

## **JANUARY 2018- Missionaries Kyle Joe & Lisa Hicks – Streets of Detroit**

### **OVERVIEW**

- .Feedings 8 times**
- .Street Preaching 7 Times**
- .3 Saved**
- .Pickups & Deliveries 15**
- .Preached in Churches 4 times**
- .Special Meetings 5 times**
- .Clean up & Separation Days 8**
- .Boot Runs 3**
- .Office Days 3**

Greetings Friends to Brother Joe's Friends of OUTCRY  
JANUARY OF 2018 was a real mixed bag of cats for sure!

### **Temperatures Fall to single digits!**

**Mon Jan/1/18-** I spent the morning hours working on our Newsletter, that evening Miss Lisa and Brother Joe went on a boot run and feeding. We fed and put boots on several folks on Michigan Ave then we dropped off a gift to Dana on the South West Side, then we fed and dropped off boots around the Greek Town area. We woke up part of the Homeless crowd sleeping near the Greek Town Casino Parking garage and after a real good time a fight broke out.

Brother Joe stopped and filmed a video singing his song "Little Girls Lost" outside of the ruins of the old Victory Inn Motel, one year ago January Homeland Security raided the place, busted 4 Pimps, a Madam and the owner. The "Hookers" were all huddled into the cold parking lot, and then allowed to walk off into the cold as their former captors were hauled off to prison. I asked the Federal Courts to allow me to open a Mission there, they told me to get a Lawyer, the Lawyer told me I had to contact the owner, the owner never returned my call. I also asked the City if I would be allowed to open the VICTORY INN MISSION there but it was a Federal Issue and the reputation of this little Sodom and Gomorrah did not fit into anyone's heart or mind but mine tragic!

Within weeks of the Victory's closing I was told by Amy that the girls who were there were "Bouncing from Dope house to Dope house." By midsummer Sister Linda Leggitt told me some of the girls told her that they were sleeping in abandoned alley side garages thus my term "Garage Girls"... But they are all somebody's little girl.

**Weds Jan/3/18-** Regina Ackerman and her son Keith helped Brother Joe load up our new Chevy Van Snowball, then we stopped at Harry's Army Navy Surplus where I bought over a \$1,000.00 .

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dollars worth of good boots. Then we ended up on Mc Graw stopped and because we saw Michael and suddenly we had a feeding frenzy on our hands. Later that night Miss Lisa and Brother Joe attended a Revival Meeting at the Bible Believers Church in South Lyon where Brother Mike Reagan is pastor, Pastor David Peacock was the guest preacher.

**Thurs Jan/4/18-** Miss Lisa and Brother Joe picked up our old purple Dodge van "Barney" and a load of socks from the Charity Baptist Church in Brownstown Mi. where Brother Wayne Halleck is Pastor. We attended the Revival services again to hear Brother Peacock that night.

**Fri. Jan/5/18-** Miss Lisa and Brother Joe bought another batch of boots for the Homeless at over \$1,000.00 and went on a boot run and feeding. I just cannot begin to tell you how both heart breaking and heart-warming these boot runs are. Late that night again we attended Brother Peacock's preaching services at Brother Mike Reagan's Bible Believers Church in South Lyon, Thank you for the meeting!

**Sat Jan/6/18-** Brothers Mike Hibbs and Brother Garin Mallo members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church in Jones, Michigan where Brother Mike Owens is Pastor. Brother Joe met Mike and Garin in Jackson Michigan. They brought a van load of winter clothing donations to me and bragged on their Churches teen department for all their help in gathering and separating the clothing. Later that night Brother Joe met with Tim Guenther and his boys at Prayer Baptist where they dropped off a load of clothing and hygiene items from the Hope Baptist Church in Romulus Michigan where Brother Tim Ammon is Pastor. THANK YOU ALL!

**WORD TO THE WISE-** Several Detroit agencies put out a call to volunteers for help in trying to bring Homeless folks in from the insane cold and as I hear they were successful!

