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"And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32 KJV

American Tax Revolt and Political T.E.A. Parties

There is a massive rejection of the established powers taking place in our country. Americans are mad and wanting to send a clear message to Washington demanding real change.

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political parties who have lied and betrayed them."

Conservative citizens are speaking out against the American leadership. In addition to an Online Tax Revolt, Pastors across America are being called to San Antonio, TX. for the first ever Patriot Pastors National T.E.A. Party (Truth Exalts America) on July 7, 2010.

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59th Annual National Day of Prayer 2010

Millions will unite in prayer on Thursday, May 6, 2010 at thousands of events across the country and around the world. The theme "Prayer for Such a Time as This" is based on Nahum 1:7 which states:

"The LORD is good, a
refuge in times of trouble.
He cares for those
who trust in Him."

Dr. Franklin Graham will join Shirley Dobson to lead the nation in prayer as the 2010 Honorary Chairman of the National Day of Prayer Task Force.

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Congress Tunes Out The American People

ObamaCare Creates Largest Expansion of Abortion Since 'Roe v. Wade'

Christian Newswire — Americans spoke loud and clear as they repeatedly urged Congress to "Kill the Bill." In March, however Congress instead gave them a massive government takeover of our nation's health care system. The sweeping government takeover of health care will not only fund abortion, ration care and cut benefits to seniors, it will also raise taxes on small business and middle-class American families. Americans will be forced to buy insurance or pay taxes and over a hundred new government bureaucracies will be created.

"We are not fooled," said Concerned Women for America (CWA) CEO Penny Nance. "This is the biggest expansion of abortion funding since Roe v. Wade. A flimsy promise of an executive order from the President may make it more comfortable for "pro-life" Democrats

to vote for the bill, but in the end, such an illusory promise is not even worth the paper on which it's written. Backroom deals and compromises will not soften the blow of this attack on life and liberty as we know and enjoy it. Americans will not forget those Members of Congress who refused to listen to them. They will make their voices heard in November."

Family Research Council Action President Tony Perkins responded to the passage of the bill with the following comments: "Passage of this partisan government takeover of health care with all of its Medicare cuts, tax increases, a continued marriage penalty, individual mandates, and abortion funding shows the extreme leftist orientation of this Congress.

"The American people, regardless of their view of its legality, should not be forced to pay for someone's

abortion. Those who voted for this legislation cannot legitimately claim to be even neutral on the issue of abortion. This legislation accomplishes this abortion mandate in spades."

"Some Democratic Members who have had good pro-life records in the past turned away from those principles today, instead putting their trust in the most pro-abortion President in history and his equally pro-abortion Health and Human Services Secretary, Kathleen Sebelius. The President knows his promise would not have the weight of statutory law and is not worth the paper it was printed on. Any order from the President will likely quickly fall in the U.S. courts, if not reversed by Barack Obama himself.

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Christians Defamed by ABC, CNN and Mainstream Media

Christian Newswire- "Many mainstream media outlets, like ABC and CNN, are irresponsibly reporting that those arrested in Michigan in the alleged plot to murder law enforcement officers are 'Christians,'" said Dr. Gary Cass of the Christian Anti-Defamation Commission. "Even if they identify themselves as Christians, what they were allegedly planning is absolutely contrary to Christianity. They may have illicitly co-opted the Christian faith to justify their murderous intentions, but it is defamatory for the media to keep referring to them as

Christians. They are simply terrorists."

According to ABC news website, "[a] family of four was behind an anti-government militia plot to kill law enforcement officers with improvised explosive devices and projectiles before being foiled by an FBI raid March 28 that netted nine members of a Christian extremist group, ... the fringe Christian militia group called the Hutaree [conspired] to kill a Michigan law enforcement officer and then ambush the officer's colleagues who would have gathered for the funeral..." CNN news website

displayed the headline, "Christian Warrior" Militia Accused in Plot to Kill Police.

"I find it hypocritical that news organizations will not call someone who carries out Jihad in accordance to his faith what he really is, an Islamic terrorist, for fear of offending Muslims. But when some insane person claims to be a Christian and does something completely contrary to the Christian faith, the media keeps making the libelous association," said Cass. "It's time for the news media to stop this transparent double standard."

Crimes on Easter Sunday Show Churches are Vulnerable

"In the first quarter alone churches have experienced 367 crimes, including 16 acts of violence resulting in four deaths," states church security expert

Christian Newswire- On Easter Sunday in a small church in Montgomery, Alabama children went out for an Easter egg hunt when a male offender attempted to abduct a 10-year-old girl; he almost succeeded.

In Sacramento, California two men walked into a packed Sunday service and walked out with about \$15,000 in offerings.

"We put out an advisory months ago stating that churches should take extra precautions over the Easter holiday because more people brings more opportunities for criminals," stated Jeff Hawkins, executive director of the Christian Security Network (CSN).

CSN published a report published in January for 2009 of crimes against Christian churches is now releasing preliminary statistics on crimes against Christian organizations for the first quarter of 2010.



"We know our estimates are conservative, but even looking at the preliminary numbers we are talking over 350 crimes and over \$4 million in property losses, not to mention the tragic loss of four lives in just three months. We were happy to see the child in Alabama escape her abductor or we might have talking about another terrible incident," Hawkins goes on to state.

Churches have generally not taken the same security and emergency planning precautions that many other organizations undertake. A survey in 2008 showed over 75% of churches did not have security measures in place. "I am not sure what it is going to take for Christian church leaders to wake up and start becoming serious about keeping their congregation secure. We are talking about the lives and safety of our children," Hawkins concluded.

The Christian Security Network stresses the two important components of a sound Safety Ministry that every church should have in place. The first part is the Safety Team; this is the group of people who are the bridge between the actual emergency incident and the first responders (i.e. Police, Fire, EMS). The second part is the Crisis Management Team, which basically handles the aftermath of an incident.

