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Many songs we sing at Christmas are reminders that Christmastime is supposed to be happy. Songs like "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year," "Have a Holly Jolly Christmas," "Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire," "Jingle Bells," and "Walking in a Winter Wonderland" all communicate that Christmas time is to be a joyous, trouble-free season.

But let me ask you honestly: Is that what you are experiencing this season? Probably not. For some of you, personal problems are keeping you from experiencing the joy of the season. For others, you feel like one crisis after another has run you over. With such an avalanche of problems it is hard to have a holly-jolly Christmas.

Some of you are so busy and working so hard that there is no time for sitting around a fire roasting chestnuts. Or, maybe there is not anything really wrong, but for some reason you are just not enjoying Christmas. It is not providing the emotional lift that you expected. In fact, it is almost depressing. The world does not look like a winter wonderland. It just looks like winter.

Disillusionment at Christmas is not an unusual thing. We get so hyped up with expectations about what Christmas is supposed to be that often the real thing doesn't measure up, and we are disappointed.

What can you do this Christmas to avoid disillusionment? How can you improve your level of joy this Christmas? The answer is found in the story of the magi in Matthew 2. Magi, wise men from the East, saw a star that indicated the birth of a new king in Israel. Wanting to honor Him with gifts, they set out on a journey following the star to find this newborn King. From the attitudes of these wise men and the events that surrounded their journey, we see how we can raise our level of joy at Christmas.

There are three lessons we learn from this story.

I. WHAT DO YOU SEEK?

Your level of joy at Christmas is directly related to what it is you seek. Ask the question: What is it I want

to get out of Christmas? What is it that would make your Christmas wonderful and satisfying? Snow? All the family together and happy? A feeling you define as the holiday spirit? Finding the right present to give? Getting the present you have been hoping for? The problem with all these is that they can leave us disappointed.

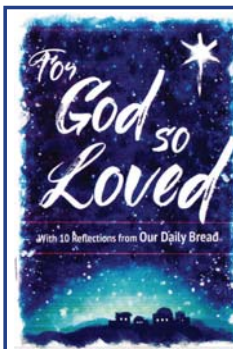
Have you ever had that kind of experience - when you were disappointed by Christmas because it did not deliver what you thought it would? The problem is not Christmas. It is in our expectations. We are looking for the wrong thing.

The magi show us how to increase our level of joy at Christmas by looking for the right thing. What was it they were looking for? Verse 2 tells us. They came to Jerusalem and said, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him." They were looking for Jesus. Christmas for them was an opportunity to worship Jesus.

That is what we need to be looking for and expecting this Christmas - an experience of worship, a fresh glimpse of He who was born King of the Jews. If our goal this Christmas is to worship Jesus, then I doubt very seriously we will be dissatisfied with our experience.

II. WHERE DO YOU LOOK?

Your level of joy at Christmas is directly related to where you look. We learn from the magi that there are wrong and right places to look for Christmas. They started by looking in the wrong place. They looked where their own human reasoning said they should look. The star indicated the birth of a new king in Israel. The magi went where kings should be born - to the palace of Herod the Great in the capital city of Jerusalem. But what a mistake that was! When Herod heard of the birth of a new king, he jealousy sought to destroy him.



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We, too, are tempted to look for joy at Christmas in the wrong places. We think by getting or giving the right gift we will be satisfied. We imagine that being with family will be joyful. All these can easily disappoint us. You may not be able to afford the right gift for a loved one. Family members may be missing from

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Commentary



Pay It Forward This Season

by John Fisco

You hear of many ways for people to help others in some way. One of the best known is the "go fund me" where people donate money to help those less fortunate. Great idea if properly administered. Let's talk



about the "PAY IT FORWARD" idea. One of the speakers at the Pastor's Appreciation Breakfast told of his experience with this happening in his life. A student at Madison UW and wants to go to the InterVarsity Urbana Conference. He had no money, so one of the coaches at Madison told him he would pay his way to go. He did, and what has happened with this person since then (many years ago) is unbelievable. Founding a church; working with Christian organizations in many foreign countries; speaking at conferences with promoting the Gospel in many different ways. Just think, a little funding to send someone to a conference and the end results are still happening.

I had it happen twice to me. One in the drive through of a Starbucks. Got to the window and they told me my coffee was paid for from the car ahead. They were on their way and I couldn't even thank them for it (and it sure tasted good). Then while in a small town, had a great talk with a vendor and happen to meet up at an ice cream shop later. She saw us come in and without our knowing it, paid for our order, and left. The clerk said "It's paid for by the person who just left". Tried to run out and catch the person, however long gone. Do

you know how really good that food tasted? It's unbelievable how small actions, loose change, and a giving spirit can affect people's lives.

Now, let's bring it up to date with the Thanksgiving and Christmas season upon us. Are we making a list of everyone we are trying to "impress" with gifts? Having a dinner with? Doing some kind act? All are good, but really, is it good enough to make an impact that will give a chill to a person; smile on their face; help cross a troubled bridge; wander through a sickness or death? We can't measure the impact that paying it forward will do for someone, but God knows and His shovel is always bigger than ours. He can multiply many times over the small acts of kindness that we do, and being available to many that are on the edge of a cliff? Scrap the gift list and start preparing the "Pay it Forward" list and watch the blessings flow.



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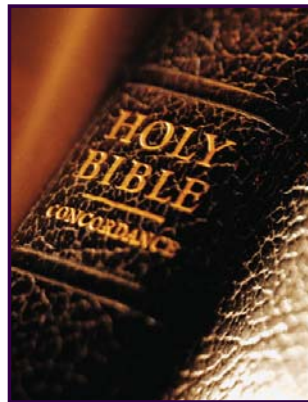
A Word From the Heart

by John Duckhorn

Those who write on the life of the Apostle Paul usually spare no praise in describing this man. Concerning christianities rudimentary beginnings it is said of Paul, "the moment Paul appeared on the stage was in the utmost need of a man of extraordinary endowments, who being possessed with its genius, should incorporate it with the general history of the world; in Paul it found the man it needed."

The other Apostles are described as unlettered men. Stalker says of Paul, "he enjoyed the fullest scholastic advantages of the period. In the rabbinical school he learned how to arrange and state and defend his ideas. We have the results of all this in his epistles, which contain the best explanation of christianity possessed by the world." Stalker goes on to describe Paul as God's chosen one to help break down prejudices and bring in the universal character of christianity, in this manner "beyond Palestine lay the great world of Greece and Rome - the world of vast populations, of power and culture, of pleasure and business. It needed a man of unlimited versatility, of education, of immense human sympathy and breadth, to go out there with the gospel message - a man who could not only be a Jew to the Jews, but a Greek to the Greeks, a Roman to the Romans, a Barbarian to the Barbarians - a man who could encounter not only Rabbis in their synagogues, but proud magistrates in their courts and philosophers in the haunts of learning. —No man of this size belonged to the original apostolic circle; but christianity needed such a person, and he was found in Paul."

The description of Paul given by F. F. Bruce, Conybeare and Howson, numerous commentaries and encyclopedias exceed Stalker's praises of this unique man. But how does Paul describe himself? Is it possible that Paul did not see it as we do? Many people have filled special



places and have been placed by God for a special work and yet have not been aware of their unique accomplishments.

Paul describes himself as "one born out of due time." As a mother might give birth before her time, Paul felt he was one who was more like a miscarriage. He didn't feel that it was about time he was used because he was the one to take the lead. In other words, Paul was not an outstanding person with an attitude. He felt unworthy to be identified with the crude Galileans who had spent 3 years in the school of Christ. What I find amazing is that instead of being motivated by his sinful background and God's mercy to him, Paul never forgot that he was one who persecuted the church of God. This description of himself appears in Ephesians, 1 Timothy and Acts.

We can learn some important lessons from Paul's own description of himself. No matter what qualifications we have we do not deserve to be used by God. His work will go on nicely without any of us. It is possible to respect those who some might deem inferior in talents and background. Paul attributed his service directly to God's grace. Even when he said "I labored more abundantly than they all" the implication was not that he was more successful than the others, but only that he pushed on to regions beyond. We must learn also, that it isn't necessary for all sinful memories to fade away before we can serve the Lord. The memory of his past ways did not become an excuse for spiritual indolence, but instead became a great motivational force in serving God. It is His love that constrains us, not our potential. Too many unique capable people have failed just as many journeymen have. Proverbs 27:2 says: "Let another man praise you, and not your own mouth; a stranger, and not your own lips."

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your holiday celebration. If you are looking to these things for joy, you may be left with a feeling of disillusionment.

The magi looked in the right place when they looked to God. The trip to Jerusalem was not a total loss. While there they discovered where they should have looked in the first place: the Bible. The scribes in Jerusalem said that, according to the prophet Micah, the Messiah was to be born in Bethlehem. With this new information, they looked again at the star and followed it to Bethlehem until it stood over the house where the child Jesus lived.

