Beth Hicks (Beginning Sept. 14)

#### **Children's Program** *4-5 pm*

#### **Recovery** *5-6 pm*

### **Tuesdays**

#### **Soul's Harbor** *3-4 pm*

Hosts: Beverly Lee & LeAnn Martin  
(Begins Sept. 8)

#### **Children's Program** *4-5 pm*

#### **Programming TBA** *5-6 pm*

### **Wednesdays**

#### **Stahls Ministry in Word and Song**

*3-4 pm* Hosts: Bill and Anita French Stahl

#### **Children's Program** *4-5 pm*

#### **Programming TBA** *5-6 pm*

### **Thursdays**

#### **Exposing the Candy-Coated Cult**

*3-4 pm* Host: Nemra Rhoden  
(First and Third Thursday)

#### **Journey of Truth** *3-4 pm*

Hosts: Darrell and Nemra Rhoden  
(Second and Fourth Thursday)

#### **Children's Program** *4-5 pm*

#### **Programming TBA** *5-6 pm*

### **Fridays**

#### **Beside Still Waters** *3-4 pm*

Host: Joanie Buchanan

#### **Children's Program** *4-5 pm*

#### **Recovery** *5-6 pm*