

Larry McFadden Ministries, Inc.

August Schedule

July 22-August 7

Kenya

August 14-17

Revival at Beulah Baptist
Church in Boaz, AL

What Satan meant for evil . . .
God meant for good.

Dear Friend in Christ,

Teresa drove me to the airport Friday, July 22 to leave for Kenya. She kissed me goodbye and drove away. As I proceeded to check in, I was told I didn't have any visa pages in my passport and wouldn't be issued a visa upon arrival in Kenya. "But I have several blank visa pages," I replied.

"No," I was told, "those are endorsement pages and cannot be used for visa pages." I asked, "What's an endorsement page?" Didn't matter, I was *not allowed* on the plane.

Thus began an absolute frantic 24 hrs., like I've not experienced in a long time. This was the first mission trip where Jim Henry, our beloved former pastor at First Baptist Church, Orlando for over 30 yrs., was to accompany me. We were to meet in Detroit and make the long flight together - his first trip to Africa. I PANICKED! Brother Jim was depending on *me* to "show him the ropes." I was responsible for him! Now, I had to break the news to him that he was going alone!!

I WORRIED . . . AND PRAYED! Would he be able to acquire the visa without *my* help when he arrived? What if he didn't, and he would have to get on another plane and fly right back home again? Would he connect with our people over there - they didn't know him, nor he they! I had a bad case of the "what-if?"s.

I spent countless hours on the phone securing plans to be at the passport office in Atlanta on Monday morning - 8:00 sharp; changing flight reservations; new hotel reservation in Atlanta; phone calls to my coordinator, Charles Juma, to let him know what had happened; and emails to many people asking for prayer!

All that to say, Brother Jim did make it through with absolutely no problems at all. As always, this great man who has taught us over the years many lessons in faith, taught me once again, as he declared, "Larry, God is in control. I'll be fine."

Many lessons learned:

- 1) Satan is alive and well and will use the smallest details to try and thwart God's work.
- 2) Greater is He that is in me than he who is in the world.
- 3) Never go on a mission trip again without visa in hand - no matter what "they" say.
- 4) Now I know what my wife goes through when I'm gone and things go awry.
- 5) When we ask for prayer, *we really mean it!*
- 6) I still don't know what endorsement pages are, but you can bet I won't confuse them for visa pages ever again.
- 7) Once again - it's not *my* trips, or *my* ministry. It's the Lord's doing and it is marvelous in our eyes!

Larry McF

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prayer letter through email!

Beginning October 1, 2011, you can receive your monthly prayer letter through email. This will be a great help to the ministry and will also allow us to communicate with you more effectively.

Please email us
(larry@larrymcfadden.com) so we
can sign you up!



Oleg interpreting for Larry



2 Timothy 2:2—our theme



Oleg teaching

Kazakhstan

July 1-10, 2011

This training conference was different for many reasons. First, it was the smallest training school that we have ever conducted—we only had 22 pastors. Second, we met in secret because our meeting was not a registered religious event. Third, we had pastors come from as far as 2,300 miles to attend! These were the leaders of the Baptist Union which consists of 200 (primarily very small) churches. Fourth, in the beginning the pastors were very stoic and somewhat detached, as if they were not sure who they could trust. By the end of the week, they were hugging us and begging us to come back. We ended the training with all of us on our knees asking God to give us a fresh vision and enduring strength to make a difference in the Kingdom. Fifth, I have never been anywhere where I could not talk openly about the gospel, or what I was doing there. Here are some comments from some of the pastors:

Galyn: "Thank you for your important ministry. I refreshed my vision for ministry."

Sabit: "Thank you for coming this far. I learned a lot about the authority of the Bible."



Murat, Larry, & Kairot (only one with any Bible college)

Murat (pictured to the left): "Thank you for sharing your rich ministerial experience with us. You reminded me of the man of God, John the Baptist. He is an example for me." Murat was a Muslim until the age of 33. He then accepted Christ, and was called to preach. He is now 52, as we celebrated his birthday during the conference. He has no Bible college or seminary training at all. We are planning on returning to Kazakhstan in June 2012 for 2 weeks of conferences.