Because of the scope of what the church does, crisis incidents are going to happen and understanding how to deal with them before an incident ever occurs is the key. Being prepared, planned, and practiced will make a terrible situation bearable and help the church recover and continue to do the Lords work as soon as possible.

Jeffrey A. Hawkins is a 30-year veteran of law enforcement and security and formerly chief security officer for an international Christian ministry.

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Tea Party Movement

Unfettered to Lobbyists

Richard Viguerie

In a recent speech to a conference on the nature of the Tea Party Movement, sponsored by the Virginia-based Restore the Founders Vision, Richard A. Viguerie, ConservativeHQ.com, Chairman, expressed hope that the Tea Party movement would re-vitalize the conservative movement and make the Republican Party more responsive to grassroots citizens.

“The populist Tea Party activists add an important fourth leg of the conservative coalition, to go with the social, economic, and defense components. But it will do that in a way that breaks from the self-destructive patterns of the recent past,” Viguerie said. “The Tea Party people are unfettered to the political establishment and are not part of the ... lobbyists and special interests.”

Viguerie said the biggest mistake conservatives made in the past was to become an arm of the Republican Party. “When the interests of the GOP became more important than principles, a lot of conservatives embraced the big government policies of George Bush, Tom DeLay, Bill Frist, and others. At best, conservatives kept quiet when federal spending went way up and deficits skyrocketed.” he said.

But Tea Party enthusiasts are not part of the establishment, big-government status quo and don't care whether conservative principles hurt some Republican incumbents, Viguerie said. He expressed belief that within the next six years, principled conservatives will have an opportunity to govern America for the first time since the 1920s.

“The Tea Party movement is a revolt of frightened and angry middle class voters against the leaders of both political parties who have lied and betrayed them,” he said. He said that when Republicans regain control of Congress and the White House, it will be significantly different and better from the last time.

Richard A. Viguerie is the author of Conservatives Betrayed: How George W. Bush and Other Big Government Republicans Hijacked the Conservative Cause.



The Online Tax Revolt

www.OnlineTaxRevolt.com

“The Online Tax Revolt is open to every American who believes taxes and spending are out of control, harmful to our country and a threat to our nation's future,” said Campaign Chairman Ken Hoagland. “Our economic future and that of future generations is at stake. We need taxes that are lower and a tax structure that's fair.”

“We're in serious trouble and it falls to us to get the nation back on track. This march is a wake-up call to everyone in Washington that the American people won't be ignored any longer,” said Mr. Hoagland. The Online Tax Revolt is the strongest statement someone can make short of going to the streets of our nation's capitol on Tax Day in person.

Capitol phone lines buzzed with tens of thousands of calls on April 1st as Online Tax Revolt supporters poured calls into their Senators and Members of the House of

Representatives. It was reported, “It is a day never to be forgotten. So many citizens made it clear that they are not fooled by Congress; that we need and must have fundamental change in our taxing and spending policies.”

Congress has just had a taste of what is coming to town: a massive outpouring of citizen frustration, a demand for transformational change in our tax structure.” Marchers can log on to choose an avatar and have it march to the nation's capital. You will have the opportunity to ask questions, to get your views heard, your ideas considered, as you would if you were in Washington on Tax Day! Several available teams are being led by Michael Reagan and nationally syndicated radio host Neal Boortz. There will also be state-based teams and veterans' teams. Visit www.OnlineTaxRevolt.com

Patriot Pastors Tea Party at the Alamo

July 7, 2010

Christian Newswire— Pastors across America are being called to San Antonio, TX. for the first ever Patriot Pastors National T.E.A. (Truth Exalts America) Party on July 7, 2010.

Pastor Rick Scarborough, president of Vision America, which is sponsoring the rally, explained: “Pastors are urged to come to the 7th largest city in America, on the 7th day, of the 7th month, for 7 hours of prayer, rallying and education, to be followed by 17 weeks of commitment, concluding on Election

Day. Our prayerful goal is the type of revival for America described in II Chronicles 7:14.”

Scarborough added, “On July 7, in San Antonio, we will repent our sin of complicity in the moral meltdown of America, and we will call upon our gracious God to restore our nation.”

The Alamo has profound symbolism for all pastors and Christians in America, as the place where 180 courageous “Texicans” (as citizens of Texas were known at the

time) made the ultimate sacrifice to overcome tyranny and gain liberty for their people. Our cause is no less crucial.

Dr. Scarborough concluded, “Our goal is to take a stand for Christ and launch an effort to call all God-fearing people in this country to seek God for national renewal and revival.”

For more information on the Patriot Pastors' T.E.A. Party, visit www.patriotpastorsteaparty.com.

If my people, who are called by my name, will 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.

2 Chronicles 7:14 (NIV)



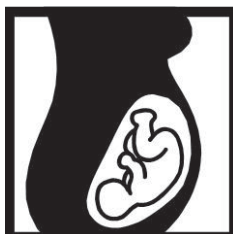
Coercion and Prenatal Non-Discrimination Ban

Christian Newswire — In March, the Georgia Senate passed SB 529, a bill which would ban abortion in cases where the woman was coerced against her will into aborting her child. It would also ban abortion for gender selection, as well racially discriminatory abortion. It passed by a vote of 33 yeas and 14 nays. Senator Chip Pearson was the sponsor of SB 529 which is the Senate version of House Bill 1155.

Besides seeking to address the issues of coerced abortions and abortions performed because of the race, gender, or color of the child, the bill provides enforcement of the

existing law regarding the Women's Right to Know. The bill also gives the women who have been coerced the opportunity to bring suit against abortionists who violate Georgia Law.

"According to the CDC, of the 38 states that report, Georgia is currently leading the nation in abortions in the black community. African-Americans make up 30% of the population and 59% of the abortions. In 2008, according to the Georgia Division of Health, 18,901 abortions were performed on black women.



