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DiscipleGuide to Launch "Tuesday Talks"

DiscipleGuide Church Resources is set to launch a new Internet simulcast series to help equip church leaders and workers called Tuesday Talks. Originating live from BMA Production Studios in Conway, Arkansas, Tuesday Talks will be produced the second Tuesday of each month via Internet. The broadcast can be viewed at www.bmalife.com/tv. Presenters will cover a wide array of ministry topics designed to help churches fulfill the Great Commission. Live question and answer sessions will be featured during each Tuesday Talk segment. The sessions will begin at 10:00 am and will last approximating 45 minutes.

DiscipleGuide Executive Director, Scott Attebery, says Tuesday Talks is a way for the ministry to fulfill its mandate from BMA churches. "Our mission is to help BMA churches make disciples," said Attebery. "Tuesday Talks is a way to make first-class teaching and equipping available to every church in the BMA. Instructional workshops can take up a large segment of your day, but with Tuesday Talks we bring expert teachers right into the offices and living rooms of our people."

The first episode of Tuesday Talks will be July 8 at 10:00 am. BMA Church Planter, Brandon Cox, will be using his new book, *Rewired*, to

share how he is using Social Media to bring people into the church. Brandon has watched Grace Hills Church in Northwest Arkansas grow from a vision to a church reaching close to 300 people weekly in only two short years. Social Media has been their primary tool of outreach. Brandon also serves as Editor and Community Facilitator for Pastors.com and Rick Warren's Pastor's Toolbox and was formerly a Pastor at Saddleback Church in Lake Forest, California. "The world is lost and its only hope is the gospel. Therefore what it needs is the missionary voice of the church going to every people group on the planet with the story of Jesus." –

Brandon Cox, from *Rewired*. To order a copy of *Rewired* to supplement Brandon's online teaching go to www.discipleguide.org.

Upcoming Tuesday Talk segments will feature Pastor Kirk Shelton from Calvary Baptist in Fayetteville, Arkansas, who will focus on helping Pastors in the development of ministry vision and values. And speakers addressing student ministry equipping, volunteer student ministry helps, and children's ministry topics will follow.

For more information, email DiscipleGuide Conference Ministry Director, Donny Parrish at donny@bmaamerica.org.

Saying "Thank You" To James Speer

By Harvey Hall

James Speer was elected director of Daniel Springs Camp in September 1979 and moved on the field Jan. 1, 1980. Since that time, about 120,000 campers have passed through the gates. Approximately 13,000 of those made professions of faith and many surrendered to various areas of the ministry.

Camp is a special place. Campers are there for several days doing Bible studies, attending worship services, having fun times, playing games and eating together. There are no malls, food courts or TV, which allows a lot of time for fellowship and making life-

time friendships. I have been attending camp off and on for 55 years and am looking forward to going again in July.

Bro. James has spent the past 35 years growing, maintaining and keeping the camp functional. Funds have not been available for any facelift to improve the appearance of the camp, although some cabins have been adopted by churches and the interiors have been made more presentable. Two cabins still need complete renovations, three need new roofs and improvements are also needed on several cabins.

Under the auspices of the Depart-

ment of Church Ministries and Daniel Springs Camp, I have volunteered to raise funds for the renovation and face-lifting of the cabins and canteen area. Joe Owen, pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church at Magnolia and Eric Goble, pastor of Brister Baptist Church at Emerson, are helping me in this endeavor. This fund raising effort will be to honor Bro.



James Speer

James and his family for their unselfish sacrifice to Daniel Springs Camp for the past 35 years.

I urge you to prayerfully consider contributing to this much needed cause, and I encourage everyone who, as Bro. James would say, "has skin in the game," to contribute whatever they can. I know we are capable of this and it would be a great way to support our youth and show our appreciation to Bro. James and his family for a job well done.

Contributions should be designated "renovation" and mailed to Daniel Springs Encampment, P.O. Box 310, Gary, TX 75643.

I will be glad to answer any questions you may have concerning this project. My number is 870-949-5665.

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Missions Update!

I was asked recently how many mission projects we have. We have 19 men (including our Coordinators) that we are supporting either directly or indirectly, who are working to plant 12 new churches. That number was 13 until New Heart Baptist Church organized recently. That number will change to 11 on June 28, 2014, when All Nations at Indianola organizes. That number could, and most likely will, change again before the end of the year, as we have 5 new projects in development. These are exciting times as God has again and again made opportunities available to us. Please continue to pray for your ever growing, ever changing missions program. Here are some updates from the field:

Caledonia Baptist Mission

Missionary Bob Burch reports that he has four awaiting baptism and their attendance is routinely in the 60's and 70's. He is in the process of developing a small group ministry in Caledonia. As Bro. Burch moves into his third year as a missionary, we have already begun discussion about Caledonia becoming a mother church at some point in the future.