**But I put out a video that did get some traction about some Homeless folks who will not go into Shelters. Many people on the streets have told me point blank they will never go into because of Bed Bugs, Violence, Mentally Ill people, Sick addicts detoxing, Flu, diseases and now Hepatitis A which is literally killing people! Brother Joe here has dropped off tons of clothing late at night in these shelters only to walk into a war zone! When I think of mixing Crack addicts with Heroin addicts, with mean drunks, with mental patients and Vets with post traumatic stress disorder and the rising "Trans-Gender population its beyond dicey it boards on the old movie "One Flew Over The Cuckoos Nest"! So forcing some folks who just lost their homes because "Life Happened" into shelters with folks who ended up on the streets for one of hundreds of reasons listed above is often riskier than just covering them up with something that will keep them alive until morning! Even some "EXPERTS" disagree with Brother Joe here...but they are truly wrong!**

**Sun Jan/7/18-** Lisa and I had to take my Father in Law Claude Gilbert back to St. Mary's Hospital keep him in Prayer please as he goes through Cardiac rehab.

**Mon Jan/8/18-** Brother Joe here went solo in feeding and putting out boots in the Greek Town area next to the business district. Again the streets are just extremely cold and pitiful!

**Tues Jan/9/18-** Brother Joe picked up a bunch of winter socks, men's winter clothes from our long time friends Dave and Carol Duncan in Garden City, then later that evening I picked up another huge load from Marci Rotenberg Adrey that belonged to her late father.

### **STUCK STREET**

**Weds Jan/10/18-** My drive way was filled with donations, our trailers and vans were chock full, our storage room was full as was our separation room and we had our canned goods room so jam packed I could barely walk through it. Between the extreme cold chasing folks from off of the streets and our vans and trailers not talking to each other as far as the running lights go, I was officially on "Stuck Street" kind of a Log Jam or "Constipated" with clothing and goods that I needed to get out! So it was time to double down and make some bold maneuvers on my end. I dropped off the 2 loads I had, then wrote a "To do list".

**Thurs. Jan/11/18-** We had another monster weather front come blowing in right before I was supposed to head down to Sweet Water Tennessee and preach for Pastor Dennis Hicks at the Lee's Chapel Baptist Church and pick up stuff from Brother Dale Dotson and the several Churches who have donated several trailer loads of stuff to our outreach. So we could not make that meeting, Ugh! Miss Lisa and Brother Joe picked up canned goods and snacks in Lincoln Park from "Team Leggitt" and I dropped off the canned goods at Prayer Baptist and went to work on the supply Log Jam!

**Fri Jan/12/18-** Brother Joe dropped off 2 different loads to agencies during the day, then picked up Miss Lisa to do a "Boot Run" and feed people and it was insanely cold! We had several people walk up to us at our last stop where we put boots on everybody's feet. Rico a man that we met last winter took his boots off his socks were wet and his socks immediately froze! One of his friends said "... I can see the ice on your sock!" Just unreal! Thank God we got 3 loads out in one day!

**Sat Jan/13/18-** I doubled down again and worked all day at Prayer Baptist unloading a closet, cleaning in the food room and cleaning the Alley behind the Church.

**Mon Jan/15/18-** Larry, Regina, Keith, Rachael and Sarah Ackerman all came up to Prayer Baptist Church in Westland to help me, We unloaded an entire huge trailer into the 30+ foot long hall closet down stairs, Then we all separated the clothes that were in the closet. Then Larry and the girls boxed up the canned goods in deliverable mixed boxes. I busted down an old piano that was to be burnt, then Keith and I took it and tons of card board out to burn. David Jewell dropped of blankets from the City's Edge Church. Later that evening Miss Lisa joined us to eat Chinese!

