

## ***The Wonderful Witness of Uz -- Reactions***

“This play needs to be done *all across the country!*”

--David Carlson Wednesday night October 26, 2005

“a BIG THANK YOU to all for making this happen!

(I'm still crying ....I am so proud of every one of you!)

It's always "one thing" to write something....but then...

to see it all "come alive!?!"...just wonderful....and awesome!

Marsha said that some were still crying when they left...

and ALL first reactions was that the play is GREAT!

The Wizard of Oz is ‘born again!’”

--tim pickl Thursday morning October 27, 2005

“Yes, it was awesome and I think much good will come of it!

I sat right across from the folks from Sun Prairie. I noticed

they REALLY enjoyed it. *Praise God!*”

--Mary Showalter Thursday October 27, 2005

“We couldn't ask for more with what happened last night.

I'm proud of everyone and very thankful... I woke up about

3:30 this morning just smiling and saying softly "Thank you, Jesus".

I wish I had the words to say but I'm limited. I appreciate ....

the whole cast - WOW- what a night can't wait for Saturday.”

--Denise Meyer Thursday October 27, 2005

“Thanks so much for inviting us to the play last night. We really

enjoyed ourselves. I thought it was really clever how you showed

how what each character was seeking could be found in the Word

and by being baptized in Jesus' name. It was also clever how the

Wretch melted upon hearing Jesus's name and how Dorothy was

healed at the end....Very cute.”

--Diana Kleist Thursday October 27, 2005

“I thought it was awesome, everyone and I mean everyone was confident and

expressive and overall I was really impressed. I think it will be even

better on Saturday, because they will be even more relaxed and be able to

have a little more fun with it, but its going to be hard to top last nights

performance. Troy said on the way home that he wished you were doing

more performances than just the 3, but I think this is really going to get them

[psyched] for the next play, which I hear you are already working on.....Yeah!!!”

--Sharyl Lasanske Thursday October 27, 2005

“Thank You for inviting me to the Wonderful Witness of Uz.

I and my wife enjoyed being there. It was time well spent.

You were right in describing the tremendous talent that you were working

with in the production of the play. I could see that the actors were doing their

best to honor God. There are few things that impress me as much as hearts dedicated to

honoring God.” --Charlie Boness, from DRS Technologies Thursday October 27, 2005

“George and I enjoyed the play last night! Everybody did a great job. My favorites were the Scarecrow, the Wicked Wretch, and your daughter Angela as the Tree. I hope you had a wonderful time watching the world premiere of your play take the stage! We were excited to be there!”

--Jennifer (& George) Barton, from DRS Technologies Thursday October 27, 2005

“Deb and I picked up a friend in Pewaukee and I underestimated how long it would take to get to your church, so we got there almost right at 7 p.m. We were introduced to your [wife] and I told her that I work with you at DRS. The greeters were very nice to us. Everyone there seemed to be very nice. We sat fairly far back in the audience, but the people we sat near were very nice also. I can tell that a monumental amount of effort was put into the play and it was very well written and performed. I especially liked the way you drew parallels between the "Wizard of Oz" and many verses in the Bible. I think the choice of actress for Dorothy was a very good one. She had a very attentive, innocent style. Your daughter played Auntie Em very well, especially considering that she isn't nearly as old as Em is in the story! It is a great production. I like the way everyone gave God the glory. We were all touched by it and I hope it was a great outreach for your church. I know it helped me grow a bit. Thanks for telling us about it and inviting us.”

--Rich Schmerda, from DRS Technologies Friday October 28, 2005

“We really enjoyed it. It was entertainingly familiar with an inspiring message at the end. You did a wonderful job writing it. I can tell you are inspired. It was a great way to get the message out. You can be very PROUD!!! Off and on, on the way home and yesterday, we caught ourselves singing the tunes. I can imagine that you and your family must be singing yourselves to sleep every night. Our four year old doesn't know enough about the Wizard of Oz or the bible, but with our questions and comments about the play to her on the way home, my Daughter-In-Law said she could see it was going to be a challenge the next couple of days. The costumes and sets were well done. The performers did such a great job. They didn't miss a beat.”

--Sharon Hinrichs, from DRS Technologies Monday October 31, 2005

“It was a good show. I was not sure what to expect, but did enjoy it! I especially liked the woman who played the wrecked witch. The girls LOVED it. Jackie tried to get a few signatures on her program and Maggie was thrilled to meet Dorothy and the pretty princess girl! Thanks for inviting us. Best of luck on writing a new one. It will be tough to follow that!”

--Terese Pierce (tim pickl's sister) Tuesday November 1, 2005

“...we enjoyed the play - Angela was cute - the witch was a natural actress - the music was great - the scenery showed clever innovation. The girls were enthralled, especially to see Angela on the stage. Terry thanked us several times for taking him. A nice evening. Thanks for inviting us!”

--Mary Pickl (tim pickl's mom) Tuesday November 1, 2005

“I was impressed by the professionalism of the production. Every one did well.”

--Tom Pickl (tim pickl's dad) Tuesday November 1, 2005