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I have fond memories of my early interactions with Sidney Grant. As a missions student at Penn View Bible Institute, I naturally wanted to determine what my future held and where God wanted me to serve. One of the things that impressed me about Hope International Missions was how various individuals from the organization consistently took the time to connect with me—either by phone or one-on-one meetings. I knew they cared and wanted to help me in any way possible on my journey to missionary work.



On more than one occasion, President Grant would say, "Are you still interested in the country of Chile? When can you go with me on an exploratory trip there?" After

my wife Jaylena and I were married, I remember sitting across from him at various restaurant tables as we discussed possible options for ministry with HIM. One thing that specifically stood out to me was how he always cared not just for me, but for Jaylena as well. He was concerned that she would be happy and fulfilled in ministry, too. That meant a lot to both of us!

In 2014 God clearly led us to move to Hobe Sound. We are blessed to be a part of the incredible ministry spreading out from here around the world. Since our arrival my respect and admiration for Sidney Grant has only increased. I can honestly say he has become one of the greatest influencers and mentors in my life. I value the long conversations we have. His vision to keep pioneering new works and making disciples for Christ constantly inspires me.

I was sad when Sidney Grant announced his decision to step down as president of FEA. However, we have developed not just a working relationship, but a genuine friendship that I know will only grow in the future. I am excited to see how God will continue using Sidney's life to impact many others in the years to come!

In this special issue, FEA honors a man who has led with dignity, passion, and excellence. Thank you, President Grant, for a job well done! 🙏

**BENJAMIN MCDOWELL** Managing Editor

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## MY TIME AS PRESIDENT OF FEA



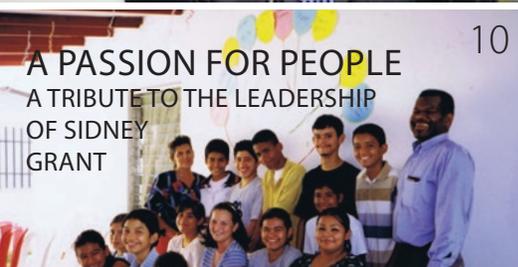
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# A Farewell from Sidney Grant

**F**or the last ten years I have been privileged to serve as president of FEA Ministries. As I think back across the history of FEA and my personal journey, my heart rejoices over what God has done. I owe a debt of gratitude to the Lord for coming to me when I could not come to where He was. I am grateful to my wife who believed in me and accepted me just where I was on my journey of faith. I am grateful to my children who were patient and understanding as God led me to where I am today. And I am grateful to FEA Ministries for accepting and investing in me. The trust placed in me to lead this fine organization has been one of the highest privileges of my life.

This journey has been an adventure! I have discovered the best way to work with God is to find out where He is already on the move and then simply join Him. The legacy of FEA Ministries for the past seven decades has been working with God. He called FEA to begin its mission endeavors—now known as Hope International Missions (HIM)—in the beautiful Caribbean islands of the Bahamas, the Turks and Caicos Islands, and the poverty-stricken country of Haiti.

As the work of HIM progressed, God increased and broadened the vision to expand into Africa, Asia, Europe, the Hispanic world, and beyond. The impetus behind each of these missional initiatives was a specific discovery of peoples' need. For the Bahamas it was the need of spiritual revival and authentic Christianity; for Europe it was Christian literature;

for the Hispanic world it was the immigration crisis and displaced Hispanic refugees; for Africa it was the need to build on previous missionary investment from other partnering works; and for Asia it was the need for holiness educators and those who could teach English as a method to introduce the gospel. Today we continue this as we assist terror-stricken refugees who need hope and freedom from the fear of a religion that has let them down. We are working to meet the needs of orphans so they do not get caught in the trap of human trafficking. And we are actively exploring the best ways to join God in bringing the hope of salvation to the world's vast Muslim population.

Throughout the years God brought together some great people from a variety of backgrounds to accomplish the work of FEA at home and abroad. They were sacrificial, visionary, and faithful men and woman—spiritual giants with whom I have had the privilege to work. While it is not possible to mention all their names in this article, I do want to honor these people whom God used to impact so many others.

I am so grateful for God's guidance throughout my life. Though there have been times of struggle, as long as I followed His direction, I never went wrong. As I step down from the leadership of FEA, I can hear the footsteps of God leading FEA Ministries to greater heights through the capable leadership of President-elect Harold Martin. May God continue to bless FEA Ministries! 🙏

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# GR French Administration Offices



## Building A FIRM FOUNDATION

HAROLD MARTIN



It has been said that the only constant in life is change. For the past number of months, FEA Ministries has been going through transition—a time of change. Since my first day serving as president-elect on July 5, 2016, I have become increasingly aware of two things. First is the firm foundation on which future generations are being given to build. Second is the promise from God Himself to “go before us” and show us the way.

Throughout the Old Testament we read about leadership transitions of various kinds. Unfortunately, not all the transitions go well. The transition from King Hezekiah to King Manasseh found in 2 Kings 21 proved to be a disaster. The scripture reveals that Manasseh did “evil in the sight of the Lord.” Why? Because he rebuilt the altars to foreign gods that Hezekiah had destroyed. He did not build on the foundation of godliness handed to him by the previous generation.

In Deuteronomy 31:7-8 we read about the transition from Moses to Joshua of the leadership of the children of Israel. Imagine the feelings of anxiety and fear the children of Israel experienced during this time. Moses—the one who had faced down Pharaoh, led them through the Red Sea, and provided water out of rocks—would soon be gone. I believe it was for this reason Moses blessed Joshua in front of the people and then admonished them to “be

strong and of good courage.” He explained that they could face the future with confidence because “the Lord, He is the One who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed.”

For the past ten years, Sidney Grant has capably led FEA Ministries—building on the foundation previous leaders handed to him. My first impression of President Grant came from my years as a missions major at Hobe Sound Bible College where I learned to appreciate his passion for ministry, especially to the Hispanic population moving into the South Florida area. During my college years, I was blessed to be able to assist with the Spanish Ministries Mobile Chapel outreach by teaching



children's services in the rear of the Mobile Chapel while the parents attended service in the front. Sidney Grant quickly climbed in my estimation as he would passionately share his vision for reaching the world for Christ and demonstrate his passion by reaching into communities and neighborhoods many would fear to enter.

As president of FEA Ministries, Sidney gathered a capable team of staff members, placed the mission on a firm financial footing, and broadened the impact of its outreaches around the world. It has been a pleasure working with President Grant for these past number of months, and he will be missed. Though Sidney will be leaving the presidency of FEA, he will continue to direct our Spanish Bible Institute and work in the areas of teaching and leadership development within Hope International Missions.

