

# The Springfield Redeemer

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## THOUGHTS ON MY LIFE

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Some of the most painful experiences in my life have played a huge role in shaping my compassion towards others, my concern about the needs of others, my sensitivity to the emotional state of others. At the time, I couldn't see how any good would eventually come from such bad experiences.

Yet, when I allowed God in my life, allowed His healing to work in me, that healing brought other positive changes. It didn't allow me to become bitter and hateful. Instead, it allowed me to consider what I needed when I was going through and be sure to provide it to someone else when I see them going through. No, our trials, hurts, and disappointments don't FEEL good, but if we allow God to work with us through them, we'll find that they can make us better and allow us to help someone else as well.

Be encouraged!

*"And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose." Romans 8:28 NKJV*

## Renzo Report – August / September 2024

As Evangelist and Revivalist from RGMS, I'm establishing contacts and sharing my vision of the urgent need for NE churches to come together in fervent prayer for revival and evangelism. Having forged new relationships with about 302 Pastors since August 2020, our hope is to preach REVIVAL, teach Christian History Seminars/tours together in NE after I secure enough commitments.

On Saturday, September 7th, I attended our Monthly Ministers Prayer Meeting sponsored by Pastor Chuck Wimer and Jubilee Christian Outreach Center of West Springfield, MA. We continue praying that revival will be ignited by the Holy Spirit in response to our unity demonstrated over the last 18 months, as churches came together last June for the Rise Up New England LTW Evangelistic Event with Dr. Michael Youssef.

On Tuesday, August 27th and September 10th, I attended dynamic Prayer Meetings at the Rise Up New England offices in Agawam, MA. with 22 Men and women from CT and MA for revival.

For the last three Sundays: September 1st, 8th and 15th, I resumed my preaching series from 1 Thessalonians at Greater Grace Church of CT in Enfield. The Sermon Titles were "Paul's Example of Christian Ministry", "A Triumphant Faith that Overcomes Persecution" and "Being Immovable in Your Afflictions". We have been so loved by Pastor Ron Kessler and the saints of this great church.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Renzo Ventrice

### **Pastor Renzo and Family Minister at City Hall**



Pastor Renzo, Betsy, and son Henry have been also ministering in Springfield at City Hall. On Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup> and on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, God moved so powerfully as Henry's BRKN band sang, spoke, preached and ministered for about 3 hours to about 45 people at the steps of City Hall in Springfield, MA. I had the opportunity of preaching two evangelistic sermons, one from Luke 19:1-10 was about Jesus saving Zacchaeus' soul. He gave credit of the title "Search & Rescue" by Charles Wilkerson. On those two days we prayed for a total of about 33 people, giving them Gospel of John booklets, free water and food at Market Square in downtown Springfield.

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Dear Readers,

I have been serving the Lord through Redemption Gate Mission Society since its beginning in 2008, and helped create the Newsletter many years ago. But now I am turning 87 years old and getting tired. It's time for me to slow down. Consequently, I am retiring from editing the Newsletter at the end of this year, December 2024! I hope to be able to spend more time in Florida visiting my daughter who lives there.

Pastor Cooley asks you to pray for the Redemption Gate Ministry as we go through changes, besides the proposed sale of the building, but also for the continuance of the Redeemer Newsletter. It has reached so many people over the years with God's message, in near and far away places, and we pray it will continue. Pray for those who will be involved in the many tasks necessary to continue to publish it. Please pray also for all who volunteer to help in big and small ways in this Redemption Gate mission to Springfield, as we wait together for the return of our dear Lord Jesus.

Sincerely, Roberta D'Amico

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**Regular Events at Holy Grounds Coffee House: Morning Bible Study is open to all to learn more about the Bible -**

**Monday & Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 (or so).**

**Sunday Services at 10 a.m. with Pastor Bobby Quinones.**