

Rom. 3:23 The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is salvation...

WHAT IS THE GREATEST GIFT YOUR EVER RECEIVED?...

WHAT IS THE GREATEST GIFT YOU CAN GIVE TO SOMEONE ELSE?

For us, we might say:

A Living Savior, Our family and friends, opportunities to help others know Him, Seeing others saved, growing, sharing, and church(es), which help all the above...

But today, we would say:

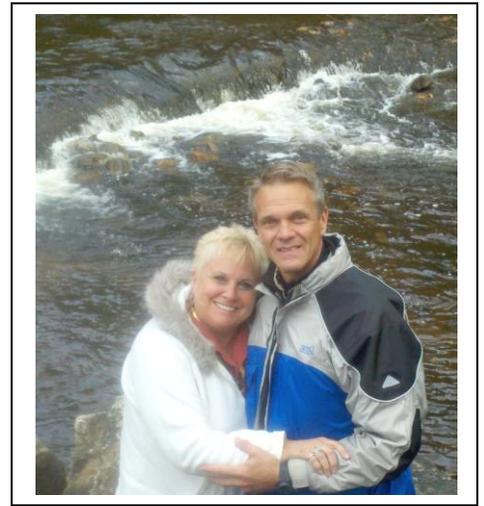
YOU are among God's greatest gifts to us.

Your prayers unleash protection and provision in our lives.

Your encouragement helps us focus on others, and not our own needs.

Your participation in His mission with us multiplies our effectiveness.

Your giving provides everything for salary, ministry, medical and retirement.



Because of your help: "Without you... so much less... With you, so much more. "

God is helping us find and feed more people hungry for Him each week.

On **pg. 2** you can see **faces and stories showing God at work**, since last month, fruit that lasts...

Max, and family: freed from Somalia, Islam, and sin. Growing with Hidden Treasures.

Rich; bullet on his wrist, learning to grow and lead, impact from retreat and equipping.

(To hear Kurt, "A Life Worth Celebrating; Trophies and Traction.." http://plaisier.net/~h2oskier/DJ_12-12-13-small.mp3)

Dan; focused on the Root, seeing much fruit, 45 men at 4 generations retreat

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And **Prayer Requests** for God's supernatural power and provision in 2014

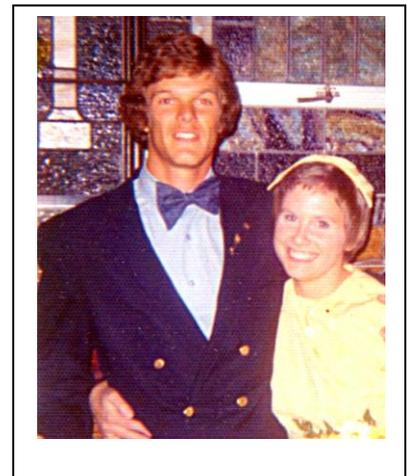
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- + Hidden Treasures Course at Hillcrest Church, Tuesday nights
- + Hidden Treasures Course at Bella Vista Church, Wednesday nights, men and women
- + Destined for Security Course, Bella Vista Church, Thursday nights
- + Mentoring leaders, Equipping equippers, reaching lost people 24/7
- + -+ Tough medical and emotional challenges
- +--+ Resources needed to move forward in all the above

Can you see why we appreciate you so much?

In 2014, we celebrate 40 years in marriage and ministry. We'll share snapshots of each decade with its own joys and challenges. As we review them, we ask ourselves, "**Where would we be without your partnership?**" Where else would we turn? No agency or corporation supports us. Each time we use resources for salary, ministry, medical, retirement.. **we remember that people like you supply 100% for this ministry.**

We hope you will feel our appreciation, and see tangible fruit, for your investments.

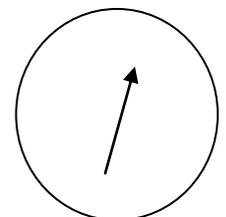
With much gratitude, Kurt and Ginger



Kurt, Ginger, 1974

YEAR END GIVING: Helps us start strong, and stay strong all year

Pg 3 will answer questions about Biblical basis, accountability, where the money goes, and explain how to give online or with the Cru envelope. You will see that last month brought good progress in some year-end giving, which accelerated a lot of fruit last month. **Continued strong giving, year end, and monthly, will help us seize the increased opportunities next year.**



Needed for 2014, beyond our present base of support: (see pg 3 for details)

MINISTRY EXPENSES: Training, equipping, books, tools, conferences, retreats, travel, ministry meals, etc. = **\$12,000**

MEDICAL EXPENSES: Tests, Treatments, not covered by insurance, but reimbursable if sufficient support = **\$9,000**

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT NEEDED ANNUALLY: (or given monthly, quarterly, or via stock transfer, etc.) = **\$15,000**

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Credit Card giving: <http://give.ccci.org>

Our new website; Cru-City.com (replaces LifebuildersWM.com)

What would you say?

