

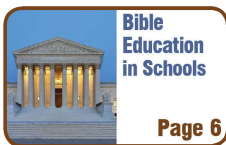


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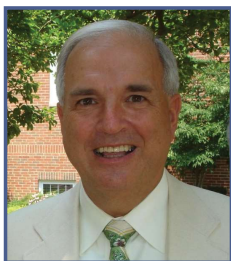
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2023 Annual Pastors and Christian Workers Appreciation Day (PACWAD)

ProBuColls Association and the Christian Courier Newspaper will again host the Annual Pastors and Christian Workers Appreciation Day (PACWAD). The program will begin at 9 AM on Friday September 22, 2023 at the Wisconsin Club in downtown Milwaukee at 900 W. Wisconsin Avenue. Free admission includes breakfast and lunch. Register at (414) 344-7300 or email goodnews316@icloud.com. Seating is limited. This year, Pastor Rod Laughlin will be kicking off the morning followed by Pastor Julius Malone and then a livestream of Brother Roy Bell coming from Las Vegas, NV.

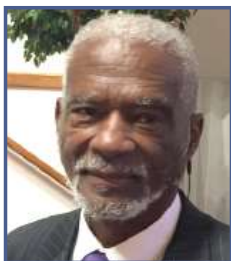
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JULIUS MALONE



Pastor Julius Rivers Malone is the Senior Pastor of New Testament Church of Milwaukee, a non-denominational Christian Fellowship Church that started with eleven people in November 1980.

Pastor Malone was raised in Memphis, Tennessee, and was converted to Jesus Christ in August 1958 at the Oakville Baptist Church in Memphis, where he also became licensed to preach the Gospel on August 30, 1959. He and his wife Ann moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin in February 1960. Malone is the author of the brochure "The Five Ships of a Healthy Church," the booklet "Some Reasons God Permits Evil," and the book "Going Through The Storms Of Life." Pastor Malone can be heard on Radio Station JOY 1340, WJYI-AM, and JOY 98.7 FM Monday through Friday at 1:15 P.M. Pastor Malone can be seen on Channel 24 on Sundays at 9:30 A. M.

ROY BELL



Brother Roy Bell was the pastor of the Christian church at Nevada's largest prison during his years of incarceration and now brings his no nonsense style of plain preaching to a wider congregation. Brother Roy's message is simple: Jesus is real and The Bible is true, period.

Brother Roy serves the Lord at Bible Baptist Church in Las Vegas, Nevada. See his YouTube channel for videos of teaching and preaching in churches, on the street, and many videos teaching on a number of Biblical doctrines. Brother Roy is unapologetic about being an independent, King James Bible believer under the banner of "Staying Old School in this day and age of Liberal Apostasy." Roy's messages can be found on his website www.oldschoolbiblebaptist.com.

Remaining Faithful at NRB 2023

The theme of this year's National Religious Broadcaster's convention was "Standing Firm." Attendees from around the country and were welcomed by President & CEO of NRB Troy Miller to the International Christian Media Convention to be encouraged and challenged to remain faithful to the truth of Scripture and not bow to the cultural influences of the day. Troy said that what we need more than anything is prayer. Dr. Michael Oh, President & CEO of the Lusanne Movement started by Billy Graham in 1972 challenged attendees to ask, "How are we doing with the Great Commission?" A highlight for everyone was hearing Franklin Graham Franklin who recapped how God used key people from the NRB family along the



Franklin Graham President & CEO Billy Graham Evangelistic Association and Samaritan's Purse

way in his life and his father's ministry including Jim Bakker, Paul and Jan Crouch and the TBN network. Franklin talked about how to prepare for ministry in the days of cancel culture, de-banking and the need

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Commentary

Beware of the Test Kit

By Bob Conklin

They're back! The test kits that is. Jill Biden tested positive for COVID-19 (isn't that virus name getting a little old now that were in 2023??) and Joe is being tested regularly. The test kit...hmm.

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart ... (Pr. 3:5) As Christian believers who have placed our trust in the Lord Jesus Christ, how much do we need to worry about every little concern the world throws our way? It seems there is a test or test kit to find this illness or that, this pollutant in the water or that and this medical irregularity or that. The average person can go on a wild goose chase over literally nothing. Jill tests positive, so she goes to the beach house for a week. Joe has overseas business, so he's testing regularly. Wow. So caring. Madison, Wisconsin got to be tour guide for the first lady while

she was in the incubator stage. Is anyone really worried? Don't think so. Ask the lady with the well that tested positive for PFAS's if they are sick from their water and they'll tell you they were fine until the DNR showed up with their test kit. How about the guy fishing the same lake up north for half a century eating the fish every summer and he'll say he's never had a problem until his lake tested high and for that matter, still doesn't have a problem except that his home value just plummeted. So some lab tech with a government job finds your water exceeds the State recommended level of something, or greatly exceeds the Federal recommended amount (a few parts per trillion) of that same something and down goes your home value, up goes your stress level, through the roof goes your budget as you try to buy bottled water for you and your horses that can drink 70 gallons of water a day each! It's time to ditch the pets and go back to having children; they're a whole lot cheaper! How about the displaced tenants who were forced out of their beautiful cream city brick apartment complex that once was once home to a manufacturing business. The test kit just rendered a whole bunch of people homeless, a developer broke, the courts rich, the health department a dictator, a municipality without repayment of their TIF and on the saga goes. How about Climate Change formerly known as global warming? Because some guy from the United Nations says he talked with a University of Timbuktu professor who said he estimates this was the hottest summer in



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Feedback

the last 150,000 years, we're supposed to get alarmed? Get real. Scratch the Bible's 4,000 years since the flood account, sorry Noah! and put 150K years into the equation and ask yourself the question, "So what's the rush? There has been climate change since Creation. In Genesis 8:22, God said, While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease. There is your only climate change! Fear no more. Enjoy that coal fired highly efficient power plant and unplug the battery operated car aka fire hazard. Oops, didn't mean to bring up the City of Milwaukee's battery operated blue busses that are mothballed for awhile (indefinitely?) due to a glitch :). Love the clean diesel! Bring on the sun. Worship the King!



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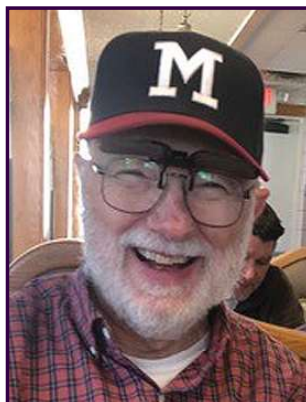
A Word From the Heart

By John Duckhorn

The 106th Psalm is one of the numerous Psalms that show God's work on behalf of His children and also their failure to acknowledge His works and to give thanks to Him. It shows the propensity of the human heart to forget God's wonderful works on their behalf. The sixth verse says "we have sinned like our fathers". There is an arrogance that points out the sins of previous generations and at the same time excuses themselves from blame for their own faults. It makes little difference if the present generation hopes to re-invent the church or national government; no generation is guiltless.

Their fathers saw the miraculous powers of God in the plagues of Egypt. But their spiritual senses had been dulled by the long stay in Egypt and the idolatry of that kingdom. When our spiritual senses are blunted by the world around us, it is easy to forget who God is and what he is able to do for his people. Be careful of limiting God because you don't understand Him and His ways of working. Each generation must find Christ a living reality and obey Him regardless of our present circumstances.

