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In Mark 16:15 Jesus said, “. . . *Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.*” This verse is directed to each one of us. There is a book by Ivan Stewart entitled Go Ye Means Go Me. Its title is a play upon the words of Jesus in Mark 16:15 and emphasizes the point that we all are responsible for evangelizing. Let’s examine the various parts of this commandment.

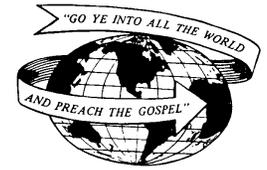
1. **Go** — We are commanded to “go.” Few people at best will come into our buildings and hear the gospel being taught. We must go and take it to the lost.
2. **Ye** — The commandment is directed at each one of us. We cannot avoid our responsibility of teaching others. Even though many congregations hire ministers and have an active eldership, evangelism is the responsibility of each member.
3. **Into** — When we take the gospel to others, we enter their realm. We often must leave our realm of comfort. This other realm may be geographical or social in nature. We cannot stand on the outside and look in, but we must enter.

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4. **All** — The gospel is for everyone. There is not one person that does not need the gospel. Every person you see at work, in the stores, and in any large or small gathering will stand before Christ and be judged.



5. **The World** — The world is this planet upon which we live and also the world is those outside of Christ. Our mission is universal. No one is to be excluded.
6. **And Preach** — We are to proclaim our message. There is urgency. Even since you began reading this article, many have died without Christ. Let’s use any method at our disposal to preach. Such methods would include, but not be limited to, public speaking, the Internet, radio, newspaper, and probably the most effective— one on one discussions.
7. **The Gospel** — The “good news,” the gospel, is what we are to preach. Not the words of men or even of angels, but the Bible, the inspired word of God.
8. **To Every Creature** — Not one person is to be excluded. Some may seem unlikely prospects, but we are to but plant and water, and leave the increase to God.

Jesus goes on to say in verse 16, “*He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.*”

We often think of mission work as being done in a foreign land, and certainly this is part of preaching the gospel, but each one of us has mission opportunities surrounding us everyday. A simple invitation to the worship services, a discussion about the Bible, or a kind word may open the door of salvation to someone. Let’s do all we can to “go into all the world” in our own backyard.

—Marty Edwards❖

News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, and Shirley Parson.** Continue to remember **Sandy Duncan** who has had a cancerous place removed from her arm. She will have additional surgery on her arm May 7.



Birthdays

May 2 — Kelcie Pedigo
 May 20 — David Worth
 May 20 — Taylor Quigley

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Sowing the Seed

A few years ago in the bulletin from the Robinson Avenue congregation in Springdale, Arkansas, I read a very intriguing article. A lady of the congregation there had sent a copy of a World Bible School lesson to a student in Africa. It was found in the roadway by another person who then searched for the church of Christ in his village. He was baptized two days later. What makes the story amazing is the fact that the lesson was mailed seven years before it was found.

Let us take a lesson from this incident. Never be discouraged when you do not see growth in the church overnight. Just as a
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Sunday, April 26, 2015		
Classes	12	I Corinthians 4:3-16
Preaching	17	John 21:1-25
Contribution	\$450.00	
Evening	20	Psalms 72:1-20
Wednesday, April 29, 2015		
Classes	18	II Kings 18:1-37

Visitors—
 Apr 26 (PM) Mike & Kathy Burd (Horse Cave, KY);
 Nicole Kline (Munfordville)
 Apr 29 (Wed) Nicole Kline (Munfordville)

Bible Quiz

The name of the LORD would continue as long as what?

Last Week's Answer— Grayheaded (Psalm 71:18)

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physical seed will still germinate after many years, the Gospel will take root when it is planted and watered, even if it is years later. Let us do our part, and leave the increase to God. *"I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase."* I Corinthians 3:6

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—God's Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)