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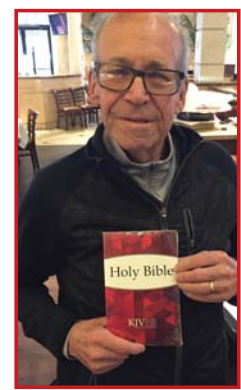
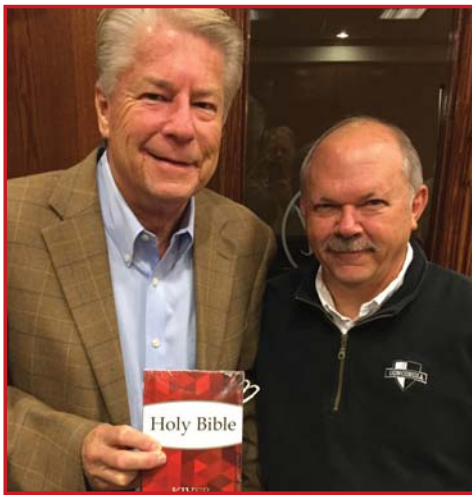
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form. Your request will appear within 48 hours (after approval).

Also, the 2017 Read thru the Bible Calendar will be available soon and if you'd like a copy, just call or e-mail our office for a copy. Great way to keep your dates straight and read thru the Bible in 2017.

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Commentary



The elections are over with - HALLELULIA!

by John Fisco

It didn't take long for the 'critics' to pounce on Starbucks with the anti-Christmas attack, if they would have just waited like last year, Starbucks is doing probably more than many other retailers including the nicely decorated CHRISTmas tree.

And then, the ultimate surprise was the recognition for Veterans. They had a couple tables set aside in honor of our veterans (as you can see here).



And not only the patriotic portion but amongst the display was a very nice NIV LIFE APPLICATION STUDY BIBLE. WOW! How many retailers are promoting a Bible amongst their display? It was very noticeable to see how people stopped, looked at the display and many paged through the Bible.

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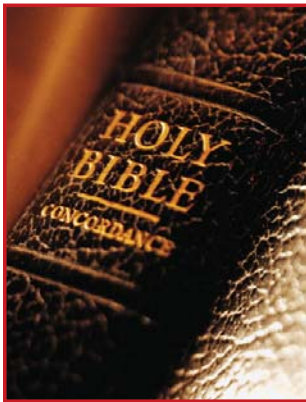


A Word from the Heart

By John Duckhorn

Knowing how to pray and what to pray for is a concern of God's children. We buy books and read the stories of praying Christians. We search for a pattern, one that will give us the correct words to say or perhaps a formula of some sort that will unlock the power of heaven on our behalf. Another issue is making sure our hearts are right with our Lord. This is needed. However, unless you are in a deplorable spiritual condition one ought to be able to enter a time of prayer with confidence. Our Lord intercedes for us and knows our hearts condition and burdens.

A careful reading of the New Testament teaches us about the many issues on the hearts of the Apostles; about matters such as health, open doors for the gospel, supply of finances, love among the Christians, harmony in the local fellowship and the inner strength all believers need in daily living. In Philippians 1:9-11 Paul prays for the Christians inner strength and spiritual insight. It is for an awareness of their hope and present life in the Lord. Similar prayers are found in Ephesians 1:16-21 and Colossians 1:9-14. Paul's desire is for them to increase in love one for another. They had shown their love for Paul by sending gifts to him on numerous occasions. He did not want them to stop at that point; he wanted their love one for another to abound and to find other people to love. We want and increase in wealth, success, and recognition, but how often do we ask God to increase our love for each? Our culture is constantly setting and evaluating its goals, let's re-evaluate this one as well.

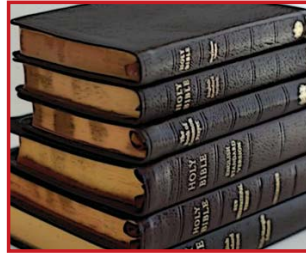


The love the apostle desires is not a mere sentimentality, not a just and stirring of the human emotions brought on by tragic circumstances that people suffer. Paul's desire is to have the believer's love regulated by a deeper knowledge of spiritual needs. This of course includes prayer for our spiritual needs and understanding of the Word and our practice of His Word. The world around has said that love is blind. It is a way of saying people are often too sympathetic or emotional in choosing

where or how to use their gifts or resources. True Christian love is alert looking for opportunities to serve the Lord. The typical evangelical is one of the most critical individuals around. We have so distorted the idea of discernment that we feel we have insight into everybody's motives and business. By discernment Paul is speaking of sensitiveness to proper values. Is it possible to waste our love on the wrong cause?

The knowledge we need is so that we can evaluate correctly. We won't let our children make some decisions until there is evidence that they have developed discernment. We need to group up so that we can approve the things that are excellent. We can spend time and energy on things that are of no real worth. We need to be alert to the counterfeit. What is disturbing is a belief that if I am right about a version of the Bible, a method of service, a style of worship, or an interpretation of a verse of scripture. That gives me a right to suspend love and demand that others meet my standards before I will go out of my way to love them. Don't ask others to measure up, but spend time thinking about growing in love and serving.

Thousands of Bibles Will Show Up in Public Schools Soon and It's Perfectly Legal



Since the 1962 landmark Supreme Court decision to remove prayer from public schools, Christians have fought to regain ground lost to political correctness.

More than 50 years after the ban on government endorsed prayer in school, one ministry is hoping to revisit the discussion by bringing the Bible back to school yards across America.

More than 300,000 students will let their light shine on their local campus through an initiative call "Bring Your Bible to School Day", backed by Focus on the Family. The one day event is completely student directed, meaning Christian youth groups lead the activities.

Focus on the Family says the purpose is to empower students to express their faith in a respectful way that shows the love of Christ.

In this season where religious freedom is a hotly debated topic, parents and participating students are encouraged to know their legal rights. Though there may be some negative reaction to witnessing on school grounds, they say bringing your Bible to school is a way of celebrating faith and religious freedom at the same time.