III. WHAT DO YOU GIVE?

Your level of joy at Christmas is directly related to what you give. The magi came to Jesus' house bearing gifts. The gifts they gave were entirely appropriate. They gave gold, gift for a king. By giving it they acknowledged that Jesus was and is the King. They gave frankincense, a gift for a priest. This was incense the priests used in Temple. By giving it they acknowledged that Jesus was a priest - the One who would bring us to God. They gave myrrh, gift for the dead. This was a fragrant ointment used to anoint a body before burial. By

giving it they acknowledged that Jesus had come to die for the sins of the world.

We ought to give appropriate gifts this Christmas as well. Don't get me wrong, I'm not talking about material gifts. I am talking about more important things. We ought to give the gift of our love and kindness to our friends and family. We ought to give the gift of our help to those who are hurting. We ought to give the gift of forgiveness to those who have hurt us. Giving these kinds of gifts will result in a joyous and meaningful Christmas.

CONCLUSION

What are you giving for Christmas this year? Why not consider giving yourself? Give your time to your family. Give your compassion to the hurting. Give your forgiveness to the isolated. And give your heart to Jesus? I promise you, when you look for the right thing, look in the right places, and give the right gift, you will have joy at Christmas.

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For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this. Isaiah 9:6-7



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Billy Graham's Grandson Reveals What Caused Him to 'Fall in Love' With the Bible



Will Graham, grandson of the late Billy Graham, has shared how he "fell in love" with the Bible while studying at Liberty Univer-

sity and reflected on how his time at the college influenced his ministry career.

Graham, who serves as the executive director of the Billy Graham Training Center at The Cove and vice president of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, said his time at the private college in Lynchburg, Virginia, was "very instrumental" in shaping who he is today.

"When I got there, I knew a lot about the people because I was so rooted in church, and I had a mom and dad who read me the Bible," he said. "But when I came to Liberty, I actually fell in love with the Bible. I just de-

veloped this love for the Bible and I soaked it up."

The 43-year-old Graham, whose father is famed evangelist Franklin Graham, said that even today, he draws upon the tools and techniques he learned at Liberty when crafting his sermons.

"I had one professor who taught me how to organize my Bible study so I could learn how to teach myself God's Word," he recalled. "His name was Paul Fink. Paul has now passed away, but he was very influential in my life and shaping how I studied the Bible and how I make my sermons today."

Chinese Pastor of Demolished Church Refuses to Bow to Authorities: 'Of Course We're Scared, But We Have Jesus'

A pastor whose church was demolished by Chinese authorities — who then sent him a bill for related costs — has expressed his unwavering faith in God despite such persecution.

The Guardian reports that in September, authorities demolished Zion Church in Beijing, one of the biggest unofficial congregations in the country. Pastor Jin Mingri, who had preached there every Sunday for decades, was then sent a bill for 1.2m yuan (£133,000) for the related costs.

Jin told the outlet that the demolition of the church was part of Chinese president Xi Jinping's larger crackdown on religion in the country.

"Before, as long as you didn't meddle in politics the government left you alone," he said. "But now if you don't push the Communist party line, if you don't display your love for the party, you are a target."

He added, "Of course we're scared, we're in China, but we have Jesus."

According to reports, the 1,500-member congregation was shut down after it refused to install surveillance cameras in its sanctu-



ary or register as an official Three-Self Patriotic Movement (TSPM) church.

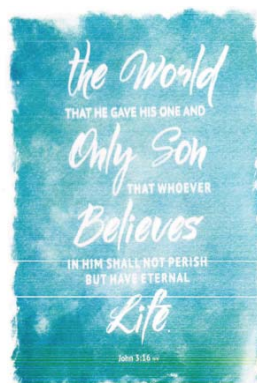
"The church decided this was not appropriate," Jin previously told Reuters. "... Our services are a sacred time."

Following the church's refusal, state security officials and police started to harass churchgoers, even contacting their workplaces and asking them to promise not to go to church.

"On Sunday, the Beijing Chaoyang district civil affairs bureau said that by organizing events without registering, the church was breaking rules forbidding mass gatherings and were now 'legally banned' and its 'illegal promotional material' had been confiscated," reported the news agency.

Persecution watchdog China Aid reports that Zion "has decided it will not be swayed by the ban and instead hold services outdoors."

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You can never truly enjoy Christmas until you can look up into the Father's face and tell him you have received his Christmas gift. ~ John R. Rice



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Deborah's Voice Brings God's Presence to DC, Rejects Values of Women's March

A movement of conservative Christian women with a passion for biblical values and the advance of the Gospel is raising its voice against the "nasty woman" ideology of the Women's March.



Thousands of women gathered on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, many clad in blue T-shirts that read "Awake Arise Advance," to worship the Lord and declare what they stand for in an event called Deborah's Voice. Speakers included Gigi Graham, the eldest child of the late evangelist Billy Graham, and Genelle Guzman-McMillan, the last survivor to be pulled out from the rubble of the Twin Towers following the 9/11 attacks, among others.

"If I could encapsulate it in one phrase I would said it is 'piercing the darkness,'" said Kim Hale, music director for Deborah's Voice, to The Christian Post on the steps of the historic monument, when asked about the significance of their presence in the nation's capital.

"I feel like bringing the presence of God to this place right here, and you look around here and you see all the monuments ... and we felt the presence of God here. We felt it; it was so powerful. We had many people come up and say that the impact was hard, but in a good way."

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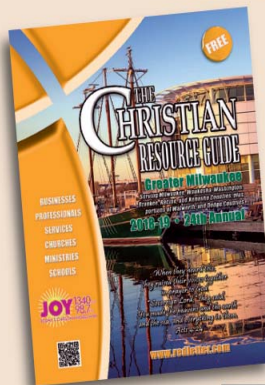
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November

Secret Keeper Girl November 11 at 6:30pm

Wooded Hills Church
777 Hwy 164
Colgate, WI
The Masterpiece World Tour is a Bible-based connection experience for moms and their tween daughters (ages 7-12). The two and a half hour event features biblical teaching on the concept of being a creation within God's masterpiece world. Live worship. For more information please call 262-227-6553.

Women's Brunch November 12 at 9:30am

Davians's Catering & Events
16300 W. Silver Spring Dr.
Menomonee Falls, WI
The Milwaukee Suburban Christian Women's Connection invites you to brunch with special speakers Rachael Snodgrass from Oostburg. A CPA turned actress, she talks about trying to be in control, and the "drama" in her life. The cost is just \$15.00, which includes brunch. Please call Lois at 262-251-3841 for reservations.

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Christmas Music November 15 from 6pm to 8pm

Racine Regency Mall, Center Court
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Racine, WI
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Coffeehouse Live! with jazz artist Charis Jazz

November 16 from
7:30pm to 9:30pm

Holy Grounds Coffeehouse
5409 N. Green Bay Ave
Milwaukee, WI 53209
Free admission. Donations to the band appreciated. Doors open at 7 pm. Families welcome. For more info call Mary White at 414-228-5220 X212

Senior Lunch November 16 at 11:30 am

Spring Creek Church
N35W22000 Capitol Dr.
Pewaukee, WI 53072
Lunch will be followed by a delightful musical concert by Kay Stiefel and Jack Forbes Wilson. Sit back and enjoy songs by well-known composers such as Irving Berlin, Stephen Sondheim, Rodgers & Hammerstein. A celebration of gratitude, optimism, and humor, in a show called COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS. Reservations must be made in advance along with a payment of \$12.00

Benefit Auction November 16

Sheraton Milwaukee/Brookfield
375 S. Moorland Road
Brookfield, WI 53005
Evangelical Child & Family Agency invites you to attend our inaugural "Benefit Auction" 5:30 pm Registration and Door Opens for viewing and bidding. Musical Entertainment. 6:30pm Generous Appetizers served and 7:30 pm the auction begins. Tickets are \$15.00 or table of 10 for \$150.00

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November 17 at 6pm
Instituto Cervantes
31 West Ohio St.
Chicago, IL
Pre-Holiday fashion show and concert fundraiser with special guest including model/vocalist Cheryl McCrary. Tickets and vendor opportunities available. Please visit www.educationrunway-chicago.com

Surviving the Holidays Seminar November 18 at 4pm

Spring Creek Church
N35W22000 Capitol Dr.
Pewaukee, WI 53072
When you are grieving a loved one's death, the holiday season can be especially painful. Our Surviving the Holidays Seminar helps participants discover how to deal with emotions, helpful tips for surviving social events, and how to find hope for the future. All participants will receive a Survival Guide, complete with 30 daily devotions and journal. This is a free event. Appetizers will be served and childcare will be available. Please pre-register. Call the church at 262-695-2211.

