

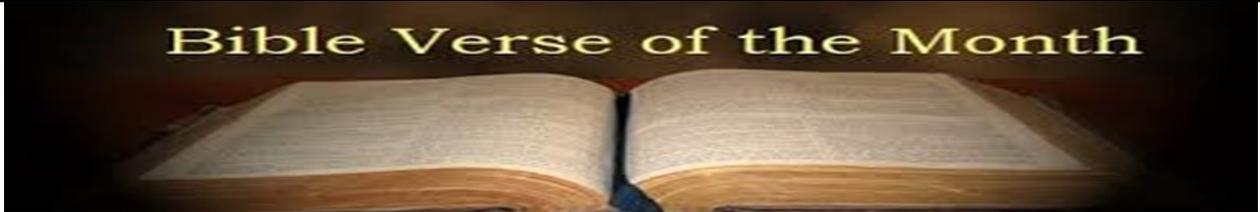
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Bible Verse of the Month



Happy February Tabernacle Baptist Church family and extended family.

Last month we looked at the overall theme and verse for Tabernacle Baptist Church in 2019: "I Will Build," taken from Matthew 16:18, "*And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.*" We noted that this verse is referring to the greater body of believers primarily, and not a specific church building. This passage is both a marvelous promise and a clear challenge for us to keep focused upon our rock Christ Jesus, and the wonderful good news of the Gospel. A healthy church is built by Christ, on Christ. It is amazing how the Bible is so full of practical promises and clear direction! If we want church health and divine power, focus on Christ. If we don't care about church health and divine power, then focus on everything BUT Christ. That will guarantee an unhealthy and powerless church in no time!

If that verse isn't exciting enough, the theme verse for February is just as inspiring: II Chronicles 7:14, "*If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.*"

The above words were spoken by God to Solomon in a dream. This is a marvelous verse. It is even more powerful if we take to heart that the same God who spoke these words to Solomon is the same God that we communicate with today. In this passage, Solomon had just completed building the Jewish temple. All through chapter 6, Solomon prays at the dedication of the temple. He pleads that if Israel drifts away from God that He will forgive their sin and take them back if they repent. Solomon prays and pleads with God at length over every possible scenario of spiritual drift that Israel might face in the

future. Solomon reaffirms in prayer God's greatness and power. He reminds God of the promises He made to them. He asks that if the people are taken away from their land that God will bring them back if they turn from their sin. He pleads for God's hand of blessing. Solomon leaves no stone unturned. Solomon is serious about seeking God's blessing, power, and fulfillment of His promises. Read II Chronicles 6. It is really an incredible chapter.

Following their dedications, celebrations, and a great show of God's power (read chapter 7 for the details), He answers Solomon in a dream by night saying, "*If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.*"

Friends of Tabernacle Baptist Church and extended Christian family, this is exactly what we need. We as believers in Christ need to humble our hearts, seek God's face, and put away any sin in our lives. Then we can expect to hear from God, have His forgiveness, and experience His healing.

We are seeking a touch of God, and we have the formula right here.

Isn't our God awesome?
Pastor Thomas Ciaramitaro

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will humble themselves and pray
and seek my face,
then will I hear from heaven, forgive
their sin and heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14*

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 2: Groundhog Day

February 3: Camp Registration Sunday 

February 9: Young Couples Game Night

February 14: Happy Valentine's Day 



February 16: Men's Prayer Breakfast
Ladies Valentine Soup Lunch



February 17: Newsletter Deadline



February 18: President's Day

February 21-23: Teen Ski Rally

Fishers of Men: Every Saturday @ 10 AM



Caring Corner

Birthdays:

- 2. Jaime Florendo
- 7. Janice Anderson
- 8. Jessica Ciaramitaro
- 9. Don Vogel
- 12. Bob Gonzalez
- 13. Gail Cavett
- 15. Tom Ciaramitaro
- 15. Gary Luttrell
- 17. Sue Blake
- 19. Susanna Ciaramitaro
- 19. Evan Perez
- 20. Ed Karr
- 21. Andrea Cliscagne
- 22. Loretta Jacobs
- 24. Dimitri Moroz
- 24. Igor Moroz
- 28. Carol Gonzalez

Anniversaries:

- 14. Pastor & Karen Newhouse
- 26. Igor & Inna Moroz

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Did You Know?

