

# GLOBAL TRAINING NETWORK

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## OPENHOUSE AUGUST 24, 2008

**W**e had a blessed time catching up with our very dear friends. The **Open House** was our way of thanking so many of you who made GTN a reality. It also gave us an opportunity to show what God has been doing in and through GTN. We especially enjoyed seeing each of you and hearing what God has been doing in your lives.

Until God provided us a place to hang our hats, GTN was more of a dream than something tangible. Through the prayers and gifts of so many of you, a dilapidated store room became a very pleasant and attractive place where we can minister to those who come to us for help. Our Open House was our way of saying to all of you a great big thank you!

**Special thanks** goes to Ed and Lianna DeBee, Charles and Shirley Henager, Connie Magill, Craig Ridenour, Michael and Terri Williams and GTN's Board of Directors, Patty Ridenour and Vern Magill for helping make this open house a success.

## WE ARE SO BLESSED!



## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Wisdom in ministering to people and that we would help them deepen their relationship with Jesus.
- Completion of Pneumanetics Original DVDs and 18-week course material.
- Completion of GTN's 2-year training program (IBBS) and related course material.
- Development of training program on website.
- Jim's glaucoma has taken a turn for the worse. Please pray for the specialists involved that they will find the way to lower the eye pressure.

We are praying for individuals being lead to help us at GTN. You do not need formal training (although it doesn't hurt) but skill and passion from God in the following areas:

- Grant Writer
- Marketing of GTN's material
- Website Administrator

## ANSWERS TO PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please rejoice with us  
at how God has been answering our prayers.*

- We specifically prayed for God to bring someone that could help us with material development which includes graphic design for various material as well as publishing course material. God has blessed us with Patty DeFrieze. (Way to go GOD!!!)
- For the success of GTN's open house and for our wonderful friends.

*Jesus looked at them intently and said,  
"Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But  
with God everything is possible."*

*Matthew 19:26*



## QUILTS FOR SALE!!

The simple comfort of a handmade quilt has evoked feelings of family, love and remembrance for centuries. Global Training Network wants to thank **Judy Howard** for the donation of these unique quilts. We appreciate how she has blessed our ministry.

### Homemade Indian Quilt

by Martha Green of Oklahoma

1989 Indian Art Quilt by Oklahoma Artist, Martha Green. Hand embroidered pueblos, pots and dress embellishments, as well as hand painted details and beadwork adorn this beautiful Seminole patchwork bordered quilt.

Machine and hand quilting at 10 stitches/in. Machine zig-zag appliqué. Quilt back is taupe with red flower design. Quilt is 78 x 74.



### Homemade Court House Diamond Quilt dated 1870

Mid 1800's  
"Diamonds" Quilt  
from Salt Water  
Farm in Southwest  
Harbor, Maine.

Fascinating use of  
stripes. Dynamite  
graphic art. It is 77 x 82.



If you are interested in **buying** one of these beautiful quilts or know of a **show** where we can exhibit them, please call us at **917-2219**.



# MINISTERING

## AT GLOBAL TRAINING NETWORK

Life is worth the living, but how many Christians really believe this? Jesus said, **“My purpose is to give life in all of its fullness.”** (John 10:10b) There are those, and they can be counted in the tens of thousands, who believe that life is worse than a bad dream. Why is there so little joy among God’s people today?

At the heart of Global Training Network’s ministry is a passion for people, to help those who are hurting and desperate. Certainly, ministering to people directly or through the agonizing demands of intercession takes time and concentrated effort, but when you have the truth and the tools to see lives transformed—and **lives are transformed**—it is all worthwhile.

To answer our question, the joy of the Christian life is gone because the world has invaded the hallowed halls of Christian living and appears to be winning! There is little difference in external appearances between the Christian and the unbeliever. There are as many divorces among the Christians as among the non-Christians. Christians are just as promiscuous as their secular counterparts. There are just as many abortions among church members as the non-churched.

Although it saddens the heart, it is no surprise when we meet with teenagers who are deeply depressed, who are starving themselves or bloodying themselves by cutting. Could it be that you too are living in an unlivable situation or faced with circumstances beyond your ability to handle? Do you think of suicide as a fix or drugs as an answer? Is pornography a problem or are you in a marriage that you feel is doomed?