Students who voluntarily join this movement are encouraged to be a "voice of hope" while also respecting authority.

Focus on the Family points to your biblical leaders such as Daniel, Esther and Timothy who changed their culture by "taking a courageous stand for their belief in God."

Crosses, Symbol of Christ's Victory Over Evil, in Christian Towns Liberated from ISIS

By Leah Marieann Klett

After years of suffering under the Islamic State terrorist group, Christians triumphantly returned the Cross, the symbol of Christ's victory over evil, to villages in Iraq's Nineveh Plain.

As Iraqi and Kurdish security forces continue to clear formerly held ISIS territory, Christian leaders are slowly trickling back to their homelands - including Father Thabet, who brought a cross, the size of a man, covered with flowers, with him when he returned to his home village of Karamles.

Upon arriving home, he discovered his church had been heavily damaged by ISIS, and its cross thrown to the ground. Undeterred, the priest climbed Barbara Hill, next to his village, and planted the cross firmly in the ground overlooking his hometown.

"I am so happy I can do this. I'm smiling from cheek to cheek and I weep tears of joy at the same time. This is the trip I have been praying for, for two years now," he said, according to World Watch Monitor.

THE THREE WISE FIREMEN

There was a art contest held in a local school one Christmas season a few years ago in East Texas. One of the prize winners was a picture drawn by a nine year old boy showing three men, offering gifts to the baby Jesus in his manger. What made the picture unique is

how the three gift presenters arrived—there was fire truck on the side of the picture.

The principal asked the boy about his decision to draw the truck and the boy, in his heavy East-Texas accent, was quick to reply: "Well, the Bible says the wise men came from a-far."

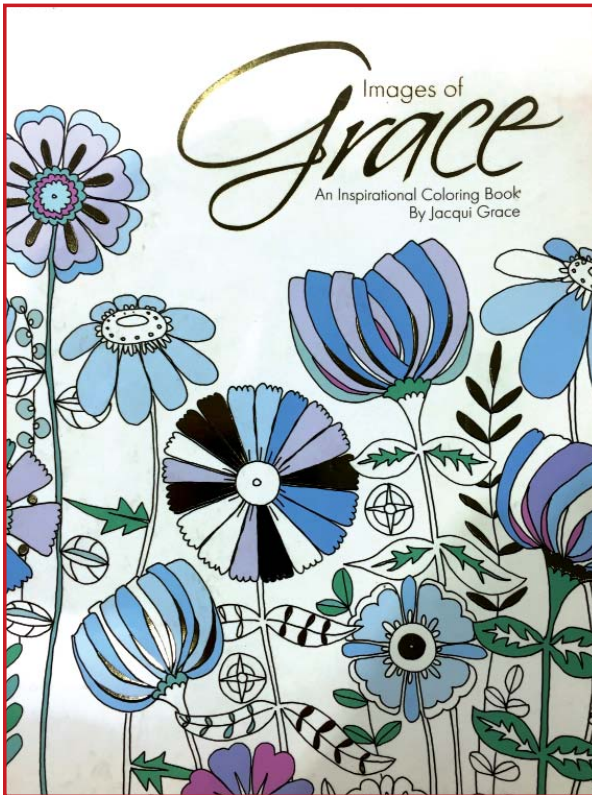




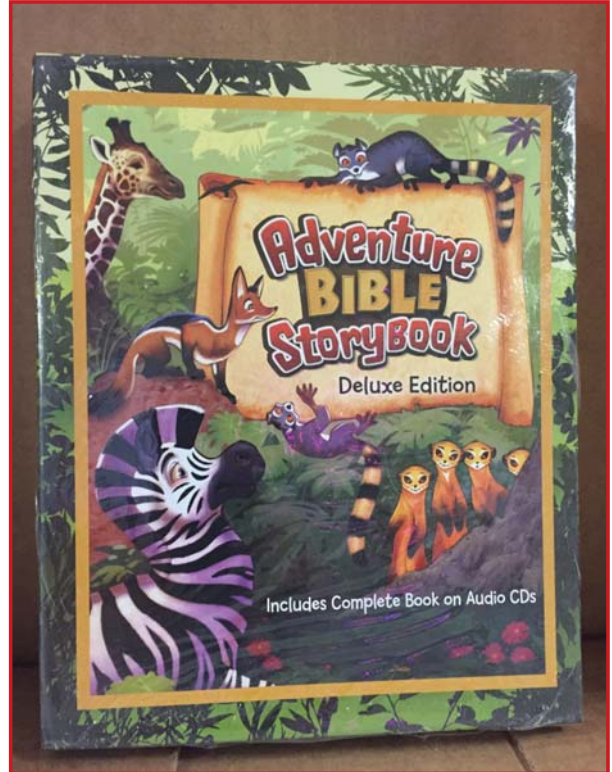
Book Reviews



Daily inspiration from God's Word anywhere! Find refreshment anytime, anywhere and keep your life headed true north with daily direction for students women and men. Get a super low price on these devotionals while supplies last. Makes great Christmas gifts.



The coloring book for adults craze is still in full swing and this one is excellent. Entitled "Grace" you will relax and enjoy these drawings to color. We have a great price as well. Under \$10.00 Get yours while supplies last.



A deluxe edition that enhances the Bible reading experience with audio CDs that include multiple character voices, music and sound effect. This book retails for \$24.99 but will be available for just \$12.50 while supplies last.

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The author of this series, Donna VanLiere, is a New York Bestselling author and this series will not disappoint. These books are great for gift giving and are priced at half the retail while supplies last.

AMY GRANT RESPONDS AFTER LIFEWAY REFUSES TO SELL CHRISTMAS ALBUM BECAUSE IT'S 'NOT CHRISTIAN ENOUGH'



Amy Grant has responded to LifeWay Christian Resources' decision not to sell her new Christmas album this year because it's not "Christian enough," but encouraged her followers to continue discussing what it truly means to be a follower of Christ.

