# SOME GENERAL QUESTIONS ASKED

Dear Pastor:

Almost every church I minister with will generally ask about one of the following matters. I offer these to you as suggestions and hope they will help you in your preparation.

## TRAVEL

Unless it is near my home, I generally fly to the meetings and ask that you pay my airfare from Chattanooga, Tennessee. In the event I drive, current IRS mileage reimbursement round trip is standard.

## LODGING

I have found that it is better on everyone involved to let me stay in a hotel and if another guest is present, that we have separate rooms. While there are gracious members who want to provide lodging in their home or in bed and breakfast inns, the strain of living in a different home is too much. When making hotel arrangements, usually Hampton Inn or Holiday Inn Express will match the lowest rate in your area.

## MEALS

I am very flexible in this area but would prefer not to eat a heavy meal just prior to the service at night. Permitting the pastor and evangelist to eat out when and where they choose seems to be the best method.

## MEDIA

With your permission, I would like to make my CDs and DVDs available by merely laying them on a table in some chosen area and asking that you mention them from time to time. It is all low key and inoffensive.

## LOVE OFFERING

Fossett Evangelistic Ministries is a faith-based ministry, depending on the love offerings of churches and individuals to meet budget obligations. I come for a love offering and travel expenses only. I ask that the offering be taken by the pastor after each service, including Sunday morning. Simply distinguishing between the general offering and the love offering for the evangelist is usually acceptable. I ask that the pastor clearly communicate to his people that this is a faith-based ministry. I receive no salary from any church or other entity. There are many expenses incurred in vocational evangelism, such as mission trips, printing, mailing, administrative costs, convention travel/expenses, insurance, etc. A common mistake is thinking that 100% of the offering is the evangelist's salary. I share this only to help you communicate this to your people. Please encourage your people to give as they feel led by God, no more or less. They should know that their gift is an investment in Kingdom work and they share in the harvest of souls. I trust God on a daily, weekly, and monthly basis to provide financially. It is not my ministry's desire to be a financial hardship on anyone or any congregation.

For youth camps, school speaking, concerts and other special events, an honorarium is sufficient. Please contact me with any questions, or special circumstances.

Thank you in advance for your understanding in these issues.

Sincerely His,

Brian Fossett