**MICHIGAN METEOR- Tues Jan/16/18-** I pulled another all day-er and emptied the bags from our trailer "Checkers" into the church, then hooped the load that we had separated into Checkers. Then I separated clothes until late. That night while I was all alone in the dark a Meteor supposedly flew by and crashed, instantly people were saying it was a "Secret Weapon" others said it was Aliens but I did not see anything!

**Weds Jan/17/18-** I dropped off separated goods that we were not going to use on the streets, then Larry and Regina Ackerman and I finished off the clothing I brought in the night before. Then we picked up Miss Lisa and sat our feeding tables and clothing ironically in front of a brilliantly lighted Salvation Army Thrift Store, it was 14 degrees with a 7 degree wind chill factor and I was feeling like a fool for having my troops out in this. I sat up my loud speaker started to sing and preach and people came down the sidewalk. By night's end we were all so extremely grateful that we went out in this terrible weather because we were able to get boots and warm goods out to Detroit's frozen chosen.

**Thurs Jan/18/18-** I spent the morning hours doing office work then went over to Prayer Baptist and loaded the trailers with separated bags and prepped for the big night the following night,

**Fri Jan/19/18-** Miss Lisa and I stopped at Harry's Army Navy store in Dearborn Hts. for another round of Boots, then took the largest load of winter clothes out so far this winter. We sat up at West Vernor and Cabot and I preached Job 38:22 "Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow?" We were able out so much stuff it was unreal! The whole night was just humorous! A stray dog "pee peed" on one of our boot bags, an old drunk man fell down 2 times the second time right into the only plastic bin we had sitting out plus a few other things like I said on video, "I CAN'T MAKE THIS STUFF UP!"

**Sat Jan/20/18-** Just before heading over to Prayer Baptist I was told that we had a break in at the Church, perilous times shall come! I stayed at the Church for hours working on Homeless clothing items.

**Sun Jan/21/18-** Miss Lisa and I went to the Victory Baptist Church in Hartland Michigan where I preached & sang for Pastor Ryan Guenther and Church family. Brother Ryan was one of the teens who used to go street preaching with us when he was a teen, now married father of 3 and pastoring a thriving church, we're just blessed to have been part of his life! The Church also gathered coats, and a \$300.00 Gordon Food Service, G.F.S. gift card, THANK YOU!

**Mon Jan/22/18-** Worked on separation and bagging Homeless clothing at Prayer Baptist most of the day.

**Weds Jan/24/18-** Brother Joe here pulled a stunt here that I have not done in a long time, I took a trailer load of clothing, food, boots and fed, sang and preached early in "The Spanish

Alley" in Mexican Town South West Detroit. Then ran home ½ froze warmed up grabbed some hot soup went back to Prayer Baptist where Larry and Regina Ackerman and I reloaded the trailer and headed back down fed, clothed, sang and I preached again. It was a great day and helped to break up the Log Jam that happened during the cold streak.

**Fri Jan/26/18-** Sister Linda Leggitt dropped off a huge load of snacks and treats THANK YOU "TEAM LEGGITT" again you're such a blessing to us and the people on the streets!

**HIT YOUR TARGET YOUTH MEETING-** Pastor Tony Duty 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Boyne City Mi.

**Fri Jan/26/18- Sun Jan/28/18-** I left late Friday night to drive up to Boyne City, Michigan way "Up North". **Sat Jan/27/18-** The first preacher was Evangelist Craig Cobb then the teens held different activities then I was the second preacher. The message was "Been There Done That Bought Then Burnt The Tee Shirt!" About King Solomon's wisdom coming from the sore travails of sin and the stuff the world offers, "Vanity Vanity all is Vanity and vexation of Spirit", I preached to the kids that Solomon's already "Been there done that" and sin leads to ruin, So "Fear God and keep his commandments." **Sunday Jan/28/18-** That morning again I was the second preacher and preached on "Give Me The People" out of Genesis 14.