"We respectfully accept Lifeway's decision that my new Christmas album didn't meet their criteria. Let's all move on from that decision without arguing about it. But let's not stop asking the questions about what it means to live in faith and reflect love to the

world around us," said Grant, in a Wednesday post on her official Facebook account.

"Asking questions opens all of us up to the possibility of being willing to consider how we might live differently," the Nashville-based singer continued. "We are all loved by God...all of us...How we communicate that experience is unique to each of us...Unity is not about everybody being the same...it's about all of us coming together...with our differences."

"Tennessee Christmas" was released Oct. 21 and its 13 tracks are a mix of Christmas hymns, Christmas mainstays and original songs. According to The Tennessean, LifeWay, the publishing arm of the Southern Baptist Convention, announced earlier this week its retail stores are not carrying the album, "Tennessee Christmas", but would not comment on the reasons for the decision.



News & More



God's Accuracy

When GOD solves our problems, we have faith in HIS abilities.

One may observe God's accuracy in the hatching of eggs...those of the canary in 14 days; those of the barnyard hen in 21 days; eggs of ducks and geese in 28 days; those of the mallard in 35 days; the eggs of the parrot and the ostrich hatch in 42 days. (Notice, they are all divisible by seven, the number of days in a week!)

See God's wisdom in the making of an elephant...The four legs of this great beast all bend forward in the same direction. No other quadruped is so made. God planned that this animal would have a huge body – too large to live on two legs. For this reason He gave it four fulcrums so that it can rise from the ground easily. The horse rises from the ground on its two front legs first. A cow rises from the ground with its two hind legs first.

How wise the Lord is in all His works of creation!

Each watermelon has an even number of stripes on the rind.

Each orange has an even number of segments.

Each ear of corn has an even number of rows.

Each stalk of wheat has an even number of grains.

Every bunch of bananas has on its lowest row an even number of bananas, and each row decreases by one, so that one row has an even number and the next row an odd number.

Amazing! There's more...

The waves of the sea roll in on shore twenty-six to the minute in all kinds of weather.

All grains are found in even numbers on the stalks.

God has caused the flowers to blossom at certain specified times during the day. Linnaeus, the great botanist, once said that if he had a conservatory containing the right kind of soil, moisture, and temperature, he could tell the time of day or night by the flowers that were open and those that were closed.

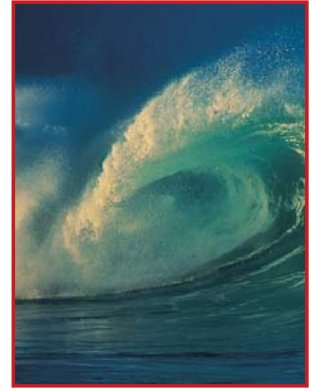
The lives of each of us may be ordered by the Lord in a beautiful way for His glory, if we will only entrust Him with our lives. If we try to regulate our own lives, we will have only mess and failure.

Only God, who made our brains and hearts, can successfully guide them to a profitable end.

When you carry the Bible, Satan has a headache; when you open it, he collapses.

When he sees you reading it, he loses his strength, and when you stand on the Word of God, Satan can't hurt you!

Life without God is like an unsharpened pencil – it has no point.



BUY YOUR OWN GIFT

Last Christmas, grandpa was feeling his age, and found that shopping for Christmas gifts had become too difficult. So he decided to send checks to everyone instead.

In each card he wrote, "Buy your own present!" and mailed them early.

He enjoyed the usual flurry of family festivities, and it was only after the holiday that he noticed that he had received very few cards in return. Puzzled over this, he went into his study, intending to write a couple of his relatives and ask



what had happened. It was then, as he cleared off his cluttered desk that he got his answer. Under a stack of papers, he was horrified to find the gift checks which he had forgotten to enclose with the cards.

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November

"Fish Fry and Hymn Sing"

November 18 at 5pm

Elmbrook Church
777 S. Barker Rd
Brookfield, WI 53045
Dinner at 5 pm in the fellowship hall and Hymns at 7 pm in the Chapel. Questions? Contact Jane at 262-798-0173 or e-mail at foerster4mcs@hotmail.com. To reserve your spot visit www.elmbrook.org/fishfry

Seniors Luncheon and Concert

November 18

Spring Creek Church
N35W22000 Capitol Dr.
Pewaukee, WI 53072
Spring Creek will present their monthly Seniors Luncheon followed by a delightful musical concert. This month's entertainment will be Becky Spice and Jack Forbes Wilson. Your heart will rejoice as you listen to Becky's melodious voice and Jack's dynamic piano. Don't miss this very special concert. Tickets are \$12.00 per person. Call 262-695-2211 for reservations.

Andrew Peterson in concert

November 18 at 5:30pm

Alliance Bible Church
13939 N. Cedarburg Rd
Mequon, WI 53097
Andrew is a Dove Award-nominated songwriter and a Christy Award-winning author and will share stories and songs on Nov. 18. Presented by Under The Radar. For Tickets, call 708-691-6876

Zumba for a Cause

November 19

Fox River Christian Church
S46W24130 Lawnsdale Rd
Waukesha, WI 53189
Fun cardio workout to Latin dance rhythms. Also on Nov. 22, Nov. 26, Nov. 29, Dec. 3, Dec. 13, Dec. 17. Call 262-544-6000 for more information.

Divine Redeemer Christmas Shoppe

November 19 from 7am to 11am

Divine Redeemer Lutheran School
31385 West Hill Rd (Hwy 83)
Hartland, WI 53029
Join us for a fun day, filled with fabulous artists, crafters & vendors! We will also have raffles; bake sale & lunch for a purchase.

