



CrossCounsel

International Ministries, Inc.

Ministry Update
Winter 2011

"Call Upon Me in the day of trouble..." - Psalm 50:15



"CrossCounsel's ministry is a tremendous resource for pastors and churches. We highly recommend their services." - Pastor Roger Olsen, Grace Church, New Glarus, WI

"Where the Spirit of the Lord Is"

Pastor Kurt Verhoeven

Hi, my name is Kurt Verhoeven and my wife is Karen. We have raised our four children in Elkhorn, WI these past six years. We moved from Janesville, WI to plant the "Living Waters Assembly of God" church. This past year our theme was "Breakthrough our Spiritual, Emotional and Physical Strongholds". This year our theme is similar, "Freedom in Christ".

This past year I introduced the fourteen key Theophostic Principles to our church family. We utilized Sunday mornings for a series of teachings on the subject. We began a Wednesday night training in my home for six people who desired to become better equipped as lay ministers using the Theophostic Prayer Ministry approach. Personally I have grown a lot in my understanding of how to surrender myself to the Holy Spirit and allow Him to minister to the areas of my life and thinking that have been wounded or broken.

Wintertime has always been an emotional struggle for me because I love being outdoors. When the cold and clouds come I feel trapped and grumble a lot. I did not want to go through another long winter struggling with these feelings so I asked the Lord what He wanted me to know about it. In a quiet "Theophostic moment" in front of my wood burner God once again faithfully spoke into my life and said, "Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is *Freedom*".



I embraced His word and let it sink into the deep parts of my heart and it brought peace to my soul. Now I have a smile on my face and am enjoying the beauty of Winter and staying filled with the Spirit of the Lord that has brought me freedom. I thank God for bringing the Theophostic Principles and understanding into my life.

CrossCounsel Dallas
Mary Cummings, Dallas Director

Coaching Seminar: "Assessing the Progress and Skills of Prayer Ministers"

Based on the feedback from Steve's seminar last March, we're extending the seminar to two days and allowing more time per session and more input/demonstration from Steve. We need to hear from you if you are planning on attending. This will be an incredible learning experience for all of us!

WHEN : Friday March 25 and Saturday March 26
(personal ministry times may be available on Monday)

TIME : 8:30-5:30pm Friday
8:30-4:00pm Saturday

COST: - Observing only (not facilitating):
\$40 per day or \$75 both days
- Facilitating with Steve coaching:
\$65 for the coaching day, \$100 both days

If you are having Steve coach you in a session, you'll need to bring a person to minister to, or we can provide one for you if you let us know ahead of time. You'll receive a free DVD of your session so you can watch it over and over and maximize your investment!



*Sean and Karen Sebastian, Mary Cummings
(Dallas Director) and Terry Harris*

LOCATION : Grace Community Church, 251 Countryside Ct. Southlake, TX 76092
www.gracecommunitychurch.com [Directions](#)

NOW ACCEPTING REGISTRATIONS: call, email or go to our website page under "Locations"

Early Bird Special – All participants paid in full by March 18th will receive a **free DVD** of one of the seminar ministry sessions (\$10 value).

Friday: Pastors Luncheon – This is an opportunity to join a small group spending time with Steve Freitag. Lunch catered (salad and sandwiches). \$10 per person. Space is limited.

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CrossCounsel La Crosse
Nancy Miller, La Crosse Director

“For I am about to do something new.

See, I have already begun! Do you not see it?”
Isaiah 43:19

It is with great joy that we announce the birth of CrossCounsel – La Crosse!

After six years of partnering with CrossCounsel Madison God has called me home to La Crosse. I recently left my full-time job to answer His call and become Director of CrossCounsel La Crosse.



*Nancy Miller (La Crosse Director)
and Donna Smith (Madison)*

On February 3rd we hosted a Pastor’s Luncheon and was privileged to have 8 pastors and church leaders attend. It was the beginning of being a support to area pastors and church leaders in the work they are called to do. We look forward to the fruit that will come from these beginning relationships and how we can grow God’s kingdom together in the surrounding communities of La Crosse.

We are tentatively planning an Orientation for La Crosse on Saturday March 26th for anyone who is interested in learning more about our ministry.

**Opportunities in Madison to Learn About
CrossCounsel and Our Ministry Approach**

April 9th - Orientation to CrossCounsel
When: 9-11am - Open to anyone
Cost: Free

Thursday Morning Class!!!
**April 14th-June 2nd - “Introduction to the Basic Principles
of Theophostic Prayer Ministry”**
When: 9-11:15am - Open to anyone
Cost: \$80 + “Healing Life’s Hurts” (\$14)

March 16th-May 18th - TPM Manual Study #2
When: 6:30-8:15pm - Basic TPM Class Required
Cost: \$80

**Also, there is a CrossCounsel Prayer Team in the works.
Please let us know if you would be interested in this via
email, phone or in person.*



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We Can't Take ALL the Credit...

Growing up, Sundays during football season meant two things at the Freitag home: going to the Sunday morning worship service and everyone gathering to watch the Packer game. Especially in the late 70's and most of the 80's, being able to munch on cheese, crackers, chips and other snacks was much better than the game itself. Things have changed in the last 20 years or so.

On the evening of New Year's Day my brother surprised me with tickets to the Jan. 2nd Packers-Bears game at Lambeau Field in Green Bay. Ironically, my sister had decided to buy a ticket for the same game - her first Lambeau experience! We were able to hang out here right before gearing up for the cold. Definitely a night to remember.

So we can't take ALL the credit for this year's Super Bowl champs, but we did our part.



Steve Freitag, Scott Freitag and Michele (Freitag) Raymond at Lambeau Field on January 2, 2011.