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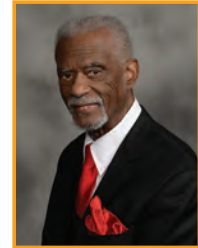
Bill Marris

On behalf of the Sponsoring Committee of Past Program Participants, you are cordially invited to attend this year's Wisconsin Governor's Prayer Breakfast. Held on the National Day of Prayer, the event will take place on Thursday May 1, 2025 at 7:30 a.m. at the Wisconsin Club 900 W. Wisconsin Avenue Milwaukee in the Grand Ballroom. We have a middle eastern theme this year with our keynote speaker Dr. Rev. Elie Hasbani coming by way

of his home country of Lebanon. A Chartered Life Underwriter, William Marris is the retired General Agent for the Wisconsin Agency of New England Life/ MetLife. Bill has visited and led excursions to many Biblical sites in Israel, Egypt, Jordan, Turkey, Greece, and Italy.



Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers



Make sure you attend this year's Good Friday Service with Pastor Julius Malone to be held at the Historic Tripoli Shrine Center 3000 W. Wisconsin Ave. Music by Judah! Great parking!! Friday April 18, 2025 at Noon.



Lance Allen

Leading the Prayer for Leadership will be Milwaukee's own Lance Allan, Sports Director for CBS 58.



Captain Brad Meeder

Leading the Tribute To Our Troops will be recently retired longtime career American Airlines Pilot Captain Brad Meeder. Much more about Captain Meeder is contained in the article in this edition of the Christian Courier Newspaper. *Continued on page 4*

NRB 2025

By Bob Conklin, Jr.



Mark and Jane Neumann, Co-founders of LifeCamp USA (www.lifecampusa.org) address attendees at this year's National Religious Broadcasters International Christian Media Convention in Grapevine, TX. Based in Delafield, Wisconsin's own LifeCamp USA was a major sponsor of the Media Awards Luncheon held at NRB 2025. Mark and Jane both spoke to the crowd and followed with a very professionally done video explaining how LifeCamp USA provides support, inner strength, and purposeful direction to the lives of young men and young women who lost a father due to U.S. Military, Law Enforcement, or First Responder service. These



Gold Star families have a chance to send their son or daughter on a weeklong outing to go camping at one of the weeks offered each summer. For example, sons are paired with "Uncles" who mentor the boy in a relationship that starts at camp and often carries well beyond as the young boy grows up. Mark and Jane and their team members which came from different cities around the U.S. to staff Booth 638 in the Exhibit Hall were on-hand to meet with and explain to TV personalities, Radio voices, Podcasters and the over 5,000 attendees at this year's convention how this ministry is meeting needs so they could in turn take the message to their audiences hopefully recruiting campers and bringing in donations. Sitting as a guest at Mark and Jane's table and seeing them on stage as a sponsor was a true highlight of this year's NRB!

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Commentary

Be Saved

by Bob Conklin, Jr.

They no doubt have the best of intentions, but often we hear someone say to someone else, "Goodbye. Be safe!" Safety is so elusive and in this fast-paced culture, so temporary. What if we as Christian believers instead say, "Goodbye. Be saved?" Be ready with a tract and share the Gospel message. In these last days of the Church age, being saved is really the priority here isn't it? What is this life for? For each person to make a decision to follow Jesus Christ. Everything else is secondary. John 1:12 says: But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: For the Christian believer to wish to someone who may be unsaved (which the Bible says amounts to many as opposed to few), "Be safe" rings kind of hollow doesn't it? Be safe, or Stay safe...and perish.

Every true Christian knows that before anyone can really Be safe, he must Be saved. Someone can go to great lengths to Be safe, but if he dies without Christ and thus dies unsaved and in the end perishes, what good was any attempt at being safe?

Praise God through the alphabet:

- I praise you Father, for You are-
- A---Awesome, Amazing, Almighty God
- B---Beautiful, Bountiful
- C---Creator, Compassionate
- D---Deliverer, Delightful
- E---Emmanuel, Ever Living God
- F---Framer of the universe, Forgiving
- G---Gracious, Great, Glorious
- H---Holy, my Hope, Healer, Help
- I---Immutable, Immoveable, I AM
- J---Just, Joyful God
- K---King of kings, Kind
- L---Loving, Long-suffering Lord
- M---Magnificent, Merciful, Majestic
- N---Never-ending, Noble
- O---Omnipotent, Only Living God
- P---Provider, Precious, Praiseworthy
- Q---Quick to answer, You bring Quietness
- R---Righteous, Redeemer, Refuge
- S---Splendid, Stronghold, Savior
- T---Trustworthy, all Truth
- U---Understanding, Unchanging
- V---Victorious, Vital
- W---Wonderful, Wise
- X---eXtraordinary, eXcellent
- Y---Yahweh (the Lord), ever Young
- Z---Zestful, Zealous God

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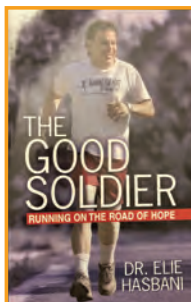
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How can the Bible believing Christian Be safe? Answer: Col. 3:1 says: "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God."

Our last, the 70th Annual Midwest Men's Retreat was held in Green Lake in September of 2017. In our packet that year, or in a registration packet we received in a prior year, John Fisco handed out these cards entitled Praise God Through the Alphabet. Here is a picture of that card. Praying the Alphabet has helped me so much. If its late at night, or early in the morning, or I'm driving in the middle of the day, it's easy to remember my ABC's and Pray through the Alphabet. I use many variations of this pattern for prayer and it's amazing how this sets my focus on Christ helping me seek those things which are above, or back on Christ and not on my problems. Try it fellow Christian, you'll like it! Need any help getting started? Give me a call!



Bob Conklin at the National Prayer Breakfast Gathering with guest Dr. Rev. Elie Hasbani who will be Speaker at the WI Governor's Prayer Breakfast on Thursday May 1st at the WI Club.



Pastor John Duckhorn, Erv Martens, Joe Kurk, Joey Kurk, Bob Conklin, Ralph Story, Pastor Tim Winter, Pastor Bob Ona and Jack Roper before a visit with Dr. Basil Jackson



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# News & More



## Living in Light of His Coming: Three Biblical Principles for Victory

By Bob Roman

As I sit here in my kitchen at the Kitchen table on a cold Milwaukee morning, I'm reminded of Paul's words in Romans 7:15: "I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do." If you've ever felt that way, you're not alone. Let me share with you three biblical principles that have become anchors in my own journey, along with some crucial truths about our security in Christ and the blessed hope of His return.

