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Editor's Notes



Jim & Mary Fellure

Greetings friends,
Since we are now publishing this *Newsletter* quarterly rather than bi-monthly, there is one more month of activities to report on in the same amount of space, which will be impossible to do with very much detail. Hopefully, when you read the entire *Newsletter* plus get the news from our field reps or emails, you will see that VBP has recently added some new equipment, repaired some older

equipment, and printed and shipped Scriptures to many places both at home and abroad. However, the secret to any success in printing and distributing Scriptures that VBP has had is not because of our abilities. It's all because of the faithfulness of God and for His glory. With that in mind I now repeat an illustration Brother Burt Squires gave in the adult Sunday School class at our home church a few weeks ago entitled, "God's Timing Is Always on Schedule," copied from *Treasures From 1 Kings*, by Dr. Rod Mattoon.

"In the early days of Dallas Theological Seminary, there was a serious financial crisis. They were scraping the bottom of the barrel financially. If a large amount of money was not received on a certain day, it would seriously endanger the existence of the school.

"In those days, the president of Dallas Seminary, Lewis Sperry Chafer, would often be visited by a great Bible teacher who taught part-time at the seminary . . . Dr. Harry Ironside. Dr. Ironside happened to be at the school on that crucial day of the financial deadline. Chafer, Ironside, and other men of the school gathered in Chafer's office for a prayer meeting. They were asking the Lord to

meet the financial need. Dr. Harry Ironside prayed what came to be known as one of his famous prayers. He said, 'Oh God, you own the cattle on a thousand hills. Lord, won't you sell some of those cattle and send us the money?'

"The secretary came from the office and said, 'Dr. Chafer, there is someone here to see you.'—Dr. Chafer told her to send him into the office.—The man asked, 'Are you Dr. Chafer?'—He said, 'Yes, I am.'—The man proceeded and said, 'Sir, I am a cattle rancher, and I don't know what came over me, but God told me to sell some of my cattle and give you the money.' He handed Dr. Chafer the money, and the amount was exactly what the school needed to meet their financial need and alleviate a crisis. Amen!"

We sometimes say that a horizontal view, that is, looking out at the world, will cause a Christian to live a life of frustration, but Jesus did say, "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." The secret to successful Christian living is to look horizontally and see this world in need of the Saviour, then turn our eyes upon Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
.....
His word shall not fail you, He promised;
Believe Him and all will be well;
Then go to a world that is dying,
His perfect salvation to tell!

With that in mind, Please pray for VBP,
Jim Fellure

We Recommend the Jason Kendrick Family



Jason, Jody, Emily, Jay, Grace, Mark, Daniel, and Luke

About three years ago the Lord led the Kendrick family to move to Milton, Florida, and join Victory Baptist Church.

Raised in Pensacola, Florida, and saved at the age of 19, Brother Kendrick was called to preach, and graduated from Bible college where he also met his wife, Jody. After serving as an assistant pastor, Brother Kendrick was called into evangelism, which he and his family have now been doing faithfully for 23 years.

Along with his preaching ministry, the Kendrick family has been singing across the U.S. for many years. Many people have testified to the blessing they have been to their churches throughout their ministry. You can purchase the Kendricks' music in our online bookstore.

The Kendricks have a great need for something to travel in; living out of a suitcase, in and out of hotels gets very difficult at times. Please pray for them about this great need.

Brother Kendrick is scheduling meetings for 2020. You can contact him at 850.261.5260. To read more about the Kendricks' ministry, including their tent ministry, visit their website at jasonkendrickfamily.com.

Print Shop News

**Al & Heidi Berg**

Dear Friends and Supporters,
Today (March 16, 2020) we loaded another container full of Scripture headed for Peru, South America. There were 7,546 Spanish Bibles with vinyl covers provided by our ministry, 478,800 illustrated Romans booklets provided by Beacon of Truth Ministries in South Carolina, 38 leather-bound Spanish Bibles purchased by Bro. Rich, and 50 booklets titled *Spanish Bible Versions, What You*

Need to Know . . . In Plain English. Thank you each one that gave, volunteered, and prayed for this project. This is the fifth container of Scripture we have sent to Bro. Rich, and he has been faithful to make sure they get distributed around South America. Please continue to pray it gets there safely and that God will accomplish much with these Scriptures. As I have said before, it is by faith that we do this, trusting God not just for the supplies, but that He will use it to bring many souls to Himself.

On a practical level, it is always nice to ship out a container, because it frees up space in the shop for the next project, which is well under way. We are printing just under 19,000 Bibles in the Cebuano language for the island of Cebu in the Philippines. This is

an entire truckload of paper, but there are not as many total Bibles, because there are considerably more pages in the Cebuano Bible than there are in the Spanish. The missionaries over there have been asking for more for quite some time, so we finally worked them in. God has provided all the materials needed to print these Bibles. Praise the Lord!

