

# REMINDER

***CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST GRADUATE!***



*Derek Quinnelly*

*“Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”*

*- II Timothy 2:15*

CONGRATULATIONS!

## ***I HELPED MY CHURCH!***

### **☛ I HELPED MY CHURCH! *I was THERE.***

I knew my friend the pastor would be there - so I was there! My presence helped. I was one more. That cheered the pastor mightily. I need him, and he needs me, too. When I joined the church, I promised to be there - I didn't join the church to stay away from it. So I helped my church. *I was there!*

### **☛ I HELPED MY CHURCH! *I prayed for my***

***church.*** I never have wanted much for myself - except strength - but I want every blessing and grace and health and power for my church. "For her my prayers ascend." I pray for my church as naturally, as normally as I do for my dearest loved ones, because my church is one of my dearest loved ones. To forget my church would be to forget everything lovely. I helped my church by praying for it.

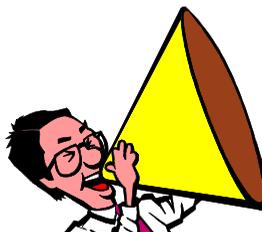
### **☛ I HELPED MY CHURCH! *I was the hand and the voice of my church in the homes of those who had forgotten or neglected the most important thing on earth.***

I went to them, not with a brilliant sermon or convincing argument, but with love and compassion. I witnessed for my Lord. I went as a friend to friends and found the door already opened for me in the longing and loneliness of the people who had been left out until I came. I helped not only a home that needed God and the church, but I helped myself. I wouldn't take anything for the joy I have found.

### **☛ I HELPED MY CHURCH! *I paid my way.***

I did not let others pay my way any more than I permit them to buy my hat or feed my children. I pay my bills-my taxes-my upkeep. But I pay my way at my church, too. A manly, ample, competent sum must be my investment in my church. I should not wish to know that I had not paid my way!

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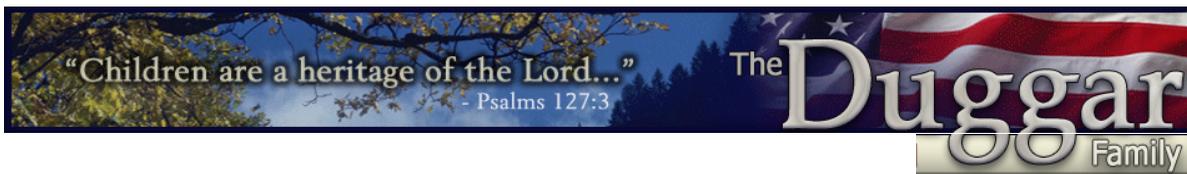
**FINANCIAL  
FREEDOM  
CLASS  
BEGINS  
TODAY!**

*Learn Biblical Principles For Finances That Will Free You From The Bondage Of Debt!*

This class, though designed for our young adults, is open to all from high school age and upward. Every Christian needs to learn how to handle their finances God's way!

*Class begins promptly at 9:45 each Sunday morning in the Auditorium.*

***BE PLANNING NOW TO BRING SOMEONE TO MEET -***



**Sunday Morning  
June 28, 2009**

- Duggar-family Musicians Will Play and Sing For Our Service!*
- Jim Bob Duggar Will Be Speaking In The Morning Service!*
- Michelle Duggar To Give Devotional At Rebekah White's Baby Shower At 1:30 p.m.*

***PLAN NOW TO BE HERE!***

# NEWS OF INTEREST TO CHRISTIANS

by Evangelist David W. Cloud

❑ **U.S. MILITARY DESTROYS BIBLES** - The following is excerpted from OneNewsNow.com, May 5, 2009: “The U.S. military is confirming that it has destroyed some Bibles belonging to an American soldier serving in Afghanistan. Reuters News says the Bibles were confiscated and destroyed after Qatar-based Al Jazeera television showed soldiers at a Bible class on a base with a stack of Bibles translated into the local Pashto and Dari languages. The U.S. military forbids its members on active duty—including those based in places like Afghanistan—from trying to convert people to another religion. Reuters quotes Maj. Jennifer Willis at the Bagram Air Base, north of Kabul, who said, ‘I can now confirm that the Bibles shown on Al Jazeera’s clip were, in fact, collected by the chaplains and later destroyed. They were never distributed.’”