### THE FOUNDATION OF OUR SECURITY

First, let me affirm something vital: if you're in Christ, you're eternally secure. Romans 8:30 makes this crystal clear: "And those He predestined, He also called; those He called, He also justified; those He justified, He also glorified." Notice the progression - from predestination to glorification, it's all in the past tense. That's how certain our salvation is in God's mind.

But here's where many of us get confused. Yes, we're eternally secure, but that doesn't mean our daily walk is always steady. As Romans 6:1-2 challenges us: "Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer?"

### THREE ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLES FOR VICTORY

Through years of teaching and personal struggle, I've found three biblical principles that are absolutely crucial for victory:

#### 1. Immersion in God's Word

"Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You" (Psalm 119:11). This isn't just casual reading, friends. We need daily, focused time in Scripture. When I skip my morning Bible study, I notice the difference by noon. The Word is our sword in spiritual battle (Ephesians 6:17), and you can't fight without your weapon.

#### 2. Consistent, Real Prayer

Jesus himself set this example: "Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed" (Mark 1:35). Prayer isn't a religious duty - it's spiritual breathing. We need focused time talking with God, confessing our sins (1 John 1:9), and seeking His strength.

#### 3. Genuine Physical Fellowship

"And let us consider how we may spur one another toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing" (Hebrews 10:24-25). In our age of virtual everything, we need real, face-to-face fellowship more than ever. No amount of social media or video calls can replace sitting across from a brother or sister in Christ.

### THE BLESSED HOPE AS OUR MOTIVATION

Now, let me address something I'm passionate about - the pretribulational rapture. Some critics say this belief makes believers passive, but 1 John 3:2-3 tells us the opposite: "Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure."

The imminent return of Christ isn't an escape hatch - it's a powerful motivation for holy living. As Paul reminds us in Titus 2:11-13: "For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say 'No' to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ."



### PRACTICAL STEPS FORWARD

So how do we apply all this? Here's what I've found helpful:

#### For God's Word:

- Set a specific time each day for Bible study
- Follow a structured reading plan
- Keep a journal of insights and applications

"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path" (Psalm 119:105)

#### For Prayer:

- Start each day with focused prayer time
- Keep a prayer journal
- Practice immediate confession when you stumble

"Pray continually" (1 Thessalonians 5:17)

#### For Fellowship:

- Commit to a small group
- Meet regularly with an accountability partner
- Prioritize face-to-face connections over virtual ones

"Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another" (Proverbs 27:17)

### LIVING IN LIGHT OF HIS RETURN

Remember, our position in Christ is secure - "There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus" (Romans 8:1). Our sanctification is progressive - "Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus" (Philippians 1:6). And our Lord's return is imminent - "For the Lord himself will come down from heaven... and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air" (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17).

Let's encourage one another with these truths. If you're struggling and need someone to talk to, my door is always open. Remember, "He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it" (1 Thessalonians 5:24).

In Christ's service,

Bob Roman

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# News & More

## PRAYER BREAKFAST FROM PAGE 1



Captain Guy Barak

Doing our Old Testament Reading will be Capt. Guy Barak, Former Israeli Naval Attache' to the US and the military attache' to the UN | IDF | Israeli Navy



Richard "Dick" Pieper

Reading from the New Testament will be Richard "Dick" Pieper Jr. of PPC Partners. Mr. Pieper is one of the true originals involved with the Prayer Breakfast dating back to the late 1960's when the event was organized by the Milwaukee Area Jaycees and its members Jamie Christie and John M. Fisco, Jr.



Jeffery G. Pyzyk



Luis Pito Pizarro

The Opening Prayer will be led by Jeffery G. Pyzyk, MAI, CRE. Jeff is President of the Appraisal Resource Group in Milwaukee.

Leading the Closing Prayer will be Luis Pito Pizarro. Luis is a graduate of the Reggie & Sara White School of Entrepreneurship. Pastor Luis is also Founder of Transformed People, Inc. headquartered at 2240 W. National Avenue in Milwaukee.

To purchase your table of 10, or individual tickets contact the Prayer Breakfast office at (414) 344-7300, scan the Ticket Order Form in this edition to [goodnews316@icloud.com](mailto:goodnews316@icloud.com) or visit our website [www.wisconsin-governors-prayer-breakfast.com](http://www.wisconsin-governors-prayer-breakfast.com). We're looking forward to your joining us on May 1st!

## A Fighter Pilot and His Wings

By Jack Roper



A bird without wings? They were born with them. A man having wings like that of a bird, impossible! A plane with wings is another story. This story is about a Navy fighter pilot who had to earn his wings. His wings were necessary because he was a fighter pilot in the U.S. Navy. What is the origin of the word

"navy". It comes from the Latin word 'navia' (ship). The word "wing" comes from the Old Norse word 'vaengr' which refers to "front limbs of a bird". This word 'wings' dates back to the 12th century.

When America has to go to war to help its allies or even on its own land, the wings of a fighter jet are priceless. Wings lift. Wings balance. Wings give the jet aerial abilities. Wings give stability. Wings give design. This is the story of Brad Meeder, a Navy F/A 18 fighter pilot who had to "earn" his wings. He was a military instructor who played an important role as a U.S. Navy's training officer. While in the military, Brad received the Navy's Expeditionary Medal, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, the Navy's Unit Commendation Ribbon (2nd award) etc. His Navy flight time came to 1,596 hours. Officer Meeder was responsible for training Aerial combat maneuvering, Air to Ground weapons delivery Formation flying, aerial refueling and being available as needed. The F-18 Fighter jet was Brad's love for training Naval Aviators in all phases of this jet which included being a Simulator instructor. According to the Warrior Maven Review, the F-18 was in the Top 10 of Fighter Jets in the world.

Before he became a military training officer on the USS Coral Sea Aircraft Carrier 1985 and 1986, he needed to graduate from the Naval Aviation Schools Command in Pensacola, Florida. He was honored as a Distinguished Naval Graduate and was Number One Ranking in his class. He served his country for years and received an Honorable Discharge as a Lieutenant in the Navy.