As I review this letter, I realize it seems like just a lot of boring, dry statistics, but it is a record of how God has allowed us to be part of the ministry. I know some printing ministries do more, and some less, but I am not sure if any of us has given as much as the poor widow lady in Mark 12:41–44. I do hope I have given enough to have at least a few crowns to cast at the feet of Jesus. I know I will not be at the front of that line, but I sure do not want to be the last one either. I pray that you have truly given your life to Jesus Christ. To live this life for yourself might give you a good life here below, but what about eternity? The apostle Paul said, “the sufferings of this present time are not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us” (Romans 8:18). I believe the works we do for Christ in this short life will reap benefits for all of eternity. That has got to outweigh any benefit we would get working only for ourselves in this life.

May God bless you,
Bro. Albert Berg

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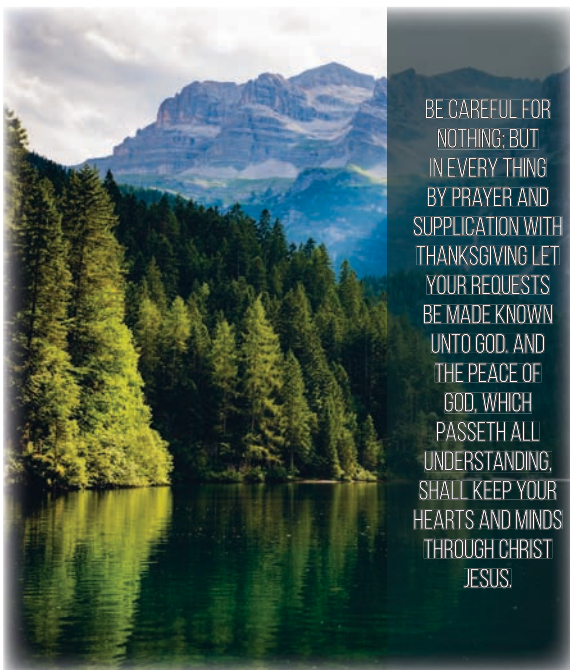
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Mrs. Pam Leake

Second Chances and Do-Overs

After breakfast my husband and I sat at the table lingering over one last cup of coffee. Our conversation turned to the subject of second chances and do-overs. We laughed, recalling Otis, the old pug that some friends of ours had found wandering down a road. They picked up the very scruffy looking dog with the spike collar and brought him to us! Yes, we felt sorry for him and gave him another chance at life—He lived

for several years and caused us to chuckle often at his antics. And then there was Molly, the cat who showed up in our yard, very hungry and thin. And, yes, we felt sorry for her as well, and began to feed her (and you know where that led!) Molly's second chance lasted about seven years, and after many escapades, we had to lay her to rest.

Our conversation then turned to the do-overs and multiple chances to start anew that we had had in our lives, and how very good the Lord has been to us in granting them. If you stop and think long enough, you too will probably be reminded of a great number of extra opportunities you had to do things over in your life. The start of a new year often brings the conviction or decision to make a new start or “turn over a new leaf” on a resolution that will put us back on track in a particular area of our lives.

It was encouraging to recount the times in our lives, however, that the Lord had been gracious and allowed us another chance to make a right move or a right decision that would put us in the Lord's will. In the early 80s before we were saved, we built a

house in a location we picked out. . . . It was the place where we were saved and began our lives as Christians. But it was not the location that God ultimately had for us, and we were allowed a move and an opportunity to build the house where we have lived now for nearly thirty years, the place where we have served the Lord together in the ministry.

Granted, there are a number of things we only get one go at. As is often said, “You only get one chance to make a first impression,” and you only get one chance to raise your children right. We may be afforded multiple chances to make a decision for our eternal destination, but we are not guaranteed that will be so. It is the most critical decision we have to make, but once our appointment with death arrives, we have no opportunity for a second chance. There will be no do-over then! It behooves us to consider the things in life for which we only have one opportunity to make a decision, and do so wisely, never taking for granted the grace, longsuffering, and forgiveness of the Lord who extends those extra chances.

There are plenty of examples of men and women in the Bible who were blessed to have not just a second chance, but multiple chances to do right. People like Moses, Jonah, Samson, David, and Peter, all benefited from the mercy, grace, and forgiveness of God, not getting what they deserved but, instead, what they didn't deserve. So it is with each of us who belong to the family of God. Praise Him for the do-overs and extra chances to obey His Word and do those things which will please and honor Him!

