

# MOUTHPIECE

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## Love Is...

Ah... February! The month where love is "in the air". Malchijah, proposed to his wife, Cora, the day before Valentine's Day in 2020. It was a special event complete with a "pergibo" (cross between a pergola and gazebo), ice cream sandwiches, binoculars, and more--but that's a story for another time!



1 Corinthians 13 is called the "Love Chapter." (We read this passage together each year on our anniversary.) It tells us that love is patient, kind, believing, hoping, enduring... The list goes on! God's love isn't picky. It's a free gift for all and it should motivate us to reach beyond our comfort zones and extend grace to others.

We've seen this love lived out in front of us at recent ministry events. From the interpreter joyfully communicating the message to deaf attendees, to the painter skillfully manning a fry basket for a community outreach event, to the widow lady kindly greeting new visitors with a smile and gift, each one graciously shared the love of Christ with those around them!

So, how's your love life? Can others see Christ through you?

## Stories of Grace

Jim was a self-proclaimed agnostic who cared more about riding his motorcycle and drinking alcohol than he cared for God. However, in his early thirties, Jim gave his heart to the Lord and his life changed completely! He attended Bible college and became a preacher of the gospel. This week we had the opportunity to serve with Brother Jim and his sweet wife! At almost 85 years old, they are still going strong for the Lord!

## March Events

**10-13 | Refresh Conference**  
Eustis, FL

**15-25 | Steps of Paul Tour**  
Greece, Patmos, and Ephesus

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## Life on the Road

People often ask, "What do you do during the day?" Well, it's much the same as you--correspondence, laundry, maintenance, laundry, ministry projects, music practice, family time, etc... Did I mention laundry!? We are blessed to each have small washing machines in our rigs; however, they only hold about 2 pairs of jeans or 1 bed sheet per load. Between "day" clothes, "church" clothes, and other items, our team does over 42 loads of laundry a week!

## Side Notes

- A big thank you to those that have given toward our PA system upgrade! We still have a ways to go to meet our goal. If you would like to give toward this ministry project, please contact us or visit our website at [www.merrillministries.com/donate](http://www.merrillministries.com/donate).
- To keep in the loop on what's happening with the MET in "real time", visit our website or social media pages, or join our email list to receive our monthly updates. We appreciate you and your prayers! Keep loving God and loving others!



HAPPY  
*Valentines*  
FROM THE  
MERRILL EVANGELISTIC TEAM