Fighter/Attack (F/A) F-18 Jet



Uss Coral Sea Carrier



came to know Brad when we both were students at Moody Bible Instituted in Chicago, He was on the JUDE 3 team with me. The Team went into the Chicago streets with 20 some Moody students to confront various cults including a Satanism group that was sharing their beliefs on the streets.

As for the Lord in Brad's life, he gave his heart over to the Lord when he was 6 years old. When he was in the living room with his mom at his side, Brad prayed to receive Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. Brad's life verse is 1 Peter 2: 11 & 12 which mentions to abstain from sinful desires which war against your soul.

War is an unpredictable event. When Brad was facing these Libyan Migs, this was a very short time even at high speeds in which a decision had to be made. To shoot or no shoot. Fortunately, it was a no shoot. The F-18 fighter Hornet jet was made to take on any enemy. The enemy probably knew what the odds were during this midair Mig fighter vs the Hornet exchange. If one of the missiles was to be released, the speed of a missile varies from 1,350 mph up to 3,250 mph. A human's reaction time is around 1/4 second. When a person knows the Lord, the reaction destination is Heaven for the believer in Jesus Christ. The reaction destination for the enemy? God knows their heart. He knows their destiny.

What Brad knows is that the Lord promised Heaven for those who have had a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. In Heaven the Lord waits and we will worship Him. He brought us into our world. He will take us out of our world and into His world. A world of wonder. A world of Joy. A world of peace. A world of friendship. A world with Him forever!



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### SPIRITUAL ILLUMINATION: THE PROCESS OF A GREATER UNDERSTANDING

By Jack Roper, Freelance writer and his sins are forgiven

1. Illumination of a word reading it over and over can give a deeper understanding.
  2. Illumination of a word in its meaning can lead to a greater enlightenment.
  3. Illumination of the Word of the Lord can bring forth a spiritual awakening.
  4. Illumination of the Word of the Lord can bring forth a deeper sacred experience.
  5. Illumination of the Word of the Lord can bring forth a profound religious insight.
  6. Illumination of the repeated reading of His Word can stir the reader's heart.
  7. Illumination of His Word can bring out a deeper intellectual understanding of it.
  8. Illumination of His Word can bring out an unknown to man about a spiritual truth.
  9. Illumination of His Word can bring out a "profound" meaning of the Word's depth.
  10. Illumination of His Word can highlight another meaning in the sentence structure.
  11. Illumination of His Word can bring out an awareness of a new divine revelation.
  12. Illumination of His Word can be shared with others who hear and apply His Word.
  13. Illumination of His Word opens up new doors of understanding to new believers.
  14. Illumination of His Word can lead a person in to understanding their prayers.
  15. Illumination of His Word opens up celestial meaning of its divine revelation.
  16. Illumination sheds new light on its meaning. To enlighten. In Greek it is "photizo".
  17. Illumination of His Word can be read often. The Holy Spirit opens up more insight!
  18. Illumination of His Word provides unending meanings that honor the Word.
  19. Illumination keeps within bounds of a correct exegesis and not exegesis.
  20. Illumination is God revealing an eternal meaning to His Word that honors His Word.
- What is unique about the Lord's Word, the Bible, is that it can be read over and over for years and still have new insights to its meaning that do not stray off into the endless world of relative truth which changes to meet the theologian's desires. The Bible is the ONLY BOOK on Earth that is eternal and absolute truth in what it shares to its readers.
- According to a study by Google Books, there are approximately 129,864,880 books that have been published since the Gutenberg Press in the year of 1440. As for the Bible, there are over 750 different languages with nearly 4,000 active translation projects in progress. There are 80,000 versions of the Bible.
- The Bible is the only Book that has endured punishment, burned, torn up, preserved, protected, read and treasured since its origin. The Word shall never become void in its meaning. It deep meaning shall always be illuminated to those that are true to its Word. The Word is final in its meaning. The Word shall hold its own. The Word is HIS Word for the Lord of lords, King of kings stands alongside of His book! The Devil tried to destroy it and lost. The Atheist has denied its true meaning. For those that love and personally know its author-GOD- they shall never be cast out of Heaven.



# News & More



## Perkins Urges Trump to Sign Executive Order Protecting Religious Freedom

By Victoria Marshall

President of Family Research Council Tony Perkins urged President Donald Trump to re-issue an executive order from his first term that protected religious freedom in remarks he gave during the second annual Religious Freedom in America Conference on Thursday.

“Religious freedom is not merely political rhetoric. It has to be practical policy to be real. And so, it must be again in our nation today,” Perkins told the audience during a panel titled, “What Does the Future Hold for the Free Exercise Movement?” Alliance Defending Freedom Center for Free Speech Senior Counsel Phil Sechler and First Liberty Institute Chief Legal Officer Jeff Mateer were also on the panel.

Perkins called upon President Trump to reissue a 2017 executive order which instructed all executive departments and agencies “to the greatest extent practicable and to the extent permitted by law, respect and protect the freedom of persons and organizations to engage in religious and political speech.”

“We need the president to reissue his May 2017 Executive Order on Religious Freedom that protects religious speech and religious practice throughout our government because that, as we see, will set the stage for states to follow suit,” Perkins said.

Perkins argued that the nation’s success depends on religious freedom being practiced.



“America needs to be that shining city on a hill,” Perkins insisted. “And we do that — not in our rhetoric, not in our proclamations — but in our practice. If we are to serve as a beacon of liberty to the world, we must once again make sure that religious freedom is fully woven into our way of life as Americans.”

While Trump has signed an executive order protecting freedom of speech, and therefore religious speech, he has yet to sign an order protecting religious freedom.

At the National Prayer Breakfast this morning, however, Trump announced he’d be signing an executive order that creates a new Department of Justice task force dedicated to eliminating anti-Christian bias.

“The mission of this task force will be to immediately halt all forms of anti-Christian targeting and discrimination within the federal government, including at the DOJ, which was absolutely terrible. The IRS, the FBI, terrible, and other agencies,” Trump said. Trump also noted that the task force would also focus on combating anti-Christian violence and vandalism.

“While I’m in the White House, we will protect Christians in our schools, in our military, in our government, in our workplaces, hospitals, and in our public squares, and we will bring our country back together as one nation under God, with liberty and justice for all,” Trump declared.



In front of family photos showing his three happy marriages, Howard Honett has outlived three wives as he prepares to turn 100 years old this June at the Hamilton House in Cedarburg.



