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## THE CROSS ON THE CAR DEALERSHIP ROOF

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As Christians, we value the fruit of the Spirit listed in Galatians, such as love, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, and patience. Unfortunately, we don't always find this fruit operating in the business world as we strive to provide for our families and take care of

our daily needs and wants. We would like to see Christian values at work in the merchants we patronize, but many times we face poor customer service, and sometimes downright dishonesty. We understand that businesses need to make a profit to survive, but is it too much to also expect kindness and truthfulness?

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# Commentary

## Compel Them to Come In

by Charles Spurgeon

*"Compel them to come in."—Luke 14:23*



I feel in such a haste to go out and obey this commandment this morning, by compelling those to come in who are now tarrying in the highways and hedges, that I cannot wait for an introduction, but must at once set about my business.

Hear then, O ye that are strangers to the truth as it is in Jesus—hear then the message that I have to bring you. Ye have fallen, fallen in your father Adam; ye have fallen also in yourselves, by your daily sin and your constant iniquity; you have provoked the anger of the Most High; and as assuredly as you have sinned, so certainly must God punish you if you persevere in your iniquity,

for the Lord is a God of justice, and will by no means spare the guilty. But have you not heard, hath it not long been spoken in your ears, that God, in his infinite mercy, has devised a way whereby, without any infringement upon his honour, he can have mercy upon you, the guilty and the undeserving? To you I speak; and my voice is unto you, O sons of men; Jesus Christ, very God of very God, hath descended from heaven, and was made in the likeness of sinful flesh. Begotten of the Holy Ghost, he was born of the Virgin Mary; he lived in this world a life of exemplary holiness, and of the deepest suffering, till at last he gave himself up to die for our sins, "the just for the unjust, to bring us to God." And now the plan of salvation is simply declared unto you—"Whosoever believeth in the Lord Jesus Christ shall be saved." For you who have violated all the precepts of God, and have disdained his mercy and dared his vengeance, there is yet mercy proclaimed, for "whosoever calleth upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." "For this is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief;" "whosoever cometh unto him he will in no

wise cast out, for he is able also to save unto the uttermost them that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for us." Now all that God asks of you—and this he gives you—is that you will simply look at his bleeding dying son, and trust your souls in the hands of him whose name alone can save from death and hell. Is it not a marvelous thing, that the proclamation of this gospel does not receive the unanimous consent of men? One would think that as soon as ever this was preached, "That whosoever believeth shall have eternal life," every one of you, "casting away every man his sins and his iniquities," would lay hold on Jesus Christ, and look alone to his cross. But alas! such is the desperate evil of our nature, such the pernicious depravity of our character, that this message is despised, the invitation to the gospel feast is rejected, and there are many of you who are this day enemies of God by wicked works, enemies to the God who preaches Christ to you to-day, enemies to him who sent his Son to give his life a ransom for many. Strange I say it is that it should be so, yet nevertheless it is the fact, and hence the necessity for the command of the text,—*"Compel them to come in."*

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## A Word From the Heart

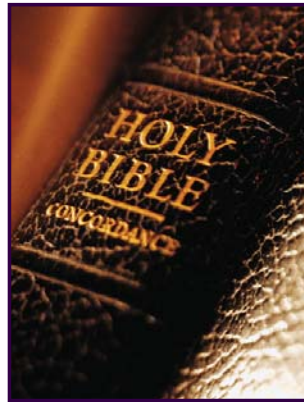
by John Duckhorn

The Apostle Paul is often seen as either a missionary busy in planning outreach to take the gospel to unknown regions; a theologian expounding the mysteries of the faith; or busy in church planting and instructing believers in living the new life given in Christ. Paul was a shepherd as well. There are many statements, by Paul, that point out his concern for those who believe. His commitment to preaching the gospel entailed a continual commitment to the churches that were founded as a result. 2 Corinthians and 1 Thessalonians show a tension that existed between further outreach and his concern for those who had come to Christ.

Paul's aim was to "present every man perfect in Christ Jesus". (Col. 1:28). He was not content to make professing converts, but to produce Christians who were able to stand on their own two feet. Not to remain babies but grow to be spiritual adults. As a spiritual father, he wanted to draw along side of the believers to comfort them in their ups and downs. His goal was not to make them dependent on him but to "walk worthy of God who calls you into His own kingdom and Glory". (1 Thess. 2:11-12). His objectives are plain to see.

### 1. TO TEACH THE TRUTH

To the Ephesian elders he made mention of teaching "the whole council of God." Gospel preaching was his first passion. At the same time those who believe need to be well grounded in the scriptures. Going off on tangents or pushing a doctrine, to the neglect of another truth, causes an imbalance in our walk. No matter how offended people were, he was bold to continue this work. So what if the Corinthians were offended. Religious hypocrisy or paganism must be confronted by the light of the gospel.



### 2. HE SOUGHT TO PROMOTE HOLINESS

He pointed to his life as an example of zeal and holiness. By holiness I am not talking about someone who lives in isolation, who hides away from exposure to the world, and then appears in public as a museum piece that all are to admire but has little practical purpose. This holiness is Godlike and is lived in daily exposure to the world around it. Paul was in the world and exposed to its ugliness yet was holy. Moral and spiritual purity were his delight.

### 3. HE ENCOURAGED UNITY

He did not only think of his own group's cause. There was none of the narrow service that thought only in their own self-interest. We have our plans and purpose and either you get with us or get out of the way. That view is judgmental of others and speaks disparagingly of those who do not join in with us. Paul's constant references to unity are in all of his writings.

### 4. HE HELPED PEOPLE SUSTAIN FAITHFULNESS

He reminds the Christians that in our lives we will have trials. It makes no difference if they are our fault or not. In this world we will need God's strength. He does not downplay what trials are capable of doing to us. He urges a steady walk with our Lord no matter what may happen. There are not fits and starts, things done on an impulse and irregular manner. We are to be steady in our faith. The one who calls us to His kingdom is continually calling us. We have heard the "call" to salvation, but God continues to call us to higher ground.

## Kirk Cameron Has No Regrets Homeschooling His 6 Kids

By Sheryl Lynn

When actor Kirk Cameron was asked to consider homeschooling his six children, his first thought was: "Are you kidding? Why would I do that?"

"My impression of homeschooling was, well, just different," he told thousands at the Virginia Homeschool Convention.

As someone who did not grow up in a Christian home and was never homeschooled, Cameron did not view homeschool-

ing as a valid option. But he was growing dissatisfied with the schools and the little time he was spending with his children, four of whom are adopted.

"I thought, how in the world am I ever going to disciple my kids when I'm working so hard, my wife's working so hard, and we just don't get enough time to see them and everything that they're learning at public school or elsewhere tends to undermine all the things we're trying to teach them in the few hours that we do have with them," Cameron explained.



It was his friend who convinced him to take the route he thought he'd never take.

More than knowledge, his friend told him, what your children need is wisdom — who God is, who they are and why they're here. And there's no one who's going to teach them wisdom like the two people God has placed in their lives, Cameron recalled hearing from his friend.

Knowing that Cameron would be overwhelmed with curriculum options and figuring out how to educate his children at home, his friend also offered this advice: "You've been doing this the other way for so long that the best curriculum you could ever provide for your family is to take them out of the school system and take the first six months and if you do nothing other than learn how to be a family again that will be the best thing you could ever do with your wife and with your kids."

Cameron, who became a Christian in his late teens, and his wife, Chelsea, soon began to call homeschooling "lifeschooling" because of the fun they were having as a family. And today they are major advocates of homeschooling.

The actor responded to common objections to homeschooling, including the question of how homeschooled kids would learn socialization "if they're cooped up in your house all day."

Cameron's response: "My kids are outside of our house more than anybody's kids because we're going places all the time. ... And they're not segregated with just one age group of kids."

He would often take the children hiking in the mountains, the beach, museums, volunteer and mission trips and to his work.

Cameron would also respond to that objection this way, "You trying to teach your children socialization by sending them to a public school is kind of like trying to teach them nutrition by sending them to a candy store."

Other common questions he would receive as a homeschooling parent included wheth-



# News & More



## Pregnant Woman Changes Mind Mid-Abortion, Saves Twin Babies



A North Carolina woman undergoing a chemical abortion had a change of heart when she learned she was carrying twins and was able to save her babies thanks to the work of a pro-life pregnancy center.

The woman was six weeks pregnant when she visited a Charlotte, N.C., abortion clinic with the goal of ending the pregnancy.

"Oh – twins," the technician at the abortion clinic said while performing an ultrasound.

The pregnant woman had always wanted twins, and she swallowed the first pill without having time to consider the consequences.