Free Thanksgiving Feast

November 24 at 10am

Featuring music by Cheryl McCrary, Festival Hall, 5th Street, downtown Racine. Full course meal with beverages and desserts. Children's craft corner, dance teams. Everyone welcome. Go to www.civiccenteracine.com

Jonnie W comedy show

November 25 at 7:30pm

Cup O Joy
232 S. Broadway
Green Bay, WI 54303
Doors open at 7 pm For more info call 920-435-3269

Open Mic night

November 26 at 7pm

Cup O Joy
232 S. Broadway
Green Bay, WI 54303
For more info or to sign up call 920-435-3269

Open House

November 29 from 5pm to 6:30pm

Heritage Christian Schools
3500 S. Glen Park Road
New Berlin, WI 53151
Heritage Christian Schools will have a middle & high school open house. Meet teachers. Tour classrooms. Learn about great extracurricular activities. For more info call 262-432-0528

December

Women's Christmas Event

December 1 at 7pm

River Glen Christian Church
S31W30601 Sunset Dr.
Waukesha, WI 53189
Women's Christmas Event featuring Christian Artist Nicole Nordeman and local Christian speaker and former on-air personality Margo Fiessler. Free Event, includes dessert and hot chocolate bar with plenty of time to hang out with your friends. For more information call 262-968-5252

Carrollton Christmas Concert with Chad James

December 2 at 7pm

Fox River Christian Church
S46W24130 Lawnsdale Rd
Waukesha, WI 53189
To order tickets by phone call 1-800-965-9324. For more information please visit www.psalm92promotions.com. Tickets may also be purchased by going to tickets.com

Christmas Show

December 2 at 7:30pm

Cup O Joy
232 S. Broadway
Green Bay, WI 54303
Jean Watson and David Britton will present their Christmas show. For more information call 920-435-3269.

A Lake Country Christmas Holiday Fair

December 3 from 7am to 1pm

Lake Country Lutheran High School
401 Campus Dr.
Hartland, WI 53029
7th annual "A Lake Country Christmas Holiday Fair" filled with local artists, unique gifts, specialty vendors, a coffee bar & concessions, raffles and much more. All proceeds from this event will go to Lake Country Lutheran High School. Call 262-367-8600 for more information.

Bent Grass in concert (Bluegrass)

December 3 at 7:30pm

Cup O Joy
232 S. Broadway
Green Bay, WI 54303
For more info call 920-435-3269

Christmas Concert

December 3 at 10:30am

Cheryl McCrary performing at Christmas Concert event. Wisconsin Memorial Park, 13235 W. Capitol Dr., Brookfield, WI. Free admission, sleigh rides, crafts, cookies, refreshments, photos & more. Please visit www.dignitymemorial.com/wisconsin-memorial-park/en-us/index.page

Christmas Brunch Celebration

December 4

New Testament Church
10201 W. Bradley
Milwaukee, WI 53224
Combines Flock Christmas Brunch Celebration after the second service. Call 414-365-1690 for more information.

K-Love Christmas Concert

December 7 at 7pm

Riverside Theatre
116 W. Wisconsin Ave
Milwaukee, WI
Tour featuring Crowder, Mac Powell from Third Day, and Unspoken. For tickets go to www.k-love.com

Northbrook Church Women's Christmas Coffee

December 8 at 5pm

Northbrook Church
4014 WI-167
Richfield, WI 53076
With wonderful music with Tara Tess and speaker Rachel Inouye with dessert to follow. Call 262-628-3142 for ticket information. Also on Fri Dec. 9th

Big Cedar Bluegrass

December 9 at 7:30pm

Cup O Joy
232 S. Broadway
Green Bay, WI 54303
For more info call 920-435-3269

Couple's Christmas Party

December 10 from 6pm to 8pm

New Testament Church
10201 W. Bradley
Milwaukee, WI 53224
Call 414-365-1690 for more information.

Jessica Demi & TBA Christmas show

December 10 at 7:30pm

Cup O Joy
232 S. Broadway
Green Bay, WI 54303
For more info call 920-435-3269.

"The Star Motel" a Christmas Musical

December 2 – December 11

Oak Creek Assembly of God Church
7311 S. 13th Street
Oak Creek, WI 53154
"The Star Motel" a Christmas Musical will be presented. Tickets are free, but must be reserved. You may go to tickets@oakcreekag.org to order your tickets or call at 414-762-2010. Performance dates and times are Friday Dec. 2 at 7 pm, Saturday December 3 at 2 pm, Sunday December 4 at 5 pm, Friday December 9 at 7 pm, Saturday December 10 at 2 pm and Sunday December 11 at 5 pm

Cody Clauson Trio Music & Dinner Show

December 9 & 10

Fri. 6pm, and Sat. noon and 6pm
Green Lake Conference Center
W2511 Wisconsin 23
Green Lake, WI 54941
Enjoy a holiday buffet in the Bauer Dining Room followed by a musical show with the Cody Clauson Trio. Cody headlines the trio with tenor banjo, guitar and vocals. Their father Brent rounds out the group with steel guitar, piano, five-string banjo, violin and vocals. The trio's Christmas music includes country/western, jazz, blues, swing, bluegrass, ragtime and gospel. Tickets are \$45.00 for adults, \$25.00 for children 6-11, and \$12.25 children 5 & under. Overnight package: \$90/adult includes dinner, show, room and breakfast. Call 920-294-3323 for tickets

Christmas Musical

December 10 at 6pm

Fox River Christian Church
S46W24130 Lawnsdale Rd
Waukesha, WI 53189
Fox River will present their Christmas Musical Performance in the Auditorium. For more information please call 262-544-6000

New Song's Very Merry Christmas Tour 2016

December 10 at 7:30pm

River Glen Christian Church
S31W30601 Sunset Dr.
Waukesha, WI 53189
Doors open at 6:45 pm. For more information please visit www.psalm92promotions.com or call 262-968-5252. Tickets also available on tickets.com

Senior Luncheon and Concert

December 16

Spring Creek Church
N35W22000 Capitol Dr.
Pewaukee, WI 53072
Spring Creek presents their monthly Senior Luncheon. Enjoy a delicious meal followed by a concert. This month's entertainment will be presented by Dan Forness which will include a mix of classic pop and sacred Christmas tunes in a relaxed, give and take atmosphere with piano and vocal artist Dan Forness. Cost is \$12.00 per person. Call 262-695-2211 for reservations or questions.