As the incoming president of FEA Ministries, I commit to build on the firm foundation being handed to my generation by relying on the fact that the Spirit of God Himself will go before us. With God's help we will focus intentionally on the following five areas:

1) **Spiritual Development** Hebrews 2:3 says, "How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him?" At the center of all we do at FEA Ministries must be close attention to the continuation of the message of full salvation—a message of holiness that provides not only for the forgiveness of sins, but also for the cleansing of sin and the power to live a godly life.

- 2) **Managerial Excellence** God is a God of order. We see this modeled in creation. Hobe Sound Bible College founder Steve Herron is credited with having said, "Holy shoddy is still shoddy." It is my goal to see FEA Ministries led with excellence, thus enabling us to conduct business in a way that inspires trust and the ability to fulfill our mission in an efficient manner.
- 3) **Worldwide Outreach** Foreign missions has long been a hallmark of FEA Ministries. I do not view Hope International Missions as an "afterthought." Missions is at the heart of who we are and what we do. We will be actively praying and working to see workers called by God and sent into His field that is "white unto harvest."
- 4) **Campus Development** The properties here in Hobe Sound are an incredible gift from past generations. It is through these properties we can accomplish the work collectively of Hobe Sound Ministries. We must build on this gift and upgrade our assets so they continue to be a blessing for future generations.
- 5) **Unity within the Ministries** Hobe Sound Ministries is a vine of God's planting. Though shared facilities and personnel can be challenging, I am committed to the mission and vision of FEA Ministries, Hobe Sound Bible College, and Hobe Sound Bible Church. I am convinced great days are ahead for each of our ministries.

Will you stand by us with your prayers and support? We take confidence from the words of Moses, "And the Lord, He is the One who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed" (Deut. 31:8). ☞



DAVID BLACK *Director of HIM Asia*

## A Man of Genuine, Christlike Character

Sid, as he is affectionately called by his friends, is a man of genuine Christlike character. I have worked with many leaders in the conservative holiness movement, but none are as careful and consistent as Sidney Grant. I have worked with Sid for the past eight years serving under his leadership in various roles—as FEA office manager, Sea Breeze Community leader, in the HIM PR department and now as director of HIM Asia. I have witnessed Bro. Grant operating in diverse and highly stressful situations, and not

one time did he ever lose his dignity and calm quiet spirit of professionalism and kindness. His fervent love for God and others is evident in all his decisions and actions. His work ethic and living ethic in relationship to others has always been beyond question. It is a real privilege to call Sid my friend and co-laborer in the Lord. He will be missed in his present role as FEA president. However, we look forward to continuing to work together for God's mission of extending and establishing His kingdom around the world. ☞





GLENN GAULT *Director of HIM Africa*

## The Hallmark of His Ministry— Training Christian Leaders

**A**s I look back at the twenty or so years I have known Rev. Sidney Grant, the thing that stands out in my memory is his continual focus on training and mentoring new leaders. I first experienced this while I was still a student at Hobe Sound Bible College and working as a mechanic for FEA Ministries. One day he gave me a stack of textbooks from a diesel mechanic’s course he had taken before he had gone into ministry full-time. He said he needed to get rid of the books and thought they might be helpful to me. I learned a lot from those books!

I also remember ministering together at an HIM Missions Convention before he became director of Hope International Missions. I was still new to mission work. Between services he spent time talking to me and helping to

correct and develop my philosophy of missions. Looking back, those three days together were very formative to my ministry in Lesotho.

Since he became director of HIM and president of FEA Ministries, his investment in my life and ministry has increased—recommending good books, loaning me CDs with lectures on leadership, long conversations whenever he visits Africa, holding seminars for pastors and missionaries, and always the assurance of his faithful prayers.

Mr. Grant, I deeply appreciate your investment in my life and your ability to train Christian leaders. I believe this is the hallmark of your ministry. I pray God continues to bless and strengthen you as you begin a new chapter in your life. 🙏

**FEA Ministries has progressed beautifully in every department under Sidney’s administration.**



JOE TAYLOR *Director of Gospel Publishing Mission*

## FEA Ministries Owes Much to President Grant

**I** have worked with Sidney Grant for about twenty years. Over these years I have found him to be steadfast in his pursuit of Christ, his passion for souls, and his pertinacity to plant churches. FEA Ministries has progressed beautifully in every department under Sidney’s administration.

The early directors of Hope International Missions—Phil Newton, Dr. Fred Wingham, and Joe Smith—developed this fledgling mission work into a thriving regional mission. Then under the leadership of G. R. French, the work grew into a truly international mission outreach in just a few years. He made contacts in many places all around the world and placed missionaries in these areas as well.

James Keaton’s goal, along with making overall progress forward in the organization, was to help this

international mission become better known here in the homeland. He did this with great success.

Sidney Grant was the next director. He did what his predecessors had all dreamed of doing. He developed and produced all the policy and procedure manuals that are so necessary for an organization to work smoothly and grow. In doing this, Sidney recognized and embraced an underlying truth of why God inspired the Holy Bible and why Hope International Missions has a literature ministry. It is of great consequence for important things to be written down! FEA Ministries owes much to President Grant for “writing it down.” I believe FEA Ministries is set to proclaim the message of salvation and holy living to every soul on earth.

Thanks, Sidney, for your pursuit, passion, and pertinacity to follow Christ and make Him known. 🙏



ED DURHAM *Director of HIM Europe*

## A Man Passionate about Building the Kingdom of Christ

**S**idney and I became fast friends on our first exploratory trip to Hungary in 2010. I felt an instant bond with him. I could sense his passion for expanding into new countries as he expressed to me that he wished he could join me here in Hungary.

Sidney does not seek the limelight, even though his position could lend itself to doing so. I have always felt his support for me, even when my ideas did not fit into a proven model. I have benefited immensely from his timely advice when we worked together to resolve issues that faced me here in Eastern Europe.

Several years ago we were together on a trip to Israel. Sidney and another man posed between two pillars like they were Samson. After we took that picture, Sidney stated one of his nicknames as a young man was Samson. The biblical Samson was a man of great physical strength. Sidney is a man of great spiritual strength. He is a man of strong character, firm in his beliefs and passionate about building the kingdom of God and expanding the influence of HIM around the world.

Thank you, Sidney, for being an outstanding president and a steadfast friend! 🙏



JOHN DYKES *Director of HIM Spanish Ministries*

## A Passion for Young People and Education

**M**y first contact with Bro. Sid, as he is known to most of us, was over twenty years ago when my wife and I were working in Mexico. Actually, he is known as Bro. Cindy or Sizny to many of our Hispanic brethren as they struggle with pronouncing his name. Bro. Sid was the evangelist for our annual camp meeting and brought a passion for souls in general to the meeting. He really connected with the young people.