Worship November 22 at 10am

Eastbrook Church
5353 N. Green Bay Ave
Milwaukee, WI 53209
Join us for time of worship, story-telling, and giving thanks with your Eastbrook family. For more information please call 414-228-5220.

Free Annual Thanksgiving Dinner November 22 at 10am

Festival Hall
5 Fifth St.
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Music by the Cheryl McCrary Band, family activities, crafts & more! To volunteer or sponsor please call 262-898-7900

Free Thanksgiving Dinner

November 22 from
11:30am to 2pm
Divine Savior Lutheran Church
3200 Hwy K South
Hartford, WI 53027
No reservations needed. Free to Everyone! Dine in only. Call 262-673-5140 for more information.

Salvation Army Event November 23 from 10am to 3pm

Southridge Mall
5300 S. 76th St
Greendale, WI
The Salvation Army will take over Southridge Mall on Black Friday. Salvation Army representatives will be stationed at the center of the mall and have a full schedule of activities and special appearances planned for Black Friday Shoppers. You can contact the Salvation Army at 414-302-4300 for more information.

Advent Worship Night November 30 at 6:30pm

Eastbrook Church
5353 N. Green Bay Ave
Milwaukee, WI 53209
Advent Worship Night will begin at 6:30 in the Worship Hall with a short program and a time of worship, followed by an optional craft making Advent Wreath at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall and a time of fellowship. This evening, you will be able to pick up an Advent Devotional for your family to do beginning on Sunday December 2 and continuing until Christmas. Please pre-register for the Advent Wreath craft by November 23. No registration is required for the worship night, but please bring a plate of cookies to share. For more information please call 414-228-5220 X225.

Young Couples Gathering November 30 at 7pm

Elmbrook Church
777 S. Barker Rd
Brookfield, WI 53045
This event is for couples in their 20s-30s as a place where they can learn and grow in their marriage together. Join us on November 30 for an exciting talk on marriage while having the opportunity to meet other couples in the same stage of life. Questions? Contact Kyle at kfrier@elmbrook.org

December

World Changer 2018 December 1 from 9am to 4pm

Elmbrook Church
777 S. Barker Road
Brookfield, WI 53045
World Changer 2018 Event is a conference for college students, giving them the spiritual and practical tools they need to be a light in the workplace. We have several guest speakers that will come in and address various elements, from living out your purpose to leveraging LinkedIn. Located in the Brookfield Campus Chapel. Questions? Contact Chris at cchapa@elmbrook.org

Annual Breakfast December 1

417 Main St.
Delafield, WI
Free Annual Breakfast with the Reindeer. Music by the Cheryl McCrary Band, family activities and more. Donations accepted, and non-perishables donated to local food pantry.

Lake Country Christmas Holiday Fair

December 1 from
9am to 4pm

Lake Country Lutheran High School
401 Campus Dr.
Hartland, WI 53029
Join us for our annual Lake Country Christmas Holiday Fair at Lake Country Lutheran High School in Hartland. We will have local artists, crafters and vendors, as well as concessions, fabulous raffles and a bake sale sponsored by the Dance Team.

Community Blood Drive

December 1 from
9am to 1pm

Faith Church Milwaukee
4240 N. 78th St
Milwaukee, WI
Faith Church Milwaukee will be hosting a Community Blood Drive. This event will be sponsored by the Blood Center of Wisconsin. Call to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome. Please call 414-463-6500 for info.

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Leadership Luncheon



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Christmas and Holiday Sing-Along

December 2 at 4pm

Calvary Lutheran Church
1750 N. Calhoun Rd
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Join us for traditional Christmas carols, accompanied by Calvary's Lynn Dobson pipe organ. Grab some refreshments and we will continue the sing-along with popular holiday tunes. Free and all are welcome! Call 262-786-4010 for more info.

Tenth Avenue North

December 2 at 7pm

River Glen Christian Church
S31W30601 Sunset Dr.
Waukesha, WI

K-LOVE welcomes Tenth Avenue North to Waukesha for their Decade The Halls tour, with special guest Love & The Outcome! For tickets or information call the church at 262-968-5252.

Women's Christmas Coffee

December 6 at 7pm

Northbrook Church
4014 Highway 167 West
Richfield, WI

Bring a friend to this wonderful Christmas celebration full of music and fun, plus a special guest speaker. Afterward, enjoy delicious dessert and time to sit and talk. Ticket sales begin November 3 at Eventbrite. Contact the church at 262-628-3142 for more info.

Women's Christmas Celebration

December 10 at 7pm

Elmbrook Church
777 S. Barker Rd
Brookfield, WI 53005

Ladies, we are busy lining up an Amazing evening for you and your friends. Ann C. Sullivan is the keynote speaker for this year's Women's Christmas Celebration. Ann has challenged and encouraged thousands of women for the last 15 years as an international speaker and author. Also featuring Dawn Johnson, Worship Director of the Loring Park campus of Wooddale Church in Minneapolis, MN. Tickets are \$15.00 per person. Doors open at 6:30 for general admission seating.

Red Kettle on the Red Carpet Gala

December 15

Westin Hotel
550 N. Van Buren St.
Milwaukee, WI

This black-tie extravaganza will feature one-of-a-kind auction prizes, a gourmet dinner and R&B legend Brian McKnight as the night's entertainment. Sponsored by The Salvation Army. To purchase tickets online, please visit <http://salar.my/GALA2018>

Christmas Concert

December 17

Villa at Lincoln Park
1700 C.A. Becker Dr.
Racine, WI

Festive music by Cheryl McCrary. Please e-mail Cheryl at cmccrary@wi.rr.com for more information and times.

Women's Brunch

December 17 at 9:30am

Davians Catering & Events
16300 W Silver Spring Dr.
Menomonee Falls, WI

The Milwaukee Suburban Christian Women's Connection invites you to brunch. Special speaker will be Barbara Hoffner from Madison. The presentation will be "Are you ready for adventure?" Everything for only \$15.00 which includes brunch please call Lois at 262-251-3841 for reservations

Senior Lunch

December 21 at 11:30am

Spring Creek Church
N35W22000 Capitol Dr
Pewaukee, WI 53072

Mark your calendar for the December Senior Lunch. A scrumptious, homemade lunch followed by a delightful musical concert. This month's entertainment will be "A Civil War Christmas". Imagine what Christmas was like on the battlefield in the midst of the Civil War through letters, stories, Civil War music and Christmas carols. Reservations must be made in advance. Tickets are \$12.00 each. Please call the church at 262-695-2211

Pre-Holiday Concert

December 22 at 6:30pm

206 Terrace Dr.
Mundelein, IL

Pre-Holiday Concert with music by recording artist Cheryl McCrary Band. Drew Up and dance \$13.00 cash donation at the door which includes appetizers, treats & snacks. Everyone Welcome.

Christmas Eve Services

December 23 at 10am and December 24 at 1,2,3,4,5 & 6 pm

Christ Church Mequon
13460 N. Port Washington Rd
Mequon, WI

Kick off your Christmas traditions this year with a relevant and memorable worship service at Christ Church. All ages will be engaged and impacted as we reflect on the true reason for the season, the birth of Jesus. 8 services, 3 styles. Please call 262-243-3093 for more information.

Christmas Eve Celebration

December 24 at 2:30pm, 4pm, & 5:30pm

Eastbrook Church
5353 N. Green Bay Ave
Milwaukee, WI 53209

Join us on Christmas Eve for a celebration of Jesus, the Light of the world. For more information you may e-mail matterickson@eastbrook.org

Blanket/Jacket Distribution

December 24 from 2pm to 7pm

Our annual blanket/sleeping bags and jackets for Milwaukee's homeless distribution will be on Christmas Eve. Donations can be brought to Crosspoint Community Church in Oconomowoc or ProBuColls Books & Gifts in West Allis anytime. For the ultimate family Christmas Eve, consider serving from 2-7 pm with actual distribution being from 4-6 pm. Items needed: All size jackets and gloves from children's to adult XXXL, all genders. New or gently used. Also need sleeping bags of all sizes and blankets of all sizes. Churches can do collections and we'll pick the items up from the church. Joint effort of Shalom Ministries, Mission Possible and area churches. About 350-400 people will receive wonderful free items and be given the Good News of Jesus being the reason for the season. For more information contact Brad Christianson at 262-751-9681.

Christmas Family Feast

December 25 at 11am

Wisconsin Center
400 W. Wisconsin Ave
Milwaukee, WI

Christmas Family Feast is free and open to the public! This is the largest event hosted by The Salvation Army on Christmas Day in the Country. About 1,400 volunteers typically help serve more than 8,000 people. For more info call The Salvation Army at 414-302-4300.

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News Shorts



SURPRISE: BIBLE READERS PREFER PHYSICAL OVER DIGITAL COPY

Americans' access to digital books may be growing, but they still enjoy reading a physical copy of the Bible.