Life doesn’t have to be this way. **We at Global Training Network believe that there are answers to life’s problems, that Jesus was right when He promises fullness of life.** Our agenda with those who come is a life transformed. Jesus told us that in the world we would be faced with intolerable situations, but almost in the same breath He calls us to come to Him who are weary and heavy-laden, and He will give us His rest. (Matthew 11:28)

A dear and wonderful friend wrote the following poem after her life was changed and transformed by knowing Jesus intimately. This poem expresses a life change – a heart transformed by the **power of God.**

**“He calls  
us to  
come  
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## Poem

### “SET FREE”

Thank You, Lord Jesus, for setting me free,

For opening my eyes and letting me see  
How hopeless and useless life really can be  
Without Your precious life living in me.

The anger and pain I held inside  
Crowded out Your love and ruined my life.

Many were the times I wanted to die,  
Many were the times I actually tried.

I lived my life totally in sin,  
I turned my back on You, again and again.  
My life was worthless and out of control,  
I was sick; mind, body and soul.

As I sat on the bottom of that hopeless pit,  
I heard a voice saying, “Don’t give up yet.”  
You held out Your arms and said, “Welcome home,  
Walk with Me and never be alone.”  
You gently took all that anger and pain,  
Lifted me up, helped me walk again.  
The comfort and joy I now can feel,  
Has erased all doubt, I know You are real.  
Thank You, Dear Jesus, for the change You’ve made,  
For hearing the pleas my heart has prayed.  
For changing my life, inside and out,  
I am truly “a new creature” I have no doubt.  
Lead me, Dear Lord, show me the way  
To help someone every single day,  
And to be an example of what can be done,  
By God the Father, The Holy Spirit  
And His Wonderful Son (John 8:32)

By **Charlotte Calhoon**

**“THEN YOU WILL KNOW THE TRUTH,  
AND THE TRUTH SHALL SET YOU FREE”**  
JOHN 8:32

## WE PRAISE GOD FOR YOU!

**T**he world is full of little known facts. For example, did you know that the Lone Ranger premiered on TV in September 1949 or that Miss Emma Nutt of Boston became the first female telephone operator in this country in September 1878. And, that in September of 1935 the first Santa Claus School opened in New York?

I am quite certain that you are astounded by the profundity of the foregoing. Yet, I wonder about some of the lesser known facts in the Bible. There is one that is a barnburner. It is this; the Word of God became lost in the House of God.

This is a most amazing story. Josiah was a King of Judah, and at eight the youngest king ever to sit on the throne. Unlike the idol loving kings before him, young Josiah consistently sought the Lord. The history of the previous kings of Judah and Israel is one of naked and perverse idolatry and rebellion against God. The Temple fell into ruins and somewhere in the midst of all the debris lay the Word of God, lost in the Temple of God.

Josiah was determined to restore the Temple and he instructed the high priest to begin. One day the high priest went to the Temple to record the money given toward the restoration. Cleaning off a place to work, he discovered the dust covered scroll containing the Word of God. Amazingly, the Word of God was discovered lost and abandoned in the House of God. This discovery brought the king and the kingdom back to God (2 Chronicles 34, 35).

Fast forward to our day and age. If what Barna says is true that only 25% of Evangelicals read their Bible regularly, then might we assume that the Word of God has been lost, as it were? Not by chance, but by choice. We dare not let Satan win by default.

While the world tries to eradicate the Word of God and the presence of God, nothing can be done to still the Spirit of God! No matter the forces arrayed against us, we will win – greater is He who is within us than he who is in the world.

It is in this setting that God has called Global Training Network to be a catalyst in seeing lives changed and transformed by the Word of God rightly applied to our contemporary world. It is to this end that we at GTN have focused our efforts to bring the very best in ministry tools to the church.

**Still, it is because of your involvement with us in this great endeavor that we are seeing things done. The tools are being created, people are being helped, our Lord is at work.**

**Thanks for your part in making it happen.**

**— JIM, DORIS & CHRISTI**

GREATER  
IS  
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### HAPPENINGS AROUND TOWN

We wish to congratulate **Scope Ministries International** on its 35<sup>th</sup> celebration.

**Christian Business Men's Committee** is hosting its *Salt & Light* Award Dinner on October 14.

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