A chemical abortion is a two-step process involving a pair of drugs, RU-486 (mifepristone) and misoprostol. Together, they're known as the abortion pill. Mifepristone blocks the natural hormone progesterone and causes the lining of the uterus to release the unborn baby. Misoprostol starts the contractions that result in delivery of a dead baby.

Leaving the clinic, the woman heard a sidewalk counselor: "It might not be too late for you – AbortionPillReversal.com– they can still help you save your baby."

The woman visited the website and called the phone number that was listed. She wanted to save her babies.

"We got her started on the abortion pill reversal treatment extremely fast," Courtney Parks of HELP Pregnancy Center told Pregnancy Help News. "It was a matter of hours."

Reversal treatment involves an extra boost of progesterone to offset the effects of mifepristone. About 750 babies have been born thanks to the treatment and to pregnant women changing their minds.

"They were tiny, little babies and they had beautiful, little heartbeats," Parks said. "I just remember sitting with her in that ultrasound room and her crying, and just hoping that this would work for her so that she could save her babies."

The reversal treatment worked, and several months later, the woman delivered healthy twins. The pregnancy center even threw her a baby shower.

"She told me, 'If I had known what I know now and I had seen how the Lord has provided for these babies, I would have never even walked into that clinic.' So she's just been overwhelmed with just how good God has provided for her throughout this," Parks said.

## Egyptian Committee Legalizes 127 Churches That Were Previously Outlawed

An Egyptian committee has approved the legalization of 127 churches in the country.

According to CBN News, the churches previously were operating illegally.

Legal churches must obtain state approval in a process that had been criticized for being too restrictive and slow. In response, thousands of churches set up without permits.

"Egypt has a long history of regulating the building of churches, but many churches were not able to complete this process," said a release from the International Christian Concern. "Instead, they were built illegally."

The churches must only be used for religious activities, according to a media release.

But in 2016, the Egyptian government passed a new law that aimed to speed up

the legalization process. International Christian Concern says that more than 1,000 churches have been granted permits since the law change.

Under the new law, a cabinet committee of the prime minister and the ministers of justice, housing and antiquities, review church requests for approval.

In late 2018 after more than 100 churches were approved, the president of the Protestant Churches of Egypt said the process would continue to improve.

"I am pleased," said Andrea Zaki. "The process has been slow in the beginning, but I think going forward it will be better."



According to Open Doors USA, Christians in Egypt are still facing daily persecution from the Islamic population, but this is a step in the right direction. Open Doors USA said the Islamic religion "fuels discrimination and creates an environment causing the state to be reluctant to respect and enforce the fundamental rights of Christians."

The Islamic State group, according to World Watch Monitor, killed more than 100 Coptic Christians in 2017. Coptic Christians make up about 10 percent of the population.

Egypt is 16th on the World Watch List for persecution of Christians.

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er he'd be able to provide a good education and whether the kids would be prepared for college.

To those, Cameron said he believed parents could provide a better education through homeschooling and overall, homeschooled children have been found to be more mature, driven and well-rounded.

The "Growing Pains" actor clarified that homeschooling isn't always "fun and games." There were many struggles and challenges but he has no regrets.

"I would never change it for the world," he said. "It's the best thing we ever did for our family because we know one another, we know our children."

"There is no amount of money, there is nothing in the world that could ever equate to the investment that we've been able to make in our kids."

And beyond teaching kids good behavior, what's more important is staying in relationship with one's children.

"Family is primarily about relationship. Family is not primarily a correctional facility," he

noted. "At the end of the day, our kids are going to make mistakes ... We can preach all the wisdom in the world but if we're in that 'me against you right now,' all of the wisdom and the truth we give to them is going to fall on deaf ears."

"What we need to do is put down the rod of criticism ... and regain their heart. We need to get back into good fellowship ... If we lose their heart, we've lost the battle."

# News & More

## American Pastors Failing to Teach Theology of Persecution, Open Doors CEO David Curry says

By Jeannie Law

American pastors are failing to teach a biblical theology of persecution, says Open Doors USA CEO David Curry, which contributes to an inattention to the rise of Christian persecution in countries such as Nigeria and India.

For the past 60 years, the non-denominational ministry Open Doors has traveled to the world's most oppressive regions to empower and equip persecuted Christians. The non-profit has been in more than 60 countries providing Bibles, training, and programs for anyone marginalized because of their beliefs. The organization also specializes in helping to restore faith communities that have been targets of persecution.

Curry became CEO in August 2013, and has traveled extensively into various persecuted areas to encourage his Christian brethren. He is now urging for other believers to pay attention to what's currently happening in Nigeria to Christians at the hand of Boko Haram. The Jihadist group in Nigeria which is responsible for more than 34,000 deaths in the country since 2011.

There are now 91 million Christians in Nigeria and many others in India, China and other places around the world continually trusting Jesus for protection while facing

persecution. Curry is charging pastors and leaders in the western world to come back to "reality" and keep their congregations informed while encouraging them to pray for those in danger.

Curry states, "This is a bit of an indictment, but I think pastors ... they're not teaching their church about it, they're not teaching a biblical standard, they're not teaching a theology of persecution."

"The New Testament was written by persecuted Christians. There are books of the Bible that start with Paul in prison, and at the end, he's still in prison. But we're not hearing that gospel in America, and I think it's created a chasm between us and the rest of the world. We are not living in reality. So I think it's an indictment of the leadership here in America and the West. It's not to say it can't turn around, but we need to have every church, every Sunday, talking, praying in some way about their persecuted brothers and sisters. It's a universal calling in the scripture that we are to pray for people who are in chains in the name of Jesus as if they



were our own family and understand the theology of suffering."

"I think that's part of it. I think then the rest of it is that we as American Christians are inundated with media at the same place as everyone is, we take our marching orders on what's important by what's on our Twitter feed. That's a very unhealthy way to prioritize what's important because it's what's urgent but it doesn't allow us to focus on the things that are timeless and important. We're going to need to, just like everybody else, pull back from the fatigue of the constant media barrage of bad news from everywhere, and figure out, what are we called to focus on?"

## Muslims in Turkey Showing Interest in Jesus Amid Erdogan's Authoritarian Crackdown, Andrew Brunson Says

By Samuel Smith

Evangelical missionary Andrew Brunson said Thursday that the authoritarian crackdown and struggling economy in Turkey are causing more Muslim Turks to show interest in the Bible at a time in which the "storm clouds" of Christian persecution seem to be forming.

Brunson, a North Carolina native who spent two decades planting churches in Turkey before spending two years in prison on trumped-up terrorism charges, expressed deep concern about the future of Turkey's small Protestant population during a hearing hosted by the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom on Capitol Hill.

"There is still a high degree of freedom for Christians relative to other Muslim countries in the region, but I am concerned that all the signs point to this changing soon," said Brunson, who was released from prison last October after months of pressure from the U.S. government.

In the midst of a massive government crackdown in the wake of the 2016 failed coup attempt against the Erdogan government, Brunson explained that the regime has ac-

celerated the expulsion and deportation of foreign Christian leaders.

According to Brunson, as many as 50 foreign Christian families have recently been deported from Turkey.

The 51-year-old read off a list of Protestant Christians in Turkey who have been deported after being accused of being a "threat to national security." Most of them were leaders within their respective churches, he said.

He added that the Turkish church relies on foreign leadership because the Turkish government does not allow Christians to set up training programs in order to develop leaders in the country.

In the city in which he served for many years, Izmir, Brunson said that nearly half of all churches there have lost their senior leaders.

Citing a 2018 report from the Turkish Association of Protestant Churches, Brunson said there has also been "a significant increase in public hate speech designed to incite public hatred of Protestants."



He said even more concerning was the "coupling together of churches and terror organizations in news reports without any evidence of substantiation."

He blamed the Erdogan government for sowing a deep hatred of Christians in the hearts of Muslim Turks by spreading lies about him and Christians. He said government-fed propaganda has created a tense atmosphere for Christians in Turkey.



## July

### 8th Annual Righteous Rides Car Show

**July 13 from 10am to 3pm**

Holy Temple Firstborn MBC Church  
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Free admission and open to the public. Live music, food, shopping. Fun for the kids and of course, classic cars and custom motorcycles. To enter your car or motorcycle, a \$20 vendor fee is required by calling 414-264-4002 x4

### Women's Brunch

**July 15 at 9:30am**

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16300 W. Silver Spring Dr  
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The Christian Women's Connection will be having their brunch with the theme "Christmas in July". Their speaker will be Elaine James of Elmhurst, IL and speak on "A Day in the Life of Marjorie Overload. The cost is \$18.00 and reservations must be made by July 8 to Lois at 262-251-3841

### Power Up!

**July 15-18 from 6pm to 8:30pm**

River Glen Christian Church  
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Waukesha, WI

Power Up is a summer experience to engage in high energy skits, Bible teaching, worship, activities, sports, and more for kids entering 1st through 6th grade. Registration is open and the cost is \$30 per child with a maximum of \$90 per family. Cost includes Family dinner night, snacks and a great tee shirt. For more info call 262-968-5252.