A new Barna survey shows that 89 percent of Bible users in the United States read a physical version – a percentage that has remained steady the past eight years.

Reading the Bible on the Internet (57 percent) and on a smartphone (55 percent) remains popular, but a Barna report said Americans' usage of a physical version is noteworthy.

NEARLY 200,000 STUDENTS EXPECTED TO "STAND FOR CHRIST" ON ATHLETIC FIELDS ACROSS THE COUNTRY STARTING OCTOBER 10TH!

For many, sports has become more of a platform than a way to glorify God. But nearly 200,000 students, coaches, parents and community members gather on hundreds of athletic fields nationwide on October 10 for the FCA's 15th annual Fields of Faith to bring glory to Jesus Christ rather than attention to themselves.

These athletes will stand for their faith at upwards of 500 student-led and student-driven gatherings across the country and around the world. The central focus is to encourage their peers to pray, read their Bible and commit their lives to Christ.

HILLSONG TO FORM ITS OWN DENOMINATION

Millions of people around the world know Hillsong through its many campuses, television network, and three recording labels. Now, Hillsong Church will also form its own denomination, ending its connection to a denomination with which it has been affiliated since its founding.

Originally founded as Hills Christian Life Centre in 1983 by Brian and Bobbie Houston, Hillsong now has over 120 campuses in over 20 nations. According to a letter released by Houston, this global reach necessitated that they leave the Australian Christian Churches, a branch of the Assemblies of God, to form their own denomination.

Houston said the split from the ACC had nothing to do with any "grief or dispute" between the two parties. He reiterated his love for the ACC and respect for its current leader, Pastor Wayne Alcorn.

UK HIGH COURT BACKS THE BAKERS: IT'S CALLED FAITH, NOT DISCRIMINATION

The supreme court just handed Christian bakers a major religious freedom victory. No, not our Supreme Court.

Britain's highest court unanimously ruled in favor of a Christian bakery that declined to create a cake that expressed support for same-sex marriage.

In 2014, a customer asked the owners of Asher's Bakery in Belfast, Northern Ireland to create a cake that read "Support Gay Marriage" and which depicted Bert and Ernie from Sesame Street, who have become gay icons.

The owners, Daniel and Amy McArthur are Christians. They declined to create the cake because it expressed a message that contradicted fundamental tenets of their faith.

Throughout the whole ordeal and the trial that followed, the owners insisted that the issue for them was the message, not the customer. As Daniel McArthur told reporters outside of the court, "We didn't say no because of the customer; we'd served him before, we'd serve

him again . . . It was because of the message. But some people want the law to make us support something with which we disagree."

It's worth noting for a moment the parallels between this story and that of both Barronelle Stutzman and Jack Phillips. Like Stutzman,

the person who charged the McArthurs with discrimination was an established customer whom they had previously served without incident.

Like Phillips, the McArthurs were willing to serve the complainant anything that they would serve anyone else. And as in both cases, it didn't matter—at least not initially.

EDGAR SANDOVAL BEGINS TENURE AS PRESIDENT OF WORLD VISION U.S.

Edgar Sandoval has officially taken the helm as the President and Chief Executive Officer of World Vision United States. Sandoval, 54, has served as the organization's Chief Operating

Officer for the past three years.

In his new role, he will be charged with building on World Vision's 68-year legacy of bearing witness to the good news of the kingdom of God by partnering with children, families, and their communities to tackle poverty and injustice.

NETFLIX TO ADAPT C.S. LEWIS' THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA INTO SERIES

Netflix recently announced that they have signed a deal permitting them to develop a new television series based on the wildly popular book series turned motion picture franchise, C.S. Lewis' The Chronicles of Narnia.

"It is wonderful to know that folks from all over are looking forward to seeing more of Narnia and that the advances in production and distribution technology have made it possible for us to make Narnian adventures come to life all over the world," Douglas Gresham, Lewis' stepson said in a press release. "Netflix seems to be the very best medium with which to achieve this aim, and I am looking forward to working with them towards this goal."

GOSELL THE MOVIE: THE MURDER CASE THAT PUT ABORTION ON TRIAL

A new film is telling the details of a horror so unspeakable, it shocked federal investigators. It's a story that needs to be told.

Sometimes, a movie is not about entertainment. Sometimes, it's about something much more important. A film can expose grave evils, and even inspire us to fight those evils. I think "Gosnell: Trial of America's Biggest Serial Killer," is just such a film.

Directed by Nick Searcy, the movie dramatizes the horrific, real-life account of Dr. Kermit Gosnell, the west Philadelphia abortionist whose clinic was described in a 2011 Grand Jury report as a "house of horrors." During a drug raid there, authorities discovered unsanitary conditions, remnants of 45 aborted fetuses in bags inside freezers, rows of jars containing fetal feet, and untrained staff administering medications, which resulted in the death of at least one patient.

The 281-page report described how Gosnell and his staff regularly delivered full-term babies whom they then killed by "snipping" their spinal cords with scissors. Hundreds of infants were dispatched in this way. Despite numerous complaints to the state health department about the clinic conditions, Gosnell's filthy abortion mill went without an inspection for sixteen years.

In 2013, Gosnell was found guilty of multiple counts of first-degree murder, involuntary manslaughter, and felony late-term abortions. All together, he faces three consecutive life sentences.





News & More

Richard DeVos, Christian Billionaire and Orlando Magic Owner, Dies at 92; Hailed for Vision, Values



Christian billionaire Richard DeVos passed away at the age of 92, leaving behind a legacy of entrepreneurship as well as values.

DeVos died at his home in Ada, Michigan, following complications from an infection. Rick DeVos, his grandson, posted a series of updates on Twitter last week.

“Early this morning our family’s patriarch, Richard DeVos Sr. went home to join his dear wife Helen with Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. These next days will be full of great joy and sadness as our family celebrates a life truly well lived and mourns the coming days without him,” Rick DeVos wrote.

“We celebrate Grandma & Grandpa’s incredible legacy of creation & generosity as a generational chapter closes. The next generation has already taken up their standard, and another follows close behind. It is an unbelievable honor to carry the name Richard Marvin DeVos III,” he added in the statement.

DeVos was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on March 4, 1926. Among his many notable business achievements, he co-founded direct selling company Amway in 1959, and in 1991 he bought the NBA Orlando Magic franchise.

DeVos and his late wife, Helen, donated to Christian churches and ministries through the Richard and Helen DeVos Foundation. The foundation has been a major contributor to evangelical organizations including Focus on the Family and Family Research Council.

DeVos, who is father-in-law of U.S. Education Secretary Betsy DeVos, was appointed by former President Ronald Reagan to the Presidential Commission on AIDS.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES POLICY NOW IN EFFECT, DECLARES “LIFE BEGINS AT CONCEPTION”

In its strategic plan that went into effect Oct. 1, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ policy now defines life as beginning at conception.

“HHS accomplishes its mission through programs and initiatives that cover a wide spectrum of activities, serving and protecting Americans at every stage of life, beginning at conception,” the plan says.

“A core component of the HHS mission is our dedication to serve all Americans from conception to natural death,” the plan says.

The strategic plan is part of what seems like moves by the HHS to support pro-life policies.

In June, an official with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services spoke at the National Right to Life convention.

“Our president is fearless when it comes to life and conscience,” said Roger Severino, who directs the Health and Human Services’ Office for Civil Rights. “We’re just getting started.”

Megachurch Pastor Jim Garlow Resigning From Skyline to Minister to Politicians, Gov’t Officials

Southern California megachurch pastor Jim Garlow will step down from his role as senior pastor at Skyline Church in La Mesa in order to focus on ministering to lawmakers, ambassadors and federal government employees.



Garlow told The Christian Post last week that he will officially step down from the San Diego-area 2,100-member congregation in the middle of November as he looks to expand a governmental ministry he helped found called Well Versed Nations.

The ministry, which has existed in some capacity through holding weekly Bible studies for members of Congress for the past four years, has been expanded in recent months to include Bible studies for employees of the United Nations in New York City and employees of a federal agency in Washington, D.C.

“We know that the ways of God apply to every aspect of culture, including the governmental,” Garlow explained. “We don’t buy into the notion that biblical principles must be kept from the governmental sphere. We recognized that God and government should not be separated because He is the One who first thought of government.”

IT’S THE THOUGHT THAT COUNTS

Jim and Bill were fortunate enough to have a season ticket to watch the Packers. They could not help noticing that there was always a spare seat next to them and they had a friend who would love to buy a season ticket, especially if all three could have seats together.



One half-time Jim went to the ticket office and asked if they could by buy the season ticket for the empty seat. The official said that unfortunately the ticket had been sold. Nevertheless, week after week the seat was still empty.