Note: Pam is the wife of Ed Leake, pastor of Colonial Baptist Church and Director of Colonial Press of Charlottesville, Virginia. Email her: pamleake@colonialbc.org



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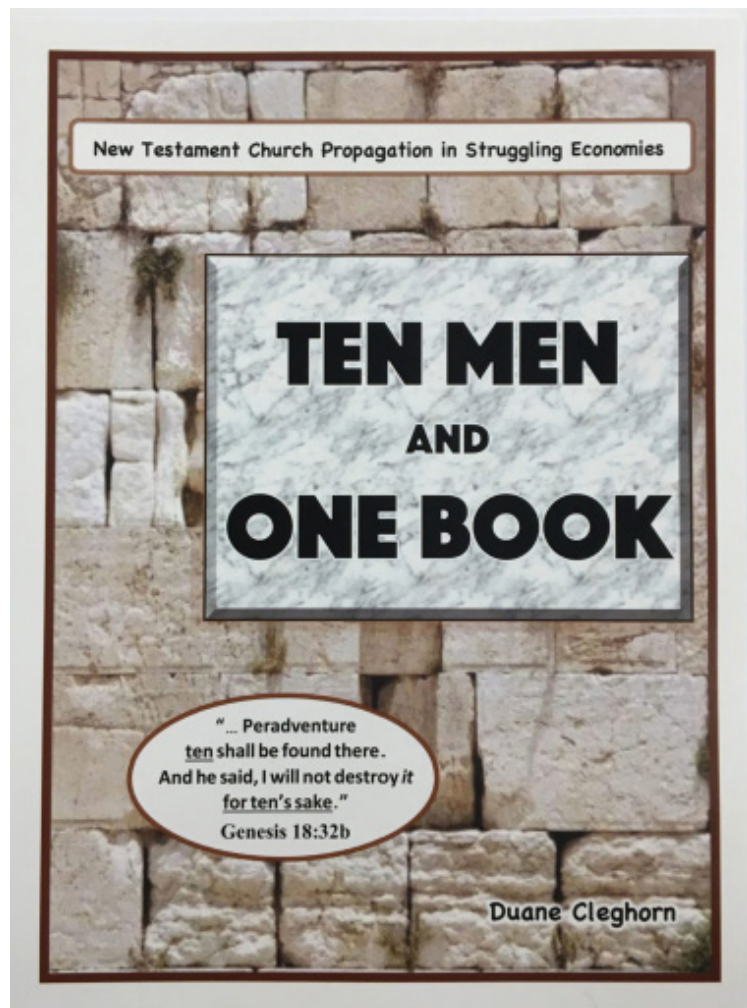
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I believe this book will cause any serious-minded preacher or foreign minister to reconsider their approach to foreign ministry and will also provoke the reader to a greater faith in the Word of God and the work of God. *Ten Men and One Book* is a comprehensive look at biblical principles which will assist any pastor or foreign minister who is seriously interested in getting the Gospel to the regions beyond. I truly believe the Lord is honored by this book, and servants of God will be greatly helped by the material within. I highly recommend *Ten Men and One Book* to every serious student of the Word of God.

—Pastor Ron Ralph
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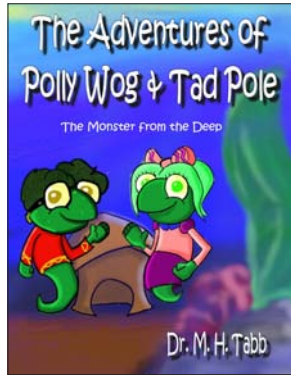
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- Why is the failure rate of church plants in foreign countries so high after the foreign minister and his money are withdrawn?
- How can the high failure rate of foreign ministers sent to the field be reduced?
- What is the biblical method of New Testament church propagation?
- What must be accomplished by a local assembly before a new church plant is attempted?
- What is the biblical ratio of church leaders to church members?
- Is the practice of tithing relevant to New Testament times?

The author, Bro. Duane Cleghorn says, "This book is dedicated to the national pastors who serve the Lord in Southeast Asia. Many of these dear brothers view the capability of Americans' faith to be greater than the capabilities of Southeast Asians' faith. This notion is simply not true. God is no respecter of persons. He specializes in impossible situations and continually searches for people who will trust Him when circumstances seem impossible. May our brothers in Southeast Asia experience the relationship with God that will provide them a table in their wilderness.

"The English version . . . is dedicated to our fellow Americans who are investing their lives in raising up biblical, self-propagating churches in struggling economies throughout the world. It is my prayer that the principles presented in this book will result in ministries that operate more biblically and efficiently. The application of biblical truth is imperative; experimentation wastes valuable time. Jesus will soon return, and the work is not yet done."

