Early in our marriage, I worked for Federal Mogul Corp. in Gallipolis from 1977-1992. In 1982, I answered the call of God to preach, was issued a local preachers license and served two years as a lay minister in my home church under the mentorship of Rev. Fred Shockley. I served as an assistant pastor at the First Wesleyan Church in Huntington, WV in 1984. Following the retirement of Rev. Shockley in 1985, I accepted the call to return to the Crown City Wesleyan Church as their pastor. I was bi-vocational for the first seven years, then in 1992, I quit my factory job and went full-time into pastoral ministry. Pattie and I served a total of 17 wonderful years of ministry at the Crown City Wesleyan Church.

In 2002, after much prayer, I felt led of the Lord to be a full-time evangelist. With only one meeting scheduled and no savings in the bank, we stepped out in obedience by faith. God began to open doors and to provide in ways that we could have never imagined. To this date, we have never had to call and ask for a meeting. The rest of the story has been a tremendous journey of seeing what faith in God can do. We firmly believe, faith is not a leap in the dark, but a stepping in the light. I was ordained in the Wesleyan Church in 1991, but I am available for revivals, camp meetings, and other special services to all groups and denominations who are interested in hearing the message of Jesus Christ that offers forgiveness, cleansing, and hope.

## Pre-Camp Concert/Sing 2016 Abby Paskvan

Abby Paskvan is scheduled for the Wednesday evening concert for August 3, 2016. She is an ordinary 20-year old, with an extraordinary gift. For more than a decade, Abby's entertaining, providing hope and sharing God's message through song. A Southern Gospel recording artist with Chapel Valley Recording Studios, Abby is a student at Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio. She started singing at age two and gave her first church performance at age five.

Abby quickly became a fan favorite and a regular "National Anthem Headliner" at larger venues such as Bowling Green State University athletic games, Cincinnati Reds, Cleveland Indians, the National Tractor Pull event, Mud Hens baseball games, Walleye hockey games and many local fairs and charities.

In addition to performances across Northwest Ohio, Abby's music ministry is growing significantly as she sings at churches and gospel concerts throughout the United States. She is a regular performer at Christmas in the Smokies in Pigeon Forge, TN and has also performed at Dollywood, Gatlinburg Gathering, on a Carnival Cruise to Alaska and earned her way to main stage at the National Quartet Convention.

Abby knows that her voice and the ability to communicate so clearly through song is a gift from God. She finds peace in her work and incredible joy as others share how her songs have touched them and helped them through trying times.

Abby testifies, "My experience singing for the Lord has been amazing and I want to thank all of you for supporting me in my music ministry. But none of this would be possible without the Lord. He has been the major part of my life for as long as I can remember, and singing for him and spreading his word has only made my faith stronger. When I sing, I feel his presence and his overwhelming joy, and I want others to feel what I feel. I sing because that's what God has made me to do. I could not have accomplished anything that I have done in my life without Christ. I can do anything if I have his power within me. I love you Lord and I will always serve you."

## Remember our missionaries

Our own **Bekka Rogers**, who has served as one of our best dish washers and camp counselors in the past few years is still headed to SE Asia to serve the Lord there. If you

would like to play a spiritual part she asks for us to pray. If you like to play a financial part in this ministry you may send checks to: Bekka Rogers, OMF International, 10 Dry Creek Circle, Littleton, CA 80120-4413 or simply give online: http://omf.org/us/give.

OMS/WGM Missionaries: Rev. Michael and Elaine Peters are serving in Asia and Rev. Storly & Kate