Then on the first Packer playoff game of the new year, much to Jim and Bill’s amazement the seat was taken for the first time that season. Bill could not resist asking the newcomer, “Where have you been all season”. Don’t ask he said, the wife bought the season ticket back last summer, and kept it for a surprise Christmas present.



THE CHRISTIAN BROADCASTING NETWORK LAUNCHES CBN NEWS CHANNEL

Exactly 57 years (October 1, 1961) after The Christian Broadcasting Network (CBN) debuted on the airwaves of a tiny UHF station in Portsmouth Virginia (WYAH-TV), CBN returns to network broadcast programming with the launch of the CBN News Channel, the first 24-hour Christian television news channel. Pat Robertson, founder of CBN, and Gordon Robertson, CEO of the network, made the announcement. The CBN News Channel is available in the Milwaukee market as WTSJ (Ch. 38.5).

News & More

InterVarsity Launches '2030 Calling' to Plant Christian Fellowships at 2,500 US Colleges



InterVarsity Christian Fellowship has launched a "2030 Calling" — an initiative to bring Christian fellowships to all major college campuses in the United States in the next 12 years.

The inter-denominational, evangelical Christian campus ministry announced its new initiative on Monday to bring Christian ministries to all 2,500 U.S. college campuses that have over 1,000 students by the year 2030.

According to the ministry, about 53 percent of those 2,500 schools do not have a known campus ministry presence.

"Our deep conviction is that every student at every university and every faculty member at every university deserves an opportunity to hear the Gospel in a compelling, passionate and personal way from

somebody that they know," Greg Jao, InterVarsity director of external relations and senior assistant to InterVarsity President Tom Lin, told The Christian Post. "The best way to do that is to make sure that there is a campus fellowship at every one of those places."

Jao explained that the 2030 Calling is strategic because "today's college students represent the leaders in our churches, government, businesses and nonprofits of tomorrow."

"Reaching today's college students and introducing them to the Gospel and helping them to follow Jesus not only changes their lives but changes the trajectory of our country over decades," he said.

In a statement, Lin explained that the 2030 Calling signals a "new shift" in how the organization approaches campus ministry. He also stressed that the goal isn't necessarily to bring InterVarsity to every campus but to ensure there is some form of fellowship present at all of the campuses.

"This is not about planting InterVarsity's flag on every campus; it's about declaring God's glory on every campus," Lin stressed. "We believe the Lord can use us, in partnership with others, to bring a powerful movement of the Spirit among a new generation of students and faculty. We truly are longing for revival on campus. And we believe that, in the next 12 years, that's exactly what God will do through the 2030 Calling."

Actor Mark Wahlberg Shares That He Begins His Day with 30 Minutes of Prayer

Mark Wahlberg recently shared his daily routine in a story on his Instagram account.

Wahlberg, Hollywood's highest paid actor in 2017, undertook his intense daily routine to prepare for his role in the upcoming film Mile 22. However, prayer has been central in his life for several years.

"The first thing I do when I start my day is, I get down on my hands and knees and give thanks to God. Whenever I go outside of my house, the first thing I do is stop at the church. The kids will be mad with me. 'Daddy! It takes too long!' I'm saying: 'It's only 10 minutes and this is something I really need to do.' Because I do. If I can start my day out by saying my prayers and getting myself focused, then I know I'm doing the right thing. That 10 minutes helps me in every way throughout the day."

Wahlberg has also expressed regret over some of the roles he played earlier in his career, especially one in an Oscar-nominated film in which he portrayed a porn star. He told Cardinal Blase Cupich at an event in Chicago that, "I just always hope that God is a movie fan and also forgiving because I've made some poor choices in my past." When Cupich asked if he regretted any of his movie roles, he said, "Boogie Nights is up there at the top of that list."

Wahlberg said he does not pray so he can have success but focuses his prayer time on his wife, his four children, and his character. "For me to sit down and ask for material things is ridiculous. It's a much bigger picture than that. I want to serve God and to be a good human being and to make up for the mistakes I made and the pain I put people through. That's what I'm praying for, and I recommend it to anybody."

When asked about how he accomplishes all that he does, he told Men's Health, "If you're doing the right things, then there's enough time in the day to get it all done."



GREAT UNCLE JEFFERSON TAYLOR

The Taylors were proud of their family tradition. Their ancestors had travelled to America with the Pilgrim Fathers on the Mayflower. They had included Congressmen, successful entrepreneurs, famous sports people and television stars.

They decided to research and write a family history, something for their children and grandchildren. They found a specialist genealogist and writer to help them. Only one problem arose - how to handle

Great Uncle Jefferson Taylor who was executed in the electric chair.

The writer said she could handle the story tactfully. When the book appeared the section about Jefferson read:

Great Uncle Jefferson Taylor occupied a chair of applied electronics at an important government institution, he was attached to his position by the strongest of ties, and his death came as a great shock.





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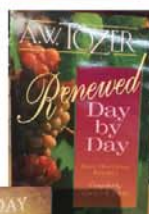
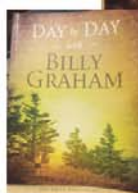
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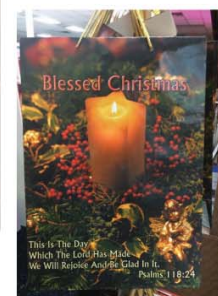
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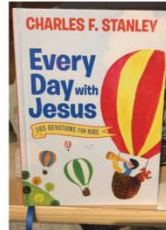
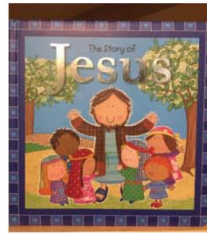
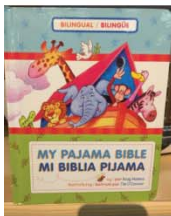
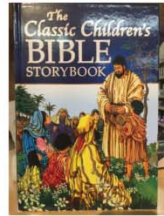


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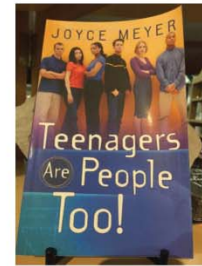
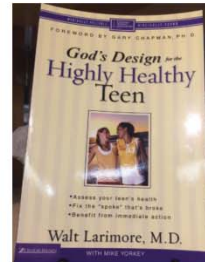


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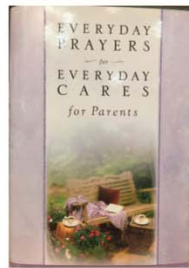
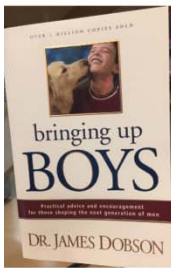
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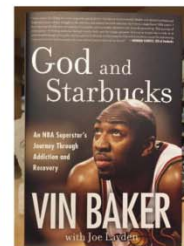
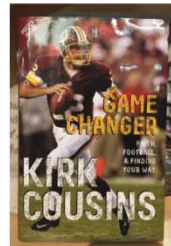
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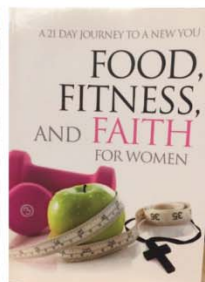
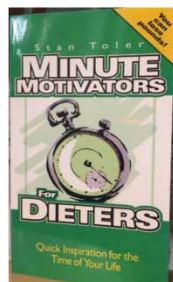
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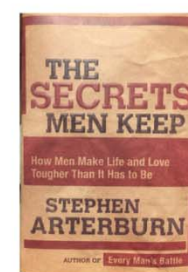
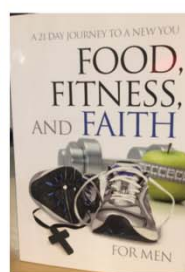
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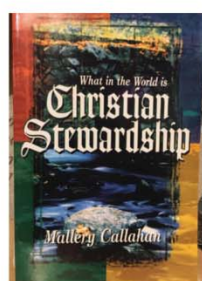
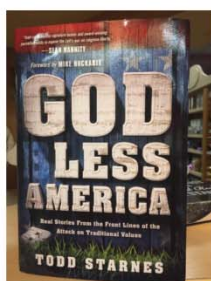
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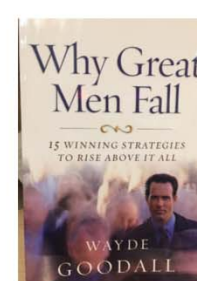
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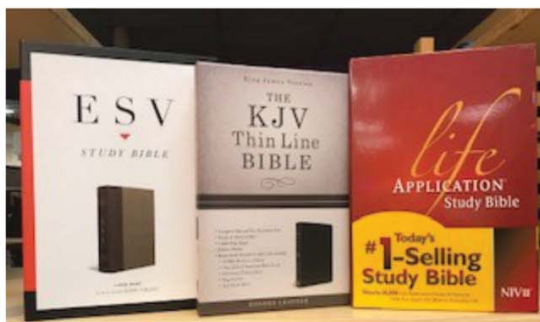


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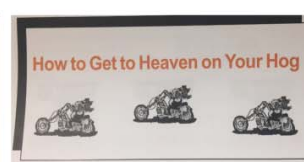
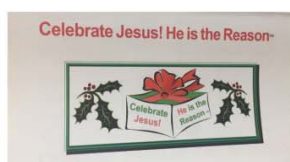
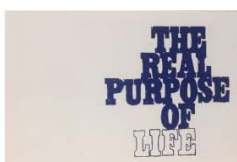
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Hyatt Hotels to Millions of Conservatives: You're Not Welcome at Our Hotels

Best-Selling Author Brigitte Gabriel and ACT for America Founder Says First Amendment Wasn't Created to Protect Just Leftist Speech, But ALL Speech

The Hyatt Hotels Corporation issued a statement declaring that it would no longer host "hate groups" after a well-coordinated, Soros-funded smear campaign was launched by groups such as the Muslim Advocates, MoveOn.org, the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) and the discredited Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC), targeting the hotel chain for hosting ACT for America's national conference at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City Hotel.

