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## Relationship Remarks by Bob Thomas



Matt 10:1-10 records the calling and sending of The Twelve Apostles. It is important to get the context. This assignment contained specific instructions. ***“And as you go, preach, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give. Provide neither gold nor silver nor copper in your money belts, nor bag for your journey, nor two tunics, nor sandals, nor staffs; for a worker is worthy of his food.”***

This God Job was unique. Do these things. Don't do these things. Preach the gospel to Jews only. God also gave them the ability to perform undeniable miracles. Then He said, Leave your money, your credit cards, your checkbook at home. Pack light and don't take a cooler.

This kingdom assignment was an exercise of gospel, proclamation calling their listeners to place their faith in Jesus and embrace His new kingdom norms. It was also a great big exercise of faith for The Apostles. They took nothing to provide for themselves. They had to trust God for everything, every step of the way – right down to food and shelter.

I don't believe this is the gold standard for sending every Christian Missionary. I don't think this is the formula for God's people doing God's work in their communities. However, I do fully believe God still gives us assignments specific to the work He wants to accomplish. Those tasks will stretch, challenge and grow us. Question – What is your God Job? What aspects of your assignment moves you out of your comfort zone so that you must trust and obey God – especially in the critical areas?

It is something to ponder and pray about. It is something to embrace.

*God Bless You! BTM*

# OK FWB State Mission Board & BTM To Partner

**NEWS FLASH** - Oklahoma Free Will Baptist State Mission Board & BTM have agreed to work together to promote church planting, revitalization, pastoral care & the development of Randall University ministerial/mission students. This assignment will be much like my work with The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. Your partnership makes it possible for BTM to embrace this God Job. Thank you for your love, prayers & continued financial support!



IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIS - **Misti Hudson** is the totally efficient Administrator for the Oklahoma Free Will Baptist State Office. She is helping me navigate the comprehensive database. She is a great teacher. It is a great tool.



I am busy setting up my office, provided by Oklahoma Free Will Baptists. I will hit the ground runnin'.

# Northridge FWBC Guymon, OK

Northridge FWBC was the first BTM ministry stop in August. This church is dear to me. Rhonda Jo's dad, Wade T. Jernigan, started the church. Later my Grandpa Virgil Florence pastored this congregation. I have been visiting this church since I was in the 6th grade. What a blessing!



## Praise

BTM is moving into a super busy ministry season I am lovin' it

It was great to see all the GKids

God has granted us traveling mercy over thousands of miles

## Prayer

Wisdom for a godly life, good time management & effective ministry

God's continued mercy when I am traveling

## Road Trips

- 11th - OASIS OKC area FWB Seniors Event
- 13th - Poteau River Valley Quarterly Meeting - Muldrow, OK
- Pending - 14th - Cornerstone FWB - Roland, OK
- 15th - 17th OK FWB Minister's Retreat
- 18th - Mission Board Zoom Meeting

Throughout the month I will be in the FWB State office & on the Randall campus interacting with students

# Minnesota Grandkids Visit OK



The Minnesota Grandkids, Hannah, Sophie & Eliot came to visit. The whole gang went water tubing. Eliot & I went fishing. We also got to spend time with the Bixby Bunch. We had a blast! Thank God for family.



We had a great worship service & potluck fellowship!



Kelly & Stacy Ross are my dear friends. We had plenty of time to worship, visit & eat some good food! Yippee! Stacy pastors Northridge & he is the chairman of the Oklahoma Free Will Baptist Mission Board.

Rhonda Jo & I have known Sharon & Joe Watson for most of our lives. They are a wonderful part of Northridge Church.

