Faithful Friends,

As we near the end of 2015, we marvel at all the Lord has done through you and us this past year. It was a joy to celebrate our 35th anniversary—to look back and thank the Lord for all the amazing things He has done in the past. It is also a joy to be "firing on all cylinders" as we look forward to 2016.

This year, we’ve preached the Word at 69 events in 24 states and Canadian provinces, and sent teams to do the same on 47 mission trips in 27 countries. We also have had significant opportunities to speak to hundreds of priests, deacons, and religious at their annual convocations, study days, and workshops.

You’ll read even more of what is happening in this very newsletter: So many mission trips in so many countries; so many radio and television programs; so many booklets, books, CDs and DVDs; so many people benefitting from our new As By A New Pentecost series and encountering the Lord and being baptized in the Spirit all over the world. So many being strengthened in their faith in the midst of a culture full of deception and rebellion, so many encouraged to unite their suffering with the suffering of Christ for reparation for sins, so many stepping out for the first time and sharing one of our booklets with friends and family members. So many young adults—with their numbers growing—being called to conversion and discipleship through our new i.d.9:16 outreach to those in their twenties and thirties.

“So many being strengthened in their faith in the midst of a culture full of deception & rebellion...”
December is a very important time for Renewal Ministries, as this is the month many of our supporters “catch up” with the financial support they have been intending to give. It also often is the time when many of our supporters ascertain they can and should share their blessings more abundantly than they realized was possible at the beginning of the year.

Whether you can do a lot or a little, please step up and help as you are able this month. Your contributions will enable us to continue all of Renewal Ministries’ valuable outreaches, and hopefully even to increase them, in the coming year.

Renewal Ministries is very much aware of the call the Lord has given us to “give a clear sound of the trumpet” in the midst of times with such confusion and hostility to Christ and His Gospel. More doors are opening than ever before. Your support makes it possible to walk through these open doors.

*If the trumpet gives an unclear sound, who will come for battle?*

Gratefully,

*Ralph Martin* 

This Fall, Ralph gave six talks to the priests of the Diocese of Des Moines, Iowa. Renewal Ministries often serves bishops, priests, deacons, and religious in this way; we count these times among the highlights of each year. Bishop Richard Pates, of the Diocese of Des Moines, is in the foreground of the photo in a green shirt.
We desire to be able to welcome Jesus at Christmas-time, not in a cold manger of our heart, but in a heart full of love and humility, in a heart so pure, so immaculate, so warm with love for one another.

—Blessed Teresa of Calcutta—
As Renewal Ministries’ 35th year draws to a close, we cannot help but marvel at God’s continued faithfulness. In 2015, we have helped people know the personal love of God in Jesus through speaking at 69 events across 24 states, three provinces, and four countries. We also have conducted 47 mission trips in 27 countries.

We released Ralph Martin’s newest booklet, *The Final Confrontation*, this year, and it already has gone into a second printing. We also continued our mission of fostering renewal and evangelization through our weekly television program, *The Choices We Face*, our daily radio programs, *Food for the Journey* and *Fire on the Earth*; and numerous books and electronic media.

*None of this would be possible without your prayers and support. We remember you in our daily prayers. Please enjoy these photo highlights of the past year!*

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**Fire on the Earth**

Peter Herbeck’s dynamic Fire on the Earth program helps listeners navigate the current landscape of our culture. Fire on the Earth has had about 2,116,746 downloads from our website, RenewalMinistries.net, since 2008. Peter also co-hosts EWTN’s Crossing the Goal.

**Food for the Journey**

Sister Ann Shields, SGL, hosts Food for the Journey five days a week on roughly 80 stations in the United States. Since 2008, listeners have downloaded an average of 140,000 to 150,000 podcasts each month from our website, RenewalMinistries.net. That’s more than six million podcasts!