As director of Spanish Ministries, I am keenly aware of being the caretaker of a ministry Bro. Sid helped to start. It is a blessing to be able to continue having his input into this ministry.

Bro. Sid's passion is for young people and

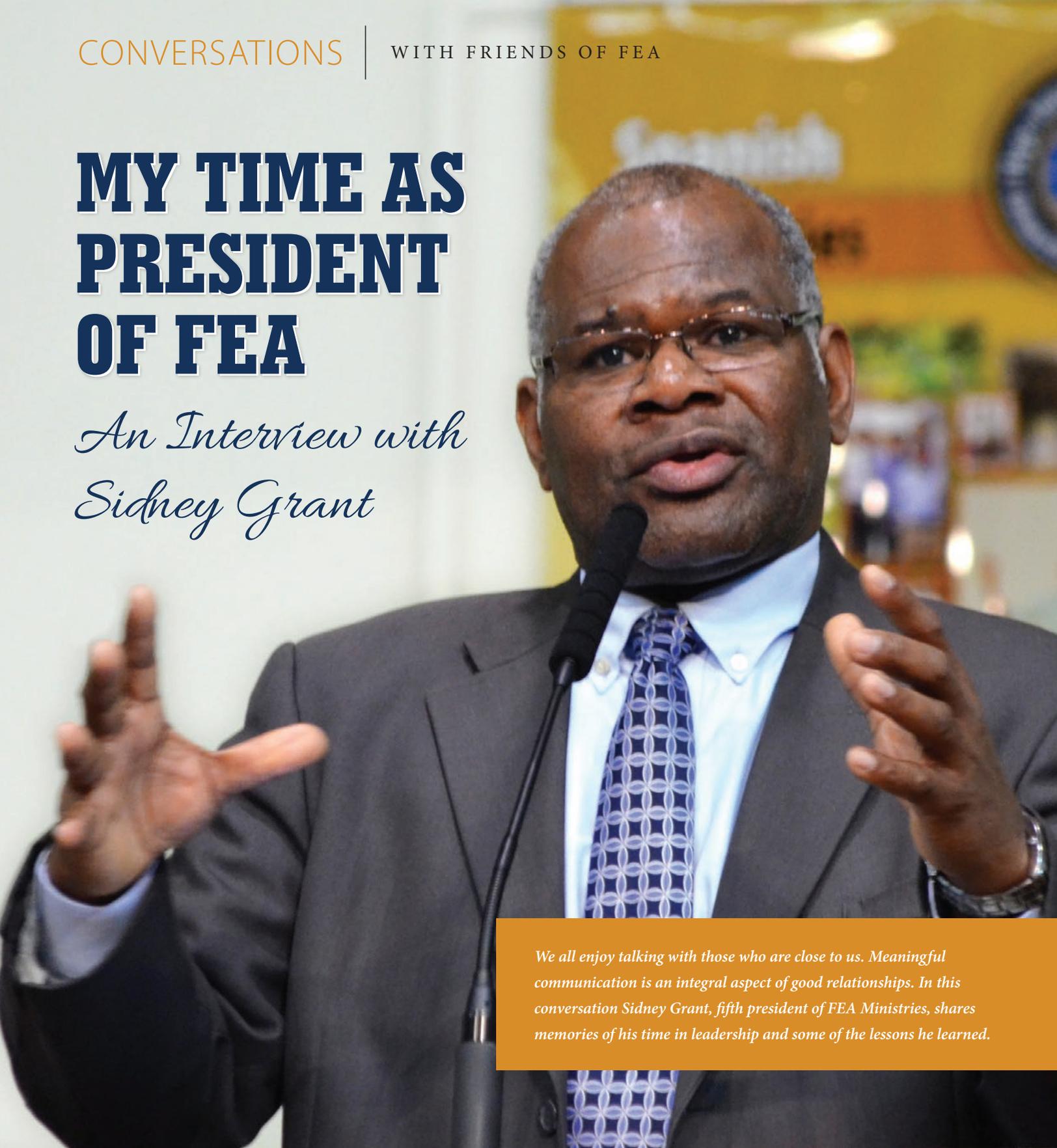
education. I think this is the reason he has had such an impact on the lives of so many in this ministry. Most of our pastors today were mentored by Bro. Sid, and many of them exemplify some of his ministry characteristics.

God had a man prepared to start this ministry and a man ready to take it even further when Bro. Sid transitioned into leadership. I am excited that soon we will be able to have more of his time in the Spanish Department. Some may think it would be time to retire, but Bro. Sid has set his sights on new ministry options and will be immersing himself even more into the lives of the youth of today and Spanish Ministries. We welcome his return! 🙏

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# MY TIME AS PRESIDENT OF FEA

*An Interview with  
Sidney Grant*



*We all enjoy talking with those who are close to us. Meaningful communication is an integral aspect of good relationships. In this conversation Sidney Grant, fifth president of FEA Ministries, shares memories of his time in leadership and some of the lessons he learned.*



**Q What was your initial reaction when you were asked to be the fifth president of FEA Ministries?** My first reaction was negative because I did not feel personally qualified for the position. However, I had made a commitment to the Lord that whatever He wanted me to do, I would do. I took some time to pray and consult with friends and family. It was important to have their support if this was God's will. I still had some reservations, but the Lord promised in His Word He would be faithful to His servant. I told the Lord, "I am available to do whatever You ask of me." He said, "Then go and do what I have called you to do." It was then I told the board I was willing to lead FEA.

**Q What dream(s) did God give you at the beginning of your presidency that He has helped you fulfill during your time at FEA?** I believe God has called me specifically to be a mentor and discipler of men, leaders, and pastors cross-culturally. One of the first things I did to ensure my calling would be fulfilled was to develop a team with whom I could work and who shared a commitment to leadership training. This team became the Missionary Leadership Council of Hope International Missions (HIM). We talked and dreamed together of how to continue developing cross-cultural ministries. It was a dream of mine to develop a curriculum that would help train leaders in our different countries and regions. To facilitate this God helped us start an education department within HIM which is still in place and growing. Through our key partnership with Shepherds Global Classroom, we have curriculum being developed and translated into different languages.

Another dream I had was to develop centers or headquarters in our different regions. For example in Slovakia we just recently opened a transition home for troubled and disadvantaged youth. We also have a strong educational training center in Taiwan that is helping us further develop our work in Asia. At this point nearly every country we are in has its own facility to make sure the ministry grows. Additionally, we built the Glen Reiff World Education Center where we can train leaders right here at Hobe Sound. Finally, I knew we needed an improved facility to house our general headquarters, and God helped this to be accomplished as well.

