

Scott Dawson has taken to heart the words of Jesus, in Matthew 28, when he commissioned His disciples to "go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

As founder of the Scott Dawson Evangelistic Association, Scott has shared the gospel with more than 1 million people face-to-face since the start of SDEA in 1987. The organization participates in crusades, hosts student and adult conferences, revivals, and other evangelistic outreaches. SDEA does all of this with the mission "to be innovative and evangelistic by proclaiming the gospel, producing disciples and partnering with Christian leaders."

An innovative outreach tool used by SDEA is its Safe at Home events, which is a partnership with Minor League Baseball teams. Through this program, Scott has the opportunity to annually address over 100,000 people in ballparks across the country.

Scott committed his life to Christ at an early age and began preaching the gospel as a teenager. "The Lord placed a burden on me early on to share my faith," Scott said.

In 1989, he earned his Bachelor of Arts in Religion and minor in Speech at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama. Samford's campus houses Beeson Divinity School, which is where Scott received his Master of Divinity in 1993. He had the distinct opportunity to serve as Dr. Lewis Drummond's fellow for the Billy Graham Chair of Evangelism during his time as a student at Beeson. He was recently honored with a doctorate from Covington Theological Seminary.

Scott's Christian ministry extends past SDEA and encompasses the world. He is one of nine evangelists making up the Next Generation Alliance (NGA), which is a strategic partnership with the Luis Palau Evangelistic Association. Scott is also involved with International Missions in third world countries and has started summer missions programs for students to work locally in the United States.

Scott's newest book, "Evangelism Today" is scheduled for release in June 2009 by Baker Books. Scott is also the author of "The Complete Evangelism Guidebook: Expert Advice on Reaching Others for Christ", "Dear Lord Why? Finding Answers to Life's Most Challenging Questions", "The Peace that Can Pass the Pressure Test," and "The Exchanged Life." Scott has authored articles published in Billy Graham's *Decision Magazine*, NACHO Newsletter, and *Vocation*.

Scott lives with his wife, Tarra; son, Hunter; and daughter, Hope in his hometown of Birmingham, Alabama, also where SDEA is headquartered.