SB 529 seeks to protect these women and their children, from making decisions they did not want to make," said Catherine Davis, Director of Minority Outreach at Georgia Right to Life.

"No child should be aborted because of his or her race, sex, or color. If it's wrong to discriminate in the workplace, in housing and in education because of race or sex, it should be wrong to discriminate against a child because she was born the wrong sex," noted Dan Becker, President of Georgia Right to Life.

"It would appear that even pro-abortion advocates share this perspective" said Becker, "Hillary Clinton, U.S. Secretary of State, recently stated, 'Unfortunately with technology, parents are able to use sonograms to determine the sex of a baby, and to abort girl children simply because they'd rather have a boy.'"

The timeliness of this policy debate is evidenced by a recent edition of The Economist magazine and its featured cover story, "Gendercide: What Happened to 100 Million Baby Girls?" No less than four articles address the issue of gender selection abortions. This bill now moves to the Georgia House.

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Legal Group, Four Pro-Life Advocates Sue to Stop Pro-Abortion Health Care Law

by Steven Ertelt, *LifeNews.com* Editor

LifeNews.com — A pro-life legal group, for itself and four pro-life advocates in Michigan, has filed a lawsuit seeking to overturn the pro-abortion health care law President Barack Obama signed. Their suit joins several others - including one from a doctors group and another from more than a dozen state attorneys general.

The Thomas More Law Center, based in Michigan, filed a federal lawsuit in the Federal District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. The suit challenges the constitutionality of the health care law Obama signed that funds and promotes abortions despite an executive order Obama also issued. The goal is to get a permanent injunction against the law.

A TMLC statement indicated none of the four pro-life advocates have health insurance and they are challenging the part of the law making them purchase insurance.

They also object to provisions in the law forcing them to pay for abortions, which violate their religious beliefs. Obama, Kathleen Sebelius, the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, Attorney General Eric Holder, and Timothy Geithner, Secretary of the Department of Treasury, are named as defendants.

Richard Thompson, the president and general counsel of the Thomas More Law Center, commented on the case. "This Act is a product of political corruption and the exercise of unconstitutional power. Our Founding Fathers envisioned a limited form of government. The purpose of our Constitution and this lawsuit is to insure it stays that way," he said.

"Let's face it, if Congress has the power to force individuals to purchase health insurance coverage or pay a federal penalty merely because they live in America, then it

has the unconstrained power to mandate that every American family buy a General Motors vehicle to help the economy or pay a federal penalty," he added.

The lawsuit says the health care law imposes unprecedented governmental mandates that trample upon the personal and economic freedoms of Americans in violation of their constitutional rights. It also says Congress had no authority under the Commerce Clause to pass the law, that it violates the Tenth Amendment, and that forcing taxpayers to fund abortions violates their First Amendment conscience and religious rights.

Thompson concluded, "Americans agree that our healthcare system needs reform. But they don't want a federal takeover of the system in the process. And they don't want reform by trampling on our Constitution."

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."

Jeremiah 1:5



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Bruce Assaf

Understanding the Times

Our world has entered into one of the most challenging ‘seasons’ of history. Jesus told us what signs of the times would be at the End of the Age. He

warned us ‘there would be wars and rumors of wars. Nations would rise against nations, and kingdom against kingdom. And there would be great earthquakes in various places, and famines and pestilences; and there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven (Luke 21:9-11).

Jesus described the end times as having birth pains, the characteristics that will increase in frequency and intensity as the end of the age draws near (Matthew 24:8). He spoke of those signs we are to be looking for. He also warned the world, “Take heed that no one deceive you. For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and will deceive many” (Matthew 24:4,5). As many have come in His name with the intentions to undermine, deceive and pervert the truth of who He is and the salvation that He has brought to a world in need of His love, mercy and forgiveness (John 3:16).

One of the greatest religious ‘holy wars’ waged against the infallible Word of God, the Holy Bible, has been the growth and opposition from the religion of Islam. Although Islam claims they believe in Moses and Jesus making them a perfect and tolerant religion, it is a superficial belief. Islam makes Jesus Christ out to be a prophet of Islam

undermining His deity, death and resurrection from the grave and being God’s only begotten Son who is the Rightful Ruler of the Universe.

Islam was founded 600 years after the birth of Christianity and Jesus’ resurrection from the dead, and thousands of years after the Torah (Jewish Old Testament). While Islam has taken parts of the Bible and scripture, they suggest the Bible is full of lies and the Jews have stolen the promises in claiming Jerusalem for themselves. Hence the hotbed of conflict.

There has been a great fundamentalist revival that has swept across the Islamic world, especially in Arab lands, in recent years. It insists that all human beings must submit to the will of Muhammad’s god, Allah, and that believers must make war on those who don’t share their beliefs. It was that thinking that brought about the terrorists attacks of September 11, 2001. The intensity of the jihads (holy war) against non-Muslims has intensified all the more as a result of the birth of Israel as a nation in 1948. It is this very ideology that continues to destabilize not only the Middle East, but also the world.

The rise of militant Islam is setting the stage for the end times in two key ways: First, it contributes to world wide instability as it pushes the world towards globalism even faster than its already accelerating pace. Globalism is necessary for the worldwide rule of the Antichrist predicted in Revelation 13: Second, the meteoric rise of radical Islam is also setting the stage for the massive end times invasion of Israel predicted by the Old Testament prophet, Ezekiel, 2,600 years ago (Ezekiel 38 & 39). The alliance of nations appear to be forming before our very eyes.

With nations such as the Revolutionary Government of Iran, who’s hard-line Shiite Muslim president has said, “We are in the process of a historical war between the World of Arrogance (the West) and the Islamic world”, has has gone on to declare that Israel must be wiped off the map. With the rapid growth of Islam, now reaching over 1.5 billion and gaining cultural ground worldwide, almost 10% are Islamic radicals. With an agenda for world domination in fulfilling the will of Allah, and with the objective of bringing the world under the law of Islam, this and many other factors are beginning to ring true of what has been foretold in the Bible.

