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## Terrible Things Can Happen

Paul D. Mooney

**“Good men drift. Good men look away. Good men forget God. It could just as easily happen to the best preacher, to the best church, to the best student.”**

“When men forget God, some very terrible things happen. Leadership becomes corrupt. Marriages end. Families suffer. Churches split. Communities decay. Eventually, an entire nation crumbles” – Solzhenitsyn.

Solzhenitsyn, the great Russian writer, witnessed the consequences of godlessness. He observed first hand the horror of societal collapse and its devastating wake. His profound writings trace the horror of Russia's many revolutions that created some of the modern world's worst holocausts. He summarized his observations with these words: “When men forget God, some very terrible things happen.”

As Apostolics, most of us hold the conviction that the Gospel has the power to transform the world. We believe that the preached Word of God can permeate and deliver men from sin, despair, anger, and hopelessness. The Apostle Paul, convinced of this fact, wrote, “For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek (Romans 1:16).

What can the Church do to the world? The Church's intent is to ‘leaven’ the world. Its very commission is to preach the good news of Jesus - a redemptive message that is boldly premeditated to influence, modify and transform the world. This is what the true Church does. It redeems. It transforms. However, the world does not receive this kindly. “For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God” (1 Corinthians 1:18).

Because the Church seeks to change the world, the two entities are set in opposition to one another. The battle is being fought. So the question we must seriously ponder is this: “What can the world do to the Church?” I believe the world is attempting to neutralize the influence and reach of the Church by hijacking its time, passion and values. We know that the world will NOT stop the Church's ultimate victory, but its allure and deceptive tactics can seduce the minds and hearts of men and women. The world's anti-Christian philosophies, the clever talking points, the agenda of compromise and political correctness that has been covertly pumped through the entertainment world, the secular educational system, and the media has indeed turned men away from the truth. The methods may change, but the work of the enemy has always pulled men into the grip of the world. Consider Demas: “For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world” (2 Timothy 4:10).

Worldliness beguiles those in its grasp, and as worldliness increases, so does the love for the world. Quickly the predator desensitizes the prey's awareness to his need for redemption - the need to be “born again.” Worldliness distracts our attention and corrupts our mission. Scripture is full of forewarning concerning these matters. Jesus himself presented us with this frightening scenario: “Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men” (Matthew 5:13).

This issue of worldliness must not be taken lightly. In Matthew, Jesus first describes His people by providing the most

profound and challenging portrait of the Church imaginable. He then quickly follows up with a clear warning that if the salt loses its savor it is “good for nothing.” We certainly must know that He is referring to the very nature of the Church itself, that He is describing the attributes of born again believers. He is not referring to a mere sprinkle of salt that might add a bit of spiritual enhancement to one's life. He's not suggesting a Christian yoga class, transcendental meditation, or some pseudo-religious practice to add to a believer's daily routine. He wasn't trying to market self-help, spiritual-hybrid products to help folks achieve success and prosperity in life. No! Christ was revealing the central issue as to the transformational mission of the Church. He states it clearly. “Ye are the salt of the earth.” But if we have no influence for righteousness, no love for the Truth, no vision of redemption, no willingness to be separate from the world, we are good for nothing.

I ask again, “What can this world do to the Church?” No doubt, it can entice, intoxicate and capture the souls of men. It can draw and pull people away of their own lusts (James 1:14). So, how can we respond? What can the Church do for the world? The simple answer is: we can be what Jesus has called us to be. We can be salt and light. We can be different. We can demonstrate the transformational power of the Holy Ghost in our lives. We can be the primary influence for truth and righteousness.

Remember however, that to be what God has called us to be will instantly place us in opposition to the world. Obviously, none of us, myself included, wants to come off as insensitive, but neither do I want to be fearful in the face of a world that is bent on provoking, belittling and trashing the name of Jesus. I'm worried about the trend among some to embrace professionalism to the point that they leave aside the anointing and direction of the Holy Ghost. I fear that this is more than just trying to “get it right,” but is a symptom of a greater desire to be accepted by the world. God forbid we victimize ourselves by attempting to measure up to the opinions of the world, rather than the measurement of the Word. I fear for those who are ready to lay down the absolutes of the Apostles' doctrine in the interest of blending into the meaningless modernism of our day. Let us not be willing to twist the Word so as to conform to every “wind of doctrine.”

“When men forget God, terrible things happen.” Good men drift. Good men look away. Good men forget God. It could just as easily happen to the best preacher, to the best church, to the best student. They can lose their way when they forget that the call of God is to influence the world, not to conform to its dogmas. The call demands a standard be lifted up against the world. So let the battle be fought, the war waged – popular or not, liked or hated. If Apostolics lock the door to the Upper Room, so to speak, ignore the call to holiness, and forget that we are the salt of the world... terrible things can happen.



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# CHRISTIANITY UNDER ATTACK

IBC Student Comments

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Interviews by Zack Ross

The opinions on this page are of current IBC students who have dedicated themselves to prayer, fasting and study in preparation to meet God's call on their lives.



to compromise in order to make a difference in this world.

**Mark Stacy II, Purcell, OK** -- One of the biggest challenges facing Christians today is the challenge to stand for what we believe, even if it's not "respectable" by the world's standards. At a time where it's tempting to forsake Apostolic identity in pursuit of intellectual respectability and accolades of this world, I've learned that it's possible to maintain Apostolic identity and be influential in the secular world. I've learned that institutional respectability is not essential; we don't have



in the kingdom might take a while to see, but it's always worth the time invested!

**Alli Corbitt, White Hall, AR** -- One challenge I think a lot of Christians experience is the desire to convert people at a rapid rate. We measure our success by how fast people receive the revelation of truth, how quickly we can get them baptized, etc. Indiana Bible College has taught me that you don't have to rush people into receiving truth. It's perfectly acceptable to take the time necessary to build relationships with people who might be "closed off" to receiving truth at first. The increase



only keep me informed on the varying issues that our world is facing, but also how to solve them.

**Jonathan Schellhardt, Granite City, IL** -- A challenge that modern Christians are facing is the fact that seemingly every week in our society, new crises arise. With the rapid development of technology, the dramatic shifts in recent decades in world affairs, etc., new problems are seemingly being created faster than we can create solutions for them. IBC has taught me to intentionally become aware of the problems in my society. The instructors at IBC are each equipped to not



into entertaining Him.

**Stephanie Sanders, DeLand, FL** -- I think a lot of today's Christians struggle with the challenge of indulging themselves in too much entertainment. Entertainment has the power to pull us away from doing the will of God in our lives. At Indiana Bible College, I've been challenged to reject more entertainment, so that I can refocus my mind and prioritize my time for the Lord. In order to grow my relationship with God so that He can use me for ministry, I've had to intentionally get away from entertaining myself, and invest that time



it's one of ministry's most enjoyable experiences.

**Mathew Cottrell, Zanesville, OH** -- For modern Christians, it seems that outreach can be more of a burden than a blessing. We don't want to get out of our comfort zones and face the needs of our cities face-to-face. During Reality Week at IBC, I've been prepared to get hands-on experience in outreach. I've knocked on doors, witnessed to people on the streets, and coordinated events that have reached out to the community. Most of all, I've learned that outreach is not a heavy burden to carry. IBC has taught me that



world, and the more I want to be a part.

**Natasha Moore, Broken Arrow, OK** -- Amongst today's Christians, one challenge that is extremely evident is that of an apathetic attitude. We simply can't get excited or motivated about defending truth in our culture. In order for us to make a difference in our generation, we have to become intentional about the work of the Kingdom. IBC has given me preparation for this challenge by cultivating in me a passion for God's plans and desires for my life. The more I seek His will for my life, the more I understand the significance of what He's doing in the



provision, I know that I don't have to worry about the Lord providing for me when I follow His plan for my life.