Americans tackle 53.5 million pounds of guacamole every Super Bowl Sunday. That's enough to cover a football field more than 20 feet deep.

Family Favorites

By Lisa Evans



In my opinion this sweet little nugget Chevy's offers on every plate is worth going for...OK, I like the fajitas and tamales, well, I absolutely LOVE Mexican food. But this morsel is not only scrumptious it's addictive. I discovered this recipe and it's just too good to keep to myself. Next time you're feeling a little south of the border try this; bet you can't eat just a spoonful. Put on your chef's hat and get cooking!

Chevys Corn Masa (Tamalitos)

5 tablespoons margarine, softened (sit it on the kitchen counter for like an hour or do what I do, just zap it in the microwave for a few seconds)

1/4 cup masa harina flour (I shop at Las Montaña's for my Hispanic specialty needs, in Park n Shop on Willow Pass Rd. They are a Hispanic market and have a fabulous butcher)

1/3 cup sugar

2 cups corn kernels (fresh or frozen, thawed)

1/2 cup cornmeal

1/2 cup water

1 teaspoon baking powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

3 tablespoons milk and 1 teaspoon milk (do not use skim or nonfat use fully loaded D; I found adding just 1 more tablespoon of milk helps... it originally calls for 2)



In a small bowl, mix the margarine, masa and sugar with mixer until light and fluffy, about 1 minute.

Blend 1/2 the corn kernels with the water in a blender until smooth.

Combine with margarine mixture, stirring well.

Add the remaining corn, cornmeal, baking powder, salt and milk.

Bring a medium saucepan of water to a boil.

Pour the mixture into an 8-inch baking dish.

Tightly cover with plastic wrap and set atop the saucepan of boiling water.

Keep pan tightly wrapped and steam for 50 minutes to 1 hour at 350° Check water level often, until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean.

I have also made this in the oven, setting the pan in a water bath. For those don't know what a water bath is, most men don't, a water bath is simply a pan of hot water placed in the oven, and using this method has two benefits when baking. First, a water bath adds moisture to the oven and this is important for baking foods like cheesecakes, which tend to crack from the heat of the oven, or custards which can become rubbery without moist heat. Second, using the water bath method also provides a more even, slower heat source than the direct heat of an oven which is also important for preparing foods like cheesecakes and custards. You can mention you used a 'water bath' in baking.....you'll sound like a pro!

Missionary Letters

Dave & Diane Ferris...Philippines

Thank you for helping us to start LifePoint Baptist Church and Lighthouse Baptist Church who will soon celebrate their 16th anniversary. The Lord has been good and it was our honour to serve Him in the Philippines.

The call to pastor Skagit Valley Baptist church was not planned and totally unexpected. Looking back it is amazing to see how God moved the chess pieces to make sure Skagit Valley had a pastor and LifePoint Baptist in the Philippines had a pastor. Neither Church went without a Pastor for even one service.

Because this was not planned it placed us in a personal tight financial situation especially after building the new building in the Philippines. Many of you helped us during the transition period and a few of you are still helping.

But we are at the place where I would like to ask you to no longer send us monetary aid. However if you would like to keep praying for us that would be very welcomed.

You all really helped my family and I am so grateful for that. Also as a side note I at this time will not be starting a sideline distribution ministry in the Philippines. Maybe some day but I do not have the time to spread myself so thin. If you're ever in the Northwest - look me up! God Bless You all, Dave Ferris

Larry & Dawn Nelson...Australia

Greetings from Western Australia. We are looking forward to the year ahead and praying the Lord will add much fruit to your account in 2019. It's summertime in Australia and getting hot! Most of the country is experiencing extremely high temperatures so we are concerned about fires, snakes and sharks! This is a time when many Australians enjoy a summer holiday.

