

“The Whole Counsel of God” Acts 20:1-38 6/16/24

Today, we'd like to see the title of “The Whole Counsel of God” in Acts 20:1-38.

To the souls on this Online Word *through MP3 or YouTube Channel*, on the earth, we'd like to suggest the 3 expositional Questions. (*Maranatha Worship Songs*_____

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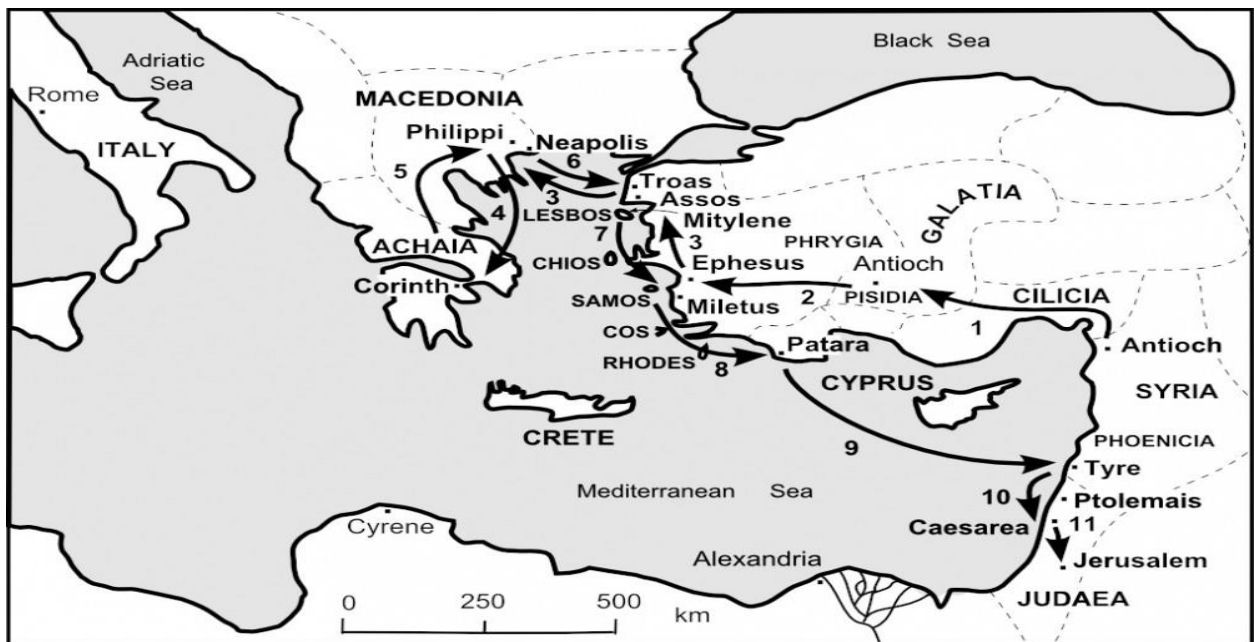
Q1. In verse 22, “And see, now I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things that will happen to me there,” explain it compared with verse 30? And what can we learn from here?

Q2. In verse 27, “For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God,” what does it mean in the context? And how can we apply it to our lives?

Q3. In verse 35, “I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive,’” what does it mean? And what can we learn from here?

(Background for context of this text on Daily Bible Reading and Studying Weekly Book Basis)

Paul's 3rd Mission Trip (Acts 18:23 – 21:16) 53-57AD



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In the last time, in Acts 19:40-41, “For we are in danger of being called in question for today’s uproar, there being no reason which we may give to account for this disorderly gathering.’⁴¹ And when he had said these things, he dismissed the assembly,” the disciples the followers of Jesus, who were made by Paul according to Jesus’ great commission, and officials the friends of Paul convinced Paul not to go in to the theater before the angry audience. The assembly of the people was confused why they had come together here. Then, Alexander the

coppersmith wanted to defend that we the Jews were not responsible for Paul. But after discovering him as a Jew, they cried out Great Diana for 2 hours. Then, the city clerk persuaded them upon (1) any images of Diana or Zeus the god of the sky neither stolen nor damaged by the arrestees and (2) Demetrius & other craftsmen's right to file a lawsuit before proconsuls or magistrates in the courts. And then the assembly was scattered.