According to the military officials, the Bibles were sent through private mail to an evangelical Christian soldier by his church back home. Reuters says the soldier brought them to the Bible study class where they were filmed. The Chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, Admiral Mike Mullen, told a Pentagon briefing Monday that the military’s position is that it will never ‘push any specific religion.’”

**CONCLUDING NOTE FROM BROTHER CLOUD:** No one expects the military to push religion. We also don’t expect them to destroy religious books, and most especially the very Book upon which our presidents take their solemn vows. How many Korans have you destroyed, Admiral Mullen? The military brass should remember this foolish act the next time they need divine intervention. There is no doubt that the U.S. military has won many battles through the power of prayer. I have read extensively into the history of America’s military battles, and many victories can be explained only by blind chance or divine intervention. And no doubt many losses can be explained by a lack of the same. In fact, World War II itself could easily have been concluded differently. I am not saying the U.S. military has ever been godly; I am saying, simply, that many godly people have prayed and their prayers were answered. My mother’s Baptist congregation in Lakeland, Florida, had someone praying daily for their men serving overseas during the last world war, and every one of them came home safely. If you think that is a result of the breathtaking wisdom of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, you need your head examined! *“Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the LORD keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain” (Psalms 127:1).*

❑ **PEOPLE DIE AFTER BEING “HEALED” IN THE LAKELAND OUTPOURING** - Christopher Fogle, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, loved to fish. It was a break from his fast-paced, 25-year career with the Perkins Restaurant chain. But when Fogle got severe cancer, his relaxing fishing trips, which he sometimes took with his children, ended. It was a devastating blow for the

active 45-year-old. But for Todd Bentley, television preacher and self-proclaimed healer, the cancer represented an opportunity to ‘proclaim the glory of God.’ ... At the height of what many called a revival, the **WORLD** asked Bentley to talk about the healings, like Fogle’s, and asked for a list of people who had been healed at the services. His associates said Bentley was out of the country and a list could not be produced. But six weeks and more than a dozen requests later, the ministry eventually sent a list of 13 names. Fogle was No. 12 on the list, along with this note: ‘Healed through the Outpouring and is back to fishing.’ That was on Aug. 8, 2008. There was just one problem. Two weeks earlier, on July 22, Christopher A. Fogle—according to his obituary in the Keokuk (Iowa) Daily Gate City, ‘left this life . . . after a courageous battle with cancer.’

A review of the list nearly one year later reveals that Fogle is not the only person ‘healed’ who is now dead. When Phyllis Mills, of Trinity, N.C., was telephoned on April 22, to hear the testimony of her healing, a polite family member said, ‘Phyllis passed away a few days ago. In fact, we’re on our way to her funeral now.’ Mills, 66 at the time of her death, had lung cancer and was undergoing aggressive treatments when she was, according to the list, ‘healed at the revival.’ Mills ‘was taking radiation, but was sent home,’ according to notes on Bentley’s list, with ‘no trace of cancer in her body’” (“Heal or Heel,” World, May 23, 2009). The Bentley crusade ended in scandal in August 2008 after Bentley announced that he was separating from his wife. In November 2008, Bentley’s Fresh Fire ministry said that he was guilty of adultery with a “former employee,” and on March 9, 2009, Rick Joyner announced that Bentley had married the same employee.

❑ **PERSECUTION AGAINST CHRISTIANS INCREASES IN GREAT BRITAIN** - (from “Enforced ‘Diversity Will Make Britain First Modern Soft Totalitarian State,” LifeSiteNews.com, May 6, 2009):

“A deliberate campaign to enforce ‘diversity’ and political correctness by ‘unelected or quasi-governmental bodies’ is turning Britain into the ‘the first modern soft totalitarian state’, an Australian political science expert and author says. Hal Gibson Pateshall Colebatch, an Australian historian, author, poet, lecturer, journalist, editor, and lawyer, has warned in an editorial in The Australian that while there may as yet be no concentration camps or gulags in Britain, ‘there are thought police with unprecedented powers to dictate ways of thinking and sniff out heresy, and there can be harsh punishments for dissent.’

