

THE SALT SHAKER



AMT UPDATE

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"AMT & ICBT UPDATES"

- 1) Dr. Thompson and Dr. Carr travel plans are back on track!

May 10-11 in Norris City, IL

May 12 - noon Ministers Luncheon, at Chinese Buffet, Sikeston, MO. Call Dr. T if you wish to join us. **618-383-5805**

7pm – Dr. T teaching at Powerhouse Church, Poplar Bluff, MO. ALL WELCOME!

May 13 – 15 ACI Accreditation Conference:

13th: 6-9pm (arriving 4pm)

14th: 8am–9pm (w/lunch & dinner breaks)

15th: 8am-noon

Pre-registration required, however, contact Dr. T for address, if you wish to meet during meal breaks.

- 2) Invoices have been sent out for Bi-Annual AMT license fees. Fees cover thru December 31, 2022. There are currently over 200 AMT ordained ministers in U.S. Be sure to email in a digital photo, if you do not have a photo on your current card, or need to update it. Send to amticbt@gmail.com

Scholarship Opportunity

Many of our Foreign Field and Inmate students have had extra time during this Pandemic to finish courses at a record pace! However, they do not have the finances to complete their education with a Degree. Multiple gifts as small as \$10 or \$20 throughout the year will help fill their needs: \$50 KWA, \$100 Assoc/Bach or \$150 Master and Doctorate fees for Degrees and Transcripts.

ICBT-KWA Scholarship Funds are in remembrance of

*C.J. Goneau, Dr. Loretta Thompson,
Sharon Whittinghill and Ronnie Webb, Jr..*

Mail scholarship gifts to:
ICBT, P.O. Box 339, Norris City IL 62869

TRUE GOD GIVEN RELATIONSHIPS

I first would like to Thank Dr. Thompson for the opportunity to share on behalf of AMT. Dr T and I met through mutual friends, Drs. Myrna and Grady Etheridge somewhere around 1993/94. A bond grew between the ministries that is strong to this day. My early meeting of Dr. T was in Norris City, IL. While there visiting, ministry guests would stay in a mobile home. The warning was out by Pastor Leo Hall, "always be dressed properly" as when Dr. T came to visit it was a tap on the door - and she was coming in!

Over the years we have watched many things take place, people come and go, some mad, some glad, some wanting, some receiving but everyone having the opportunity to be touched by love and understanding. We get together now sharing memories of ministry. Those who have gone on before us, Dr. John Chacha who penned the Total Life Management course, Bishop Alphonso Macherino who built the Flight 93 Memorial in Shanksville, PA. This man who I called 'Fonzie' was a Catholic priest who in forty years never won one soul, but when God touched Him after 9/11, in the next 7 years he won 250,000 souls for Jesus. He took a grain shed and made an All Faiths Chapel to honor the lives of Flight 93, we call him Friend.

I think of the great people who I met through this union. Teresa, who administers AMT-ICBT. Dr. Roger Price, Dr. Mary Carr, Dr. Leo Hall, Dr. Mike Baldock, too many to name. I also remember my wife Dr. Sharon Kisner who loaded her car one year and drove herself from PA to Illinois to cook for AMT Mission School; gone three weeks. Such passion and desires that at my age of 69, I just don't want to be getting old but getting another breathe of the Spirit to go again. Understanding true God given relationships, they are eternal. *"For we did not receive the spirit of this world system*

but the Spirit of God, so that we might come to understand and experience all that grace has lavished upon us." 1 Corinthians 2:12 TPT.

We must come to a place of understanding the move, season and purposes of our Fathers heart. We must concur that Mercy and Grace are given from God to drive us to Obedience and Truth. Having a purpose and fulfilling a purpose are two different mindsets. Let this mind be in you that is in Christ, does not sit back and boast of title but pursues with passion, from a heart of love; the fulfillment of the Father. This is what I have found in our AMT ministry friends.

Never lose sight of the difference of right and righteousness. There are a lot of things right but are they being done righteously? My heart is full, the opportunity to see our friends again is uplifting. We dream of things into our destinies, we desire to live long fulfilling lives. Let's arise and shine for light is here, it is not in the midst of darkness, darkness does not resist only in shadows when light comes. We are the light of the world. Love to all.

Have a blessed life,
Dr. Brian Kisner

A BIG Thank You and Praise the Lord!

To all the brothers and sisters who have prayed for me and also sent support. After four months of being attacked with medical problems I am healed. Prayer works and God is faithful. Remember He never leaves us nor forsakes us. Healing is ours according to His word. I receive it. God bless each and every one of you. Also, Thank you for the birthday cards and love gifts that I received.