**Alex Spooner, Swartz Creek, MI** -- Before coming to Indiana Bible College, my attitude about success was extremely material. I feel that many Christians today also face this challenge in their lives. We've developed this cultural mindset that it takes a large bank account to be successful. Many times, this attitude comes at the cost of doing the will of God in our lives. IBC has changed my view of success. With so many friends around me with amazing testimonies of God's



**Becca Pace, Atlanta, IN** -- I think modern Christians face the challenge of being genuine in our immoral society. It's hard for us to be genuine in our convictions and about what we believe in our hearts. Indiana Bible College has totally prepared me to be genuine in my walk with God and in the way that I stand for truth. With entry-level classes such as Personal Christian Development, I've been made accountable to be a genuine Christian in my society.



theological teaching at IBC, I have learned that winning souls requires unnerving patience and divine wisdom. Words quickly become cheap vanity if left unchecked.

**Brandon Abbott, Amory, MS** -- Aside from the cultural degradation of Scripture, communication, through various forms, obstructs the collective cause of a Christian most severely. I am of the opinion that the divide between those who are Christ-like and those who are not has been widened through both a lack of communication and an immoderation of communication. Even amongst believers, divisive arguments persist – all originating from our communication. Amid the invaluable



right, but it is dutiful to take a stance and speak the full truth in love.

**London Pace, Bismarck, ND** -- One of the biggest challenges facing Christians today is a lack of boldness. In today's society, it can become tempting to refrain from speaking about what you believe as a Christian. People are so apt to attack you anymore if you attempt to talk to them about morals, ethics, and the difference between right and wrong. IBC has prepared me for this with the knowledge to speak boldly and aptly about what I believe. It is not only



# THE IBC EXPERIENCE

## 25 YEARS IN INDIANAPOLIS



**I**ndiana Bible College was founded in 1981 in Seymour, Indiana.

In 1988, just days after Bro. Paul D. Mooney was elected pastor of Calvary Tabernacle, the IBC Board of Directors asked him to consider assuming the responsibility of IBC. Bro. Dennis Croucher, founder and first president of IBC, felt the need to relinquish IBC but only if it could be assured of a positive future. He was confident this would be the case if IBC could move to Indianapolis and come under the direction of Bro. Mooney.

Calvary Tabernacle's newly elected pastor immediately felt a passion for IBC and asked the saints of Calvary to share his burden. "I saw the college as an opportunity to provide Calvary with a challenging future and vast unlimited potential to serve the Kingdom worldwide," said Bro. Mooney. "I was deeply humbled by the request and felt that we would be remiss not to at least consider the possibility." The support of Calvary Tabernacle for the project was remarkable.

So began the first challenge to find a facility. Bro. Mooney was told about an old hospital that had been vacant for several years. Windows were broken

and weeds obstructed the entrances, but the building had potential. The property appraised at several million dollars but by faith Bro. Mooney offered the sum of \$500,000 and after some negotiation the purchase price was set at \$660,000 -- a miracle.

Equally miraculous was the cleanup project that transformed the rundown hospital into a college campus. "We bought it without ever having lights or power turned on," reflects Bro. Mooney. "It was quite a scene trying to go through with flashlights to figure out how bad the building was. We had guys crawling around in pipes and in the old boiler room hoping we could get the place up and running." During that first summer, Calvary Tabernacle rallied to the cause. Ladies of Calvary were there with bleach, brooms and hot water doing their part. Men were fixing water pipes; at one time there must have been 100 leaks in the pipes. It was a lot of people working together, a lot of people who had faith in God that produced the miracle of IBC.

In the fall of 1988, Indiana Bible College reopened in Indianapolis and welcomed its first class of 47 students. The following year enrollment doubled to 95 and by the late 1990s, under the leadership of then Executive Vice-President T.R. O'Daniel, enrollment was consistently over 250. God has continued to bless the efforts of IBC and since opening the doors of the Indianapolis campus more





than 550 students have graduated with bachelor's degrees.

### IBC Today

Today, there are few signs of the rundown hospital that used to be. Under the leadership and direction of Executive-Vice President Robert L. Rodenbush and his wife Jaye, the campus has been improved with several new construction projects. IBC stands ready to train this generation of Apostolic leaders.

Within the past few years the dream of a new chapel went from a drawing on a napkin to reality. Again, the people of Calvary Tabernacle rallied around the cause and gave of their time, energy and finances, and when they were at their limit IBC was blessed and encouraged by several churches, pastors and individuals who came, worked, prayed, and donated funds and materials to make the new 450-seat IBC Chapel a reality.

The faculty and staff were deeply moved as Pastor Jason Donaldson and Assistant Pastor Clint Crossen from Calvary Apostolic Church in Lawrenceburg, Ill. told Campus Pastor Jason Gallion that they felt led of the Spirit to assist with the building process. They, along with skilled craftsmen from their church, took the IBC Chapel on as a missions project. They spent weeks on campus, living in the dorms and working nearly around the clock on the construction. Miraculously, many other churches that believe in the ministry of IBC began to help with the project. Bro. Larry Arrowood from Seymour, Ind. sent crews of workers: Pastor David Cowden from New Albany, Ind. spent countless hours working on the air conditioning; Pastor Zane Isaacson's church from Whitehall, Ark. sent stone for the wall treatments. Pastors Shine and Derold Doughty from Mattoon, Ill. donated the funds to purchase new chairs in memory of Sis. Judy Doughty, former IBC music faculty member. There were so many who came, who gave and who prayed this vision into reality. We are beyond grateful for their acts of generosity and service.

While the IBC Chapel was in progress, the men and women of Calvary Tabernacle began to work on other areas around the campus. The kitchen and dining hall were remodeled and air-conditioned. The parking lot was repaved. Fencing and security gates were installed. New music practice rooms were built. There is still much to be done, but the progress has been God-ordained and we trust His hand will guide us through the future endeavors.

### The IBC Experience

The IBC experience is made up of countless significant, life-changing moments; moments where Oneness doctrine and the Apostolic experience come alive in the hearts and minds of our students. These transformational events are happening each day in our classrooms, our prayer rooms and even beyond the walls of our building through our evangelism efforts. We can't recreate it online. Sure, we provide Distance Learning options that make it possible for you to watch DVDs, buy the textbooks, and download the lectures. But, if we are honest, it's just not the same thing. The IBC experience offers practical, hands-on training with many opportunities to

get directly involved in the harvest field. Every week IBC students are in nursing homes, jail services, special preaching crusades, neighborhood Sunday schools, and churches throughout the Midwest, all proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ while sharpening their preaching, teaching, soul-winning and music ministry skills.

Opportunities to get involved in practical training with the latest in music and video technology are available in IBC's recording studio and video production lab.

Students with an interest in multimedia ministry or publication can get involved in the ministries of Apostolic Information Service and IBC Perspectives magazine. IBC students are involved at every level of the IBC Live Recording and IBC Music Fest. Students serve as musicians and singers for the annual recordings, and songs written by students are often chosen for the projects. This year IBC launched a new Missiology degree program. The IBC Mission's Faculty members are respected leaders in the Apostolic movement and their combined, on-the-field experience represents more than 170 years. Anyone with a heart for global or North American missions will not want to miss the opportunity to learn from and experience the passion of these outstanding individuals.

### The Future

Bible college is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Soon, the students who fill our halls will be off doing their own work for the Kingdom, finding and executing their individual callings – But for now, they are IBC and they are EXPERIENCING this great thing together, making connections, friendships and building a network of support as they prepare to be a part of the greatest Apostolic revival this world has ever seen.

The Bible is clear that in the last days there will be a shortage of workers ready for the task of end time revival. We are even challenged to pray that laborers be sent (Luke 10:2). While it does not take a Bible college degree to fulfill a call to ministry, we are reaping the benefits of Apostolic higher education, with Bible college alumni filling leadership positions throughout the Apostolic movement. IBC provides a unique environment for young people to be academically and spiritually challenged. As secular colleges become increasingly hostile toward those who possess a Christian worldview, Bible college can serve as a preparation ground and a place to reaffirm the values that will keep students grounded in the Word.

There is a need for more preachers, more missionaries, more music ministers and more Christian teachers than ever before. And while our Bible colleges are not equipped to train doctors, lawyers, engineers or accountants, neither are the liberal, secular colleges and universities able to train our young people for Apostolic ministry. Young people who feel the call to ministry or who want to ground themselves in Apostolic doctrine are not settling for less because they attend Bible college. They are making a conscious choice to fulfill the call of God on their lives. Thank you to our President Paul D. Mooney, to Calvary Tabernacle and to all of the outstanding IBC faculty and staff for accepting the vision and making the sacrifice to invest in future Apostolic leaders.