MAX AND FAMILY: "Beyond Somalia, the U.S, Islam..."

Max and family brightened our Thanksgiving Day with their gratitude for many things: Escape from Somalia, for work, schools, home in the US, good parents and kids...But **greatest gift?** "A Living Savior Who delivered us from our sin, and a religion that could never set us free." He wants everyone in his family, and beyond, to learn what he learned in "Hidden Treasures" this fall. So they can experience more of this great Savior and **share this great gift with others.** They were so encouraging to Maddie,14, whom Ginger is mentoring from school.



RICH: "The bullet on my wrist", Hillcrest Men's Retreat Oct. 19, 20, Celebration Supper 12/12

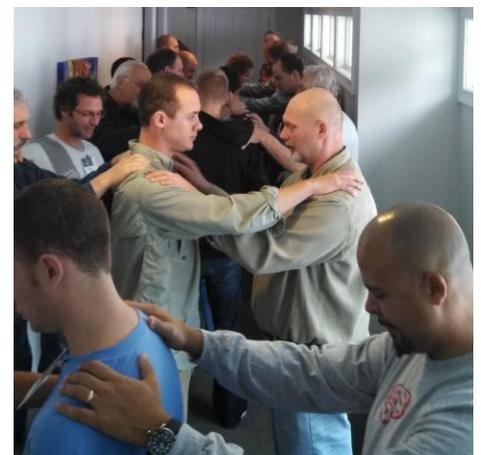
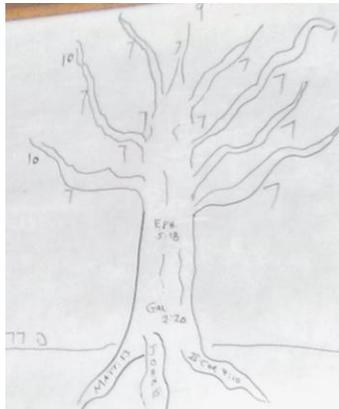
Rich might say, "My greatest gift? **God's lessons about being a man of God, and elder at my church.** These were clarified amazingly well at the 10/19 retreat by the **bullet example**; its **design** for singular purpose, its **need for structure**: (case/powder/igniter cap, barrel,) and the **marksman** who determines where and when it is fired. I was guilty of "throwing the bullet" in my own strength, and at my own target. I'd set my own plans, and then ask God to bless them and make them part of His plan. So I drilled a hole in the bullet you gave us. **I now wear it as an everyday reminder of my need for God's direction and His propulsion.** Now I wear the bullet on my right wrist, and shake hands with a lot of people in a day! **It has provided me with openings to share with others** the lesson of trying to "throw the bullet", and **the importance of aligning ourselves with God and His plan.**" Rich shared this with me at their 12/12 "Celebration" motivation supper.



God worked powerfully again at Hillcrest 12/12, through **scriptures** shared, and through **testimonies of real-life-change** and fruit from Dan, Jim, and Marty. **Mike V said,** "I thought Thursday night was very well done and **right on target.** What you are offering is **unique, challenging,** and so much more **sharply focused** than anything else out there that I know of. Keep it up!" **Chad was impacted via the web.** "Thanks Kurt for the message via the web, and bringing **your friends who showed 'life transfer' in their stories.**" Chad. **To hear Kurt, "A Life Worth Celebrating; Trophies and Traction.."** go to Cru-City.com or click here http://plaisier.net/~h2oskier/DJ_12-12-13-small.mp3.

DAN: "Roots, Fruits," Discipleship Generations Retreat, Dec.5-8

At the **12/5-8 Discipleship Retreat, 45 men.** Dan might have said his greatest gift is, "Seeing so many generations of multiplying disciples, sharing the gospel, being saved, growing, generations praying for and equipping other generations, impacting many others in many churches and beyond..." But he didn't. **Dan focused on his greatest gift: being rooted and grounded in the Living Savior, Who produces fruit through our lives when we trust and obey Him.** Men of all ages listen to Dan because of His love for the Savior and them and lost people. Dan and 44 guys did all the work. I was **greatly rewarded, to see firsthand the rewards of Jesus multiplying through us ordinary people.**



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THANK YOU FOR HELPING US SHARE THE GREATEST GIFT;

Your prayers and giving help us share the greatest gifts with others who share Him with others, here, and around the world.