- Dr. T

PRAISE THE LORD



Remember, do not fear failure, but be terrified of regret. Giving up is the birth of regret. Don't fear a NO, it could be opening a door for a bigger YES.

Peace

So, you want peace. What happened to it? *John 14:27 I leave the gift of peace with you, my peace. Not the kind of fragile peace given by the world, but my perfect peace. Don't yield to fear or be troubled in your hearts –instead Be courageous!*

Really, this is what Jesus said to us. I am asking you: Why are you so confused? God does not give us confusion. He gives us His peace. Are you listening to your heart, or to your head? Well, your head will always throw "what ifs". We have an enemy that wants to influence our thoughts, and negative thoughts will never lead you to your dreams. It will make you doubt and throw your dreams to the side.

Do not be pulled in different directions or worried about a thing. Be saturated in prayer throughout each day, offering your faith filled requests before God with overflowing gratitude. *Tell him every detail of your life, then God's wonderful peace that transcends human understanding will make the answers known to you through Jesus Christ. Philippians 4:6-7 (TPT)*

Write down what the Lord speaks to you concerning your life. God needs you to be peaceful with your assignment that He has given to you. If your heart is unclouded, the light floods in and God can speak.

Keep the main thing the main thing.
Dr. Sharon Kisner

**PRAISE HIM
ANY WAY,
ANY WHERE,
ANY TIME!**



FOREIGN FIELD UPDATE



We have received 3 requests in 2021 from ministries in Tanzania, Kenya and Uganda to start new ICBT School Sites! God continues to hear the requests of those who desire to know more of Him and His Word.



In the early morning of February 29, 2021 **Rev. Harold Schultz** went home to be with the Lord. This is really great for him – no more sickness, no more pain, only joy. He gets to be with Jesus all the time. For all the people he has left behind, it is a time of sadness. But we all have some awesome memories that he left in our hearts and minds. We know that he was a very solid Christian and was completely surrendered to the Lord. He will be missed.

This photo was taken in March, 2019. It is Harold, Suzanne, and Dr. Verda Thompson.



We have worked with Harold and Suzanne for 31 years. They had one of the first schools, which was located in Paducah, Kentucky. She was the administrator starting in 1990. Besides the school, they had a marriage counseling ministry. They supported our ministry financially, in action, and through prayer.

Please keep Suzanne in your prayers as she walks through this new season. If you would like to contact Suzanne, her mailing address is:

Mrs. Suzanne Schultz
2255 Husband Rd
Paducah, KY 42003

Opportunity to be part of how God is changing lives through KWA-ICBT-MSBT.

The Home Missions Program supplies KWA courses for inmates to earn their High School Diplomas and ICBT/MSBT courses to earn Associates through Doctorate degrees through correspondence studies. There are currently 900+ inmates enrolled, with new applications received every week. Over the past 30 years, thousands of lives have been encouraged, blessed and given opportunity to meet Jesus.

There are currently 3 Grading Stations staffed by volunteers grading their homework, exams and term papers and sending them their next course.

Additional Grading Stations are needed! If you have 2-4 people in your ministry willing to commit a few hours each week to provide this service, please contact Dr. Thompson. 618-383-5805

A LIFE ENCOURAGED

My name is Wayne Cummings, I wanted to drop you a note to let you know how grateful I am for your ministry. The AMT, ICBT, and Midwest Seminary of Bible Theology.

I started the program while being incarcerated at SCI Waymart. It was and still is a blessing. Even though I had 15 credits towards a Master of Divinity, I was encouraged to start out ICBT at the Associates level, I'm so glad I did.

I started the program in 2012 at the Associates level and finished in 2020 with my Doctorate in Theology. What an amazing journey walking through the Bible and discovering what God's will is, for not only me but for all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Believe me, it's been a life changing experience.

Prior to my incarceration I was a licensed minister. This program has prepared me for a life of teaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. When God decides to open the door, I will be back in the pulpit again, not only preaching, but officiating weddings and funerals again - along with other outreach community activities.

Taking this program has keep me rooted in the Word of God, thereby keeping me out of the negative trouble that so many people get caught up in - in prison.

I highly recommend this program to anyone, especially if you want to learn about God, and yourself. Don't let the devil continue to ruin your life. God loves you, especially if you're in a backslidden condition, and it's never too late.

COVID-19 has stopped a lot of things, but one thing it can't stop is God's love for us.

Thank you so much. I will continue to pray that this school touch and transform many lives in the USA and around the world.

In His Service,
Dr. Wayne Cummings, ThD



Dr. Cummings is currently working as a legal aide in the judicial system. The AMT Staff and volunteers of Grading Stations congratulate Dr. Cummings on his accomplishments and continue to pray for continued victories through Christ Jesus!