**Q In your association with FEA Ministries, what have you appreciated most about the organization?** One thing I appreciate about FEA is the fact that it has allowed me as president to dream big. A second thing I appreciate about FEA is its willingness to partner with many other organizations in the holiness movement. The work of the kingdom is greater than FEA can accomplish on its own. Through our partnerships we have been able to expand our influence in our movement as well as around the world.

**Q What have you observed to be FEA's greatest strengths?** I believe FEA's greatest strength is its heritage. God has blessed us with a wonderful legacy of dedicated people who impacted their world for Christ. They worked together to build FEA's platform for ministry. Part of their legacy is they created a strong missions force. God has blessed HIM with an incredible global impact and allowed us to be a leader within the holiness movement.

Another of FEA's strengths is its bond with the other two facets of Hobe Sound Ministries—Hobe Sound Bible College and Hobe Sound Bible Church. Our partnership with the college enables us to influence the ministry training of their students for an even greater global impact. Hobe Sound Bible Church is a haven and spiritual oasis for people. HIM missionaries have been blessed and nurtured as a result of the church's live-streaming of its services and messages from Sea Breeze Camp Meeting. This heritage of unity as Hobe Sound Ministries is one of our greatest strengths and will keep us moving forward.

**Q What aspect of your job did you most enjoy?** I enjoyed preaching, training, and traveling. God called me into the ministry to be a preacher, and FEA allowed me the platform to preach. I am also dedicated to ensuring that people are trained and mentored to go out into the ministry of making disciples. Handing a diploma to students from our various training programs and saying "Go ye and do likewise" has been a joy I would not trade for anything in this world. Lastly, I thoroughly enjoy being part of the expansion of the gospel among people groups around the world. I get excited about the possibility of reaching Africans, Europeans, Asians, Hispanics, and now Muslims. To see people saved, discipled, and commissioned to expand the gospel around the world is my passion.

**Q What were the greatest struggles throughout your presidency?** My biggest struggle was feeling inadequate to communicate the gospel of Christ in languages other than my own native tongue, particularly within the English language. Sometimes Satan would use this difficulty as a way of tearing me down. Yet I believe the Lord has used that sense of limitation so I could focus on other areas that would help communicate the gospel. A second struggle was knowing how to balance ministry with family life. I am passionate about ministry and traveling. However, I love my family. They are the most important thing to me apart from Christ. I struggled with knowing how to balance the demand of ministry with the needs of my family. Though I could have done better, God did help me. I want to caution those who are involved in ministry today to make sure to find a balance of ministry and family. Your family is the most important treasure God has given you on this side of eternity, and you cannot afford to let them down!

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# A Passion for

**S**idney Grant has invested the last thirty years of his life working for FEA Ministries. This journey began in 1987 helping Glen Reiff pioneer HIM's Spanish Ministries. That same year Sidney began pastoring HIM's first Spanish church located in West Palm Beach, Florida. Two attributes that characterized his pastoral ministry were boldness and faithfulness. Sidney did not allow potentially dangerous situations to stop him from witnessing for Christ. He still has a pocketknife that was confiscated when breaking up a fight between two men while he was out in the neighborhood inviting people to church. When circumstances looked bleak and his church was shrinking due to people moving away for job opportunities and various other factors, he faithfully persisted. God used people from that church to plant holiness congregations up and down the Atlantic coast and in four Latin American countries.

As the Spanish ministries began to grow, the need to train pastors and solid Christian laypeople became evident. God enabled Sidney to establish the Spanish Bible Institute in response to that need. So far around one hundred students have graduated from the institute. Most of HIM's Spanish churches are pastored by these graduates or individuals who are currently students. After Glen Reiff stepped down as director of HIM Spanish Ministries, Sidney was appointed director. The ministry continued to flourish under his direction.

In time the FEA Ministries Board recognized Sidney's leadership abilities and hired him as director of Hope International Missions in 2005. Just two years later at the conclusion of Paul Pierpoint's presidency, Sidney was chosen to lead FEA Ministries as president.

Sidney Grant has led FEA Ministries with dignity, honor, and distinction. His passion for excellence has been portrayed in his diligent efforts to formally develop and organize the various procedural manuals that govern the day-to-day operations of missions, community, and office life. His ceaseless passion to pioneer new works and plant new churches has resulted in new countries entered for mission work. As a result thousands of lives have been changed by the gospel of Christ.

FEA Ministries has been led well under President Grant. He has played a significant part in building a firm foundation to pass on to his successor, Harold Martin. We owe a debt of gratitude to Sidney Grant for his dedicated service to FEA Ministries. Thank you! 🙏



1981

*Life, purpose, and direction changed by Christ*

1982

*Married Gretel C. Williams*

1982

*Called to full-time ministry*

1983–1987

*Attended Hobe Sound Bible College; Three daughters born—Elisa, Elena, and Erika*



1987

*Graduated from Hobe Sound Bible College with a BA in Pastoral Ministries*

1987

*Began working with Dr. Glen Reiff in establishing HIM Spanish Ministries; Began pastoring the first HIM Spanish church in West Palm Beach*

1990

*Started the Spanish Bible Institute to train Hispanic pastors*

# For People

## A TRIBUTE to the LEADERSHIP of SIDNEY GRANT

While pastoring in Oklahoma City, I remember reading the article in the *World Update* of the appointment of Sidney Grant as president of FEA Ministries. Little did I know that a year later we would be working together.

Many hours were spent in board meetings and planning sessions. It was always a pleasure to work with President Grant. He is a gentleman who was Christlike in every interaction I had with him.

President Grant served FEA well. In a world where leadership is all about climbing the ladder of success, he served as a servant. Hobe Sound Ministries was not just a concept in his head, it was the passion of his heart.

I appreciate the opportunity I had to serve alongside Sidney Grant. I am a better man, a better leader, and a better Christian because of his influence. 🙏



RODNEY LOPER  
*President-elect*  
*God's Bible School and College*

It has been my privilege to observe and work with Rev. Sidney Grant for the entire twenty-plus years I have been in Hobe Sound. One of the things I quickly recognized about Bro. Grant was that he was always busy and involved in the work of building God's kingdom.

When I arrived in 1995, Bro. Grant's "plate was already full!" He was pastor of the West Palm Beach Spanish Church, he was assisting Dr. Reiff with the leadership of Spanish Ministries, and he was teaching in the Spanish Bible Institute. That busy life continued and expanded as he was appointed director of Hope International Missions in 2005 and when he was selected to be president of FEA in 2007.

Bro. Grant has also been a man of vision. As I have talked with him, listened to him preach, and worked with him on boards and committees, he has always been a man whose mind was actively working and planning for the expansion and advancement of the kingdom of God.

