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FORESTVILLE BAPTIST CONNECTS ACROSS COUNTIES AND CONTINENTS FOR CHRIST: Partnership with Internet Ministry Global Media Outreach Expands Opportunity to Share Gospel

GREENVILLE, S.C., Sept. 21, 2009 – A church congregation in Greenville, S.C., is plugged in and praying with people as far away as Pakistan, Morocco and Kenya, and as close as next door, with just a click on their computers. [Forestville Baptist Church](#) has partnered with [Global Media Outreach](#) (GMO), an Internet ministry, through the GMO Always Ready online missions program in order to quickly and easily increase its access to global evangelism and influence around the world.

The GMO Always Ready program is an online missions plan available to churches of any size or denomination. Through multiple Web sites, GMO is able to direct online spiritual seekers to the “electronic” front doors of participating church volunteers, where they can engage with and disciple people through e-mail. The volume of daily or weekly e-mails provided to a church depends on the number of volunteers and their requested activity loads.

“We are a very mission-minded church,” said Rob Jackson, senior pastor at Forestville Baptist Church. “This program has continued to cause us to expand our vision and excitement for the privilege of answering the Great Commission. The GMO Always Ready program only takes a little time and a computer and can even be done from your living room chair. My seven-year-old daughter sits on my lap and gets a burden and a passion for the world as we pray together over these requests.”

About 70 people from Forestville Baptist Church’s congregation of 1,050 are serving as online missionaries in the GMO Always Ready program. In addition to international outreach, church volunteers are making an impact across the U.S., as GMO directs anonymous inquiries from seekers nationwide to the online missionaries of Forestville Baptist Church.

Research shows that millions of people are searching for Jesus daily through the Internet. Many of them are finding answers through one of GMO’s more than 90 Web sites and over 3,000 online missionaries.

“The fields are indeed white to harvest, yet the laborers are few,” said [Walt Wilson](#), GMO founder and chair. “We need more online missionary partners like Forestville Baptist Church. [GMOAlwaysReady.com](#) is the portal for churches to partner with us and share the message of Christ with those who are actively looking online for answers.”

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As a part of GMO Always Ready since 2008, Forestville Baptist Church receives accountability reports on the number of people reached, has access to live, up-to-the-minute statistics on people indicating decisions for Christ and the number of e-mails coming in through GMO Web sites.

Forestville Baptist Church online missionaries have connected with thousands of seekers from all over the world through this program. In addition, GMO provides evangelism training for their participating members and readily accessible materials including response templates, an answers database and an online Bible. The program helps equip churches such as Forestville Baptist Church for evangelism and discipleship, getting more of their congregants involved in missions and augment current missions programs.

“While evangelizing can intimidate some people, there’s not a lot of fear that comes with being an online missionary,” Jackson said. “Volunteers may talk with people dealing with real-life issues, but GMO provides resources for how to answer tough questions. This builds the confidence of our volunteers and allows them to share their faith more openly in their community. About 60 to 80 people a week go out from our church now to share the Gospel with visitors, and I attribute part of the continued expansion of this vision at our church directly to the participation in the GMO Always Ready program.”

GMO is a California-based ministry with the vision of giving everyone multiple opportunities to accept Jesus Christ, seeing hundreds of millions receive Him, build them in their faith and connect them to Christian communities and churches. GMO is using Internet and other emerging technologies to effectively and efficiently convey the love of Christ and plan of salvation across the globe. Since their inception in 2004, GMO has seen the number of people indicating a decision for Christ grow from 21,066 people annually to more than 3 million people in 2008. Beginning in June, more than 1 million people have indicated decisions for Christ through GMO Web sites each month.

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