## Is God calling you?

Romans 10:15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!



## Are you a church planter?

Acts 13:2 As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. <sup>3</sup>And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.



## What city tugs on your heart?

Luke 4:43 And he said unto them, I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also: for therefore am I sent.



"The Oneness Apostolic Motorcycle Ministry of Jesus Christ"

Our newest "Honorary Members" of Azusa StreetRiders, Dr. and Sis. David K. Bernard, UPCI General Superintendent, with "Honorary Members" from last year, Rev. and Sis. Kenneth Carpenter ALJC General Superintendent at the 2015 Azusa StreetRiders National Rally; 7/30-8/1 in Maryville, Tennessee. They are pictured here with some of the Chapter Presidents of Azusa StreetRiders from the US and Canada.



Azusa StreetRiders, the world's only Oneness Apostolic Motorcycle Ministry met in Maryville, TN at First Apostolic Church (Pastor Kenneth Carpenter) and 74 members from 18 states, Canada and Africa were in attendance.



Thursday night, July 30, 2015, Rev. Jerry Richardson, the UPCI Regional Director to Africa, preached our "Motorcycles for Missionaries" service and reception was tremendous. He helped explain how the motorcycle gifts assist missionaries on the foreign fields. And on Friday night, July 31, 2015, Dr. David K. Bernard, the UPCI General Superintendent, preached "God is Able." Services were open to the public and both nights were very well attended. Following the Friday night service, we were honored to baptize two ladies in the wonderful Name of Jesus!



As always, the Smokey Mountains offer excellent motorcycle riding areas and Azusa StreetRiders took advantage them and great the weather! We had an awesome time of fellowship and renewal.

At the business meeting, two new officers were elected; Rev. Anthony Storey (President—Eminence, KY) and Rev. Jim Curley (Vice President—Ashland, KY). Bro. Robert Thompson (Maryville, TN) was retained as Secretary and Sis. Lydia Diaz (Mays Landing, NJ) remains Treasurer.

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## Top 5 Reasons Ministry Leaders Quit

By Mark Howell

There are a number of reasons that ministry leaders quit. While some quit for good reasons, most quit for reasons that are completely avoidable.

1. *They aren't being developed and disciplined by the pastor.* This is probably the most common reason ministry leaders quit. If someone (pastor, coach or mentor) isn't investing in them, it is unreasonable to think that the average leader will continue for long. While there will always be exceptional leaders who are essentially self-motivated, they are by definition the exceptions to the rule.

2. *No one in their ministry group is sharing the load.* Some ministry leaders don't know any better and have never been coached to share the load with the members of their group. Others come naturally by misplaced pride that "since they do everything better than everyone else"...they can't really let go of anything. Both patterns ultimately lead to burnout; both patterns lead to pent up frustrations that they have to do everything for the group to thrive or survive. In order for the leader and the group to survive, the leader must learn to share the load.

3. *They are discouraged by member's lack of participation.* There are two main reasons for lack of member participation. First, not every leader comes equipped with a natural ability to facilitate. Poorly facilitated groups usually die on their own, long before the leader quits. Attendance dwindles when everyone isn't engaged in the group meeting. Second, smaller groups allow and encourage more participation. As a group grows, it becomes increasingly difficult for less dominating personalities to participate. Learning to sub-group is an essential leader skill.

4. *Their group dwindles in size and they can't (or won't) fish for new members.* Some ministry leaders are only interested in "leading" a gathered group. When members move away or otherwise opt out of the group, this kind of leader's only recourse is to inform the ministry pastor that they need some more members. And since feeding additional members to existing groups is almost never a successful strategy for growth, training your leaders to fish for their own new members is not optional. It is an essential skill for ministry leaders.

5. *The leader is unable to manage an issue within the group.* Many groups come with a difficult personality or two. When the leader is unprepared for the challenge of skillfully leading through issues with problem personalities, sometimes it is just easier to quit than lovingly confront. This is primarily a coaching issue. When new leaders are given a coach from the beginning, challenging personalities can usually be spotted quickly and an appropriate strategy developed.



## SAVE THE DATE: Mansion Sunday -- November 1

By Stephen Judd, TCM President



Stephen Judd  
[www.mansionkids.org](http://www.mansionkids.org)

Mansion Sunday, November 1, will be a special day, set aside in conjunction with "National Orphan Sunday," that specifically focuses on Tupelo Children's Mansion.

Please join with Apostolics across North America and feature Mansion Sunday on November 1 by doing three things: 1) Inspire your congregation with the "pure religion" mission of the Mansion, 2) Pray for the children and the staff, and 3) Receive a special offering to bless the work at TCM.

Thank you for becoming the hands of God to the most vulnerable of our society, the fatherless.

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# NEW DEGREE PLAN

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# MISSIOLOGY

The Missiology degree is designed to provide training for missionaries and others who serve or plan to serve in intercultural ministry and church multiplication positions. This area of study at IBC is pointed toward those that have a call or passion for missions. Students in the Missiology program are exposed to a core set of courses and practicums which will enable them to gain critical theological training and be able to make practical application in real ministry contexts.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Students will be able to demonstrate a growing, Christlike character and a sense of God's calling to Apostolic ministry.
- Students will be able to understand the Christian worldview and have a global vision for missionizing the world.
- Students will be able to demonstrate significant knowledge of the Bible, interpret Scripture's original meaning, and apply Scripture to contemporary situations.
- Students will be able to integrate systematic and exegetical theology into a correct biblical framework.
- Students will be able to demonstrate competent leadership in cross-cultural ministry and effective missionary impact.

### PRACTICUMS

Students meet in smaller groups for outreach and other practical missions activities such as outreach ministry, jail ministry, local prison, and neighborhood outreach. Each weekend, two outreach teams of students prepare and go out into an outreach setting to win and disciple the lost.

While you are at Indiana Bible College, you will have the opportunity to find out about long-term missions and meet leaders from various missionary settings both in Global missions and North American missions. This will afford the student time with seasoned missionaries and staff to ask questions, get to know them, allow them to know you and to prayerfully consider long-term service in missions.

### VOCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

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- Cross-cultural evangelist
- Evangelist
- Global missionary
- North American missionary
- Urban missionary



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# MISSIOLOGY

## MEET THE TEAM

### ROBERT AND EVANGELINE RODENBUSH



Robert K. and Evangeline Rodenbush have served more than 55 years in ministry of the United Pentecostal Church including pioneering a home missions church in Cutler, Illinois (1960-1968) and serving 42 years as missionaries (1968-2010). They were the first resident missionaries to Ghana, West Africa and also pioneered works in Nigeria, Ivory Coast, Togo and Benin. In 1979 they were appointed as Director of Overseas Ministries for the UPCI Foreign Missions Division where they launched the Associates in Missions program, encouraged training programs around the world, directed the annual School of Missions, coordinated China Outreach and was a leader in Compassion Services International. 1991-2010 the Rodenbushes served as Regional Director of the Europe and Middle East Region and were instrumental in the opening of 42 nations in the region. Brother Rodenbush has served on the Global Missions Board for 37 years and the General Board of the UPCI for 20 years. He was a history major at Southern Illinois University and holds a Bachelor of Sacred Theology degree from Florida State Christian University. Presently Brother Rodenbush serves as Dean of Missiology at Indiana Bible College.