The inclination of the human heart to not believe is revealed over and over in the scriptures. God will test our faith. Israel was lead by God to the Red Sea. They were hemmed in, mountains on both sides and the sea in front of them. They began to complain to Moses and doubted that God was leading them to the very place. What did they forget? They forgot that they had been miraculously redeemed and now were under His protective covering. They had recently experienced the display of God's powers freeing them from



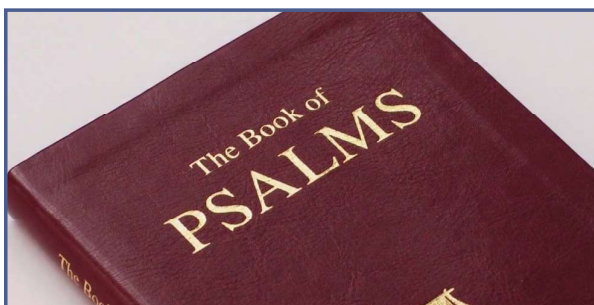
John Duckhorn, longtime Bible teacher at Wauwatosa Chapel, ProBuColls Wednesday night Scanda House and downtown YMCA studies and Missionary to Columbia

Egypt. How soon they forgot His gracious salvation on their behalf, only to think that their present circumstance would confuse God and limit His power. Think back and remember your salvation and the joy of deliverance from sin through Jesus Christ. Remember the victory you experienced over something that held you captive. It was faith in God that worked for you then, and it is faith that will sustain you in your present trials.

Verses 13-15 of Psalm 106 teaches that forgetting God leads to self-seeking, and faults God for our problems. After the excitement of deliverance from Egypt, they settled down to a day-to-day routine. They soon forgot that God was leading them step by step. They stopped asking for His counsel. (vs.13) The result was a self-seeking life. They settled down to a day-to-day routine. They were eager to have their own way and failed to see what God was actually doing. We do not like waiting

for the Lord to give us counsel and guidance. He had provided them with what was sufficient for living in the barren wilderness. God always knew what was good for them. But they said it wasn't good enough and was not fulfilling for their own cravings. Did they miss their old life of subjugation in Egypt? We love religious exhilaration and feel we deserve a better portion in life from Jesus Christ. This life became a mania with them. Suddenly, the things God provided grew tasteless and they felt they knew better than God. They longed for their sensual needs to be met and were confident that to have those desires satisfied were just what they needed. What is shocking is that God gave them their requests. That He gives us our desires is no proof we are objects of divine favor. The request was granted, but the result was meagerness in their soul. Without God's blessings the meat He provided them became loathsome to them. As your wealth grows does your life weaken? Remember that Israel in the wilderness got what they wanted and were literally "fed up" with it.

As you read this Psalm look up all of the story references and read the entire account of their attitudes and rebellion toward our God. The self-righteous attitudes displayed in society among politicians and various religious groups, come from those that have aligned themselves with "The prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience", and has little right to accuse those who came before us of sins worse than theirs.



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Resiliency Is Not Synthetic

By Linda Oberbrunner, Author of *Mercy Extended*



Linda Oberbrunner

When I was a young girl, one of my most favorite Christmas gifts I can remember receiving was a small black and shiny silver clothes iron and foldable ironing board. The beautiful iron and I became inseparable as I pretended to carefully iron every ruffle and crease of my doll's clothing and even a few white-striped handkerchiefs of my dad on the sturdy, mini-sized ironing board. Waiting until I was 11 years old to use a real iron seemed forever. Finally the day came when I plugged in the cord of the large iron and felt the heat on my fingers and

heard the steam sputtering out randomly so I could tackle all the wrinkles and jagged edges of my dad's shirts.

Many years later, I still enjoy taking a freshly washed and dried piece of clothing from the basket and transforming it within minutes from a rumpled item — to a crisp and professional garment. These days, so many clothing materials are wrinkle resistant with little to no ironing necessary. They are often described as “resilient textures”. Not my husband's summer cotton shirts though. No, they require steam coupled with some pressure, and a manipulating technique to get the neckline, shoulders, sleeves, and trunk areas nice and sharp looking.

Modern fabrics and synthetic fibers may be considered “resilient” but does that adjective accurately describe a thing instead of a person?

Throughout God's precious Word, He provides us with many examples of resilient men (Joseph, David, and Paul) and women (Ruth, Hagar, and Mary, the mother of Jesus). Each one went through adversity and horrendous challenges unique to their own situations and yet, were able to receive the gracious work of resiliency from God. Resiliency allows a return to rest and renewal in the fulfillment of God's promises. In fact, repentance and restoration may be components of resiliency whenever failures and failings have occurred, often through poor short-sighted choices. God always provides us with opportunities for fresh starts.

In the book of Isaiah, the prophet ties together the idea of renewal and resilience with words applicable and encouraging for today: “Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.” (Isaiah 40:30-31)

Resiliency is not synthetic but is genuine and readily available beginning today: “The steadfastness of the Lord never ceases, His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.” (Lamentations 3: 22 - 23)

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for redundancy for IT and data systems saying, “There is a coming storm and it's coming quickly. It seems like every demon in hell has been released and they're coming fast.” Franklin reminded us that Jesus was in the boat when the sea grew rough for the disciples, and not troubled by the rough waters we're experiencing today, Jesus is in our boat now. Jesus Christ has power over the storms! We have to preach the Gospel. There is power in the Gospel. God uses the Gospel. Following Franklin, Nicole C. Mullins sang “I Know My Redeemer Lives” finishing the session on a strong note!

On the Convention floor, Bob Conklin met Dr. John Herring of Iron Stream Media who was promoting the Readable Bible. John made the arrangements for Pastor Rod Laughlin of the Readable Bible to put Milwaukee on his calendar and agree to speak at the upcoming Pastors and Christian Workers Appreciation Day on September 22nd at the Wisconsin Club 9-3 PM. Thank you NRB for making this meeting possible!



Bob Conklin with John Herring of Iron Stream Media



The Hardens with Cameron (from the film *Overcomer* and *I Still Believe*) and Mrs. BJ Arnett talking about Christ Over Career



Representing the Christian Courier Newspaper at the recent NRB 2023 Convention in Orlando, FL L-R, Bob Conklin, Joe Kurk, Joann and Pastor Mike Harden



The Readable Bible by Rod Laughlin: Featured at PACWAD 2023

One day in 2008, Rod Laughlin was standing in an airport bookstore looking for a book to read. He asked himself, "Why am I looking for something to read when I have a Bible in my briefcase?" The answer came quickly: "The Bible is hard to read."

He thought, "You're a seminary graduate, a pastor, a Bible teacher! Why is it so hard to read?" He walked over to the how-to book section and started browsing. Unlike the Bible, all the books presented information in formats that made it easy to understand. On the plane, Rod wondered, "What would the Bible look like if God spoke through Moses, Joshua, and Paul today and they had a PC in front of them, if it were in modern formats?"

After he arrived home, Rod went through the Bible and identified over two-dozen categories of information, all presented in paragraph form. Now he had a new mission—to create a new Bible version that presents the original text and uses modern formatting to make it clear and easy to grasp.

Fifteen years later that mission was finally fulfilled. The first edition of The Readable Bible was released in November, 2023.