TEXT: NKJV [KJV]

Inductive Explanation in context & syntax

<p>¹After the uproar had ceased, Paul called the disciples to himself, embraced them, and departed to go to Macedonia. ²Now when he had gone over that region and encouraged them with many words, he came to Greece ³and stayed three months. And when the Jews plotted against him as he was about to sail to Syria, he decided to return through Macedonia.</p> <p>⁴And Sopater of Berea accompanied him to Asia—also Aristarchus and Secundus of the Thessalonians, and Gaius of Derbe, and Timothy, and Tychicus and Trophimus of Asia. ⁵These men, going ahead, waited for us at Troas.</p> <p>⁶But we sailed away from Philippi after the Days of Unleavened Bread, and in five days joined them at Troas, where we stayed seven days.</p> <p>⁷Now on the first <i>day</i> of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul, ready to depart the next day, spoke to them and continued his message until midnight.</p>	<p>1-3 = (After the riot in Ephesus, Paul encouraged the believers or the disciples and went to the northward from Ephesus in Minor Asia region, and to the Greece where was Macedonia region and Achaia region. Paul had planned to sail from Corinth straight to Antioch in Syria, but after 3 months, Paul heard of a plot of Jews to kill him and Paul decided flexibly to go back over his steps through Macedonia. – see the above map)</p> <p>4-5= (Those brothers went ahead to Troas in Minor Asia region. The word “us” shows Luke the author of this book joined in this Paul's 3rd mission trip.)</p> <p>6= (Paul, Luke, and/or other brothers went from Philippi, after the Days of Unleavened Bread just after Passover, to Troas in 5 days. They stayed there 7 days. <i>Lev 23:5-6</i>¹)</p> <p>7=(On the 1st day of the week, the Sunday, or the day of Jesus's resurrection, he broke bread or had communion service and delivered his message until midnight. Here, Paul held the weekly worship service on Sunday rather than Saturday with the Gentile believers in Troas or in Corinth. The keeping of the Sabbath on Saturday was a perpetual covenant between God and Israelites under Mosaic law. But now Christians was under new covenant in blood of Jesus the master of Sabbath, under grace, not under Mosaic law. So, the Sabbath on Saturday is not mandatory longer. But if we were under the law and violated one point, we would violate the whole law, being under curse. <i>1 Cor 16:2; Ex 31:16-17; James 2:10; Gal 3:10</i>²)</p>
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¹ *Lev 23:5-6* On the fourteenth *day* of the first month at twilight is the LORD's Passover. ⁶ And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the Feast of Unleavened Bread to the LORD; seven days you must eat unleavened bread.

² *1 Cor 16:2* On the first *day* of the week let each one of you lay something aside, storing up as he may prosper, that there be no collections when I come; *Ex 31:16-17* Therefore the children of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, to observe the Sabbath throughout their generations as a perpetual covenant. ¹⁷ It is a sign between Me and the children of Israel forever; for in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, and on the seventh day He rested and was refreshed; *James 2:10* For whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one *point*, he is guilty of all; *Gal 3:10* For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse; for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them.”

⁸ There were many lamps in the upper room where they were gathered together. ⁹ And in a window sat a certain young man named Eutychus, who was sinking into a deep sleep. He was overcome by sleep; and as Paul continued speaking, he fell down from the third story and was taken up dead. ¹⁰ But Paul went down, fell on him, and embracing him said, "Do not trouble yourselves, for his life is in him." ¹¹ Now when he had come up, had broken bread and eaten, and talked a long while, even till daybreak, he departed. ¹² And they brought the young man in alive, and they were not a little comforted.

¹³ Then we went ahead to the ship and sailed to Assos, there intending to take Paul on board; for so he had given orders, intending himself to go on foot. ¹⁴ And when he met us at Assos, we took him on board and came to Mitylene. ¹⁵ We sailed from there, and the next *day* came opposite Chios. The following *day* we arrived at Samos and stayed at Trogyllium. The next *day* we came to Miletus.

¹⁶ For Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he would not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hurrying to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the Day of Pentecost.

¹⁷ From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called for the elders of the church. ¹⁸ And when they had come to him, he said to them: "You know, from the first day that I came to Asia, in what manner I always lived among you, ¹⁹ serving the Lord with all humility, with many tears and trials which happened to me by the plotting of the Jews; ²⁰ how I kept back nothing that was helpful, but proclaimed

8-12= (During Paul's teaching until midnight on Sunday, Eutychus fell down and was dead. But Paul exercised a gift of the Spirit or miracle to him who was alive and ate bread. They were much comforted hereby)

13-15= (Paul, Lucas, and/or other co-ministers went to Assos, Mitylene, Chios, Samos, Trogyllium, and finally Miletus, by ship and on foot— see the above map)

16=(Paul was hurrying to be at Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost when was 50 days after Passover, from Miletus in Minor Asia, because he wanted to deliver the collected donations of various churches in Rome, Macedonia, Achaia, Corinth, etc. for the needy saints in Jerusalem on the Pentecost, i.e., the thanksgiving day to the Lord for His provision of the Holy Spirit to every Christian. *Rom 15:25-26; 1 Cor 16:1-2; 2 Cor 8:1-2; 2 Cor 9:13*³)