January is busy for us as we host our annual youth camp and plan out the year. Camp was last week and the theme was "Wanted by God". More than 60 kids attended along with several counselors and helpers. It's great to see how people in the church get involved. At least ten

young people gave a testimony of trusting Christ as Saviour at camp with several others seeking Biblical counsel for spiritual issues! One of our counselors, Pam, led a teenager to receive Jesus Christ as her Saviour. This is the first person Pam has led to Christ and she is so excited about it! Two young people are preparing for baptism this month and I'm sure there will be more!

The Lord is answering your prayers for the church in the town of Northam, as they seek an Australian pastor. Our associate, Mark, has accepted a call to be their interim pastor for the first half of this year. This began a few weeks ago with services on Sunday evenings until an arrangement can be made for a morning service.

There is a great need and opportunity for a gospel witness in this town and the surrounding area. Mark & his wife, Ashleigh, will be moving out from our church this month and are making plans to start another outreach north of us in March. They will truly be missed in this ministry, as we worked closely together, but we are excited to see how the Lord directs their steps.

This has also opened up opportunities for people in the Wanneroo church to step up into ministry. Last Sunday I had a teachers meeting and I was pleased to see eleven men & women eager to serve as teachers. This will be a year of transition so please pray as we move forward with these plans.

After a brief battle with cancer, the Lord chose to take home Richard's wife, Margarete. He is one of our faithful Australian pastors in Nowra, New South Wales. It was my honor to preach at Margarete's funeral as she was a tireless servant of Christ. Please pray for Pastor Richard and for his church as he deals with this loss. Thankfully, he now has an associate pastor to help him. We truly do appreciate your faithful prayers and support for this ministry. Thank you so much.

Amazing Grace Mission ...Dr.James H.Gardner

Those of you who have never attended the Amazing Grace Mission Conference may say, "Why all the promotion?" But those of us who have been to one say, "Oh, yes, What a Blessing I had there!" It's up to you, do you want to see how the Lord is working around the world and changing lives one soul at a time, thru the Salvation that only comes thru faith in Jesus Christ?

Every year we have some great preachers to stir our souls and this year is no exception. Both of our Keynote speakers did their local fair for the first time! Pastor Brad Wenigar, of Central Baptist Church in Woodbridge, VA will be preaching and leading the singing! He has musical talents rarely

seen. He will be playing a trumpet, the piano, and who knows what else. He writes music, sings, and then will preach a wonderful message. Then, on Wednesday night, we will have Pastor Bruce Humbert of Sauk Trail Baptist Church in Richton Park, IL. What an amazing speaker! If the Lord continues to lead him he will be preaching a special message that one other time sparked a revival of tears and repentance in many lives. I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT!!!

The Lord has many great men of God still out there doing a great work for Him. But the most talked about part of our conferences is the testimonies of our workers who have seen the power of God move in lives in the fair. You will be blessed! **Amazing Grace Mission Conference -Feb 5, 6 2019- @ Landmark Baptist Church, Seffner, FL All FREE! The preaching, the singing, the fellowship and THE FOOD!**

Sharon Rahilly...Togo

Greetings from Togo! To bring you up-to-date on what God is doing in several areas:

Gods Protection:- I do not know what to say other than "thank you for praying"! So many times I look back on a particular situation and realize that God probably had someone in particular praying at that specific time! When God puts it on your heart to pray for a missionary, please do so! You would not believe what He will do in response to your prayers at that particular moment in the life of your missionary!

A week ago, I was driving to Mango (a seven -hour drive) with four Togolese nursing students from the south and the young son of one of these students. We had a great trip on the way north, except for two of the students who found out, the hard way, that they get car sick!

After leaving three of the students off, about five hours into the trip, another student, her son, and I continued north. Until I heard a pop. At which point I pulled the car over to the side of the road and found a protected area to change what was found to be a very, very flat tire (new tires, but with Togo roads they cannot last!). The student went to the roadside to flag down some help, while I dug through the luggage to get to the compartment where the jack was stored!

This was a very isolated part of the road. Finally a taxi went by, and stopped! I still don't think the driver knew what he was doing with the jack, although he assured me every five seconds that "everything was fine".

