

DRIVE-IN MINISTRIES FOCUS



DIRECTOR'S CUT

Pressing on in FAITH Welcome to the July-September issue of the FOCUS, the quarterly publication of Drive-In Ministries, seeking to inform, encourage, challenge, and enlist its readers to: rejoice with us in what the Lord has done and is doing in this ministry; pray with us for what He has in store going forward; and get involved as the Lord would direct you. In keeping with our quarterly themes this year, let's consider **FAITH**. We are told repeatedly in Scripture that "**The just shall live by faith**" (trusting God for **anything** and **everything** He desires to do **in us, for us, and through us**). Drive-In is a **faith-based** ministry that depends and operates on trusting the Lord to provide for **everything** regarding the ministry: missionaries, volunteers, materials, facilities...**everything**...through His divine means, His faithful followers, churches, Christian organizations and businesses, individuals, and more. We do not partner with debt but only with God's provision up front as a confirmation of His will and a testimony of His grace and power.

1st Quarter - PRAYER

2nd Quarter - SERVICE

3rd Quarter - FAITH

4th Quarter - GIVING

Money is not the primary concern of the Lord, **people** are. Putting people together to reach other people with the Gospel of Christ is His real plan and purpose. Being willing to trust Him to use us, and the resources He gives us, is our greatest privilege and opportunity in life. It's been said, and rightly so, that "What God orders, He pays for." Hudson Taylor, a 19th-Century missionary to China said it this way, "Depend on it. God's work done in God's way will never lack God's supply. He is too wise a God to frustrate His purposes for lack of funds, and He can just as easily supply them ahead of time as afterwards, and He much prefers doing so." May the Lord bless you as you read this **FOCUS** and encourage you to trust Him more.



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U.S. MINISTRIES



Drive-In Park is a real ministry of **FAITH** that is yielding great benefits! We are now in the height (and heat, haha) of summer ministry at the park. The movie nights are experiencing very good crowds and many decisions, prayer requests, and conversations about the Lord. Regular and varied events are taking place, and the attractive, clean, and available pavilions are drawing many rentals for birthday parties, reunions, church activities, etc. The biggest **step of FAITH** before us now is trusting the **Lord to provide** for the building of the 20,000 sq. ft. **Ministry Center** (headquarters, gymnasium, meeting areas, kitchen, etc.) We are believing God for it to greatly increase ministry opportunities. Please pray for God to provide and for how He could use **your faith** to help.

U.S. Mobile Ministry

God is blessing! We are seeing an increase in Mobile Movies so far this summer and have several more scheduled in various places and inquiries for others in the fall. If your church is interested in sponsoring a movie night, we are too, let us know.

SCHEDULE A
MOVIE
NIGHT!



Morrison Family God continues to open doors for ministry, and we are excited about what He has planned in the coming weeks. On August 1, DI Park will host our annual Water Day, where churches from our community will come together for a free day of fun, fellowship, and opportunities to share the love of Christ. It is always encouraging to watch believers from different congregations serve side by side, united by the desire to reach our community with the Gospel. This event is a wonderful reminder that ministry is not something we do alone—it takes the Body of Christ working together. As summer continues, we are also preparing for a ministry trip to New York in August. We are currently planning four movie nights, including one in a community where Drive-In Ministries has never ministered before. We are excited to see how God will open doors, prepare hearts, and work through these opportunities. Please pray that as we follow His leading, we would faithfully go wherever He calls us. Thank you to each of you who partner with us through serving, giving, and praying. You are an important part of our Drive-In family. We could not do this ministry without you. Whether you have a question, would like us to pray with you, or simply want to know more about how God is working through this ministry, we would love to hear from you. We are thankful for the opportunity to walk alongside you as we serve the Lord together. You can contact us directly at david@drive-inministries.com.

