

*I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes...*

*Romans 1:16*

Dear Partners in Ministry,

Greetings! I reflect back on the past 20 years of the ministry and see what an amazing work God has done through the ministry and people like you that have helped sustain the drive for us to present the life changing message the good news of Jesus Christ to children and their families. In these years I have witnessed children crying out in many ways and most of the time leads back to the home. No father and some cases neither parent in their lives being raised by grandma, grandpa or an aunt. Many people think this is only talking place in the urban community; no it's taking place everywhere. Children feel abandon and when children cling to you in programs it's always an indicator the father most of the time is missing and times when both parents are missing in their lives.



What I have learned these past two years when children make their first time commitment to Jesus Christ at our programs that 71% of the children have never been in church and they heard for the first time that Jesus Christ is not a name used for offensive language. Jesus became their Savior! It blows me away knowing what is happening in the lives of children. Once making that decision they face the home front what will mom and dad think of me. The talks I had with children and teenagers this past summer would take me pages to tell you about their lives but leaving each one of them with an assurance that the decision they made no one can take it away.

I see and hear not only children hurting but adults dealing with life issues that are crippling them in their heart. Witnessing people that question is God hearing my prayers? Giving excuses why they are not worshipping on Sunday's to men dealing with many issues. The devil has a stronghold on lives that doubt and fear that keep people from the perfect love God gave us through Jesus Christ. God's word in 1 John 4:18 says, *There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.* If we take this verse to heart and realize He overcomes everything with His perfect love and being in love with Jesus drives out fear. Where does your relationship stand? One that fears or one perfect in love with the Savior?

I believe God is calling each of us to a higher calling. In order to know what that higher calling is we must seek Him daily through worship, scripture and prayer. Please pray for the higher calling God is placing upon the ministry and all God has ready for CSI in 2011.

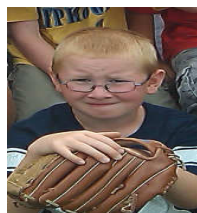
Thank you for helping to make the first 20 years possible with your prayers and finances. It's a privilege to serve Jesus Christ daily and to be able to witness lives being changed with the greatest story ever told the good news of Jesus Christ. I pray you will remain a partner in ministry and if you are not one, consider joining this life changing TEAM where we are...

- ONE TEAM** *All of you and the participants in our programs*
- ONE COACH** *Our Lord Jesus Christ*
- ONE GOAL** *To present the good news of Jesus Christ to as many as possible*

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Thank you for your faithfulness in making a difference. I pray God will bless you as we celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Serving Together,  
 N. Scott Grinder  
 CSI President



**THE NEED IS GREAT, THE CAUSE IS PRICELESS!**

**20<sup>th</sup> YEAR CELEBRATION**

CSI held our 20<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration & Benefit Dinner November 20, 2010 at the Pittsburgh Marriott North. It was an exciting evening seeing old friends and meeting new people. The testimonies from Bryan McCabe with the two young men from Homewood along with Phil Shallenberger testimony telling what CSI has meant to him since he was seven years old and now a graduate from Geneva College were powerful to hear.



CSI gave out seven Life Changers Awards to seven individuals and one couple who in the first 20 years were used the most in changing lives with the good news of Jesus Christ; David Rettig, Joe Briley, Tom McGough, Sid Bream, Carl Cobb, Jeff Kern, Robin Cole and Mike & Jean Hutchison. CSI thanks and honors these individuals for their dedication to the ministry.



John Stallworth a former Pittsburgh Steelers wide receiver, NFL Hall of Fame 2002 and part owner of the Pittsburgh Steelers was the keynote speaker.

A special thanks to all the sponsors, volunteers, youth jazz band and Bobby Martin for having his NHRA Funny Car on display that helped to make the 20<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration a night to remember for everyone that attended. Thanks so much!



