

# CONVERSATIONS

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## ANNOUNCE

**NEED HIM GLOBAL** partners with many wonderful ministries in our work to announce the gospel. One of those ministries is the **PULSE** movement. **PULSE** is the initiator of a nation wide movement called RESET targeting students and young people for Christ. Led by Nick Hall, the ministry has grown to over **30 campuses reaching over 250,000 people** each year through concerts, events, festivals and conferences. **PULSE** exists to awaken culture to the reality of Jesus.

Many young people access technology differently. Nick and the **PULSE** team have partnered with **Need Him Global** for their events. A dedicated short code (think abbreviated text number) is offered to the audience so that all those hearing the Gospel can respond, ask questions and learn more about what it means to follow Christ. **Need Him Global** responds to all those questions via text messaging.

As one of our early partners utilizing text messaging for evangelism, together we have proven that not only can we share the Gospel via this technology, but we can continue the relationship with seekers longer and disciple more effectively. **Need Him Global** looks forward to our continued partnership with **PULSE** as they build towards their event in July 2016 at the National Mall in Washington, DC uniting people of all backgrounds around Jesus.



Nick Hall shares the Gospel at Winter Jam in 2012. Text response through Need Him was utilized on a mass scale first at Winter Jam.



Thousands of students get ready for a PULSE event in 2011 at the University of Minnesota.



At Columbia University, 1,300 students gather for "Meant to Live," featuring Switchfoot. One hundred thirty students indicated a response to the Gospel.



## ANSWER

ON THE MORNING of Monday, January 19th, Christine Tijerina, Director of Volunteer Services for Need Him Global went to the home of long standing volunteer Gene O'Neal to assist him in setting up ECHO on his personal computer.

Later that evening, 30 year-old Shelly from Illinois called our **1-800-NEED-HIM** phone number and was connected with Gene. As soon as he greeted her, she told him that she wanted to **know more about this man Jesus**. Before sharing, Gene asked her what she already knew of Him. That's when he learned Shelly was a woman who had been raised in a family with a lot of abuse, had no religious background and did not own a bible. She had, however, learned that **Jesus died for her sins**.

At that time, Gene decided to explain the story of why He did that for her. Gene began to share the whole Gospel with her beginning with Genesis and the need for reconciliation with God all the way through the book of John. Gene continued to share scriptures out of the book of Romans, which led to a discussion on Jesus taking

care of the penalty of sin. After that, Gene asked Shelly if she was ready to receive Christ as her Lord and Savior and if she would like to do so tonight. After a moment of weighty hesitation, Shelly answered with a firm tone, **"Yes, I would."** What a joyous sound that erupted in heaven at that very moment! Gene then explained the plan for salvation - that she needed to admit she was a sinner; repent, and turn to Christ, accepting his free gift of eternal life. **Shelly prayed out to God** by herself with Gene compassionately listening.

Before ending the call, Gene spoke to her about the importance of getting involved in a local church. Gene plans to send her a copy of the book of John. He said the entire experience was a beautiful one.

**God's timing is always perfect** - ensuring that the ECHO system would be in place so a specific, caring, Need Him Global volunteer would be at the other end of this particular conversation to lead a seeking woman to His saving grace.

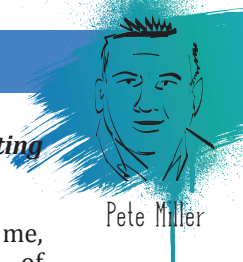


### About Gene

Gene O'Neal has been a phone volunteer with Need Him Global since 1998. At the age of 82, Gene still works as an insurance agent and is an active member of his church, First Baptist Richardson. His wife Joyce has also been volunteering with Need Him since 1998. They're passionate about God, His Kingdom, and evangelism and their lives are certainly testaments to this. We're so thankful for Gene and his wife and for their part in Need Him Global.

## ADVANCE

*God is just getting started!*



Pete Miller

IF YOU ARE like me, you have a list of unfinished projects that seem to grow longer as time passes. One of the many awesome things about God is, that unlike me, He does not lose focus or get pulled into something more "important". Philippians 1:6 reminds us that God started a good work in us and will continue his work until Christ returns. This has never more true for Need Him Global than it has been the past year. We have seen several changes, but the work of using media to share the Gospel with those least

likely to be evangelized and offer them an opportunity to respond continues to be stronger than it has ever been. We give all thanks and praise to God for continuing to lead His ministry.

It is through His leadership that I find myself writing this column. I first got involved with Need Him Global in 2006 as a donor while working for a private global technology organization. Two years later, I was asked to serve on the ministry's Board of Directors. In 2010, I joined the ministry staff as COO working alongside Drew and last year became CEO when he resigned. I am humbled and excited as I look forward to seeing how God will lead us in continuing to advance His kingdom through the unique way he has called Need Him Global to share the Good News.