17-21= (Paul called the elders of the church in Ephesus from Miletus. Paul's ministry or service to the Lord, not to men, with all humility – it's the ear mark of a person who has been used of God, against a tendency of people who exalt or elevate that person, because God uses the humble person, with many tears and trials of plot – with compassion upon the Lord's sheep and long-suffering or patience through trials; Paul did not ask any necessity from His sheep but did proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to you and taught you publicly daily at the school of Tyrannus and from house to house – e.g. CCAH's various facilities throughout Covid-19,

³ *Rom 15:25-26* But now I am going to Jerusalem to minister to the saints. ²⁶ For it pleased those from Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for the poor among the saints who are in Jerusalem; *1 Cor 16:1-2* Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given orders to the churches of Galatia, so you must do also: ² On the first *day* of the week let each one of you lay something aside, storing up as he may prosper, that there be no collections when I come; *2 Cor 8:1-2* Moreover, brethren, we make known to you the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia: ² that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded in the riches of their liberality; *2 Cor 9:13* while, through the proof of this ministry, they glorify God for the obedience of your confession to the gospel of Christ, and for *your* liberal sharing with them and all *men*,

<p>it to you, and taught you publicly and from house to house, ²¹ testifying to Jews, and also to Greeks, repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.</p> <p>²² And see, now I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things that will happen to me there, ²³ except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying that chains and tribulations await me.</p> <p>²⁴ But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.</p>	<p>wherever the Spirit leads for His good purpose. Paul testified to Jews and to Greeks who repented before God and believed in Jesus Christ. <i>Mat 23:12⁴</i>)</p> <p>22-23=Q1 (Paul was bound by the Spirit to go to Jerusalem, even if he did not know things to happen to him where chains and tribulations await Paul; Paul's ministry is controlled by the Spirit, not the flesh. However, In verse 30, the ministers made God's words perverse and draw away the disciples of the Lord after themselves. Their ministry is controlled by the flesh. So, we learn from Paul to be active obedient followers of the Lord, venturing out in faith.)</p> <p>24=(We as Christians have eternal life, whether by life or by death. Christ lives in me. At death, it's my gain to meet the Lord in heaven. Our life is considered worthless unless it is used for God, because life is perishable but God is forever. With the excellence of the knowledge of God, with the righteousness from God through faith in Christ, and in the Spirit, we are being sanctified toward the perfect image of Jesus Christ. In Paul's temperate testimony, whether in the body or out of the body, I don't know, but I was taken up into heaven. And so Paul had no fear of death, but he knew when we died we would be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven. So, we would be absent from these bodies so we can be present with the Lord. Therefore, I don't fear the chains and tribulations in Jerusalem awaits me but I am bound to do the ministry from the Lord Jesus by the Spirit – to deliver the donation and to preach gospel of the grace of God. Paul fought the good fight, finishing the race of his life to his personal calling, keeping faith, toward the crown of righteousness from the Lord. Note justice is getting what we deserve. Mercy is not getting what we deserve. Grace is one step further, Grace is receiving blessings and glory that we don't deserve. E.g. we deserve death penalty justice from sin; we through repentance are forgiven from sin by God's mercy. We through faith receive salvation by God's grace. <i>Phil 1:20-21; Phil 3:7-14; 2 Cor 12:1-6; 2 Cor 5:1-2; 2 Tim 4:7-8⁵</i>)</p>
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⁴ *Mat 23:12* And whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.

⁵ *Phil 1:20-21* according to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹ For to me, to live *is* Christ, and to die *is* gain; *Phil 3:7-14* But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. ⁸ Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which *is* from the law, but that which *is* through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith; ¹⁰ that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, ¹¹ if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. ¹² Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. ¹³ Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing *I do*, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, ¹⁴ I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus; *2 Cor 12:1-6* It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: ² I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a one was caught up to the third heaven. ³ And I know such a man—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— ⁴ how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. ⁵ Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. ⁶ For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me *to be* or hears from me; *2 Cor 5:1-2* For we know that if our earthly house, *this* tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ² For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven; *2 Tim 4:7-8* I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also

