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A Word from Bobby

It was an ordinary day on June 4, 2019 and I had scheduled my yearly check up for my blood work and other health inquiries. The nurse checked my blood pressure and then she told me to step on the scales. After a few jokes and chuckles, I stepped onto the scales and the numbers kept going up and I was at an all time high. It was not the weight that I had thought it would be or wanted to be at. I told the sweet nurse that her machine was broken, but she assumed that it was correctly calibrated. Then, I thought that I must have a lot of weight in my pockets so I emptied my pockets and I took off my shoes to lighten my load. Guess what, the emptying of my pockets and the removal of my shoes did not move the scale two pounds. I weighed in at an all-time high of 241 pounds. I questioned myself on how did I get into this unhealthy state?

The answer is by drifting. I got here by not paying attention! I was not monitoring my intake of food or beverages, so I just kept adding ounces and pounds gradually, which lead me to a place that I did not want to be. Spiritually drifting works in a similar way. Godly people not paying attention to the important disciplines of a vibrant Christian life. In Galatians 5:9, it says that "a little leaven leavens the whole lump." It is easy to not surround yourself with Godly people or skip Godly practices that have been essential in our lives because we are busy people. Neglecting these important spiritual disciplines may lead us to unhealthy spiritual compromises and places. I wanted to move from aimlessly wandering to having a healthy mind, body and soul for God. My first step was to acknowledge my compromised behavior and then begin to change my habits. I added some accountability partners and a health coach for progress and better discipline. I am not where I want to be yet, but my weight and blood pressure readings are definitely better.

Spiritual drifting can be corrected and modified by recognizing your drift and changing your habits with God's grace. Adding accountability associates and a mentor will definitely improve your relationship with yourself, others and God. Our goal should be to glorify God by word and deed in all that we do until we depart from this mortal life.



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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



Rev. Sanford Brown officiated mine and Nancy's wedding, baptized 3 of our children and gave guidance for my calling into the ministry. His love, insights and influence are a part of who we are. Thank you Rev. Sanford and Bobbie Brown for your time and love. We are truly grateful for your Christian impact in our lives.



Another great day of visiting with the Agape Stitchers. This sewing group has sown over 22,000 items of love for the overlooked and marginalized people of the world. An outstanding dream!



KENYA—A note from Tina Ramme:

We are so excited about the shallow well and can't wait to get started on it! God showed us the perfect spot just before I left. He knew before we did!! Excited to get the cattle project under way asap, too.

I thought you'd like this photo of a boy being lifted up into the air while using the hand pump at the water well!!

If you have any extra boxes of baby blankets and bags, feel free to send them to me directly if you'd like. I'm happy to carry some over, too. We LOVE them!And the ladies who make them!

Blessing and love, Tina



Sometimes diversities and adversities may lead us to unity in the same village. We were able to learn about world poverty issues and other complexities of God's creation last month with Dr. Kimba Evariste. Different ages, genders and religious ideologies came together to hear about these complications in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.



A few of our beautiful babies in Costa Rica modeling their new hand-made outfit. Thank you, Lord, for these beautiful friends and their labors of love. I think their "smiles" say it all. Love is beautiful in any place, ethnicity or language.



Unadilla UMC has made 50 personal hygiene kits for Ghana, West Africa. These kits will be a blessing to our friends across the pond. Thank you Unadilla UMC and Margaret Perfect for your Christian leadership.



Proud moment for Mom & Dad:

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. Proverbs 22:6

Our son, Josh, is intermingling with the people in Seoul, Korea. We are definitely praying and proud of him. He is working on his Doctoral of Ministry Degree from Asbury Theological Seminary.



Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Blessed New Year from the Gale Family!