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THE READABLE BIBLE DETAILS

The Readable Bible is a primarily literal translation of Scripture from the oldest Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek manuscripts presented in modern formats. Whenever a thought-for-thought translation is used the literal translation is presented in a footnote.

To lower the risk of misunderstanding and to increase the probability of greater understanding, the biblical text is presented in seventeen modern formats.

1. Genealogies are presented as family trees, and the line of Jesus is highlighted.
2. Census and numerical data is presented in tables.
3. Law code is presented in outline format as in modern law books.
4. Poetry and theological passages are presented in cascading text.
5. Process steps are numbered and presented in tables.
6. Digressions in the text are separated by callouts so readers can easily see where the digression begins and ends.
7. Specifications of objects are presented in specification documents.
8. Correspondence, proclamations, and agreements are presented on parchment images as they might have appeared when written.
9. Maps are placed within the text to show all the movements of individuals and armies. If there is movement, there is a map!

Throughout history, the Bible has been put into modern formatting to make it easier to read. The original manuscripts had no capitalization and no spaces between words. That has been added. Today's chapter numbering, sentence structures, and verse numbering were developed in AD 1000–1850. The first paragraphed Bible was developed in the 1860s. While over a dozen new formats have been developed since then, none of them has been used to make the Bible easier to read and understand!

The Readable Bible is the same old text formatted the way people expect information to be formatted today. It is available wherever books are sold as a complete Bible or in a twenty-seven book set. Visit www.readablebible.com for more information.

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The Readable Bible

A reliable mainstream Bible translation that presents the Scripture in modern formats

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BENEFITS OF MODERN FORMATS

Using modern formats:

Presents the information in the format that the reader is used to seeing

- When have you seen a community census in paragraph form?
- When have you read a book with many lists but no bullet points or numbers before any item?
- When have you seen a family birth record in paragraph form?

Of course, the answer is: "Only in the Bible." Today, no publisher would publish a work formatted the way the Bible is formatted – except the Bible itself! The Bible stands alone as the one book that insists that people read the most detailed information in the most difficult-to-read format: plain text.

Tells the reader what follows

When readers see a census or genealogical table, they immediately know something about the information to follow, even before reading it. When the eyes see a letter presented on a piece of parchment, the reader immediately realizes it is about to read text from someone to someone. With plain text, the reader has no understanding until he has read some of the text, and even then it may take several phrases or sentences before one realizes what kind of material he is reading. Modern formats provide some understanding of the text before reading has even begun.

Makes relationships easy to see

When numbers are separated by nouns and verbs in sentences, readers cannot visualize the relationships between the numbers. When they see a table or chart, they see the relationships. When long theological explanations are presented in plain text, the reader can get lost in independent and dependent clauses. When readers see cascading text, they see what modifies what, understand the logic flow, and see parallel thoughts.

Enables scanning, increases comfort

Since modern formats quickly indicate the type of information to follow, Net Generals can scan the page. The formats put them in their comfort zone.

"I use The Readable Bible Psalms for my sermon preparation. The format makes the flow of thought much easier to discern."

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Full Bible

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- Annotated Bible – with over 10,000 notes providing background information, cross-references, and alternate translations. Released November 2022
- Reader's Bible – with 90% fewer footnotes, only those that provide background information, definitions of words not used in secular conversation or whose biblical meaning differs from secular usage. Release date TBD.

Study Bibles – In two releases: 2023, 2025

- Youth Edition – an illustrated youth Bible with articles by youth ministry leaders.
- Pro-Life Edition – Featuring articles from pro-life leaders.
- Missions Study Bible – created by a major denomination agency.

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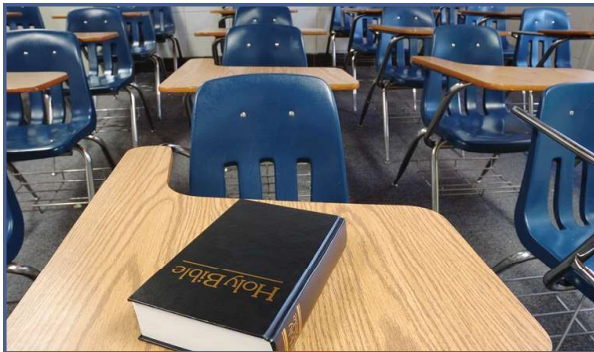


News & More



70-year-old Supreme Court ruling may hold key to reintroducing Bible education in public schools

By Ian M. Giatti (www.christianpost.com)



It might sound like something from a bygone era, but a nearly 70-year-old United States Supreme Court ruling allows public school students to participate in Bible study classes during school hours.

In his new book, appropriately titled *During School Hours*, Joel Penton, author and founder of LifeWise Academy, takes an in-depth dive into why religious education was removed from America's public schools and how his group is using this little-known Supreme Court decision to further the preaching of the Gospel for students.

It all started in 2018 when Penton was in full-time ministry at public schools when he was asked to look into what is known as "released time religious instruction" or "released time" for short.

"I talk to people like yourself every single day that are in the know and never heard of this. That's how I was," Penton told *The Christian Post* in an interview. "The truth is, for most school officials, this is news for them as well, meaning they've never heard of released time."

In essence, Penton summarized released time as the practice of students being released from public school during school hours to receive religious classes, provided the program is conducted off school property, privately funded and with parental permission.

A 1952 U.S. Supreme Court ruling in the case *Zorach v. Clauson* held that released time did not violate the U.S. Constitution because it did not amount to an establishment of religion.

In the 6-3 decision, the court noted that public facilities were not being used for religious instruction and no students were being compelled to attend the instruction, thus upholding the legality of released time programs.

At the time, Penton explained, the ruling went largely unnoticed due to what he described as an "onslaught of crackdowns on religion in schools."

Penton noted that Christianity was initially the driving force behind the American education system, telling CP that "One of the reasons we wanted to educate so broadly was so that kids could read the Bible." He said the growth of different Christian denominations and thus more religiously diverse populations ended up pushing the Bible out of schools.

"As the school system became more systematized and uniform across regions, Bible education was marginalized more and more," he added. "Soon you started seeing the Bible no longer used as a curriculum."

Penton explained to CP that before the *Zorach* ruling, religious instruction programs in U.S. public schools had been on the rise, starting first in 1914 in Gary, Indiana. By 1950, there were released time programs in 46 states.

Like most Americans, Penton was unaware of released time until people in his hometown of Van Wert, Ohio, started a program, which eventually saw over 95 percent of elementary students participate.

"There's this incredible opportunity that people don't realize that came out of these court rulings in the '40s and '50s, an opportunity for religious education during school hours that we just need to pick up and take advantage of," he said.

Part of the reason Penton became involved, he said, was after folks in Van Wert reached out to ask why these programs had not spread after 70 years — and part of the reason, he said, was the prohibitive startup costs.

"We became convinced that it's because of all the barriers to entry," he said. "You basically have to start a private school to get one of these off the ground because you gotta figure out facility and transportation and curriculum, payroll, all those things."

LifeWise launched its first two schools in 2019, continued working through the COVID-19 pandemic, and is currently serving 133 schools across four states. As indicated on the LifeWise Academy website, students typically attend LifeWise once a week for a class that lasts from 45 minutes to an hour. The curriculum teaches students about the entire Bible over five years.

While it's not quite as straightforward as simply getting parents to walk into their child's school office and ask to start their own program, Penton stressed that the effort really needs to be "community driven."

