

**Meet the Members:**

## Meet Pastor Billy Burris and Mrs. Glenda Burris

By Ladena Bough

**Editor's Note:** Acts Ministry's mission is "Unity in Christ through the Holy Spirit." In that spirit, we feel that everyone associated with Acts should get to know the other associates. To that end, please meet Rev. Billy Burris of Springfield, Missouri.

Rev. Burris has been a pastor for almost 60 years. Shortly after seminary school, he was an evangelist for a couple of years before accepting an appointment at the Green Forest First Assembly Church in Green Forest, Arkansas. He stayed associated with the Assemblies of God for close to 47 years before taking a position at the Church of the Harvest in Branson, Missouri. He was invited to come to the Church of the Harvest after two different denominations joined together, and accepted the position for 60 days. One church had a building and no pastor and the other church had no building, so through that Unity in Christ through the Holy Spirit, the two joined forces to establish the Church of the Harvest. One of the churches was an Independent Christian Church and the other was a General Baptist Church. The doctrines differed somewhat, but the basic tenets of belief that Jesus Christ was the Son of God and of His birth, death, and resurrection; the remittance of your sins; belief that the Holy Bible is the inerrant word of God; and on the grounds of the shed blood of Jesus Christ that all who receive the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior are born again of the Holy Spirit and thereby become the children of God. Rev. Burris has well passed that 60-day mark as pastor for Church of the Harvest and is now close to having served there for 12 years.

Burris met his beautiful wife, Glenda, when she was a member of a singing trio of young women. At one time, the women needed a piano player and Burris was asked if he would play for them. That was the start of their long-term love.

They have two adult daughters; one who works at Evangel University and one who lives in South Carolina and



**Rev. Billy and Mrs. Glenda Burris**

works for an engineering firm. Unlike so many pastors who sometimes see their children fall away from the Church, their daughters have both stood strong in their faith and raise their own children in Christ. Rev. Burris and Glenda have also been blessed with two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

## REGISTER TODAY for ActsFest 2022

Registration deadline, July 7, 2022, is fast approaching for attending Acts Ministry's annual ActsFest.

Tickets are \$25 per person and may be had via internet at:

[www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=WF9NGQUYJ39HW](http://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=WF9NGQUYJ39HW)

or by phone:

**816-217-3307**

Those attending the **Gospel Concert** are advised to bring lawn chairs for this outdoor event.

**Full Schedule and Awards List on p.2!**

# ActsFest 2022 Schedule of Events

**Thursday, July 14**  
“Knowing The Holy Spirit”

**9 a.m.:** *Guided by The Holy Spirit.* Bishop Dennis Eversen.

**10 a.m.:** *Hearing the Voice of The Holy Spirit.* Dr. Paul C. Collins

**11:30 a.m.:** *Dreams Trances and Revelations.* Dr. James R. Wining.

**Friday, July 15**  
“Messages of Jesus Christ”

**9 a.m.:** *Love and Forgiveness.* Pastor Ladena Bough.

**10:30 a.m.:** *Healing Mind, Body and Soul.* Pastor Billy Burris.

**1:30 p.m.:** *Trial of Christ.* Pastor Steve McAllister.

**3 p.m.:** Board of Directors Meetings.

**Saturday, July 16**  
“A Day of Recognition & Fellowship”

**8 a.m.:** *Women’s Special Outing.* Wonders of Wildlife, Bass Pro Shops. Board Secretary/Treasurer Pam Wining.

**12 p.m.:** Barbecue Lunch. Pastor Robert Lowrance, Board Vice-President Sandy Lowrance.

**1:30 p.m.:** *Awards and Recognitions.* Dr. James R. Wining, president.

**3 p.m.:** *Fellowship, Prayer and Testimonies.* Pastor and Board Vice-President Matthew Pearson

**4 p.m.:** *Gospel Music.* Pastor Kevin Kilmurray and Music Pastor Donna Kilmurray.

**Sunday, July 17**  
“Knowing God”

**9 a.m.:** *The Ten Commandments.* Commissioner Lynn Morris.

**10:30 a.m.:** *A Time of Healing.* Dr. Paul C. Collins.

**12 p.m.:** *The Sacraments, Communion.* Pastor Becky Coad, Pastor Marchia Holland.

All messages, events and fellowships will be at the Headquarters of Acts Ministry, Inc., 4166 West Kearney St., Springfield, MO 65803. Email: 4321acts@gmail.com.

