

MEET THE STAFF - DR. PAUL REITER

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Dr. Reiter was saved at age 19 while a student at the University of Nebraska, through the witness of a girl named Louisabel, who has been his wife now for 45 years. The Reiters have two girls, Kathryn and Laura, and five grandchildren. His hobbies include reading and lawn/garden improvement (another word for pulling weeds!). When not pursuing these activities, he likes to travel and minister. He has journeyed to several of the far corners of the world to combine these interests.

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The Reiters attend Grace Bible Church in Beaver, where he serves as an elder and teacher of the Men's Bible Class. He enjoys Bible Conference ministries, particularly to missionaries overseas. One of his favorite Bible verses is John 15:16, "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye should ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you."

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