Space reserved for your next event!

LOOK WHAT HAS COME

In his 1942 devotional *Abundant Living*, E. Stanley Jones, Methodist doctor and missionary to India, writes:

The early Christians did not say in dismay: "Look what the world has come to," but in delight, "Look what has come to the world." They saw not merely the



ruin, but the Resource for the reconstruction of that ruin. They saw not merely that sin did abound, but that grace did much more abound. On that assurance the pivot of history swung from blank despair, loss of moral nerve, and fatalism, to faith and confidence that at last sin had met its match.

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Calendar



J.J. Heller Christmas Show

December 16
Cup O Joy
232 S. Broadway
Green Bay, WI 54303
For more info call 920-435-3269.

The Krause Family Christmas show

December 17
Cup O Joy
232 S. Broadway
Green Bay, WI 54303
For more info call 920-435-3269

Finish Strong- Woman's Empowerment Luncheon

December 17 at 12pm
Windsong Village Clubhouse
7101 104th Ave
Kenosha, WI
Worship by Cd recording artist Cheryl McCrary, guest speaker Minister Tanisha Burks, praise dance by Semone Love. Childcare not provided. Free admission, but must register by Dec. 12 at contactwvmag@gmail.com

Christmas Cantata

December 18 at 5pm
New Testament Church
10201 W. Bradley
Milwaukee, WI 53224
New Testament will present their Christmas Cantata at 5 pm. Please call 414-365-1690 for more information.

Inspiration Message

December 18 at 10am
Faithlife Victory International Church
Woman's Club
6028 8th Ave
Kenosha WI
Inspiration Message by Pastor Gilbert Mwachia. Special Christmas music lead by worship leader Cheryl McCrary. Everyone is invited to attend the reception; enjoy Christmas treats, cookies, beverage and fellowship.

Christmas Celebration

December 18 at 10am
Faithlife Victory Int'l Church
Christmas Celebration, Woman's Club, 6028 8th Ave (west entrance), Kenosha. Music by Cheryl McCrary and her new CD's will be available. Cookies & refreshments to follow. Everyone welcome. Free admission. Visit www.faithlifevictory.org

Open Mic Night

December 23 at 7pm
Cup O Joy
232 S. Broadway
Green Bay, WI 54303
For more info or to sign up call 920-435-3269.

April Strom Johnson & Friends

December 30 at 7:30pm
Cup O Joy
232 S. Broadway
Green Bay, WI 54303
For more info call 920-435-3269.

The Juggler/The Yellow Shoes New Year's Eve Show

December 31 at 7:30pm
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232 S. Broadway
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RSVP at 262-914-0725

January

Mecan River Ramblers (Bluegrass)

January 6 at 7:30pm
Cup O Joy
232 S. Broadway
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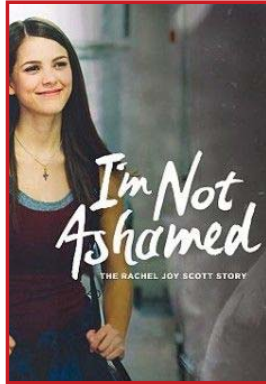
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Columbine Mother Shares How Christian Faith, Daughter's Example Allowed Her to Forgive: Exclusive Interview

By Leah Marieann Klett

Beth Nimmo, the mother of Rachel Joy Scott, the first student killed in the Columbine High School massacre in 1999, has shared how her Christian faith allowed her to forgive her daughter's murderers and use her story to inspire others.



Rachel, a 17-year-old student known for her Christian faith throughout the Colorado school, was sitting on a patch of grass eating lunch with her friend when

18-year-old Eric Harris and 17-year-old Dylan Klebold approached her, shooting her three times. After realizing Rachel was still alive, the killers returned and asked her, "Do you still believe in God?" She answered, "You know I do", whereupon he replied "Then go be with Him" and shot her in the head.

"The Lord commands us to forgive, and I know Rachel would have forgiven her killers," Nimmo said. "She was on their target list and she had tried to reach out to them - she'd already put herself out there where her shooters were concerned... I forgive, because for Rachel, that day was a life sentence. But, for it to not be my life sentence, I have to turn it over to the Lord and say, 'It wasn't right, but I want you to free me in my heart and mind from living in the pain of that moment.'"

Nimmo has authored several books about Rachel's life - "Rachel's Tears" and "The Journals of Rachel Scott" - and shares her daughter's story with students around the world to relay the importance of inclusion, compassion, and forgiveness.

"I share the point that if I had to face those two shooters that day and I said, 'I forgive you,' they would have laughed and mocked me to my face," she explained.

"But, forgiveness is about you, not them, it's giving you the key to unlock the emotional and physical prison that the violator put you in."

Nimmo emphasized that it's crucial to understand that forgiveness doesn't mean saying everything is okay: "A lot of people are afraid to forgive, because they think it means what happened to them, the violation, whether it was emotional, physical, financial thing, that forgiveness means what happened to them is okay," she said, "But forgiveness doesn't mean that violation is okay, and I share that all the time with kids, because forgiveness isn't for the violator, it's for the person."

Nearly 17 years after her death, Rachel's story will be told in an upcoming film, *I'm Not Ashamed*, which examines the young

woman's courage, deep faith, and love for others. The film, which hits theaters Oct. 21, is based on journals and pictures Rachel left behind, in which she wrote about her faith and expressed a prophetic belief that her life would be cut short.

Nimmo hopes the film, which stars Sadie Robertson and Ben Davies, will inspire viewers of all ages and encourage students to stand firm in their faith and understand that they're not alone - regardless of what society tells them.

"By sharing Rachel's story, we're talking about a young girl who faced peer pressures and how she fought to be authentic, and we show her struggles," Nimmo said. "It wasn't easy; she struggled at times, but she's honest and she poured her heart out to the Lord and is constantly asking to be used by Him. He honored that request and He helped her stay true to what she wanted to do."

