

It's often been said that, "Missions is the heartbeat of God!" I believe that is true, depending upon how one defines the word *missions*. Missions is simply reaching for Christ those who are away from Him. Missions can be across the world or across the street. So, with this definition, we can agree, Missions is the heartbeat of God! Lost people matter to God and lost people should matter to us.

In the month April, we have the wonderful opportunity to participate with God in His plan to reach lost people. We have planned 2 exciting World Missions Rallies for the purpose of gathering Church of God folks from around the state of Illinois to focus on reaching the lost. Our World Missions Board Chairman, Pastor Jacob Skelton and his team have prepared great events. We will gather at the Curtis Road Church of God in Champaign on Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup> and at New Life Church of God in Benton on Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Both Rallies begin at 7:00PM. Church of God World Missions Director, David Griffis will be preaching at the Benton meeting and Assistant World Missions Director, Thomas Propes will preach in Champaign. Both of these men are powerful, anointed preachers. You don't want to miss it!

There are many excuses that could keep us from attending these meetings: It's too far to drive. It's a Friday night, I am busy with other things. There are sinners in Illinois, why would we help those outside of our state or country? The weather is too bad (or too good!). I don't have money to give to missions. They just want my money!

But consider these reasons to attend these meetings: God blesses those who support missions. Many churches in Illinois are growing – because they are generously supporting God's work. The fellowship of other believers will be a great encouragement to you .You get to meet and hear from great leaders within the Church of God (the preaching will be awesome!). Illinois has a long history of generous missions giving – let's continue that legacy. You are sowing seeds into the end time harvest. And perhaps the greatest reason to attend: Lost people will be won to the Lord as a result of these meetings!

Allow me to encourage you to gather others from your church and attend the *Send the Light Rally* nearest you. If you are busy that night, consider making the drive to the optional rally. Or, you may attend both rallies!

I assure you, the **Send the Light Rallies** will be enjoyable, inspiring and eternally beneficial. Please join us, and come prepared to give a generous offering to help reach the lost around the world.

Finally, let's be bearers of the light. We are surrounded by lost people. God loves each one of them and sent Jesus to die for each one of them. If God loves them that much, we must also do our part to lead them to Christ.

Thank you Illinois Church of God for always caring, for always praying, for always giving, and for always loving!

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## Illinois Church of God Send the Light WORLD MISSIONS RALLIES



Great Speaker: Poster roters Standar Dr. David Griffis World Missions Director

SOUTHERN REGIONS Friday, April 17th @ 7PM New Life – Benton

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Dr. Thomas Propes World Missions Assistant Director

NORTHERN/CENTRAL REGIONS Friday, April 3rd @ 7PM Curtis Road – Champaign



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Pick a day in May that works for your Church to participate. We will Celebrate this global effort on Saturday, May 23rd.