South Forrest Baptist Mission

Sidney Farmer reported that he has one awaiting baptism and is plan-

ning that baptism for Sunday, June 29th. They recently had Vacation Bible School. Work is ongoing to prepare the foundation for the new sanctuary. They are in the process of putting in sewer, water, and underground electrical lines. Just two years into this mission project Bro. Farmer and the folks of South Forrest are already ahead of schedule in their journey to become a strong self-supporting church, capable of becoming a mother church, herself.

Freedom Baptist Mission to Receive Matching Funds

Missionary Bobby Elliott reported that they had 27 attend their youth camp and witnessed 10 people come to Christ. They have 10 awaiting baptism. He continues to seek contributions that will apply to his matching fund campaign to reduce Freedom's building debt. Currently, he has raised \$12,500.00 of the \$50,000.00 goal. The money raised,



South Forrest VBS

up to \$50,000.00 will be matched and applied to the \$167,000.00 cost of their new facility.

Day Star Baptist Mission

Missionary Phillip Burns reported that they had 14 in attendance on June 22nd which was a record for the



Freedom Youth Camp

new mission in Sumrall. They are planning a one day VBS, with support from volunteers from their mother church, First Baptist Bay Springs, on Saturday, July 19th from 9am-3pm.

Grace Baptist Mission New Albany

Missionary Kelby Johnson reported that they have had new first time visitors attend their services recently. This comes after they began a new effort in outreach. They plan to continue their outreach efforts and hope to see the number of first time visitors increase.

Grace Baptist Mission, Clinton

Missionary Danny Bartlett reports receiving help passing out flyers from their mother church, Wilderness at

Vicksburg, as well as Oakland at Vicksburg, as a part of the State Youth Department's summer missions campaign. The mission is planning to participate in the Clinton Chamber of Commerce event on August 28th which is designed to welcome back students attending Mississippi College. They hope to meet new people and get more exposure for the mission. We continue to wait for a response to our offer on a piece of land in Clinton, Mississippi, which would become the future home of Grace Baptist Church. With the approval of the Revolving Loan Fund Trustees, we have made an offer on 5 acres in a very good location. I will be meeting with the folks at the mission on July 6th to discuss the details. Please pray with me that all will go well with this opportunity. There is much to be done yet, but I am hopeful that we will see ground broken on a new facility this year.

Hispanic Missions -North

Our North Mississippi Coordinator for Hispanic Missions, Elvis Garcia, reported that they just completed a VBS with an average of 75 Children (not counting volunteers) in attendance each night. They involved 40 volunteers in bussing children from Ripley, New Albany and Pontotoc. On the 4th of July weekend they will hold their annual church camp at Tishomingo State Park, which will be attended by people from the church in Ripley, and the mission at Tupelo and Oxford. They already have 4 that will be baptized at camp and they are expecting more.

African American Missions

Our Coordinator of African American Missions, Bro. Ed DuVall, reports that All Nations Baptist Mission in Indianola, Missionary Pastor Donnie Loggins, is scheduled to have an organization service on Saturday, June 28, 2014 at 2:00 pm. Home-stretch Baptist Church, Cleveland, is the sending church for this mission. After organizing, he anticipates that All Nations Baptist Church will take her place among the churches of the BMA of Mississippi and the Great



All Nations Church, Indianola, organized on June 28



Missions Report

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River Association, a local association recently organized. Bro. DuVall is developing two new mission projects in Ruleville and Itta Bena, Mississippi.

Hispanic Missions - South

Our South Mississippi Coordinator for Hispanic Missions, Estuardo Marroquin, reported that the works in Laurel, Hattiesburg and Biloxi are doing well. El Camino Hattiesburg recently witnessed 4 professions of

approximately 25 enrolled in the Bible Institute at this time. They continue to pray for a door of opportunity in Canton, Mississippi. Please pray for Bro. Gabriel who is in need of a job change to afford him the time to move forward with this effort.

Revolving Loan Fund

(as of June 25, 2014 and since August 1st, 2013)

Gross assets are now at \$18,426,701.00, an increase of \$962,780.00 since August



Way, Truth, & Live VBS

faith and they will be having a retreat on June 28th. Bro. Marroquin reported that El Camino Biloxi is getting ready to begin Sunday meetings with 6 people coming from Biloxi and 10 from Pascagoula. Bro. Marroquin informed me that Bro. Mendoza is no longer leading the mission in Biloxi, but others have stepped up to lead in this work. El Camino in Laurel is averaging around 135 in attendance and continues to have a strong participation in the Bible Institute. They have approxi-

1st. Net assets are now at \$3,092,341.00, an increase of \$143,101.00 since August 1st. We have 12 new loans totaling \$1,179,572.00 since August 1st. Our current loan rate is 4.25%. If your church is in need of a loan to expand or build new facilities, we encourage you to give us a call.