Clark House expert mechanic Bruce Cesar with expert assistant Michael Jones

## URBANA ANNOUNCES NEW LOCATION AND LEADERSHIP WITH A CALL TO MOBILIZE GEN Z

Event moving to Phoenix, AZ happening on December 28, 2025 to January 1, 2026

For nearly 80 years, Urbana has been one of the most influential student missions conferences in North America, challenging and equipping young adults to step into God’s mission. The event, which only happens every three years, will continue in a new location: Phoenix, Arizona. Urbana 25 will also be led by a new Executive Director, Mark Matlock, who plans to introduce innovative programming while holding fast to the vision to inspire young people to love Jesus and go into the world as His witnesses.

At Urbana 25, Gen Z will be invited to see firsthand what is happening in the Christian church globally and discover their role in it all. This gathering, hosted by InterVarsity Christian Fellowship/USA, has a rich history of mobilizing generations of students and young adults to serve Christ in every context—whether in their local communities or across the world. For the first time, at this Urbana, all of the students will be Gen Z.

“Gen Z is stepping into the future of global missions in a way we’ve never seen before. Their passion for Jesus, authenticity, and creativity make them uniquely equipped to take the Gospel to the ends of the Earth and tackle the challenges of our time,” said Mark Matlock. “Urbana 25 is an opportunity to witness what God is doing around the world and discover how you’re uniquely designed to be part of His story.”

Urbana 2025 is designed for young adults (ages 17-28) and their leaders who are interested in discovering their place in God’s mission. This is a unique opportunity for Gen Z to connect with the global church, wrestle with big questions of faith and calling, and be equipped to make a difference.

Registration for Urbana 25 is now open. Space is limited, so early sign-ups are encouraged. Pricing will increase on May 17.

For more information and to register, visit [Urbana.org](http://Urbana.org).



# News & More

## Nurturing Your Faith in the A.I. Digital Era: A Christian Response to A.I. in 2025

By Bob Roman, Online Bible Teacher

### THREE FOUNDATIONAL PRINCIPLES FOR EXPERIENCING GOD'S GRACE

Before we explore the Seven D's, let us ground ourselves in three essential principles that the Lord has laid on my heart:

1. In order to Experience the Grace of God you must spend time alone with God in His Word.
2. In order to Experience the Grace of God you must spend time alone with God in Prayer.
3. In order to Experience the Grace of God, you must spend time with other Believers, in real human Fellowship.

These principles form the bedrock of my spiritual walk, especially in this digital age. As we navigate the challenges of 2025, remember that no amount of technological advancement can replace these fundamental practices for experiencing God's grace in our lives.

Beloved readers, "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come" (2 Timothy 3:1). As your Bible teacher with a burden for proper technology usage, especially concerning AI, I want to help you navigate these perilous times while staying anchored in God's unchanging truth. Let me share these Seven D's that the Lord has shown me through prayer and studying His Word.

### THE SEVEN D'S FOR OUR DIGITAL AGE OR THE AGE OF A.I.

#### 1. DEEPER in God's Word

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15). Dear friends, while I appreciate Bible apps (I use them myself), there's something powerful about holding God's physical Word in your hands, free from digital distractions.

*Practical Steps:*

- Begin each day with 15 minutes in your physical Bible before touching any device
- Mark your Bible, write in its margins, make it personal
- Use a separate notebook for your Bible study insights
- Let digital tools complement, not replace, your primary Scripture reading

#### 2. DEDICATED to Prayer

"But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly" (Matthew 6:6). In my own walk with God, I've found that creating a technology-free prayer space has deepened my communion with Him.

*Practical Steps:*

- Establish a "tech-free" prayer corner in your home
- Maintain a physical prayer journal to record God's faithfulness
- Schedule specific prayer times as appointments with God
- Silence all notifications during your prayer time

#### 3. DIRECT Human Fellowship

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching" (Hebrews 10:25). Brothers and sisters, while I thank God for online ministry opportunities, nothing replaces face-to-face fellowship.

*Practical Steps:*

- Prioritize in-person church attendance and Bible studies
- Share meals and fellowship time with other believers
- Engage in personal discipleship relationships
- Serve in hands-on ministry opportunities



#### 4. DECEPTION Awareness

"For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect" (Matthew 24:24). In this age of AI-generated content and deep fakes, we must be increasingly vigilant.

*Practical Steps:*

- Test all teaching against the King James Bible
- Verify the sources of online spiritual content
- Discuss new teachings with mature believers
- Build a library of trusted Biblical resources

#### 5. DISCERNMENT Development

"Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world" (1 John 4:1). As someone who works with AI daily, I cannot stress enough the importance of spiritual discernment in our digital age.

*Practical Steps:*

- Join a Bible-believing study group
- Learn to identify sound doctrine versus error
- Apply Biblical principles to technological choices
- Regularly discuss current events through a Biblical lens

#### 6. DISCIPLINE in Practice

"But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a cast-away" (1 Corinthians 9:27). Our digital devices must be servants, not masters.

*Practical Steps:*

- Implement regular "digital sabbaths"
- Set firm boundaries for technology use
- Find an accountability partner
- Create tech-free zones and times in your home

#### 7. DETERMINATION to Persevere

"And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not" (Galatians 6:9). With the Rapture drawing near, we must strengthen our resolve to walk closely with our Lord.

*Practical Steps:*

- Create a spiritual growth mission statement
- Set specific goals for your walk with God
- Maintain a spiritual growth journal
- Celebrate progress in your spiritual journey



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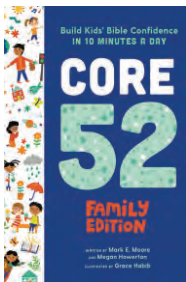
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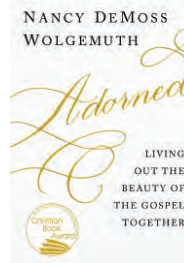
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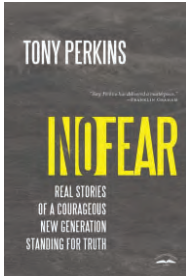
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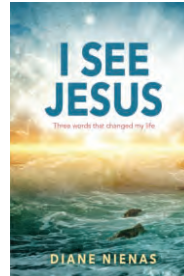
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## CHURCH SIGN OF THE MONTH



Church Sign of the Month in Tampa, FL across the street from Univ. of Tampa

## ProBuColls Goes Shopping in Florida!

By Bob Conklin, Jr.



