

# Eternal Truth Ministries

Proclaiming God's Last Message of Warning to the World!

"Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever."

Psalm 119:160.

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## A look back at 2004...

We want to apologize for our lack of communication but the year 2004 was one of the toughest years of our lives, both personally and in regards to ministry work... especially in ministry! We have rarely experienced spiritual attacks like we did last year, and surprisingly, many were from those who called themselves brethren!

As Christians we expect to be evil spoken of and treated disrespectfully by those who are of the world for our Savior has forewarned us of such hatred: **"If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before [it hated] you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you."** (John 15:18, 19, KJV).

This kind of hatred a Christian can expect from the world, but to encounter the same kind of abuse from professed brethren of the faith is rarely expected, so when it happens, it can deal a terrible blow to the heart. The seed of bitterness can then be planted in one's heart if not careful. If we keep our eyes heavenward and cultivate a desire and love of the truth, Satan will fail in his attempt to divide the saints and bitterness will be repelled!

The good that comes from such tests is that it will draw us nearer to Jesus but only if we keep our eyes upon Him! And the closer you get to the Savior, the safer you will be from the wiles of the devil and those who are his workmen.

So 2004 was a tough year in many respects for us but we know that only good can come out of our rocky times... and good has come out of them!

Here are some of the highlights and lowlights from 2004. We wish to share both so that it can be a point of prayer and encouragement for you.

First, the low points! The devil was really working overtime to break down our ministry equipment. The first thing to go down was the video camera that we used for taping messages in the field, away from home. Then the computer we use to edit the radio and television programs lost the hard drive and a few other components. Not to be out done, our laptop finally overloaded and bit the dust. We also had to put a lot of work and funds into the vehicles we use for traveling to the churches we serve, as well as the studio in Battle Creek. It seemed as if there wasn't a week

that went by when there wasn't something breaking down!

What little funds we had were used to make repairs to and purchase parts for ministry equipment instead of such things as a newsletter, and tapes, etc... So keeping in contact with the saints through these mediums was postponed for many months.

It is a sad commentary but when you deal with these kinds of breakdowns, the ministry work suffers and people become discouraged. So offerings began to tail off and we were forced to take the radio program off the air in northcentral Indiana. Couple all these problems with divisions sprouting in the church and we had a tremendous battle to keep from getting overcome with discouragement.

If that wasn't enough, our personal family suffered three deaths in the family in a 3-4 month span, the last of which was pastor Joel's cousin, John Laswell, the pilot of the SDA plane that crashed after take-off from Collegedale, TN, killing five of the six occupants.

But... it has been our experience that when you serve Jesus, the low points will always be followed with high ones! Maybe not when you expect it, but they will come!

We had the opportunity to attend meetings in Georgia to discuss the possibilities and Biblical principles of organizing the scattered flocks of God. This was a good time of study and fellowship and a high point of 2004.

We were also invited to speak at the Annual Health and Prophecy Expo in Madisonville, TN. We met a lot of good people and thank Ben & Lisa Brown for their faithfulness in serving our Lord and Savior in making such an Expo possible! This was a needed high point for us in 2004.

The Lord blessed us with other highlights to offset the low ones and you can read more about them in this issue. As the sun set on 2004 we look with hope that 2005 will be filled with the blessings of a united church ready to be victorious against the enemy of souls and ushering in the return of our blessed Lord!



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## Eternal Truth Radio...



After four years of broadcasting to a potential of one million listeners, the Eternal Truth radio program left the airwaves in north central Indiana in 2004 due to a lack of funds. This was a heartbreaker for us as this silenced the true Three Angel's Messages from being preached over the radio airwaves in this area, but we knew that God had a plan.

As the door was closed in this area, a window opened in another for the radio program. The Lord made it possible for Eternal Truth radio to be broadcast not one day a week as it had been previously, but five days a week, and not just to north central Indiana, but to the entire world! The same month that we had to cancel the broadcast in northcentral Indiana, Eternal Truth made it's world wide web debut on Crusade Radio! It is amazing how the Lord works! A low point followed by a high one!