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New School Year Near

Classes will begin within a month and a half. The time to pre-register is now. The offices are open Monday through Wednesday. Everyone who desires to take some courses at Southeastern Baptist College, but wonders about the cost and details, is encouraged to contact Ronnie Kitchens at 601-426-6346.

Extension Class Set

An extension class is scheduled this fall at Campgrounds Baptist Church on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Biblical Manners and Customs will be taught on Thursday nights. Anyone interested is encouraged to contact Pastor Brian Atwood at 228-224-6466. Official Registration will be on August 7th.

Seminary Class Update

The BMA Theological Seminary Class taught by Dr. Mark Livingston at Southeastern this summer was a success. His presentations were balanced with practical instruction and scholarship. Young and older ministers were challenged from the Scriptures with principles that could be applied to the life situations of the Lord's ministers. Southeastern is looking forward to working with the Missions Department and the BMA Seminary in offering



BMA Theological Seminary class recently taught on SBC campus by Dr. Mark Livingston

other classes in the near future.

Physical Plant Progress

Substantial work has been done on the Faculty House, the President's Home, and a dorm during the past few months. Much more repair will be required. See Dennis Rankin if you would like to contribute financially or use special building skills for the Lord. He can be reached at 251-666-5618.

Special Emphasis Time

The Annual Special Emphasis for the College is vital to our financial stability. We depend on these funds to help us meet our obligations and the participation of each of our churches is a good way for us to meet our goal. I encourage each of our churches

and her members to remember the college during these next two months. July and August have been set aside by the Association to raise extra funds for Southeastern College.

I encourage you to take a special offering each Sunday with Southeastern in mind. You also may choose to set a "Southeastern Day" at your church. On this day you can give your members information about the college and how she continues to train workers. The need for Christ centered education in our secular society cannot be stressed too strongly. However your church decides to participate, we encourage you to support us with your prayers and your finances. May God bless your local church's ministry.

Cameron Wins Award

On Friday night, June 20th, Chance Cameron received the 2014 Mississippi State Quartet Convention's Young Artist Of The Year Award. The Mississippi State Quartet Convention was established fifteen years ago and convenes each year in June. This award was voted on by fellow artists and peers that are a part of the convention. Chance has won this award 3 times in the last 4 years. Chance is the son of Bro. & Mrs. Justin Cameron.



God & Country Rally

The Big Creek Association will hold a Patriotic Rally on Thursday, July 10 at Lebanon Baptist Church, Laurel. The speaker will be retired BMA Chaplain Bo Bankston. There will be a color guard,

testimonies, patriotic music and a message from Bro. Bankston.

The public is invited to attend this great event.

Gospel Concert

The Steele's will be in concert on Monday, July 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Broadmoor Baptist Church in Meridian. This trio will sing many of their hits from the past such as, "OH, What a Mighty God", and many others including their newest song, "We're All Human". Broadmoor is located at 5312 Highway 39 North in Meridian just north of North Hills Street

(Hardee's). Everyone is welcome. A love offering will be taken. For more information, please call 601-323-4400.

The counsel of the LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

Psa 33:11-12

Revival Correction

The correct times for revival services at Canaan Church in Lucedale are Sunday, July 6-11. Sunday services will be at 11:00 am and 1:30 pm. Weeknight services begin at 7 pm. Bro. Dewitt Bain will be the speaker.

Bro. Hoyt Moore, pastor

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Opinion Page

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Not What I Expected

Many of our readers are aware that I had to undergo a surgical procedure a couple of weeks ago. As I sit at my computer writing this, I can honestly say that I got more than I expected. The surgery was longer than expected, more extensive than expected and the recovery is certainly much more that I ex-

pected.

God blessed abundantly and the surgery was successful. Recovery will just be longer than anticipated. Without going into a lot of medical terminology and personal information, let me say that my problem was one that is fairly common. It was corrected with surgery and the doctors

expect complete recovery.

Someone who called the hospital and spoke to my wife Bonnie, asked if I had cancer. The answer to that question is no.

I appreciate your prayers, cards, notes, phone calls and even the plant from Alabama! I ask that you continue to pray for the Lord to heal and I thank Him for His watch over me during this time.

God bless you all.

The Only Hope for America

from a message by
the late Dr. Adrian Rogers

"Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people" (Proverbs 14:34).

America's only hope is found in this verse. Our nation has a godly founding and a glorious past, but if the Lord tarries, what kind of nation will our children inherit?