In response, LifeWise Academy developed a 10-step launch process to help get local initiatives implemented, including how to gather at least 50 signatures from the community in support, which Penton said is key.



"That shows us there are people that want to do it, that shows the school, 'OK, the community really wants to do this ... this isn't just one parent talking to the superintendent,'" he said. "It's easy to say no to that."

When asked whether he has concerns that exploiting the released time "loophole" might lead to the teaching of other religions and belief systems besides Christianity, including the controversial satanic after-school clubs, Penton said, "go for it."

"We say, that's fine, because we believe the Gospel is true and powerful and changes hearts," he said. "And the Gospel can compete and stand on its own two feet in the marketplace of ideas."

"The only danger is people not hearing the Gospel. The only danger is silence."



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'Society Must be Rooted in the Truth': DeSantis Unveils Robust Religious Liberty Agenda at Summit

By Ben Johnson



As president of the United States, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis (R) will rely on God, empower parents, protect religious liberty, and stand up to the government and corporate forces waging a war on Christians, the governor told the 2023 Pray Vote Stand Summit on Friday night.

"I don't know how you could be a leader without having faith in God," the 46th governor of Florida told the audience of conservative Christian leaders. It is "faith in God that gives you the strength to stand firm against the lies, against the deceit, against the opposition."

"People ask me, 'How do you become a good leader?' Well, one of the first things you need to do is put on the full armor of God," DeSantis told a capacity crowd inside Washington's Omni Shoreham hotel.

Personal suffering brought him to rely on divine providence. After the candidate announced that doctors had diagnosed his wife, Casey DeSantis, with cancer in October 2021, "we received prayers from people all across the United States, and we were able to witness firsthand the power of prayer as that lifted her spirits and put her on the road to a full and complete recovery," said DeSantis. "So, thank you."

The governor said specialists designated Florida's First Lady cancer-free last May.

Prayer has become increasingly important, because "we do have a spiritual decline in this country," said DeSantis. Democrat-dominated states such as California imposed lockdowns in the name of fighting COVID-19 that closed churches and synagogues but left liquor stores and strip clubs open. Deaths of despair skyrocketed, as more than 100,000 Americans overdosed in a combination of open borders, lax drug enforcement, and isolation.

Rather than crack down on illegal border crossings, which broke historical records under President Joe Biden, "we see weaponized government going after parents who are going to a school board meeting or faith leaders who are engaging in pro-life activism."

"We see the sense of becoming unmoored from our traditions, faith, and even common sense itself," DeSantis continued. "Attempts have been made to wipe our Judeo-Christian religious symbols from our national heritage and national culture," because liberal bureaucrats do not like competing narratives. "They want political leftism to be the established religion of this country," he said. "The minute you

try to bring [a Christian worldview] outside of that Sunday morning context, then the elites in our society are going to drop the hammer."

But during this time of national decline, Americans must "be able to live their faith in all aspects of their life, not just on Sunday morning," because "reviving the spirit of America is essential to helping reverse America's decline. And this revival is going to begin in our religious institutions."

Religious liberty has won recent Supreme Court cases involving Coach Joe Kennedy's right to pray in public and the right of the Christian-owned firm 303 Creative to refrain from designing websites that violate the owner's Christian view of marriage, he said. But "the fact that that even had to go to the U.S. Supreme Court shows us that religious liberty is not flourishing the way it should."

"Your right to practice your faith is not something that's given to you and simply tolerated by political elites. It is something that is endowed to you by the hand of Almighty God," said DeSantis. "We must win the fight to restore religious freedom as the Founding Fathers of this country intended."

DeSantis, the most significant challenger to former President Donald Trump in the polls, vowed to restore religious freedom through an ambitious agenda that mirrors his actions in Florida, which "stood strong as a citadel of freedom and a refuge of sanity." He promised to name Supreme Court nominees who reflect the jurisprudence of Justices Clarence Thomas and Samuel Alito Jr., "the two greatest justices on the court."

"We are going to tear up all government regulations that force groups to choose between government funding and their faith. Instead, we're going to actively incorporate the faith community into our administration," he said. He touted the Hope Florida program, started by his wife Casey, which connects disabled people with jobs — a program he said had taken "6,200 mostly poor women who are trying to raise children off of government assistance entirely."

DeSantis vowed to instate "universal school choice," to end discrimination against religious schools and faith-based institutions in public funding, to repeal a federal law that bans clergy from endorsing candidates in elections, and to end the judicial punishment and persecution of people who put their Christian views into practice. Instead of divisive equity programs, "we're going to create divisions of conscience and religious freedom in the Departments of Education, Labor, and [Health and Human Services] to protect religious liberty across all agencies of government," he said.

"My Department of Justice will investigate and prosecute attacks on faith-based pregnancy crisis centers and pro-life activists, which the Biden administration is currently ignoring," he said. His administration will begin "quickly dismissing these meritless lawsuits" and hold those who initiated them accountable. "We have also stood up to protect the culture of life by enacting the strongest pro-life protections in the modern history of Florida: The Heartbeat Protection Act."

The crowd responded most heartily to DeSantis when he took on the transgender political agenda. DeSantis took pride in outlawing "the gruesome practice of giving minors puberty blockers and gender surgeries," he said. "It is mutilation. It is wrong, and it has no place in a free and just society."

DeSantis won a sustained standing ovation when he promised "to stand up to the biggest, baddest companies, like Disney," he said. "We are not going to let these big companies run roughshod over the education of our children," and "Republicans out there who side with companies like Disney are wrong."

He added that he will clarify "whenever sex and gender appear in a government document, we refer to the only two sexes that actually exist."

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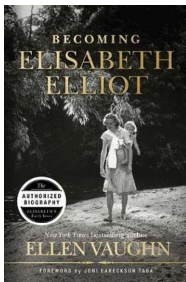
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Christian Book Reviews

Becoming Elisabeth Elliot by Ellen Vaughn



"The timing of this book couldn't be better. We may not know it, but in an age of antiheroes, our souls crave an authentic witness. We long to see a follower of Christ square off against sin and stand firm against the winds of adversity: one whose ironclad character cannot be dismantled. We want to see someone in whom living for Christ and dying for Him is indistinguishable. We crave a visceral story that has meat on it. A story that rises above the average. That soars and inspires. Becoming Elisabeth Elliot is that story. And no one can tell it better than my old friend Ellen Vaughn.

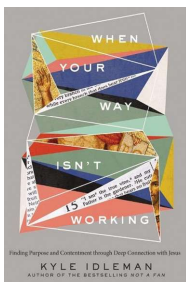
- Joni Eareckson Tada **B&H Publishing, \$24.99**

Globalism the Great World Consumption by Richard R. Schmidt



Local author Richard R. Schmidt, D.Min., PH.D. has produced a book that clearly explains how the new Globalism fits into Biblical Prophecy. He carefully guides the reader through the maze of current events and landmines that are leading to globalism. He discusses the relevant Biblical passages that mandate the one-world religion, government, and economy that comprise God's prophetic sovereign judgment for a world that has, is and will reject Jesus Christ. Pastor Schmidt hosts his weekly TV show, Prophecy Focus, on WVCY, Channel 30. **Self-published, \$15.00**

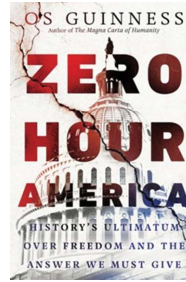
When Your Way Isn't Working by Kyle Idleman



If you're regularly feeling discouraged, frustrated, or just worn-out, that's a good indication that something in your life is out of Sync.