<p>25 “And indeed, now I know that you all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, will see my face no more.</p> <p>26 Therefore I testify to you this day that I <i>am</i> innocent of the blood of all <i>men</i>.</p> <p>27 For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God.</p> <p>28 Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.</p>	<p>25= (Paul and the elders knew each other (1) Paul preached the kingdom of God and (2) they would not see them again)</p> <p>26=(Paul had fulfilled his responsibility, of the ministry that he received from the Lord, owed to Him, to His sheep, i.e., Paul said I am innocent of the blood of all men because of teaching the whole counsel of God in verse 27. Paul had preached to Jews but they opposed and blasphemed. Then, Paul said, “Your blood be upon your own heads,” as Paul had preached to them and then whether or not the gospel was accepted by each of them who would be responsible to the Lord for whether or not each life was saved. Ezekiel the watchman’s responsibility owed to God was to warn the wicked from his wicked way to save his life. If Ezekiel did so, God would not ask the responsibility to Ezekiel even if the wicked did not turn from his way and he would die in iniquity. Otherwise, God ask the responsibility to Ezekiel, i.e., his blood God will require at Ezekiel’s hand. So we learn whatever ministry we do as to the Lord, not to men <i>Acts 18:6; Ezekiel 3:16-18; Ezekiel 33:9</i>⁶)</p> <p>27=Q2 (Paul taught all scripture without skipping a single Scripture. Before calling a pastor and teacher, I as a bible teacher served for 10 years at a local church with the summarized sermons, on which were discovered less than 10% of the word of God. There are so many peddling the word of God but Paul as of sincerely, as from God, spoke the word of God in the sight of God in Christ, as God wants neither to add to the word nor to take from it. So, Paul is pure from the responsibility to teach all words of God to them before the Lord, i.e., pure from the blood of all men. The giver of the rewards from heaven is our Lord -- not anyone of extreme majority could give the rewards on the earth. What a blessing! <i>2 Cor 2:17; Rev 22:18-19; Deu 4:2; Deu 12:32</i>⁷)</p> <p>28= (God put you as overseers over His lambs, feed them and tend them in God’s church bought with His blood as we learn (1) Holy Spirit, not man, made persons as ministers; (2) His church, not man’s church, bought with His blood, not human efforts <i>Mat 16:18; John 21:15</i>⁸)</p>
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to all who have loved His appearing.

⁶ *Acts 18:6* But when they opposed him and blasphemed, he shook *his* garments and said to them, “Your blood *be* upon your *own* heads; I *am* clean. From now on I will go to the Gentiles; *Ezekiel 3:16-18* Now it came to pass at the end of seven days that the word of the LORD came to me, saying, ¹⁷ “Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; therefore hear a word from My mouth, and give them warning from Me: ¹⁸ When I say to the wicked, ‘You shall surely die,’ and you give him no warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life, that same wicked *man* shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand; *Ezekiel 33:9* Nevertheless if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul.

⁷ *2 Cor 2:17* For we are not, as so many, peddling the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ; *Rev 22:18-19* For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book; ¹⁹ and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the holy city, and *from* the things which are written in this book; *Deu 4:2* You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you; *Deu 12:32* Whatever I command you, be careful to observe it; you shall not add to it nor take away from it.

⁸ *Mat 16:18* And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it; *John 21:15* So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of

<p>29 For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. 30 Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves. 31 Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears.</p> <p>32 "So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. 33 I have coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel.</p> <p>34 Yes, you yourselves know that these hands have provided for my necessities, and for those who were with me.</p> <p>35 I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' "</p>	<p>29-31= (After Paul's departure, uncontrolled wolves would come in the Lord's church, made the words of God perverse, and draw away the followers of the Lord after themselves – not only one person but a group and so we learn to discern whatever teaching with the Scripture who testifies of Jesus. Who can be against the Scripture? Thus, let the elders watch for this, as Paul continually warned everyone for 3 years.)</p> <p>32=(Paul recommends them to the word of God under His grace, which is able to edify you as the body of Christ and to sanctify you into the inheritance incorruptible and undefiled in heaven <i>Col 3:23-24; 1 Peter 1:3-4; Eph 1:18; Col 1:12</i>)</p> <p>33=(Paul was content in whatever state he is because he can do all things through Christ who strengthens him. So, Paul never coveted any precious jewels. <i>Phil 4:11-13</i>¹⁰)</p> <p>34=(A ministry is not dependent upon whether or not a minister is paid by a church but is dependent upon whether or not the minister received the ministry from the Lord in verse 24, because the Lord leads, and the Lord provides. So, the Lord seeker is needed rather than money seeker or fund seeker. Paul labored for his daily necessity and here for other co-ministers as well, not becoming a burden to any of His sheep. <i>1 Thes 2:9</i>¹¹)</p> <p>35=Q3 (Paul's life was an example of how to follow Jesus, by word and deed in the Spirit. To support the weak by word and deed in the Spirit is to practice the commandment to love your neighbor as yourself. In heaven, such a work of the Spirit would endure in the fire test and the doer would receive rewards. The donor to give is more blessed than the recipient to receive because the donor's reward in heaven would not be destroyed by moth or rust and would not be stolen by thieves, and the tangible things of the recipient are</p>
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Jonah, do you love Me more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Feed My lambs."

⁹ *Col 3:23-24* And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, ²⁴ knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ; *1 Peter 1:3-4* Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you; *Eph 1:18* the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints; *Col 1:12* giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light.