### WILLIAM AND ELIZABETH TURNER



William and Elizabeth Turner served for 36 years as missionaries of the United Pentecostal Church International, first in South Korea, and then to Russia and the 15 nations of the former Soviet Union. They were the UPCI's first fully appointed missionaries to Russia and were living in Moscow when communist rule collapsed in an aborted coup against the government of Boris Yeltsin in 1993. Their years in the former Soviet Union coincided with the tenure of Robert Rodenbush as Regional Director for Europe/Middle East. For much of that time under the leadership of Brother Rodenbush, Brother Turner served as area coordinator for those 15 formerly communist nations. They are both graduates of Indiana University. He holds a B.A. in government and journalism, and she earned a B.S. degree in elementary education and an MLS from the School of Library Science. Brother Turner also attended Cascade Bible College in Portland, Oregon before full time home missions involvement in Oregon and missionary appointment to South Korea in 1978. Their son, Nathanael, is an IBC graduate and serves with his family as a UPCI missionary to Estonia. Their daughter, Rebecca, is an elementary school teacher in Columbus, Georgia and active in her local UPC church.

### JIM SLEEVA



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DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	SPEAKERS	CONTACT / INFO
<b>SEPT. 22-25</b>	<b>91st Annual UPCI General Conference</b> The theme is "Send." Early registration is \$50 per person ages 18 and older. Don't miss it!	Music City Center Nashville, TN	Tim Zuniga, Anthony Ens, Jerry Dean, Tim Gaddy, Paul Mooney, Sammy Sherrill and David Bernard	Online registration, hotel reservations and exhibit registration available at <a href="http://www.upcigc.com">www.upcigc.com</a>
<b>OCT 15-17</b>	<b>Times of Refreshing -- Tyler, TX</b> Service times are Thursday and Friday 7:30 p.m., Saturday 6:30 p.m. Children's church nightly with David Moore -- ages 5-11	Tyler Tabernacle 3115 E. 5th St. Tyler, TX 75701 Host Pastor: Mike Littlefield	Jerry Dillon, Scott Graham and Gordon Poe	For more info: visit <a href="http://www.gordonpoe.com/TOR/conference">www.gordonpoe.com/TOR/conference</a> . (717) 755-7202
<b>OCT 16-18</b>	<b>Apostolic Doctrine Conference</b> Strengthening Our Doctrinal Foundation	New Life Fellowship 7849 Wabash Avenue Terre Haute, IN 47803	Raymond Woodward and James Hughes	For more info: <a href="http://www.newliferrehaute.com">www.newliferrehaute.com</a> or 812-877-9348
<b>NOV 3-6</b>	<b>West Coast Conference - Fresno, CA</b> 32nd Annual Fresno Meeting	Fresno Convention Center, 848 M Street, Fresno, CA	Nathan Morton, PJ White, Paul Bertram, Ron Garrett, Matt Davies, Jess Parker, and Vaughn Morton	For more information call: (559) 225-1622 <a href="http://www.truthtabfresno.org">www.truthtabfresno.org</a>
<b>FEB 18-20</b>	<b>WinterFire 2016</b> WinterFire's focus is ministering to those in ministry. Our objective is that every member of your team will leave renewed and refreshed.	First Cathedral 1151 Blue Hills Ave. Bloomfield, CT 06002	Paul Mooney, Sam Emory, T.F. Tenney, Jerald Staten, David Bernard and Rashidi Collins, Tim Greene and Janice Sjostrand	For more info: visit <a href="http://www.winterfire.org">www.winterfire.org</a> or visit Twitter: winterfire-conf or Facebook/Instagram: winterfireconf
<b>FEB 19-20</b>	<b>Systems &amp; Strategies To Prepare for the Harvest</b> A conference for pastors and leaders examining systems and strategies to help Apostolic churches prepare for the harvest.	Church of Pentecost 8709 Hogan Rd. Jacksonville, FL 32216 Host Pastors: Rick & Alexa Olson	Wayne Huntley	For more info: visit <a href="http://www.systemsandstrategies.com">www.systemsandstrategies.com</a> , <a href="http://www.churchofpentecost.org">www.churchofpentecost.org</a> or call (904) 645-0153
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<b>MARCH 3-4</b>	<b>Passing the Mantle 2016</b> PTM exists to equip ministers and ministry teams with spiritual tools to better reach their communities for the Lord. Our goal is to make each attendee more effective in their place of ministry.	Bartlett United Pentecostal Church 270 E. Schick Road Bartlett, IL 60103	Eli Hernandez, Harold Hoffman, Allan Shalm, James Stark and Tom Trimble	For more info: visit <a href="http://www.passingthementle.org">www.passingthementle.org</a> or call 630-837-9800
<b>APRIL 6-8</b>	<b>Indiana Bible College MUSIC FEST 2016</b> Under the direction of Lindel M. Anderson, Dean of Music	Calvary Tabernacle 902 Fletcher Ave. Indianapolis, IN Host: Paul D. Mooney	Paul Mooney, Rob Rodenbush, Lindel Anderson, IBC Choir, IBC Chorale, IBC Praise, others	<a href="mailto:ibc@apostolic.edu">ibc@apostolic.edu</a> <a href="http://www.go2ibc.com">www.go2ibc.com</a> or call (317) 262-4030 or (317) 554-8069
<b>APRIL 2016</b>	<b>Eagles Summit Conference - Stockton, CA</b> Eagles Summit is committed to birthing, empowering and equipping Apostolic leaders to build the Kingdom of God.	To be announced	To be announced	For more info: visit <a href="http://www.eaglessummit.net">www.eaglessummit.net</a>
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<b>JULY 2016</b>	<b>Mile High Conference 2016</b> Revival of Prayer, Praise and Evangelism	To be announced	To be announced	(303) 758-5900 <a href="http://www.cacdenver.org">www.cacdenver.org</a> <a href="mailto:DEH2@comcast.net">DEH2@comcast.net</a>
<b>AUG 2016</b>	<b>Arkansas Campmeeting - North Little Rock, AR</b> A conference where Apostolic doctrine is not only preached but embraced. The message of Acts 2:38 remains the same!	To be announced	To be announced	For more info visit <a href="http://www.arkansascampmeeting.com">www.arkansascampmeeting.com</a>
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# Church Growth: Sunday School Success



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### Overthrown in the Wilderness

It's a simple thought, really. The most advanced jet airplane will sit stranded on the runway if it has a flat tire. At that moment it doesn't matter what the plane was designed for, what the engine is capable of, what aerodynamic possibilities it holds. The tire must be fixed. The risk of not getting this little thing right is just too great.

At Indiana Bible College we are privileged to work with some of the most outstanding, talented and gifted students anywhere in the world. I know they are called and destined for greatness. They are capable of accomplishing great things for God, and I believe they are the generation upon whom the ends of the world have come. But, I also know that none of their potential really matters if they don't get the "little" things right.

We are seeing a generation that though raised on a church pew were educated in a theatre seat. The music, the movies, the social indoctrination in our public school system has made them feel immune to the consequences of sin and unrighteousness. Today, a Christian worldview is completely countercultural. The Judeo-Christian foundation of our nation has crumbled. Not only have we lost ground among non-believers, we have lost ground within the Christian world as well.

No longer do all Christians agree that gay marriage is wrong or that premarital cohabitation is wrong. Not all Christians agree on what worldliness looks like. And somewhere in all this disagreement our Apostolic youth are trying to find their way. They are destined for greatness, designed to soar, called to do great exploits - but will they? Will they commit to getting the "little" and the "not so little" things right? Will they hear that certain sound? Will our message to them truly be a clarion call?

We watched the more than 20,000 young people at North American Youth Congress 2015 worship together, pray together and commit their lives to the service of God. But as they return home to tough situations, tough temptations - we must continue to guide them because Satan will not ignore them. He wants to steal the potential, the destiny and greatness from them. The immorality of the day must be dealt with. It is no small thing. Fornication will destroy the lives of our young people. The task before us is great. We can't just positive-think ourselves through this battle. We must confront the darkness of the age. We cannot allow them to be overthrown in the wilderness!

We must remember I Corinthians 10:3-5 & 8: "And did all eat the same spiritual meat; And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ. But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness... Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand."



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### Sunday School Success

Growing churches almost always have a strong, vibrant Sunday school ministry. There are some basics that every church should attend to if they want their Sunday

school to help in their church growth plans:

**Apply Flake's Five Laws.** Arthur Flake (1862-1952) is credited with contributing much to the amazing growth of the Southern Baptist Church USA. His five laws for Sunday school growth are: discover the prospects, provide the space, enlist and train the workers, enlarge the organization, and go after the people. Get this classic work, read and apply it.

