



Hope

Working in the inner city with those who struggle every day it is easy to experience and take on their sorrow, weakness and defeat.

It actually feels like God has forsaken this place. But if you look closely - there is hope.

Hope from the men and women of God who have chosen to live, work and minister to those who feel forsaken.

They are the ones who have chosen to give up on good paying jobs and instead trust God to provide through His people while they give of themselves to bring hope to those who have none.

Sheldon and Thea are one couple we are privileged to call friends and partners in ministry.

Russell grew up learning the hard lessons on the streets. After some years in prison the Lord captured his heart and guided him and his wife to bring the hope of the Gospel to the same neighborhood in which he grew up.

As we walk beside them we are learning so much from them. Their passions, commitment, love, and care for the people demonstrate to John and I the beauty and hope of the Gospel.

What a beautiful example of what Resurrection Day is really all about - Hope for change.

Thank you for your support - both prayer and financial! It is your support that allows us the privilege of participating with Russell and Thea and seeing Hope happen in peoples lives in Dallas, Texas.

Blessing to you,

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The Rest Of The Story

It is quite amazing that we drive into South Dallas to go to Church with Pastor Russel.

First, let me describe the neighborhood.

Poverty. South Dallas is the most neglected neighborhood in a neglected area of Dallas.

When you arrive at the Church the first thing you will see is that it is in a strip mall. One unit of a strip mall. It would seem to be impossibly small to house a Church - and you are probably right. The other thing you will notice is that the street parking does not have any garbage on it! It is clean!!

Pastor Russel likes to tell the story of how we ended up in his Church. We met at a Cru event and he invited us to come to Church. We planned to be there the next Sunday. He stops and takes a breath. Then says, "and you know what, they did." He continues to say that "I have had lots of people say they will come to Church, but we actually did." When we are in town we are there maybe two Sundays a month.

So, you may ask, why does he stay in this little tiny Church in a neighborhood overrun with poverty.

I think the answer is pretty simple. He was born there. He lived in an apartment one block from the Church and he sold drugs on the corner. It was where he was arrested. He took so much from this neighborhood, now he wants to give something back.

He is the most caring, generous, loving person I have ever met.

It is easy to be critical of content, his reading ability or the flow of his message. But the 10 or 20 people who sit in the chairs on Sunday mornings go away having learned one thing.

We know that we are loved!

You can contribute to our ministry by clicking on the Donate Button. You will be taken to PayPal and we will send you a receipt at the beginning of next month.



Or you can click on [this link](#) and you will be taken to our web page. Print up the Response Card and mail it and your check to the address on that card.

By financially supporting us you reinforce that we are in the place God wants, doing what He wants us to do. You become the hand of God to us!

If financial support is not possible right now but you choose to support us through prayer - please let us know. We count on the prayers of Gods people to cover our ministry and protect us from the enemy.

We are able to do what we do because of your support, both through prayer and finances and we appreciate both - and you!

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Answered Prayer

Thank you for your prayers for the new SAY Yes Center here in Dallas.

I met with the Pastor of that Church last week and he is excited as he ever was about the spiritual growth in the kids who attend and the growth he is seeing in the staff!

Our health has improved! We are working outside and enjoying springtime in Texas! Thank you for praying!!!

Prayer Requests

Pray for contacts within the DFW area. I want to be scheduling now for the Summer and Fall.

Pray for us as we travel to England.

There are 3 seminars scheduled along with helping John and Sally as Sally recovers from surgery on her foot.

Pray for our health as we travel. The air we breath, the food we eat, and the water we drink are all items of concern.