The Munce Group did a fabulous job once again bringing together Christian retailers with product Suppliers and Vendors. The Christian Products Expo was held outside of Tampa, FL and what a blessing! We were pleased to find bargains on a variety of Bibles, Bible covers, Bible study helps, stickers, crosses

and an array of gift items to bring back to Milwaukee. Bookstore manager, Mary Claire Jones is hard at work restocking the shelves of your favorite local retail outlet: ProBuColls Christian Literature Center at 9733 W. Greenfield Ave. in West Allis near State Fair Park.

One big question we had at CPE was, "Why can't we find any more of the NIV New International Version Life Application Bibles to buy? Well, we think we found the answer and here it comes, "Because Tyndale House who publishes the ever-popular Life Application Notes couldn't come to terms with Biblica who owns the copyright on the NIV Bible. It sounds like Biblica is intent on continuing to revise and re-revise the NIV in "today's language" and is unwilling to publish the preferred old editions of the NIV Bible. Good news! Tyndale has plenty of Life Application Bibles in the KJV, NLT and Living Bible versions. Meanwhile, Zondervan came up with an Application Bible of their own...

Published by Zondervan, meet the NIV Application Bible soon to be hot off the press! We picked up a handful of samples and ordered a few full Bibles to sell locally at ProBuColls. Come check out the latest from Harper Collins!



Co-Founder of Delafield, WI based LifeCampUSA Mark Neumann visits with guests at Booth 638 at NRB 2025



Genesis Marketing displaying a wide variety of items at the Christian Products Expo



Harper Collins' booth at the CPE

Nurturing Your Faith from page 7

### A CALL TO ACTION FOR 2025

Dear brothers and sisters, as we see the day of our Lord's return approaching – "For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry" (Hebrews 10:37) – it's crucial that we strengthen our spiritual foundations. These Seven D's aren't just suggestions; they're Biblical principles that will help prepare you for the imminent Rapture of the Church.

Let's make 2025 a year of unprecedented spiritual growth, using technology wisely while keeping our focus on Christ's return. "And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed" (Romans 13:11).

### MEETING THE CHALLENGE TOGETHER

As we navigate the intersection of faith and technology in 2025 – the Year of A.I. – remember that our goal is to use these tools for God's

glory while maintaining the primacy of our relationship with Him. Whether you're an individual believer, a small business owner, or a church leader, these Biblical principles will help you maintain a strong spiritual foundation in our rapidly changing world.

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## Organized Religion

By PJ Glavey



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Many members of the Body of CHRIST are, today, looking up for their soon redemption. Myself included. And, often times, that means playing "Rapture Bingo," as it's sometimes called. Looking to dates, and events and timelines to try and narrow down a window for the catching away. But, in 2 Thessalonians 2, Paul states explicitly that "our gathering together unto him...shall not come, except there come a falling away first."

Apostasy is the great sign that precludes our snatching away and a branch being cut off. And, be there no doubt, the Gentile branch is about to be cut off. And what the world sees as "Christianity" – that building on main street – is the main culprit. JESUS hates the Nicolaitans (i.e., the "pastoral" system). Like it or not, institutional Christianity is something the believer must overcome in their lifetime. Whether it's reformed "replacement" theology, legalistic Galatian er-

ror, Lordship Salvation, Calvinism, Judaizing, the modern Laodicean mix of law and grace that promises "blessings to the tither" or that old classic - "repent of your sins" salvation, they've all been captured - and none of them represent the ascended CHRIST or the gathering outlined in 1 Corinthians 14.

None of them.

Is it saddening? Sure. Is it surprising? No. Should believers gather regularly? Absolutely. But can it be done in a place that allows leaven into the fellowship? No. The church is not a building. And GOD hates organized religion. The time for the Church to leave behind institutional religion is now. Christianity today has become a social club. And it's a place where JESUS is misrepresented, mistaught and watered down. Love the truth. Seek the truth. And seek CHRIST. And, in doing so, one will come to love the Savior – and hate that which misrepresents HIM.

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## In the Kitchen With Diane

Diane Fechter, Author



### BEEF BARLEY SOUP

- 1# ground beef
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- Cook in a large pot; drain grease.

#### Add:

- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 8 c. water
- 1 can (15 oz.) stewed tomatoes
- 1 can (15 oz.) canned diced tomatoes
- 3/4 c. barley--not instant
- 1 c. chopped celery
- 1 c. chopped carrots
- 1 tsp. dried basil
- 4 beef bouillon cubes—or Better than Bouillon equivalent
- 2 bay leaves
- 2 tsp. salt

Cover and bring to boil. Reduce heat. Simmer 50-60 minutes stirring occasionally.

- 1 c. frozen green beans
- 1 c. frozen corn
- Add beans and corn and cook an additional 10 minutes

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Milwaukee Mayor Cavalier Johnson and MPD Chief Jeffrey Norman welcome to The Milwaukee Police Department Officer Michael Piskula, Jr. who was pinned by his dad, Michael Sr.



Ethnos 360 Bible Institute ([www.e360bible.org](http://www.e360bible.org)) hosts guests at a recent Friends of E360 Open House



ECFA held a recent fund raiser at Pizza Ranch in Waukesha



A recent Hymn Sing at Elmbrook Church was enjoyed by many attendees



Joined by many guests at a recent dinner at Calvary Bible Church in Menomonee Falls, Faith Schneider (voice from Aunt Faith and Uncle Jim broadcasts) speaks and son Matthew looks on as she and her husband Jim are honored for Jim's 40 years of serving the Lord at VCY America