By taking this stance, the Hyatt Hotels Corporation has become complicit with the radical left's attack on freedom of expression, ACT for America says. By accepting the SPLC's definition of a "hate group," Hyatt is telling millions of Americans they are no longer welcome at its hotels.

Had Hyatt done its research, the company would have found that the Southern Poverty Law Center has raised millions of dollars from

attacking regular conservative organizations like the Family Research Council, PragerU, Turning Point USA, Alliance Defending Freedom and the American Conservative Union, along dozens of others.

Hyatt's decision to ban "hate groups," in reality, is a decision to ban all freedom-loving, flag-waving conservative Americans from the hotel chain. While ACT for America has come to expect this from left-wing radicals, it certainly did not expect a prominent American hotel chain to weaponize its brand and influence against the conservative voice.



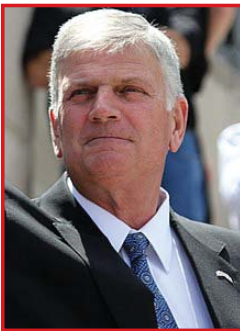
CHINA WANTS TO REWRITE THE BIBLE

China recently announced a five-year plan to rewrite the Chinese Bible with the goal of bringing it in line with socialist ideals. They are also looking to incorporate Buddhist and Confucian teachings. There are also plans being considered that would rewrite commentaries and hymnals.

The Chinese Communist government has already removed thousands of crosses from churches and ordered the churches to erect pictures of Chairman Mao and Chairman Xi [Jinping].

This is alarming news for our Chinese Christian brothers and sisters. As persecution in China continues to increase, RevelationMedia is committed to bring the real Bible and Christian media in to China.

16,000 People Pack the House at Franklin Graham Revival Weekend



On Sunday, Franklin Graham took to Facebook to share his experience at the Festival de Esperanza.

Graham, an evangelist and the son of the late Billy Graham, participated in the revival in Monterrey, Mexico where, according to CBN News, 16,000 people came out to hear the word of God and worship together.

To express his excitement and appreciation for the event and its organizers Graham decided to share a series of

posts on Facebook, one of which had a photo attached showing that the revival had a packed house.

Graham wrote in the post, "We praise God that hundreds of people responded to the invitation to turn from their sins and trust Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord tonight in Monterrey, Mexico."

He continued, "I told the full house at Arena Monterrey that there was nothing more valuable than a soul. Your soul lives inside your body and when your body dies, your soul will live forever in one of two places—Heaven or Hell."

He then offered this to the audience, "Your soul's destination depends on whether you accept or reject Jesus Christ during this life. It's the most important decision you will ever make. The Bible tells us, 'For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?' (Mark 8:36)."

Graham goes on to say that he is thankful for the many lives that were saved that night by the Glory of God and his Good News.

The evangelists also noted that he is excited to come back for another revival saying, "Over 500 churches prayed and participated in the Festival de Esperanza—we appreciate each one of them, and I'm looking forward to coming back to Mexico."

Chick-fil-A Employee Obeys God, Gives Homeless Man His Own Shoes

When Chick-fil-A employee Levi Jones recently saw a hungry homeless man hanging around outside the restaurant, he didn't chase him off or call the police. Instead, he gave him a meal – and his own shoes, too.

The homeless man who didn't have any shoes was sitting under a tree, not far from the Chick-fil-A building in Columbus, Ga.

"He had his eyes closed, looked very tired," Jones, who is 18, told WRBL-TV. "I went over to him. God led me over thereto speak to him. I asked him how he was doing, if I can get him any food. I noticed he didn't have on any shoes on

his feet. The Lord told me to give my shoes to him and that's exactly what I did."

Jones and the homeless man, named Walter, had the same shoe size. Jones also gave him a meal and his favorite drink, Dr. Pepper.

But Jones – who was on the clock – now had a problem. He didn't have any shoes to return to work. Management found some shoes that were four sizes too big to get him through the rest of the day. Jones didn't complain, though, according to WRBL.





Sports



NBA Star Jeremy Lin Reveals He's Challenging Himself to 'Give God' More Space in His Life

New Hawks guard Jeremy Lin revealed that recently, he's been challenging himself to "give God more space" in his life by spending less time talking -- and more time listening -- during prayer.

In an email sent to his digital prayer group last week titled, "Jeremy Lin Prayer Requests 39," the former Nets guard said he wanted to share with his fans "some stuff that God's put on" his heart.

"He's recently been challenging me to spend less time talking to Him and more time listening to Him," Lin explained. "I read a book that said if we were to go to dinner with someone we really wanted to meet, we wouldn't spend the whole dinner talking. Rather, we'd ask a lot of questions and listen. The author compared it to how we often times, during our devotionals, spend all this time talking but don't ever take time to listen."

"So that's something I've been challenging myself with -- to give God more space to speak into my life," he continued. "I've never heard God's voice audibly, but sometimes He presses a conviction on my heart or uses another conversation with someone else or speaks through Scripture. There are many ways God can make His pres-

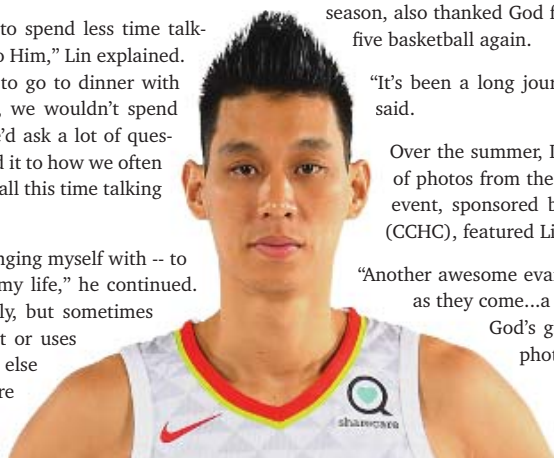
ence to me, but I find myself boxing Him in more often than not. Hope that encourages you guys!"

The 30-year-old athlete went on to reflect on the "praises" that have happened over the summer, including "amazing evangelical events" in Brooklyn and Asia, where God moved in "hundreds of lives." Lin, who sustained a season-ending knee injury in the first game of last season, also thanked God for being "fully cleared" to play five on five basketball again.

"It's been a long journey but the rehab is finally over," he said.

Over the summer, Lin took to Instagram to share a series of photos from the evangelical events. The "Never Done" event, sponsored by Chinese Christian Herald Crusades (CCHC), featured Lin, MC Jin, and Jim Cymbala.

"Another awesome evangelical event w @iammcjin !! As real as they come...a light of joy everywhere you go! All for God's glory bro," Lin captioned an Instagram photo of himself and Jin.



New York Giant Odell Beckham, Jr. Shares His Gratitude for Christ

On Sunday, New York Football Giants wide receiver Odell Beckham Jr. fell to his knees in prayer at MetLife Stadium before millions of fans.

Beckham recently took to Instagram to share with his 11.5 million followers that he dedicated his life to Jesus. In July, Beckham was on a trip to Israel when he decided to be baptized. The wide receiver shared a photo of the experience captioning it, "FRESH START... What a time ! #Jerusalem #ImForgiven"

Since then Beckham has posted several photos with captions voicing his love and gratitude for God.

In August he posted a photo of him seemingly signing a contract for the New York Giants captioned, "God, I can't even put into words my gratitude. This is only the beginning... #ImThankful"

This weekend, Beckham played in his first game since breaking his ankle in October and the player decided to capture the moment with

a series of Instagram posts. Instead of posting a photo of himself while playing, Beckham took the opportunity to give glory to God.

The wide receiver posted a photo of himself on his knees praying and captioned it, "Lord, I come to you at this time... not to ask you for anything... but just to say Thank You."