Drawing from John 15, Kyle offers a hopeful, biblical perspective on overcoming discouragement, fear, and isolation. Jesus told his disciples everything they needed to know to live a fruitful life: "stay connected to me." In the end, the fruit of your life will have nothing to do with your biggest accomplishments but everything to do with your deepest connections. "My friend Kyle Idleman explains how being connected to Jesus gives us purpose, perspective, and freedom." **Zondervan Books, \$24.99**

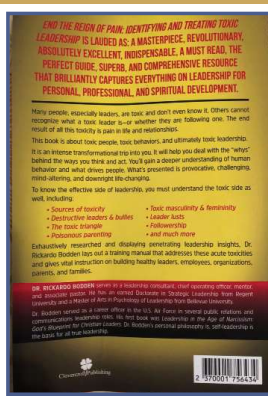
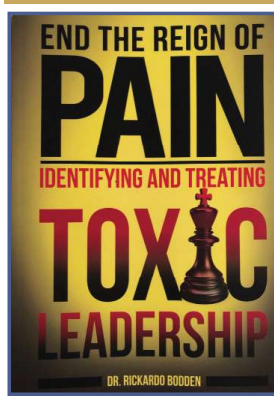
Zero Hour America: History's Ultimatum Over Freedom and the Answer We Must Give by Os Guinness



Revolution? Oligarchy? Or homecoming? Americans are approaching a "zero hour" for the republic and its distinctive view of ordered freedom. America is caught between two revolutions and alternately suppresses and squanders freedom with a prodigal carelessness, with little understanding of the responsibilities that freedom requires.

Os Guinness warns that if America abandons its distinctive ideals and ideas, we will have carved into the chronicles of history yet another example of the failure of a free society. Like other crucial times in world history, the present crisis is a "civilizational moment" and also a pivot point that could lead to national renewal. Outlining seven key foundation stones of freedom, Guinness lays out a pathway for defining and ordering freedom, righting national wrongs, and passing freedom's baton from generation to generation. **IVPress, \$23.00**

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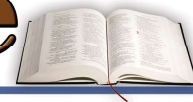


Book of the Month: End the Reign of Pain

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My Friend Roman

By Bob Conklin

The Bible says a man is given 70 years, or perhaps 80 if he is strong. Roman H. Claas (1943-2023) was given 80 years through September 6, 2023. Roman and I met in 1987 through my first full floor lease deal when RBH (Rollins Burdick Hunter) committed to the entire fourth floor of Two Plaza East in downtown Milwaukee. It pays to cold call! Roman was the office manager and Vince Donohoe was the local decision-maker. Together with leasing manager Curt Jessup, I was the #2 leasing agent for JMB on site at Plaza East (our claim to fame was the Benihana of Tokyo restaurant was a first floor tenant). The Polacheck Company had the listing on the building and Bill Bonifas was the tenant representative for RBH. RBH was upgrading from 757 N. Broadway. Roman's job was to work out all the details for the build out and mine was to orchestrate the lease from the landlord's side. From negotiations in Chicago at the offices of Combined International, to moving 200 people into their new offices, everything went totally smoothly.

Vince told me that he had checked me out with the guys at CBMC (Christian Business Men's Committee) and in particular, John Fisco. Vince wanted to make sure nobody was, "Picking his pocket." I was a new Christian at the time having gotten saved in January of 1987. John was taking me through Operation Timothy and gave Vince a thumbs up. An avid reader of the daily newspapers and Business Journal, John was the source of so many great leads and a lot of market knowledge! With John as the behind-the-scenes guy, I was attending the monthly downtown CBMC lunches at the Milwaukee Athletic Club. Vince was a regular and had been bringing Roman for awhile. Jim Rodrian, Steve Kolter, Stan Stanfield, Joe Hoffman, Ed



Roman Claas is shown here in May, 2016 with scripture memory cards in his pocket along with his signature Claas Insurance Agency pen. We met together regularly at Howard Honett's Friday morning CBMC Bible Study at Denny's restaurant on Brown Deer Road in Milwaukee.

Trike and quite a few other guys were active with the downtown committee. Roman liked the guys and had been Vince's guest at several CBMC Men's Retreats at Greenlake Conference Center.

On July 6, 1988, Roman asked me if I had time for a Coke after work. Only a few blocks from our building, we walked down together to Water Street Brewery. We had talked about the Lord some, but this time, Roman came with an agenda. Here is how I remember our conversation going: Roman said, "I've tried giving God everything in my life and nothing seems to be working. I haven't noticed a change in my life." Thinking to myself and fresh in my mind from a year earlier when I had a similar conversation with John Fisco, God gave me these words, "Well Roman, let's go through the checklist: Have you

given God your career? Yes. Have you given Him your family? Yes. Have you given Him your checkbook? Yes. Roman, have you given God your religion? What???? You mean he wants that too?" Roman lit up and smiled!

Well the rest is history. That evening, Roman walked down along the Milwaukee River and gave God everything, including his religion. Waiting for awhile at the restaurant for him, I was glad to hear Roman recount to me that he had finally gotten saved, that he finally became born again (John 3). I'll share a few Roman stories with the attendees at Roman's home-going celebration service which will be held at Brookside Baptist Church on Pilgrim Road at 11 a.m. on Saturday October 28, 2023. (That last Saturday of October is also Kid's Day at ProBuColls Bookstore, so a few of us will be doing double duty that day!)



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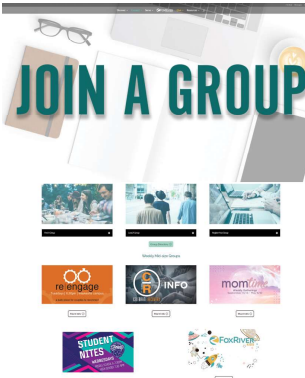
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Child Evangelism Fellowship Seeks to Reach 100M Children With The Gospel, Urges Christians To Mobilize

By Leah MarieAnn Klett

When it comes to missions, Child Evangelism Fellowship believes one of the most important — and overlooked — groups is children.

“One of the most beautiful passages in the Bible that reflects the heart of God is concerning children,” CEF Executive Vice President Moises Esteves told The Christian Post.

“Psalms 78 says we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord and His power and the wonders that He has done. The government is not going to do it. God wants believers to communicate to the children, to the next generation, about the knowledge of God. That’s our responsibility. Someone one day communicated with us, and it is now our responsibility to communicate with the next generation.”

CEF, an international nonprofit ministry, has been unwavering in its mission since 1937: ensuring every child is reached with the Gospel, spiritually nurtured and integrated into a local church.

Located in all 50 American states and in most countries around the world, CEF’s newly-established goal is to minister to 100 million children each year globally with the Gospel in the near future.

To reach this goal, CEF has established several in-person ministries, including the Good News Club. Described by Esteves as “an hour to an hour and 15 minutes, sort of a high-powered Sunday School,” these clubs combine fun with Gospel-centric teaching.

“It’s a lot of fun, but a lot of learning, and we share the Gospel so the unsaved child can have an opportunity to receive Christ as their Savior,” he said.

And in 2022 alone, CEF trained nearly half a million teachers worldwide. Esteves highlighted the importance of ensuring teachings are “biblically consistent while also culturally sensitive.” The methodology, he said, involves producing literature with strong biblical principles, which is then translated with cultural nuances in mind.