**Sunday Morning Teachers' Prayer.** About 15-20 minutes long. Strongly encourage all SS teachers to attend. Start promptly on

time. End with standing worship.

**Aim For Excellence (AFE) Teacher Motivation Program.** Give strong recognition each month to all teachers that reach the AFE goal. See Total Church Growth for details.

**Absentee and Guest Follow-up.** Ensure your established procedures are followed. Any person that misses Sunday school should be contacted in some way: card, phone call, or a visit. All SS guests should receive a letter inviting them back.

**Regular Staff Meetings.** Quarterly is sufficient. Inform of upcoming plans, address needed improvements, solve problems, set goals, answer questions, challenge and inspire.

**Regular Special Day Promotions.** Special Sundays provide opportunities for saints to invite family and friends: Easter, Pentecost Sunday, Friend Day, Christmas, and more.

**Bus, Van and Car Ministry.** Bus ministry works if you will work it. When coupled with Parent Reach, it will consistently bring families and children to salvation.

**Children's Church.** Once a month, bring



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### How do we effectively talk to people about "gay marriage" if they're not open to scripture?

Showing people these sinful behaviors are against life and blessing without even quoting a Scripture is possible and often powerful to those who are open to seriously discussing it. So I use proofs from areas like psychology (for things like abortion) and sociology (for things like gay marriage) to demonstrate that the biblical position is the only thing that blesses or enriches life.

For instance, J. D. Unwin was a British social anthropologist who spent seven years studying the births and deaths of 80 civilizations. He was not attempting to prove the Bible correct but, in fact, quite the opposite. However, he reported from his exhaustive research that every known culture in the world's history has followed the same pattern. In its early days, premarital and extramarital relationships were strictly prohibited. Great creative energy was associated with this inhibition, causing the culture to prosper. The reason is people wanted to secure a future for their family, so they built strong societies.

Later, society's people began to rebel against these restrictions by demanding freedom to participate in their diverse passions. As these morals weakened, the social energy in the culture died too. He shows this eventually resulted in the decay or destruction of the civilization. People only interested in their own gratification do not build for the future. Dr. Unwin concluded the energy that holds a society together is critically tied to marriage and family. He wrote, "Any human society is free either to display great energy, or to enjoy sexual freedom; the evidence is that they cannot do both for more than one generation." So homosexual relationships, homosexual marriage, or heterosexual promiscuous activity outside of marriage ultimately destroys culture! The evidence is in, and it is clear.

So as individuals, churches or a government, we cannot endorse or advocate tolerance on these things. We won't bless some activities, because we know they destroy people and civilization itself. The incredible social ills in America, including trends like exploding crime rates, increased drug abuse, exploitation of children and the disintegration of families can be traced to the decline of traditional values and biblical standards of morality.

The point is, I'm not against homosexuality because I hate people. I'm against it because it destroys purity, and it destroys the very fabric that makes up a good and prosperous culture. Like the last article I wrote on abortion, the point is all opinions must be tested and each must show how our opinion blesses. I can show how the biblical one does! The evidence is in, and it's clear God is right! Again, as it states in Prov. 10:22, "The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."

all the kids together for great worship service with the focus being the altar service at the end. Encourage child salvation.

**Annual Teacher Training.** Usually 4-6 hours. Reinforce the basics of good teaching, introduce new concepts and stress spiritual values.

**Annual Children's Crusade and Camps.** Bring in a good children's evangelist at least annually. Run your bus routes. Encourage bus parents to come. Push for all bus kids to attend your district's summer youth camp.

**Set Attendance Goals.** The total SS goal should be divided into class goals. Challenge each to hold various class contests to reach their attendance goals. Studies show that when total attendance grows, church membership grows also.

**Accurate Records.** Records are important for knowing where you are, where you are going, and what progress is being made. Attendance, absentees, visitors, offerings, bus riders, salvation results should be noted weekly. Wall charts help show areas needing attention.

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### Thursday

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General Session with Rev. Bryan Parkey

Evening Service with Rev. Anthony Mangun

food and fellowship to follow General Session and Evening Service

### Friday

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Carol Clemans

## Spiritual Growth

### The Church Must Become a Healing "Hospital"

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Equipping our ministry leaders to be healing helpers is a great need in the church. Salvation removes our sins but does not remove experiences, feelings and emotions from painful events in life. Pastors nationwide are calling me to counsel people in their church who have deep painful damaged emotions from many issues. Romans 12:2 instructs us we can be transformed by renewing our minds.

Praying in the Spirit builds up our faith (Jude) and we can pray God's perfect will in the Holy Ghost (Romans 8), but it's God's Word that renews the mind. People who have been deeply hurt have their negative interpretation about the facts of their lives. They can be saved, but because of rejection, abuse, etc., they can feel helpless, worthless, hopeless, unloved by God and others.

I'm pleading with all pastors to please go to my website, [www.carolclemans.org](http://www.carolclemans.org), and print out the list of recommended reading that I posted. The wisdom in these Bible-based books will enrich your ministry. Many people sitting on our pews are full of anxiety, fear, mistrust, and at the point of nervous breakdowns because of their emotional pain. It's not a salvation issue. It's not about "just pray and give it to Jesus!" They need guidance in transforming their thinking process with God's truth!

In my 23 years as a Certified Pastoral Counselor, I'm still amazed daily as I counsel people nationwide by phone/Skype and witness the emotional and spiritual healing. It is because I share God's truth with the hurting, helping them see themselves through the eyes of God according to His Word!

If you are a pastor, please call me (636) 448-0121 and I will send you a free DVD of my teaching on this very subject. I recently ministered for Pastor Rick Lovall, pastor of The Sanctuary at Sikeston, MO. He is willing to share with pastors the impact of my teaching God's truth to his church (870) 405-8106.

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## Revival Concepts

### How the Church Is Geared

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*"And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers" (Acts 2:42).*

The original Church was one that was powerful, and one that experienced great growth. We find that after the birthing of the early Church they immediately focused on several key things that led to an explosive, worldwide expansion of the New Testament Church. Two of these were the "apostles doctrine" and "fellowship."

It does us well to remember that the Church's growth is as incumbent upon how deep it goes into seeing individual lives changed as it is upon how wide it goes in reaching out to get new people. New people who do not become disciples are of little use to Christ. And people who exit the back door of the church as quickly as they came in the front door are not a soul to be counted as won. God is looking for disciples, people who will be walking, talking testimonies of a resurrected life caused by the gospel of Jesus Christ. Look what the Lord hath done for me!

The "apostles doctrine" means the infusing of a life with the teaching of the Bible. For that is what doctrine is: Biblical teaching. This results in a grounding with parallel and subsequent deepening of relationship and walk with Christ. "Fellowship" also brings about this. The osmosis of being around other believers cannot be overstated. People have social needs. And if by sheer nature of spiritual growth, if not clear Biblical command, people must cut off some relationships, which then must be replaced with others that are healthy.

As leaders, it does us well to spend time pouring the Word into the hearts of those we lead and influence, not only directly but indirectly by encouraging them to practice daily devotions. When new people fall in love with the Word of God and the other people of God, they grow ... and the Church does too.

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Aubrey Jayroe

## Finance

### What is necessary to ensure the church legal and accounting documents are current? I don't want to get involved in possible litigation and be vulnerable by not having all the church records in order.

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Maintaining the proper records is not difficult. Our recommendation is as follows:

1. Be sure your corporation is current and in good standing. We find that many churches filed the incorporation papers but did not file the annual reports required by the Secretary of State. If you don't file the necessary reports, your corporation is no longer in good standing.

2. Make sure the by-laws are current according to regulations. A church should review its by-laws at least every three years. There have been many changes in these areas, so a complete review should be done every three years.

3. Have all the policies/resolutions in place. At present there are 13 policies that are needed for a church to maintain its current status. Many of these affect the staff of the church while others provide necessary protection to the church concerning legal matters.

4. If anyone on staff receives compensation using a percentage method, or if the total compensation exceeds \$115,000 per year, a Compensation Agreement must be in place. The court has ruled a Compensation Agreement is required for the compensation to be paid legally.