Thankfully there was a guy in the taxi who had experience changing a tire - once! After about an hour, the spare tire was in place and we were on the road. I didn't think much about the situation other than being thankful that God sent someone to help us. Several days later, I learned that some "bandits"

had shot at a bus just north of Mango, and then apparently hi-jacked a moto by shooting the moto driver (the driver lost blood and eventually died at our hospital after being resuscitated multiple times). Carjacking is on the increase in Togo, God's hand was evident! So please, if you sense God's urging to pray for this missionary or others, please do!

Togo had legislative elections this past Thursday. Consequently, there have been off-and-on demonstrations and we Americans have been very careful to avoid certain situations. I was in Lome for a wedding on Saturday. The morning after, two students arranged to travel back to our southern hospital with me. They were going to meet me where I was staying.

I received a call asking if I would meet them along the road heading out of Lome instead. As I was driving to our meeting site, I realized that the place was in the heart of the neighborhood that Americans were to avoid. I headed for the area, praying, and waited a few minutes for them to show up; during which time several guys alongside the road came over to the car and stared in the windows.

I chose to be occupied with texting on my phone (figured perhaps it would help if I looked like I was in contact with someone) while sitting there praying for God's protection! No one did anything, no problems, I was able to find the students nearby, and we made it safely back to the hospital!

There continue to be opportunities to build into the lives of students in the north hospital and the south. Pray that God will use me (and others!) in their lives. Everything we do is watched so closely! Pray that my love for God would be very evident.

Thankful for a discussion with one student about what it would mean for a M to become a Christian. This student expressed the belief, that type of a change (M to Christian) could not happen because of friends, family, one's entire life. The Lord allowed me to conclude our discussion by saying "so what you are telling me is, that it is not impossible for a person to change if that M was to be fully convinced, that only in Jesus Christ, can be found eternal life, forgiveness, and true love and joy". The student agreed. Pray that God would work in the heart of this student.

Another student asked, "exactly what do I need to do to follow Jesus?" What an opportunity to explain exactly what a person must believe about Jesus Christ and to share exactly how I (myself) prayed when I asked God for His gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ. God put it so strongly on my heart that I needed to explain so clearly that the student could, alone and at any time, choose to make that decision to accept Jesus Christ. Please keep praying for our students!

Pray for the progress of students and for God's wisdom in working with them and knowing how to help them become excellent nurses!! Some students are still struggling academically and practically.

Many times during this nursing program, I have told the Lord that I just can't do this: balance the logistics of two nursing programs, 31 students, in two places in Togo, seven hours apart! And every single time I say "I just can't do this", God says "no, Sharon, you can't, but I can"!! What a reminder of my need to depend on Him! And how exciting to see Him continue to direct, and give wisdom, and work in ways that I cannot imagine!!!

End-of-the-year party, during which God gave opportunity to share Isaiah 9:6 with our students, including our 11 M students. To share how the names demonstrate the meeting of every single one of our needs — our need for a wise counselor, a powerful God, a loving Father, and a Peace-giver! And that this Person is Jesus Christ Only God can give opportunities like these!!

Our faithful Community Health Evangelism (CHE) leaders continue to penetrate the darkness in villages here in Togo! It is exciting to see how God continues to use these leaders every Wednesday and Thursday, as they go into communities as part of this ministry.

One of our CHE teams has been visiting in homes in a particular village, teaching physical lessons and spiritual lessons. Over the past three weeks, at least six people have professed to give their lives to Christ as our CHE leaders have presented God's wonderful plan of salvation! Pray for our CHE leaders. For faithfulness, godly attitudes, and a constant focus on serving God and the people in these communities in order to see them one day follow Jesus Christ!

Pray that I would let God be in charge of my "schedule" each day! There are so many things I "need to do! And the list of "things to do immediately is overwhelming!

What has been interesting is to see how God sometimes wants me to do nothing on my list but, instead, to just be beside a person, or talk with a person, or pray with a person, rather than work on the whole list of tasks that I think need to be accomplished that day! But I wouldn't have it otherwise when thinking of the value of spending time with specific people. For Personnel needs at our hospitals, continue to pray that God would provide surgeons, obstetricians, and anesthetists for our southern hospital, the need is huge! Pray that God would provide expat nurses for our northern hospital. The nursing shortage (until our students graduate) is severe! Our nurses in the north are getting tired.