“If the child is interested in receiving Christ, what do you do? They need to be trained in how to counsel the child for salvation, and then there’s a whole slew of skills that need to be trained and understood when you minister to children,” he said.

“The structure is in place, the boots are on the ground to grow this ministry exponentially. And we have strict strategies, like children reaching children, which is teaching older, more mature children to evangelize their peers. It’s a beautiful training that we’re accelerating in the coming years.”

Esteves, a father and grandfather of two, understands firsthand the power of reaching children with the Gospel.

Born in Portugal, he first encountered the Gospel at a Christian camp at the age of 9, and unbeknown to him at that time, the missionary sharing the Gospel utilized CEF literature.

His life took another twist when he moved to the U.S. after marrying a woman from Vermont. By 1993, the couple found their calling with CEF in Vermont, eventually leading Esteves to the headquarters in Missouri.

“I’ve had the opportunity to share Christ with my own children growing up, and my two grandchildren, who are 8 and 6, both have autism. This morning I prayed for their salvation, but one of them is nonverbal, so it’s going to take a little longer to be able to share Christ with them so they can understand it. It’s extremely important to minister to children. There’s an openness in the hearts of children that we must



take advantage of,” he said.

Drawing from a study by George Barna, Esteves emphasized the critical window between the ages of 5 and 12 when children are most receptive to the Gospel.

“All evangelism is child evangelism,” he added.

However, challenges do arise. Esteves identified finances as a significant impediment as well as getting Christians involved with the organization.

“If we had the money, we could hire another 1,000 people,” he said. “We’re a volunteer-based organization. So we have lots and lots of volunteers trained all over the world who could become staff if we had the funding. ... We need more believers to catch this burden, this vision that it is our responsibility to tell the next generation the knowledge of God.”



1,000 MAKE DECISIONS FOR CHRIST AT FRANKLIN GRAHAM'S LONDON EVANGELISM OUTREACH

The Rev. Franklin Graham of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association speaks at the “God Loves You” tour event at the ExCel London convention center in London, England, on Saturday, Aug. 26, 2023. | Courtesy BGEA

Hundreds made decisions for Christ as over 10,000 attended the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association’s “God Loves You” tour event in London on Saturday, where evangelist Franklin Graham preached a Gospel message.

Graham, the son of the legendary evangelist Billy Graham who serves as BGEA president, held the outreach at the ExCel center in London on Saturday. BGEA partnered with around 1,000 churches based in the London area, and tens of thousands of people watched the event via livestream.

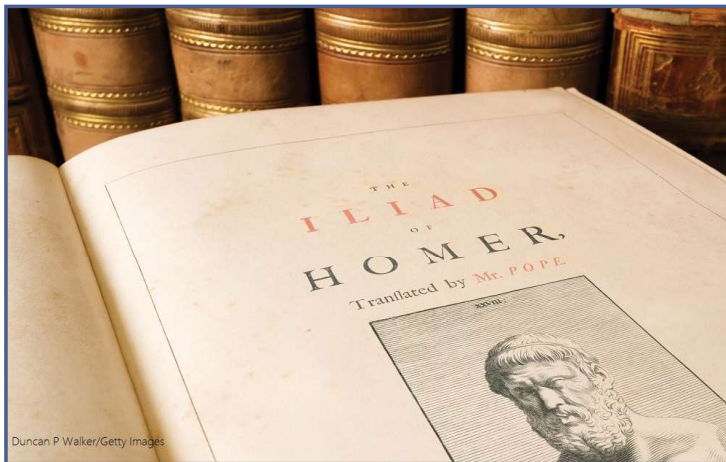


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Classical Christian Schools See Enrollment Explode

By Dan Hart



Since the beginning of 2020, when the COVID pandemic caused widespread and lengthy public school shutdowns and vaccine requirements that proved to be immensely controversial, a growing number of parents are removing their students from public schools and enrolling them in private ones. Among the private schools that have seen substantial growth are classical Christian schools, which focus on instilling students with a biblical worldview through the wisdom and traditions of Western civilization that have been established for centuries.

With 1.2 million students leaving public schools since 2020, many are enrolling in private schools, which have seen enrollment increase by 140,000 students since 2019. As a result, classical Christian schools have seen enrollment mushroom over the last three years. As David Goodwin, president of the Association of Classical Christian Schools, told guest host Jody Hice during Monday's edition of "Washington Watch," classical education is about getting back to the basic building blocks of education that have already been established for centuries within the church.

"For over a thousand years it was the churches that did the educating," he underscored. "... It's only been the last hundred or 150 years that that's moved away from the churches and into the public school system. So what we're calling for is a form of Christian education called classical Christian education, which seeks to restore that form that was existent before the American public school system developed."

Goodwin further observed that classical education is rooted in the founding of Western civilization and of America.

"It was a form of education developed in the church after the fall of the Roman empire," he explained. "It sustained the church as the primary form of education up until about 1830. It developed most of our Founding Fathers."

Goodwin continued, "It studies what are sometimes called the 'Great Books,' it looks to the wisdom of the past, it studies a lot of theology. The students in our schools often learn Latin and Greek as avenues to the past to be able to read original manuscripts. But it's really for everybody. We've got people from every walk of life. We have inner city schools, schools across the suburbs and in metro areas. They all have in common a love for the lordship of Jesus Christ and an establishment of the Christian worldview, which is really when you think about it what school does. In the Bible it's called 'paideia,' it's the Greek word. We now call it worldview. ... That's the primary function of classical Christian schools."

Goodwin went on to illustrate how classical schools are expanding, and encouraged churches to join the growing movement.

"Before 2020, we were [seeing] 20-30 new schools a year," he noted. At present in the last two years, we have brought in about 200 new schools. ... [W]e would love to have churches across the country join with us in building those schools. We have about 500 right now in our membership. We've been operating for the last 30 years, and the demand is ... going so high at this point that we're dependent on church buildings and church resources to get these schools started."

Goodwin further emphasized that churches should not be intimidated at the prospect of starting a classical school.

In the Kitchen With Diane



Diane Fechter, Author



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- 1 can (5 oz.) tuna
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Mix together all ingredients except bread. Spread mixture on bread. Place under broiler until hot, bubbly and slightly browned, about 8-10 minutes. Serves 3-4.

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GOD ALONE KNOWS OUR FUTURE BY PASTOR CHUCK SWINDOLL



The longer we walk with the Lord, the more we realize that we really don't know what each new day may bring. A phone call can come in the middle of the night shattering our joy. Suddenly everything changes. It's amazing

what a knock at the door can bring or what the opening of a letter can do.

I don't say these things to conjure up fear in our hearts, but simply to remind us that God alone knows our future. And there's no safer, no better, no more rewarding place to be than in the nucleus of His will, regardless of where that may be.

We are only finite human beings. We can only see the present and the past. The future is a little frightening to us. So we need to hold on to His hand and trust Him to calm our fears. And at those times when we're stubborn and resisting and God shakes us by the shoulders to get our attention, we're reminded that we don't call the shots, God has a plan for us, mysterious though it may seem, and we want to be in the center of it.

All the risks notwithstanding, the center of His will is still the safest place on earth to be.