5. Ensure that all financial records are current: bank is reconciled monthly, payroll reports are up-to-date, financial statements (balance sheet and profit & loss statement) are prepared and printed. If necessary, work closely with the accountant so he can provide all advice and information needed.

6. Have all business meeting minutes of board meetings and membership meetings prepared, signed and properly filed in a permanent and safe location.

7. Periodically review the church's insurance policies to ensure all coverages are as needed.

8. Be sure that all annual reports are completed such as the annual W-2 forms, annual payroll reports, and Form 1099.

9. Contact the insurance carrier to be certain the church is covered under the workers' compensation requirements. Only Texas does not require workers' compensation insurance.

10. All documents are complete and ready for the annual business meeting which should be conducted either 60 days prior to or 60 days after the church's year end.

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Delano Sherley

## Accounting & Tax

### Internal Controls Part 2

Here are some additional internal controls to implement in order to safeguard church assets:

- Segregation of duties is important for proper internal controls. The person receiving the money and making deposits should be different than the person dispersing the money (paying bills, etc.)

- It is also important for someone other than those that handle funds

(receiving or dispersing) to reconcile the bank accounts. At a minimum, someone else should review the bank statements each month before they are reconciled. This one simple policy will discourage some possible embezzlement schemes.

- With the exception of petty cash transactions, all bills should be paid via a written or electronic check.

- Cash offerings should never be used to pay for expenses or to cash personal checks.

- Someone other than the person writing the checks should approve expenditures, with the exception of regular monthly expenses such as loans, utilities,

etc.

- Proper documentation should be provided for all disbursements, whether by check, debit or credit card, or petty cash (copy of receipt, along with business purpose of the expense). This is required to also comply with the IRS rules for accountable reimbursement plans.

- Never write a check out to "cash."

For a checklist of these and other internal control issues, please contact us at the email below.

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**THAT'S OUTRAGEOUS****School District Forced to Pay Atheist Group \$22,500 for Coach-Led Prayers**

A Georgia school district will be forced to pay the American Humanist Association \$22,500 over allegations that local high school coaches led their teams in prayer before practices and games. The Hall



County School District of Gainesville, Georgia reportedly will use its insurance

to foot the bill.

According to the lawsuit, coaches at Chestatee High School and North Hall High School prayed with student athletes and used scripture verses in team materials. North Hall football coaches allowed a banner with scripture on it to be used at a game, while the Chestatee marching band director allowed students to elect student chaplains.

The American Humanist Association (AHA) sent letters of warning, then filed suit against the district. The case was reportedly settled out of court, but the district is now responsible for the payment of the AHA's legal fees.

Supt. William Schofield said the district did not violate any state or federal laws, but would be training its employees about religion in the public school setting.

**LEGAL TRENDS****Man Fired For Calling Homosexuality Immoral Files Suit Against Ford**

A Michigan man is suing Ford Motor Company after the company fired him for calling homosexuality "immoral." *The Christian Post* reports Thomas Banks, a contract engineer, was terminated without warning in August 2014 after Ford updated its policies to become more LGBT friendly. The company reportedly posted an article about the new policies on its Intranet with a comments section. When Banks stated his opinion against the changes, he was swiftly fired for "harassment" without permission to discuss the matter with officials.

The Liberty Institute says Banks was discriminated against for his Christian faith, and that his case "is just one in a line of instances of competent employees being stripped of their jobs because they expressed their religious beliefs."

**Apostolic Clerk Jailed For Refusing to Issue Marriage Licenses to Homosexuals**

A Kentucky county clerk who has become a symbol of religious opposition to same-sex marriage was jailed Sept. 3 after defying a federal court order to issue licenses to gay couples. Kim Davis of Rowan County, KY was ordered detained for contempt of court. Five days later, she was released from jail. Authorities agreed that she can retain her position as county clerk, and that she will no longer be required to sign any marriage certificate that is contrary to her religious beliefs.

Davis, a 49-year-old mother of four, is a member of Solid Rock Apostolic Church, which is pastored by Daniel Carter, an independent Apostolic pastor. Her arrest was an unlikely event for this rural county in northeast Kentucky, but Davis said she had no choice.

"I owe my life to Jesus Christ who loves me and gave His life for me," she wrote in a statement issued by Liberty Counsel, a conservative group that is representing her in federal court. She added, "To issue a marriage license which conflicts with God's definition of a marriage, with my name affixed to the certificate, would violate my conscience. It is not a light issue for me. It is a Heaven or hell decision."

Davis, who has been criticized for being married four times (two to her current husband), reportedly underwent a "religious awakening" four years ago, surrendered her life to Christ, and began attending church. "There I heard a message of grace and forgiveness," she said. "I am not perfect. No one is. But I am forgiven and I love my Lord and must be obedient to Him and to the Word of God."

The clerk reportedly has received numerous complaints and even death threats due to her stand on this controversial issue. She stopped issuing all marriage licenses after the United States Supreme Court legalized same-sex marriage in June. When Gov. Steven Beshear, a Democrat, ordered county clerks to issue marriage license to all eligible couples, Davis sued in federal court.

One of her lawyers, Roger Gannam, sharply criticized her jail sentence and portrayed it as a stark warning to Christians.

**NEWS IN BRIEF**

■ Oklahoma's Supreme Court has rejected an appeal to keep a Ten Commandments monument on the state's Capitol grounds. The monument was privately funded and is supported by lawmakers in the state. Oklahoma has not yet received the official order to remove the monument from the grounds.

■ Less than 24 hours after U.S. senators failed to advance legislation defunding Planned Parenthood, the Center for Medical Progress released its fifth un-

dercover video providing more evidence supporting allegations the abortion giant illegally profits from fetal tissue sales. The video features Melissa Ferrell, director of research for Planned Parenthood, discussing a fetal tissue contract with actors posing as buyers. She indicates the affiliate's abortionists will willingly alter procedures so tissue buyers can procure intact specimens—whole babies. The sale of human fetal tissue is a federal felony punishable by up to \$500,000 and 10 years in prison.

**SOCIAL TRENDS****FBI Reports Epidemic Levels of Child Sex Abuse**

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has reported that the number of children exploited in sex abuse cases in the U.S. has risen to "epidemic" levels recently.

"The level of paedophilia is just unprecedented right now," according to FBI's Joseph Campbell. "We have so many cases constantly of individuals in all walks of life, from the very wealthy to other levels engaged in child pornography, child exploitation."

Campbell also added that poverty plays a major role in the growing numbers of child sex abuse.

The victims of child sex abuse tend to be young women between the ages of 12 and 18.

**POLITICAL TRENDS****IRS Official Vows "At This Time" To Not Target Colleges Opposed to Gay Marriage**

The Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service, John Koskinen, vowed in a Senate hearing recently that the federal agency will not strip Christian colleges and universities of their tax-exempt statuses should those institutions refuse to update school policies to be more accommodating toward gay marriages.

Following the Supreme Court decision in June that nationally legalized same-sex marriages, fears have dramatically risen that Christian colleges and institutions could be stripped of their tax-exempt statuses if they don't compromise their biblical beliefs on the subject of same-sex marriage.

But Koskinen reportedly said that he will commit to making sure that the IRS does not punish religious schools for not adopting policies to accommodate gay marriage — such as allowing married same-sex couples to live in married student housing — as long as he is in charge of the IRS. "I can make that commitment," Koskinen assured.

However, Koskinen did leave the door wide open for tax-exempt statuses to be a problem for Christian schools in the future when he responded to questions about the recent *Obergefell v. Hodges* case. He mentioned that "at this time, we see no basis for changing our examination criteria as a result of this Supreme Court case." He later concluded with, "We can't predict over the next years what is going to happen in terms of decisions that will be made in public policy but those aren't decisions that we are going to make."





