



Today we were in Las Vegas, Florida, Houston, Austin, Utah, Africa, Australia, and Canada!! WOW!! You would think with COVID our travels have stopped – NOT!! We are doing training online with people around the world – Thank God!!

We know this year has not been “normal.” We really appreciate your prayers and support. We treasure your financial gifts to continue reaching out and training more people to share Jesus with Deaf people.

Almost every week the Deaf (and hearing) leaders say they “never saw the Bible Stories that way.” They are excited to teach to their family and friends!

We continue to do most of the training online with video conferencing. Thank God for technology! We are meeting and mentoring online with groups in many areas with Bible questions and working through the materials. We do like meeting together in small groups when possible!

The training for our new Deaconess student with Seminary classes is going well. She has made it through her first year of classes and is doing a great job. Please pray for her and the outreach in the Houston Texas area. We want to have many more Deaf people advance and become trained to the Pastors and Deaconesses online. If you know someone interested, please contact us and we can share resources to help them become prepared.

People love the 1000 questions and the BLAST materials we use for teaching. We are now developing the next advanced materials and making videos to expand the teaching.

Thank God for your support!

Our approach to serving the Deaf with the Holy Gospel is multifaceted! World Lutheran Deaf Outreach [WLDO] wants to train Deaf men and women in the Bible. We want them to be able to handle the basics, the Catechism. We want them to be able to train other Deaf in the Means of Grace; Word and Sacraments, Law and Gospel. The Deaf learn to take over and be able to minister to other Deaf people the forgiveness of sins in the Lord Jesus Christ. This is nothing new for hearing people but it is new to Deaf ministry.

I have had several deaf over the years tell me, “Pastor we are so happy that you have come. We had never understood what was so important about church, baptism, the Lord’s Supper. We never understood fully or rightly about Jesus’ death.



Recently, we had two deaf people, husband and wife, come to our classes. The husband has dialysis weekly and has blood cancer. They were so happy to hear about going to heaven and understanding for the first time that God does indeed love them. The wife cried tears of joy and said, “You mean we get to go to heaven and meet each other...meet Jesus and look into His eyes! Wow!” Now that is ministry you are helping to accomplish. Thank You! What is it going to be like when Jesus shakes your hand and hugs you and says, “Thank you for helping Me!” How did I help you Lord? When you helped the Deaf to understand and believe!

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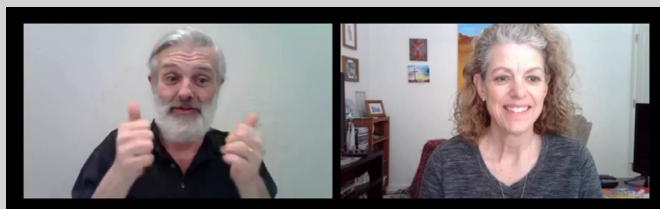
HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2020 AND LOOKING TO 2021:

- We are streaming training live Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays at 12 noon. We have over 600 people on average watching the videos each week. Monday is chapter 3's in the Bible. Wednesday is open discussion. Friday is Outreach and Ministry ideas. Search for Mark732 on YouTube and you will find us.

- Deaf (and hearing people) all over the world studying with the materials you have helped us to develop!! Please continue praying as we develop the next advanced materials in 2021.

- Advanced students: Continuing mentor Deaf Deaconess student in 2nd year; Mentoring Deaf man through colloquy process; Mentoring two men working in Deaf church to apply for seminary this fall. Please pray for more Deaf men and women become trained!

- Interesting note – since publishing my Doctoral dissertation called “The Deaf can hear the Word of God” – it has been downloaded 132 times by colleges, universities, and individuals in 22 countries!! WOW!! Thanking God He is using this work to share the Gospel with Deaf people around the world!! I have received notes and emails from people sharing how much they have learned about Deaf Outreach and how they can reach out in their area!!



The ministry and outreach God has allowed us to do in 2020 was fantastic. We were able to provide training to equip the deaf in many areas throughout the US. Our ministry continues to expand with additional online materials, and training to spread the Word of God.

As many congregations have experienced, COVID has caused issues with attendance at church which affects overall offerings. We have also seen a decline in giving which directly impacts our support for training expenses. Due to this decline, we are behind by \$20,000 to offset travel expenses for the past year.

We are requesting assistance to help cover 2020 travel expenses that were incurred to provide training at workshops. We appreciate the support you prayerfully consider to help our workers.



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PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY AND SEND YOUR DONATIONS.**

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