Evidently Americans believe the economy is the top issue. But I'd rather leave my children the legacy of a godly nation than great wealth squandered in a godless society.

Righteousness is our greatest need. Alexander Hamilton said, "People get the government they deserve." Something has happened in America. If we want to know what's wrong, we need to

look in the mirror.

Righteousness Exalts A Nation

America was born in a revival. The Great Awakening swept the land in a flame of righteousness. Out of that, schools were built, principles taught, and character became strong. A newborn nation declared her independence from England and upon almighty God.

Our Founding Fathers knew the best government was the least government. The more character you have, the more responsibility you'll assume, and the less government you'll need.

You cannot have true liberty without

true righteousness. They are inextricably interwoven. For example, if a man becomes a criminal, he's put in jail. Failing his responsibilities, his liberties are taken away. A baby has no responsibilities. But he also has no liberties: he can't choose when he's going to sleep or what he'll wear. As he grows and assumes responsibilities, he's given more liberties.

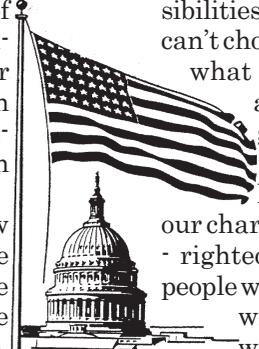
We will have more or less liberty in direct proportion to our character. When we lose character - righteousness - we lose liberty, for people who cannot live responsibly from within must be controlled from without.

James Madison said, "We have staked the whole future of American civilization not upon the power of government - far from it - ... [but] upon the capacity to govern and sustain ourselves according to the Ten Commandments." But today the Ten Commandments are called "unconstitutional" and removed from classrooms and many public buildings.

Sin - A Reproach To Any People

The great American dream is dissolving because of sin: sexual perversion, killing unborn children, break-up of the family, obsession with material things, craving for pleasure. America is self-indulgent, out of control.

With the erosion of character, we relinquish more responsibility to government, and whatever it subsidizes, government says it must control. When we depend on government to feed us, it will control us. Government is here to protect from tyranny and punish evildoers, not meet our needs. Sure as night follows day, when government provides, it begins to regulate. Then it's free to oppress.



Church of the Covered Dish BY THOMAS TAPP



"Some politician is on the phone. He wants you to endorse his opponent."

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Hope

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Look at our education system. It has outlawed God. The Bible is out, humanism is in. The Ten Commandments were swapped out for values clarification, one-world government, glories of the welfare state, and a new world order.

We're now living in the shadows of an age. Our liberties are fast receding. You say, "But we still have lots of blessings in America." Yes, we do. But they are residual blessings our forefathers left us.

Revival - The Restoration of a Nation

"When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice. But then the wicked bear rule, the people mourn" (Proverbs 29:2).

We must take America back. We don't have to be a majority, we're salt and light. Salt penetrates, purifies, heals, and pre-

serves. To say "don't mix politics and religion" is like saying put the fish in one barrel and the salt in another. But "if salt loses its savor," Jesus said, "it's good for nothing but to be cast out and trodden under the feet of men."

The church of Jesus Christ is being "trodden underfoot" because we've become salt without savor.

Our Constitution was written for people of character. Godly character must permeate our society. We must set the standard in caring for our own and the widows and orphans. We must train up our children, godly offspring who will take leadership positions and return us to living by godly principles.

I want to leave my children and grandchildren a godly nation. Don't you? God is our only hope, and revival will be the restoration to our nation.

From July-August 2013 issue of "Ministry Moments". A publication of Love Worth Finding Ministries.

The Critical Need For Understanding

Two sayings express the relationship of most people with history. One is "the only thing we learn from history is that we learn nothing from history." The other one is "the failure to learn from history assures us that we will repeat the mistakes of history." Sadly, these principles apply to theology. This is evident from the number of cults that have doctrines which are identical to historical heresies.

A number of safeguards will be present with those who understand the history of theology. The recognition of the essence of beliefs which were considered heretical will keep the Christian from varying too far away from biblical truth.

An example of this would be concerning the doctrines of the Trinity and Christology. The variations of belief by Bible believing Christians are many. If a dogma, however, denies that

Jesus is of the same essence and substance of God the Father, then the belief is heretical. The doctrinal positions which several modern day cults are known for are not new innovations, but rather old, warmed over heresies. The Christ Fathers of the first few centuries of Christianity looked at these beliefs and declared them to be heresies. In Councils and Creeds, they explained why such beliefs were unbiblical. What seems rational to human minds often comes short of describing the awesome, omnipotent greatness of our God who is infinitely glorious. Only the revelation of Scripture can be the bases of our conclusions concerning who the Lord is.