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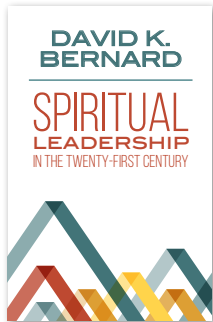
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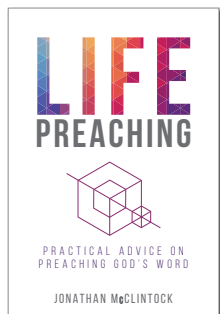
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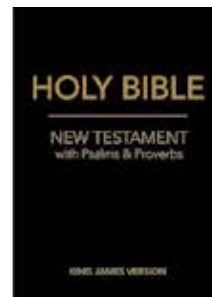
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# OUR VISION MUST REACH INTO THE FUTURE

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**Robert K. Rodenbush**  
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In I Corinthians 3:6-9 the Apostle Paul writes: "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. So then neither is he that planteth anything, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase. Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour. For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building."

Perhaps many may have never heard of Bro. and Sis. James Flynn, former missionaries to The Republic of Georgia, one of the former Soviet Union nations

located on the Southwest border of Russia and just north of Turkey. The Flynns never received much recognition because they were just faithful pioneer missionaries with little to report. Missionary ministry is not always about converts, miracles and glowing revival reports. Someone has to go where there is no church and start with nothing. Bro. and Sis. Flynn understood the dynamics of this principle more than most.

As Regional Director of Europe and the Middle East, I witnessed on site their sacrifices, like moving a little space heater from room to room because they couldn't heat the whole house, and making sure it was in my room when I visited. They suffered inconveniences that most would never be willing to suffer in order to witness to the lost souls of The Republic of Georgia. Gradually a small congregation was birthed. However, after faithful planting and watering and just before furlough time, challenges arose from outside sources, and they lost almost the entire work.

I remember calling Bro. Flynn from the Toronto conference and asking, "What do you want to do?" "We want to stay," he said. "I still believe there is a harvest in The Republic of Georgia." And they began the tedious job of rebuilding the work.

Bro. Flynn realized that he was not a man of great talent or skill. However, he was a man who had something greater... he had a vision that reached far beyond his abilities and his inabilities!

His vision went beyond his personal agenda. His vision went beyond his personal comfort. His vision went beyond his disappointments and heartaches. *His vision surpassed himself and reached into the bigger picture, the Kingdom of God!*

It was just before their furlough that the work in Georgia finally started to grow again. Then suddenly, shortly after arriving home for furlough, Bro. Flynn fell ill with serious heart complications, and God took Bro. Flynn home to his heavenly reward.

In this life, Bro. Flynn never got to see the harvest of his work. *But that does not mean that the harvest will not be fulfilled!* The church in The Republic of Georgia continues to grow today and only God knows the final results of the seeds that the Flynns planted and watered.

We cannot ever forget that in God's plan, some plant and some water, but it is God who gives the increase! Our vision must be larger than we are and must be able to see further than we can see or hope to be, even into the future.

It is unique that many great leaders have one thing in common...the total effects of a lifetime of leadership is sometimes not evident until *after* the great leader is gone.

I am thinking of Jesus' earthly ministry. After all Jesus did on this earth, He died and left His entire vision with only a few doubting, selfish, fearful and faithless men. It would seem that Jesus would feel like a complete failure after having a following of thousands and then only having eleven left. I know I would. Yet Jesus, in His divine plan, seemed satisfied with that.

It is the principle of a *higher vision*. Jesus did not come to directly build His own kingdom, but to build the men and women who would carry on the work. At the end of His earthly ministry, Jesus fulfilled His mission and purpose of building the apostles and others who would take His gospel to the ends of the earth. Jesus was a leader whose vision has outlived His time on earth by thousands of years.

In 2005, I was privileged to travel to Iraq to encourage some believers, along with representatives Arlie Enis and Gary Reed. It was there that I realized the influence and far-reaching ministry of Bro. Andrew Urshan's ministry. He had traveled there for a short period of time preaching many years ago, but he never got to see the total results of his work in Persia. He never knew that in 2005 there would be a remnant of nearly 3,000 Apostolics baptized in Jesus' name and filled with the Holy Ghost in Iraq.

While in Iraq, I stood on the wall known there as the wall of ancient Nineveh. It is said that Jonah was buried there. I thought to myself, "Jonah, your revival had lasting results that you never





knew of. There is still a remnant in Nineveh today!"

In 1991, I made my first trip as Regional Director to Spain. Several missionaries had gone there and given years to preaching and teaching, but in the end the work was only a handful of around 40 discouraged believers. Missionary William Markham kept saying to me, "Don't give up on Spain, Bro. Rodenbush. It's gonna fly!" And because of a higher vision than most could see, it did fly. Today the church in Spain has multiplied to more than 5,000 constituents and 50 churches and preaching places.

*God's calling, God's work and God's wisdom is always bigger than any one person.* We are only a single part of a greater master plan with many players.

Our calling is to play our part on the team to the best of our ability. The "Great Commission" that we are involved in is much larger than any one of us. Someone plants, someone waters, but we must never forget that it is God that gives the increase!

Ultimately, our vision, our ministry and our work in the Kingdom of God must rest in the truth that God holds the future and the results in HIS hand!

God help us to see the young Sunday school kid in our church not as just a number to be counted, but as a future missionary or pastor. Let our vision always reach further than what we can see today. Bro. Cleveland Becton won Bro. Lee Sherry to the Lord, and he became a great missionary. Bro. Sherry won a young man by the name of Bruce Howell to the Lord, and he became a missionary and now General Director of Global Missions. Every soul needs to be seen as a future harvester, a future leader. Most importantly, we must see all people of all cultures as *souls* that need Jesus.

The harvest is assured even if someone else harvests it! I firmly believe this battle will be won, even if I am not the one called upon to hold a visible position or strike a visible blow.

I firmly believe this is why the Lord gave us the scripture in Galatians 6: 9: "And let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."

**Biography:** Robert K. Rodenbush has been a minister of the United Pentecostal Church for more than 55 years, including nine years pastoring and 42 years serving in Global Missions. At only 19 years old while still attending Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois, he borrowed a car and sometimes hitchhiked to open a church in Cutler, IL that had been closed for nine years. The church grew into a thriving congregation.

The Rodenbushes were the first resident missionaries to Ghana, West Africa, served as Coordinator of Overseas Ministries for Global Missions and were Regional Directors of Europe and the Middle East for 20 years. Working closely with dedicated missionaries and national workers, they have been instrumental in seeing 47 nations opened for the United Pentecostal Church in West Africa and Europe Middle East. Bro. Rodenbush also served as China Outreach Coordinator in the 1980s, making 14 trips to China to encourage believers and take in Bibles and assisted in starting the first radio broadcast into Mainland China. He developed and launched the Associates In Missions program, sending out 600 AIMers from 1978 to 1990.

The Rodenbushes are now retired from Global Missions, and he serves as Dean of Missiology at Indiana Bible College where they are training and mentoring the next generation of Apostolic missionaries.



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# Water Baptisms in University Campus Pool

By Charlotte Pound



Mike McGurk, IMPACT president, University of Maryland

IMPACT -- the University of Maryland (UMD) Campus Ministry -- is reaching students of numerous nationalities with the Acts 2:38 message. Along with winning as many American students as possible, the ministry's aim is for the foreign students

to take what they have experienced back to their home countries, thus reaching many more people.

"There are a lot of people on campus who are hungry for God. Our goal is to offer them real Biblical direction," said IMPACT UMD president Mike McGurk, of Antioch the Apostolic Church in Arnold, MD.

Since water baptism is such an integral part of salvation, the ministry leaders have had to be ingenious as to how to get this done. "There is no chapel with a baptismal tank per se, so the next best thing is to baptize in the swimming pool right there on campus," said Bro. McGurk. "That makes it easier to have spontaneous decisions for baptism."

He said baptisms generally occur after an IMPACT service and during the pool's free-swim period. When someone desires to be baptized, he or she undergoes a Bible study explaining the spiritual significance

of the event and then on to the pool for a short service and prayer.

Bro. McGurk felt the call of God and a burden for souls in his senior year of high school. He started with teaching Bible studies to friends. He credits District Coordinator Stuart Mott and Campus Ministry Leader Jerrod Whittington with helping establish him in campus ministry.