### Senior Lunch

**July 19 at 11:30am**

Spring Creek Church  
N35W22000 Capitol Dr  
Pewaukee, WI

Join area seniors for a scrumptious homemade lunch at Spring Creek Church in Pewaukee. Lunch will be followed by a musical concert. This month will feature "Summer Wind" with a string bass and piano ensemble. Please make your reservations at least one week in advance by calling 262-695-2211. Cost is \$12.00 per person

### The Endurance of Light

**July 19 to July 28 (see website for times)**

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Acacia Theatre produces the whimsical drama "The Endurance of Light".

The story is compelling. The writing is excellent. Acacia Theatre Company was founded in 1980 and is an independent, non-profit, interdenominational group of dramatic artists who share a common desire to integrate art and faith by presenting theatre from a Judeo-Christian worldview. Through uplifting, quality entertainment, Acacia provides occasion for thanksgiving, growth and enjoyment, and the opportunity for Christians and non-Christians to consider their lives in relation to God.

Ticket prices are \$18 for adults, and \$15 for seniors, full-time students, and \$10 for children 12 and under. More information is available by calling 414-744-5995 or visiting [www.acaciatheatre.com](http://www.acaciatheatre.com)

### Winning with Jesus

**July 20 from 1pm to 3pm**

Kenosha, WI

"Winning with Jesus" workshop will be offered in Kenosha, WI. Free registration. Please call Semone at 262-612-3986 to register or for more information

### Vacation Bible School

**July 22 from 9am to 12pm**

Divine Savior Lutheran Church  
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Hartford, WI 53027

"To Mars and Beyond". Your students will enjoy an interactive, energizing, Bible-based good time as they explore where God's power can take them. For children who are 4 years old through 5th grade. VBS is free. Please call 262-673-5140 for more information.

### Answers in Genesis

**July 24 at 7pm**

Fox River Christian Church  
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Waukesha, WI 53189

Dr. Danny Faulkner from Answers in Genesis will answer your questions about the universe. Get a Biblical view of astronomy, too. Sponsored by Creation Science Society of Milwaukee.

### Creation Research Conference

**July 25 at 7pm**

**July 26 & 27 at 8:30 am**

Concordia University Wisconsin-Mequon  
12800 N. Lake Shore Dr.  
Mequon, WI 53097

The Creation Research Society will hold its annual science conference on the Concordia campus.

### Hymn Sing & Fish Fry

**July 26 from 5pm to 6:30pm**

Elmbrook Church  
777 S. Barker Rd  
Brookfield, WI 53045

Hymn Sing is an event designed to be a worship experience full of music. Hymns, old and new, will be sung as we lift our voices to the Lord. Join us for a traditional Wisconsin Fish Fry followed by a time of fellowship and worship. Come any time between 5-6:30 pm to have dinner (\$8.50) served by Feed My Sheep in the fellowship hall, followed by singing in the Chapel at 7 pm. All ages and stages are welcome. For questions email [lpowell@elmbrook.org](mailto:lpowell@elmbrook.org)

### Camp Discovery for Preschoolers

**July 29 through August 2 from 9:30am to Noon**

Oakwood Church  
1100 WI-Hwy 83  
Hartland, WI 53029

In partnership with Springhill Day Camp. This week-long day camp for preschool children brings Bible stories alive. This year's theme is "Tell Me a Story". We'll discover the power of a great story and how each of us has a part, at this fun-filled week of Bible teaching, puppets, games, crafts, and singing. Elmbrook is partnering with Oakwood Church, White Stone Community Church, and St. Michael's Anglican Church to offer this preschool camp. Cost is \$50.00 per child. For questions email [jryder@elmbrook.org](mailto:jryder@elmbrook.org)

## August

### Wisconsin State Fair

**August 5 at 7pm**

For King & Country will hit the main stage. Christian rock artist Zach Williams will open the show performing songs off his Grammy-winning 2018 release "Chain Breaker". All seats for this show are reserved and tickets are \$39 and \$29. You may call the State Fair office at 414-266-7100

### At His Feet Women's Retreat

**August 9-11**

"At his Feet Women's Retreat" at The Sanctuary in Whitewater. Please call Semone Love at 262-612-3986 for more information.

### Sidewalk Counseling

**August 12 at 6pm**

Tippecanoe Library  
3912 S. Howell Ave  
Milwaukee, WI

"Tarry One Hour" will be hosting a sidewalk counseling class for individuals, churches and organizations who would like to come out to the abortion facilities to minister to the mothers and fathers who are getting ready to abort their children. For more info please call 414-921-8126.

### Upward Football Camp

**August 12-16 from 9am to Noon**

Spring Creek Church  
N35W22000 Capiton Dr.  
Pewaukee, WI

For K5 - 3rd Grade. Each day's sessions will be about soil development, competition and sportsmanship. Staff from Upward Sports Headquarters in Spartanburg will lead this camp. All activity will take place on the soccer field here at Spring Creek Church. Please note that no food will be provided during the camp session. Cost is \$99 per participant. Upward is also offering Basketball camp the same week from 1-4 pm. For more info or to register please call 262-695-2211

### Senior Lunch for August

**August 16 at 11:30am**

Spring Creek Church  
N35W22000 Capitol Dr.  
Pewaukee, WI 53072

Join area seniors for a scrumptious, homemade lunch at Spring Creek Church. Lunch will be followed by a delightful musical concert. This month's music will be provided by Carolyn Wehner with a wide variety of music from the 1950's and 1960's. Please call at least one week in advance for reservations. Cost is \$12.00 per person. 262-695-2211

### Prayer

**August 17 from 2pm to 4pm**

Kenosha, WI

Prayer, interactive workshop, prizes and food. Contact Semone at 262-612-3986 to register or for more information.

### Men's Brunch

**August 19 at 9:30am**

The Christian Men's Connection will be hosting their brunch with speaker Sharon Wiese of Barrington, IL and speak on "Tis More Blessed to Give than to Receive" Cost is \$18 per person and reservations must be made by August 12 to Lois at 262-251-3841

## September

### Newsboys in concert

**September 1 at 7pm**

Grandstand Stage  
Walworth County Fair  
411 E Court St  
Elkhorn, WI

Newsboys in concert with their "United" tour. Find out more about tickets and fair admission by contacting Walworth County Fair at 262-723-3228.

### Good News Walk-a-Thon

**September 7 from 9am to 11:30am**

Greenfield Park  
West Allis, WI

Child Evangelism Fellowship in Brookfield is sponsoring a Good News Walk-a-thon at Greenfield Park, 2028 S. 124th St in West Allis. Shelter #5-parking available by shelter or along parkway. Arrive at 9 am for check-in. Walk begins at 9:20 am. Breakfast served at shelter #5 starting at 10 am. Ministry testimonies and short program about Child Evangelism at 10:45. For more info please call 262-373-1780

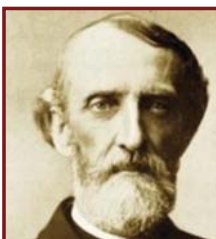
### The Word of Truth Ministry

**Sept 7 & 8**

Milwaukee Hilton Garden Inn-Airport  
5890 S. Howell Ave  
Milwaukee, WI

The Word of Truth Ministry will present their fall conference with a presentation theme of Kingdom of God". Scheduled to speak are host Nathan Johnson, Robert Jeanne, Andrew Brown, Candy Davis and Mark Hammond. The program begins with a welcome on Saturday at 8:30 am. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided both Saturday and Sunday. If calling to hotel reservations, refer to the Word of Truth Ministry Conference to guarantee the special room rate of \$92 a night. You may contact Rusty Hancock at PO Box 1609, Canyon Country, CA 91386 at [rustywoft@aol.com](mailto:rustywoft@aol.com) or 661-713-6644

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**To a true child of God, the invisible bond that unites all believers to Christ is far more tender, and lasting, and precious; and, as we come to recognize and realize that we are all dwelling in one sphere of life in Him, we learn to look on every believer as our brother, in a sense that is infinitely higher than all human relationships. This is the one and only way to bring disciples permanently together. All other plans for promoting the unity of the Church have failed. ~ A.T. Pierson**

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# News & More



## Imprisoned Chinese Christians Memorize Entire Bible: 'They Can't Take What's Hidden in Your Heart'

With Scripture passages scribbled on scraps of paper and smuggled into prison, Chinese Christians imprisoned for their faith are memorizing the entire Bible.

"...Even though they can take the paper away, they can't take what's hidden in your heart," a woman who had been imprisoned said.