PRAYER REQUESTS

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- + Hidden Treasures Course at Hillcrest Church, Tuesday nights
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- + Destined for Security Course, Bella Vista Church, Thursday nights, ++ Other outreach and equipping at Bella Vista
- + Mentoring leaders, Equipping equippers, reaching lost people 24/7, to four generations, here, around the world
- + –+ Tough medical and emotional challenges, this is 3rd Christmas without Kelly, Rosa, David
- + –+ Resources needed to move forward in all the above

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MINISTRY PARTNERSHIP, Financial Support Information

Kurt & Ginger Loosenort, Cru City, W. Michigan (a ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ/CRU)

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HOW YOUR GIVING CAN MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE RIGHT NOW; for Ministry resources and medical reimbursements and monthly needs

\$12,000, Ministry tools, training: (Staff Training, Mentoring Manuals, Outreach CD's, Retreats, Seminars, Conferences, Outreach Events, tools, Computers, Printers, Laptop, Projector for presentations, Admin. help)

\$9,000 Medical Treatments, 2013, extensive physical therapy and prolotherapy for Ginger, God has worked through treatments at Born Clinic to restore Kurt much more than most people who have Lyme disease as long and severely as Kurt has. They've helped Ginger's muscle, hormone and pain issues, reducing her trips to emergency rooms. Physical therapies for both have helped repair and restore damaged tissues. More tests, treatments for Kurt 2014

Our high insurance deductibles can be reimbursed if we have enough in our CCC account. Kurt needs immunity restoration treatment and some other surgery this spring...

\$1,300 more per month, (\$15,000 annual) make up for losses due to people losing jobs and retirement etc. Full monthly support would cover almost all the needs above this year. This would practically eliminate urgent requests for one time support. ***This helps keep us on the field, instead of stopping ministry to raise support.***

BIBLICAL BASIS:

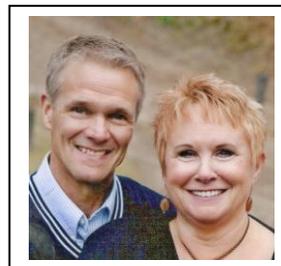
We are excited to see how **God has used "support teams" throughout scriptures and church history.** Imagine being on Jesus' "support team"...or Paul's...

Luke 8:1-3 **Jesus began going about...preaching the kingdom of God, the twelve were with Him, and also some women... and many others who were contributing to their support out of their private funds.**

Phillipians 4:10 **How grateful I am and how I praise the Lord that you are helping me again...**

only you Phillipians became my partners in giving and receiving...

:16 Even when I was over in Thessalonica you sent help twice



BENEFITS:

Our **prayer base is stronger** because several churches and many individuals support us. They are friends, not donors. *More people give thanks when they see fruits of their giving, and answered prayer. Regular reporting to our support team challenges us to know what God is calling us to do and pursue it with our very best. Many can participate first hand and meet the people they are praying for. Seeing fruit here stimulates faith and involvement world-wide. People are more receptive when they know we are already supported and not setting them up to "pay" us.*

INTEGRITY: Note: CCC has changed its name to CRU. This is working fine.

Please call or write us with any questions about this. You will be encouraged by the realities..."Money" Magazine Dec. '94 issue, rated Campus Crusade for Christ as "The most efficient religious organization in America", reported that Campus Crusade has the highest percentage of income going to direct programs which help people.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES: (Powerful Accountability)

All finances (salary, reimbursements for ministry expenses, medical, etc.) are governed by CRU and IRS National Policy using Standard Procedures and forms signed by Directors. Our salary (set by Nat'l policy) is based on Kurt and Ginger both working only for CRU, no other employment allowed.

We raise support for all our Ministry, Medical, Salary, Benefits, and Administrative Expenses

There are no Fund Raisers, Agency or Denominational funds to help meet our needs.

All Ministry expenses: (training / conferences, ministry communications, office, transportation, materials, events, meals)

Admin.12%, ; Med /Benefits, Salary: TDAnnuity, Add'l med. expense, Int'nat'l/ Ministries 5%, CruCity Nat'l 1%, Admin. help

All money sent to our CRU account #0029-870 goes only toward our ministry.

Any "extra" stays in our account, only used by us, only according to policy and approval procedures.

National Policy requires us to have sufficient monthly support to minister effectively. Any shortage in our account means reduced salary and less reimbursement. We must stop ministry if we have a deficit.

*+ CRU doesn't know about or "bill" you for your pledges. They only send receipts and totals..**It helps us greatly if you let us know (directly) of any changes in your support plans** Your faithfulness keeps us focused on our ministry.*

+ Our final confidence is in God. He will call and enable you and others to help meet our needs so we can help others. We trust Him to make us a fruitful missions investment. Each newsletter will report dividends in changed lives.

PRACTICAL:

+ Checks made out to CCC, or CRU, sent to CCC , PO Box 628222 Orlando FL 32862-9841

+ >>>Be sure and include our name & CRU acct #0029870 on separate memo<<<

+ Monthly receipts/ yearly totals are sent to you from CCC. Call Donor Dept. @ 888-CRUSADE w/questions.

+ On-line Giving: Safe & Fast., Credit Card, SEE: <http://give.cci.org> for more information

>>>Contact us directly about any changes in support plans or ministry questions**

Can you see why we are so excited about the principles, and so grateful for your partnership?

"What a joy serving HIM with people like Kurt and Ginger!

Oh, how we need more people like them, who not only have creative ministry skills, but have compassion to reach out to others for Christ.

I encourage you to support them prayerfully and financially: a wise investment that will be multiplied many times through changed lives."



Ginger , Josh, Kurt

Josh Mc Dowell