¹⁰ *Phil 4:11-13* Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content: ¹² I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. ¹³ I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

¹¹ *1 Thes 2:9* For you remember, brethren, our labor and toil; for laboring night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you, we preached to you the gospel of God.

<p>³⁶ And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all. ³⁷ Then they all wept freely, and fell on Paul's neck and kissed him, ³⁸ sorrowing most of all for the words which he spoke, that they would see his face no more. And they accompanied him to the ship.</p>	<p>blessed but perishable. Jesus's word, 'it is more blessed to give than to receive,' not found in the Scripture but in Jesus' many other things of which even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written. <i>Gal 5:13,14,25; 1 Cor 3:13-15; Mat 6:19-20; Luke 12:21; John 21:25</i>¹²)</p> <p>36-38= (On the beach of Miletus, it was a very emotional moment as Paul was ministering to these elders, giving them the charge over the church. Commending the church and the people to God. It's a good example for Christian fellowship. They had prayed together and comforted each other. They said their good byes, as Paul left for the uncertain future of Jerusalem)</p>
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Note: Most Christians say the Bible is important, but rarely study every word in the Bible and commit it to the Lord. So, it's better to study it and live accordingly after the Spirit for the Lord (2 Tim 2:15). This online word for global crusade in effect develops from the expositional sermon (KJV), into spiritual transformation in daily love fellowship with the Lord throughout the Bible Study (NKJV) -- *All Scripture Expository Study from verse by verse Inductive Studies* -- of which application is the Discipleship and Spiritual Formation, closer to the image of Christ. We think that "Any human opinion is not really important rather than what God says. So, the best commentary on the Bible is the Bible per se. But the opinion to make us understand God's Word is acceptable (2 Corinthians 10:5)." Further, for the application, a life or spiritual experience might be helpful to understand how to apply an understood word in the text column, but it is temperately used like Paul, because nobody should think above that literal experience (2 Cor 12:6, Jer 23:28; Ne 8:8).

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Truth matters, regardless of online, offline, indoor, outdoor, at sea, or in sky services.



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¹² *Gal 5:13,14,25* ¹³ For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. ¹⁴ For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself. ²⁵ If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.; *1 Cor 3:13-15* each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. ¹⁴ If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. ¹⁵ If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire. *Mat 6:19-20* Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰ but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal; *Luke 12:21* So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God; *John 21:25* And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written. Amen;

Thank you everybody. Come to Jesus!

European Union Mission

The conviction was handed down on October 28, 2023.

In 2023, during Paul's footsteps mission tour and evangelism, several significant observations were made: Firstly, English emerged as the predominant language among people in the European Union (EU). Secondly, despite a rich Christian history, there are relatively few Christians in the midst of a post-Christian culture. Thirdly, it was noted that upon sharing the words of God, many individuals displayed unexpected curiosity or interest. Lastly, leveraging artificial intelligence (AI) tools, the dissemination of God's words can be accelerated significantly, aligning with the prophecy of Daniel 12:4b, "many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased."

These findings serve as a compelling motivation for us, as debtors of Jesus' love, to endeavor to spread the entirety of God's words throughout the EU whenever providence allows.

all Scripture

"He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3:30).

"Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away" (Mathew 24:35).

EU mission tour (9/26 – 10/4), with the aid of an AI tool.

Calvary Anaheim Hills Missions:

"Greater Works" in John 14:12 -Our prayer support group are praying, offering, or going. You may do so. Psalm 83:18 "That they many know that You, whose name alone is the Lord, are the Most High over all the earth."

Bosnia and Herzegovina -- street evangelists.... MAP genocide

China -- Hannah, Jeremy, Merry, Mi Young... MAP

European Union – Lily, Wayne, Jane, T K, Raura, Paul.....MAP EU

France -- Joy Diacou... MAP

Haiti – Brian McDaniel MAP

India -- Abraham Motakatia, Varughese Saji, Kris Davis, Y Suri, K P Yohannan MAP

Iran -- Christina, David, Ray Sleiman, Shahin, Reza, Brian.... MAP

Indonesia -- Choon Choi, Jong Kim, Robinson Pea MAP

Iraq, Afghanistan -- Heather Mercer, Sami T (in other Muslim countries)..... MAP MAP

Israel -- street evangelists.... MAP genocide

Italy -- Brent Harrell... MAP

Japan -- Chester Hudspeth, Janet McTaggart, Kyomasa & Taeko.... MAP

Kenya -- Ed Compean, Helen Ju, Rob Gordon... MAP

Lebanon -- Raymond Sleighman... MAP

Nepal -- Joseph & Esther Choi..... MAP

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Russia -- Robert Ovcharenko..... MAP

Scotland -- Chris & Jenn Lawsons, Steve Kostlan MAP

South Korea -- Mike, Peter, Seoung, Victor, Loudermilk... MAP

Sudan -- Gary Kusunoki, Robert, In Hwa Shin (Leprosy in other African countries), Wes ... MAP

Uganda -- Brian Kelly... MAP

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Ukraine, Kyrgyzstan -- Jed & Renee Gourley, George & Pam Markey.. MAP MAP

*Please pray for Missionaries and for Christians over all the earth.
James 5:16b ".....The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much."*

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Delivery of the words of God

in Gospel and in all Scripture

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For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. 17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, The just shall live by faith (Romans 1:16-17).