Bro. Grant has always been a man who is humble. As Spanish Ministries has grown and spread across the eastern half of the United States and back to Central America, he has remained humble. As the Spanish Camp has become the largest

gathering of its kind that I know anything about, he has remained humble. As the Spanish Bible Institute, which was originally his vision, and the leadership training programs he initiated have flourished and developed, producing the Spanish pastors and leaders who are in place today, he has remained humble. As Hope International Missions has developed into one of the foremost mission organizations of our movement today, he has maintained a humble, Christlike spirit and given the glory to God.

Sidney Grant is a team player. Whether he is pastoring a local church, leading Spanish Ministries, or serving as president of FEA, Bro. Grant has always been a team player. During the past nine years there has been a wonderful sense of cooperation among the three ministries here in Hobe Sound, and one of the major reasons for that excellent spirit is the character and attitude of Bro. Grant. I know from personal experience what a fine person he is to work with and what character and wisdom he displays even when challenges are great and pressure is intense.

Sidney Grant is an earnest-hearted man. One need not be around | continued on page 15 ▷



DANIEL STETLER  
*President*  
*Hobe Sound Bible College*

1995

Son Erik Justin came into home



1997

Resigned the church in West Palm Beach to serve as director of both HIM Spanish Ministries and the Spanish Bible Institute

1997-2005

Director of HIM Spanish Ministries (expanded to four countries, three states, eighteen cities and towns)

2005-2007

Director of Hope International Missions



2005-2010

Pastored the HIM Spanish congregation in Hobe Sound

2006

Graduated from Moody Bible Institute with a MA in Ministry

2007-2017

President of FEA Ministries



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**Q How has this leadership position most changed you as an individual?** I have been changed in two main ways. First, I have learned more fully to depend on the Lord. My faith has been enhanced as I have learned to simply trust God to supply what I need to get the work done. Secondly, I learned early in ministry it is important to pull together a team of men and women with whom you can work and who are gifted in the areas you need them to be and can help you accomplish your mission and vision.

**Q What does your future hold?** Following the conclusion of my presidency, I will be finishing a doctoral degree. Once that is completed, I plan to focus primarily on educating and training leaders in both an academic setting as well as in communities of believers around the world. The FEA Board has asked me to lead the Education Department of HIM. I plan on continuing the development of cross-cultural curriculum for leadership training around the world. One of my goals is to help all our works grow to the point they are not only reaching their own people, but even sending their own as missionaries into other countries.

**Q As FEA looks toward the future, what are your hopes for the organization?** I believe FEA is on the brink of a new chapter, and I believe it is going to be great. As I approach the end of my presidency, I have talked extensively with President-elect Harold Martin about the future of FEA. He has shared his passion and dreams with me, and I believe that both our hearts beat together. I hope that as an organization we can continue to adequately share with our constituents and stakeholders the exciting things God is doing. I am excited about this happening through such mediums as HIM's Engage program, etc. Additionally, I hope to see our stakeholders expanded—not just those who give financially, but those who are answering the call of God to serve in cross-cultural missions.

One of the things that energizes me as I look at FEA's future is the countries that are beginning to catch a vision of planting churches and sending out missionaries. I am also excited about the progress HIM is making of intentionally reaching into the Muslim world. I believe God is going to do a great work among the Muslim communities in the days ahead. FEA is committed to being effectively relevant in our approach to ministry today. By God's grace we will continue to serve the church and reach the world! 🌍

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**SEA BREEZE  
LECTURE SERIES**



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**Artifacts Display:** Rare and valuable historical artifacts will be displayed from the private collection of Benjamin Crawford. Included in this display will be rare, first-edition English Bibles and artifacts pertaining to Reformation luminaries.



*Ben Crawford*  
ARTIFACT SPECIALIST



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**Martin Luther and the  
German Reformation**  
*Robert Booth*



WEDNESDAY 2/8 | 2:45 PM–3:45 PM  
**Branches of the  
Reformation**  
*Dr. Marsh Jones*

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**Q&A Session**



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**John Wycliffe, Morning Star  
of the Reformation**  
*Dr. William Snider*



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**The English Reformation**  
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# CULTURAL CONNECTIONS

## Russia

### Russian Hospitality

Russia, the largest nation on earth, includes more than eighty-eight regions—from Central Europe to Alaska (originally a Russian province). One thing you will find everywhere in Russia is Russian hospitality. If you meet a Russian couple on the street, they may not even smile at you. However, if you are invited into their home, you will be warmly greeted with smiles and the famous Russian bear hug!

Russians may startle you by saying “take off your clothes.” But that is just their way of inviting you to take off your coat, hat, scarf, gloves, and boots. The apartments they all live in are warm and cozy, and you will be given a pair of slippers to wear inside.

In Russian culture every guest must be invited to sit down and eat something. Even the poorest *babushka* (grandma) would never think of offering you *chai* (the Russian word for tea) without serving some kind of cookie, bread, or candy with it. If they are expecting you for dinner, it usually will be an elaborate affair. First, there will be appetizers, salads, and soup. It may be *borsch*, *she*, or fish soup, but it will include some cabbage and other vegetables. The main dish may be meat or fish, and there will almost always be potatoes. Then there will be dessert—there are many kinds of cakes and pies, either homemade or bought at a local bakery.

Another time for Russian hospitality is after church. Since the end of the Soviet Union, nearly every town of any size in Russia has several large evangelical churches. Many Russians travel a long way by train or bus after which there is still a long walk to the church. Instead of a morning service and an evening service, there is

usually one two-hour service midday. Because many have traveled so far, it is often customary to invite everyone to drink tea and eat together after the service. Down through the years since HIM first began working in Russia, missionaries have been blessed by the kind hospitality the Russian people have shown them. ☺



In Russia liver onion cake is only served for special celebrations since it costs more to prepare than the average household can afford on a regular basis. However, special celebrations come quite often. Not only can this cake be served on birthdays, but it is eaten on various other holidays such as New Year's, Christmas, International Women's Day, Easter, Victory Day, etc.



## Liver Onion Cake

A real RUSSIAN recipe

### INGREDIENTS

- |                         |                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 lb. beef liver        | 1½ teaspoon salt      |
| 4 onions                | pepper to taste       |
| 2 carrots               | oil                   |
| 2 large or 3 small eggs | mayonnaise            |
| ½ cup flour             | green onions, chopped |
| ½ cup milk              |                       |

### HOW TO MAKE LIVER ONION CAKE

Grind beef liver in a grinder or food processor along with 1 onion and 1 carrot. In a large mixing bowl combine eggs, flour, milk, salt, and pepper. Add meat mixture.

