

CSR MINISTRIES & THE BEVIS'

Jim and Anne Bevis have been married and in full time ministry forty-four years as of January, 2004. They have served churches in Alabama, Texas, Georgia, Indiana and Tennessee. Their ministry has taken them to over forty nations of the world. Jim has served as Senior Pastor, Executive Pastor, Minister of Christian Education, Campus Minister, and Ministry Executive. For eight years, Jim and Anne served as Ambassadors-at-Large for Mercy ships, a division of Youth With A Mission.

The Bevis' are both natives of the Shoals. They were on assignment, away from the Shoals for thirty years. Since returning to the Shoals in 1991, Jim and Anne have served as the Executive Directors of CSR Ministries.

Anne Bevis, the former Anne Wagnon, was one of the musical Wagnon Sisters of Ed Sullivan fame. They were recording artists with RCA and were riding the wave of success in the recording world until Anne met Jim. Jim loves to tell anyone who will listen to his story of seeing Anne for the first time on the Ed Sullivan Show in 1959. In addition to being a wonderful wife and mother, Anne continues to use her talents and giftings as a women's speaker, worshiper and intercessor. Jim boldly declares that he and Anne are full partners in the ministry.

The Bevis' have four married daughters, four "sons-in-love" and eleven wonderful grandchildren. Two of their daughters and their families have served as missionaries with Mercy Ships and Youth With A Mission in South Africa and on board the M.V. Anastasis, the flagship of the Mercy Ships fleet. Two of the families continue in full-time Christian ministry in Montana and Texas. The other two daughters live in Atlanta and Brunswick, Georgia. Amy's husband, Steve, has a strong ministry in the Marketplace. Holly and her family are part of a new church plant in Brunswick. All four of the Bevis' daughters are faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

Jim and Anne have been involved in some aspect of the ministry of renewal since 1965. Jim was instrumental in the founding of Campus Evangelism in the 1960's which was a national campus ministry primarily among Churches of Christ. This ministry touched over 400 campuses and 40,000 college students.

After Campus Evangelism, the Bevis' moved to Atlanta, Georgia, where Jim served as Senior Pastor at The Brookvalley Church, a renewal-minded church of Christ. While in Atlanta, Jim served as the President of the Christian Council of Metropolitan Atlanta, a consortium of over 400 Atlanta area churches. In addition, he served as Chairman of the Religious Advisory Committee to Mayor Maynard Jackson. Jim, along with an African-American pastor in Atlanta, served as the Co-Chairmen of the Atlanta Ministers Against Crime. This was during the season when black children were being murdered in Atlanta. Jim was also instrumental in founding the Atlanta Association of Evangelicals as well as Katapaou, the first evangelical ministry in Atlanta to homosexuals. Jim also served as the Administrator of Agape Atlanta, the Campus Crusade for Christ "I Found It" campaign.

While in Atlanta, Jim and another brother called the first meeting of ministers from the Campbell Stone Restoration Movement who were experiencing renewal in their lives and ministries. (The Campbell Stone Movement is made up of Churches of Christ, Christian Churches and Disciples of Christ). In 1978, twelve men from the Movement met for three days in a motel in St. Louis and shared their experiences with the Holy Spirit. The following year, over sixty men and

