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LifeLight Concert brings
music and the Gospel to
over 50,000



LifeLight is a story of a faith walk on a continual basis, but God has always been faithful and as Eph.3:20 says *"He is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all we ask or imagine."*

Many times God gives us a vision or a calling and may not reveal the entire plan or how it will unfold. He just wants us to be obedient. If we will take the first step He is faithful. Alan and Vicki Greene, LifeLight co-founders, have always had a love for music and in fact in the 80's God used music to bring them into a right relationship with Him.

Alan and Vicki's vision and their call from the Lord for LifeLight is ***"Taking the Church outside the walls with the life changing message of Jesus Christ"*** to reach the community and beyond; and to bring the body of Christ together across denominational, generational, and cultural

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AEA's Pastor Alan & Vicki Greene
Lifelight Co-Founders

barriers to reach out with that life changing message of how we can know God in a real and personal way.

The ministry exists as an extension of the Church and as a way to fulfill Acts 1:8: ***“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth”.***

The whole ministry of LifeLight started because of a burden for the 70+ percent of people who are not attending church in the United States.

HISTORY

Alan and Vicki Greene are the founders of LifeLight Communications. They have a diverse background of both ministry and business experience. In 2001, God made it clear that pursuing full time ministry was the call upon their hearts. The ministry includes festivals, concerts and tours, missions, student ministry and a radio broadcast. In addition to a team of people who are called to the ministry, a huge group of volunteers serve in the ministry. LifeLight's home base is in Sioux Falls, S.D. In John 8:12, Jesus said *“I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but have the Light of Life.”* From this verse the LifeLight ministry was born.

MINISTRY AREAS

Sioux Falls Festival: The Sioux Falls Festival has become the largest free Christian music festival in the nation. It is an incredible story of how God has guided and provided. One unique aspect of the festival is that it is offered for FREE so that all may come and hear the gospel message.

Lifelight exist to bring the church together, centered on God's word to reach outside the walls and follow the mission's call of Acts 1:8 and the Great Commission. The call of our Lord is to go and we seek to involve the local church. Another miraculous aspect of the festival is the Sunday morning worship in which over 40 churches relocate their services to the festival and cancel their Sunday AM service. With over 50,000 people gathering, many lives are reached through this service.

Thousands are reached for Christ and for us it's much more than music; it's the music, the message, and changed lives. Lifelight celebrated their 10th anniversary this year and reached an accumulative total of 320,000 people over three days. As this ministry has grown, it has become clear that God is allowing Lifelight the privilege of using the festival as

a platform to impact lives, for many to come to Christ and for many to be called into further service to the Lord.

Festivals: Past speakers at the Sioux Falls event have included Luis Palau, Dr. James Dobson, KP Yohannan, Ray Comfort, Rick Warren, Ron Luce, Joe White, Mike Macintosh, and many others. In addition, a festival includes the biggest names in Christian music. We strive to facilitate concerts that glorify God and communicate the message of Jesus Christ in a culturally relevant way.

LifeLight Radio: Lifelight's newest area of ministry is a half hour show on secular talk radio. You may also listen online at www.LifeLight.org/radio.

Concerts & Tours: Lifelight's call has been to carry the gospel into smaller communities, making sure these communities can also hear the message of Christ in a relevant way, a way that is typically not available to these communities. As a result, during this past year our tours reached 22 cities. Over 11,000 people were ministered to, hundreds made a commitment to Christ and 150 children were sponsored. In addition, through our concert partnership the gospel was proclaimed in 23 other cities.

Student Ministry: Twenty-five public middle and high school clubs have been started to unite parents, students, the business community and the church.

Missions: LifeLight missions continue to grow both in Mexico and around the world. Through the festival, concerts and tours, over 900 children have been sponsored in the village of Zeway, Ethiopia. Using the Jesus Film in the native language of Amharic, over 2,000 watched the movie and hundreds came to Christ in the small village region of Belo. Lifelight continues to go and take the gospel as God leads.