She added, "Kids today are constantly faced with double standards and mixed signals - culture is cultivating their values and what's important. The church needs to counteract those influences; it's difficult for kids today - they don't know what truth looks like and they're searching everywhere. Kids that love the Lord feel isolated, that they're the only ones. Rachel talks about it. This brings it all out - the movie is honest. We've tried to be true to her writing, and it's just as relevant for kids today as it was 17 years ago."

Over 19K Sign Petition Condemning Georgia for Demanding That a Pastor Turn Over His Sermons, Bible

An online petition started by the Family Research Council condemns Georgia officials for demanding that a Seventh-day Adventist lay minister hand over his sermons to the state government, calling it an attempt to silence people of faith.

"I stand with Dr. Eric Walsh's freedom to believe and live according to his deeply-held beliefs. The demand that he hand over his sermons, sermon notes, and all pastoral documents including his Bible represents a government intrusion into the sanctity of the church, pastor's study, and pulpit," reads the petition to Georgia Governor Nathan Deal.

"Heavy-handed tactics like this have the effect of intimidating and silencing people of faith everywhere. Such targeting of the pulpit by the government is unconscionable, and I urge you to use all means of your authority to correct this egregious overreach of the state into church affairs."



As The Christian Post reported on Wednesday, Walsh is a leading health expert who was previously appointed to President Obama's Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDs, but the state's Department of Public Health ended up rescinding his employment after it investigated his Christian views on marriage.

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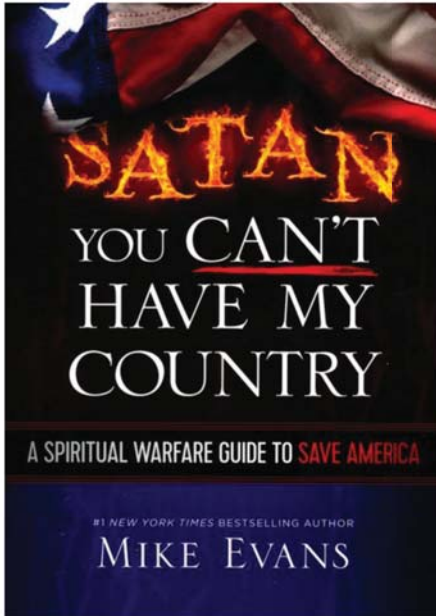


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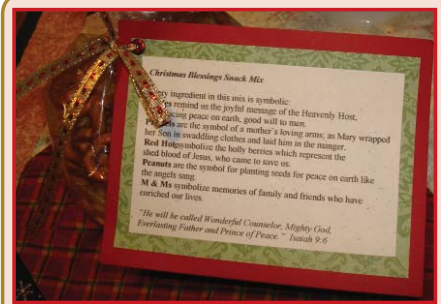
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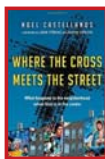
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"Brother Jack Chick passed away Sunday evening, October 23, peacefully in his sleep. He was 92," Chick Publications' Facebook page announced.

He had been suffering from poor health weeks before he died, according to his long-time secretary Karen Rockney, The Guardian reported.

Chick was best known for creating small cartoon pamphlets, also known as Chick tracts or "chicklets," which tackled different topics like false religions, Halloween, homosexuality, witchcraft and the occult and abortion. He also focused on contemporary issues in his comics. His works all had one thing in common: they pointed the reader to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

For example, one of his works, entitled "Dark Dungeons," discussed the real and imminent harm of participating in the fantasy

role-playing game Dungeons and Dragons, and how Jesus can help anybody who has been deep in the game and wants to break free.

Chick embraced the Christian faith by listening to Charles E. Fuller's radio program "Old Fashioned Revival Hour," which he and his wife listened to regularly by the insistence of his in-laws.

He was reportedly struck when Fuller quoted the Bible: "Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow." God touched his heart and he surrendered his life to Christ, according to Christian Comics International.



Chicago Cubs' Ben Zobrist 'Heart' of Club But His Soul Belongs to God as Avowed Christian



Ben Zobrist, Chicago Cubs' second baseman and left fielder, is the son of a pastor and an avowed Christian. He also is someone who just tied an obscure record with Babe Ruth by becoming the second player to have three hits in Game 1 of consecutive World Series baseball appearances. Additionally, he was named 2016 World Series MVP after hitting a go-ahead RBI double in the 10th inning of Wednesday night's Game 7 win over the Cleveland Indians.

"I feel pretty good," Zobrist told the Sporting News. "Obviously when you hit a few balls your confidence goes up and hopefully you can square a few more up. Hopefully that continues."

"Ben Zobrist is becoming my favorite baseball player," Cubs' catcher David Ross said. "Ben is just humble and asked to do so many things through the season. He played second base through most of the year and hasn't spent a day at second in the postseason."

Last year, Zobrist played for the Kansas City Roy-

als, the winner of the 2015 World Series. He had six hits, including four doubles, and three walks in 26 visits to the plate. He scored five runs in five games and helped the Royals win the World Series.

Zobrist grew up in central Illinois where he was a star high school athlete. His father, Tom, was pastor of Liberty Bible Church in Eureka, reports Christian Index.

The Chicago Tribune reported, "Zobrist had planned to follow his dad, Tom, the pastor of Liberty Bible Church, into the ministry after graduating near the top of his class when he spent \$50 of his birthday money to attend a tryout in nearby Peoria."

An Olivet Nazarene University coach then offered Zobrist a baseball scholarship, whereat he played baseball for three years and then transferred to Dallas Baptist University. The four-sport high school athlete developed enough all-around skills to be drafted out of Dallas Baptist University by the Houston Astros.

The Tribune reported: "There was the night Ben was drafted in 2004 and pledged to his clergyman father to 'represent God and be a missionary in baseball.'"

Zobrist's wife, Julianna, is a popular Christian singer with a successful career of her own. They bonded over their dedication to their faith and their hopes of raising a Christian family together.

Ross said Zobrist was the club's leader in this World Series. "He's a guy who you lean on who has been in this moment."

