SENT: *Momentum* Acts 12:24 and 13:49

- i. The Mississippi River starts small and builds momentum.
- ii. Momentum—moh-men-tuh m (noun)—force or speed of movement; impetus, as of a physical object or course of events. It can be gained or lost.

I. WHEN THE MOMENTUM OF A MOVEMENT GROWS IT DOESN'T FORGET THE STARTING POINT.

- A. In chapters 10-11 the acts of the Holy Spirit began to move from Jerusalem and the Jews to the Gentiles in Antioch.
- B. The disciples are first called *Christians* in Antioch.
- C. The river of grace is about to jump the bank.
- D. However, Peter's miraculous escape from prison reminds everyone that God's love and care for the Jerusalem church has not diminished.
- E. Because Acts 12:24 says "the word of God continued to increase and spread."
- F. The momentum of a movement is one of sent and scattered while the care and love of God for the legacy isn't diminished. It is appreciated!

II. WHEN THE MOMENTUM OF A MOVEMENT GROWS, IT JUMPS THE BANKS OF A RIVER NAMED GRACE TO ESTABLISH NEW TRIBUTARIES THAT INSPIRE LIFE.

- A. Barnabas and Saul are commissioned (sent) to Cyprus and Antioch.
- B. In new territory "the word of the Lord spread through the whole region." (Acts 13:49)
- C. PPC is about to jump the banks of its 108-year-old river and float down an additional tributary called Kraemer Middle School.
- D. A few examples of what it *could* look like:
 - 1. At the Schools
 - 2. In the Park
 - 3. Down the Street.

^{**}Let's take a boat ride with the momentum in the current of the Holy Spirit that is sending us outside and downstream—SENT!