REACH 1,000,000 PEOPLE WITH THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST

God is using every area of ministry; festivals, concerts, tours, student ministry, missions, radio and other ministry partners to reach out to people and connect them with the body of Christ. **Going forward in 2008, Lifelight's goal is to reach 1 million people with the gospel.** In light of the current culture this is why we exist as a ministry. As an extension of the church to proclaim the gospel...*“taking the church outside the walls”.* Keith Greene said *“This generation of Christians is responsible for this generation of souls on the earth!”* The message of the gospel never changes and Lifelight continues to seek relevant ways to present it to this culture locally, regionally, nationally and beyond.

Contact Lifelight Communications at www.LifeLight.org.

**REACHING a GENERATION
RAISING a GENERATION**



REACHING
this culture for Christ

RAISING
them into maturity

SENDING
them with resources
to minister here
and beyond

TESTIMONIES

"I can hardly wait until next year. I don't know how you will make it better. Traffic control, parking at Roosevelt and busing people in, the weather, the lay out of the grounds, the volunteers and everyone who attended just made for an incredible weekend."

Roger, SD

"I commit myself to God today as a Christian to live the Gospel and live the law and accept God's saving grace".

Rich, IA

"I know you try to reach out to people to save souls with your concert, but in my sons case you saved his soul and his life. My son said he was being chased by demons and led by angles to the city of Sioux Falls, SD, which was a safe city and then to your concert. The people of Sioux Falls and your concert saved his life. I know he caused a lot of problems during his time there but thanks to your staff who had my son Brian apprehended and sent to the hospital where he was in ICU for three days; my son is alive and back home in Niles, Michigan. He is doing better and in a hospital getting help. He found the Lord before he left home and the good Lord was with Brian and the hell he went through. Thank you to all of your staff, bands and speakers. You all saved my sons life!!!! P.S. I told Brian that next year we would come back and enjoy the concert as a family."

Jack, MI



E. John Reinhold

"Y-Factor," should be your gift to them.

A second book also reviewed in this issue is written by my eldest son, Eric. Kids from 6-12 will love this story of **"Ryann Watters and the King's Sword"**. Go to www.ryannwatters.com and order a copy for your youngsters or as a gift. Christian values permeate this fanciful adventure that starts with an Angelic appearance to young Ryann. I am very proud of Eric. He is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, as is his brother, Commander Baron Reinhold, and leads a very successful company called Academy Wealth Management in Orlando, Florida.

AEA is blessed with fine authors. John Patrick Holding's books have been reviewed in back issues. Go to www.tektonics.org and see how this genius apologist answers the skeptics and also see the brilliant books he's written.

Sam Townsend's Ministry, Be In Wholeness, has a text to teach Biblical healing called, **"Supernatural Health."** It is a great work with insights that may well save your life. Write him at Beinwholeness@aol.com.

Dr. Judy Parker-Farmer, AEA Director, wrote a fine booklet entitled **"End Time Visitations"**, that reveals her spiritual encounters. It is available by contacting the AEA office.

Let's support our great AEA authors. Read their works and give them, as caring gifts to those you care about.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Books can be powerful weapons for the Kingdom. I was referred to a book that turned out to be a "page burner." **"The Y Factor"**, which is reviewed in this issue of Spotlight is written by a man I call the Tom Clancy of Christian authors. If you love a story with intrigue and adventure it is a must read. The book is written to subtly present the simple Good News as well. The author, Liam Roberts, is an AEA member under his real name. Because of the nature of the covert tactics revealed in the book the author's real identity is not given. Go to www.y-factor.net and see the excitement, get the book, start to read and hold on to your chair. If you know an unbeliever who likes captivating novels then **"The**

CHURCH PLANTING IN THE SAN BLAS ISLANDS Panama

Please pray for Pastor Laonicio, wife Vanessa and his son Jonathan Allen. Laonicio started his first church at age 16 in a borrowed hut. Within a few months the congregation outgrew the building. He and his members went to the jungle, got the materials and built the church you see here in the picture.



Pastor Laonicio's personal house/hut seen here is now completed thanks to a special offering from AEA members, *Abundant Rain Ministries* and *Pastors Ron and Terry Spradlin*.