**John 3:16 ~ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.**

## SIN AND ITS NATURE

By Jack Roper, Freelance writer and his sins are forgiven

1. Sin is rebellion against God. Subtle sins weaken the soul.
2. Sin causes the heart to sink into wickedness (Jer 17:9).
3. Sin is invisible & waits in the heart to commit visible evil.
4. Sin clings to a soul that leads it into destruction(Matt7:13)
5. Sin is a lover of evil for that is its nature to multiple itself.
6. Sin follows its Father who is the Adversary of mankind.
7. Sin loves to sin for sin changes the heart to do wrong.
8. Sin is sin for it is a transgression against the Lord.
9. Sin is in the soul of man for all have sinned (Rom 3:23).
10. Sin seeks more sin for sin's nature is evil. Evil loves evil.
11. Sin injures the spirit of man & weakens its love for God
12. Sin grieves the Holy Spirit for God hates sin (Eph 4:30).
13. Sin loves to speak evil for sin's nature hates goodness.
14. Sin loves the heart for from the lips of man comes evil.
15. Sin hates forgiveness for with God's forgiveness is joy.
16. Sin's destiny is Hell for Hell offers for no peace of mind.
17. Sin hates happiness because the Devil loves wrath.
18. Sin hates purity because our Enemy loves indecency.
19. Sin hates righteousness because Satan loves sinfulness.
20. Sin hates love because the Tempter loves sinful lust.
21. Sin hates grace. Lucifer loves longterm life rebellion.
22. Sin hates the word mercy. Mr.Darkness loves cruelty.
23. Sin hates forgiveness.The Dragon loves punishment.
24. Sin hates kindness because Beelzebub loves in hate.
25. Sin hates Christ because the Devil prefers the Antichrist.
26. Sin hates Jesus because Evil wants more evil imitators.
27. Sin hates God's holiness. Holiness turns off sin's nature.



Sinlessness is the opposite of sinning. Sin hates being ignored because Satan is being ignored. Satan is the father of sin. Sin punishes the soul-it is called guilt. Sin hates forgiveness because it opens up gate's door to Heaven. A believer in Christ will be allowed into Heaven with sin gone. No sin, gives the soul and spirit peace of mind & joy & love!



# News & More



## Reflecting on an NFL Season of Players Boldly Sharing Their Faith

By Kathy Athearn (The Washington Stand, <https://washingtonstand.com/>)

While it was a short time ago that many Americans boycotted the NFL, refusing to watch another player kneel during “The Star-Spangled Banner” because they were ashamed of the United States and the Judeo-Christian principles on which it was founded, the NFL’s culture is changing. More and more players are displaying humility and gratitude. Not only that, there has been a noticeable increase in the number of players who are boldly sharing their faith in Jesus Christ. Many of these players are quarterbacks, the leaders of their teams.

### KIRK COUSINS

Atlanta Falcons’ Kirk Cousins has been publicly giving glory to Jesus Christ for much of his life, including at the beginning of his NFL career in 2012. Having played for three teams during his 13-year career and enduring a potentially career-ending injury in 2023, Cousins reveals that his ultimate hope and joy are not in fame or money, but in Jesus. While he is still working hard at achieving the ultimate NFL goal of winning a Super Bowl, Cousins says that he is using his platform to “point to that which is more important and eternal.”

### BROCK PURDY

San Francisco 49ers quarterback, Brock Purdy, also openly talks about his Christian faith, saying, “God has always given me opportunities. I put my faith and trust in Him and He’s gotten me where I’m at. ... You’ve taken me here and, win or lose, I’m going to glorify you. That’s my peace, my joy, my steadfastness. That’s where I get it from, and that’s the honest truth.”

### LAMAR JACKSON

Baltimore Ravens’ quarterback and NFL MVP candidate, Lamar Jackson, posted on X in 2023: “Lord God, you will be with us when we take a stand for you in faith. When we defy the world’s standards and refuse to fit in with the surrounding culture, we may pay a price. But we, like Daniel’s three friends, must resolve not to bow to idols even if you do not rescue us from resultant suffering or even death. But we know that you can always deliver us and trust you will work all things together for our good. Amen.”

### C.J. STROUD

Houston Texans’ quarterback, C.J. Stroud, grabbed headlines when he prayed with his mom and sister on the sideline before their AFC South playoff game against the Los Angeles Chargers on January 12. He, too, has beautifully expressed how much his faith in Christ impacts him:

“A lot of people don’t get to live the life I do. It’s hard, don’t get me wrong. It’s hard, but it’s a privilege. ... I try to do my best to thank God through all that ‘cause His grace and His mercy, and He laid his life on the cross for us ... and I really believe that. ... This is bigger than just ball. And if I have to use football for my purpose to spread the gospel and the life of Jesus Christ, then I’ll do that, and I think that’s what God wants.”

### CARSON WENTZ

Carson Wentz, Kansas City Chiefs’ backup quarterback, told Sports Spectrum recently, “I would strongly encourage everybody to find their real purpose with their Creator, with Jesus, because that can kind of makes all the difference when you’re going through all of the crap that life can throw at you.”

### JAYDEN DANIELS

Washington Commanders’ quarterback, Jayden Daniels, recently described how he’s leaned on God in college ?” and now in the NFL. LSU’s player relations manager, Sherman Wilson, helped Daniels to grow in his faith, saying, “Being around him, I kind of got back into my faith more, always giving glory to God. He died on the cross for us; anything is possible with Him. Coming back out here, trying to figure out my life, I wanted to stop trying to put so much pressure on me and just give everything to God, letting Him take care of it.”

### JALEN HURTS

Philadelphia Eagles’ quarterback, Jalen Hurts, insists his faith in Christ is central to his life as well. He says, “That’s something that I’ve just matured in and realized ?” that God is everything and He’s worthy of praise. You have to put Him in the center of everything that you do. And that’s what I believe. ... I’ve been blessed to grow, learn things, and just mature. And I know God has been there the whole entire way.” He went on to explain:

“I keep God at the center of everything. I give Him all the praise. I lean on Him all the time. And I know that everything unfolds the way it’s supposed to. ... I just want to set the right example, and I want to be remembered [as] someone who made a difference. You know ?” that’s an everyday thing. It’s something that I think about every day.”

### COACH JOHN HARBAUGH

Some NFL coaches are also sharing their faith in Jesus, including brothers Jim and John Harbaugh. Baltimore Ravens’ coach, John Harbaugh, led his team in kneeling and saying the Lord’s prayer after winning the AFC North title. He reminded them, “We said before the game that we were gonna dedicate the season to each other and to God. We said, ‘To God be the glory.’”

### KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

The Kansas City Chiefs count many Christians among their organization, including the owners. Cornerback Trent McDuffie says, “My faith is huge. Really, it’s the biggest thing in my life as far as a place of comfort, a place of peace, a place of hope, an understanding of where I am in my life. Really, it’s the biggest thing that humbles me and allows me to be where my feet are.”

He went on to explain that the Chiefs’ owner and CEO, Clark Hunt, is also a Christian, saying, “Every day before the game, we hold a chapel that guys show up to and get to hear the good word, get to get some prayer in. It just allows me to not only share my faith with other people but with the people around me.”

