

January 2020 Newsletter

DEAR PARTNERS AND FRIENDS,

As I write this, a blanket of snow is currently wrapped around everything outside of my window and more is apparently on its way! To be honest, I enjoy days like these because it has a way of slowing life down and seems to grant us the permission to enjoy the moment. It also affords me the opportunity to use my new toy — my Ariens Deluxe 28" snowblower! It kind of makes me feel like Tim "The Tool Man" Taylor! All joking aside, I do enjoy using such a blessing in my life to bless my neighbors — especially the widow that lives across the street from me.

Now that I think of it, my playing the role of "The Tool Man" feels more appropriate than I realized! January was filled with home renovation projects. Because I love Nicole, I thoroughly enjoy blessing her in that manner. I also enjoy the challenge of such things as well. Every bathroom light fixture, faucet, toilet paper and towel racks received a face lift and nearly every blind in our house was replaced!

Not only has our home undergone a transformation, the lives of those that were touched by God this past month had as well. In fact, January was an incredible month filled with some amazing testimonies. I'm excited for you to read on and discover all the amazing things that took place through Faith Like Birds this first month in 2021.



My new toy!



New faucets



New light fixtures, mirrors, and hand towel holders



New shelves for Nicole to decorate with



WILL YOU PARTNER WITH US?

It's no secret that I have a strong desire to see students and young adults encounter the Lord in a way that causes Him to become undeniably real and results in the complete surrender of their lives to Him. That's why The Shout was created and I'm asking if you'd be willing to financially partner with us to help my dream for this generation to become a reality.

The conference will again be held at Praise Community Church on April 23rd and 24th and we are looking to go bigger and better than our first go round with this event. It will once again feature World of Dance finalist, Poppin John, and myself. I'm also bringing my friend, Will Hart, to minister to the students, as well as, my friends from The Foundry to lead worship.







BRIAN CONNOLLY



WILL HART



THE FOLINDRY

Due to expenses like flights, lodging, honorariums, and advertising, we are roughly looking at a \$7,000 budget. As a result, we are looking for financial backers to help make this event a reality and a place where students' lives can be changed forever. My hope is to exceed the \$7,000 amount and begin budgeting for more youth events like this throughout the year.

If you'd like to be a financial partner for this event, you may click <u>here</u> and select 'Shout Conference Donations' or you can give through the Church Center Mobile App. You can download it for free!

Please click here to visit The Shout's page on the Faith Like Birds Website.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS THE HOLY SPIRIT GLASS







This class is a midweek highlight for me. There are 61 students enrolled with 41 in class and 20 students participating online. We even have one student from the Netherlands! We are half way through this six week course and students are already reporting that their relationship with God has greatly changed. During one of the classes, a young female student commented on how cool it was learning that the Holy Spirit is not an 'it,' but a person that has a personality.

TAKE A STAND YOUTH CONFERENCE







Words will fail to adequately describe all that took place during this wonderful event. There were many physical and emotional healings that took place and students were filled with the Holy Spirit in powerful ways and received a multitude of prophetic words. One of the highlights that stands out was witnessing a woman receive healing in her right arm. It had been broken for four months and the only reason it hadn't shattered was because of the infection in her arm. After receiving prayer two times, she was able to move her arm freely and put weight upon it. IT IS COMPLETELY HEALED! If you're interested in hearing more that took place at this event, please click here to watch our testimony video.

THE GREENHOUSE







I believed with all of my heart that the Lord wanted to set students free from torment in their mind, and that's exactly what took place during January's Greenhouse meeting. Students testified that they felt various manifestations during the ministry time. Some felt peace where there hadn't been any in a while. Some felt things lifting off of them. Some wept at the altar. One young girl gave her life to the Lord because she said it was the first time she felt God's presence. A father who was present testified that he felt the Lord heal him of his anxiety, which had been a debilitating problem for quite some time.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS:

- I ministered to my friends at The Foundry in Bridgeville, DE by encouraging them to focus on what really matters in this season; namely, pursuing intimacy with God.
- I saw some awesome things take place among my friend's house church meeting in Williamsport, PA. We saw at least one knee get healed and a husband and wife receive a powerful, confirming prophetic word.
- I was privileged to encourage the women at New LIfe For Girls by charging them to make their life about one thing and one thing alone — sitting at Jesus' feet and staring in His face.
- I ministered to our youth at Praise Community on the importance of Jesus' words in Matthew 5:6 —
 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied."

FLB INTERNS

The Faith Like Birds interns rounded out their internship this month. They had traveled and ministered alongside of me for over a year and watching them step out in faith has been a great joy in my life! They are passionate about ministering to their generation and will continue to do so with me from time to time. At this point, I am not taking on any new interns.



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WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW PARTNERS

If you haven't yet already, would you consider becoming a monthly partner with Faith Like Birds? Because I am looking to expand the reach of this ministry through the hiring of future employees and host more events, your partnership makes all the difference!

It also allows me to minister freely to whomever and wherever. There are many places that I go that are unable to pay for my services. I never want that to be a hindrance. Your willingness to sow into Faith Like Birds grants me the freedom to minister without the concern of being able to provide for my family. We also honor and thank those of you who have given a one time donation. The fact is that any and all donations have truly contributed to the success and reach of this ministry.

Ways to Give:

- The Church Center Mobile App (download it for free on the App Store) Set up recurring giving or a one-time gift and select the fund "Faith Like Birds."
- Online Click <u>here</u> to give online. Set up recurring giving or a one-time gift and select the fund "Faith Like Birds."
- Texting Text the dollar amount you'd like to give to 84321, followed by "faith like birds."
- Mail Mail your check or cash to Praise Community Church (705 S. Ogontz St., York, PA 17403).
 Put "Faith Like Birds" in the memo line.
- Visit www.faithlikebirds.com/give for more.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Please pray for wisdom and guidance for Nicole and me as we get ready to make some important decisions regarding the financial direction of the ministry. We want to steward well everything that God is doing — including what He is doing with the finances of this ministry.
- Please pray that more doors open for me to minister to students and young adults.
- Please pray that God would bless us with financial partners for The Shout and FLB.

- Please pray that the presence of God and miracles would be the norm during our meetings and that people would encounter the Lord in life changing ways.
- Please pray that God would grow the reach of this ministry especially with what's happening at The Greenhouse. I want to see those meetings packed with students encountering Jesus.
- Please pray that I grow and remain in humility... that my hunger for God would increase... and that I'd be completely filled with the Holy Spirit.
- Please pray for my family. Pray that we'd bring Him honor and glory... that we'd love one another... and that my girls would love the Lord with all of their heart.