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Affluent and Well-prepared Retiree And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry. 20 But God said to him, Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided? 21 So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God (Luke 12:19-21).

Let go, Let God CCAH has been led daily by the Spirit in the Whole Counsel of God for its beliefs, and their consequent practices since over 20 years ago. Through CCAH, our Lord has been increasing faith, the word of God, its consequent practice, love, or joy with the perishable means. God has faithfully been touching the least souls like flames such as the addicted, the retirees, the indigent, the homeless, the veterans, and the rarely touched souls in the world -- free from where Christ is named, commercial capitalism is controlling, territorial boundaries are lined, and racial, material, or hereditary partiality underscores -- in the light of Matthew 25:40, "And the King will answer and say to them, Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me."

We have been volitionally, joyfully, and thankfully praying and following His continual direction until our Lord comes again. That's our privilege and our blessing. Please pray through our love for each other as long as we the one body of Christ on the earth are not against the principles of the doctrine of Christ.



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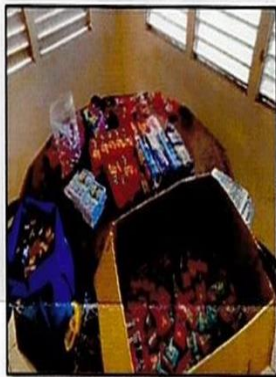
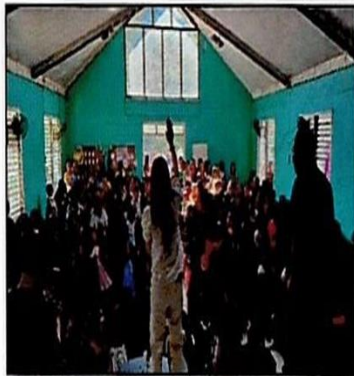
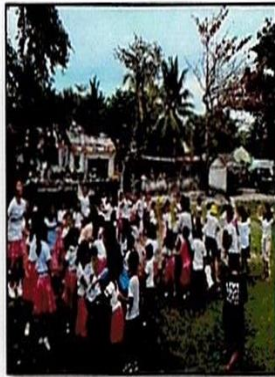
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The truth the Word of God matters wherever – indoor, outdoor, online, offline, at sea, or in sky --- and wherever – Sunday, Saturday, weekday, every day, this generation time, or the future generation time (John 4:23; 5:39; 17:17; Col 2:16-17). [Christian Population by Country](#)

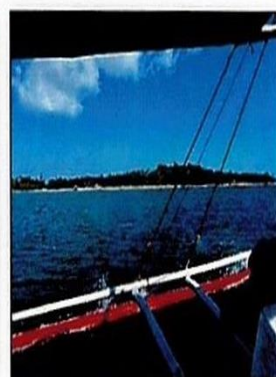
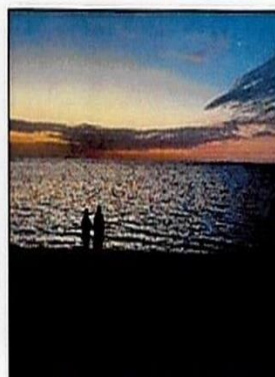
teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you.....(Matthew 28:20a)

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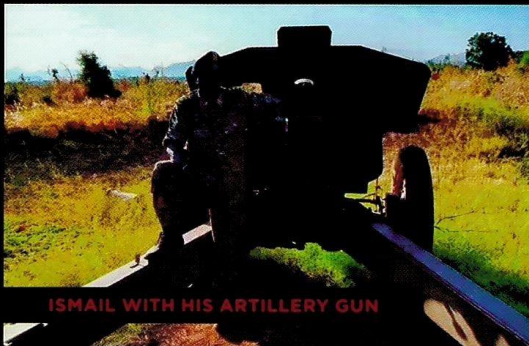
Pray for Philippines Ministry and for Pastoral Training of Asia (PTA) ministry at Dumaguete Island.



You helped us pay to have the church roof repaired :)



Pray for the Feeding People From Starvation and Sickness.



ISMAIL WITH HIS ARTILLERY GUN

God could deliver him. Ismail said that if God can heal me from this, He is real, and I will follow him and he did.