Chiefs’ kicker, Harrison Butker, agrees that the organization has a strong Christian influence, saying that his faith is “the most important thing” in his life.

The team’s chaplains, Marcellus and Stephanie Casey, lead the team’s players, coaches, and executives to grow together and lean on their faith. The team prays together before each game, and head coach Andy Reid leads the team in the Lord’s Prayer after each game. Butker says, “I think we just have a very Christian team. The more Jesus the better.”

As roughly 100 million people tuned into the Super Bowl Sunday, there is great reason to be encouraged by the work that God is doing in the NFL. Players and coaches are boldly speaking the truth, sharing God’s love, and being salt and light in a hurting and confused world. As we see more college football players also publicly sharing their faith and hundreds of students being baptized on college campuses, let’s pray that the entire country will soon experience a spiritual awakening and glorify Him.





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# News & More



## Pack Animals Gifted to Carolina Organization Helping with Helene Relief

([www.samaritanaspurse.org](http://www.samaritanaspurse.org))

Samaritan's Purse provided two horses and a mule to a North Carolina family that lost animals in a tragic February accident.

A February storm had softened the ground considerably and loosened the roots on an old poplar tree. Wind gusts finished it off.

Mike and Michele Toberer were hours out of town when the timber fell and broke a large opening into a fence holding their mules. Three of them escaped into the highway.

"That was a third of my workforce," Mike said.

Kev, Vader, and Amigo were killed by an approaching truck. Gone in seconds, those three highly trained animals had carried supplies months before into the mountains—into Helene-ravaged communities of North Carolina and Tennessee.

"It was a great loss. It would have taken five years to get untrained mules to that point again," Mike said.

When Samaritan's Purse heard of this tragedy, we began the search for replacements. Mission Mules, the Toberers' non-profit, had assisted our disaster assistance response team (DART) last fall with transporting relief supplies deep into the hills and hollers where no airborne or land vehicles could travel.

On March 3, we gave three new pack-trained equines to the Toberers. One horse and a mule were purchased and transported from Kentucky, and an additional horse came from South Dakota. Not one of them was skittish after the long-haul road trip.

Mike noted how calm and disciplined the new animals were. "I can tell someone did a great job training the horses and that mule," he said.

This gift from Samaritan's Purse will help Mission Mules' relief efforts, which continue in the mountains as they follow up with families they've met and with other needs up in the Appalachians of North Carolina and Tennessee.

### MILITARY-GRADE RELIEF TRANSPORT

These new animals also assist the family in getting their separate, for-profit business back online. Mike's business, Mountain Mule Packers, is to train specialized military units—SEALs, Special Forces, Marine Raiders, and Air Force teams—in the use of pack mules, a skill set often used in unconventional mountain warfare. The animals are conditioned for battle sounds and smells and for transporting equipment and supplies over long miles through impassable terrain.



When Hurricane Helene hit, Mike's pack animals were a solution ready to go.

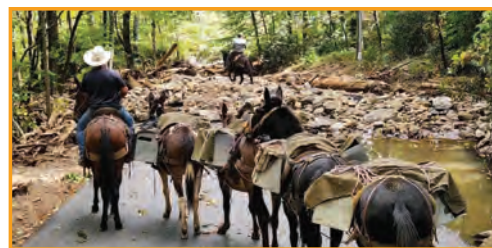
"When the power came back on, we saw in the news that they couldn't get into all these different areas," he said. "And so we left that next day."

For weeks, Mission Mules carried relief in western North Carolina, to places like Swannanoa, Black Mountain, and Burnsville. Then they shifted to areas surrounding Roan Mountain, Tennessee. They



carried in food, medical supplies, shelter materials—hundreds of pounds of which came from stockpiles airlifted to locations by Samaritan's Purse.

"If a route was blocked too much by trees, we'd cut a clearing. If it was small enough, we could step right over," Mike explained. "We can step over things that side-by-sides and four wheelers can't navigate. Our teams are surefooted and these mules can carry a couple



of hundred pounds each. They can go through bogs, up mountains, over logs, through brush. We went through a lot of brush, a lot of cane briar. It was the most direct route. There was no other route that you had there."

Michele and teenage daughter, Faith, helped run logistics from a central base of operations. They also helped organize supplies, which included shipments of Bibles, many of which they sent with a note enclosed to encourage storm survivors.

"This is when we realized we were doing something more important than just getting supplies to them," Michele said, recounting the many Bibles that groups had donated. "What if people lost their Bible in the flood or didn't have one? Before we delivered them, Faith wrote special verses in the front of every Bible. This is one of the most important things we could bring to people in their darkest time and to people that are scared."

### MISSION BACK ONLINE

As we gathered with this family to pass off the team of pack animals, we encouraged them in the same way—with a special Billy Graham Training Center Bible signed by our DART staff.

"We give all glory to God," said Frank Parrish, a Samaritan's Purse program manager. "It's a blessing to be able to help you in your work. You're going places we can't get to without these animals. Being able to get these animals to maneuver up narrow trails to reach people in need is a unique blessing. And there are still needs that Mission Mules can meet in places we can't go, and there'll be needs in other places to come."

Right after leaving our special dedication near their home in Ulla Mountain, Mike loaded the new animals along with his original team. He was heading to a mission already, and planning for others in the near future.

"We're heading to Roan Mountain to do some work in Cherokee National Forest today, and we're on standby for the fires in North Carolina and South Carolina," he said. "Working in the mountains after Helene—it changed my life. I just feel that this is what we're supposed to do, and I've never felt that. I've worked with mules my entire life; I feel now this is what I'm supposed to do. And I believe there's going to be bigger things gonna come with these mules."





# News & More



Maintenance Engineer Extraordinaire Marcus Harris early breakfast with the guys at the Clark House with his Midwest Men's Retreat coffee mug gift from longtime friend and mentor John M. Fisco, Jr.



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# News & More

## How To Find Healing After Abortion

From the Family Resource Council ([www.frc.org](http://www.frc.org))



Every abortion has at least two victims: the child who is needlessly killed (or in some cases, was attempted to be killed and survived) and the mother whose body and soul have undergone a crime against human dignity. In addition to the physical costs, the act of abortion inflicts wounds on the human conscience that cannot be easily forgotten or erased. But God is love, and in Him there is healing and hope for the future.

### WHAT IS POST-ABORTIVE HEALING?

Post-abortive healing programs are non-judgmental environments where attendees can feel comfortable sharing their experiences, regrets, and struggles without fear of being shamed.