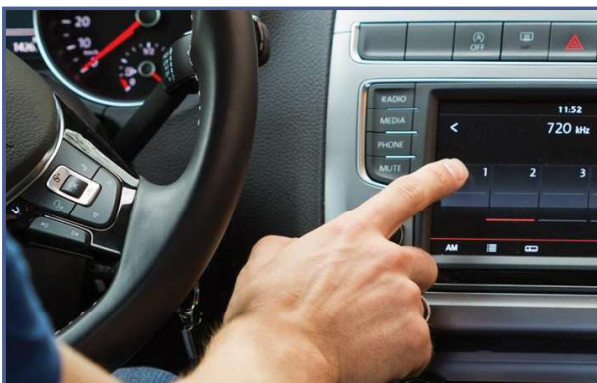


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What Happens to AM Radio After August Recess?

By NRB



This fall could be a busy time for broadcasters on Capitol Hill.

Earlier this year, with leading automakers poised to remove AM radio capabilities from new electric vehicle lines, lawmakers in the House and Senate worked across the political aisle to introduce a pair of proposals (H.R.3413 and S.1669) that would preserve AM radio in the auto dash.

Even with Congress in recess, the AM Radio for Every Vehicle Act has continued to benefit from the issue's momentum. In recent days, the legislation has attracted several new cosponsors, most recently adding Reps. James Comer (R-Ky.), Carlos Gimenez (R-Fla.), Mike McCaul (R-Texas.) and Sens. Catherine Cortez Masto (D-Nev.) Joni Ernst (R-Iowa.), Lindsey Graham (R-S.C.), Josh Hawley (R-Mo.), Chris Murphy (D-Conn.), and Jacky Rosen (D-Nev.), for a total of 150 cosponsors in the House and 34 in the Senate.

The bill sailed through Senate markup in July. Prior to the markup, a manager's amendment (package of amendments from the lead sponsor or committee chair) introduced a few tailored changes, such as narrowing the bill to "passenger motor vehicles" as opposed to "motor vehicles" more generally and revising the requirement that radio be "conspicuous" to merely "easily accessible." Changes were also made to the effective date and to the fee structure, but the core elements of the bill—requiring that AM radio will remain in cars and be placed in cars that have eliminated it—was not changed.

Once the Senate is back in session, the bill must be brought up before it is considered on the floor. This can happen by unanimous consent or by voting to adopt a motion to proceed to the bill. After this step of the bill process happens, Senators can then offer amendments. Unlike in the House, amendments in most circumstances are not subject to "germaneness" rules, and can sometimes include aspects that are unrelated to the bill. Furthermore, there is no limit to debate at each step of the process (motions to proceed, amendments, the bill itself), so there is no way to cut off debate to force a vote. This makes the bill's time and debate on the floor unpredictable, but given its bipartisan support and quick progress so far, S.1669 has a good chance of avoiding these procedural difficulties.

Once the bill is passed on the Senate floor, all eyes will turn to the other chamber to see what happens with the House companion bill—potentially paving the way to the President's desk. This fall is an excellent time to write, call, or even meet with your representatives in Congress to share about the positive impact of AM radio on listeners and tell them about the important community service activities going on at your stations.

How Samaritan's Purse Is Bringing Relief - and Hope - to Maui and Florida

By Sarah Holliday

On Thursday's edition of "Washington Watch" with Tony Perkins and Jody Hice, Edward Graham, chief operating officer for the Christian international relief organization, Samaritan's Purse, was invited on to discuss what is being done for the aftermath of Hurricane Idalia. Graham is also operating a team to bring relief in Maui from the fires.

Regarding the wildfires in Hawaii, Graham explained how difficult it has been to make any decisions and get things done. He shared how sifting, or the act of searching for personal items to return them to their owners, has been a source of hope. "When there's a fire, there's a loss of hope because everything's gone," he said. "[But] then when you find that one little ring, it's the first glimpse of something bigger, something that happened." These small moments of hope are where chaplains from Samaritan's Purse start building relationships with the homeowners, which often leads to discussions about faith and hope in Christ. Even though bringing aid to Maui has been challenging, as Graham put it, they "see so many salvations just through sifting."

Graham also shared how many of the churches in Hawaii survived, and how they are actively seeking to help the members of their congregations whose homes did not. "[The

churches] are so bold. They're loving their communities, and they're doing great things to serve those that have lost so much," he said. "The church there is energized and wants to help."

On the other hand, Samaritan's Purse is facing a separate challenge in bringing relief to the aftermath of Hurricane Idalia in Florida. The storm, which made landfall on Wednesday in Florida as a category 3, affected nearly 438,000 people throughout Florida and Georgia who lost power, experienced major flooding, and suffered other damages estimated by Moody's Analytics ranging between \$12 billion and \$20 billion overall.

Samaritan's Purse is assessing damage in Georgia and South Carolina, but the majority of their efforts are in Florida. "I mean, thousands have been affected, thousands of homes, and we're getting more and more reports," Graham said. "We'll bring more teams in if needed and more equipment. But it's going to take a long time for these areas to recover."



Despite the long-term nature of the relief mission for Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina, Graham shared how Samaritan's Purse is going to stay until the work is done. He explained how the mission is to go beyond clean-up of the storm to the churches and helping communities become stronger through the disaster. "When we do leave, when the work's done, we want that church better established to love and minister [and] make disciples of men," he insisted.

Through it all, Graham explained, Samaritan's Purse exists "to love our neighbors and share the name of Jesus Christ when they think all hope is lost." On behalf of the organization and the people devastated by both disasters, Graham requested prayer and urged any interested volunteers to sign up at SamaritansPurse.org.



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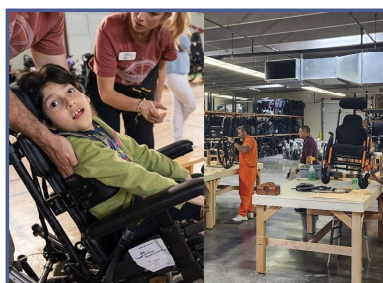
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JONI AND FRIENDS OPENS NEW WHEELCHAIR RESTORATION CENTER - NRB

NRB member Joni and Friends recently opened its latest Wheelchair Restoration Center within the Kingman Correctional & Rehabilitation Facility (KCRF) in Kingman, Ariz., adding to the ten other Joni and Friends restoration centers across the nation.

Launched July 21, 2023, the center is projected to restore around 480 wheelchairs within its first year, with expectations of further expansion. Beyond wheelchair refurbishment, this program offers inmates personal growth opportunities and valuable skill development.

The disability ministry, founded by Joni Eareckson Tada, partnered with The GEO



Group, a leading prison management company contracted by the Arizona Department of Corrections, to operate the facility and grow the Wheels for the World program.

By becoming involved in wheelchair restoration, inmates are helping to serve those worldwide who lack access to mobility devices. The program also aids inmates in per-

sonal rehabilitation and transformation, instilling hope and self-worth.

"Through this partnership, we are not only providing life-changing mobility but also fostering hope and self-worth in individuals who may have lost sight of their God-given potential. Together, we are breaking down barriers and building bridges toward a more inclusive and compassionate world," said Jason Holden, Joni and Friends Senior Vice President of Operations. "Joni and Friends and The GEO Group are excited to see the ripple effect of this partnership as it extends beyond prison walls, reaching individuals with disabilities in communities across the globe. This joint effort exemplifies the potential for transformation when organizations with complementary missions collaborate to bring about positive change."



