

Vision In Focus



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Founder of Demien Construction, Ralph Demien Honored with Award

Founder of Demien Construction, Ralph Demien, was honored as the 2003 P.E.A.R. Award recipient. Ralph started this family run business over 46 years ago. His sons proudly carry on his tradition of integrity and quality workmanship.

Ralph received the P.E.A.R. award November 21, 2003 during a *Black Tie and Blue Jeans Benefit* held at the Columns. The St. Charles Community College Foundation gives this award "to honor individuals in our community for outstanding accomplishments and community support." P.E.A.R. stands for Professional, Excellence, Achievement, and Recognition.

The Wentzville Journal described Ralph Demien in their November 16 Sunday edition:

Ralph Demien, a World War II veteran and entrepreneur, is the 2003 P.E.A.R. Award recipient. The founder of Demien

Construction, Ralph has been active in the regional construction industry as a builder, owner, association president, and board member. His service to the

American Legion, the Wentzville Chamber of Commerce, Immanuel Lutheran Church, and the SCC Foundation are testaments to the impact he has had on his community.

We at Demien Construction thank Ralph for his years of dedication and service to his family, his community and to his Lord.



Sally Faith and Christopher McCoy present Ralph Demien with the P.E.A.R. Recipient Award.

Building God's Way Helps Apostle Lutheran Begin a New Era

Demien Construction is pleased to welcome Apostle Lutheran in Dardenne, MO as a new member of our Building God's Way family. Pastor Wayne Shevey and Building Committee Chairman, Paul Kennedy signed the Building God's Way contract on January 22, 2004 in an unofficial ceremony at Bear Creek Golf Club.

Apostle Lutheran, a member of the Wisconsin Synod Lutheran Churches, has been meeting in the Dardenne Knights of Columbus for the past few years. The Lord has blessed them now with a growing membership and with the vision for a facility of their own. Pastor Shevey's vision includes a gymnasium that can be used as an outreach for the community around them.

An on-site design charette for Apostle Lutheran is scheduled for the last week of February. Daniel Cook and Associates' team of architects will meet with Pastor Shevey, and the building committee to begin putting the church's vision on paper. During this three day process DCA's team will work with Apostle Lutheran to make certain their ministry's needs are fully incorporated into the Building God's Way design. We at Demien Construction are thankful to be partnering with Apostle Lutheran in the furthering of God's Kingdom.



(L) Paul Kennedy and Pastor Wayne Shevey sign the contract as Debi Demien looks on.

(R) Mike Hoff, Russ Demien and Paul Kennedy discuss site plans for the new facility.





William Federer is a best selling author, historian, and guest speaker who lives his Christian ideals and educates others about America's Christian foundation.

The American Minute by William Federer

From the February 1st edition of the American Minute:

Five dollars was all she was paid by the Atlantic Monthly Magazine for her poem, The Battle Hymn of the Republic, which was published this day, February 1, 1862.

The Union's theme song during the Civil War, Julia Ward Howe wrote it while visiting Washington, D.C., and seeing it teem with military, galloping horses and innumerable campfires.

Sleeping unsoundly one night, Julia Ward Howe penned:

"In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea; With a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me: As he died to make men holy, let us die to make men free, While God is marching on."
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Daniel Cook and Associates Pray For Your Ministry

From the time you decide to build and throughout the time of construction, we at DCA want to pray for your ministry. On Tuesday and Thursday of each week, time is set aside for employees to gather together, review prayer requests, and pray accordingly. Here's what we ask of you: Please email prayer requests to ministries@dcagroup.com and then, let us know when prayers have been answered so we can praise God for His goodness! We will also add your prayer requests and praise items to our website where others can join us in praying for one another.

- John Workman, Director of Ministry of Construction with Building God's Way

****SPECIAL UPDATE ON THE MOVIE THE PASSION - FROM JODY DEAN -** (TV anchor person on Channel 11-CBS)

Jody was able to screen the movie at Prestonwood Baptist Church in Plano, TX. The following quotes are from her in depth review.

"What Gibson has done is to use all of his considerable skill to portray the most dramatic moment of the most dramatic events since the dawn of time. There is no escape. It's a punch to the gut that puts you on the canvas, and you don't get up. You are simply confronted by the horror of what was done - what had to be done - and why. Throughout the entire film, I found myself apologizing.

"The truth is this: Is it just a "movie"? In a way, yes. But it goes far beyond that, in a fashion I've never felt - in any forum. We may think we "know". We know nothing. We've gone 2,000 years - used to the idea of a pleasant story, and a sanitized Christ. We expect the ending, because we've heard it so many times. God forgive us. This film tears that all away. It's is as close as any of us will ever get to knowing, until we fully know.

Paul understood. "Be urgent, in and out of season."

Luke wrote that Jesus reveals Himself in the breaking of the bread. Exactly. "The Passion Of The Christ" shows that Bread being broken. Go see this movie.

Passion Links:

www.ShareThePassionOfTheChrist.com

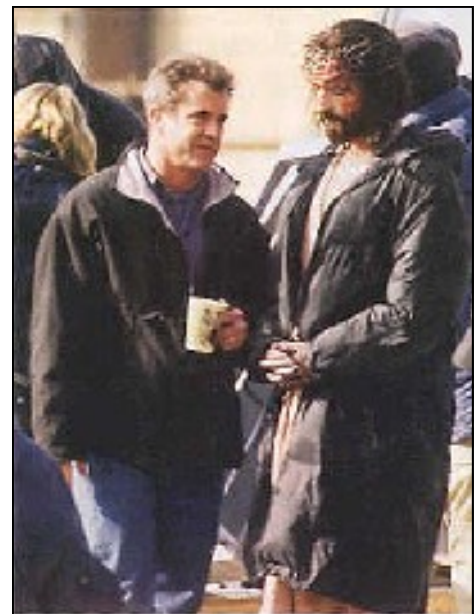
www.ThePassionOutreach.com

Schedule of Upcoming Resources

March: *Kingdom Builder Fax*

April: *Nehemiah Newsletter*

May: *Vision in Focus Email*



Mel Gibson on the set of "The Passion of the Christ" with actor James Caviezel.