With every Bible prophecy fulfilled thus far, and now with latter prophecies lining up to what now looms on the horizon, after the restoration of the nation of Israel, it is clear to see what is unfolding in light of the perilous times we find ourselves living in.

We find in the Book of Daniel the prophet was given a ‘telescope’ in which he saw through time the progression of world empires rising and falling, and finally the disintegration of civilization. The Book of Revelation tells us there would be instant communication, the book of Daniel tells us there would be an explosion of knowledge (Daniel 12:14). Jesus spoke of wars and rumors of wars, earthquakes, famines (Matthew 24:4-39)...but, the key prophetic scripture that would signal the terminal generation is found in the Book of Zechariah (14:12-15).

The Bible makes it clear and time has unfolded and confirmed Zechariah’s prophecy. There would be a plaque in the Middle East as Jerusalem would be a burdensome stone for all nations (Zechariah 12:2). There would be the rebirth of the nation of Israel (Isaiah 66:8) while the Jews would return from their homeland (Jeremiah 23:7-8). The Bible always tells us Jerusalem would no longer be under Gentile control (Luke 21:24). These prophecies have all been fulfilled concerning Israel in the latter days. Those prophecies yet to be fulfilled are seen in Ezekiel 38 & 39 and will bring the final conclusion to the End of the Age and Jesus’ return to earth.

The Bible unmistakably tells us what we can expect in the end times and how those events will be played out. God has not left anyone in the dark but, has revealed through His timeless and unchanging Word what we can expect in the last days. He is ‘not willing for one precious soul to perish’ (2 Peter 3:9) but, desires for all to come to repentance in their knowledge of His Son, Jesus Christ.

In the midst of trouble, terrorism and war, God’s offer of peace, mercy and total forgiveness can be yours. God hears and will acknowledge and answer the cry of your soul as you invite Him into your heart.

Behind the Veil of Radical Islam

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“Are You Using Your Time Wisely?”

Melissa C. Roberts

Stop, slow down, exhale, breathe. These are some words and phrases I shout out in my mind when Life is just going too fast. Occasionally I find myself asking the question, “why am I so busy?, and what is really important?” As women of God, some of us feel, in order to be considered on the right track in doing God’s will, we must be doing something, all the time. We allow ourselves to be so busy to the point our head is spinning and we don’t know what our next move is.

Although, we may not know what our next move is, we do know we should be doing something. There is no time for rest and relaxation. A woman who is not in touch with God’s will for her life might make a statement like that. Where did this come from? How did we get to the place where we think our duties say who we are and where we are in Christ?

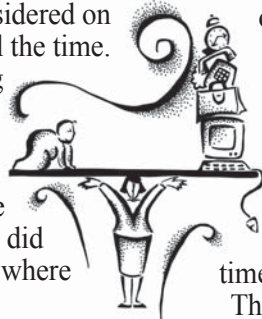
I remembered when I realized what I was doing was just busy work and it was taking me further away from the plans God had for my life. Sometimes, you can be thrown a curve ball and if you are not alert and aware, you will strike out. I know women who spend most of their days out of the home, their family is being neglected and they are neglecting themselves. What are you doing?

The pain, heartaches, disappointments, anger, bitterness, guilt and the list goes on of the things women try to cover up with busy work. When are you going to wake up and face the things that may be holding you back. You may not think these things can hold you back, but they can and will, if you continue to cover up the real you.

The real you is hidden and therefore the freedom you could be experiencing in life, is hidden. The bible tells us to take on the fruits of the spirit and one of them is self-control (Gal. 5:22). Oh, but you say, “I’m in control and I know where I need to be at all times, what’s due, and what project is next.” But if you were asked a question about the relationship you have with your husband or your relationships in general, can you answer them truthfully? Do you take time to replenish yourself with rest and relaxation? You must replenish that of yourself which you give away to others. You should ask yourself these questions along with, what am I devoting the majority of my time to? And understand it is a reflection of where your heart lies.

There are some of us, who need a “crash” course in balance. How do you balance, work, home, ministry and those things you like to do? Start by taking a long look at your life and prioritize. My Pastor repeatedly states that you should model your life in this manner– God, spouse (family), work (ministry) in this order and everything else is just “gravy”. As women, we tend to hold on to past issues/problems as if we want to cradle them and cuddle them. We want people to see what we’ve been through.

Why? The bible says “any man in Christ, he is a “new” creature, old things have passed away and all things have become new”. This means, once it’s over, let it be over and live your life as a testimony to others. Deal with it, face your fears and move on. The faster you face your faults, the faster you can on your way to living a life without bondage. Anything you hold on to, Satan will try to use against you. He will use it to keep you to busy to apply God’s will to your life. A thought crossed my mind the other day, you can be very busy doing “good” things, that they can get in the way of you doing what God has called you to do. As wives and mothers, we are called to minister to our husbands and children, first, then to look outward. Don’t let the enemy deceive you into thinking you have to run yourself in the ground in order to show the world you are a “good” person. It is not just about being a “good” person, it is about being a godly person and patterning your life after the example of Jesus Christ.



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Celebrating Mother's Day

Barbara Scott, 2010

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More than any gift or card can do.
Honor and love her as long as she lives
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The greatest gift THIS mom could desire
Is to see her children's faith on fire.



Answered Prayer

The National Day of Prayer Task Force has been uniquely positioned to make a key contribution to transformation efforts in our nation. We know there is tremendous power in corporate prayer. In places around the world where transformation has been documented, history has proven that God will burden a person or persons within a community to begin to pray for an appetite for the presence of God. Then He moves through their prayers to ignite passion, repentance and obedience within community members.

The National Day of Prayer coordinators regularly share evidences of God's transforming power in communities across the nation. Here are a few of the reports documenting God's transformational work in answer to prayer.