In an earlier post, Beckham wrote, "Mind. Body. Soul. Spirit. God I can't thank u enough for completely puttin me back together and givin me another opportunity. It's OUR time. #ELEVATE."



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Fmr. Willow Creek Lead Teaching Pastor Steve Carter Backing Campaign for Church Sex Abuse Survivors

Steve Carter, the now former lead teaching pastor at Willow Creek Community Church, has said that he's backing a campaign raising money for church and clergy abuse survivors.

Carter wrote on his blog last week following his resignation in the unfolding scandal concerning founder and former senior pastor Bill Hybels that he trusts that God "has a plan for Willow."

"Willow Creek, as you humbly seek Christ to restore and forge your future, this pastor who once called Willow home is praying for you and cheering you on," Carter said.

"The kindness we have received has been overwhelming and has prompted us to find a way to extend that love and support to others," he added, speaking of his family.

"To this end, we feel called to lift up this grassroots campaign focused on creating

scholarship programs for those who have survived church and clergy abuse. Its aim is to provide survivors with access to therapy, mental health resources, and safe spaces to heal," he added.

The campaign in question is titled "We Believe You," and says that it is aimed at standing with the "brave individuals" who have spoken out about the abuse they have experienced.

The GoFundMe effort explains that the scholarship program will help those abused at the hands of churches and clergy.



"We are partnering with a counseling group that specializes in areas of power, clergy, and sexual abuse. We are tremendously grateful to the brave survivors who wrestled this darkness into the light and believe it's time to honor their pain and empower their healing," it adds.

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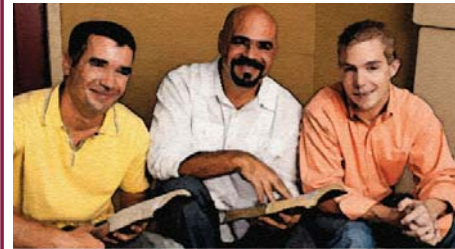
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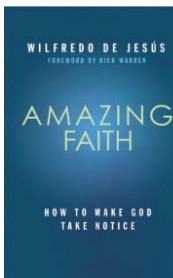
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God Honoring Books Reviewed

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Forward by Rick Warren

We often talk about how God is amazing to us, and we sing songs like "Amazing Grace." Several times in the gospels, however, the tables were turned: Jesus was amazed at a person's faith. In *Amazing Faith*, Pastor Wilfredo De Jesus reminds us that no one is too lost, too evil, too wounded, or too hopeless. No one is beyond the transforming power of God's love. When we let Him, God fills our hearts with His love, strength, and purpose, and we become complete. Rev. Wilfredo De Jesus is senior pastor of New Life Covenant Church. **Influence Resources \$14.99**

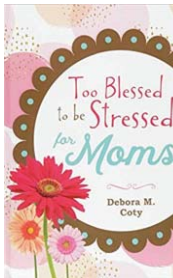
Into the Deep: Diving into a Life of Courageous Faith by Lauren Gaskill



Following Jesus doesn't guarantee Sunny skies and smooth sailing. In fact, the waters of life are often tumultuous, crashing over us. Sometimes we can feel that we're drowning in a sea of confusion, division, frustration, complacency, or disillusionment. We need more than a shallow faith to survive the deep waters of life. *Into the Deep* is an invitation to dive headfirst into a life of fearless faith. With endearing warmth and authenticity, Lauren Gaskill shares how she and others have learned to swim with Jesus in the deep waters of life - facing challenges such as anxiety, depression, and chronic illness - only to discover a more authentic, enduring faith that cannot be shaken by circumstances. In

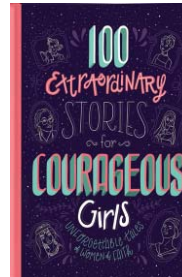
addition to examining the character of God and the lives of women and men of the Bible, she provides practical examples and tools that help us take our faith to the next level by learning to make decisions by faith, control our reactions to overwhelming situations, and live a life rooted in love. Get ready to exchange fear and frustration for the boldness, courage, and holy confidence that lead to a life of deep faith and joy. Lauren Gaskill is an author, speaker and host of the *She Found Joy* podcast and *She Found Joy Ladies Night Out* events. **Abingdon Press \$16.00**

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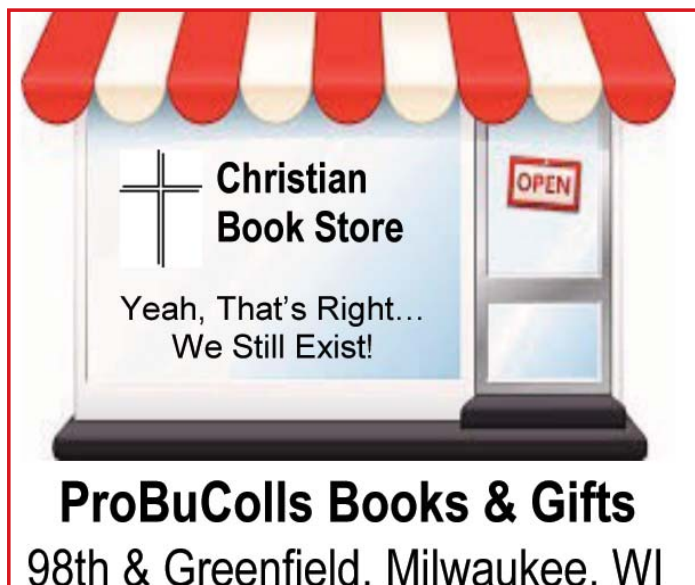
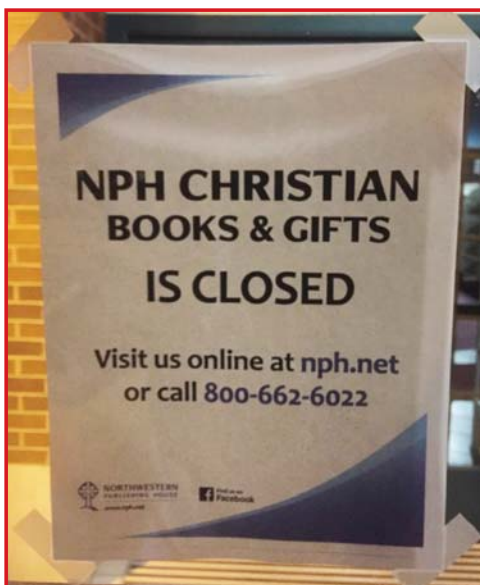
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Study Finds Prolife Pregnancy Centers Saved Communities \$161 Million Last Year

The Charlotte Lozier Institute, the research group affiliated with the pro-life advocacy organization Susan B. Anthony List, released an 80-page report on Wednesday detailing that pro-life pregnancy centers across the nation provided free services to 2 million people and saved communities \$161 million in costs in 2017.

The "A Half Century of Hope, A Legacy of Life and Love" study was conducted by researchers Moira Gaul and Mai W. Bean from the institute to celebrate 50 years of life-saving services.

The study states, "A half century ago, as legal abortion was gaining ground in the United States, a campaign was afoot to offer hope to women considering abortion. The first free-standing pregnancy center in North America opened its doors in 1968 in Toronto, Canada, under the name of Birthright."

The report goes on to say, "Louise Summerhill, the founder of Birthright, traveled to the U.S. to share about their non-judgmental, confidential, and free pregnancy outreach model, 'rooted in love for both' mom and baby."

Soon thousands of pregnancy resource centers would open their doors.

The report analyses last years impact of 2,600 of the estimated 2,750 centers in the U.S. and looked at the scope of medical and social services they offered. The report also features testimonies of clients dating as far back as 35 years.

The centers involved in the study were asked to complete one of two online surveys which were "distributed by their national network, parent organization, and/or pregnancy center state coalition or regional leader."

Based on the results of the survey and statistical analysis the researchers were able to conclude that in 2017, approximately 2 million people in the U.S. were able to receive free services which saved communities an estimated \$161 million.

Services "including pregnancy tests, options consultation, sexual risk avoidance education, parenting and prenatal education, ultrasound and medical services, community referrals, and material support" were offered to women, youth, and men.

The study also found that 400,100 free ultrasounds were administered, registered nurses and medical sonographers contributed 400,100 hours of free services last year and 679,600 free pregnancy tests were given out last year.

Approximately 67,400 people volunteered at pregnancy centers and 7,500 medical professionals offered their time and skills to conduct services for free.

The centers also reported having seen around 24,000 clients for after-abortion support including counseling and referrals when appropriate. Finally, the centers saw over one million students attend community-based sexual risk avoidance education presentations.

The report retorts, "Pregnancy centers have grown into a global movement and remain 'a testimony to love in action.'"