I drove home as fast as I could changed clothes and was heading out the door to preach when I received a phone call from one of the boys from our ministry who messed up AGAIN and was in jail. I got ticked off and went to the Church to pick up more supplies. I was mad tense and loaded stuff and strained my back. After finishing loading I drove to Michigan Ave. and Central and preached, "It Ain't Ever Gonna Be Til' You Get Right!" Being by myself I told the crowd on the sidewalk to self serve their food, go through clothing and take canned goods while I sang and preached!

**KING JAMES BIBLE!** O.K. the greatest argument I've ever heard for the King James Bible came from 3 young Muslim girls who stopped by 3 different times to talk to me. And the driver and main spokesperson said, "But you people have HUNDREDS of different bibles and they do not say the same thing!" I was on live video and stopped and told the folks watching that was the greatest reason to stick with the King James because unsaved people know most Christians do not really believe in the perfection, preservation and Holiness of the Bible!

**Mon Jan/29/18-** Miss Lisa and I picked up clothing items from Donna Yost, Donna Mash and Randy Holloway up at The Life Chest in Troy Michigan. THANK YOU! When we got back to Prayer Baptist we had another delivery that had been dropped off from the Gibraltar Missionary Baptist Church, in Gibraltar, Michigan Sister Sally Sta Cruz has been talking our ministry up amongst her friends, THANK YOU! I dropped Miss Lisa off at home after unloading then went back to the Church and worked on clothing separation.

**Tues Jan/30/18-** After a Dentist appointment with Doc Bob Dell and Sister Denise Dell, I picked up clothing from Denise Isaac the beautiful Meteorologist from WXYZ and her Mother and Mother in Law, "Miss Denise" is ready to have a baby any day now! Then I went to Prayer Baptist Church heated Hot dogs and saw the Mc Fadden's and Edmonds were separating clothes for me. Thank you! Then I tore off across town to the eastside and picked up a load of clothing, canned goods and other items from Sue Summers of Static Productions, her friend Peter, Vulture Culture Radio, and the Home from the Holi-daze' fund raising concert. We love Sue and her folks and I think Sue's Mom would have loaded my whole trailer for me if sue and I had gotten out of the way!

**"THE STATE OF THE STREET ADDRESS"** I drove home waited until dark then headed down to West Vernor and Cabot where I preached "THE STATE OF THE STREET ADDRESS" as President Trump delivered the State of the Union Address. As I preached Under a Full Moon the streets were almost playful, it was a great day followed by a great night, I reloaded the trailer went home and drove home and my back was officially out of commission!

**Weds Jan/31/18-** My back was out so I could not get much done, please keep us in prayer.

Love Y'all

For the Streets

Brother Joe

Acts 16:31 "... Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved..."

## February 2018

### OVERVIEW-

4 Saved

13 Pickups & Deliveries

1 Preached in Churches

5 Special Events

13 Street Preachings & Feedings

4 Clean ups

4 Clothing Separations

FRIENDS OF OUTCRY GREETINGS! The month of February 2018 was a very industrious hard working month!

**Thurs Feb/1/18-** Brother Joe and Miss Lisa met up with Marci Rotenburg Adrey again to pick up more of her late father's clothing, Brother Joe was still fighting with a sprained back but we were able to gather these goods & Marci and Miss Lisa hit it off real well.

**Fri Feb/2/18-** Brother Joe and Miss Lisa went to a surprise party for Mike Sand the former President of the Vietnam Vets Chapter 9, the event was great and very humorous as well, Happy Birthday Michael, We LOVE you my friend.

**Sat Feb/3/18-** Gary Johnson brought down a ton of Sub Sandwiches and treats and water that their Churches youth group put together for our street outreach, Thank You!

**Sun Feb/4/18-** Brother Joe travelled up to the Oakland Woods Baptist Church to preach for Pastor Steve Sheridan in the midst of an oncoming snow storm. We had 2 good morning services and the church also gave us food, treats and clothing items. Thank You!