In one particular battle Ismail was in, his unit was being attacked by 700 Islamic enemy soldiers and his unit had only 100 men. His unit was told to attack even though they were greatly outnumbered, but he said, "Today is Sunday. Let us pray this whole day and seek our God that He will be with us." So, all the soldiers spent the



WE STARTED THE FEEDING PROGRAM TO KEEP PEOPLE FROM STARVATION AND SICKNESS

day in prayer. The next day, Ismail took his artillery gun and fired seven shots; all seven hit critical enemy positions, and within a few minutes, the enemy was in full retreat leaving the area and did not return. The men spent the day giving thanks to the Lord for His deliverance. Ismail was known for many great feats of heroism, once capturing 16 enemy soldiers and three trucks full of military supplies. On another occasion, his position was hit by a surface-to-air missile (SAM) that killed over 100 soldiers and 30 civilians. Once again, Ismail escaped uninjured, and the people said it was because of his relationship with Christ that he was delivered.

I am at the chaplain base as this letter is being written. We sent for Ismail's wife to be brought from the Nuba

Mountains to the base. We will do our best to comfort her in her grief and give her the stipend that we give for each fallen chaplain, which can take care of her for years. Ismail was around 55 years of age and served in the war for 37 years. In his life, he had brought many men and



NEW CHURCH BUILT BY JOSHUA SPRINGS CALVARY CHAPEL AND JEREL HAGERMAN

women to Christ. He had planted a church in a radical Muslim area where the people were some of the most violent, but to this day, his church is still alive with over 200 converted Muslims.

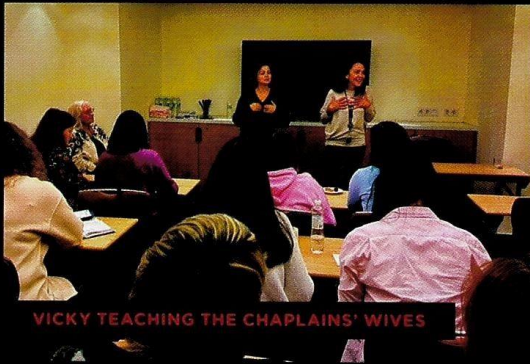
He never knew the comforts of this world but will know great peace throughout eternity, having given his all to protect his people and serve Christ.

Wes Bentley

Wes Bentley

Far Reaching Ministries

Pray for Abandoned children in Ukraine and for His increase



VICKY TEACHING THE CHAPLAINS' WIVES

I cannot live with myself knowing this is going on, and I am willing to spend the rest of my life protecting and caring for those who do not have the ability to protect and care for themselves.

I have always thought that if I reached an age when I was too old to travel, I would enjoy restoring a classic car. I enjoy watching shows that take an old car that is a wreck and bring it back to life. Truthfully, I would enjoy having a garage with half a dozen cars that I could slowly restore. Watching shows that bring a wreck back to a thing of beauty reminds me of how the Lord takes broken lives and restores them. But I would far more desire to save these children and set up places of refuge for the handicapped and children of all ages, including babies and toddlers. Please understand we plan on starting what does not exist in Ukraine, and when we find children who are being abused by parents, we will not allow it to continue. When the laws of the land do not protect women and children, we, as believers, answer to a higher law, God's law, and will do what is necessary to ensure these children are not harmed by parents or anyone, such as a boyfriend.



FLAGS SIGNED BY CHAPLAINS GIVEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF OUR TEAM IN APPRECIATION FOR SUPPORTING UKRAINIAN CHAPLAINS

In March of last year, we wrote about children who were being sexually abused in Central and South America, and I was truly stunned by how the body of Christ responded. It was far beyond what I ever expected. Because the response was so tremendous, many children are being rescued, but now we need people to come alongside and help us build the infrastructure to save children in Ukraine. You can sign up for a monthly amount of whatever you feel led to give. It could be \$25, \$50, \$75 or \$100. And if you can give far more because of how God has blessed you, we welcome the gift and assure you that these funds will be used solely for this project. I want to let you know that as we begin this project, we cannot send you a biography and photo of a specific child. Once we have children in our care, we will send you information about a child for whom you can pray. So please consider joining us in the rescue of these children.

Hopefully, in time, we will have the ability to facilitate adoptions. It would be my heart's desire that the homes would be a place of love until we can find a family that will care for these children.



CHAPLAINS AT FRONT REACHING MANY

Folks, I have some investments that should bring a great return in the next couple of years, and if the Lord blesses I will willingly give it to care for these children.

The Bible says in Psalm 68:5-6 that He is a father to the fatherless and sets the lonely in families.

We will actively seek to follow every lead to find the children who are abandoned and abused. A few years ago, a couple was arrested, and when the police came, they found that the couple had a little girl. When the officers asked her what her name was, she responded, "Stupid." The child had a black eye and deep-purple

Pray for the Rescue from Afghanistan & Ukraine and for His glory.