As I get deeper into the responsibility

of leading this great ministry, I have come to the realization that we could do a better job of keeping our partners informed of all the different things going on in and through Need Him Global. So, whether you lift us up in prayer, volunteer your time to talk with the lost, or provide for our efforts financially - we plan to share with you a few times each year the tremendous impact of your support. I hope you find this first effort not only informative but also inspiring. Our desire is to not just provide updates, but to also make you think about your own relationship with Jesus Christ and how you are living to demonstrate to others how much they Need Him each day.

*Pete*

Pete Miller CEO

# chat about Jesus

my name's Jon How are you?

I could be better :) just had a rough month

bummer. what happened?

Im in cheer and in band. Bad combination of electives. My cheer coach wants me to quit cheer and my band coach needs me for field shows. I have no idea what I'm going to do. To top it off, I've been nightmares. You could say my life is out of control

wow. It sounds like you are experiencing a lot of stress!

Yeah, sorry. I just needed someone i could talk to

How has this affected you spiritually?

I've been forgetting to pray. I don't really care about going to church anymore. I've come to realize that all the bible is, is basically rules. why does god allow problems to occur? Is it supposed to make us stronger?

You've said a lot of things there, and I don't want to lose them. So it might be best if we stuck to one of those at a time. Regarding what you said about the bible being basically a bunch of rules, I can definitely relate to that feeling.

It's not about following a bunch of rules and trying to measure up. We were cut off from relationship with God, but Christ made a way for us to be restored in our relationship with Him!

How do i restore my faith?

It takes as much faith to believe in God now as it did when you first trusted in Jesus. Faith is a relationship, and no relationship can be proven. Relationships are self-validating--the more they are experienced, the stronger they become.

So don't wait until you feel close to God-act as though you are. Read his word, pray, worship him personally and publicly, and get involved with other believers. Act on your faith, and you'll find your faith growing deeper and stronger.

Thank you for that

It sounds like you have a lot going on. Perhaps you can simplify your time commitments and rest a bit. Matthew 11:28 says "Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light".

i know now that i will still continue to "strengthen a RELATIONSHIP with Jesus "

Praise God! :)

Chat taken from [chataboutjesus.com](http://chataboutjesus.com)



# RESIDENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

LAST YEAR, Need Him Global launched the **Resident Leadership Program (RLP)**, a one-year internship for seminary students committed to serving the global church in pastoral care, missions or evangelism. The program focuses primarily on evangelism along with a practical monthly leadership management component.

Residents gain evangelism experience through being online for **20 hours each week** to engage people of different cultures and beliefs in biblical truth. In addition, they have the opportunity to study different Christian leadership topics and model those skills through leading a small team of volunteers. Along with increasing the capacity of the ministry, the program provides an opportunity for members of the **RLP** to appraise their personal

ministry vision and validate strengths and weaknesses

affecting their own spiritual walk and leadership abilities.

Need Him Global started with a goal to bring on a small team of residents each quarter. The first class was in January of last year and was made up of seven seminary students from Dallas Theological Seminary. The **RLP** has now grown to 19 **residents** and has also started a partnership with Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. The first annual class **engaged in over 31,000 live conversations** via online chat, text messaging and telephone calls. This has been a tremendous blessing to the ministry facilitating the ability to talk with more seekers -- and doing so with young people that have world-class biblical training along with a heart for serving the Lord.



As we continue to grow the **RLP**, the strongest endorsements come from the residents themselves. As one recently wrote....*"I have been able to hone in on my story and become even more effective in sharing it. I am memorizing more and more*

*scripture and my prayer life is growing. I believe that EVERYONE who desires to go into ministry should experience volunteering with Need Him Global in order to get a glimpse of what we as future pastors and ministry leaders will be up against."*

## GROWTH

IN REVIEWING THE remarkable growth of Need Him Global, and the realization that there is more that can be done to announce the Gospel, the leadership team and Board of Directors of the ministry met last June to work through some strategic planning for the future. One of the obvious



Paul Dunne

areas of need was to formalize the process for creating, communicating with and developing donor relationships. The ministry began a national search for its first Chief Development Director. The ministry was blessed with a large pool of qualified candidates from around the country and after several rounds of interviews, asked Paul A. Dunne, CFRE to join the ministry.

Paul has guided the fundraising efforts for a variety of organizations including hospitals, homeless shelters and other

social service organizations. Driven by the need to give back to his alma mater, Mr. Dunne recently served as the Vice President of Development for Howard Payne University, where he and his staff quadrupled their donor base and he helped design their new \$18M campaign. He currently serves on the AFP International Board along with other national committees. Paul has been awarded the Colorado Chapter AFP Outstanding Fundraiser and was nominated for the Colorado Outstanding Professional in

Philanthropy. Paul is married to his wife of 26 years and they have a daughter, Jennifer who is an actor/director/producer for QNEK in Vermont.

Pete Miller, CEO of Need Him Global shares, *"We are truly excited to be able to have someone of Paul's character and experience lead our efforts to grow the ministry. We look forward to Paul helping us expand our donor relationships and create the added capacity the ministry needs to share the Good News with more people."*

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