



# CREATOR'S TOUCH MINISTRIES, INC

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## CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE!

Creator's Touch Ministries now has its new website up and running. It isn't completed yet, but has some good informations. Find out more about this ministry's activities, read its newsletters, get updates, see plans, check out the pictures, how you can contact us, and view our ministry schedule. On the Internet, to go [www.creatorstouch.org](http://www.creatorstouch.org).

### FOOD DISTRIBUTION IS NOW 4 YEARS OLD

In March 2005 the Coulee Region Food Distribution will be four years old. AS of February, we have held 47 food distributions giving away over 1,611,000 pounds of food to those less fortunate or in need. That is over 805 tons of food! Over 8039 families have officially registered, with many families coming to the distribution more than once. It is estimated that well over 8500 families have been provided food through this program. Approximately, 40-50 volunteers from all walks of life and religious affiliations help with the food distribution each month. We have people participating from over 89 communities in Wisconsin, Minnesota and Iowa. Contributions are received from other churches, friends of the ministry, and from the general public who participate in this program. This food distribution program has become a wonderful testimony of the loving goodness of Christ to the people in this region in showing God's kindness in a practical way. There will be some major changes occurring in the food program over the next few months. Dave and Connie Keating will likely be moving out of the area spending more time on the international mission field. See related articles on the back. For the program to continue, new administrators will have to be established, additional funding provided, and a new location to hold the distribution will be required which will accommodate more space, storage room, and permanent refrigeration equipment. We pray that God will open new doors for us.



CHECK OUT THE BACK SIDE TO SEE WHAT'S NEW. THERE ARE MAJOR CHANGES FORTHCOMING FOR DAVE AND CONNIE KEATING, AS WELL AS CREATOR'S TOUCH MINISTRIES.

## THE FUTURE REQUIRES CHANGE

Connie and I are in a period of preparation and transition for the next season for our lives. We have always had in our heart, a desire to serve on the mission field and spend more time overseas. To accomplish this, major change is required. God has been closing some of the doors here and opening wide doors for us abroad. We really believe that it is now time to let go of the present and to lay hold of the future. We believe that it is not so much what we are capable of doing, but more important that we position ourselves to be able to respond to what God wants to do through each of our lives. We have chosen to pursue the future with passion and commitment. God has trained us up in the ways that we should go and He will go with us as we step out in faith. We have chosen to be His servants and vessels.

## ZAMBIA OPPORTUNITY

Connie and I have been invited to work for a large ministry in the country of Zambia. Our commitment would be for a minimum of one year, probably leaning closer to two years. The name of that ministry is Victory Ministries, International, with its main office in Lusaka, Zambia. It can be viewed on the Internet under [www.zambiashallbesaved.org](http://www.zambiashallbesaved.org). This ministry includes 42 churches, a bible college, some community schools, a private foundation, and other things. I have been asked to administrate this ministry, its employees, etc. and report directly to its Board of Directors. Connie would be involved in the bookwork, computer work, helping with conferences, and possibly work as an administrative assistant. We are very excited about this opportunity and feel that God has trained and prepared us for such a time as this. Our plans are to travel to Zambia in March and look around, get more acquainted with the area, ministry and work involved, and then to make our final decision. We would return to the states for April and May and then tentatively move to Zambia in June or July. This decision will cause us to sell our home, possibly a vehicle, to store our personal belongings, quit our part time jobs, and make whatever changes necessary to minimize our expenses here. We would not be paid any income while in Zambia and will need to raise our own support. It is estimated that we will need about \$41,000.00 per year to live and work in Zambia. Our plans would be to return to the states twice per year for family, friends and important occasions. We will have much more details to share after our March trip and will share them with you in April. Creator's Touch Ministries will continue as our ministry with a mailing address and a secretary in the states.



## SOUTH AFRICA UPDATE

In September 2004, Dave completed his 5th missionary trip to South Africa. He took another member our church, Bill Amunurd, and they finished the construction of a home office for Maranatha Ministries. Dave and Connie will return to South Africa this month to oversee the construction of an addition to their main church, some remodeling of the existing building and the expansion of their bible college to grow from 25 students to over 100 students. Plans were submitted last year and now the funding and approval to move ahead has come forth. Dave and Connie will spend 2 weeks in February in South Africa, then 4 weeks in Zambia, and then return to the USA. Connie and I both love the people in South Africa and will continue to grow our relationship with them in the future years. South Africa is only a few hours by air from Zambia.

## UPCOMING MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Jan 27th-Feb 3rd	International Missions Conference, Memphis, TN
Feb 3rd-4th	Food Distribution, La Crosse, WI
Feb 22-March 7th	Dave & Connie in South Africa
Apr 6th	Return to USA
The following date is tentative:	
June/July 2005	Connie and Dave move to Zambia

May God richly bless you, all you do, and keep you in His hands. Thank you for your interest in Creator's Touch Ministries. We love and appreciate you very much.  
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