## Board of Directors

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# Founders’ Appreciation Awards

**Jimmy Dunn Lay Person Award:** This award recognizes exceptional work by a person not licensed or ordained in ministry. The late Jimmy Dunn was such an individual who exemplified, served and evangelized the mission and vision of Acts Ministry from nearly the inception date, The Award is given annually in recognition of such works during the preceding year.

**Dennis Coad Minister of the Year Award:** This award recognizes a licensed or ordained minister for his/her outstanding service in ministering to their flock, to the public and to the needs of their community. The late Pastor Dennis Coad would travel to whoever or wherever the need for Jesus Christ existed. This meant they served behind a pulpit, on the TV screen or the streets. Annually, this award is given to the person most fitting and deserving of this recognition for the preceding year.

**Jackie Scott Service Award:** This is a person who performs with “many hats.” The late Pastor Jackie Scott could organize a gathering, create a fund raiser, produce an infomercial, teach the Bible, evangelize the lost, and do mission work for the poor. The person chosen here must have these exceptional skills in serving the Lord. This recognition is done annually for such works during the preceding year.

**Bruce Pearson Faith Award:** This award in honor of the late Pastor Bruce Pearson is the test of faith, Acts Ministry demands. The higher calling Pastor Pearson demonstrated, taught and nurtured, Christian understandings beyond the confines of a church, a denomination or doctrine. The person receiving this award is true to the vision of “Unity, in Christ, through The Holy Spirit,” and forever performing the mission in its support by “Doing the Right Thing, wherever needed.” This recognition is done annually for such works in the preceding year.

**Lighthouse Award:** This is an award recognition for all the hundreds of believers, supporters and workers Acts Ministry has been able to utilize since 1993. These are the unseen people who are there to unselfishly support, help and give financial moral and physical assistance in whatever way needed. The person recognized has done outstanding works most likely seen but not recognized for its exceptional benefit. This recognition is done annually for such works in the preceding year.

# Real News Review Article of the Month

## Love, Honor, and Obey

By *Dr. James R. Wining*

How does God know we love, honor and obey Him? Do we demonstrate to God this by giving, serving and worshiping? Do we know God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit? Who is in charge of man now? Is it man, is it the evil one or is it God. Now is the time of your testimony. Who do you worship?

ActsFest culminates your life testimony into four short days. This will not be a Sunday worship service, a revival for evangelism. a Christian music festival or a group Bible study. Instead ActsFest is a "Gathering of Believers," much like those who gathered in the Upper Room. Different because, unlike the gatherings at the time of Jesus, now the gatherings are at time of the Holy Spirit.

Your testimony will be evidenced by your worship, your service and your giving. Worship means listening during this time for the Holy Spirit to speak to you and listening to those in the gathering receiving instruction from the Holy Spirit. This will involve concentration, a clearing of your mind and patience to receive and possibly give from the knowledge given you by The Holy Spirit.

Service starts before ActsFest and continues through out the four days. You should think of your loved ones including spouses, relatives, neighbors, work associates and friends. Who among them believes but has fallen away for a variety of reasons. The corners of the world have been reached and now is the time to harvest and perfect the believers in whatever stage of commitment they

## Boundaries in Marriage

By *Donna Moller, Licensed Counselor*

I have been teaching on boundaries for awhile. Now I would like to share what boundaries look like in marriage. When two people marry, they bring two different sets of values. Values define boundaries. If a value is trampled on, a boundary has been trampled upon. When this happens there will be negative emotions: sadness, anger, fear etc.