They are looking at approximately six months until our current students graduate. They are asking God to help them make it until then. I know He will, but it might be that, He wants you, or someone you know, or someone that someone you know, to help us out!

Thank you for your prayers, your support, your gifts, your encouragement! Thank you for partnering with me in what God is doing through these ministries in the country of Togo!

Craig & Jennifer Alsup...Manna Worldwide

The year 2018 has been incredible, and we can't believe that we have been full-time missionaries now with MANNA Worldwide for 3 years! God has done and is doing such a great work around the world.

We want to take a moment to share what we foresee for 2019, knowing that God will do exceedingly abundantly more (Ephesians 3:20).

Some of what we are planning for in 2019 with your Partnership:

1. More New Churches hearing the Gospel and a call to missions throughout the USA. We will be traveling all over to preach and share the opportunity to get involved in Gods work through MANNA. We are scheduling now for churches to share in in 2019. Please connect with us to schedule.
 2. More funds raised to carry out projects and rescue Children and communities in countries throughout Asia. Through your Partnership you are making an IMPACT in the lives of countless individuals and families.
 3. Thousands more reached through community outreach and MANNA projects. New countries are in the works. Not only are you making an impact in the lives of the people the Lord reaches through MANNA, but you are also making an ETERNAL impact. Thank you.
 4. Mission trips to Nepal (3x's), Cuba, Panama, Fiji, and we would LOVE to get to Cambodia.
 5. Increased focus for Jennifer, on women's outreach and potentially the development of new projects involving women and pregnancy/maternal care.
- We pray that each letter we send, blesses you and encourages you to keep the faith and continue to further the mission of Christ to the nations.

Bits and Pieces, Notes and News

Ladies Fellowship: Our Ladies Fellowship for this month is a Valentine Soup Lunch on Saturday, February 16th at noon. It will be at Cascades Mobile Home Park, 245 Aria Way in Pacheco. Sign ups will be taken on February 3 and 10.

Church Election: Results of our church election held on January 13th are as follows: Deacons: Tom Ciaramitaro, Charlie Cavett, Victor Holz and Troy Moore. They will be serving with Rich King who has time left on his term. Treasurer: Tony Perez, Assistant Treasurer: Erik Nuno, Clerk: Lisa Evans and Assistant Clerk; Sue Blake. A big thank you to all these who are willing to spend time in service to our Lord.

Pastor Search: If you have any questions regarding our search for a pastor, please email tbcca.office@gmail.com or reach out directly to one of our five deacons: Rich King, Victor Holz, Charlie Cavett, Tom Ciaramitaro, or Troy Moore.

Church Email: We will be returning to our old Email address at the church. This will be the only email for the church office. Please take note and change your address book.: Church Office: tbcca.office@gmail.com

Young Couples Game Night: Come join us for a young couples game night on Saturday, February 9 from 4-7 PM at Erik Nuno's home in Antioch. Pizza will be served. Hoping to see all young couples there for a time of fun and fellowship. Please see Pastor Thomas or Jessica or Erik Nuno for details.

Camp Registration Sunday: It's time (already) to think about camp. Camp Registration Sunday is February 3rd. Be sure to mark your calendars with this summer's junior and teen camps (July 22-27). Camp registration is \$50 per child. Be sure to register on February 3rd as it will save you \$60 per child!

New Wednesday Night Study: On January 16th we began a new Bible study on the New Testament book of John. John is a very basic book that everyone should study and be familiar with. It is usually the book that you recommend to a new believer so it is important that you understand it yourself. Tom Ciaramitaro is teaching the class starting at 7 PM every Wednesday after our prayer time. Please join us.