Brother Cleghorn and his wife Chrislei are currently serving their second term in Southeast Asia.

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The Pastor's Page



Tim Fellure

Peace That Passeth All Understanding

Philippians 4:1–7

At the time of this writing, our world is in a panic over COVID-19. I do not know if, by the time this goes to press, the health threat will be over or far worse, but fear has gripped our nation. Right now, the shelves at the grocery store are bare, people are avoiding public gatherings, the stock market is crashing, and everything from private

schools to all the major sports leagues have cancelled their seasons. We believe it is prudent to take the threat seriously, but there is so much uncertainty because we do not know how to separate the credible information from the hype we hear from the news media.

It is in uncertain times like these that the peace of God becomes very precious to us. It is a great comfort to be able to rest in peace even in the midst of the greatest storms. Peace is not a cavalier “praise God anyway” attitude that denies or ignores the tribulations of life, but a settledness of heart that our God is in control of every situation. Our confidence is not in anything man can do for us and, our fear is not in anything man can do against us, but our hope is in our God who watches over us with tender care.

In Philippians 4, the apostle Paul addresses three negative spirits that were prevalent in the church at Philippi. He speaks to the **spirit of defeatism** in verse 1 by telling them to “stand fast in the Lord.” The **spirit of disunity** was corrected in verse 2 when he told the two ladies to “be of the same mind in the Lord.” Then he corrected the **spirit of discouragement** in verse 4 when he reminded the church to always be rejoicing. The strength that enables the right spirit in man—that conquers defeatism, disunity, discouragement—is the “peace of God, which passeth all understanding” mentioned in verse 7. It is this peace which keeps our hearts and minds focused on Jesus Christ, no matter what is happening around us.

The Bible tells us about peace with God and the peace of God. Peace with God comes only through the cross—“And, having made peace through the blood of his cross . . .” (Colossians 1:20). Paul calls the gospel the “gospel of peace” (Ephesians 6:15) because it declares a man can end his rebellion against God and be at peace with God. The peace of God comes when you realize you are at peace with God. This peace is an inner tranquility this world cannot know. The Christian should not be looking for peace; we should be living in peace. But as is evident in this present crisis, many believers have peace with God (saved), but do not live with the peace of God. It is in these uncertain times that we should remember the promise of peace given to those who trust in Christ.

The Peaceful Heart Rejoices in Anything (4:4)

Rejoicing in the Lord is an action, not a feeling. Paul does not tell us to feel like rejoicing, but to rejoice whether you feel like it or not. God chooses what we go through; we choose how we go through it. I admit I have not been on my knees thanking God for COVID-19, but I have so many other things to rejoice in even in the face of COVID-19. COVID-19 may take my health, but there are so many things it cannot take. It may touch my body, but it can't touch my soul. I find I can turn on the news and let them fill my mind with doubts and fear, or I can turn on some good music and let it fill my soul with rejoicing.

The Peaceful Heart Worries about Nothing (4:6)

To be careful for nothing is not to be careless or care-free, but is to not be anxious about life's circumstances. Anxiety comes from an old English word that means “to strangle.” It was used to refer to the practice of wolves killing sheep by biting them around the neck, strangling their prey to death. Worry will strangle you, and that is why, when people have panic attacks, they feel like they can't breathe.

The key to not worrying is actually found at the end of the prior verse—“The Lord *is* at hand.” The Lord is here with me. He is close enough so I can hear His voice and is a present help in the time of trouble. His power and purpose and providence and protection are all working for me.

The Peaceful Heart Prays about Everything (4:6)

Paul knows you can't just determine to not be anxious and, suddenly, your heart will be flooded with peace. Something has to take the place of worry—so pray. You will notice there is no promise in this verse that all of your prayers will be answered: Paul tells us to make our request known to God, but he doesn't tell us God will grant our request. He just says you will have peace whatever the answer may be. The answer is not the issue; the peace is the issue. The aim of Christian living is not to see if you can eliminate every uncomfortable issue in your life. The aim of Christian living is to trust your infinitely sovereign and powerful God in the midst of every situation and have His perfect peace.

The Peaceful Heart Thinks about Good Things (4:8)

Peace in your heart comes down to what you dwell on in your mind. Modern psychology and even religion say your peace is seated in how you feel; the emotions of man are given priority over the mind of man. But the Bible places a much greater emphasis on how you think over how you feel.

I hope you will join me in praying for our country during these trying times. Pray for our president to have the wisdom and courage to lead our nation during this crisis. Pray for churches and missionaries who may be effected financially in coming weeks and months. But let's keep our eyes on Jesus, and may He fill your heart with peace no matter what lies ahead.