Shape mixture into equally sized flat cakes. In a medium frying pan, fry in oil until nicely browned on both sides. Remove from pan.

Chop remaining onions and carrots and sauté in oil. Cool.

Spread a liver cake with mayonnaise; top with sautéed onions and carrots. Continue adding layers of cake, mayonnaise and vegetables. Top with green onions.



JUDY GROUT  
Russia



FEA Ministries exists to serve the church and reach the world. We cannot do this on our own. Rather, we rely on the partnership of churches and individuals to support us through their prayers and financial giving. Without the generosity of people just like you, our ministry would not go forward.

God has blessed FEA with a strong support base for which we are truly grateful. We take all contributions seriously and endeavor to be wise stewards of the assets entrusted to us. One hundred percent of restricted funds go toward the projects for which they are designated. We are committed to a high standard of financial accounting and integrity.

This yearly update gives you an overview of the financial operations of FEA and its ministries. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our home office at 772-546-1113 or [info@feaministries.org](mailto:info@feaministries.org).

## Statement of Income and Expense

October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016

	Hope International Missions	Sea Breeze Community	Sea Breeze Camp Meeting
<b>INCOME</b>			
Unrestricted Contributions	\$ 89,657	\$ 88,754	\$ 62,986
Restricted Contributions	1,300,282	139,310	60,391
Administrative Fees	71,206	-	-
Rents and Related	14,358	761,521	-
Thrift Store	107,237	-	-
Investment and Other Income	10,498	193	-
Allocations	44,032	20,577	(64,609)
	<u>1,637,270</u>	<u>1,010,355</u>	<u>58,768</u>
<b>EXPENSE</b>			
Office, Administrative & Development	285,981	151,190	58,768
Residential Operations	6,856	672,705	-
Restricted Expenditures	1,217,830	130,407	-
Thrift Store	77,641	-	-
Interest & Bank Fees	6,037	55,564	-
Capital Reserve Funding	-	-	-
Restricted Surplus (Deficit) Applied to 2016	82,452	29,480	-
	<u>1,676,797</u>	<u>1,039,346</u>	<u>58,768</u>
<b>NET OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)</b>	<u>\$ (39,527)</u>	<u>\$ (28,991)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

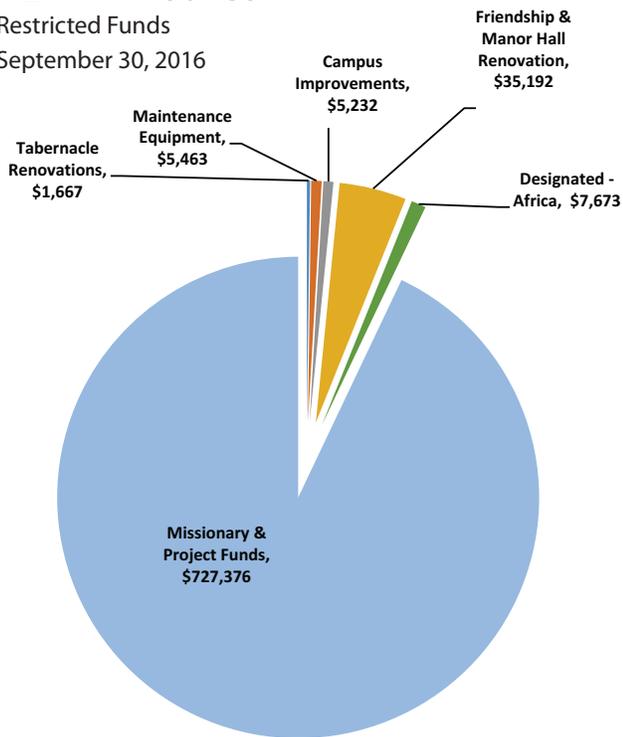
## Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets

September 30, 2016

	Hope Intl. Missions & Sea Breeze Camp Meeting	Sea Breeze Community
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Unrestricted Cash	\$ 64,429	\$ 63,601
Restricted Cash and Investments	414,954	58,054
Accounts and Notes Receivable	189,356	948
Land, Property and Equipment (at cost)	2,228,363	2,953,846
Other Assets	-	21,959
Interdepartmental	238,959	(238,959)
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>\$ 3,136,061</u>	<u>\$ 2,859,449</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accrued Liabilities	\$ -	\$ 22,562
Line of Credit	-	-
Notes Payable	52,400	36,551
SMRU Note Payable	-	342,635
Mortgage Notes Payable	207,513	233,847
	<u>259,913</u>	<u>635,595</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Unrestricted Surplus (Deficit)	89,220	(445,859)
Internally Designated	31,029	32,061
Restricted Funds	735,049	26,441
Equity In Land, Property and Equipment	2,020,850	2,611,211
	<u>2,876,148</u>	<u>2,223,854</u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Equity</b>	<u>\$ 3,136,061</u>	<u>\$ 2,859,449</u>

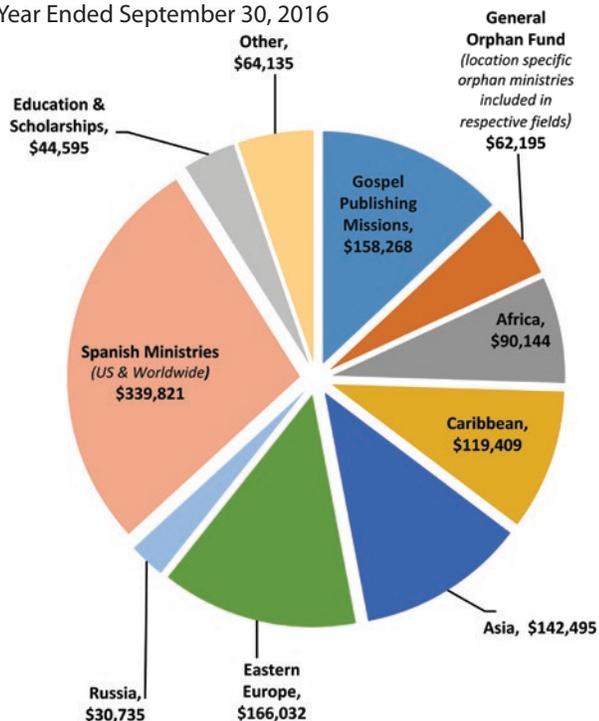
## FEA Ministries

Restricted Funds  
September 30, 2016



## Hope International Missions

Expenditures by Mission Field  
Year Ended September 30, 2016



▷ continued from page 11 | Bro. Grant long to become aware that his spiritual life is deep and genuine. It is obvious he knows God in a very intimate and personal way. I have been blessed repeatedly by his anointed preaching and his sincere praying. God regularly honors his preaching ministry with “fruit” as people seek the Lord for salvation after he has presented the gospel.