**Mon Feb/5/18-** Larry and Regina Ackerman joined Brother Joe for street preaching and feeding at West Vernor and Cabot on a weird wild night and I mean weird. Twice a black young street girl got into "Barney" our old Dodge church van first in the passenger side then in the driver's side and was smoking Crack Cocaine, We finally got her out of the van the second time she hugged me said "I'm Sorry, I Love you!" It was eerie it reminded me of the old "Crack Zombies" and "Base Heads" of the 1980's looking at you all owl eyed while looking right through you and past you. Ironically I preached on "Have You Found Rest" out of Matthew 11: 28 – and this makes us very conscious that so many of the people that we love, feed, clothe and preach to have no rest because of their addictions, so sad!

**Tues Mar/6/18-** I spent all day office day working on our ministry Newsletter.

**Thurs Feb/22/18-** Early that morning I met with Roxanne Valenti and her son James and took them to the Wayne County Clerk's Office and was able to stop Roxanne's house from being foreclosed on for taxes. Then we all went back up to meet again with Donna Yost.

I took Roxanne and James to their truck.

Then I drove down to Toledo, Ohio to help out a Veteran with his car who had just finished with colon cancer and chemotherapy and was given a clean bill of health.

That night Larry and Regina Ackerman, Miss Lisa and Brother Joe fed in front of the Hotel Yorba, where Brother Joe sang to the crowd there. Then we sat up and fed, sang and preached at Central in front of the Salvation Army Thrift Store. We had a great night and after preaching "Look Up" we gave a new Yamaha Guitar to a Homeless ex-prisoner named Eddie, Man was he thrilled!

**Sat Feb/24/18-** Larry and Keith Ackerman met with my Father in Law and I at a wild game dinner at the Charity Baptist Church in Brownstown, Mi. where Brother Wayne Halleck is pastor. After that event I drove down to Findlay, Ohio on my way to Sweetwater, Tennessee.

**Sun Feb/25/18-** I drove all day and arrived at the Lee's Chapel Baptist Church where Brother Dennis Hicks is pastor. Brother Dale Dotson spear headed a second drive for our ministry and the men from Lee's Chapel loaded our van "Snow Ball" and our black trailer full of blankets, canned goods and boxes of hygiene items, snacks and personal items. Thank You!

**Mon Feb/26/18-** I drove home Tennessee and stopped in to meet a pastor in Corbin Kentucky and stopped at the Dog Patch Trading Post in London, Kentucky to get two Raccoon Skin Caps.

**Tues Feb/27/18-** Well it was one of those days, everything stinking thing blew up on me. I was in the midst of yet another huge clean up day at Prayer Baptist Church when I made a call and realized I had not gotten something very major done in our ministry and I mean it was an extremely big to do!

### **Channel 7 Stephen Clark's Retirement Party**

**Weds Feb/28/18-** I cleared enough of the frustrating mental cob webs out of my little Bird Brain to go and be part of Channel 7 Anchor Stephen Clark's Retirement send off.

I was amazed to even be invited by Larenne Clark to participate in this 1<sup>st</sup> of two farewell parties and we were there for Stephen Clark's final 6:00 p.m. broadcast and meal that followed. Stephen told people, "I brought my neighbor and investment advisor, my Angel Doctor who gave my Grand Daughter Scarlet her Spinraza medication (to treat her Spinal Muscular Atrophy) and also my Preacher!"

All I can say is that a few years ago God put Stephen on my heart and broke my heart for a Grand Father who would have done anything to help his granddaughter. I got involved immediately after Stephen sent out a support link to help Scarlet, I took the Check to his wife



Larenne and daughter Hillary because I'm too much a doofus to that stuff online. Brother Joe has been allowed to open the Smile Sweetest Day Party event for three years and I have watched with absolute amazement as Stephen and Larenne Clark have started a business, then enlarged that business, Stephen launched an Challenge called "SMASHSMA" where people smashed anything on video to raise awareness, then "SMASH the Internet" where Spinal Muscular Atrophy became the number one trending topic on that day due to hundreds of people making posts about S.M.A., Then yet another successful online promo called "Smashing Pumpkins" right after Halloween where hundreds of people smashed their Pumpkins from Halloween to bring awareness to S.M.A. Plus Stephen held down his T.V. News Anchor career and in all his spare time he went back and forth to Nashville and cut a Album. C.D. or whatever they call recordings now days.