On a recent trip to China, pastor Wayne Cordeiro of New Hope Christian Fellowship in Honolulu, Hawaii, held a leadership training where he learned about these Christians' love for Scripture. Out of the 22 attendees to the training, 18 of them had been imprisoned for their faith.

If Cordeiro, an American, had been caught at the training, he would have been deported within 24 hours. But the fate would have been much worse for the attendees: three years in prison.

In a recent sermon, Cordeiro shared the depth of these Christians' understanding of Scripture.

At the beginning of the lesson, he realized that they only had 15 Bibles for the 22 participants.



But it didn't matter. When he asked the audience to turn to 2 Peter 1, he noticed that one lady handed her Bible to the woman next to her. Cordeiro realized that she had memorized the whole book.

"When it was done, I went over to her at a break and said, 'You recited the whole chapter,'" he said.

"In prison, you have much time in prison," she replied.

Although the prison guards confiscate any Christian material, people still smuggle in small scraps of paper with Scripture, then memorize them as quickly as they can.

After the three-day training, Cordeiro commended the Christians who attended. One of them had asked Cordeiro to pray that

they would become like him. But Cordeiro replied he couldn't.

"I looked at him and said, 'I will not do that,'" he said. "You guys rode a train 13 hours to get here. In my country, if you have to drive more than an hour, people won't come.

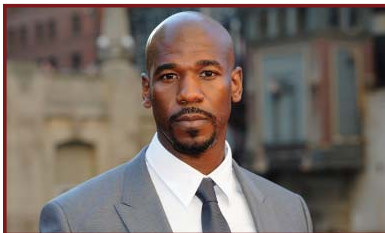
"You sat on a wooden floor for three days. In my country, if people have to sit for more than 40 minutes they leave. You sat here for not only three days on a hard wooden floor, in my country if it's not padded pews and air conditioning, people will not come back.

"In my country, we have an average of two Bibles per family. We don't read any of them. You hardly have any Bibles and you memorize them from pieces of paper.

"I will not pray that you become like us, but I will pray that we become just like you."

A recent surge of Christianity has exploded in China, bringing along heavy persecution. The government has closed down several house churches and instigated mass arrests of Chinese megachurch members. Nonetheless, with over 30 million Christians in China, some experts estimate the country will have the largest population of believers in the world by 2030.

## Actor, Navy Seal Remi Adeleke Shares How God Used His Hardships to Help Him Serve America



The minute the conversation begins, you know that Remi Adeleke is a man of many words; but he is also disciplined and focused on how he shares those words.

An Actor, Navy Seal and Author, Adeleke came to America at the age of five after his family fled Nigeria following a government uprising. His journey is a story that Adeleke still remembers vividly as a grown man.

In Nigeria, Adeleke came from wealth; all of that was left behind when he came to the States. "My mom preached excellence—to not do things half-way, but the right way," Adeleke said of how he was reared. His mother's mandate may explain where his passion and zeal emanate. During Adeleke's teenage years, he lived a life that was outside of what his parents had taught him. He says plainly that "I began to live a life that was outside of how I was raised."

When Adeleke looks back on his life, he would be the first to say that he is amazed that he became a Navy Seal Officer. Conversely, he says, "I would always stand up to bullies, so it was one of the things that drew me to the Navy Seals." From where Adeleke grew up, people obtained positions of authority by doing something bad, such as criminal activity, which is one of the reasons Adeleke had to transition his mind into joining the Navy Seals.

Once Adeleke became a part of the Navy Seals, he learned that it was really a community of brothers. It was this community and brotherhood that helped Adeleke carry on, despite the evil he encountered in his career.

According to Adeleke, seeing what the Seals stood for and how the Seals protected and served the country around the world, gave him a love for America that he did not have going into the seals. "Before going into the Seals, I was anti-military and police," he shared.

"When you live in the inner city there, isn't a lot that gives people hope." This is a major reason that he is a big proponent of minority recruitment.

In addition, Adeleke knew that his time as a Seal was one of service, and he was thankful for what the Seals allowed him to do and the connection that it afforded him. Although he didn't know what he would do upon leaving the Seals, Adeleke had to trust God to bring him the answer, which at the time was hard for him to do. So, when the first call came for him to try out for a major part and eventually play a significant role in the 2017 blockbuster hit, "Transformers, The Last Night," Adeleke was beyond surprised; but he knew that it all came from God and that God had a plan for his life.

Little did he know that God would use his future connection with former Today Show host Kathy Lee Gifford to do something life-changing. "From the moment that I met Kathy Lee, she knew that I needed to write a book."

So, in 2019, this is exactly what Adeleke did. In his biography titled *Transformed*, the former Navy Seal shares personal stories from his life and delves into how God delivered him through his childhood and personal issues. Adeleke sees his life as one of transformation, to the point of being able to tell his story—a story of how God used an inner-city immigrant boy from Nigeria to serve and love America.



# News & More



## How One of America's Largest Black Denominations is Campaigning Against Abortion

By Samuel Smith

Black churches across the nation are engaging in a campaign against abortion that involves not only political advocacy against groups like Planned Parenthood but also the provision of resources to vulnerable mothers who choose to give birth.

The Church of God in Christ (COGIC), a Pentecostal-Holiness denomination with over 6.5 million members across the globe, is stressing upon churches the need for them to serve as "landing pads" that assist women facing unwanted pregnancies and the need to engage the dark realities of abortion's impact on the black community.

Through its Family Life Campaign launched in 2015, COGIC is partnering with Human Coalition, a nationwide network of pro-life crisis pregnancy clinics, to reach and serve African-American women who would have otherwise "walked in the doors of Planned Parenthood" or another abortion clinic.

The Family Life Campaign is believed to be the first sustained pro-life campaign launched by a major black denomination in the U.S.

"Quite honestly, many denominations — white and predominantly black denominations — have not taken a stand and literally said, 'This is what we stand for,'" Leslie Monet, the international director of COGIC's Family Life Campaign, told *The Christian Post*.

"But we recognize that Margaret Sanger, who founded Planned Parenthood, was a deeply racist woman. She [advocated] for populations to be decreased because she thought that they were unfit. And that includes the African American community. Throughout history, Planned Parenthood has sought to fulfill Margaret Sanger's legacy and aimed for our community. And that's why it is important to the Church of God in Christ."

The Family Life Campaign was launched by COGIC's Presiding Bishop Charles Blake, who voiced concern about what's happening to children today as data shows that black women disproportionately account for more than one-third of all abortions in the United States.

And in a place like New York City, abortions' impact on the black community is so great that the number of black babies aborted



in the city outnumbers the babies actually born.

Monet said that throughout the nation, COGIC church volunteers have counseled countless women in hopes of making choices for life.

"When we find that there is a young woman that is unsure, we talk to her, we put her in the direction of these [Human Coalition] pregnancy centers, and we come alongside them to help them make the choice for life," Monet added.

"And sometimes this involves providing baby items. And sometimes it could be more expensive, where we need to walk with her throughout her pregnancy. That has been such a rewarding process for us to see these young women — not only to save their babies but for them to receive salvation."

Monet herself was given up for adoption as a baby after her pregnant mother was taken in by a couple belonging to a COGIC church in Jacksonville Beach, Florida. She is also an adoptive mother living in Raleigh, North Carolina who has personally counseled at least 10 pregnant women.

Although it might not be a new occurrence for churches to help women in need, the idea of actively addressing the issue of abortion is "not spoken of" in most churches, Monet stressed.

But Monet is hopeful that will change through the Family Life Initiative. In ad-

dition to COGIC churches, she said that a number of independent churches have also expressed interest in participating in the Family Life Campaign.

"We want every member to be engaged about life. We want every member to know the facts about what abortion does, and how we can help our generations to overcome this cycle of death," Monet told CP. "And we want them to know that there's a target, in reference to the African-American community that Planned Parenthood or other clinics have to meet their status quo."

Monet recently participated in a jurisdictional training session in Charlotte attended by pastors, lay people, missionaries and evangelists who were taught about the initiative so they can be prepared to respond to situations involving crisis pregnancies in their communities.

"The church has duplicated this process to be in every church," Monet said. "We want to see this life campaign in every church."

In addition to work supporting mothers who decided not to abort their children, the Family Life Campaign presses upon COGIC members to become foster parents and adopt from the foster care system. There are over 422,000 kids in the foster care system in the U.S.

The Family Life Campaign also presses upon churches the need to minister to the post-abortive women in their pews.

*I looked throughout America to find where her greatness originated. I looked for it in her harbors and on her shorelines, in her fertile fields and boundless prairies, and in her gold mines and vast world commerce, but it was not there...It was not until I went to the churches of America and heard her pulpits aflame with righteousness did I understand the secret of her success. America is great because she is good, and if America ceases to be good, America will cease to be great. ~ Alexis De Tocqueville*





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## Man Mows Lawns in All 50 States for Veterans and Single Moms, Encourages Others to Give Back, Too



God told Alabama college student Rodney Smith to give back to the community, so he did all across the country.