Statistics on American Prayer

- 88% of Americans Pray
- 82% believe in healing power of prayer
- 78% say prayer is an important part of daily life
- 63% pray often
- 25% pray occasionally
- 65% believe they've had prayers answered
- 79% say praying speeds recovery

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Can We Genuinely Pray the Lord's Prayer?

We cannot pray

- "our Father" if we do not have a personal relationship with God.
- "who art in heaven" if our interest is in earthly things.
- "hallowed be thy name" unless we use God's name with reverence and respect.
- "thy kingdom come" if we are not willing to accept God's reign in our lives.
- "thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven" unless we give ourselves to God's service.
- "give us this day our daily bread" if we ignore the needs of others.
- "forgive us our trespasses" if we harbor grudges and hard feelings against others.
- "deliver us from evil" if we are not prepared to use the weapon of prayer in resisting the temptations of Satan.
- "thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever" if we do not give God the highest priority in our lives.



National Day of Prayer 2010

The 59th Annual National Day of Prayer will take place Thursday, May 6, 2010. Millions will unite in prayer at thousands of events from coast to coast. The theme for this coming year is **"Prayer for Such a Time as This"** and is based on the verse from **Nahum 1:7** which states: "The LORD is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him." Dr. Franklin Graham will join Shirley Dobson to lead the nation in prayer as the 2010 Honorary Chairman of the National Day of Prayer Task Force.

2010 Prayer for the National Day of Prayer

by Franklin Graham – 2010 Honorary Chairman

Lord,

We are thankful for the abundant blessings You have bestowed on America. Our forefathers looked to You as Protector, Provider, and the Promise of hope. But we have wandered far from that firm foundation. May we repent for turning our backs on Your faithfulness.

We pray that this great nation will be restored by Your forgiveness.

From bondage, You grant freedom.

Through Your own sacrifice, You offer salvation.

From the state of despair, You offer peace.

From the bounties of Heaven, You have blessed – not because of our goodness – but by Your grace.


You have given us freedom to worship You in spirit and in truth as Your holy Word instructs. May our lives honor You in word and deed. May our nation acknowledge that all good things come from the Father above.

President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed that our nation should set apart a day for national prayer to confess our sins and transgressions in sorrow, "yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon... announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord."

"We have vainly imagined in the deceitfulness of our own hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own... we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God who made us! It behooves us then... to confess our national sins and to pray for clemency and forgiveness."

Help us to pray earnestly for our president and leaders who govern, that they will humble themselves and seek Your guidance so that everything we do will shine the light of Your glory in a darkened world. May our prayers as a people and a nation be heard and blessed for such a time as this. We make this plea in faith, believing in the mighty name of Jesus our Lord.

Amen



"And you will know the truth and the truth will make you free."

John 8:32

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We not only graduate from various levels of education, but we also graduate in life, from challenge to challenge.

Graduations and Goals

Barbara M. Scott

This is the season for graduations. Parents celebrate as their children graduate Kindergarten, High School, and College. Students are taking new steps into the world and reaching new levels of responsibilities and independence. Educational success is very important, but life has graduations as well when pass from challenge to challenge. A successful life depends greatly upon goal planning, choices made, and the attitude in which everyday challenges are approached.

One of the first steps to success is to develop a strategy for your life. Although planning is important, never try to out plan God. Seek God first; He has a perfect will for your life. "A mans' heart deviseth his way; but the Lord directeth his steps" Proverbs 16:9. Pray about the Lord's will for your life and begin to make plans for both a short term and a compatible long range goal. As you acknowledge the Lord leading you through life, make yourself aware of doors of unusual opportunity or "Divine Appointments" you may encounter along the way. Look at daily difficulties as training exercises and try to step up to the challenge of conquering something new. The important idea in goal planning is that every good choice made takes you one more step toward your long range goals.

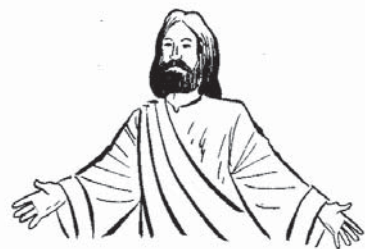
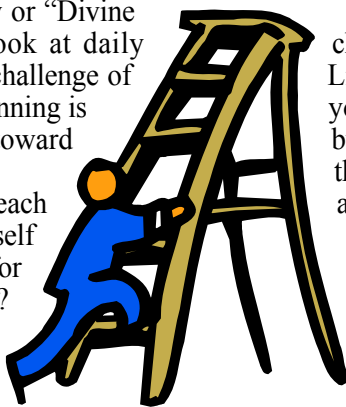
Your choices play an important part in your ability to reach goals. One of the next steps is to prepare and position yourself for success. For some that may mean more education, for others, more experience. Consider yourself - who are you? What do you like to spend your time doing? What unique attributes do you possess that will benefit your church, your community, and the world? What ambitions do you have? What do you expect to achieve during the next year, or ten years? These are all important questions to ask yourself. Those called to do a great work in the scriptures was already occupied being "faithful in the small things" they were

given to do. Everyone has some form of talents, abilities, and faith to get them started, they are a gift from God (Ephesians 4:11). These need developing over a period of time and life experiences. Know the Word of God, it will help you to make good life choices. How can you walk according to God's will if you don't understand what it is? We are to "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" II Timothy 2:14.

Attitude helps to determine your success or lack of it during your life. Generally, if you enjoy doing something, you will strive to do it well. Allow yourself to be teachable, absorbing knowledge and experiences from others. Attempt to do your very best regardless of the difficulties or benefits. Remind yourself that everything you do, you do as unto the Lord. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might..." Ecclesiastes 9:10. In itself, that will be a great challenge, but if you are successful, it will demonstrate the Christian Light to others around you. Find contentment and peace in knowing that your decisions are not only taking you closer to your long range goals, but that your steps are guided by the Lord. "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths" Proverbs 2:5-6.

