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Dear Family Shield Friend,

Greetings in our Savior's name. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support.

Family Shield Ministries is led by Christians that care about families, God's Word, and the Gospel. We pray you will join hands with us in reaching the lost and equipping those that know Christ to share their faith with family and friends! The ministry name is based on Eph. 6:16 that says, "Take up the shield of faith." The programs and ministries proclaim Jesus Christ as the only means of salvation and that we are saved by faith alone (Eph. 2:8, 9).

The vision:

We are Christians who care about families and the gospel,

transforming lives now and for eternity.

## The mission:

We care about families growing in Christ; and equip them to witness to each other and to the world.

## An update about the ministry

- Family Shield Ministries is a Recognized Service Organization (RSO) of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. The RSO was again renewed with the Office of National Mission in August. Join us in praising the Lord!
- We recently expanded the Family Shield radio program to a new station through a pilot partnership with LLL Zone in Glencoe, MN. The program will air in Glencoe, MN on KGLB AM/FM each Saturday at 9:30 a.m. You can find a map on our website with stations, locations, and times the program airs. Programs are also available as podcasts. Why not subscribe to receive them each week?
- We also want to thank our volunteers, donors, and those who donate their Thrivent Choice Dollars or who have organized Thrivent Action Team projects that support the ministry.
- Please note that we recently changed our mailing address to: Family Shield Ministries, 7045 Parkwood Street, St. Louis, MO 63116-2112

## Stories of those we reach, equip, and touch

The Family Shield Response Center & Follow-up Services respond to thousands of people each year. Many are unchurched or have questions about God and His Word. Some people call, some write, but more and more opportunities to share the gospel are possible because of Facebook and other social media sites. *We are thankful for these opportunities and for those of you that support us and make our ministry possible!* 

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Recently I received a message from a friend who we had worked with whose daughter had studied with Jehovah's Witnesses some years ago. She asked for prayer for her stepson and his fiancé. His fiancé is a Muslim. We prayed and I followed up. She felt guilty. I shared Romans 8: 1:8:her that says, "*There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.*" I also shared several Family Shield programs about "Responding and Witnessing to Muslims." I encouraged her to learn more about spiritual warfare since the Lord has put her in the middle of another spiritual battle. We also sent her several programs about spiritual warfare and a Bible study I've written on this topic.

Last week I responded to a man on Facebook who posted, "I'm not convinced there's a heaven." He recently had cancer and was asking why those who read his post believe in heaven. Here is a portion of my first response to him.

God did everything necessary for *everyone* to receive forgiveness and eternal life. He sent His only begotten Son, Jesus, to earth, to suffer, and die for ALL our sins (John 3:16). Then three days later He rose from the dead. We need to believe and trust in Jesus and what He did for us on the cross. He gives us His righteousness and takes all our sins. God's Word tells us forgiveness and eternal life in heaven is a free gift (Eph. 2:8-9, Titus 3:6-7, Romans 3:20). Many other people shared excellent words. We encouraged him to read God's Word and learn more about Jesus. Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life and the only way to the Father. One of the people who responded to him is one of our faithful supporters. It was wonderful to read her Christ-centered message to him. Read more stories of those we reach, equip, and touch on our website here.

Thank you again for your prayers and financial support! We appreciate you so much! *Your partnership in the gospel makes our work in the ripe and plentiful harvest possible!* Prayerfully consider how you can support us with a gift of \$2000, \$1,000, \$500, \$250, \$100 or \$50. You can give a one-time gift or sign up to give a monthly gift on our website at <u>www.familyshieldministries.com</u>. May the Lord continue to bless you, your family, and congregation.

In His Service and yours,

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