"One day, I saw an elderly gentleman trying to mow his lawn and he was struggling," Smith said. "He came to me that I should do something about it. And that's when it came to me to cut the lawns for the elderly, disabled, and single-parent mothers."

In 2015, Smith started a mowing service called Raising Men Lawn Care Service. He

hoped to mow lawns in all 50 states for those who might not be able to, including veterans, single moms, the elderly and the disabled.

Using his own car to get around the country, Smith knew he would have to fly to Alaska and Hawaii in order to accomplish his goal. Thankfully, Delta came to the rescue. According to WCNC, Delta offered to fly Smith to both states free of charge.

"Glad to have you aboard!" Delta tweeted once Smith was on the plane. "A one-of-a-kind person like yourself deserves the first-class treatment. We're honored to help you complete the 50-state journey and thank you for recognizing our veterans in this incredible way."

Raising Men Lawn Care encourages young men and women to give back to their community. The 50 Yard Challenge is a worldwide push for kids to cut 50 lawns for free,

according to CBN. Those who accept the challenge can send a photo holding a sign that reads "I accept the 50 Yard Challenge." Over 270 kids have joined the challenge in the US.

"Raising Men Lawn Care Service is the union of an ordinary yard maintenance service and the commitment to establish an inspiring program to keep our youth (girls & boys) on a positive path while learning and understanding their value in society," the website reads.

The lawn service also mentors young men to give back. Smith said many of the boys hate the work initially, but by their fifth lawn, they start wanting more.

"[My initial] goal was to reach 40 lawns, but I reached 40 lawns in a month and a half. Two months later, I got to 200," he said. "I just want boys to follow me and do better than me and to give back."

## NATALIE GRANT REVEALS WHY SHE WENT TO CHURCH AFTER FINDING OUT HER MOM HAD A HEART ATTACK

Award-winning singer Natalie Grant took to social media to share that her mother had suffered a heart attack, and while her first instinct was to hop on a plane to be by her mom's side, she first went to church.

The soulful singer admitted feeling "paralyzed" and not knowing what to do because

her mother lives in Seattle, Washington, and she lives in Nashville, Tennessee.

"How serious is it? Is she OK? Should I fly home? I gathered my girls and Bernie and we prayed. And then we decided to go to church cuz I sure couldn't think of a better place to be in that moment," Grant explained.

"One thing was certain, I had zero control over my mom's situation, but being with my church family and worshipping the One who's

in complete control brought such comfort and hope," she added.

After she left the church, Grant departed for Seattle to be with her mother. The singer said she was so "grateful" she took time to pray because she believes God answered her prayers. She then testified to God's faithfulness.

"Mom is doing well. The doctors have identified some problems which they say are reversible, hallelujah!" Grant wrote.

## Church Offers Hope and Healing to Jail Inmates

Correctional officers in a county Illinois jail are marveling at the change they see in their inmates after a church stepped in with services.

"We have a quieter atmosphere," Jasper County Sheriff Patrick Williamson told WLF1-TV. "In times past, you would hear banging, kicking, yelling, screaming, but now it's very quiet. They get along well, they treat staff better, so we have less incidents. It just complements the other things going on in our jail."

First Church in Wheatfield, Illinois, started their prison ministry with their pastor John Hill, who worked with the jail on an addiction recovery house for men. When that initiative yielded successful results, Williamson invited the church into the jail.

Every Thursday, Faithful volunteers visit for a weekly service with chairs, sound equipment and doughnuts in hand.

Anthony Gann, an inmate arrested for drug use, has seen the powerful positive effects of the services. "It's awesome to get to have



that real church experience while we are in here doing our time," he said. "Some of the best guys I know are in here."

In only three months, the jail has noticed a big change. "The corrections officers have talked about how the entire culture of the jail has shifted," Hill said. "The inmates are caring for one another and actually thinking about life beyond bars."

In a video First Church shared on Facebook, nine people — five men and four women —

have been baptized by First Church in the jails. "You may feel like [God] has abandoned you and you want to go back. It can be so tempting to want to turn around when you're deep in the process, in the middle of the desert," a voiceover said in the video. "But don't quit! Don't forget about the miracles."

Williamson, a professing Christian, knows the power that faith can have on inmates. He also offers an in-house psychologist and therapy pod to help inmates address mental health struggles as well.

"The ultimate goal is to help them contribute to their families, which will contribute to society, which will take away the third and fourth generations I'm seeing come back through our jails," Williamson said.

Gann looks forward to his life out of jail in September. He plans on attending First Church and pursuing his love of music. "Don't give up on us," he said. "Just because we wear these clothes doesn't mean we are bad people, we just made some dumb decisions."



# News & More



## Christian Coffee Company to Donate 100 Cars to Struggling Single Moms in Need

By Samuel Smith

A Christian-owned pro-life coffee company in South Florida has launched an initiative to use profits to gift 100 cars to struggling single mothers in need and has already assisted the mother of a severely autistic teen.

Burly Man Coffee, a Stuart-based subscription coffee service launched last December, gifted in March a four-door Kia sedan to Celeste Bokstrom, the mother and full-time caretaker of her 16-year-old non-verbal autistic son, Logan.

Bokstrom and Logan live in a makeshift apartment inside a single-car garage in Lake Worth. The mother is forced to use a hot-plate as a stove and hasn't owned a vehicle for the past four years.

"You do what you got to do when you are a mom," Bokstrom said in a video produced by the coffee company. "It is a battle. It is all about keeping him happy. If he is happy. We are all happy. Generally, he is a happy child."

Bokstrom said she once saved up \$2,000 to purchase a car for her family. But when she went to register the car with the state, she was informed that it was a stolen car and she could not keep it.

Having taken her so long to save up the money, she said she was devastated to have "lost it all in a moment."

But Bokstrom and her son were provided with a "hand-up" after Burly Man Coffee owners, Jeremy and Tiana Wiles, heard about the family's struggles.

"I think that God looks down and He sees you stuck," Jeremy Wiles told Bokstrom. "He

doesn't want you to be stuck. We thought we would do something to keep you moving forward."

In addition to a new car, Bokstrom and her son were gifted with an iPad, a tool that will help him communicate and provide comfort when he is upset. The company also gifted other resources that will help with Logan's caretaking.

The mother was also treated to a shopping spree, a surprise party with her friends and a salon makeover.



"To me, this is a lot more than gifts," she said in the video. "This is making my life and my son's life better in every way."

The Wiles also connected Bokstrom with Michael Cohen, the director of Center for Brain in Jupiter,

Florida, an institution that has helped treat thousands of severely autistic children.

Cohen is a leading expert in the field of neurofeedback and has agreed to treat Logan for free.

Neurofeedback is a therapy that helps patients stabilize their emotions and rewire their brain. The therapy has even helped patients to speak.

"I had no idea this was going to happen to me," Bokstrom said in a statement. "I had faith and believed that God knew my struggles, but I never expected this. Receiving a car has changed my world. And Logan is now getting the help he deserves. I'm so grateful. Burly Man Coffee has changed our lives for the better."

## BURLY MAN COFFEE

A news release explains that Burly Man Coffee's goal is to donate 100 cars to single mothers as a way to fight the "dangerous agenda to shame American men with a message on 'toxic masculinity.'"

"There are single moms barely staying afloat because some men have abandoned ship. Burly Man Coffee has stepped up to fill in the gap and provide relief by meeting their most critical needs," Tiana Wiles said. "This is an opportunity to demonstrate what real men do: they take care of those in need. If we can change the life of a mother and her child for the better, then we are doing something right."

Jeremy Wiles assured that not all men are "barbaric, sexist, misogynistic, racist monsters."

"We associated the term being 'Burly' with being a man who is brave, kind, generous, and patriotic. Our brand represents every hard-working American whose virtues have more value than the toxic agenda being shoved in their faces," Wiles stressed.

"The fast-growing number of people joining the coffee club is a clear indicator that people appreciate great coffee and want to partner with a company that uses their hard-earned dollars to represent their values."

On the company's website, Wiles wrote that Burly Man Coffee hopes to play a small part in not only strengthening the country but also "restoring some of the values and principles that have been lost."

"As a Christian, I think we should have products and businesses we can use that support the values we believe in," Jeremy Wiles wrote.

## Manhattan Chick-fil-A Vandalized During New York City Pride Parade

One of Chick-fil-A's Manhattan locations was vandalized during the Pride parade in New York City. Chick-fil-A has been a target of progressive activists for several years because of its mission "to glorify God" and its support of groups who believe that marriage is between one man and one woman such as the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Salvation Army, and the Paul Anderson Youth Home. Authorities in San Antonio and Buffalo took action to prevent Chick-fil-A from opening locations in their airports. In response, the Federal Aviation Administration opened an investigation, the Texas legislature passed the "Save Chick-fil-A" bill, and Texas-based law firm First Liberty filed a complaint with Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao.