Many ministers are preaching that we are living in the "End Times". This being so, we should not waste our time resources, as we will be held accountable for how we "spend" it. Ephesians 5:15-17 teaches us to "walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is." Whether your path leads you into ministry, the world of business, or a path less taken, know that not only your desires, but also your goals and attitude will determine how well you "spend" your life.

GOAL



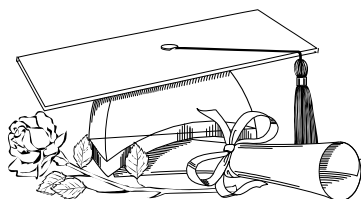
Jesus Is Able

He is able to save (Heb. 7:25).
He is able to keep you from falling (Jude 24).
He is able to help those who are tempted (1 Cor. 10:13).
He is able to do for us more than we ask or think (Eph. 3:20).
He is able to make all grace abound (2 Cor. 9:8).

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2010

The future lies before you
Like a field of driven snow,
Be careful how you tread it,
For every step will show.

~Author Unknown



From the editor...

We are truly blessed to be able to bring this publication ministry to you. Every issue is a victory celebration of a spiritual battle fought. This publication is a true labor of love and dedication to the written word, and the impact it can have on a society. I am very excited to bring this particular issue to you, it is filled with important information and news that directly impacts faith, families and freedoms.

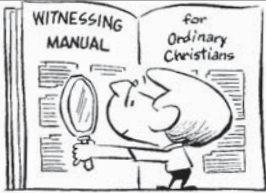
It's our goal to be that conservative voice in our communities and to celebrate family traditions as well as educate and edify our readers. The last issue was distributed via email all across the United States, in a matter of only minutes! In addition, local churches and business receive SonBurst News free of charge.

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We plead for your prayers and would love to hear your comments or ideas. As SonBurst News reaches across the country and denominations to support the efforts of other ministries, we are trusting in our Lord to meet the needs of this publication ministry.

In His Service,
Barbara M. Scott
Publisher/Editor





Needed: Ordinary Christians

General Dwight D. Eisenhower once rebuked an officer for referring to a soldier as "just a private." He reminded the officer that the army could function better without its generals than it could without its foot soldiers. "If this war is won," Ike declared, "it will be won by privates."

In the same way, the common, ordinary, one-talent Christians are the very backbone of the church. We have our great evangelists, our large churches led by dynamic pastors, and our wealthy Christian businessmen who are able to finance big projects that attract a lot of attention. But if the work of the Lord is to be done—if the gospel is to be taken to the lost—it will be the "ordinary" Christians who will accomplish this great work.

Ministries Reap Benefits from Family Volunteer Vacations

When family vacation time rolls around this year, a growing percentage of Americans plan to volunteer at least some of their time off. The trend, commonly known as "voluntourism," combines vacation travel with volunteering at the destination visited.

Proponents of voluntourism say it meets the needs of busy people who want to volunteer and travel; when well-managed, volunteers can be very productive; and positive experiences can lead to more sustained service. About 40 percent of Americans say they're willing to spend several weeks on vacations that involve volunteer service, with another 13 percent desiring to spend an entire year, according to a 2008 University of California-San Diego survey.



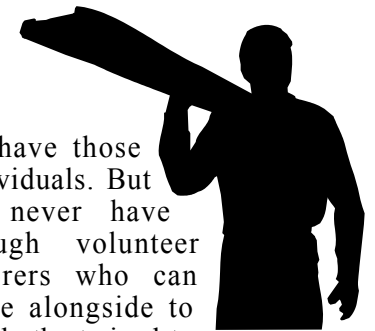
Opportunities abound all over the world, and while several organizations and Web sites (some more trustworthy than others) have sprouted up to help "voluntourists" find the right fit for them, many denominations including the Assemblies of God (AG) ministries have been matching volunteers with service projects since long before the trend gained national attention.

MAPS (Mission America Placement Service), a branch of AG U.S. Missions, which coordinates volunteers to assist churches and institutions with construction and evangelism projects welcomes volunteers to serve rural communities, urban populations, Native American Indian reservations, children with special needs, youth, AG missionaries, churches needing repair or construction and more. "With construction projects, we always welcome skilled people such as plumbers, electricians and carpenters," says Zollie Smith, executive director of Assemblies of God U.S. Missions. "In most cases,

we have those individuals. But we never have enough volunteer laborers who can come alongside to enable the trained to move quickly and accomplish more. We are looking for anyone who has the heart and will to work."

Many volunteers who serve are retired, but some parents who want to instill a sense of service in their children are spending part of their annual vacation volunteering. Several families have told U.S. MAPS Director Jerry Bell that volunteering has made their family ties stronger. "They're working toward a common goal," Bell says. "Families that still have children at home are teaching them the value of giving back, and the recipients of that help are amazed at the quality of work our people can produce."

For information about AG U.S. MAPS, see <http://USMAPS.ag.org>. Jocelyn Green, Pentecostal Evangel



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at Stone Mountain Park

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Phil Stacey (American Idol finalist), Addison Road, Abandon, Echoing Angels, House Of Heroes, Kids in the Way, Sevenglory, Shawn McDonald, Chasen, Josh Wilson and speakers Nick Vujicic, Joseph Rojas and Matt Pitt. All told, there will be over 75 artists and speakers.

Atlanta Fest strives to create an environment in which students and families can deepen, or even discover their faith through contemporary Christian music and relevant Bible teaching. The music is supplemented by praise and worship times and talks by some of the nation's leading Christian speakers, as well a daily Bible studies, seminars on Christian living, and FREE camping. Back for its ninth year, the Atlanta Fest "Prayer Path," which gives participants an opportunity to encounter God on a personal level, will be offered free on

an advance-reservation basis. Each Atlanta Fest ticket also includes a Stone Mountain Park "All Attractions Pass."