Atlanta Reaches \$1.2M Settlement With Ex-Fire Chief Fired Over Christian Views on Sex, Marriage

The city of Atlanta has reached a settlement with Kelvin Cochran, its former fire chief, who was fired after he distributed a book at work in which he detailed his views on sexual morality.

Atlanta's Fox News affiliate has reported that the city agrees to pay Cochran \$1.2 million in the settlement. In 2013, the former fire chief penned a book about his faith that he gave to approximately a dozen others whom he said had either asked for a copy or who shared his views.

Yet because his book took an unfavorable stance toward homosexuality, among other things, he was ousted in January 2015. Then-mayor Kasim Reed said that Cochran had violated city policy by promoting the book while on the job. The book, a 162-page men's devotional titled *Who Told You That You Were Naked?*, briefly mentions the biblical perspective on sexual ethics and morality.

Reed initially said Cochran would have to undergo "sensitivity training" and in November 2014 was put on a 30-day suspension without pay but was ultimately fired.

Cochran then filed a federal lawsuit and was represented by Christian legal group Alliance Defending Freedom. Together they contended that the city had violated his free speech and due-process rights and that his reputation had been marred such that he could no longer find employment as a firefighter.

"Given my history and work throughout my career and with the city of Atlanta, I was shocked that writing a book and encouraging Christian men to be the husbands and fathers and men that God had called us to be, would jeopardize my 34-year career," Cochran said.

The Atlanta City Council voted 11-3 on the specific amount of damages and attorneys' fees it owes Cochran following negotiations with attorneys at Alliance Defending Freedom.

"The government can't force its employees to get its permission before they engage in free speech. It also can't fire them for exercising that First Amendment freedom, causing them to lose both their freedom and their livelihoods," ADF Senior Counsel Kevin Theriot, who represented Cochran in court last year, said in a statement.

In December 2017, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia ruled that Atlanta's rules restricting non-work speech, such as Cochran's book, were too wide and had enabled the city to discriminate against viewpoints with which they disagreed and, therefore, did "not pass constitutional muster."

"This policy would prevent an employee from writing and selling a book on golf or badminton on his own time and, without prior approval, would subject him to firing. It is unclear to the court how such an outside employment would ever affect the city's ability to function, and the city provides no evidence to justify it. ...The potential for stifled speech far outweighs any unsupported assertion of harm," the text of the ruling read.

In 2012, Cochran was named "Fire Chief of the Year" by Fire Chief magazine.





Ministries



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Agape Harvest Fellowship Ministries Church of Engleburg
4620 W North Avenue
Milwaukee 53208
Sunday Worship 10AM
414.449.2390 or AHFM.org

Apostolic Missionary Church
2686 S 12th Street
Milwaukee 53207
Call for times 414.645.7383

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ONE CHURCH IN TWO CITIES
3920 N. 51st Blvd
Milwaukee, WI 53216
Sunday 8 am
Wednesday 6:30 pm prayer, 7 pm service

Beth Messiah Congregation
9900 W Capitol Drive
Milwaukee 53222
Saturday Worship 10AM
414.464.9782

Blessed Deliverance M.B.C.
2215 N. 23rd Street
Milwaukee, WI 53205
414-344-9645
Sunday School 8:45 am
Worship 10 am
Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 pm
Blesseddeliverance@aol.com

Central Assembly of God
5511 W Burling St
Milwaukee 53210
Call for times 414.445.0755

Christian Faith Fellowship Church East
724 S. Layton Blvd.
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53215
Sunday Worship Time: 10 a.m.
Sunday Night Ministry Training 6:00 p.m.
Wed Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.
www.cfceast.org

Cornerstone Church Milwaukee
2223 E. Kenwood Blvd
Milwaukee, WI 53211
Sunday Worship 10am
414.395.7777 or
cornerstonemilwaukee.com

Divine Shepherd Lutheran
9741 W Beloit Rd
Milwaukee 53227
Sunday Worship 9AM
414.321.0730

Eastbrook Church
5385 N Green Bay Ave
Milwaukee 53209
Saturday 5PM
Sunday Worship 8, 9:30, 11AM
414.228.5220

Grace Christian Fellowship
9900 W Capitol Drive
Milwaukee 53222
Sunday Worship 10AM
Wednesday 7PM
414.464.9220

Greater St. Lukes
2741 N. 27th Street
Milwaukee, WI 53210
11 am Sunday Worship
9 am Sunday School
414-264-8040

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

Newport Missionary Baptist Church
2237 N. 11th St.
Milwaukee, WI 53205
Sunday School: 9:30am
Service: 11am
Wed Night Bible Study: 7pm
414-265-5881
newportmissionarybaptistchurch@gmail.com

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 Villet St
Milwaukee 53208
Sunday Worship 11AM
414.933.4744

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
WOGF.mke@gmail.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.cbfranklinwi.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 1:30 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
5726 W. Oklahoma Ave
Milwaukee, WI 53219
Meets Sunday 10 am
Bible Study Wednesday 6 pm
Healing room available

Brookfield Christian Reformed
14135 W Burling Rd
Brookfield 53005
Sunday Worship 9:30AM
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.fbcnewberlin.org

Honey Creek Church
8200 W. Bluemound Rd.
Wauwatosa, WI 53213
(414) 475-1234
Sunday Worship - 10:30 am
Honeycreekchurch.org

Lifeline Church
3285 N Calhoun Road
Brookfield, WI 53005
262-783-2900
www.vifonline.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

New Vintage Church
6626 W. Beloit Rd.
West Allis, WI 53219
Sunday 10AM
Wednesday 7PM
414.400.8320
www.newvintagewi.org

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 Adelman 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

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.
ON CHURCH IN TWO CITIES
N112 W17655 Mequon Rd
Germantown, WI 53022
Sunday 11 am
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

Christian Life Church of Port Washington
403 W. Foster Street
Port Washington, WI
Sundays starting March 12th at 2:30 pm
262-643-4602
lclport.com

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

Eagles Wings Nazarene Fellowship
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
Wednesday Service 6:30 pm for adults and children

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.fbckenosha.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 GBK-Kenosha.org

Hillside Community Church
593 W30580 County Rd NN
Mukwonago 53149
Sunday Worship 9AM
Call for Bible Studies
262.363.8025 or Hillsidecmk.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 ES
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

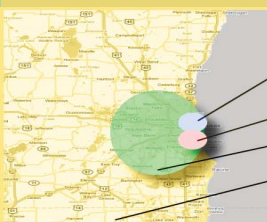
Summit Harvest Church
888 Thackerway Trail #209
Oconomowoc 53066
Sunday Worship 10AM
262.560.0765
SummitHarvestChurch.org

Terrace Shores Fv Free Church
W3278 County Road K
Markesan 53946
Sunday Worship 7:45, 9:15, 10:45AM
920.398.2734

Transformational Ministry
1123 Center St.
Racine, WI 53403
Sundays Worship: 2pm
224.656.1803

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

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
920.458.4137
920-889-7064
believers@ZionChristianAssembly.org



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OUR HATS OFF TO WIMMER COMMUNITIES AND THEIR EMPLOYEES



Once again the Wimmer Company has joined ranks with 1000s of others to be a part of the Operation Christmas Child shoe box ministry. According to Karen Wimmer who is director of charities at the company, they have been increasing their number of shoeboxes over the past number of years and last year filled a total of 272 boxes. This year it appears to be almost double. As you can see by the photo, the display of some of the boxes in the lobby; A picture of the employees luncheon with regards to the shoeboxes and a picture of Yves who is traveling with Operation Christmas Child and spoke to all the employees. Needless to say, Yves who received a shoe box

as a child in Africa and has had a great impact on people in the United States telling his story of the great thrill that a simple shoebox can have on a child. The results of the celebration was over 500 shoeboxes given out and more are needed for those requesting them. **CATCH THE SPIRIT-PACK A SHOEBOX-PAY IT FORWARD**



KID'S DAY AT PROBUCOLLS



Raymond Cerfus hugging the scooter he just won at Kid's Day



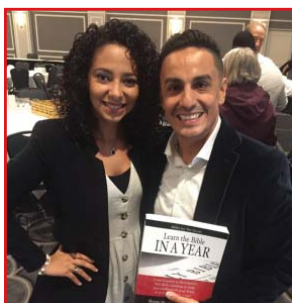
David Horschak and family have attended our Kid's day for many years and always have a great time.



Emily was the winner of one of the scooters that we gave away at Kid's Day. She decided to donate it to a family. They were very appreciative.

ANNUAL PASTOR'S BREAKFAST

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Bert Pizzaro & wife. Bert was one of the featured speakers at our Annual Pastors & Christian Workers Breakfast where all received a big bag full of Excellent products including the book/Bible "Learn The Bible in a Year"



2018 Annual Pastor's and Christian Workers Appreciation Breakfast

HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND WE'LL SEE YOU IN 2019!