

# Dehuts in Louisville, KY

## Exploding the Myth of Safety

**Phil. 2:29-30** - "So receive [Epaphroditus] in the Lord with all joy, and honor such men, for he nearly died for the work of Christ, **risking his life** to complete what was lacking in your service to me."

As the summer came to a close, I was blessed to have several conversations with people which usually turned to the topic of their fear over the events that have taken place in 2020. It reminded me of a mini-book I read called, "Risk is Right". I re-read the book and wrote a blog post trying to think through our focus as Christians, whether we are trying to live with faith, focused on pleasing God, or whether our goal was to avoid any possibility of pain or discomfort. You can read the blog post at the following link: [bit.ly/3iVQtXs](https://bit.ly/3iVQtXs)

"The life of faith is not blind to the possibility of loss, but honestly acknowledges it, and out of fervent love for God and others decides that the right thing to do is to risk the loss."

## 1. Evangelism



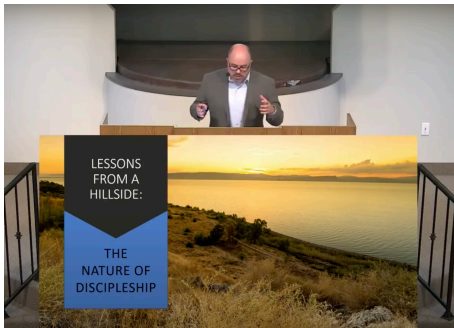
**Young Adult Studies:** To serve the young adults in the area, I began a bi-weekly study through the book of Daniel. Our approach is to compare the volatile changes that Daniel and experienced and discover how they pursued God through those trials. One commentator made a powerful point that God's perspective of the Israelites time in captivity was redemptive (Jer. 24:5-9)! If you want, you can access the lesson sheets at this link: [jeremydehut.com/material](https://jeremydehut.com/material)



**Teen Study:** Several local families met and asked if we could provide a detailed study through the book of Romans to help our kids develop a clear perspective of the gospel. By the end of September we had covered an introduction of Romans as well as a detailed study through chapter 1. In all of these studies, we are encouraging the kids to use the ESV Scripture Journals. If you're not familiar with them, here is a link to a site that consistently has great prices on them: <https://bit.ly/3it7EPY>



**Fall Men's Retreat:** Several of the brothers from our congregation prayerfully started a bi-annual retreat for the men of the church. In September we had our fall retreat, with a special focus on Maintaining Unity from Ephesians 4. Two of our elders helped open and close the retreat with some humble and heartfelt thoughts. Myself and another brother led some sessions, followed by breakout groups where we prayed for each other and our church. It was a much-needed and uplifting weekend!



**Preaching:** In September I had the opportunity to preach for one of the churches here in Louisville at the Eastland congregation. After reviewing several sermons, the elders and I thought it would be helpful to study lessons on discipleship from Mark 5. It's a sermon I usually preach when doing meetings on the life of Christ. If you would like to watch the sermon, here is a YouTube link: <https://bit.ly/384lDtl>

## 2. Edification & Equipping of the Saints (Biblical Counseling)



**Thank you for your support so I can provide these studies free of charge!**

**Work week at the School of Good Works:** Joe and Beth Works recently purchased a facility in Elmyra, NY that is used for retreats and Bible camps for young men and women (SOL and FAR). Because of social distancing requirements, they were not able to host camp this year. However, Joe planned a much needed work week to improve the facilities and grounds. I drove to New York at the beginning of August and took two teenagers with me to help Joe and the Christians in the NE as they remodeled, painted, mulched, mowed and encouraged each other the whole time. Lord willing, the facility will be ready to go for Bible camps in 2021!



## EQUIPPING OTHERS:

The plan is to start a new round of these classes for new participants the beginning of 2021. If you or someone you know would like to know more, please contact me.

## WORKSHOPS:

Our Single's Workshop took place in September. See more details about it below. If you would like to receive information for next year's workshop, please contact me.



**2020 Single's Workshop:** Last fall I had the pleasure of leading a weekend workshop for singles in Atlanta, GA. I was encouraged by the amazing Christians I was blessed to meet! What became obvious to me and several others was that we needed something more consistent than just one workshop every so often. So, we planned one in Louisville, KY in September. We had a full weekend, and received fantastic feedback to help us plan the topics for the 2021 workshop. Here are some of the topics we covered this year:



- A Fresh Look at Singleness
- God's Will for Me
- The Impact of Divorce
- Created for Relationships
- Review of "7 Myths about Singleness"
- Discovering the Hope of Lament
- Pursuing Purity

## 3. Bible Study Tools (Appian Media)

After two years of planning and waiting for the travel restrictions of 2020 to open enough, the Appian Media team finally began production on our new major project, "Trial & Triumph: Revelation's Churches"! The first thing to get recorded was the interview of a special family serving the kingdom of God in a selfless way. We can't wait to share their story with you. Please pray for us as this production ramps up.

To keep up with us and access our resources, go to [appianmedia.org](http://appianmedia.org) or find us on Facebook or YouTube.



## Support Update



### Request Snapshot:

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- Total support/month: \$6,500, of which \$4,566 has been committed.
- Projected time in Louisville, 2-5 years.

### For Further Information:

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I am only able to serve in these ways and say “yes” to these opportunities because of the financial support we receive from all of you.

As many of you know, we have never achieved full-support in 2020. We made the move to Kentucky based on our faith that the work needed to be done, that my responsibilities were here, and that God would provide. During the summer, when the bank account was looking a little slim, Anna brought in the mail and there was an unexpected card from out of state. Inside of the card was an encouraging note along with a check for \$1,000. We immediately offered a prayer of thanks to God for those sweet saints, and how God used their gracious gift.

As of this report, we have received commitments of \$4,566.00 toward our \$6,500.00 monthly goal (this amount includes one time gifts). However, we have been made aware that two congregations who have supported us from the beginning of our work here will not be able to continue while another church has picked us up. When the dust settles, we will be at a loss of \$800 a month beginning in March of 2021.

If you happen to know anyone else who might be in a position to help make up our lack, please feel free to pass along this report and my contact information (which is listed below).

Your grateful brother in Christ,  
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