Back for its second year (and included in the price of an "ALL EVENT" ticket) is a special Wednesday night concert (featuring SUPERCHICK) followed by the Stone Mountain Park Laser Light Spectacular.

Tickets can be purchased in advance by calling 1-800-965-9324 or online at www.atlantafest.com.

About Stone Mountain Park: Stone Mountain Park is Georgia's most visited attraction, drawing nearly 4 million guests each year. The park is located just 16 miles east of downtown Atlanta. To get to the park, take I-285 to exit 39B, Highway 78 East. Stone Mountain Park is exit #8 on Highway 78.

SUMMER FUN WORD SEARCH

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Blueberry Tea Cake

by *Jessica Gerald*

3 tablespoons shortening	1/2 cup sugar
1 egg	2-2/3 cups flour
4 teaspoons baking powder	1 teaspoon salt
1 cup milk	3/4 cup berries

Cream shortening, add sugar gradually, stirring constantly. Add egg, beaten thick and light. Mix and sift flour (except three tablespoons), baking powder, and salt; add to first mixture alternately with milk. Sprinkle remaining flour over berries and fold them in quickly.

Bake in well-greased shallow pan at 350 degrees for 30 minutes.

When cool, frost the cake or sprinkle with powdered sugar.

Jessica Gerald is a Christian wife, mother of two grown sons, retired elementary school teacher, and current Sunday school teacher of fourth and fifth graders. You may visit her websites at <http://www.oldfashionedhomemaking.com>



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**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS: JACKIE GINGRICH CUSHMAN
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There will be a caravan heading to the Atlanta Tea Party at the Capitol after the rally here in McDonough. Neal Cavuto from Fox News will be broadcasting his show live from the Georgia Capitol at 6:00 p.m. Hope you all will join with us in the caravan to Atlanta.

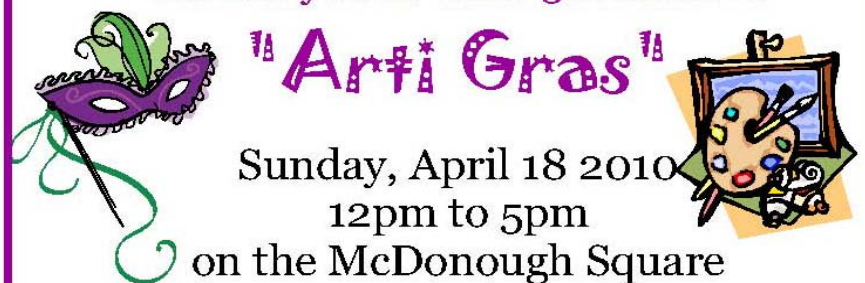
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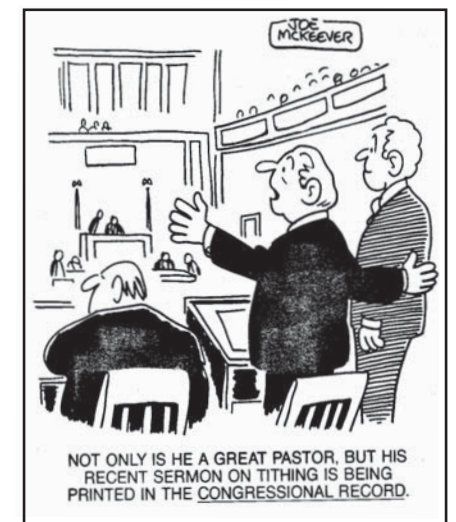
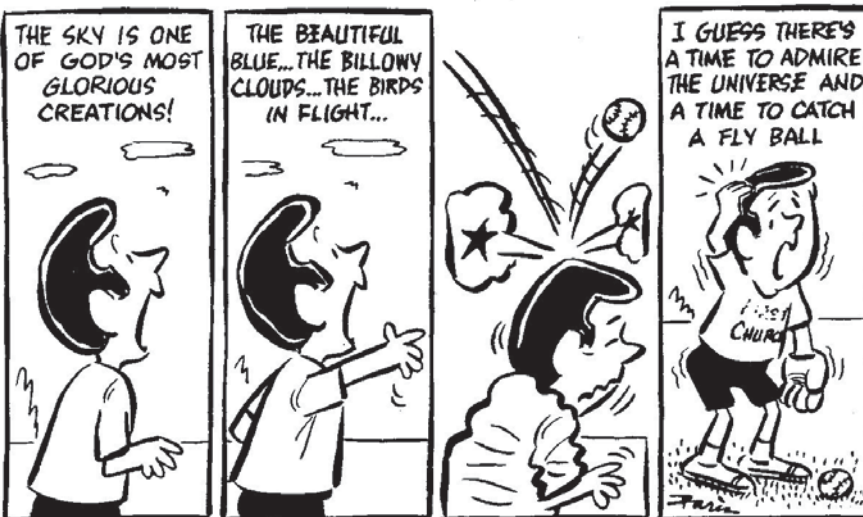
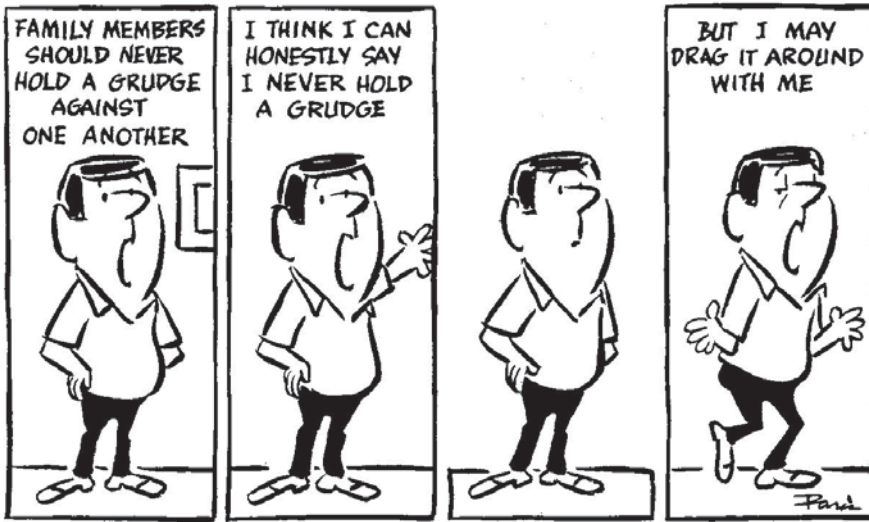
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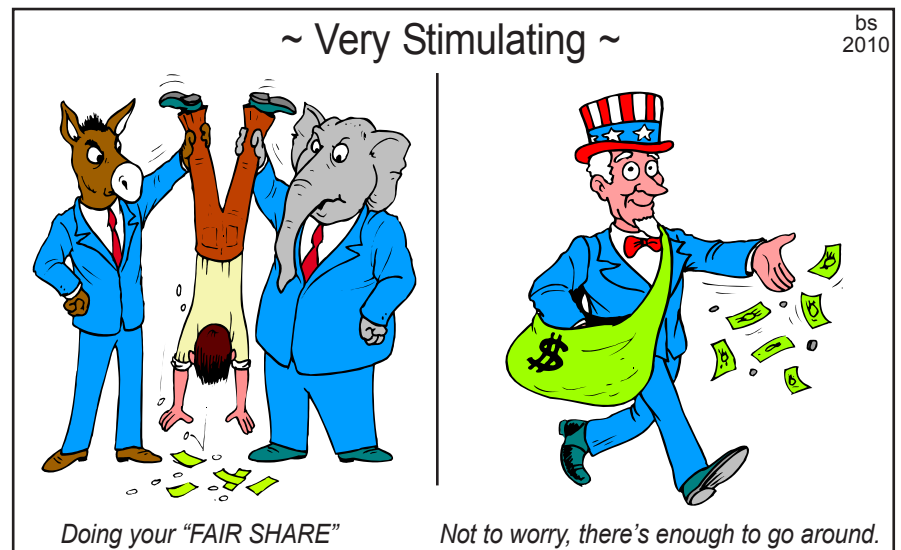


