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We are pleased to announce the publication of our fiftieth CHURCH GUIDE. Its purpose is to provide you with vital and interesting information about churches, ministries, and Christian businesses and professionals in our communities. By so doing, we hope to make it easier for you to make a selection. When you visit a church or business, please let the minister or manager know you are visiting them because you saw their advertisement in the CHURCH & CHRISTIAN BUSINESS GUIDE.

In reviewing this Guide, you will find that churches are classified first by general area, then alphabetically by denomination in that area. There are eight geographical areas in the index. Because many churches abut sector boundaries, please look through all areas in selecting one you will want to visit. There are also sections regarding Christian events, groups and activities, plus child care, counseling, schools, etc.

We trust this Guide will be a helpful resource in finding a church or business. Should you have any questions about the Guide, please call (303) 373-9977. Again, if the Guide has been helpful to you, please be sure to thank the minister, as well as the businesses and professionals, for communicating their services to you in the GUIDE.

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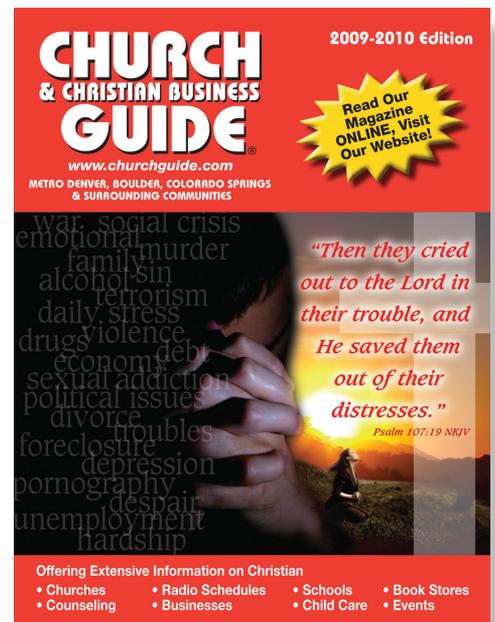
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about the front cover of this issue...



The outside front cover of this issue of the Church & Christian Business Guide has been created to reflect the challenging times that we are all living in presently (in which foreclosures, declining home values, layoffs, pension fund losses, and staggering debt are the concerns of just about everyone these days). As we all search for answers as to how we can cope successfully with these difficult issues, one thing we can all do is to turn to the Lord in prayer, as the two seekers are doing in this artwork. They have both turned to the cross of Jesus Christ, to find relief from their fear and anxieties. The Bible verse we've quoted appears four times in Psalm 107. How interesting, because our current troubles began in the year 2007.

During the past few months, a number of our clients contributed insights and ideas for our outside front cover design. I summarized all of those contributions to my graphic artist, Jeri Stunkard, of Metro Printing, and she created the artwork for this issue. The theme of turning to the Lord in prayer in our challenging times was so appropriate. So to our contributors and graphic arts people, we say a great big Thank You!

The front cover design theme is supported by some of the internal content in this new issue of our Guide. On pages 46 and 47, for example, our readers will find information concerning a new seminar and book entitled *Living the Prayer of Jabez*. This material has been taught over the past two years in some local churches and it has brought relief and joy to many who have been laboring under their burdens.

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