Another example relates to the historical debate between Calvinism and Arminianism. Although much room exists for differences of opinion. TWO extremes become heretical to Bap-

tists. When the doctrinal position of the Arminian became the denial of security for the Believer, or forefathers viewed it as heresy and a test of fellowship. When the Calvinist position became fatalistic, it also is considered heresy. Fatalism is defined as not being willing to share the gospel with any person because of the possibility that they have not been chosen. In our work, this has played out by our churches not granting and receiving letters from the Free Will Baptists and Primitive Baptists.

Knowing the history of doctrinal development by the early churches and by Baptists of the past few centuries can be liberating. It may keep many from repeating the mistakes of the past

by Pastor Danny Pitts via First Baptist Church of Shady Grove Bulletin

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Churches Discipling Churches

The church where I formerly pastored, Wyatt Baptist Church of El Dorado, Arkansas, is one of the most mission-minded churches I know of. Every year they send a large percentage of church members around the world in partnership with various missionaries. One of the missionary families they partner with is Oscar and Tamy Gaitan of Centro De Vida Church in

Catarina, Masaya, Nicaragua.

Centro De Vida naturally became Wyatt's sister church. In fact, over the years, several of the members of Wyatt have moved to Catarina for periods of time and likewise, several members of Centro De Vida have moved to El Dorado for periods of time. We even had a Wyatt girl and a Centro De Vida boy get

married!

But Centro De Vida became more than a sister church to Wyatt while I was there. Centro De Vida became a mentor to Wyatt.

Did you know it is possible for churches to disciple other churches? While the Bible doesn't explicitly use that terminology, it is evident that churches have the privilege of influencing and edifying one another for kingdom work.

One great example is in I Thessalonians 2:14 where Paul writes to the church in Thessalonica: "For you, brothers, became imitators of the churches of God in Christ Jesus that are in Judea."

Did you get that? The church in Thessalonica had been influenced by the churches in Judea to the degree that Paul called them "imitators!" By the way, the word Paul uses is the same

word he uses in I Corinthians 11:1 where he urges the Corinthians to "Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ."

Whether they realize it or not, Oscar Gaitan and Centro De Vida church set the example for how our church would structure small group Bible studies and strategize our outreach. Even the spirit of discipleship and mission we enjoyed at Wyatt Baptist Church was due in part to Centro De Vida. Hopefully, our church was able to edify Centro De Vida in the same way they influenced us.

Personally, I believe that every church – no matter the size, location, age, or legacy – has something to offer. Has your church found a way to disciple other churches?

Is there a struggling church nearby that your church could encourage through a shared event or by sharing resources?

What about joint fellowship gatherings for encouragement?

Does your church regularly pray for other churches? It's a great way to focus your church on building God's kingdom rather than your own kingdom.

Is your church willing to recommend other churches to visitors who don't feel that your church is a good match for their family?

In kingdom work, it is much better to get along than to get ahead! Ask God to open your eyes to opportunities for blessing other churches. And while you're at it, stop and take the time to acknowledge, show appreciation for, and pray for those churches who have influenced your own congregation.

May Christ receive all the glory from His body, the church!

Important Teachings by Fathers to Sons

The impact that a father makes upon his son is profound. It is life changing and life-long. How a father raises his son will impact the family line for 500 years. And this impact will be for good or bad. There are many of you out there that may not be the biological father of your sons, but you can be the man in their life to teach them about life. Whether you are the biological dad, or the dad who is in their life right now, never underestimate how powerful of an impression it is upon that young man who is watching the way you live your life, the way you treat your wife, the way you relate to others and the words you say.

Teach your son to be a real man. Not a macho man. I said a real man. That means a Godly man. A real man is strong, yet sensitive. Tough, yet tender. The Bible teaches in Proverbs 4:7-9 that the main thing for a young man to attain is wisdom. And that wisdom can only come from God's Word. He alone is wise. Psalm 119:9 states that your son can stay pure by taking heed to God's Word. I would suggest that you do a Bible devotion with just your son(s) in the book of Proverbs at some point in their life. Those are all written as advice from



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Travis Plumlee

a dad to a son to learn how to live life. Don't teach your son to be a rude, prideful, arrogant brutish man who dominates his future family as a dictator. Teach him the characteristics of Christ. Teach him to be loving, serving, forgiving, helpful to others, polite and mannerly. That is true authentic manhood. A real man loves at all times. He doesn't just think of himself but others. He serves others as Christ served others.