The Merry Heart

"A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance..." Proverbs 15:13 KJV



And some not-so funny humor



Devotional

*Study to show thyself approved unto God,... rightly dividing the word of truth”
II Timothy 2:14*

Creating the Good Life

Larry L. Armstrong

Scripture: Psalm 34 outlines the source and character of a truly good life. Note especially these verses:

Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord. Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days, keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking lies. Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it. Psalm 34:11-14 (NIV)

The good life! We search for it, and each of us defines what it ought to be like for ourselves. Some see it in money. If they had a certain bank balance every month after bills were paid, they'd have a good life. Others consider friends to be the measure of life's joy. With friends, life must be wonderful. Health and physical prowess offer middle aged men or women a sense of arriving at their lives' goal. To be handsome or beautiful can translate into a good life, too.

But all these are treasures that rust or are consumed by the moth or the moth (time as it passes). So how can the good life be constructed? What are its ingredients and the recipe by which to mix them?

In A Woman After God's Own Heart, Elizabeth George said, "So keep that focus on having a good day today and, at day's end, slip that single pearl onto your strand. The pearls on your strand will add up to a good life!"

The good life is made out of your days added one to another until they become jewels you can cherish. Yet a worthwhile life isn't simply the accumulation of days. If it were, then a long life would constitute a good one, but length of days isn't always time enjoyed or well spent. The moments you string together have to be worthy ones in order for you have a good life. So how do you construct first one good day, then a second and a third, and so on until the good life is created for you?

Your words create a good day that can be added to a string of marvelous days to create a delightful life. Your communication with others determines the outcome of the day you begin each new morning. Speak harshly, unkindly or cruelly, and you'll have a bad day. And not a very good life. Instead, start your days as the psalmist started his poem. Recognize who God is and how wonderful he behaves toward you. Respect him and give him praise and allegiance. Your day will end as a good one, even if it wasn't an easy one. Still, your life will be on the road to becoming a genuinely good life.

Application: Count your blessings. List at least ten on a slip of paper. Then leave for work. Take your list with you, and if things get frustrating, read your list.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, no matter what troubles I see today, make this day a good one. You're the source of my life! Amen.

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10 Things That Won't Save Your Soul



1. Church Membership
2. Baptism
3. The Lord's Supper
4. Confirmation
5. Almsgiving, saying prayers
6. Keeping the Ten Commandments
7. Obeying the "Golden Rule"
8. Doing the "best you can"
9. Dying for your country
10. Memberships



"All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" Rom. 3:23

"The Lord hath laid on him (Jesus Christ) the iniquity (sins) of us all" Is. 53:6

"The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin" 1 John 1:7

"If we confess our sins, He (God) is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" 1 John 1:9

"By grace are ye saved, through faith,...it is the gift of God: NOT of works" Eph. 2:8-9

Jesus said: "I am the door, if anyone enters by me, he will be saved..." John 10:9

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Rom. 10:13

Prayer of Salvation

*"Dear Jesus, I believe in You. I believe You are the Son of God, that You died for my sins, and that You were buried and rose again as written in the Bible. I'm sorry for the things I've done that hurt You. Forgive me for all my sins. Come into my heart, take charge of my life and make me the way You want me to be. With Your ever present help, I renounce all my sinful practices of the past. Cleanse my heart with Your precious blood. Write my name in Your Book of Life. I confess You now as my Lord and Savior. Fill me with Your Holy Spirit. Thank You, Jesus!
In Jesus' Name, Amen."*

If you prayed the Prayer of Salvation,
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