

The Missionary Monthly

A monthly update on
U.S. Missions happenings,
important dates, and a
message from the
Executive Director

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News You Can Use

Happy 2011! We are excited to begin another year of serving the Lord together with you and know that He has good things in store for us!

We'd like to share with you a new resource offered by GPH: **Acts 2**, written by Alton Garrison, Assistant General Superintendent of the AG, and former AGUSM Executive Director. This resource is based on five biblical functions communicated to the Early Church. The Acts 2 process helps churches to assess their current health situation and establish an intentional scriptural process for the future. It also focuses on individual, leadership, and church development by focusing on connecting to God and others, growing in discipleship, using our ministry gifts, sharing Christ with others and worshipping God. Learn more at acts2.ag.org.

The principles taught in this book can also be applied to you as a missionary and will aid you as you seek to win the lost for Christ. Order your copy today!

JANUARY Save the Date

- [1] New Year's Day
- [8-13] Zollie Smith speaking at El Salvador General Council
- [16] Zollie Smith speaking at C2 Church, Columbia, MO
- [17] Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, AG National Office Closed
- [30] Zollie Smith speaking at Bethel Christian AG, Dayton, OH
- [31] Zollie Smith speaking at Ohio Ministers Retreat

Updates from Finance



- **New Mileage Rate:** Beginning January 1, 2011, mileage will be *51 cents per mile*.
- **Vacation Policy Update:** After your second missionary renewal, you will now be eligible for six weeks paid vacation instead of four.



A MESSAGE FROM *Zoller*

January is a time for new beginnings, and with each new beginning, like each new year, we're allowed to start fresh and dream big. Dreams and goals are important, but if we want to see them become reality, we have to do something. We must ask the Lord for His guidance, His provision, and His wisdom in our lives and ministries.

To that end, I would like to invite our entire U.S. Missions family to participate in the Daniel Fast this January. The Daniel Fast is a 21-day partial fast based on Daniel's own experiences as recorded in the Bible. The purpose is to restrict commonly enjoyed foods as an act of worship and consecration to God.

The fast will begin on January 13, 2011, and end on February 2, 2011. We will post devotionals and video messages on our Facebook page from AGUSM staff members participating in the fast to help encourage you. We'd like this to be an interactive time and encourage you to post your testimonies and encouragement on our Facebook page, too. There are several online resources and Web sites that provide in-depth information about the Daniel Fast, daily devotionals, and even recipes for "Daniel Fast approved" meals. Just do a search for "Daniel Fast" for more information.

I know the Lord will bless your time of fasting and I am excited to hear your testimonies! Remember the words Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 2:9 (NLT), "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him."

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- AG U.S. Missions
- Intercultural Ministries
- Chi Alpha
- Teen Challenge USA
- Chaplaincy Ministries



AGTV January Features

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