My first task is to help them define their non-negotiable values such as fidelity, trust, honesty, compassion, forgiveness, etc. I give them a list of values for homework.

The next step is to teach them how to stay within their value system when those values are not honored by their spouse. Many times when a value is not honored and a boundary is trampled, the offended spouse reacts totally outside their value system. Sometimes one of the spouses chooses to go "underground" and never tell the offending spouse about his/her behavior. This is also very damaging and often ends with the "underground" spouse vanishing (either in actuality or figuratively) and neither learned a thing of what true marriage is about.

The training involves: identity in Christ, using the Word to defeat the enemy's tactics, active listening, conflict resolution, anger management, mindfulness, and assertiveness to stay inside their own value system. All of this takes time and commitment on the part of the couple and therapist.

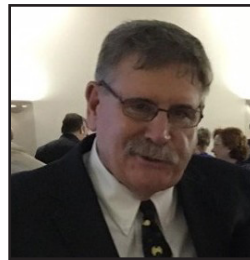
Reactivity is very hard to stop as the behavior has been learned as a small child. Bitterroot judgments become an issue. This is when

are in. You can make the difference in their eternal lives by bringing them to ActsFest. This is service and to the extend their are financial obligations in this service it is also giving.

Giving is not a prideful piece of faith evidence but it is the piece that shows where you are in giving God your first fruits and your very best. Supporting ActsFest means supporting Acts Ministry by opening the doors of its facilities 24 hours a day seven days a week for prayer, worship, service and Holy Spirit instructions. Now is the time of Believers, as we pass out of man's rule into God's rule and his conflict with the evil one. We have very limited seating and you have the opportunity to show your love, honor and obedience to God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit by giving, serving and worshiping at ActsFest 2022.

*God Bless,*

*Dr. James R. Wining, Bishop/President*



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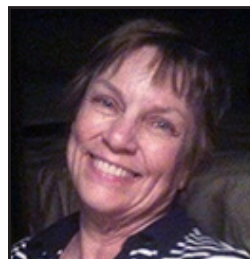
mindfulness and the word of God become the weapons against the sinful behavior. Mindfulness because it trains the mind to make wise decisions and the scriptures defeat the enemy.

When I first started counseling couples in the 1980s, I was quite intimidated. I knew God was leading me in that direction; but, oh my! It is not for the faint-hearted. It has been well worth it as God has used me to help many couples.

I am thinking I need to do a series on the tools I have presented here. I did not learn them in a class, so to speak. I learned the hard way, trial and error. Today, the tools are readily available by His Spirit. Saving marriages is an amazing gift. My smile is from ear to ear when I think of my examples. So, I guess I better share rather than keeping His work hidden!

*Till next month!*

*Donna Moller, Licensed Counselor*



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# Acts Television Network

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## Wednesdays

- **SILVER LININGS** •

*9 am with Steve McAllister*

- **CHANGING TIMES** •

*10 am with Lynn Morris & Dawn Blackard*

- **TRIALS AND TRIUMPS** •

*11 am with Ladena Bough*

## Every Second Sunday

- **THE VETERANS CHURCH** •

*2 pm Host: Pastors Kevin and Donna Kilmurray*

## Every First & Third Sunday

- **FIRST ACTS CHURCH** •

*2-4 pm Host: Dr. Paul Collins*

## On Demand

- **PAINTING OUTSIDE THE LINES** •

  - **New Discoveries in Autism**

  - With author Joyce Jones and her husband, Tom*

  - **Education and Autism**

  - With Elizabeth Obrey, vice-president of STARS for Autism*

  - **Living the Life with Autism**

  - With Keith Allyman, Branson performer with personal experience with autism*

  - **The Little Boy That Could**

  - With author Joyce Jones and her husband, Tom*