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## STATISTICS

		January Tithes	On Campus	Off Campus	Morning Worship	February Missions	February Rebuilding Walls
	Alton, Beltline Christian Center- R. Todd Shaw	\$ 3,562.08	0	0	59	\$ 200.00 \$	
	Alvin- Dan R. Hunt	10,319.25	99	85	103		103.00
	Anna- Philip Rexing	N/R					
	Benton, New Life- R. J. Joplin	22,246.20	452	106	145	20.00	145.00
	Bethalto- Dennis Laughlin	41,154.56	117	0	301		301.00
	Bloomington, New Beginnings- Aaron L. Stine	4,305.00	32	21	26		26.00
	Bourbonnais, Worship Center- Rick D. Sexton	5,233.00	31	0	139		
	Brookport- Charles D. Tate	15,260.26	60	0	116	20.00	116.00
	Cahokia- Larry Ridenour	7,039.00	16	15	60	40.00	60.00
	Cambridge- Donald Grooms	225.00	0	60	11	20.00	50.00
	Carterville- Jamie Karales	418.00	16	15	16		16.00
	Carmi, New Beginnings- Kenny Rager	8,800.05	61	0	113		
	Carrier Mills- Jonathan Stevens	1,514.10	19	15	33		
New Members	Centralia, New Destiny- Nathaniel LeCrone, Interim		0	0	17	100.00	
	Champaign- Christopher Smithey	13,641.87	35	0	52	100.00	50.00
Alvin 12	Chauncey- Dwayne R. Sovdi	4,000.00	7	16 0	35		50.00
	Clay City, Transformation– Thomas Cody	2,883.00	25 39	44	44 28	45.00	
Carrier Mills 4	Clinton- Jeffrey L. DeLaughter Collinsville, Solid Rock- Travis Watkins	3,935.35 600.00	0	44 0	35	45.00	
	Columbia, East Bridge Fellowship- Larry Ridenour	2,019.00	14	12	25	50.00	50.00
Clinton 4	DeKalb, Cathedral of Praise– Brandon Nelson	9,904.00	14	12	100	50.00	50.00
	East Alton, Flowing River- <b>R. Todd Shaw, Interim</b>	285.00	0	4	8		15.00
Bourbonnais 1	Eldorado- Brian Barrett	7,084.51	45	55	70	100.00	70.00
	Equality- Peggy J. Winters	3,369.00	72	8	26	100.00	26.00
	Fairfield- Chris Vandergraph	4,000.00	54	215	45	10.00	20.00
	Fairfield, Canaan Bridge- Jeremy Cline	703.00	33	0	129	10.00	
	Galesburg, Oasis- Sherman Jones, Jr.	1,610.00	0	277	27		
	Geneseo, Ebenezer- Jerry W. Bosworth	85.00	0	0	6		
	Granite City, Michael Mayberry	4,140.00	12	0	23	10.00	23.00
	Harrisburg, Land Street- Paul J. Taylor	3,161.00	13	7	13		
	Herrin, Park Avenue- Daniel Maples	2,903.00	47	0	38		38.00
	Honey Comb- Harold E. Miller	7,409.03	58	45	56		100.00
	Kincaid- Jacob Skelton	11,815.00	56	0	92		125.00
	LaSalle, Living Word- Cres Rios	2,071.00	10	15	25		30.00
	Lawrenceville- Thomas Cody	6,330.00	15	0	15		
	Lincoln– Roman W. Krywyn, II	940.0	9	0	17		
	Logan- Rick Fowler	7,880.75	62	0	53		53.00
	Manteno- David R. Hanners	3,066.00	10	6	30	45.00	
	Marion– Jarrod Barton	1,400.00	23	0	25		
	Marion-All Nations- Bruce Fox	9,945.42	14	0	81		
	McLeansboro- Terry Hall	1,528.00	45	55	82		
	Mt. Vernon, Harlan Road- Michael Campbell	7,236.00	27	0	62		
	Mt. Vernon, LifePointe- David Gregg	4,623.10	25	0	39	<b>6</b> 0.00	04.00
	Norris City- Charles Waggoner	4,054.00	29	8	26	20.00	26.00
	Paris- Christian White	3,399.00	5	0	27		100.00
	Pekin, Lighthouse- <b>Will Carson</b>	6,150.00	35	0	31		100.00
	Peoria- The Lord's Table-	3,019.00	28	0	8		
	Plano- John Todd	3,342.00	0	0	26		10.00
	Pontiac- Kris Wattelet	218.00 1,626.00	20 9	0	7 19		10.00
	Raleigh, Restoration- Ridgway, Soul's Harbor- <b>Jason Sork</b>	1,626.00	88	9 12	19	20.00	25.00
	Robinson, Westside-		0	12	14	20.00	25.00
	Rochelle- <b>Moises Serrano</b>	N/R 1,245.00	0	0	21	10.00	
	Salem- Brian Mixon	4,505.00	0	0	41	10.00	
	Sesser- Fred Ping	1,132.00	25	0	9	10.00	25.00
	Shawneetown- Randy Vaughn	2,100.38	35	6	31		31.00
	Taylorville, Faith Community Worship Center- Jerry L. Thorp		31	17	40		01.00
	Thompsonville- Brian Mixon	6,648.00	396	30	84		100.00
	Waterloo, New Beginnings- Matt Smith	6,327.00	6	35	31		600.00
	Wayne City-	<i>.,</i>	2		01		
	West City- Harol Whitlock	8,909.00	149	86	120		
	West Frankfort, Southpoint- Tod W. Parchman	7,801.25	61	0	69		69.00
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