Groundhog Day: Yes there really are groundhogs, but the "official" one lives in Sun Prairie, Wisconsin, and is named Jimmy. There is some heavy competition from a groundhog in Punxsutawney, PA. Every February 2nd around 7am he comes out of his hole to tell the world whether we'll have an early or late Spring. If he sees his shadow and runs back into his hole, there will be 6 more weeks of Winter; if he stays out and hams it up for the TV cameras, Spring's almost here. According to records, Jimmy's been right 16 out of 19 times.

Ralphie's Puzzler of the Month

Where in Scriptures does it say that a dog would not move its tongue against Israel?

Last Month's Answer: What Old Testament man had a pain that was perpetual and a wound that was incurable? Jeremiah. Jeremiah 15:18

Mary Lou's Musings

By Mary Lou McCauley

Many of you are aware that I am contemplating a move this year - a big one - one that will take me way across the country. If all goes as planned I will sell my house and probably move sometime in June.

I do not look forward to leaving – in fact I am filled with a sense of dread. Although I have prayed long and hard about this, and I believe I am doing what God wants me to do, it is so hard to think of leaving a church family that I love, a job that I love, piano students that I love and a bunch of friends. The physical part of moving is daunting, as well. I look at my house and think, “I will never be able to do this - to get it all done!”

I covet your prayers, dear friends, as I embark upon this new event. I'm not up to calling it an adventure yet!

Thanks to a dear friend whose help was absolutely invaluable, I was able to pare down my Christmas things, consolidate, and give away what I no longer use or need. That part felt really good. I find that there are times in life when God wants us to minimize – decide what we don't need – and give it away to someone who can really use it! The Lord is helping me to see this as a good thing! Indeed, I am actually enjoying this part of the process.

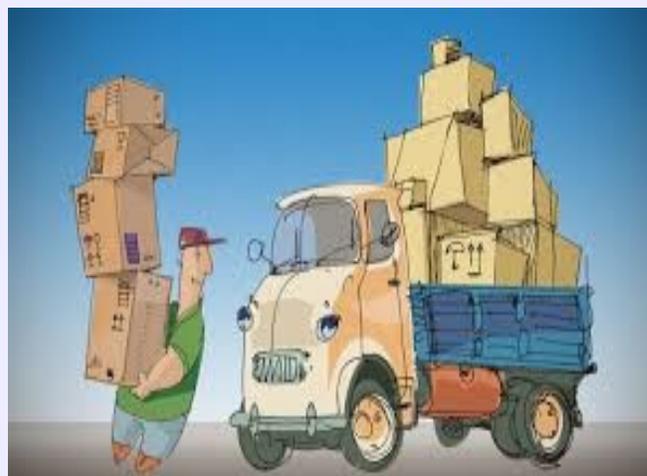
Leaving people is not so easy. Thank God, that most of my friends are believers! I know that even if we part for a little while, I will see you all again in a few short years. Heaven is waiting on the other side! I remember when I first went to Bible college, I was so convinced that I would be too poor to do anything, that I thought my permanent (in my hair) would be the last one I ever got! What a surprise to find that the Lord provided me with that and so much more as time went on. I had temporarily forgotten that the great Provider goes with me.

One of my chief concerns is, will God continue to use me in this new place? Will I fit in? Will I be

content? Will I find a place of service? I think of that verse that says, “I am a stranger on earth; do not hide your commandments from me.....your statutes are my delight; they are my counselors.” This is my comfort. Wherever I go, the Lord is with me, and His Word is my guide. He will lead me, and I will be content and at peace as long as I am in God's will!

I feel just a little bit like Abraham as he left his home in Ur and went out. The difference is Abraham had no idea where he was going to be. I, at least, can take comfort that I know where I am headed both temporarily and permanently! Knoxville, TN, will be my temporary home, and I won't be that long there, before Heaven will be my permanent home! Because of this anticipated move, Heaven is that much nearer and dearer to me.

Pray for me and with me, my dear friends, as I think about this new *adventure* with the Lord!



Monthly Devotional

February

The work will not be accomplished only through you.