Give affection to your sons. There are way too many men that are insecure in their masculinity so they show no affection or emotions. A real man will show emotions and affection towards his son. A mature, Godly man should not be out of control with his emotions, or prone to be overly emotional. But too many men in American society have shut their emotions and affection completely off so that they appear strong. But then that leaves these men empty. It's

all for image anyway. It is a hollow attempt to achieve masculinity through emotional depravation. Hug your sons!! I'm not even opposed to a peck on the cheek when they are little guys. But no matter how big they are, an arm around their shoulder, a bear hug is always a good thing. It shows him that you love him. And no matter how big your boy is; always tell him you love him. Your son should not have to guess you love him. He should be told and shown. If you find this difficult; ask God to make you strong enough of a man to say, "I love you" to your son.

Please teach your son about his sexuality. Do not leave it up to a culture that is bankrupt of all morality to teach your son about his body. Do it early. You would think you could wait until the teen years, but unfortunately in this hyper-sexual society, it must be done early. Then, it must be done repeatedly. Teach your son how to respect women. All women. Teach them manners and

common courtesies so that you raise a gentleman and not a barbarian. Teach them to value women, respect them,

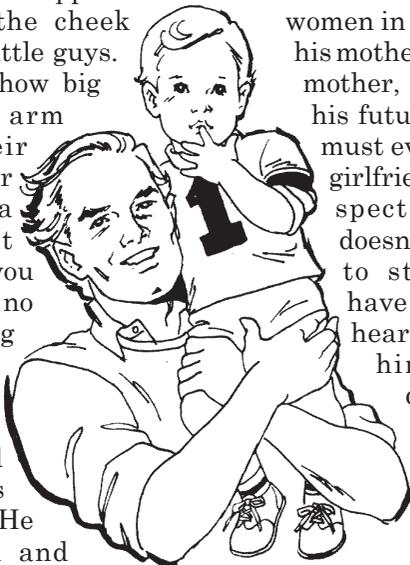
and value the role of women in his life from his mother, his grandmother, his sister to his future wife. He must even treat his girlfriends with respect. If he doesn't, you need to step in and have a heart to heart talk with him.

He doesn't know. Teach him!!!

Teach him about his sexuality. Use Proverbs chapter 7 as a good starting point to talk about how some females will try and manipulate him into sexual sin. Talk to him about purity, and fornication and other topics. You must. The Bible is full of verses about this. If you don't know them, go to the Christian book store. They have many books on how to possess your purity. As far as that goes, I even sell a DVD on purity for teenagers. There are resources available. And a side note to single moms, or wives who are married to

husbands who won't do this. You have to find a Godly role model male in church or in your extended family to teach your son about his sexuality. While a mom can teach her son many things, this is one area that you simply don't have a clue. If you don't have a male body, you can't help him understand what is going on with it.

Teach your son to be a warrior and fight the forces of darkness. Teach him to always stand on his Biblical convictions. Teach him to be courageous and not a coward. Teach him to speak up for what is right, and to speak up for those who have been wronged. Teach him to respect authority in his life, from all walks of life - whether it is a boss, a police officer, a pastor etc. Teach him to respect our nation, our flag and to fight for it, if duty calls. Have him be a man of integrity and high moral character in everything he does. Not for his glory, but for God's glory and to show honor to Christ. Teach these things to him out of scripture. Finally, more than anything of what you teach, it will be how you live your life in front of him that teaches the most. What we do has far more impact than what we teach.



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Kenneth Flynt
Director

by Bro. Jerry Overstreet

Chairman of the Senior Adult Ministry

I am writing today to thank all churches in the association for your prayers and support for the Senior Adult Ministry. The Lord is always blessing in the work and I know he will bless all churches that give their support to this ministry.

Bro. Flynt is recovering from a battle with throat cancer and is unable to put the report

in the paper this time. He asked if I would send a report in on the ministry. His cancer was confined to the one area with no cancer in the bones. Please keep him in your prayers daily, for he is a warrior fighting a battle that we all may have to face one day.

Bro. Flynt has been a great blessing to me and all the Trustees, as he has to many others. So get well soon and hurry back. We need your much needed help and advice.

Churches ORDERED to perform sodomy-based wedding ceremonies

OneNewsNow - I've often made the point that every advance of the homosexual agenda comes at the expense of religious liberty. We as a society must choose between homosexuality and liberty because we cannot have both. Where homosexuality advances, liberty retreats.

For example, I have already written about the cop in Utah who essentially has been fired because he did not want to literally lead a gay pride parade. His reservations about homosexuality are religious in nature, but regardless of the Constitution's guarantee of the "free exercise" of religion, he was forced to choose between homosexual pride and his own conscience. He chose conscience, and now he's looking for work.

But the threat of what Bill Maher calls the gay mafia is not confined to the world of law enforcement or commerce. Of course, virtually every piece of gay "rights" legislation carves out special exemptions for religious organizations, especially churches, as a sop to the First Amendment. But these crumbs from the master's table are flimsy protections at best, for the simple reason that people will start to argue that churches should not be allowed to break "laws" that everyone else has to obey.