It started as I was talking to a friend in the ministry about having to cancel the radio program and he told me that he had just recently been on a live radio program the previous week that was broadcast via the internet. Well, this really perked me up a bit! He went on to say that he was sure that this particular program would be interested in talking to me and possibly having me as a guest on their program from time to time. Even though I would do something like this, I really wanted to get Eternal Truth back on the air. Attempted contacts with the producers of that particular program failed and I asked my friend for information about the broadcaster.



This outreach ministry continues to improve and grow. Once our computer was repaired and upgraded, we were able to produce a new program opening and credits, and commercials promoting the books 'The Great Controversy,' and 'The Ministry of Healing.'

The Bible Only originally began airing in Battle Creek Michigan on Sunday evenings and Wednesday mornings but a change occurred that can only be by Providence.

The local SDA conference church, known as the 'Tabernacle,' was airing their worship services on the same cable outlet each Sabbath. It turned out that the 'Tabernacle' was unable to consistently provide programs to keep their Sabbath time slot and as a result, they lost it. The cable company (Access Vision), knowing that we are of the SDA faith, offered the Sabbath time slot to us and we happily took it. Our intention was to reach those saints that were no longer able to attend a church each Sabbath, and provide them with a 'present truth' message... something they had been missing for sometime. How the Lord takes care of His own! Providence indeed! The program now aires every Sabbath at noon as well as each Sunday at 6pm.

He was able to give me the link to Crusade Radio. I looked over the site and contacted them in regards to broadcasting Eternal Truth. To my surprise, a reply came back almost immediately. The only thing in the reply was a toll free telephone number with the signature 'Mel.' It was very interesting to listen to the testimony of Mel Pyatt who runs Crusade Radio. He is a good Christian man who the Lord is using to bring the Gospel to the world through radio. He has a goal of simulcasting through the internet, shortwave, satellite, and FM/AM radio!

I was only able to talk to Mel for about forty five minutes but before we finished, he had agreed to broadcast anything that I could send him at a dramatically reduced price! As I said earlier, Eternal Truth began airing over the world wide web the same month that it was taken off the air in north central Indiana! A door was closed as another was opened!

We haven't given up broadcasting over the air waves in Indiana and we are currently seeking help to begin broadcasting in the south central Indiana as well as the south central Michigan areas. If you would like to help us reach these goals, or pursue broadcasting Eternal Truth radio in your area, please let us know!

Eternal Truth can currently be heard Monday-Friday at 1pm EST on CrusadeRadio.com.



The Bible Only expanded to the Lafayette Indiana area in November of 2004 and can be seen each Sunday evening at 6pm on Insight Cable channel 13. We praise the Lord for His providence!

Dear friends, this is an avenue of outreach that even you can be a part of. No, you don't need any equipment or experience. No, you won't have to get in front of a camera or behind one. All you need to do is contact your local cable company and ask to speak to the Public Access department. Ask them for information on getting a program broadcast on public access. If their format is agreeable, all you will need is a program to air and we would be more than happy to provide this for you! What have you got to lose and what do your neighbors have to gain?

## Today in the Word

If you would like to receive a truth filled, scriptural, daily devotional in your e-mail each morning then sign up for 'Today in the Word!' Just visit our web site at: [www.EternalTruthMinistries.org](http://www.EternalTruthMinistries.org) and click the appropriate link and you will be on your way to receiving a message from inspiration each morning!

## 2004 Offerings Summary...



This ministry **is not a business!** It is the Lord's work and all offerings that are received by Eternal Truth Ministries, other than tithe, go directly into the spreading of the gospel through whatever means possible. Much of what I receive through tithes and the part-time carpentry jobs I occasionally do are put into the work as well. Virtually all of the repairs and replacement costs for equipment are personally paid for by myself and family and we consider it a privilege to give back to the Lord who has done so much for us!

