



Ministry Update 2019

Greetings Friends of Faith At Home Ministries!

Thank you for your ongoing support of the work we are doing to spread the Faith At Home vision to churches, parents and grandparents across the US and world. **WE TRULY COULDN'T DO THIS WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT**, and it is definitely making a difference as we continue to help more churches, and as a result more families, to be more faith at home focused.

Here are a few things we are excited to share with you...

1. **Our pilot Faith @Home Revealed Day with George Barna was a HUGE success!**

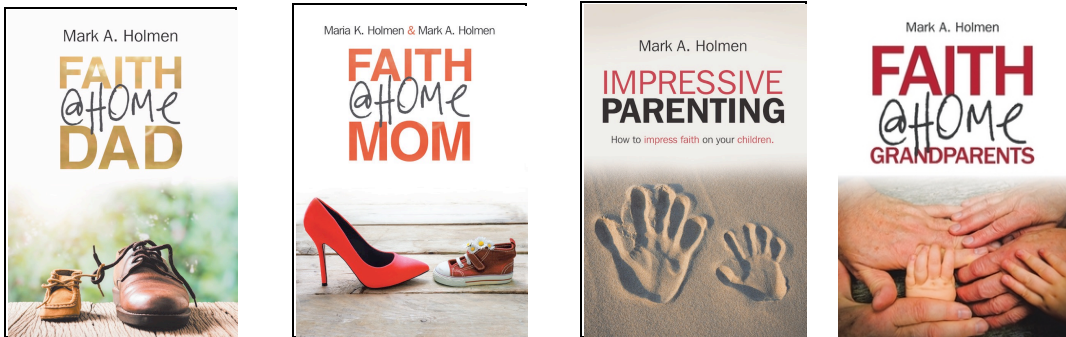
On May 23, over 100 church leaders from across the Twin Cities gathered to hear a powerful one-two combination of George Barna speaking on Biblical worldview formation along with Brian and I sharing the findings from our Faith Life survey work of over 4,000 church goers revealing what they are truly doing at home spiritually. George Barna's presentation made it VERY clear that it is critically important for the church to understand that Biblical worldview is formed before the age of 13 and that parents, and what happens at home, is the primary thing that influences children to have a lifelong Biblical worldview. He then gave the following ringing endorsement *"Let's face the reality: if we do not improve the quantity and quality of faith experiences in our homes across America, our country will continue to rapidly unravel morally and spiritually. The work and research Faith At Home Ministries is doing is critically important for the church to pay attention to and learn from as it will help us move in the right direction."*

- **Your support** enabled us to bring a Faith @Home Revealed Day to the Twin Cities
- **Your ongoing support in 2020** will help us bring Faith @Home Revealed Days to the Twin Cities, Des Moines, IA, and in Canada to Toronto and Calgary with the goal of reaching 300+ church leaders and 1000+ parents and grandparents.

2. **Survey Work & Consulting/Coaching Continues** As a result of the Faith @Home Revealed Day in the Twin Cities we had 15 churches sign up to take our Faith Life survey which resulted in over 2500 more people participating in the survey. Currently, we have now surveyed over 7000 church goers from 40+ churches across 12 denominations. Each church receives a 30+ page findings report along with a personal consultation that includes "next step" recommendations to help them launch a faith at home discipleship strategy that we will reassess in 2-3 years.

- **Your support** enables us to keep the survey cost to \$500 or less which helps us survey more churches & assist them, through online coaching, to develop customized and sustainable faith at home discipleship strategies.
- **Your ongoing support in 2020** will enable us to keep the survey cost at \$500 or less with the goal of surveying and coaching 40+ churches in 2020.

3. Revising & Republishing Resources We have made a strategic decision to move our resources from Bethany Publishing (a branch of Baker Publishing) to Lulu Publishing, a fast growing professional self-publishing entity, which is enabling us to completely revise the resources, give them a fresh look, and give us more control over the discounts we can give to churches interested in making bulk orders. While this is time consuming work, it is also exciting as it is giving us a chance to rewrite things from a new perspective integrating some of our findings along the way. **We have completely revised and republished the following four of our resources** which can be purchased at <https://www.lulu.com/shop/search.ep?keyWords=Mark+Holmen&type=>



We are currently in the process of revising and republishing these additional resources which should be ready in mid to late January.

- ❖ *The Faith @Home Focused Church*
- ❖ *Faith @Home Revealed*

- **Your support** is enabling us to revise and republish our resources
- **Your ongoing support 2020** will enable us to launch a national and international, direct to consumer, marketing campaign with the goal of reaching thousands of parents and grandparents and hundreds of church leaders.
- **Your ongoing support** will enable us to redevelop our Faith @Home App so that it can serve as an even better tool to help families.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- For the Lord to reveal where He wants us to bring Faith@Home Revealed Days to in 2020.
- For ongoing opportunities to survey and consult churches across the US, Canada, and other global location.
- For the Lord to continue to work through the resources we are revising and republishing and for the marketing campaign that will expose these resources to parents and church leaders across the US and world.
- For our daughter, Malyn, who is engaged and for the wedding that will take place on August 29, 2020.

Ongoing support can be sent to Faith At Home Ministries, 37483 Deer Ridge Drive, Crosslake, MN 56442 or given directly through www.friendsoffaiathome.com