Sidney Grant is a true friend. Some people just “grow on you,” and Bro. Grant is one of those people! The more you are around him and the better you know him, the more you appreciate him. As I have worked closely with Bro. Grant the last nine years, he has become a true friend. I am sincerely thankful the Lord has given me the opportunity to know him.

I am happy to say that next year Rev. Sidney Grant will join our staff at Hobe Sound Bible College as the chairman of our Intercultural Studies Department. It is our desire that his vision, his work ethic, his spirit, and his genuineness will mold and shape the lives of the future missionaries whose lives he will touch.

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## What people are saying about Engage.

*"The Engage material from HIM has truly engaged our people in considering what can be done in our community to reach the lost. It has also helped us gain a better understanding of the work on foreign fields."*

– Bob Blankenship, Pastor of Bible Methodist Church, Talladega, AL

*"The Emmanuel Wesleyan Church of Gratz has a long history of supporting missionaries. The new Engage ministry from HIM has helped our church to have a deeper understanding of missions and how to support it more effectively. Thank you, HIM, for this great tool! We love it and highly recommend it!"*

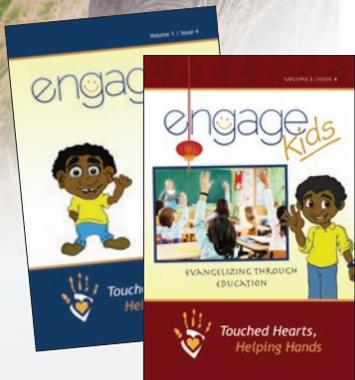
– Daniel Durkee, Senior Pastor of Emmanuel Wesleyan Church, Gratz, PA

*"From a pastor's perspective, what I love about Engage is that it helps me equip the saints to do the work of the Lord. I can give the packet to our church missions leader who is then able to do a great job. The people love it so much that many want to have the missions service in the morning when more are able to be there. **It actually draws more people to come to church!** Also, Engage is stress free. We don't have to worry about getting a bunch of material together that will keep everyone's attention, because what we need is sent to us in the mail every month."*

– Jason Morford, Pastor of Pilgrim Holiness Church, Syracuse, NY

**Get your children involved** with *Engage Kids*, a fun, interactive, eight-page activity booklet geared toward a child's level.

**For more information** on how your church can become a part of Engage, contact Benjamin McDowell at [pr@feaministries.org](mailto:pr@feaministries.org) or by calling 772-546-1113.



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We are grateful for the kind generosity of a donor who has made it possible for us to repave the streets in Sea Breeze Community. This is a significant improvement for the residents of our community, and it enables us to more wisely steward the resources entrusted to us on campus.



Since Ed and Heather Durham returned to Europe in the fall of 2016, many improvements have been made to the New Horizons Center for Disadvantaged Youth in Slovakia. The roof was repaired and painted, new windows and doors were installed, and the exterior walls were insulated and stuccoed. These repairs will help the home be more comfortable during the long Slovakian winters and decrease the high cost of heating. The New Horizons Center seeks to create a bridge between a child’s time in state-run orphanages and her future success in society. Praise God for helping these improvements to be made to the Center!



FEA has expanded its communications department by hiring Lucas Wilson to the position of Coordinator of Visual Communications. Lucas has several years of experience in visual communications and has been a part of the Engage media team. He began working in the home office full-time at the beginning of November 2016. We are excited for how his expertise will help us

more effectively tell the story of what God is doing around the world through FEA.

## Find Louie the Monkey!

Louie the monkey is hiding again. See if you can find him, and be sure to let us know! The first five kids who call 772-546-1113 or email [engagekids@feaministries.org](mailto:engagekids@feaministries.org) will have their names published in the next issue of the *World Update*. Please make sure to include the page number and location when you contact us. Happy hunting!



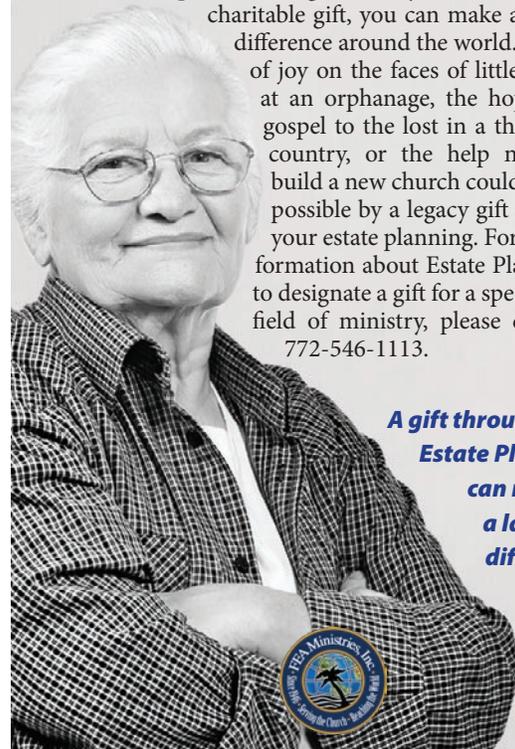
### Winners from Last Time:

- Lincoln Hamilton – OH
- Leah McKenzie – OH
- Josiah Loper – FL
- KayLeice Mowery – PA
- Dylan Martin – FL

### FEA MINISTRIES PLANNED GIVING

## What Kind of Legacy Will You Leave?

AS YOU PRAYERFULLY PLAN the kind of legacy you want to leave, consider making a gift to advance the cause of missions at Hope International Missions. By taking the small step of including HIM in your will or giving a charitable gift, you can make an eternal difference around the world. The look of joy on the faces of little children at an orphanage, the hope of the gospel to the lost in a third-world country, or the help needed to build a new church could be made possible by a legacy gift as part of your estate planning. For more information about Estate Planning or to designate a gift for a specific HIM field of ministry, please call us at 772-546-1113.



**A gift through your Estate Planning can make a lasting difference today.**



**JON TOFTE**  
SBC Business Manager

Looking back at Sidney Grant's tenure as president of FEA Ministries, his passion for missions, education, and pastoral ministry will undoubtedly be his legacy. Honoring his service would be incomplete, however, if we do not also consider the accomplishments on the grounds of Sea Breeze Community. During President Grant's term, projects have been accomplished that have helped preserve the mission of this unique community and revitalize it toward service to another generation.