The pen of inspiration says, **"Everything God's people do should be as transparent as sunlight."** RH, November 18, 1890. How many of God's people are transparent as sunlight? How many ministries? Taking this counsel into consideration, and recognizing our accountability, here is our offerings summary for 2004:

Tithe:	\$1801.00
Radio/Television:	\$6665.56*

## Ministry Needs...

Though the gospel is free, it does take funds to operate an effective ministry. Donations are the primary source of funds that allows Eternal Truth Ministries to maintain its outreach. You have the opportunity of partnering with us to spread the good news of Jesus' Second Coming.

2004 was a tough year for us concerning offerings but God, through His providence, helped us to replace our video camera, repair our audio/video editing computer and purchase software, and make needed repairs to our aged vehicles. We praise the Lord that He is at the head of the work!

We still have outreach needs and hope that you will help us to fulfill them. **"Everything that can be done must be done to advance the work of God."**--Pamphlet 135, 1900. Here are our current needs to advance the work of God:

A projector	\$2500
A Copier	\$1800
Sound Equipt.	\$1200
A smaller car	\$3500?
Radio funds	\$1000/month

Also, copies of 'The Great Controversy,' 'The Ministry of Healing,' and KJV (Large print preferred) Bibles to give away.

Those who give tithes or offerings in support of Eternal Truth Ministries will be placed on our monthly tape list and will receive hard copies of both the radio program and television program each month. The radio program will be in the form of an audio CD and the television program will be a VHS tape until we can begin duplicating DVDs more efficiently. All radio programs, and many sermons, can also be heard on our web site and downloaded for free if you have access to the internet.

It matters not if you have no money to give, we still covet your prayers for we know that the Lord will listen to the prayers of His righteous people. What we need most, you can give, your prayers! Please pray for the Lord's workers, wherever and whatever they may be doing in His vineyard and generously support them with your offerings. Afterall, ALL heaven was given to us in Jesus. What a generous God!

*\* This amount includes offerings to cover 2003 expenses.*

The equipment and funds will help with our evangelistic goals for the communities around the midwest, and through the internet.

To make a contribution online, simply go to [www.eternaltruthministries.org](http://www.eternaltruthministries.org) and click the 'Donation' button. You will be taken to a secure web site that processes our donations. Once your donation is received, you will be sent an email confirming your donation. You can also mail an offering to us at:

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It is our hope that we can reach the millions in our mission field with the news of Christ's soon return and prepare them to meet Jesus. Thank you for your support and prayers!

***"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened."*** Matthew 7:7, 8.

## The World Wide Web...



Matthew 24:14 says, ***“And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.”***

We should use every method possible to finish the work entrusted to us as Christians. We have three web sites that are used to reach the world with the last message of mercy. Our sites are always being updated so check back often. They are:

[www.EternalTruthMinistries.org](http://www.EternalTruthMinistries.org)

[www.TheBibleOnly.org](http://www.TheBibleOnly.org) and

[www.Youth4EternalTruth.org](http://www.Youth4EternalTruth.org)

We are always updating the sites when we can and all radio programs and sermons are on the web sites and can be listened to and downloaded for **FREE!**

We also have a 'Free' page that gives away books and Bible studies and it was the second most hit page on our sites! In 2004 we were privileged to send out over 100 books/studies to 10 different countries!

In 2004, our sites (including our church site: [www.EGFellowship.org](http://www.EGFellowship.org)) generated over 10000 hits from over 50 countries. The top five pages accessed were:

- 1 audio sermons
- 2 Free Stuff
- 3 The Real Passion of the Christ
- 4 Daily Devotional
- 5 Bible Studies

My friends, a web site is a very inexpensive way to share the truth and it is easy to do yourself. If you aren't up for the challenge, there are many inexpensive web designers that can help you design a simple site of your own.

For those of like faith who would like to place their web site on a Christian server, please contact us through the web site.

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