Despite the opposition, Chick-fil-A became the third largest fast food chain in the country, moving up from 7th in previous rankings. Chick-fil-A's sales topped \$10 billion, even though every location is closed on Sundays. This represented a 16.7 percent increase in sales, which made 2018 the fifth year in a row that Chick-fil-A sales rose by double digits.







# Sports



## Toronto Raptors' Jeremy Lin Reflects on Importance of Prayer Amid NBA Playoffs

By Leah Marieann Klett

Toronto Raptors point guard Jeremy Lin has reflected on power and importance of prayer, explaining that prayer "acknowledges that He is God and we are not," "brings necessary humble surrender into our lives," and "intimacy in our relationship with God."

In a recent email sent to his prayer group, the 30-year-old athlete said he wanted share "something that's been on my heart."

"The one thing I've been reminded of recently is that prayer is more for us than for God," he said. "God's all-powerful and doesn't 'need' our prayers, but He really appreciates when we pray."

Lin admitted that after he prays, he sometimes feels like he's done God and others a

favor by praying. But in reality, prayer affects the individual more than it impacts God.

"It acknowledges that He is God and we are not, it brings necessary humble surrender into our lives and it simply brings intimacy in our relationship with God," Lin said, adding: "For real that's a trip if you really think about it -- we can communicate with the creator of this universe whenever we want!"

"At the end of the day, God wants loving relationship and prayer fosters that! Reminding myself that prayer is for me and not for God has given me a different perspective," he shared.

The former Brooklyn Net quoted an anonymous person who once told him, "I don't have a specific answer to my prayers, but I



have noticed God answering me in a different way I expected; He's promoting change in me. And maybe that's the greater miracle in praying, God might not only shift our circumstances, but also shift ourselves, our perspective, and our heart."

## NFL Quarterback Deshaun Watson Gets Baptized in the Jordan River



One of the hottest prospects in the NFL, Deshaun Watson, has been baptized in the Jordan River. The 23-year-old was invited to the Holy Land by a group called "America's Voices in Israel," which organizes trips for Latino and African-American celebrities to experience the ancient Biblical region.

Alongside posting several photos from his trip on Instagram, Watson also issued a heartfelt statement, in which he expressed a deep affection for the land of Israel. "This is a part of the world which gets a lot of attention internationally, and this is a chance for me to look beyond the headlines and learn more about the history and culture of this land," he said, according to Relevant Magazine.

"I have been blessed to visit many countries around the world, but the chance to visit the Holy Land, see the sites and meet the people of this special place, truly is a special blessing and an amazing opportunity," the star athlete noted.

On Instagram, Watson outlined a quick summary of his experiences in Israel, all of which appeared hugely significant. "Went to Jesus'

hometown," he wrote. "Got Baptized in the Jordan River."

"Life Changing Experiences - Major Blessings!" he added.

Watson burst onto the scene a couple of years back not only for his explosive performances but also because of a viral moment in which he presented his first NFL paycheck, totaling more than \$27,000, to three cafeteria workers who had been affected by Hurricane Harvey.

But this compassionate young man didn't stop there. As one of the women broke down in tears, Watson remarked, "Hopefully that's good and that can get you back on your feet. And anything else y'all need, I'm always here to help."

Watson is the starting quarterback for the Houston Texans.

## Did Jaelene Hinkle's Christian Beliefs Prevent USA's Best Left Back from Playing in the World Cup?

In 2017, US Soccer announced that the team would wear special jerseys with rainbow numbers in support of LGBTQ Pride month. As a Christian, Jaelene Hinkle gave herself three days to pray and decide if she, too, would wear the jersey as the team traveled through Europe.



"I just felt so convinced in my spirit that it wasn't my job to wear this jersey," she told the 700 Club, according to the Irish Times, after her decision to pull out of the traveling squad. "I knew in my spirit I was doing the right thing. I knew I was being obedient. If I never get another national team call-up again then that's just a part of His plan,

and that's okay. Maybe this is why I was meant to play soccer, to show other believers to be obedient."

Many believe that this decision, and the subsequent reactions, forced the left back off the national field. While playing for her home team, North Carolina

Courage, she experienced boo's from the audience who were waving pride flags.

A year after the jerseys, when Hinkle was called up for the national team, she was let go three days into training for "footballing reasons." Many believe that the vague reason was a cover should a discrimination lawsuit against the league surface.

"She [Hinkle] is the best left back in the league this year, of that there's absolutely no question," club manager and head coach of the North Carolina Courage, Paul Riley said.

In the past year, she has beat out two other soccer players, who did make the US national team, in interceptions per 90 minutes, successful tackle percentages, crossing accuracy, successful dribbles per 90 minutes, and final third passes per 90 minutes.

Despite the pressure, the soccer player has remained strong. Hinkle pinned a tweet from 2016 to the top of her Twitter profile sharing a quote from Christian rapper Lecrae: "If you live for people's acceptance, you'll die from their rejection."

# News & More

## Renowned Pastor Warren Wiersbe Passes Away at 89

Renowned Christian author and pastor Warren Wiersbe passed away on May 2 at the age of 89, just two weeks shy of his 90th birthday.

The author of more than 150 books, the “pastor’s pastor” is known for his “Be” commentary series which dive into the central themes of most books of the Bible.

According to Christianity Today, Wiersbe – who came to Christ after hearing Billy Graham preach at a Youth for Christ rally – became an ordained minister in 1951 from the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary in Lombard, Illinois.

After receiving his ordination, Wiersbe began pastoring at Central Baptist Church in East Chicago, Indiana until 1957.



From 1961 to 1971, Wiersbe pastored at Calvary Baptist Church in Covington, Kentucky before becoming the pastor at Moody Memorial Church in Chicago from 1971 to 1980.

While at Moody Memorial Church, Wiersbe’s sermons were broadcasted on the church’s radio station, he regularly wrote for the church’s newsletter, and the prolific

pastor began to teach and develop a curriculum for a DM in preaching at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. During this time, Wiersbe also began to mentor up and coming pastors.

According to the Baptist Press, after leaving Moody, Wiersbe continued writing, sharing his sermons via radio and teaching.

Wiersbe is regarded by many as a mentor, a friend, a champion for the Christian faith and remarkable preacher.

After his passing on May 2, many took to Twitter to lament the loss of great man, and to rejoice in his Heavenly reunion with God.

Former President of the Southern Baptists Convention Jerry Vines wrote of Wiersbe on Twitter, “My great mentor and friend, Dr Warren Wiersbe, went to heaven May 2nd. Here is a tribute from a grandson. Warren Wiersbe is the man who taught me how to expound the Word of God.”

Pastor Lutzer of the Moody Church shared a reflection of Wiersbe’s life writing, “I have no doubt that he has already heard ‘Well done good and faithful servant ... enter into the joy of thy Lord.’ And for us on Earth his legacy continues.”

## Norman Geisler, Noted Apologist and Theologian, Dead at 86

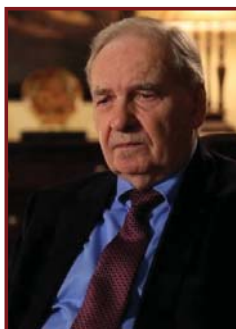
Apologist, prolific author, and theology professor Norman Geisler has passed away at age 86, about two months after he retired from Southern Evangelical Seminary over undisclosed health issues.

The Norman Geisler Ministry Page on Facebook announced Monday that he died peacefully earlier that morning, twenty days shy of his 87th birthday.

“He has left behind an amazing legacy that will continue to have a ripple effect for many years to come,” they stated. “We will be sending you further details today as to where the funeral will be and it will be open to the public.”

In the announcement, the ministry also asked for prayers for Geisler’s family, noting that funeral services will be held on Saturday in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Born on July 21, 1932 in Warren, Michigan, Geisler graduated from Wheaton College in 1958 with a bachelor of arts in philosophy, received a master’s in theology from Wheaton Graduate School in 1960, and a Ph.D. in



philosophy from Loyola University in Chicago in 1970.

Geisler often participated in academic debates and wrote extensively on topics like creation and evolution, humanistic ethics, sexual morality, and the existence of God.

“Norm has authored or co-authored over 100 books and hundreds of articles. He has taught theology, philosophy, and apologetics on the college

or graduate level for over 50 years,” noted an entry on his website.

“He has served as a professor at some of the finest Seminaries in the United States, including Trinity Evangelical Seminary, Dallas Seminary, and Southern Evangelical Seminary.”