In the past three years they have baptized and prayed approximately 50 people through to the Holy Ghost. What started as a fledgling ministry for four or five college students has evolved into an actual daughter work of the church with approximately 30-40 people. Bro. Mott is the pastor of the daughter work.

Another exciting aspect of campus ministry is that reaping the harvest spreads to the local churches whose congregations benefit from the labor of the college students. For example, after the UMD campus closed for summer, IMPACT was able to plug several new converts into local churches in their areas where they received foundational teaching to keep them grounded in the truth.

Winning souls in campus ministry is



on-going. On homecoming weekend, the ministry leaders invited some of the students to go with them to the district youth conference. On the way home, a discussion of spiritual issues began. One of the visitors, Andrea, mentioned that she was troubled

by bad spirits. Bro. McGurk boldly told her that through prayer God would deliver her. It was nearly 3 a.m. when the van pulled into the campus parking lot. They all got out and immediately began to pray for Andrea. "While many other college students were still roaming around in the wee hours, reveling in alcohol and high

spirits of homecoming, our IMPACT youth were becoming intoxicated in the Holy Ghost, as God completely delivered Andrea and she began speaking in other tongues right there on the campus parking lot," said Bro. McGurk.

He encourages all pastors who have colleges near their town to invest in this rich harvest field. "There are over one million foreign students in America; these college students will be the leaders of tomorrow," he stated. "The college campus is an untapped, yet ripe harvest field. Churches should take advantage of it."

## "Who Is God?"

### Booklet Answers Questions About Oneness of God; Excellent Outreach Tool

By Gregg Stone



Bro. and Sis. Welch  
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**W**ho is God? A question thought by so many; yet they are afraid to ask. Now, thanks to Sis. Shirley Lane Welch and her new booklet titled *Who is God?*, you can put that answer directly into their hands. Raised in a minister's home and

faced with confusion over the oneness of God as a child, Sis. Welch was too embarrassed to ask questions. "As I began to write scriptures as God gave them to me I thought, I will type them and give them to the youth so they won't struggle like I did," said Sis. Welch. "Those God-given scriptures became the booklet, *Who Is God?*"

Using the booklet, Sis. Welch developed the "E-Z-2 Witness" program, which takes away all the excuses such as, "I'm too shy," "I don't feel comfortable talking to people about God," or "I don't have time to witness." With this, you simply

hand them the booklet and say, "I have something I want to share with you."

Sis. Welch said she always keeps five enveloped booklets in her purse and hands them out in restaurants, to people that come to her door, or anyone that she speaks to in passing. "I have never had anyone that has been rude or even refused me," she said. "We mailed 800 as Christmas cards this past year, and we are placing these booklets in the hands of all city and county officials, and I have personally mailed one to Pope Francis, President Obama, Billy Graham, T.D. Jakes, John Hagee, and Dr. Phil McGraw."

The booklet, which is in the process of being printed in Spanish as well, is a great resource for home Bible studies, as well as for teaching Sunday school classes. It is also a great tool for outreach directors. "To personalize the booklets, let me suggest that you put the advertisement of your choice on the inside of your cover page," explained Sis. Welch. "This can be

accomplished by using a rubber stamp, a church calling card, or a full page brochure of your church information including a photo of the pastor and his family."

Easy to use, read and understand, this booklet is a fantastic resource for churches and individuals who want to have an impact in their communities and reach their family, friends and acquaintances. "With all the trouble going on all over this world, our time to witness may be less than we realize," said Sis. Welch. "I pray that each of you will feel the need to share with your saints, friends and relatives, this easy way to witness and to help reach someone in your city, your state, or even a foreign country."

The *Who is God?* booklet is available from First Pentecostal Church, 6500 North "W" St., Pensacola, Florida for \$2.00 each. All profits from this program will be donated to the Home Missions Department of the UPCI. For more information, please contact Sis. Welch at [shirleywelch@firstpent.org](mailto:shirleywelch@firstpent.org)





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And so they haggled before the King, until he demanded silence. "My sword! Bring me my biggest sword," said Solomon, "and we shall cut the young man in half. Each of you shall receive a half."

"Fine. Sounds good to me," said the first lady.

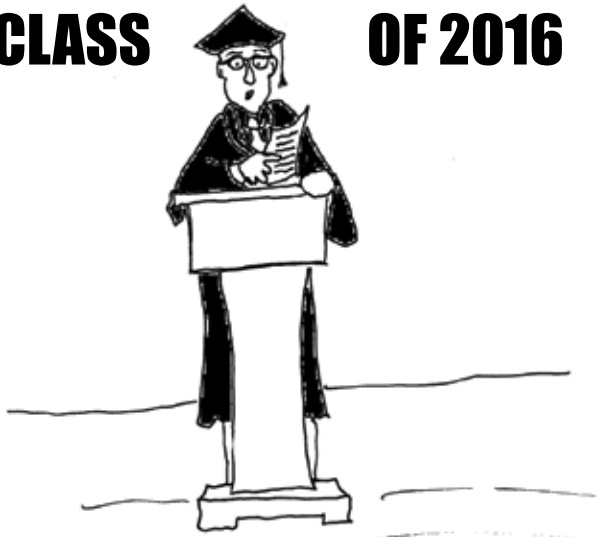
But the other woman said, "Oh Sire, do not spill innocent blood. Let this other woman's daughter marry him."

The wise king did not hesitate a moment. "Indeed, the accountant must marry the first lady's daughter," he proclaimed.

"But she was willing to hack him in two!" exclaimed the king's court.

"Precisely!" said wise King Solomon. "That shows she is the TRUE mother-in-law."

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"No," he said, "I mean, what is the foundation of this case?"

"It is made of concrete, brick and mortar," he responded.

"I mean," the judge continued, "What are your relations like?"

"I have an aunt and uncle living here in town, and so do my wife's parents."

The judge said, "Do you have a real grudge?"

"No," he replied, "We have a two-car carport and have never really needed one."

"Please," the judge tried again, "is there any infidelity in your marriage?"

"Yes, both my son and daughter have stereo sets. We don't necessarily like the music, but the answer to your questions is yes."

Finally, in frustration, the judge asked, "Sir, why do you want a divorce?"

"Oh, I don't want a divorce," he replied. "I've never wanted a divorce. My wife does. She claims she's having difficulty communicating with me!"

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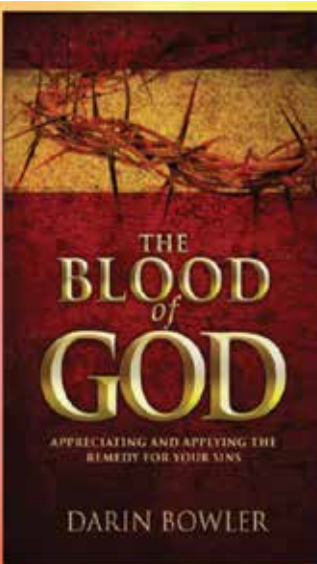




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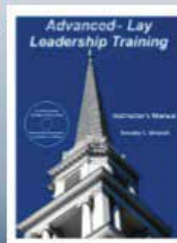
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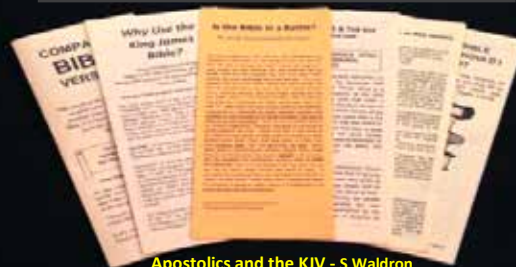
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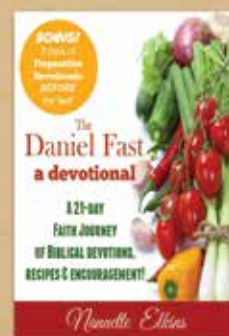
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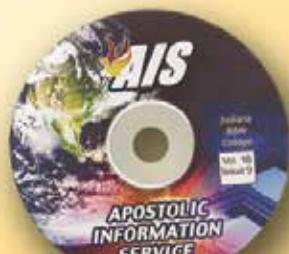
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