Stephen Jones Family We continue helping with movie nights weekly at Drive-In Park and see multiple salvation decisions indicated each week. Drive-In has received more vehicle donations recently which are keeping us busy aside from our routine tasks in the ministry and at the park. Our first preparation meeting with our church's short-term mission team was July 19. Please pray for the Lord to prepare the hearts of our team and the people of Santa Marta, Colombia we will be witnessing to from Dec 29-Jan 4, 2027. Also, many of them will need to raise support for this trip, and we ask for your prayers as they reach out to family and friends to raise the needed funds. We need \$2,200 per person. Our son Benjamin (Benji) turned 6 months old on July 11! He is such a blessing for us. Eri starts back to teaching on Aug 3, so keep her and Benji in your prayers as they adjust to this new phase in life! We continue scheduling appointments to meet with potential supporters. God has blessed our efforts thus far and monthly support has increased by almost \$1,000 since the start of the year. Praise the Lord! We still have quite a ways to go. We are at 49 % of our monthly goal. If the Lord leads you in supporting us, you can contact us at stephen@driveinministries.com



SPOTLIGHT

Jim Morgan Retirement - by Mike Jones

Jim has served with Drive-In at different times and in different ways for many years. In 1973 he joined Drive-In at the invitation of his uncle, Terry Lytle, Founder and President of DIM, and served from '73 -'79. Then many years later, after the ministry moved to Alabama in 2009, he was asked to serve on the Board of Directors.

Within a little more than a year he answered a call from the Lord to become a missionary, again with Drive-In, asking the Lord to give him 10 years in Romania with a Mobile Unit primarily reaching young people and training a couple to take his place. The Lord honored his request and gave him almost 11 years and a wonderful national couple who effectively continue

his work today (pictured right). After returning to the states, Jim served at the DIM office and park in various capacities for these last 4 years, but due to declining health and disabilities, decided it was time to retire. He officially retired on May 31 of this year. He will continue to volunteer helping as long as he can and we all are very grateful for his service for the Lord and with Drive-In. God bless you Jim! If you would like to support Jim in his retirement, please contact him directly at jimatdriveinpark@gmail.com or 231.292.6704



INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES

CAMEROON WEST AFRICA - Gospel Baptist Church

Nixon Bongko-Mobile Unit Director

After almost two years of praying, fund raising, planning, purchasing, shipping, and several set-backs, we are ready to go to Cameroon in the next couple of months and install the screen and all the equipment on the new Mobile Unit and place it into service. However, my son Joshua and I just ran into another set-back as I'm writing this Focus, having purchased our tickets and being notified by the church that we need to change our dates due to some scheduling conflicts there. Now we are planning to go around the first part of September. Please pray with us that the Lord will work everything out in His will and

Romania - Udrescu Family

Our summer season is staying busy. We just got home after four full days of ministry. We had nine hours of outreach activities: working with about 60 children, were part of a concert,

showed a movie and gave Christian literature to the people that came. We are so tired but also happy for the way God used us. Also, our weekly summer ministry has begun and we

urgently need the average \$350/week needed to fund it! If you would like to give towards this, please send to Drive-In and designate it for "Romania Summer Ministry". For newsletters and updates contact ionutest1907@gmail.com



Return Service Requested

Colombia - Impacto Baptist Church - Pastor Alfredo Medina

Movie ministry here in Santa Marta has been at a standstill due to mechanical issues with the ministry van. It has taken close to three months to finally resolve a major failure in the diesel fuel injection pump. A month ago, we thought it was fixed, but after only a couple days, it began failing again and it spent another month in the mechanic shop as they made several more attempts before finally repairing it. I picked it

up only a few days ago and it seems even better than it was before. We are praying it is fixed for good this time! We are thankful that Drive-In could help the church with this costly repair, but they had to use part of the funds that were raised to replace the ministry trailer that is in dire need of replacement. We will need \$2,500 to recuperate the trailer funds that were used for the van repairs. If the Lord calls you to give, please send any donations to Drive-In Ministries.

Memorials

A gift was given in memory of
Shirley Sandford by Kay Hood



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