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Mr. Mitchell Spangler

I was born in Lancaster, PA but was raised in York. My parents and two younger brothers still live in the York area. My father works as an engineer at Voith Hydro and my mother is employed part-time at PADE. My brothers are both married and live in York. My older brother also has two daughters. My family attends a Lutheran church which does not preach the gospel. They all claim to have accepted Christ as Savior but I have not seen evidence of this.

I grew up attending Lutheran church. Although this experience taught me about the Lord and the Bible I never clearly heard the gospel. It was during my first year at college that I accepted Christ as my personal Savior. The Lord made it clear to me during my second year of college that He wanted me in full-time ministry. He led me to Bible college and then to seminary. It was during these years that the Lord turned my heart towards missions. I learned about the Lord's command to go into all the world and preach the gospel. I also learned about the great spiritual need in England. The Lord has called me there and I know that I must obey Him by sharing His Son with the English people. One of my favorite verses is Phil. 4:13 which says that I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. No matter what the task is that the Lord gives to me, I know that He will supply the strength needed to complete it.

I received a BS in Bible with a minor in Pastoral Studies from Lancaster Bible College. I received an MA in Old Testament Studies and Bible from Biblical Theological Seminary in Hatfield, PA. I also completed the pre-field orientation program given by Missionary Internship in Farmington, MI.

Mrs. Vicki Spangler

I was born and raised in Harrisburg, PA. My father is a self-employed painter/paperer and is semi-retired. He was born in Czechoslovakia and has lived and worked all over the world before settling in America in the fifties. My mother was born in New York City and grew up in Danville, PA. She retired from her position as an Administrative Assistant for the State Civil Service Commission and lives in Harrisburg. After a separation, reconciliation and a second separation, my parents divorced. My mother remarried a Christian man in 1992. I have a younger sister, married with one son, living in Shreveport, LA. Each member of my family has accepted the Lord at one time in their life.

While growing up, I attended parochial schools. I learned of God, Jesus and heaven, but never of a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ. I knew Jesus died for our sins but I didn't know I had to do anything. During my sophomore year of high school I began thinking about church a little more. I was wondering why we do the same things every week (maybe I was becoming bored?) and why I wasn't leaving church a little different than the way I went in. (Looking back - Jeremiah 29:13 was happening.) At the same time I had these "questions", our family unit was breaking up. Mom and Dad decided to separate for awhile, only to have Dad separate from us for good. I was encouraged to spend time with a neighbor the day my Dad was leaving. She spent time with me and told me about our Heavenly Father, His love and what I needed to do to have Jesus in my life. (Rom.10:9,10) We prayed together and that day Jesus became Lord of my life.

I graduated from Lancaster Bible College with a BS in Bible and Bible Education. During my college years I spent a summer in England with Global Outreach Mission. There I saw the challenge and my need to return to be a part of the Lord's work. I have since spent my years working with children in school, church and day care settings. I have many favorite verses and chapters but one I always fall back on is Isaiah 40:28-31.

We have been married 13 years. After giving birth to a stillborn daughter named Hannah and two succeeding miscarriages, the Lord blessed us again with the privilege of raising Aaron Mitchell, born April 2, 1992 and Heather Ashley, born December 23, 1993.

After being on deputation for three years, the Lord brought us safely to England in May of 1993. We began a two-year ministry here as youth pastors of Kilmington Baptist Church in Devon. We concluded our ministry there March 31, 1995. We then had a three-month furlough in the States. After this furlough, we arrived in Dartmouth, Devon to find the Lord's will for our ministry. We knew definitely on November 3, 1995 that we would be staying in Dartmouth. It was then we began a new ministry among the youth of the town. Until then there had been very little Christian youth outreach. Since we began five years ago, we have been involved in many of the ministries in this town. They include Summer Holiday Bible Clubs, Sunday School Ministries in teaching, supervising, and giving support, Christian Union in the Secondary School, Good News Club and assemblies in the local primary school, preaching and leading Sunday services, teaching Bible Study or Home Groups, after-school clubs, Teen Youth Group, Coffee Bar Outreaches, Women's Group meetings, and the occasional special event service or activity for the children.

As of this writing, these are the regular activities we are involved in: Monday night evangelical teen group Bible study, lunch-time Christian Union in the local secondary school, Tuesday Evening Club for the 9-12 year olds, Friday night Coffee Bar Outreach, Sunday school teaching, and leading Bible studies and Sunday services.

Our current goals for the new year are to reestablish a relationship with the local primary school and the new headmaster in the hopes of doing R.E. assemblies and then restarting the Good News Club. Another goal is to raise awareness in the town of what we are doing on behalf of Youth Action Dartmouth. Another thought (not so much a goal) is to consider what can be done for the few children of the church who seem to want to go on in the church and their learning about Christianity. Another goal is to pray for more leaders to come alongside Mitch and help in the running of these clubs.

We have a website that is kept current with the activities of Youth Action Dartmouth. It can be found at [www.youthactiondartmouth.com](http://www.youthactiondartmouth.com)

Where currently serving: Dartmouth, Devon, England. We are serving four of the local churches but are members of Dartmouth Baptist. Dartmouth is in the south of Devon and the southwest of England.

Date of present assignment: November 3, 1995

Date of COD's beginning support: July 1993

Birthdates:	Mitchell William	February 14, 1963
	Vicki Anne	January 25, 1965
	Aaron Mitchell	April 2, 1992
	Heather Ashley	December 23, 1993

Wedding Anniversary: November 21, 1987

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