Read: Exodus 17:9–12

12: But Moses' hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun:

Moses was responsible for a great task. It was to lead a great many people on a long and difficult road. Moses was leading the Israelites to the Promised Land. God provided Moses with talented people to help in this major task. In Exodus 17, we read about Moses needing help in holding up his own hands because he lacked the strength to do it himself (Psalms 86:16; 2 Corinthians 12:10). Do not have the attitude that you are the only one who was chosen by God to complete a task. Along the way, the Lord is going to bring to you the resources (people) you will need to accomplish the task at hand. Just as Moses learned to utilize the resources God gave him, so should you utilize the resources God has given you (Psalms 29:11). Do not ever think you are the main man for the job, because your ego and Satan will have a good grasp on you.

Goal

As a follower of Christ, utilize the resources (people) God has sent you. Do not get self-centered! Do not think you are the main man, or the only man, for a job. You are not. Be careful with your pride. Remember to give credit to those who contribute to the task at hand. Do not take all the credit for yourself.

Library Corner

February 2019

By *J. Harmon



Part 2-Book Review:

Crisis in Christian Music by Dr. Jack Wheaton

“There are many spiritually and musically worthy contemporary praise songs that have been written.”...There are objective standards that can be applied when trying to decide what contemporary Christian music is fit for leading worship in a church...The Church must discern and choose the right music for the right occasion within the church.”

“Secular, pagan & occult musical styles have crept into the church, all dressed up with Christian lyrics.” In my 10 year study, writing **All That Jazz: A History of Afro American Music**, I discovered that music played a principle role in most of the pagan religions of Africa, many that survived the crossing from Africa to the New World and remain alive today through occult religions in Cuba, Brazil & parts of Latin America. The purpose of certain rhythms and the constant repetition of phrase was to call forth ‘spirits’ (demonic forces), put the congregation into a state of music-induced hypnosis, and activate certain changes within the body that were beyond conscious control.”

“The Afro-American churches of America today are more sensitive (than primarily white churches) to what rhythms are dangerous and which ones are not. Black Churches for the most part are careful to keep out ‘dangerous’ rhythms from their vibrant and heartfelt celebrations and worship services. They know and quickly identify certain beat patterns as being ‘Of the Devil’... Christ’s church must be alert to the types of rhythms used in worship service.”

“The world is Satan’s turf. He understands it, he controls it... “In Ezekiel 28, Isaiah 14 , Daniel 11, we have descriptions of who and what Satan (the adversary) was and is like...At one time Lucifer, the name of Satan before he fell, was *in charge of worship*. He had something *directly to do* with music, singing, and praising God...Since the battlefield is the mind and music has an incredible powerful affect on the mind and emotions...he has chosen music...to compromise the power and spiritual integrity of the modern church... “This aroused emotional state is being passed off as a sure sign of the Holy Spirit...ready to ‘experience’ Christ instead of being led to understand Him. Have we mistaken emotionalism for spiritual growth?... “**It is a mistake to bring the world into the church and not take the church into the world.**”

This *Book Review* is a compilation of quotes from the author and assembled (by me) in no particular order. There is so much more in the book not covered here like, How to Develop a Praise Band, Check List for Musical Directors, Music Literacy and the Church.

Dr. Jack Wheaton died in 2015. He was an Avid Researcher and Bible Teacher, Famous Musician, Arranger, Writer, Conductor, Emmy Award Winner and Elder in the Presbyterian Church. This book was published in 2000. The author was concerned about music and worship in the church then, and here we are now, almost 20 years later.

I love the old hymns... performed by different people, (from George Beverly Shea to Jars of Clay and BJ Speer.) My two favorite contemporary artists are Michael Card and Sara Groves. Yes, music is a preference but let us not forget, **2 Corinthians 6:17 “Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord...”**

Tabernacle Baptist Church Ministry

Sunday

9:45AM Sunday School For All Ages
 10:45AM Morning Worship Service
 Children's Church (3s through 3rd grade)
 Nursery
 6:00PM Evening Service

Wednesday

7:00PM Discipleship/Prayer Meeting
 7:00PM Patch The Pirate Club/Master Clubs/ACCESS-
 Tabernacle Teens

Saturday

10:00 AM Fishers of Men

"Occupying till JESUS comes"
-Luke 19:13c

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