In 1992, Geisler co-founded Southern Evangelical Seminary along with evangelist and former Calvary Church pastor Ross Rhoads, who passed away in 2017.

“Pastor Rhoads’ burden for evangelism and Professor Geisler’s concern to defend the historic Christian Faith combined in the two-fold vision of the seminary to evangelize the

world and to defend the historic Christian Faith,” explained SES.

“The Seminary grew rapidly, attracting students from all over the United States and several other countries; from the beginning it attracted national attention by its unique program in evangelism and classical apologetics. In 1995 the first graduate received his degree.”

In late April, SES announced that Geisler was retiring from his teaching position at the seminary due to undisclosed health problems.

SES President Richard Land, who also serves as executive editor of The Christian Post, said in the press release after his retirement that Geisler was “the pre-eminent Christian apologist of the past half-century.”

“If they ever construct a Christian apologists’ Mount Rushmore, they would unquestionably start with Dr. Geisler’s visage. He has truly been one of God’s great gifts to His church,” stated Land at the time.

“Southern Evangelical Seminary would not exist without Dr. Geisler’s vision and dedicated service over the past 27 years.”

## School Removes 92-Year-Old Ten Commandments Plaque after Atheists Complain

An Ohio middle school has removed a 1920s-era Ten Commandments plaque following complaints from an atheist organization.

The plaque at Welty Middle School in New Philadelphia, Ohio, was a gift from the Class of 1926 to the school district in 1972 and had been on display for 92 years until the

Wisconsin-based Freedom From Religion Foundation got involved. The organization, in an April letter to the district, called the plaque a “fragrant violation of the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment.”

“The district’s promotion of the Judeo-Christian bible and religion over nonreligious im-

permissibly turns any non-Christian or non-believing student into an outsider,” the letter said. “Schoolchildren already feel significant pressure to conform to their peers. They must not be subjected to similar pressure from their schools, especially on religious questions.”





# News & More



## Rocker Alice Cooper: Jesus Saved Me from Cocaine, Sin



Singer Alice Cooper made a career out of "shock rock," but he tells pastor Greg Laurie in a new interview that he's also a Christian who wants to help teens in the name of Jesus.

Laurie interviewed the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame member at Cooper's Solid Rock teen center, which was founded in 1995 to help troubled teens. It is a non-profit, faith-based organization based in Phoenix.

"We're all Christian guys," Cooper said of the men and women who founded and run

Solid Rock. "And Lord told us to do it. So we just obeyed. That's all."

"You're not ashamed to say that you believe in Jesus Christ," Laurie said.

Cooper said he was not.

"People talk about Alice being a rebel," Cooper said. "There was never a rebel, more of a rebel than Jesus Christ. You want to talk about a rebel. He was the ultimate.

Christ, Cooper said, rescued him from an addiction to cocaine. He knew he was destined for Hell in his old life, he said.

"I knew that there ... had to come a point where either I accepted Christ and started living that life, or if I died in this [sin], I was

in a lot of trouble," he said. "And that's what really motivated me."

Cooper said he gave a Bible to Marilyn Manson.

"It's a little intimidating to preach in front of Alice Cooper," Laurie said in a video, prior to his interview. "But here's the thing a lot of people don't know about him. He is a full follower of Jesus Christ and has been for many years. Alice was raised in a Christian home. In fact, his dad is a pastor. We all know that he went off track and got himself into a lot of trouble, in fact, almost destroyed his life through alcohol and drugs. But he made a recommitment to Christ. And he's been walking with the Lord for many years now."

*Ten Commandments, continued from page 12*

Brian J. DeSantis, an attorney representing the school district, said in a June 19 email the plaque had been removed. But that doesn't mean the district agrees with the Freedom From Religion Foundation.

"With over 90 years on display, the plaque is recognized as part of the tradition and history of New Philadelphia City Schools," New Philadelphia Schools Superintendent David Brand said in a statement, according to the Times Reporter newspaper.

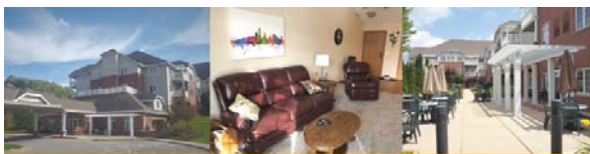
While the plaque is a well-established and historic piece of New Philadelphia City Schools history, the laws of the United States are pretty clear regarding the display of the Ten Commandments in a school setting. To preserve the plaque, the District would need to overturn a U.S. Supreme Court decision from 1980. Additionally, the District would need to become the first public school to successfully defend a Ten



Commandments display in a school setting.

"Despite offers from local law professionals to help the district, the 'costs' of defending are substantial," Brand wrote.

The plaque could be donated to preserve its history, Brand said. And although the district won't fight this battle in court, it may file a "friend-of-the-court" brief in a similar case elsewhere, he indicated.



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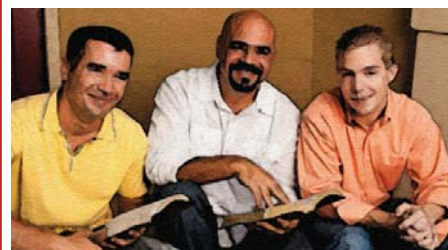
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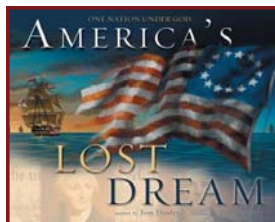
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## God Honoring Books Reviewed

**America's Lost Dream** by Tom Dooley (Illustrated by Bill Looney)



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This intriguing and artful book will re-awaken the original dream within the hearts of young and old alike. Filled cover to cover with exquisite artwork depicting the original scenes, along with in-depth historical facts woven throughout, this book will enlighten and educate all to the wonderful and rich history of this "One Nation Under God." Discover the real story!

**New Leaf Press \$15.99**

**Last Call for Liberty: How America's Genius For Freedom Has Become its Greatest Threat** by OS Guinness

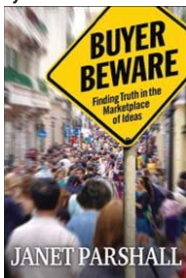


The American republic is suffering its gravest crisis since the Civil War. Conflicts, hostility, and incivility now threatens to tear apart the country. Competing visions have led to a dangerous moment of cultural self-destruction. This is no longer politics as usual, but an era of political warfare where our greatest enemies are not foreign adversaries, but our fellow citizens against ourselves.

Yet the roots of the crisis are deeper than many realize. OS Guinness argues that we face a fundamental crisis of freedom, as America's genius for freedom has come her Achilles' heel. Our society conflicts are rooted in two rival views of freedom, one embodied in "1776" and the ideals of the American Revolution, and the other in "1789" and the ideals of the French Revolution. Once again America has become a house divided, and Americans must make up their minds as to which freedom to follow. Will the constitutional republic be restored or replaced?

OS Guinness is the author of more than thirty books. A frequent speaker and prominent social critic, he has addressed audiences worldwide from the British House of Commons to the US Congress to the St. Petersburg Parliament. He founded the Trinity Forum. **IVP Press \$27.00**

**Buyer Beware: Finding Truth in the Marketplace of Ideas** by Janet Parshall



Have you ever thought why it is that so many Christians are reticent to enter into the "marketplace of ideas?" Jesus commanded us to go into the world to deliver His message of truth, delivered in love. But He never said it would be easy.

In "Buyer Beware", Janet Parshall takes the reader on a journey through the public square where ideas are "bought" and "sold" but where Truth is sometimes difficult to find. She examines some of the most controversial issues being debated in our culture today by looking at them through the lens of Scripture.

Using the prophet Jeremiah's instructive letter to the exiles held in Babylonian captivity, Parshall shows how a people, held captive in a sin-sick, fallen world, can live abundantly and triumphantly by loving God's truth and by boldly declaring it in the public square.

"Buyer Beware" is designed to encourage modern day saints as they enter the "marketplace" by helping them discover the richness of God's Word and the poverty of the world's message.

