# Festival Banner



Partnering with Churches & Ministries To reach the Unreached by taking the GDSPFL beyond the church walls

# Highlights Of 2016

What a blessed year it has been for Across Festivals! At the Big God Conference in Myrtle Beach, the new year kicked off with many souls being saved and others who renewed their commitment to serve the Lord!

Starting right into the new year, prayer groups gathered to prepare for the Fire In the Field crusade of Monroeville, AL. God heard those prayers and in April poured out His Spirit in a mighty way. Every night extraordinary crowds attended the crusade and many souls were saved. New life was breathed into His people.

In the summer, a trip was made to Jacmel, Haiti to serve with a medical team. Each day the doctors attended to 100's in need of medical care. Addressing their greatest need, healing for their souls, the gospel was presented to each one who came to the clinics. John was able to do 'on-the-job' training with the local pastors in sharing the gospel at these clinics. Praise and glory to God for the many who committed their lives to Him.

Also during the summer, preparations continued for the Mission: Revive America Crusade held in Andalusia, AL. At the event in

September, once again, God sent His favor and many souls were saved!

Alongside both crusades, school assemblies were held where the evangelists were given opportunity to speak to hundreds of students. In some schools, they were allowed to present the gospel and again many young people gave their lives to Christ. In other places, the student responded to encouraging words to make the best of their lives.

During October, churches from Choctaw County gathered in a kick-off rally to pray for the Fire In The Field crusade to be held in Butler, AL in October 2017. It was an exciting night witnessing the outpouring of God's Spirit. Then Across Festivals partnered with many churches in the Montgomery area to present the gospel through the venue of "Judgment House", a walk-through experience where people are presented with life and death situations. The gospel is offered to all who come. During those 12 nights, over 350 hearts were yielded to Christ as their Savior.

So over this year of 2016, Across Festivals has been blessed and privileged to come alongside events where over 1,000 lives have been saved by God's grace! Many believers were trained in how to share their faith. All the glory and praise belongs to Him!!

# YEAR-END GIVING & Contribution Records

As the end of the year approaches, remember gifts to Across Festivals must be postmarked by Saturday, Dec. 31st for 2016 records. It is suggested you check your local post office to be certain when their last postmark will be issued. A record of all gifts made in 2016 will be mailed to donors during the month of January 2017. Please do not hesitate to contact us if there is any question about your gift record.



## **Nuggets of Praise**

### Glimpses of Things God Has Done

At one crusade, an elderly woman was usually the first to check-in at the counselor table. She shared that she has always wanted to be a counselor at a Billy Graham crusade but one had never come to her community. She was so excited to pray with people who came to receive Christ. Every night she shared with 2 or 3 and has even continued to build a relationship with some of the teens with whom she talked.

A 16-yr-old boy nailed down his salvation one night at a crusade. After helping to load equipment, he then sat in his pick-up truck in the parking lot and led his girlfriend to Christ.

Another elderly woman shared how she studied the ABC's of Evangelism tract for 1-1/2 weeks. Then she called her adult son one evening, had him sit beside her on the couch, and shared how to be saved. He broke down crying and prayed to receive Christ as his Savior.

One teenage girl waited to talk with the evangelist after a

service was over. He boyfriend was facing some difficult physical issues. After talking with the evangelist she called her boyfriend and told him he had to come right then and talk with the "guy". The young man, came and surrendered his life to the Lord. They continued to come every night.

At school assemblies, many students would wait to talk with the speakers when their assembly was done. They confided in these men concerning the difficult home lives they were experiencing. Many students struggle with a hard life because they are in homes without Christian parents.

To illustrate how God works in mysterious ways, one crusade was promoted through a very unusual place—the newsletter of an unlikely secular organization.

There are many stories that there is not space to share here. Many people have learned how to share their faith through the Counselor training events. It is exciting to hear how they have been encouraged to share their faith both before, during, and after an event.

Share your Nuggets of Praise with us! Send them to Jean-ette@AcrossFestivals.org.

### **PRAYER:** The Strategy

"Prayer is not a substitute for action. It is an action for which there is no substitute."

- Salvation of the lost
- Boldness for believers
- Leadership of each event
- International trips
- School assemblies—goal to do 25





- Evangelists, Ken Freeman & Frank Shelton
- Safe travel for John
  - Budget needs

> Judgment House Montgomery, AL

Good health for John & Jeanette

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#### 2017 CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 30 —Jan 1 > Big God Conference March > Haiti Mission Trip . ..

> Fire in the Field Crusade Monroeville, AL > Assisting with crusade Jackson, MS August

August

> Haiti Mission Trip
September

> Assisting with crusade
Charlotte, NC

October > Fire in the Field Crusade Butler, AL

> ~~~ In Loving Memory ~~~ Across Festivals has received a memorial gift In Memory of **Mr. Tom Hancock** ~ by Mr. Matt Bishop

Watch new video on our website: AcrossFestivals.com 'The Gospel According to John'

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