



## Unto the Least of His

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### **Our Vision**

The vision for this ministry is to equip individuals & local churches to become more actively involved in Christian mission opportunities and service.

### **To our Friends and Partners**

A big **thank you** to our partners in this ministry! God has used you to serve Him and those that have been overlooked or forgotten, the least.

We would love to come and share our ministry with your church, Sunday School, circle, civic group, school or community event.

Please continue to pray for this ministry as we reach out to the least and forgotten in our world!

### **South GA Conference advance special number**

Our designated number is  
#7672.

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## **A Word from Bobby**

**GOING FOR THE GOLD:** I really enjoyed watching the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. It reminded me of the Apostle Paul's second missionary journey to Corinth. Paul described the Christian life in terms of athletic metaphors. His theology was to "win the race" of the Christian life.

There were three strategic reasons for Paul being in Corinth around AD 51. First, it was an important time because of the Isthmus games, similar to our Olympics, and he wanted to be an influencer for Christ. He knew the games would bring many people from around Greece so he could share his new faith in Christ. If the people are not going to come to the church buildings, he knew that we must take the church to where the people are located. Secondly, he wanted to help his family and friends to know the reasons for his changed life. The apostle enjoyed his new understandings of salvation in Christ and heaven as his new home. Finally, he knew that it was a commercial trade route that provided many opportunities for strategically spreading the Gospel. Many non-believers would have an opportunity to hear about this new Way of life.

The Apostle Paul encouraged believers to exercise self-discipline so that we, the competitors, would not be disqualified. We have seen less than sterling behavior from some of our American athletes that disqualified them from their events. Paul wanted us to run the race for the "imperishable crown". The apostle taught about faith and eternal life in Christ on this second missionary journey. He admonished Timothy to exercise himself in godliness. He wanted Timothy to know and keep the rules by studying the word of God.

Paul was an excellent Christian thinker. He strategized Corinth because it was where the people were located even though many of them were pagans, unbelievers and commercialistic in their lives. He was an educated guy but he used the athletic terminology of the day for his missionary journey. He wanted to reach his audience with relative imageries. Finally, he knew and understood the importance of being connected to a team. The Bible says that he, with others like Timothy, Silvanus, Priscilla and Aquila, were able to effectively spread the good news of Jesus Christ!



## COSTA RICA MISSIONS

We had two different successful mission trips to Costa Rica. One group was from Andrew United Methodist Church and the other group was Powersville and Dawson United Methodist Churches. We were able to do labors of love; passing out dresses, VBS, teaching, preaching and construction projects. The dresses were given to the indigenous Indians in the region of Limón.



We had a great pastor's school at Epworth by the Sea. Rev. Jamie Cagle, Christian comedian, did a great job of preaching.



Introducing our newest addition to the Gale family!

Emerson Faith Gale  
August 17, 2016

Daughter of  
Josh & Brittany Gale



Blessing of a water well in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.



Please be in prayer for Bobby as he prepares for a trip to Kenya this month.

The 2016 South Georgia Annual Conference met in Tifton and we were pleased to watch our son, Joshua Gale, be commissioned as a provisional member. He has been assigned to the Lizella United Methodist Church. Rev. Rick Lanford came by to welcome Josh and Brittany to the South Central District as they were moving into the parsonage.