He points to the dozens of cases over the last ten years in which Christians and others who hold traditional moral views, have been targeted by police and other governmental agencies for their beliefs. Colebatch warned of legislation that is currently being pushed through Parliament that will outlaw the telling of racist, ‘homophobic’ or politically incorrect jokes, with a potential sentence upon conviction of seven years in prison. An attempt in the House of Lords to insert a freedom of speech clause was shot down by Labour Justice Minister Jack Straw. Colebatch cited ‘innumerable cases’ over the last decade in which public

**NURSERY MINISTRY WORKERS FOR THIS WEEK**

10:50 a.m. Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Mary Byars  
 Cradle Roll 2: Larry Byars  
 6:00 p.m. Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Janet Bridges  
 Cradle Roll 2: Bertha Segebarr  
 Wed. Eve. Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Rebekah White  
 Cradle Roll 2: Nathaniel White

**AND THE PEOPLE CAME...**

*Week of May 10, 2009*

Sunday School ----- 22  
 Sunday Morning Service ----- 33  
 Sunday Evening Service ----- 24  
 Wed. Eve. Service, 05/13/09 ----- 20

**AND THE PEOPLE GAVE...**

*Week of May 10, 2009*

*Undesignated* Tithes & Offerings ----- \$ 1,402.00  
 New Hymnals Fund ----- \$ 10.00  
 Total Received for Week of 05/10/09: \$ 1,412.00

*Average amount of Undesignated Offerings needed to operate the church EACH WEEK, as a minimum = \$ 1,400.00* 📄

**FUND DRIVE REPORTS**

**NEW HYMNAL FUND**

*Offerings Received To Date:* \$ 1,366.00

**NEW PIANO FUND**

*Offerings Received To Date:* \$ 570.00

**PARSONAGE RENOVATION FUND**

*Total Received, To Date:* \$ 330.00

employees such as nurses, policemen, teachers, marriage commissioners and others have been threatened with the sack or suspension or disciplinary measures for sharing, or even privately revealing, their religious beliefs. In many cases, the threats, firings, suspensions and arrests have targeted Christians who hold traditional social and moral beliefs about sexuality. ... In an editorial last week in The Church of England Newspaper, Martin Beckford (religious affairs correspondent for the Daily Telegraph) wrote that the public sector in Britain is engaging in an all-out campaign against Christianity.” ■

**WHAT IT MEANS TO BE SAVED**

1. *Admit that you are a sinner.*
2. *Admit that God says all sins must be paid for.*
3. *Accept the fact that Christ took upon Himself the suffering necessary to pay for all your sins.*
4. *You must change your mind about sin and sinning (God calls this repentance).*
5. *By an act of your will, accept by faith the Lord Jesus Christ, who can save you from the penalty of sin. Then, tell God about this in a simple prayer. Believe that God keeps His promise to save you, and thank Him for His salvation.*



**Please Remember To Be Faithful to Give!**

As with everything else, the costs of keeping a church going never go down - they always go *up*. Bills wait for no one, and churches are no exception to this. An extra, sacrificial gift today by everyone present would go a long way...

We encourage all of our membership to practice obedience to God by being faithful every payday to give back to Him His tithe (10%). *If every family in our church would practice this one simple discipline, we would never have weeks where we have to put off paying some bills until the following week!*

Everything is expensive, especially for a small church like ours, but ours is a BIG God, and He LOVES to bless His children when they are obedient to Him!

If you are already a tither, we thank you, and encourage you to also give offerings as well. If you're currently not tithing, won't you please start *today* - **OK?** Thank you.

**Church Directory**

Todd W. White ----- Pastor  
 Mickie Shatwell ----- Pianist  
 Dickie Eberle ----- Greeter, Custodian  
 Larry Mathews, Caryn Quinnelly, Todd W. White ----- S.S. Teachers  
 Larry & Mary Byars, Brian & Charity Crawford,  
 Nathaniel & Rebekah White ----- Outreach