

Kurt and Ginger Loosenort, Cru City, W. Michigan, April/May 2014

Ephes. 2:19 , “no longer aliens, but fellow citizens..”



Max, Miriam, and family. Citizens of heaven, baptized 2012.

The very moment they received Christ, many wonderful things began. New identity, new family, forgiveness, indwelling Spirit, certainty of eternal life, and much more. Their baptisms publicly declared their new faith. Now they are discovering more about their treasures in Christ: Growing, connecting, being equipped at Bella Vista Church.

The moment after their US citizenship ceremony, they had new national identity. Now they're discovering more about their rights and responsibilities as part of this great nation. It wasn't easy to escape from Sudan to the USA, or from being a Muslim to having a Living Savior. But both changes are bringing radical benefits to them and their next generations, for now, and eternity. What joy to see this family studying the word and learning to share Good News.



Citizens of USA, April 2014.

Matt. 4:19 “Follow Me; I will make you fishers of men.”

Charly & Janette, with Max family, above, asked us to pray for Max and family in 2012. **Jesus was “fishing for men” through them, building bridges** through food, friendship and the **Jesus Film DVD.** After watching the film many times, **they received Christ.** As citizens of heaven they were **baptized soon after.** Now they're **being equipped** in many ways to fish for men, including **“Cabin Fever”.**

Charly and Janette helped provide food for 70+ people who shared pictures and adventure stories at their tables before Dan's message. **Cabin Fever Outreach:** Pictures, stories



Captain Dan Keating: Fishing for men. Equipping others.

Dan has taught hundreds of people each year how to catch more fish through his charter boat, seminars and books. Years ago **we prayed that Dan would also help others fish for men more effectively.** God is answering those prayers increasingly. God worked through him to share Good News with hundreds of people this year. He made quite an impact on those who attended **“Cabin Fever”, a great mix of Dads, children, couples, women, young people, guests.**

When people experience effective outreach, they want to be equipped to reach others they care about.

Like Charly and Janette with Max and family, they begin to build bridges and fish for men.



Matt. 9:35-38 “Ask the Lord of the harvest to raise up laborers for His harvest.”
Matt. 28:18-20... “Based on MY greatness...Go and make disciples... of all nations...”



God is raising up laborers and disciple-makers at Hillcrest Church.

He is honoring **Pastor Brian's and others' faithful sowing** into lives of others for years. Many of those who attended the October retreat are pursuing various equipping. Many are hungry for God, teachable, and eager to learn how to share with others. This week **Nick reported their feedback** from Survival/Adventure, “Many **STRONG** phases were used such as “now I **KNOW** why” and “I can't wait to share...” And “I am **MUCH** more confident”...lots of evidence that these guys are “fired up” about what they've learned. Many have already shared with others ...want to move forward.”

To those who pray and sacrifice for Kurt and Ginger and their ministry:

*God is working through Kurt to bring our men's ministry to a new, fresh level of the most important of all things: **how to be a disciple of Jesus and how to make disciples of others.** My men have **greater clarity** of who God is, what the Bible is and says, and how we were lost but now saved. Kurt's deep love of The Lord and people, his devotion to prayer, his wacky sense of humor and his great ability to communicate the Bible in a “down-to-earth” manner are helping so many of our men (of all ages) make serious and significant gains in their Christian walk. I assumed that our men had “the basics” clear in their minds and hearts. I'm finding out that this was not the case in many. So when they are clear, I'm watching a new level of joy and confidence and openness to growing in their faith like I've not seen before. **Brian Bosscher, Sr. Pastor, Hillcrest CRC***

PRAYER REQUESTS:

1. Praise, **Gratitude for support** which makes this possible
2. **Praise for more fruit** in many more areas not listed here.
2. **Recovery for Kurt** after 3 months of “double time ministry”
3. 5/17 **Ginger speaks** to women's breakfast, Bella Vista Church
- 4. 6/1, 40th Anniversary** and 40th year of ministry...
5. **Wisdom ; plan, prep** for summer and fall Ministry
6. **6/17-22 Counselor training,** Gitche Gumee Bible Camp, U.P.

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Grandkids! Judah, Kaia