Janet Parshall has been consistently profiled as one of the top 100 "talkers" in Talkers magazine, the leading trade publication of the talk industry. She is also the author of several books. **Moody Publishers \$14.99**



**In God We Still Trust: A 365 Day Devotional** by Dr. Richard G. Lee

Dr. Richard G. Lee introduces a glimpse into the lives of people who established and shaped our nation into what it is today. You will discover the godly principles upon which America was founded, and experience the passion and steadfast spirit these heroes possessed for implementing them into the fabric of our very lives. **Thomas Nelson Publishers \$18.99**

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- 1 c. sour cream
- 3/4 c. sugar
- 1 egg
- 2 Tbsp. flour
- 2 tsp. vanilla
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 3 c. fresh or frozen (do not thaw) blueberries

#### Topping:

- 3 Tbsp. flour
- 2 Tbsp. sugar
- 3 Tbsp. real butter

- 1 (9-inch) unbaked pie crust
- Whipped cream

Preheat oven to 400°. Whisk together sour cream, c. sugar, egg, 2 Tbsp. flour, vanilla and salt in a mixing bowl until smooth. Gently fold in blueberries. Spoon filling into unbaked pie crust. Bake for 30 minutes. (Cover edge of pie with foil for the first 20 minutes to prevent excess browning). Meanwhile, prepare topping: In a small bowl, combine 3Tbsp. flour and 2 Tbsp. sugar. Cut in the butter until crumbly. After the filling has baked 30 minutes, sprinkle the topping over the top of the pie. Continue baking until topping is set and very light golden, about 15-20 minutes.

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## CHURCH SIGN OF THE MONTH



## CHRISTIAN DOCTOR COULD LOSE JOB FOR PRAYING WITH PATIENT

A Christian doctor in the United Kingdom who often prayed with his patients is under investigation and could lose his job for the spiritual practice.

Richard Scott, a 58-year-old general practitioner, often prays with patients who suffer from depression, anxiety or addiction, The Sunday Times reported.

But the General Medical Council (GMC), an organization that oversees and licenses doctors, is now investigating Scott based on a complaint from a patient who reportedly felt uncomfortable and vulnerable by his praying. NHS England, which leads the National Health Service system, also is investigating him.



The U.K.-based National Secular Society (NSS) had told the General Medical Council in May that a "highly vulnerable" patient felt "discomfort at the use of prayer," The Telegraph newspaper reported. The NSS complaint said Scott was warned previously about "expressing his religious beliefs in a way that distressed a 'psychologically troubled' patient."

Scott maintains that his actions benefit patients.

"The NSS is obviously gunning for me – and would like me to lose my job because they don't like me," he said. "... They think I am irresponsible and dangerous and I would say the same about them."

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## SOUTHERN BAPTISTS DOWN TO LOWEST IN 30 YEARS

A boost in giving--up to \$11.8 billion total--and major church growth in Texas was not enough to fend off more than a decade of declines among the Southern Baptist Convention last year.

## FRANKLIN GRAHAM CHALLENGES REPRESENTATIVE WHO SAID GOD DOESN'T BELONG IN CONGRESS

Evangelist Franklin Graham took to Twitter this week chastising Democrats for omitting the phrase "so help me God" from witness oaths, and singling out a Tennessee representative who said God doesn't belong in Congress.

## PROMISE KEEPERS TO RELAUNCH MEN'S MINISTRY WITH FIRST STADIUM RALLY IN 20 YEARS

After years of fading and stagnation, the once popular evangelical men's ministry Promise Keepers is ushering in a 'new era' with plans to host its first national stadium event in over two decades next Summer in Texas.

## PENCE SAYS AMERICAN LEFT HAS 'LITTLE TOLERANCE FOR TRADITIONAL CHRISTIAN BELIEFS'

Vice President Mike Pence told graduating seniors at the country's largest Christian university they should expect to be 'ridiculed' for their beliefs.

## PORTLAND CHURCH BUILDING 15 TINY HOMES ON ITS CAMPUS TO SHELTER THE HOMELESS

## NEW BIRTH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, RAPPER T.I. BAIL OUT 23 NONVIOLENT, FIRST TIME OFFENDERS

## WICHITA CHURCH HELPS PAYOFF \$2.2M IN MEDICAL DEBT FOR 1,600 STRUGGLING FAMILIES

## UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO APOLOGIZES FOR FORCING CHRISTIAN STUDENT GROUP TO ALLOW NON-CHRISTIANS TO LEAD THE CLUB

The University of Colorado at Colorado Springs has agreed to a settlement with a Christian apologetics student group who were de-affiliated with the college for stipulating that leaders in their group must adhere to mainline Christian beliefs.

## MASSIVE 'SUPER STATION' RADIO SIGNAL CARRYING 'MESSAGE OF JESUS CHRIST' TO BLANKET NORTH KOREA

Communist North Korea is about to get hit with a massive new radio signal carrying the message of Christ's love like never before.

## 12,000 High Schoolers at Christian Conference Raise \$57,000 for Battered Women, Homeless

by Lori Arnold



More than 12,600 students from 32 states and five nations jammed into an Atlanta-area arena, raising \$57,000 for abused women and the homeless during a four-day Christian conference. The Forward Conference 2019 was held at Infinite Energy Center in Duluth and hosted by Free Chapel, a multi-campus church in Gainesville.

"When students are given more than just rules and regulations and given the opportunity to really make a difference in the world, I have found time after time they rise to the occasion," Jentezen Franklin, senior pastor of Free Chapel, told Fox News.

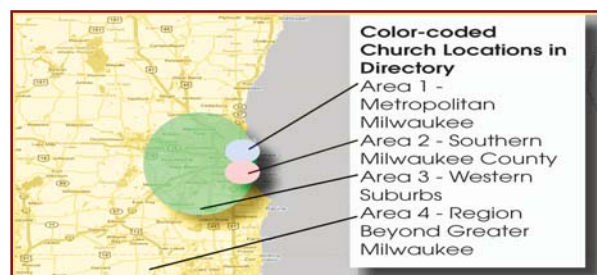
The 15th annual event featured music sets and faith-based messages from some of the most prominent Christian bands and speakers. This year's lineup included Hillsong Worship, Passion, Bethel, and the band from Free Chapel. Featured speakers included Carl Lentz of Hillsong NYC, DawnChere Wilkerson of VOUS Church in Miami and Levi Lusko of Fresh Life Church, a network of congregations based out of Kalispell, Montana.

"The culture of Forward Conference is one that students know they're going to have fun, they're going to hear great music and great bands and they're going to hear relevant messages to their life," Franklin told the Gwinnett Daily Post. "Someone is going to talk to them about where they're living now and how do you flesh out the walk of Christ."

One of the highlights of this year's conference was a partnership with New Beginnings, a ministry for women in inner-city Atlanta and with the Dream Center, which works with homeless families, many dealing with addiction issues. During the conference, students heard transformational stories from New Beginnings clients who had been delivered from addiction and abuse.

"Why not use what has been provided for you?" Speaker Lentz asked as a challenge to the students. "Why do we do things on our own? The next chapter of your faith starts with a renewed desire to get to know the Holy Spirit. We desperately need the Holy Spirit to refresh us every day."

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# Ministries



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5511 W Burling St  
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6:00 p.m.  
Wed Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.  
www.cfceast.org

### Cornerstone Church Milwau- kee

2223 E. Kenwood Blvd  
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Sunday Worship 10am  
414.395.7777 or  
cornerstonemilwaukee.com

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9741 W Beloit Rd  
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414.321.0730

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414-264-8040

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414.447.1966

### Hope Lutheran Church

1115 N 35th Street  
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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  
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Sunday Worship 10AM & 6PM  
Wednesday Bible Study 6PM  
414-882-7891

### Newport Missionary Baptist Church

2237 N. 11th St.  
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Sunday School: 9:30am  
Service: 11am  
Wed Nitte Bible Study: 7pm  
414-265-5881  
newportmissionarybaptistchurch@gmail.com

### Parklawn Assembly of God

3725 N Sherman Blvd  
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Sunday Worship 8, 11AM  
414.442.7411

### Restoration International Min- istry, 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  
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Worship Services 11AM, 1PM  
Thursday 7PM  
414.342.1234 or SoulsHarborBaptist.org

### Spiritual Healing & Restora- tion Ministries

2925 W Lincoln Avenue  
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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

4135 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

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New Berlin  
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10:45AM  
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Wednesday 7PM  
262.782.1777  
PoplarCreekChurch.org

### Reformation Hope Church

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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  
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## REGIONAL (AREA 4)

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### 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  
lcfport.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 Fel- lowship

609 Sandy Acre Drive  
West Bend, WI 53090  
262-334-7124  
www.wbnaz.com  
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Morning Worship 10:45 am  
Monday Ladies Bible Study  
10:30 am  
Wednesday Service 6:30 pm for  
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### Faith Christian Fellowship

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

### Faithlife Victory International Church

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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

593 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  
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Worship 10:15AM  
262-369-8777 LakeCountryBible.org

### Northbrook Church

4014 Hwy 167 West  
Richfield 53076  
Saturday 4:30PM  
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

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3420 County Road LL  
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262.284.0711  
www.ODBport.org

### Orchard Hill Assembly of God

N9590 County Rd ES  
Mukwonago WI 53149  
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(262) 363-5443  
http://www.orchardhillag.com

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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

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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  
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224.656.1803

### Watertown Community Church

106 E Madison St  
Watertown 53094  
Sunday 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  
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