Why, we will be told, should Christians be allowed to be homophobic bigots if nobody else is?

When we in the pro-family community argue that such

conscience protections for churches one day will be hardly worth the pixels they're painted with, we're told we are exaggerating and fear-mongering, and that the concerns we are raising are about things that could never happen here.

Well, the day we prophesied has arrived. Churches in Denmark - and the U.S. will not be far behind - have been ORDERED to perform sodomy-based weddings whether they want to or not.

According to the London Telegraph, a new law passed by the Danish parliament "make(s) it mandatory for all churches to conduct gay marriages." No options, no exceptions, no choice. Homosexuals are to be married wherever they want, regardless of whose conscience is trampled and whose sanctuary is defiled in the process.

While an individual priest may not be compelled to perform such weddings, his bishop has been ordered (under threat of what?) to find a replacement for him so that the priest's church can be used. Thus an individual priest can no longer protect the spiritual integrity of his own house of worship.

How long will it be before American churches will be ordered, as a condition of maintaining their tax-exempt

status, to host same-sex ceremonies? How long will it be before American pastors are ordered to perform them?

Unless America's pastors rise up as one, now, that day will arrive like a thief in the night, a day when each pastor will be told that he must solemnize sodomy-based marriages in his church or his church's 501(c)(3) status will be revoked. At that point, he and his church will effectively be out of business.

And then if he tries to keep his church going without tax exempt status, it won't be long before he will be ordered to perform same-sex weddings anyway, tax exempt status or no, under threat of fine or even incarceration. If the Gay Gestapo can order a baker to make a wedding cake, they can order a pastor to make a wedding.

Don't think it cannot happen here. If it can happen there, it can and will happen here.

And then the pastors in America who thought we pro-family activists were just a bunch of hyperbolic alarmists, and who foolishly thought that the church should just stay out of politics, will come to us with a stunned and bewildered look in their eyes and say, "Dude, what happened to my religious liberty?"

But by then it will be too late.

Courageous

I graduated high school topping the scales at a fighting weight of 120 pounds. This was great, seeing most of the others in my boxing weight class were girls. I went 0 and 12 my senior year with only three TKO's. In my defense, I was taught never to hit a girl. Apparently, this rule doesn't apply to girls when it comes to hitting boys.

Muhammed Ali right before the bell rings.

Some women just can't take a compliment.

That's why, when the movie *Courageous* came out on DVD, I was expecting some pointers on how to deal with women. I was also hoping to get some help on my left jab. If nothing else, surely some exercises in foot work would be showcased and I would at least learn how to avoid a right cross.

I'm older now, by about thirty years, and married.

Coach would be proud, and amazed that someone of the fairer denomination would look twice my way. What he doesn't know is that my career in pugilism helped me with the ladies. All I had to do is bet her that she couldn't hit me. If she could, then I would buy her dinner. Heh, heh. Hospital food isn't all that bad once you get to enjoy it without the inconvenience of having to use a straw while your jaw is wired shut.

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Less Than a Third of Americans Say Bible Is The Actual Word of God That Should Be Taken Literally

According to the findings of a Gallup poll released on Wednesday (June 4, 2014), 28 percent of Americans believe that the Bible was "the actual word of God" and that it should be "taken literally, word for word." Forty percent of Americans agreed with that statement in 1979 — a record high — though the number has since declined every year with the exception of 2012.

Nearly 50 percent of Americans agree that the Bible is the "inspired word of God" and that not all of its content should be taken literally. The 47 percent of respondents who believe this perspective is 2 percent higher than when Gallup began asking the question in 1976, and five points short of the 52 percent who agreed with it in 2003.

Those who claimed that the Bible is an "ancient book of fables, legends, history and moral precepts recorded by man" reached its record high this year with 21 percent. In 1976, only 13 percent of Americans agreed with the statement.

Gallup's study also sought to clarify what it identified as "two ongoing debates in Christian theology."

"One is about whether the words of the Bible came directly from God — essentially using the writers as

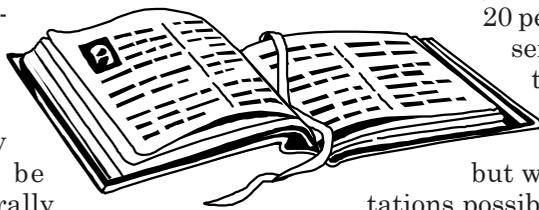
scribes — or if they are the words of men, but guided by divine inspiration," its report stated. "The other debate involves

the meaning of the words:

whether they should be taken literally,

or be viewed partly — or merely — as metaphors and allegories that allow for interpretation."