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Holy Cathedral COGIC

2677 N 40th Street
Milwaukee 53210
Sunday School 10AM
Sunday Worship 8:30, 11AM, 6:45PM
414.447.1966

Hope Lutheran Church

1115 N 35th Street
Milwaukee 53208
Sunday Worship 10:30AM
Sunday Bible Study 9:15AM
414.342.0471

Kingdom of Heaven Christian Min.

9235 W Capitol Dr Lower Level
Milwaukee 53222
Sunday 10AM
414.393.1500

Lakeshore Church

1820 E. North Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53202
414-273-2850
Sunday 10:30 am
Friday- Bible Study 4 pm

New Beginnings Seed Faith M.B.C.

138 W North Ave
Milwaukee, WI 53215
Pastor Annie Smith
Service 1:00 p.m.
Sunday School 2:15 pm

New Hope Church

1501 W Lincoln Avenue
Milwaukee 53215
Sunday Worship 10AM & 6PM
Wednesday Bible Study 6PM
414-882-7891

Parklawn Assembly of God

3725 N Sherman Blvd
Milwaukee 53216
Sunday Worship 8, 11AM
414.442.7411

Restoration International Ministry, Inc.

5017 W. Center Street
Milwaukee, WI 53210
414-499-7961
Christian Education Sunday
12:30 pm
Worship Service Sunday 1:30 pm

Souls Harbor Baptist Church

3800 S Howell Ave
Milwaukee 53207
Sunday School 10AM
Worship Services 11AM, 1PM
Thursday 7PM
414.342.1234 or SoulsHarborBaptist.org

Spiritual Healing & Restoration Ministries

2925 W Lincoln Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53215
Pastor Patsy McNeely
First Service 12/04/2016 @ 3:00 P.M.

Trinity Community Church

9450 N 60th Street
Brown Deer 53223
Sunday Worship 10AM
414.354.6620

Word is God Worship Center

3320 W Vliet St
Milwaukee 53208
Sunday Worship 11AM
414.342.1318

Word of Grace Fellowship

4949 West Villard Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53218
Pastor Ernie Oby
Sunday Service: 10:30am
Wednesday Service: 6:30pm
414-464-9643
wordofgrace2@msn.com

SOUTH SUBURBS (AREA 2)

Cedar Hills Church

6911 S 20th St
Oak Creek 53154
Sunday School 9:30AM
Worship Service 10:30AM
414.761.1880

Cornerstone Bible Church

11321 St. Martins Rd.
Franklin, WI 53132
Sunday Bible Study 9:30AM
Children's/Jr Church 10:30AM
414.232.3158 or
www.cbcrfranklinwi.com

Faith Christian Fellowship

A Family Church
11010 W. St. Martins Road
Franklin 53132
Sunday Worship 10:30AM & 6PM
Wednesday Bible Study 7PM
414.425.5880

Harvest Community Church

6612 S Howell Ave
Oak Creek 53154
Saturday 5:30PM
Worship Service 8:45, 10:30A

Jubilee Christian Family Church

3639 W Ryan Road
Franklin 53132
Sunday Worship 10AM
Wednesday Bible Study 7PM
Mon-Fri AM 1340 12:45PM
414.423.0700 or Jubilee-Christian.org

Milwaukee Victory Church

2110 W National Ave
Milwaukee 53204
Sunday Worship 10AM
414.645.7496

Life Restoration Church

2422 W National Ave
Milwaukee 53204
Sunday Worship 10AM
414.383.2280

Oak Creek Assembly of God

7311 S 13th Street
Oak Creek 53154
Sunday School 9:30AM
Worship Service 8, 10:30AM
Sunday Evening 7PM

St John's Lutheran Church

4850 S Lake Dr
Cudahy 53110
Call for times 414.481.0520

Southbrook Church

11010 W. St. Martin's Road
Franklin 53132
Sunday Worship 10:30AM
414.427.1929

WEST SUBURBS (AREA 3)

Beloit Road Baptist Church

8337 W Beloit Rd
West Allis 53219
Call for times 414.543.0655

Body of Christ Ministries

6610 W. Greenfield Avenue
Located inside of V.E.A. Center
414-587-9899

1340AM Radio: Sundays 6PM
Chl 14 - Sat 1PM, Sun 8AM-10AM

Sunday Worship: 10AM
Wednesday Bible Study: 6:45PM
www.KimSargentMinistries.org

Brookfield Christian Reformed

14135 W Burleigh Rd
Brookfield 53005
Sunday Worship 9:30AM, 6PM
262.784.1125

Calvary Bible Church (see ad)

1459 S 81st Street
West Allis 53214
Call for times 414.778.2253

Elmbrook Church

777 S Barker Rd
Brookfield 53045
Worship Services Sat 5PM
Sunday 8, 9:30, 11AM
262.786.7051

Family Prayer & Worship Center

2370 S. 75th Street
West Allis, WI 53219
414.216.FPWC (3792)
Worship Sundays 10AM
Wednesday 7PM
www.fpwcenter.org

First Baptist Church-New Berlin

3800 S Casper Dr
New Berlin 53151
Sunday School 9:15AM
Sunday Worship 10:30AM
Wednesday Bible Study 7PM
262.782.7775 or
www.fbcnwberlin.org

New Beginnings Fellowship Intl.