## FEA Office

For several years FEA's office was housed in a wood-frame World War II army barracks building where termites enjoyed free reign. President Grant was instrumental in making a strategic move to the former Hobe Sound Bible College administration building. This concrete-block building had potential and an excellent location. But it also had a lot of problems. Under President Grant's leadership, the building was creatively transformed into an attractively functional, modern office. Creativity and a non-ostentatious approach resulted in a building guests appreciate and comment on favorably but which still reflects the modest and practical spirit of our founders. I have often told President Grant this building is a model for ongoing efforts to revitalize other aspects of our campus. Our office is pleasant and attractive but not wasteful or extravagant. Rather, it is a blessing which will serve for many years to come.

## Campus Improvements

Our campus dates back to 1947. Inevitably older facilities need to be modified and rehabilitated. The needs for housing also differ from those days. So FEA has been working diligently with the resources we have available to allow our campus to continue to be a blessing to retired Christian workers, ministry employees, students and others active in our ministries here in Hobe Sound. President Grant has encouraged us to work toward balancing aesthetic goals with infrastructural needs. And he

has always pointed us toward the future of holiness ministry.

During the past eight years, several larger campus projects have been undertaken. One of the most obvious is the transformation of Friendship Hall from a tired and worn-out building to an inviting "front door" for our ministries. With the extremely generous help of Leslie Crawford and a number of other donors, we have been blessed to have a guest facility that now attracts many more visitors. Not only does this provide revenue, it also gives improved opportunities for people to become better acquainted with our ministries. We are already underway with a similar renovation of our other guest building across the street.

Our main campus has also enjoyed numerous improvements. We are continuing to plant native Florida trees and landscaping to better harmonize our campus with the unique climate and soil characteristics of our South Florida location. We have been working to improve campus lighting. The lighting around our office was enhanced with LED lights, and a well-received illuminated sign was installed identifying the FEA Ministries office and our community. With the generously donated help of Scott Sutherland, a professional pool and tile mason, a beautiful new fountain with color lighting has also been built. Before the end of President Grant's term, we plan to install lighting all around the post office/camp office building and complete a much-needed makeover of the camp office itself. The campus has also benefited from the removal of rusty, mismatched banks of mail boxes and installation of matching boxes and posts which impart a more unified sense of community. While we certainly have a long way to go, we have also renovated many apartments and mobile homes and are continuing to do so.

Thus while Sidney Grant's term of office will certainly be remembered for reaching people around the world, his vision has also given important leadership to our community which I believe he will always think of as "home!" 🏡



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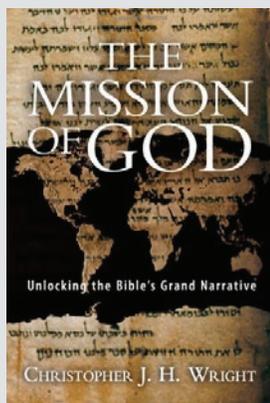
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*We need the ongoing prayers of God's people as we look with confidence toward the future of FEA Ministries. Just as He has helped us for the last seventy years, we believe He will continue to guide us. With His direction we anticipate seeing many more people disciplined into a strong relationship with Christ, both here in the United States and around the world.*

Throughout the ten years Sidney Grant has been president of FEA Ministries, prayer has played an integral part in his life and administration. He recalls, "One of the best memories I have of my time as president is how God came alongside me and proved He will provide for those whom He calls. There were many times when I thought "I can't do this" because of the amount of money needed to get God's work done. But God proved Himself faithful time and again and reassured me I do not have to worry about finances. The one specific memory that stands out in my mind is Sea Breeze Camp 2009. It was right on the heels of the stock market crash. I had received several letters at the end of 2008 from donors saying, "We love FEA, but we just cannot continue to support you because of the stock market and our financial situation." Before camp meeting we fasted and prayed asking God to help us. Not only did He meet our goals, we had one of the highest offerings ever in my ministry and in the history of camp offerings. I am very grateful that He provided for the needs of FEA during my presidency."

#### MISSIONS RESOURCE

## The Mission of God



Sidney Grant has been an avid reader throughout his life. Many books have shaped his missions thinking and fueled his passion for souls, but perhaps none as much as *The Mission of God* by Christopher J. H. Wright. We recommend this book to you as an excellent resource to challenge your heart for missions. It is available for purchase at the Hobe Sound Christian Bookstore or from many online retailers.



**PRAY FOR SIDNEY GRANT** We are grateful for the wisdom God has given Sidney Grant throughout his leadership at FEA. As his presidency draws to a close, pray for God's peace and guidance to be near him. We look forward to how God will continue using Sidney as he educates ministry leaders and helps prepare the next generation of missionaries. **Pray that God will grant Sidney effectiveness in this new chapter of his life.**

**PRAY FOR INCOMING FEA PRESIDENT HAROLD MARTIN** God has blessed us with a capable leader in Harold Martin. His years of mission work combined with administrative leadership at Missionary Flights International has uniquely prepared him to lead FEA. **Pray God enables Harold to effectively lead FEA as we expand our ministry outreach in the years to come.**

**PRAY FOR SPIRITUALLY NEEDY PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD** The end goal of FEA Ministries is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. There are still a vast number of people worldwide who do not know Christ as their savior. **Pray God will help FEA reach these souls with the hope of the gospel before it is eternally too late.**

**PRAY FOR SEA BREEZE CAMP** In this transition year, we also celebrate the 70th anniversary of Sea Breeze Camp. Through the years God has used this yearly event to draw people to Himself, enrich the lives of His children through the enjoyment of Christian fellowship, and further the impact of the gospel through calling people into ministry. **Join us in praying for Sea Breeze Camp to continue proclaiming the word of hope and preserving the way of holiness for future generations.**



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## DID YOU KNOW...

1 Sidney Grant was born on the island of Roatán, Honduras, and is the first person not born in the United States to serve as FEA president.

2 Sidney Grant has thirteen brothers and sisters and is the only one out of his siblings to have a college education.

3 For several years Sidney worked as a sailor on a large ship where he was a diesel engine mechanic. It was while on duty in the engine room of that ship that he gave his heart to Christ in February of 1981.

4 Sidney Grant is the only FEA president who was saved as a result of a Hobe Sound Bible College student witnessing to him, was educated and graduated from Hobe Sound Bible College, and went on to become the president of FEA Ministries. His life shows a complete cycle of discipleship.

5 Sidney began pastoring HIM's first Hispanic church soon after graduating in 1987. He has continued working in one capacity or another for FEA since then.

6 Sidney assisted Glen Reiff in pioneering HIM's Mobile Chapel ministry to Hispanics in the early 1990s. One of the men he consistently invited to the chapel grew angry and determined to kill Sidney the next time he was invited. However, God worked on the man's heart and saved him. That same man became the pastor of one of HIM's churches in Nicaragua.