Consequently, Gallup offered half of respondents the opportunity to



select multiple interpretations of what the Bible being the "actual word of God" meant to them. Accord-

ing to these results, just over 20 percent of Americans asserted that the Bible had to be taken literally; 28 percent affirmed that it was the word of God but with "multiple interpretations possible."

Nearly 20 percent of those who identified the Bible as the "inspired word of God" agreed that it was "an ancient book of fables, legends, history, and moral precepts written by man." Twenty-eight percent called it

"inspired" but did not believe its words should be taken literally.

Gallup also noted that "by 58 percent to 34 percent, Christians are significantly more likely to indicate they believe the Bible is the actual word of God when given the additional option of saying 'the Bible is the actual word of God, but multiple interpretations are possible' than when only having the option of saying 'the Bible is the actual word of God and is to be taken literally, word for word,' suggesting that this could be one helpful indicator in measuring how seriously American Christians took the Bible.

Sudanese Christian woman inside U.S. embassy

KHARTOUM, Sudan (June 27, 2014) - The Sudanese Christian woman whose death sentence for apostasy was overturned, but who was detained again this week, is now at the U.S. embassy for her own "safety," her lawyer said on Friday.

ElShareef Ali Mohammed said that 27-year-old Meriam Ibrahim left a Khartoum police station the night before where she had been

detained along with her two children and husband on charges of forging travel documents. He added that she headed to the embassy for fear of "assault" either by relatives or angry residents.

A U.S. official confirmed Ibrahim is at the embassy and said diplomats are trying to arrange her departure from Sudan. The official spoke on condition of anonymity for lack of authorization to speak to the media.

Her husband Daniel Wani, who holds American citizenship and is

also a citizen of South Sudan, said authorities accused his wife of forging the documents as a pretext to justify her detention "without an arrest warrant."

"Does it make sense that we try to fly all the way to the United States with forged passports?" he told The Associated Press over the phone. He declined to elaborate details of the case. Wani was granted U.S. citizenship when he fled to the United States as a child to escape the civil war, but he later returned.

The Tuesday arrest took place at Khartoum airport where the family was departing the country, a day after Sudan's Cassation Court overturned a death sentence against Ibrahim and ordered her release.

Ibrahim was sentenced to death over charges of apostasy. A daughter of a Muslim father, Ibrahim was raised by her Christian mother. She married her husband, a Christian, in a church ceremony in 2011. As in many Muslim nations, Muslim women in Sudan are prohibited from marrying non-Muslims, though Muslim men can marry outside their faith. By law, children must follow their father's religion.

Sudan's penal code forbids Muslims from converting to other religions, a crime punishable by death. The court in the capital, Khartoum, had also ordered Ibrahim be given 100 lashes for having sexual relations with her husband.

Lawyer Mohammed said the family is in the embassy for fear of attack.

"In any other place, she would be subject to retaliatory assaults," he said. He added that the South Sudan embassy testified in a written document that it had granted Ibrahim a passport and that "it is authentic, not forged."

Master's Builders Continue Their Work



by Nelda Malone

The Master's Builders began work on a new 20 bed dorm at Jacksonville College in Texas on June 2. They framed the building and set trusses. They also renovated the cafeteria of the former Joe Wright school which is located across from the college campus. This included partitioning off the lunchroom with one end being a bookstore and the other a storage room for the theater. A sound booth was also added to the theater.

Helping the Builders on this job were Wayne and Leona Wimberly of Joaquin, Texas, Jorge and Mario Cruz of Jacksonville, and Noah of Waxahachie, Texas.

Thank you to Dr. Mike Smith and

all the staff of JBC for taking such good care of us. A special thank you to the cafeteria ladies! Also to Craft Baptist, 1st Baptist Jacksonville, and to Conerstone Baptist for the fellowship we all enjoyed with them.

This has been a very busy spring for the Builders. We will take the next few hot months off and begin again in September.

If you are interested in working with The Master's Builders, have any questions about our ministry, or if your church has any building needs, you can contact Office Coordinator, John Mangum at 318-202-5155 or (cell) 318-607-4100 or Field Coordinator, Eddie Sikes at 903-725-6549 or (cell) 479-462-1675.



Sofilthy's Attic

by Barbara White

Tongue Twisters

Can you say the following quickly? "Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers. A peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked. If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers, Where is the peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked?"

Or how about this one: "The skunk sat on a stump and thunk the stump stunk. The stump thunk the skunk stunk."

The tongue can be trained. Radio announcers and opera singers train with tongue twisters. But even though the tongue can be trained, according to James 3:8 it cannot be tamed. Go look up that verse then read the rest of the chapter. That may help you tame your tongue.