## PHEASANT HUNT & SPORTING CLAYS SHOOTOUT



On November 13, 2010 CSI held our 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Pheasant Hunt & Sporting Clays Shootout at Hunting Hills in Dilliner, PA. We had 38 attend and many father/son combinations to enjoy a day of hunting, sporting clays, great food and fellowship. Carl Cobb led the lunch time devotion challenging men to let their shine for Jesus Christ. CSI thanks Insight Pipe Contracting and Robinson Fans for being the title sponsors. CSI also thanks Jeff Barkley, Talkin' Stick Game Calls, Atlanta Braves and Pittsburgh Pirates for donating the auction items and door prizes.



## A LIFE-CHALLENGING GAME PLAN for EACH MAN'S JOURNEY

CSI through prayer of many individuals developed what we feel will be a life changing experience for young men ages 13 and up with our new All In men's Conference. I have prayed for years what more God wanted for the ministry and never thought it would be men's conferences. Jon Kolb brought me the idea after we had prayed for three months seeking God if there was a way we could use Jon at CSI. Thank you God!



The first All In Men's Conference "BEHOLD THE MAN" was held October 2, 2010 in Zelienople, PA with 122 men attending. It was an inspiring life changing day for many men in attendance. The guest speakers included Leo Wisniewski former Baltimore & Indianapolis Colts DT, Jon Kolb former Pittsburgh Steelers LT & Assistant Coach, Sid Bream former Pittsburgh Pirates & Atlanta Braves first baseman, Tom McGough former Cleveland Indians pitcher, Bobby Martin NHRA Funny Car Driver & National Champion, Tom Wilson comedian and David DeMarco recording artist worship leader. In 2011 we will hold four to six conferences in spring and fall. The conferences are designed to train and equip each man to become the husband, father and man God has called him to be – a man of action and love. Be sure to check the website calendar in the New Year for a conference near you.

## CSI IN 2011

CSI will continue holding our standard four day and one day programs in a variety of sports along with our T.E.A.M. Sports Academy and VBS throughout western Pennsylvania and across America. The Tennessee program is being evaluated how to approach the summer either half day or a variety of sports programs for six weeks. We look at New York City to see what more can be done to help Mike & Jean Hutchison to continue the volunteer work they do with a 20 week baseball program. Many new areas have opened over these past few months for summer programs and I look forward with great expectation to what God will do in the lives of youth. We continue operating overseas and look to move to a new country in late 2011. The Sports & Mentoring At-Risk Youth Program was test piloted in Monessen a few years back and again used in New Orleans in a modified version. CSI is preparing to launch it in Jefferson County, PA as an after school program for at-risk youth. Please see our website at [www.teamcsi.org](http://www.teamcsi.org) for more details concerning the program.



## SPEAKERS

Looking for a speaker for Sunday morning, men's group, wild game dinner or community organizations give us a call at 724-453-1400. CSI President Scott Grinder, CSI National Spokesperson Sid Bream, CSI Director of Ministry Jon Kolb, Robin Cole, Tom McGough and Bobby Martin as any of these men would love to share the good news of Jesus Christ. Our speakers will come for a free will offering and your people will be blessed.

## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

**INVEST IN THE FUTURE!**

*Catch The Dream!*

**300  
PARTNERS IN MINISTRY  
at  
\$20 per month**

Christian Sports International has embarked on an exciting campaign to secure 300 **new** regular (monthly or quarterly) donors. This is an important and exciting opportunity to invest in the future and make a difference for the kids. We are looking for individuals, families, churches and businesses to become regular donors.

**Will you agree today to invest 67 cents per day\* to change kids lives with the good news of Jesus Christ?**

Please prayerfully consider this request and follow God's leading. Thank you for your consideration and support!!

\* a donation of 67 cents per day equates to \$20 per month

## PRAYER CONCERNS

- Programs in 2011
- Jefferson County Program
- All In Men's Conferences
- Overseas
- Breakthrough in many areas
- Staff needed that God would show us the resources needed
- New Partners in Ministry
- Church Partners
- Speaking Opportunities



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