And last December an absolute Miracle happened, the F.D.A. approved Spinraza for the treatment of Spinal Muscular Atrophy and little Scarlet was the 1<sup>st</sup> Child in the world to ever receive it in its new advanced form. We have prayed for years for this little girl and to see her muscles growing and reacting to this is just Heaven sent!

The night Stephen announced that Spinraza was approved we were all sitting in the van ready to head to the streets and we were in tears as we watched Stephen almost break down in tears as he made the announcement about Spinraza, because of not only Scarlet being able to be treated but the thousands of S.M.A. effected children who would receive treatment also.

Now they are involved in raising funds to build a Million Dollar Playground in Commerce Township Mi. And the Commerce Township has donated the land for the Playground, See I told you Miracles! [www.scarletsmile.com](http://www.scarletsmile.com)

I thank God that I met Glenda Lewis and David Kalman from Channel 7 one sad cold night in 2010 without them I would have never met the rest of the crew!

We have been just amazed what all Stephen and Larenne Clark and "Team Scarlet" been able to accomplish since we've been involved with them, they are get things done types who have just amazed me, and they have become absolute secular Heroes to me!

So to be able to be asked to attend this last day of work event was truly an honor!

Brother Joe here has not lost sight that I'm still the same little Dirt Bag Missionary Street Preacher that has been running up and down the same allies in the same city that I've been romping and stomping around in since 1976 when I was just 15 and this month I'll be 57. But sometimes I'm just shocked what all the Lord has allowed me to do, gotten me through and the amazing secular people that I have met and been able to help, Media folks, Vietnam Veterans Chapter 9, Mitch Albom's SAY Detroit Charities, Detroit's Politicians Mary Sheffield and Brenda Jones, plus being able to hold Detroit Police appreciation Dinnes with the Vietnam Vets Chapter 9. I'm not bragging or "name dropping" I'm thrilled to meet and be able to be involved and help others! And yes Glory to God, I'm still out there on the streets of Detroit as much as I can possibly physically handle!

Thank you again Stephen and Larenne Clark for allowing Miss Lisa and I to be helpers in the Scarlet's Smile Group and for the invite to Stephen's final day at Channel 7.

**THE LAST SUPPER-** Well we ended our month of February of 2018 at Stephen's "Last Supper", during the previous week Stephen had put postings of the three huge Raccoons that he had caught under his porch, I offered to take the Raccoon's off of his hands but he already had a place to release them. Well, Stephen has been notorious for not wearing a hat during the winter months which brought meteorologist Dave Rexroth's chastisement, so half way through this "Last Supper" Brother Joe here made an announcement that I had a very special hat for Stephen and when I pulled a Raccoon Skin Cap out of the box, everyone was just cracking up laughing and I had a smaller Raccoon Skin Cap for his granddaughter Scarlet to, The surprise was really funny!

Well... The Fall and Winter of 2017-2018 has been no less than amazing starting off with me being put in a huge Law Suit for something I did not do, my Father in Law Claude Gilbert having two heart attacks, multiple surgeries, numerous days in the hospital and rehabs, my 92 year old mother Marion Hicks having blood pressure issues, a full preaching schedule and so many nights out preaching, feeding and clothing, a shooting murder within a ½ block from us, numerous vehicle break downs and van and trailer light issues, severe cold blowing in which between the trailers and weather caused a complete "Log Jam" of clothing supplies, then as I doubled down to try to work my way out of it I sprained my back badly! Even with all of these issues we fought through it all and it really was a GREAT winter!

Love Y'all,

For the Streets,

Brother Joe,

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