

# International Full Gospel Evangelistic Association, Inc.

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## Greetings Brothers & Sisters in the Lord:

Trusting everyone was blessed with God's love, peace and joy this last month.

Wishing to thank each of you who have been faithful in giving to the IFGEA during 2017. With deep-felt thanks for those of you who have given on a monthly basis our association has been able to work on our New Sanctuary and maintain our headquarters. It has been and still is a blessing to know that money is coming in each month. When I visit the Post Office and find envelopes from you, our faith partners, our prayer partners and our supporters, I offer a prayer for thanks to God for you. Not only has the general giving been up but also there has been an increase in the building fund giving which is allowing more work to be accomplished on the buildings here in Temple.

**2 Corinthians 1:11 (KJV)** *Ye also helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift bestowed upon us by the means of many persons thanks may be given by many on our behalf.*

Thanks to your giving hearts, God has been blessing us in the office this year with newer equipment that is making it easier to get things done for God's service. The items that you have given, as well as the offerings that we have received from you, have not only equipped our office, you can see it in the entryway, fellowship hall and the restrooms. With God's help and your prayers, our association will grow.

Our website is up and running (I am still waiting to receive articles or poems that you, our ministers, have written.) with more articles being added several times a month. (I am trying to get something new each week so keep checking back.) We are still looking forward to hearing from all our pastors about their church and their church service times, so that we can put them on the website. If you have not visited our website, please do look it over.

Sis. Lois Ruff, from our Women of Worth group at Sterling Full Gospel Church, has sent a letter telling about what God has been doing in their church. The WoW group meets on the third Saturday of each month and is currently studying the book "Jezebel vs. Elijah." They are enjoying the study and the way God is blessing them in the meetings. Pastor Ruth Turner from More Empowerment Church in Kansas City, MO, came out and held a meeting for them and the men of the church were welcome to attend. It great service with the falling of the Holy Ghost being felt by all.

She also wrote about the Prison Ministry they have in their church. Currently they are working with four men and sponsoring a re-entry house called Almost Home for those just released from prison. They also help the men with start-up food and clothing when they are released until they get their ID so they can get assistance from the state. Please keep this work in your prayers because not all of the men are able to handle the transition from prison to outside life.

Sis. Ruff also let me know that her daughter and son-in-law (Beverly and Jim Gorham) would be willing to come to your church to talk further on the Prison Ministry, what it is about and how to start one as well as how to start a woman's group. If you would like to invite them to your church, get me your information and I will pass it on to them. If you ask for the Gorham's to come be sure to ask Bro. Gorham for his testimony, God performed a miracle in his life last year.

It is with a sadden hearts that we remember our dear loved ones that God invited home, to Heaven, during 2017. Not only have we lost ministers but family members as well. Please keep each one in your prayers because the holidays are hard on the surviving family members and some have been long time marriages where

it is as if they lost their other half. However, we praise God for being faithful in standing by each one of our ministers and their wives.

With all the sickness that is going around, Bro. David Wilson submitted the following on Healing from T.L. Osborn's book; Healing the Sick.

"An invalid said to me: "I believe in praying for God to heal, if it be his will." Then to illustrate the thought, he said: "A child may ask his father for something; and the father will give it, if he thinks it will be good for the child;" and so, in this way, I pray for healing.

I answered: "If the father had promised to give the child a certain thing, the child would have a right to expect it. Our Father has promised us healing, and we have a right to expect Him to keep His promise.

Our will has a part in the question of healing; Will we take that which God has willed to us.

"If ye abide in me and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. (St. John 15:7)

When our "I will" meets God's "I will" the work is done."

It has been a pleasure serving you, our IFGEA ministers and I pray that God will continue blessing you in your work this year. Jesus said in John 4:36, *Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.* If there is any way that I can help you in your work for the Lord, let me know. If you are having revivals or special services, let me know in time and I will put it in our newsletter and on the IFGEA website.

Reminder: God has given our ministers and their spouses talents that he wants them to use. So if you have the gift of poems or sermonettes or anything that we can share with your fellow ministers, feel free to submit it. This newsletter is about you, your work and encouraging you to keep up the hard work.

Here are some pictures showing the progress that has been made over the years on our new Sanctuary. The slab was pored in 2013 and with your prayers, volunteer labor, and finances we will be in it for Campmeeting 2018.



Foundation poured -12/2013



Building delivered 4/18/14



2/7/15 started framing



3/24/15 started siding



Roofing done in 2015-2016



Insulation was done early 2017

It was slow going with trying to coordinating the weather and our volunteers but we have progressed to working on the inside in 2017. Electrical and insulation work was paid for however most of the work was done by our faithful volunteers. This is why we ask for your assistance in the rest of the work.



Walls went in early 2017



Bro. Stephens & Bro. Wingrove have been working on the outside of the building as well as the sanctuary platform and sound booth. As you can see in the final picture, we still have a ways to go before camp meeting in June.

So while you start planning on coming to our camp meeting this year keep in mind that we need volunteers, good weather, prayers and donations. Bro. Stephens was telling me they could use some volunteers. Health permitting, he is planning on moving everything out of the sanctuary and start the final touches, texturing, painting and so on, so that they can start moving the sanctuary furniture in and be ready for Camp Meeting. Keep praying for our workers.

*HAPPY NEW YEAR*