Little Johnny and his family were having Sunday dinner at his grandmother's house. Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When Little Johnny received his plate, he started eating right away.

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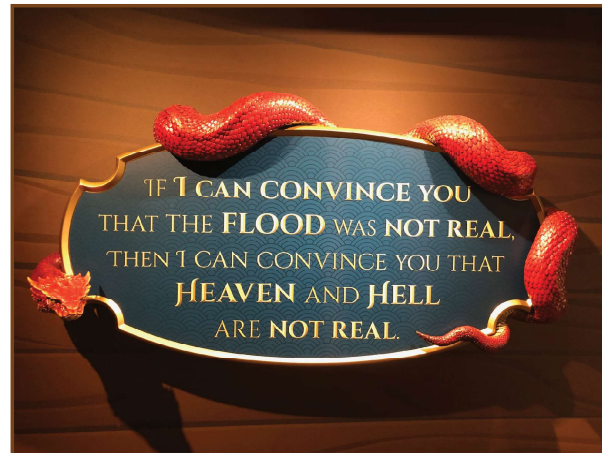
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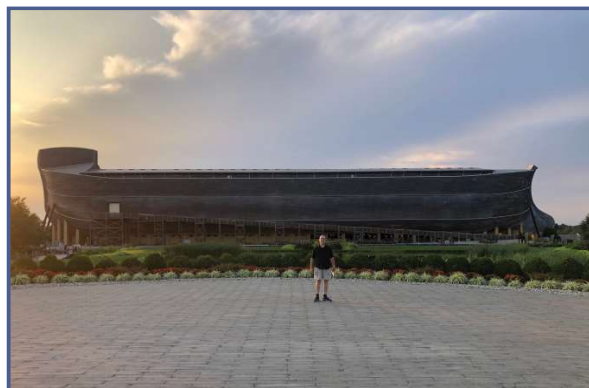
At Ellen Klandrud's recent Home Going Service, Mikey joins old Elmbrook Church Boy's Club Rangers Huntz, Bob, Kevin and Todd



Longtime ProBuColls Bookstore employee Karen Scharnick visits with current staff and volunteers



Joe Kurk and Bob Conklin at the Ark Encounter with Ken Hamm cutout



Joe Kurk at the Ark Encounter



Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are being filled and returned to ProBuColls



Clark House residents and others tackle a fallen limb recently



Clark House outing to the Brewers Game



Don and Diana Beebe in town for the June Leadership Luncheon with Charlene and Steve Rose



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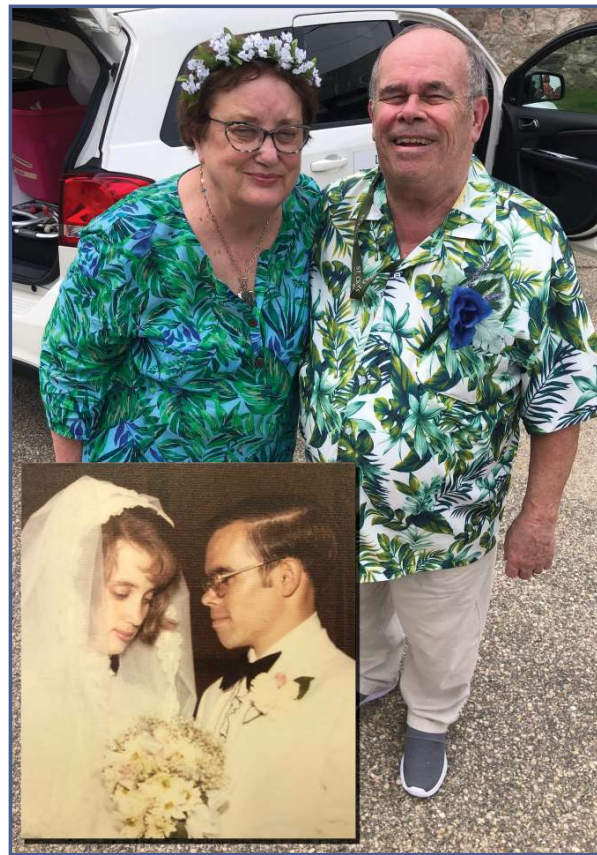
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New to Spring Creek Church staff, Pastor ALAN FLEMING, Executive Pastor of Ministries teaching at the Men's BBQ



The Essential Church movie by Grace Productions shown recently at Brookside Baptist Church



Longtime Waukesha County OCC volunteers Terry and Dennis Williams celebrate 50 years



Howard Honett hosts the Friday morning CBMC study in Cedarburg



Wycliffe Bible Translations

By Tim and Sharon Scanlon

Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest! - John 4:35 NKJV

During recent leadership meeting in Arkansas we found these stones marking where Wycliffe and SIL first started training Bible translators so that everyone could have the Bible and the gospel in their own language.

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Regional Director of Development for Ethnos 360 (formerly New Tribes Mission). Andrew has a sports background having worked in the NFL for the Buffalo Bills.



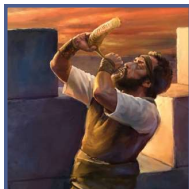
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- We commit to fervently pray, actively engage, and become informed about what is going on in our schools and school districts. We commit to sound the alarm when we see things going on in our schools which are harmful to our children.
- In Jesus' name, we pray that "nothing is covered up that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known" (Luke 12:2, esv). Bring to light every evil plan that would bring destruction to our students and give us the wisdom in how to pray and the courage to speak up and stand against it.

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West Bend, WI 53090
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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 RacineFCF.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 GBC-Kenosha.org

Hillside Community Church
S93 W30580 Country Rd NN
Mukwonago 53149
Sunday Worship 9AM
Call for Bible Study
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 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

Open Door Church
3420 County Road LL
Port Washington, WI 53074
Sat Worship Service 5:30pm
Sun Worship Services 8am & 10:45
Sun School/Adult Bible 9:30am
262-284-0711
www.ODBcpert.org

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

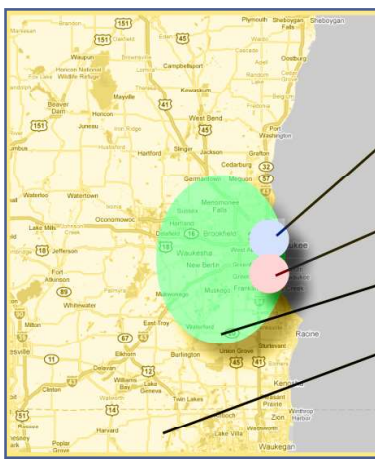
Summit Harvest Church
888 Thackerway Trail #209
Oconomowoc 53066
Sunday Worship 10AM
262.560.0765
SummitHarvestChurch.org

Terrace Shores Ev 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 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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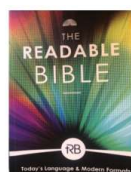
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The story of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:30-37) gives a clear picture of God's desire for us to help those in desperate need wherever we find them. After describing how the Samaritan rescued a hurting man whom others had passed by, Jesus told His hearers, "Go and do likewise." For over 50 years, Samaritan's Purse has done our utmost to follow Christ's command by going to the aid of the world's poor, sick, and suffering. We are an effective means of reaching hurting people in countries around the world with food, medicine, and other assistance in the Name of Jesus Christ. This, in turn, earns us a hearing for the Gospel, the Good News of eternal life through Jesus Christ.

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