### WHY IS POST-ABORTIVE HEALING NECESSARY?

Post-abortive healing is intended to help a person struggling to cope with abortion pain. As far too many mothers know, the loss of an unborn child is painful, regardless of the situation. It is completely normal to be deeply wounded by an abortion.

Those hurt by an abortion may struggle with flashbacks, nightmares, relational difficulty, emotional numbness, or difficulty functioning daily. Some psychologists have categorized these symptoms of anxiety, depression, substance use, and sleep disorders as "Post Abortion Stress Syndrome." Despite the difficulty of PASS, healing is possible.

Religious and non-religious women alike might wonder whether God could love and forgive them after an abortion. The answer is that God's mercy and love extend to every moment of every life. The spiritual healing experienced in post-abortive healing ministries offers a refuge of forgiveness and hope for the future.

### WHO CAN RECEIVE POST-ABORTIVE HEALING?

Although mothers who have undergone abortions are the most typically expected candidates to receive post-abortive healing, the pain

of abortion can extend far beyond the mother and baby.

With every abortion, there is a father who is impacted. According to one sociologist, "90% of [post-abortive] men consider the day of an abortion to be one of the most stressful of their lives." Regardless of the degree to which the father participated in the abortion, he is eligible to receive post-abortive care to process and heal from the feelings of pain, trauma, and guilt that abortion causes.

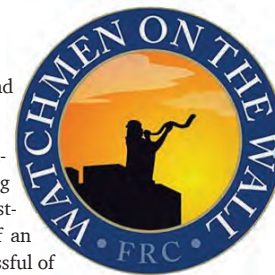
The baby's siblings, aunts, uncles, grandparents, or even the friends of the baby's parents may also be struggling with post-abortive pain. It is important to know that healing and forgiveness from abortion are available to all seeking it.

Finally, abortionists or physicians who have performed abortions may desire post-abortive healing after their eyes have been opened to the evil of abortion. Many abortionists have experienced a profound change of heart, have realized their role in taking the lives of unborn children, and have sought forgiveness and healing for their actions. Abortionists are welcomed with open arms when they choose to partake in post-abortive healing. Some, like former Planned Parenthood director Abby Johnson, have gone on to become staunch advocates for life who help women and their babies.

It is also important to note that post-abortive healing can take place at any point in a person's life, whether their experience with abortion was last week or decades ago. There is no deadline for healing from grief and trauma, and no wound is too deep for God's love.

### WHERE CAN SOMEONE GO TO RECEIVE POST-ABORTIVE HEALING?

There are many ministries dedicated to the work of healing hearts and minds that are wounded after an abortion. Many of these ministries offer their services free of charge, while others providing therapeutic retreat events may request a small fee to cover costs such as food and board. Some ministries focus specifically on assisting women who have undergone abortions, but many are open to serving anyone impacted by abortion trauma.



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West Allis, WI 53227  
Sunday School 10:00AM  
Sunday Worship 10:30AM  
414.502.7584

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

**REGIONAL (AREA 4)**

**Berean Family Worship Center, Inc.**  
ON CHURCH IN TWO CITIES  
N112 W17655 Mequon Rd  
Germantown, WI 53022  
Sunday 11 am  
Tuesday 6:30 pm prayer, 7 pm service

**Blessed Hope Independent Bible Fellowship**  
PO Box 481; Oak Creek, WI 53154  
Meeting Sunday 9:00 am @  
the Oak Creek Community Center  
8580 S Howell Ave  
(262) 822-HOPE (4673)

**Christian Life Church**  
309 Lakeview Drive  
Belgium, WI 53004  
Sundays 10:30 AM  
Thursday Bible Study 6:30 PM  
text: 936.488.0080  
christianlifechurch.us

**Cornerstone Church Lake Country**  
354 N. Oakwood Ave  
Oconomowoc, WI 53066  
Sunday Celebration 10am  
Wed. Catalyst Youth Group 7pm  
262-569-0001  
cornerstonelakecounty.com

**Covenant Connection Fellowship Church**  
(Ingliside Hotel; Upstairs, Rm 1)  
2810 Gulf Rd  
Pewaukee, WI 53072  
Worship: Sunday at 10am  
262-650-9433

**Delavan Christian Reformed Church**  
850 Oak Street  
Sunday Worship 9:30AM 6PM  
262.728.6801

**Eagles Wings Nazarene Fellowship**  
609 Sandy Acre Drive  
West Bend, WI 53090  
262-334-7124  
www.wbnaz.com  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
Monday Ladies Bible Study 10:30 am  
Wednesday Service 6:30 pm for adults and children

**Faith Christian Fellowship**  
1200 Racine St.  
Racine 53403  
262.637-6220 or 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 11 am  
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**  
593 W30580 County Rd NN  
Mukwonago 53149  
Sunday Worship 9AM  
Call for Bible Studies  
262.363.8025 or Hillsidecmk.org

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

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

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

**Northbrook Church**  
4014 Hwy 167 West  
Richfield 53076  
Saturday 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.ODBcp.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  
https://www.orchardhillag.com

**Praise Fellowship Church**  
WI195 S9912 Racine Avenue  
Muskego, WI 53150  
Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Service: 6:30 p.m.  
www.praise-fellowship.org

**Prayer House Assembly of God Church**  
1525 24th Avenue, Kenosha WI 53140  
Sunday Worship: 10:00am. Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30pm  
262.595.0500  
www.prayerhouseag.org

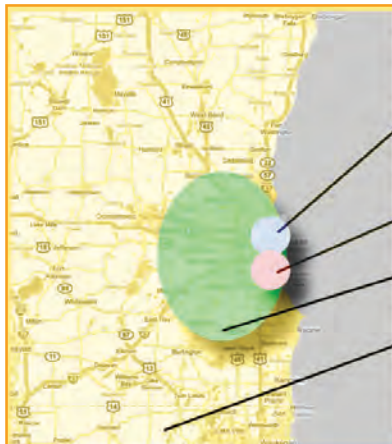
**Summit Harvest Church**  
888 Thackerway Trail #209  
Oconomowoc 53066  
Sunday Worship 10AM  
262.560.0765  
SummitHarvestchurch.org

**Terrace Shores Ev Free Church**  
W3278 County Road K  
Markesan 53946  
Sunday Worship 7:45, 9:15, 10:45AM  
920.998.2734

**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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**Governor  
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