

One Nation Under God - Walk Across America

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Every year about this time, we begin to see Christmas lights, first in our stores, then around our neighborhoods. Just as Christmas lights adorn trees, the coasts of America are adorned with another type of light, the lighthouse. From the Pacific Ocean to the Gulf of Mexico, along the Atlantic Ocean and the Great Lakes, there are lighthouses. These sentinels, some tall and some short, have guided many a mariner to a safe harbor at night or in stormy times. Last September when Nadine and I went to have a weekend of rest away from our home and our ministry, we visited two lighthouses in Maryland. The first lighthouse was the Concord Point Lighthouse in the town of Havre de Grace at the point where the Susquehanna River meets the tidal flow of the Chesapeake Bay. We were surprised to find a line of people waiting to climb the 28 granite steps and a short ladder to the lantern room. There was a lighthouse challenge that weekend. Lighthouse enthusiasts were attempting to visit seven designated lights on both sides of the Chesapeake to receive a souvenir to celebrate the event. Later that evening, we came back to walk the Havre de Grace promenade along the waterfront. As night grew near, the Fresnel lens atop the Concord Point Lighthouse was lit and spotlights illuminated the outside of the lighthouse.



The next day we traveled to Turkey Point on the eastern side of the Susquehanna River. Turkey Point Light is situated in Elk Neck State Park at the southernmost part of a peninsula on a sandstone cliff. Dozens of people were walking or riding in vans the last half-mile from a parking lot to the light. Nadine and I walked. Several temporary pavilions were erected for vendors to sell lighthouse merchandise. There we met Christine Cardaci. Christine and her husband, Tommy, are better known as the Lighthouse Hunters. They have traveled to and photographed over one thousand lighthouses in the US and Canada and have recently published a book on lighthouses. After hearing about some of their journeys, I told Christine about our walk across America and asked her to pray for America. She has done more than just pray for America. She placed a photo of Nadine and I standing in front of Turkey Point Light on her website with a link to our website. To see the photo and learn more about lighthouses, please go to www.TheLightHouseHunters.com.

During our walks, we noticed a number of churches that include lighthouse in their name. Along Interstate 68 in western Maryland, a church named World Lighthouse Worship Center built a lighthouse that overlooks the highway. Just as lighthouses along large bodies of water guide ships to safety, our churches are to guide the community through the rigors of life. Instead of a harbor, the objective is heaven. If the unbelievers see the church in America only coming and going on Sunday mornings and at no other time, the church is not allowing its light to shine into the world. We, all, must be a light to the world each hour of each day. Amen!

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but put it on a candlestick; and it gives light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father, which is in heaven.

Matthew 5:14-16

News along the American Discovery Trail

In Cincinnati, evangelists, Rick and Jane McKinney, have started Operation Red Gloves. They are asking that gloves, scarves and hats along with sack lunches be donated to aid the homeless in the Cincinnati area. Rick and Jane along with other volunteers will be distributing these items to the homeless in December. Rick and Jane have allowed the light of Jesus to shine into many people whom they met throughout this nation since they have prayer walked from Los Angeles to Washington, D.C. earlier this year.

Debbie Schachner is presently walking the American Discovery Trail from west to east. She has two goals. First is "is to encourage people to do more with what we have. We have so many opportunities available to us; I feel it is important to share what we have in order to lift others." Second is to raise funds for construction of a library in Timau, Kenya. She is presently in eastern Missouri and also praying for America as she walks. The light of Jesus shines brightly in her life.

Next year in April, a team of horseback riders will begin a prayer ride from coast to coast on the America Discovery Trail. Their ministry is called Glory International, Inc. As the intercessors on horseback worship, pray and blow shofars along the America Discovery Trail, a team of people will set up a tabernacle at the state capitols near the trail as they approach those cities. Bershet and her Tabernacle Team will be partnering with One Nation Under God - Walk Across America, as we both will be praying for America. Next year the light of Jesus will shine along the entire 5000 miles of the America Discovery Trail from sea to shining sea.



To learn more about the One Nation Under God –Walk Across America, go to our web site, www.walkacrossamerica.info. Note: The web site has not updated since March except for the slideshows.

God bless,
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Total miles walked of the American Discovery Trail - 731 miles
Number of prayer walkers - 58 prayer walkers
Number of people praying for America - 47,812 prayer warriors