Allen and Kathy Sappington, *Missionaries Floating Bible Schools*
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THE Y-FACTOR

National Geographic's Genographic Project is mapping hundreds of thousands of DNA samples to develop a comprehensive family tree of the human race. Eric Colburn, a budding computer scientist and geneticist Alonna McKinsey join the project upon their graduation from Georgia Tech. They continue their college romance but

find the stress of workplace conflict and business travel push test the limits of their relationship.

Eric stumbles on a plot by a brilliant Muslim scientist, Dr. Alomari, who has co-opted the Genographic project. Before Eric is able to produce the proof, he is targeted by al Qaeda assassins in a series of devastating attacks.

A Mossad agent uncovers the explosive plot: Alomari plans to inflame the Muslim faithful with genetic proof that will vindicate Ishmael as the rightful heir of the Abrahamic covenant. Armed with this knowledge, Alomari hopes to unify the fractured Muslim kingdoms into a mighty Islamic empire that will drive the Jews into the sea.

It's a race against time as Alana becomes a target in an attempt to silence Eric. When she disappears in the slums of Karachi, Pakistan, Eric resolutely embraces the role of reluctant hero; he is determined to rescue the woman he loves.

Alana endures humiliation and torture but maintains her faith in both her Savior as well as the one she loves.

Alomari indulges in a moment of narcissism and reveals a darker objective to the helpless Alana. She is determined to escape to warn the world of the Muslim threat.

Eric miraculously succeeds in finding Alana in the teeming city of 15 million. They desperately elude the relentless terrorists, but their options begin to diminish.

Their hope of staying hidden begins to fade as Alana relays an urgent plea to her brother, an officer with the Navy SEALs.

Will the SEALs risk a daring rescue from a Islamic nuclear power – a tenuous ally in the war on terror?

Will Eric and Alana live to reveal the explosive truth?

Will the perennial struggle between Abraham's heirs escalate?

The Y Factor will keep you engaged as these subplots come to a breathtaking climax.

"As a young believer I realized that novels are an effective way to reach many who would never darken a church door or consider walking an aisle. C.S. Lewis' science fiction trilogy:

Out of the Silent Planet, Perelandra and That Hideous Strength, were as captivating as any secular literature I read while in college," comments author Liam Roberts.

Frank Peretti opened a new era of Christian literature with his "Darkness" trilogy in the 1980s. Then twenty years later, the Left Behind series proved that Christian literature could appeal to the mainstream.

Roberts believes that quality fiction that includes a straightforward Gospel message can be an unobtrusive, yet effective tool for evangelism.

With radical Islam emerging as the most significant threat to civilization, Roberts became convinced that believers need to be informed and energized to meet this global challenge. Unfortunately, the media, governments, and even religious leaders seemed intent on appeasement. The more ominous the threat grew, the more evident was the void of responsible dialog. He felt prompted to respond to it. A plot began to take shape and The Y Factor took on a life of its own.

The author included a military response to Islam in The Y Factor for a number of reasons. The threat of Islam is so pervasive that it must be arrested on many fronts, including militarily. Roberts has a unique opportunity to present an authentic story, as his sons are in Naval special operations and aviation, respectively. Both are graduates of the U.S. Naval Academy and have been a source of inspiration in his portrayal of America's valiant men-in-arms.

An archetype that appeals to today's readers is that of the reluctant hero – one who sees himself ill-prepared for the challenges that confront him. Combining this concept with the spiritual awakening by a lukewarm believer may resonate with readers of The Y Factor. "My son said it best in a speech attended by the Secretary of the Navy and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He was speaking of his fallen comrade, his best friend and a Navy SEAL, who was killed in Afghanistan: *Heroes are not people who possess supernatural strength and abilities. Heroes are normal people who make extraordinary decisions every day of their lives.*"

"I am currently working on an intriguing sequel to The Y Factor, which will be released in 2008. Two additional sequels are in the formative stage. My blog contains over twenty articles related to science, evangelism and Islamic terrorism. A few of the entries are being expanded into magazine submissions."

Liam Roberts is an AEA Member. Visit his blog for information on Islam and other topics.

www.y-factor.net