8650 W National Ave
West Allis 53219
Sunday Prayer 8:45AM
Sunday Worship 10:30AM
Sunday Praise 6PM
Wednesday 7PM
414.543.0603
NewBeginningsInternational.net

Faith Christian Church

4800 S. Calhoun Rd,
New Berlin
Worship Services
Sundays 11:15AM & 6:00PM
Wednesday 6:30PM
414-423-5241

New Song Church

Klemmers
10401 W. Oklahoma Ave.
Sunday 10AM

Pipeline to Jesus Church

13400 W Beloit Rd
New Berlin 53151
Sunday Worship 10AM
Tuesday 7PM
414.525.0000 PipelineToJesus.org

Poplar Creek Church

17770 W Cleveland Ave
New Berlin 53146
Sunday Worship 7:45, 9, 10:45AM
(5:30PM for 20's/30's)
Wednesday 7PM
262.782.1777
PoplarCreekChurch.org

Reformation Hope Church

915 Adelmans Ave., Lower Level
Brookfield, WI 53045
Sunday Worship 10:30AM
Family Bible Hour Sunday 1:00PM
www.reformationhopechurchministries.com

Risen Savior Bible Church

8556 W National Ave
West Allis 53227
Sunday Worship 9AM
414-617-0347 or
RisenSaviorBibleChurch.org

Saviour Assembly of God

201 N 121st St,
Wauwatosa 53226
Sunday Worship 10:30AM
Thursday Eve Bible Studies 6PM
414.259.1228

Showers of Blessing

8544 W National Ave STE #28
West Allis, WI 53227
Sunday School 10:00AM
Sunday Worship 10:30AM
414.502.7584

Victory International Fellowship

3285 N Calhoun Road
Brookfield, WI 53005
262.783-2900
www.vifonline.org

Wauwatosa Bible Chapel

2200 N 67th Street
Wauwatosa 53213
Sunday Lord's Supper 9AM
Family Bible Hour 10:30AM
Wednesday 7PM
414.771.1030 or
WauwatosaBibleChapel.org

WeatherStone Church

1500 S. West Lane
New Berlin 53146
Sundays 9am & 10:45am
weatherstonechurch.org

REGIONAL (AREA 4)

Berean Family Worship Center, Inc.

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N112 W17655 Mequon Rd
Germantown, WI 53022
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Tuesday 6:30 pm prayer, 7 pm service

Blessed Hope BIC Church

4949 State Highway 38
Franksville, WI 53126
Sunday at 9:00 am
(262) 822-HOPE (4673)
<http://www.blessedhopebic.org>

Covenant Connection Fellowship Church

2841 Emslie Drive
Waukesha, WI 53188
Worship: Sunday at 10am & Wednesday at 7pm
www.covenant-connection.org

Delavan Christian Reformed Church

850 Oak Street
Sunday Worship 9:30AM 6PM
262.728.6801

Faith Christian Fellowship

1200 Racine St.
Racine 53403
262.637-6220 or RacineFC.org

Faithlife Victory International Church

Sunday worship 10:00am
(Temporarily meeting at the Kenosha Woman's Club)
6028 8th Avenue & 60th Street
(use west entrance) Kenosha WI 53143
www.faithlifevictory.org

Foundational Biblical Baptist Church

6224 22nd Ave.
Kenosha, WI 53143
Sunday School 10am
Morning Service 11am
Main Service 6pm
262-654-4665 www.fbcbkenosha.org

Family Chapel

N25 W23050 Paul Road
Pewaukee 53072
Sunday Worship 10AM
FamilyChapel.org

Grace Bible Chapel

3917 59th Street
Kenosha 53144
Sunday Lord's Supper 9AM
Family Bible Hour & Sunday School 10:30AM
Wednesday Prayer 7PM
262.654.9631 GBC-Kenosha.org

Hillside Community Church

S93 W30580 County Rd NN
Mukwonago 53149
Sunday Worship 9AM
Call for Bible Studies
262.363.8025 or Hillsidemuk.org

Journey Church Burlington

740 Center St.
Burlington, WI 53105
262-767-3649
Sun. 9 & 10:45
Wed. 6:30

Journey Church Kenosha

1000 75th St
Kenosha, WI 53142
262-694-3300
Sat. 6pm
Sun. 9 & 10:45
Wed. 6:30

Lake Country Bible Church

N45W32481 Watertown Plank Rd
Nashotah, WI 53058
Sunday Bible Study 9AM
Worship 10:15AM
262-369-8777 LakeCountryBible.org

Northbrook Church

4014 Hwy 167 West
Richfield 53076
Saturday 5:30PM
Sunday Worship 8AM, 9:30AM, 11AM
262.628.3142

Oconomowoc Faith Bible Fellowship

25 McDowell Court
Oconomowoc 53066
Sunday Lord's Supper 10AM
Family Bible Hour 11AM
262.567.7234

Orchard Hill Assembly of God

N9590 County Rd E5
Mukwonago WI 53149
Sunday Worship, 9:30am
Wednesday, Family Night & Youth Ministry, 6:30pm
(262) 363-5443
<http://www.orchardhillag.com>

Praise Fellowship Church

W195 S9912 Racine Avenue
Muskego, WI 53150
Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday Service: 6:30 p.m.
www.praise-fellowship.org

Summit Harvest Church

888 Thackerway Trail #209
Oconomowoc 53066
Sunday Worship 10AM
262.560.0765
SummitHarvestChurch.org

Terrace Shores Ev Free Church

W3278 County Road K
Markesan 53946
Sunday Worship 7:45, 9:15, 10:45AM
920.398.2734

Watertown Community Church

106 E Madison St
Watertown 53094
Sunday Worship 10AM
Call for other meetings/studies
920.206.0599 or
WatertownCommunityChurch.org

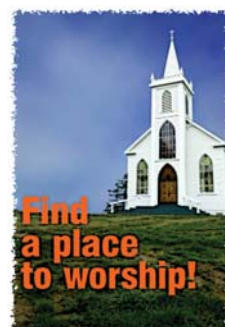
West Bend Church of the Nazarene

609 Sandy Acre Drive
West Bend, WI 53090
262-334-7124
www.wbnaz.com
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Monday Ladies Bible Study 10:30 am
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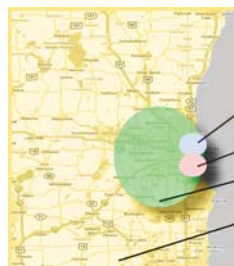
Zion Christian Assembly

Zion Chapel 319 Cedar Street
Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085
Sunday Lord's Supper 9:30AM
Bible Ministry 11:00AM & 6:30PM
Wednesday 6:30PM
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