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**Renewal Ministries’ U.S. Board of Directors**

*Pictured from left to right*

**STANDING**


**SEATED**

Sharon Doran, Ellen Holian-Mykrantz, Nancy Timmis, and Laurie Manhardt.

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*The Choices We Face*

The Choices We Face is the longest-running Catholic television program in the world. Guests in 2015 included Dr. John Wood, Patti Mansfield, Eric Mahl, and Msgr. Charles Pope.

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*Fire on the Earth*
The Gathering
Ralph Martin addressed more than 300 people from Liberia, Canada, and 28 states at this year’s annual Gathering, Unshakable Kingdom. Sister Ann Shields, SGL, and Peter Herbeck prayed over attendees. **Mark your calendar for next year’s Gathering April 15-17**

Pine Hills Girls’ Camp celebrated 30 years of helping middle school girls discover a living and personal relationship with God, and grow in confidence as young women by knowing their dignity more deeply. About 165 campers and a staff of 60-plus young women attended this year’s week-long camp.

Peter Herbeck addressed crowds of approximately 4,000 people at the **23rd Annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally in Toronto**. **Mark your calendars for next year’s rally on March 5, 2016**

i.d.9:16 engages young adults in ministry, helping form them into intentional disciples of Jesus Christ. New chapters continue to form across the country. The guest speaker from each month’s Disciples’ Night can be accessed around the world via livestream technology.

This summer, Pine Hills Boys’ Camp united 120 seventh- through ninth-grade youth for a week of intense fun and adventure in a Christ-centered environment.
2015
MISSION
Round-up

The Renewal Ministries’ country coordinators at their annual meeting in Michigan. Pictured from left to right:
BACK ROW • Lloyd Greenhaw, Emmanuel Tamakloe, Bohus Zivcak, Dcn. Steve Thomashefski, Peter Thompson, Don Turbitt, Peter Herbeck (VP and Director of Missions), Peter Newburn, Dcn. Zoli Kunszabó, Tom Edwards, Butch Murphy, Tibi Majoras, and John Kazanjian.
FRONT ROW • Lucia Thomashefski, Pat Turbitt, and Nancy Greenhaw.

27 COUNTRIES
47 TRIPS
1 Tanzania
2 Slovenia & Latvia
3 Ethiopia
4 Kenya
5 Zimbabwe
6 Uganda
7 Mexico
8 Romania
9 Lithuania & Ukraine
On the Road

December 2015 ENGAGEMENTS

Ann Arbor, MI
i.d.9:16 Disciples' Night
December 3
Join us via livestream: id916.com/live
Contact: pete@id916.com

Donaldson, IN
Diocese of Ft. Wayne-South Bend
Women's Retreat
December 4-6
Sr. Ann Shields, SGL
Contact: Jan Torma
jtheartpraise@msn.com

Clinton Township, MI
Divine Mercy Center
December 5
Ralph Martin
Contact: www.sjdivinemercy.org

Toronto, ON
Catholic Renewal Ministries
Board Meeting*
December 6
Ralph Martin, Peter Herbeck,
Sr. Ann Shields, SGL

Save the Dates

Toronto, ON Canada
Lift Jesus Higher Rally
March 5
Deacon Larry Oney

Ypsilanti, MI
The Gathering
April 15-17
Johnnette Benkovic along with
Ralph Martin, Peter Herbeck,
and Sr. Ann Shields, SGL

* Not open to the public

For a complete listing of events
please visit:
RenewalMinistries.net/Events

Please Pray...

For all those who have helped Renewal Ministries
complete a fruitful year of empowering,
equipping and strengthening the Church.

That during Advent and Christmas,
many who are away from the Church
will turn their hearts to the Lord and
find their way home.

That those who are suffering for the
sake of the Gospel will know Christ’s
peace and protection.

For the prayer intentions of all our
supporters and their family members,
especially as they face the challenges of
illness and economic uncertainty

January 2016

New Orleans, LA
Men's Retreat
January 8-9
Peter Herbeck

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