WHEN MY HEART IS OVERWHELMED

I have too much to share once again but let me just give you an update on Afghanistan first.

On our Afghanistan operation, we have rescued around 2,700 individuals. During this operation, we raised about \$5.5 million, but we will have spent close to \$6.5 million by the time our last refugees are safely resettled. Brent came to me and asked what I wanted to do when the money had run out, and I told him that we would spend what was needed to get every last person the Lord had entrusted us with to relocate to a safe country. For all of you who have given, thank you, I believe you have touched the heart of God. And I would like to give a special thanks to North Country Chapel for helping to save so many lives. Far Reaching Ministries is in the final stages of shutting down operations in Afghanistan.

In March, Luke, Vicky, and I were at the chaplain refresher course in Ukraine. The time was far better than

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I could have imagined. We had brought eight pastors from the U.S., most had been with us the last time men like Pastor Lloyd Pulley, Pastor James Class, and Pastor David Mercer to name a few. The fact that many of us returned had great meaning to the Ukrainians. One of the chaplains said that the last year had been "hell on earth". And when he was traveling with his family, his son said, "Dad, where are we going?" His father replied, "Paradise!" I was told that the Radisson Resort we were staying at, in the Carpathian Mountains, was considered by many Ukrainians to be a once in a lifetime destination. One brother told me that if you had stayed at this resort, you had arrived and were considered to have lived a life worth living. It was a nice hotel, but by U.S. standards it would be considered average. But for our chaplains and their families, these retreats are a great blessing.

After the conference the pastors traveled back to the U.S.,

Pray for Feeding the Lord's Lambs in Ukraine and in S Sudan

Second, I want to share an update on our orphanage project in Ukraine. We have found a great location that is even better than the first. It not only has room for an orphanage but future Bible school as well as a chaplain base. The property is seven acres and has a natural waterway. When the owner found out believers from the U.S. wanted to help Ukrainian orphans, he lowered the price from \$180,000 to \$140,000. We have raised the complete amount to purchase the property so that the next phase will be the construction of the first dorm for 100 children. For another \$250,000, we will be able to complete a kitchen and cafeteria, and the new children's dorm. We have already raised the first \$100,000 and only need another \$150,000 to complete the initial phase of



the project. One of the ideas is to build the buildings in an Austrian or German Bavarian style so that the children will grow up in a beautiful home and have many happy memories.

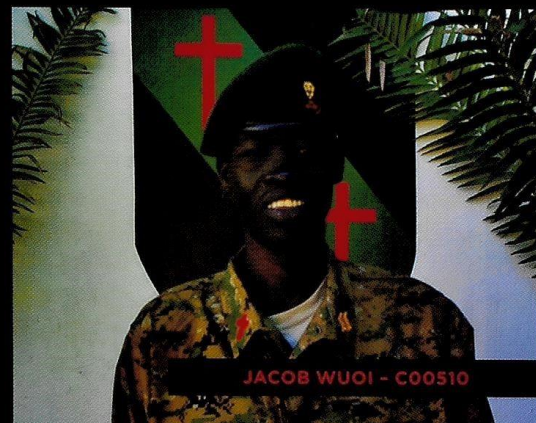
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We are also looking for pastors to come to Ukraine to train the chaplains.

The third thing I need to share is that Far Reaching Ministries (FRM) has shipped a container of Bibles into China. We can share no details so as not to hamper future operations.

The fourth thing we must report is the loss of two more chaplains—Chaplain Jacob Wuoi and Chaplain John Ebele. With the death of three more chaplains in the last year, this brings the total to 76 chaplains lost since the beginning of the ministry.



Jacob joined the chaplaincy program in 2019. He fell ill one evening and was gone by morning. Being in South Sudan, he was buried the next day, and whatever took him, we will never know. Jacob had graduated in Class 11 and served for four years before he was summoned home by our Lord Jesus Christ.

Q 1. How many members or offerings are at CCAH?

A 1. People say, "How many people have been saved?" we don't know, but God knows, although we acknowledge that God has arranged over 1,000 units of communities, 7 sober living facilities, over 200 units of veteran community, KJV English & RVR Spanish Bibles & 200 lunches per week for the homeless, and over a million online visitors (Mat 22:2). It doesn't matter. It's something we leave the numbers with God. He knows those that are His and that's the important thing (e.g. David's motive for census in 1 Chro 21:1). Therefore, we don't worry about the numbers of the members and of tithes and offerings because the Lord has given the increase, He has added them to CCAH so far (1 Cor 3:7; Acts 2:47; 2 Sam 24:1-3), not as we have done at all, and CCAH is His own church (souls), the Lord's church, "Jesus is all in all," purchased with His blood (Mat 16:18; 1 Cor 6:20; Acts 20:28). Since His foolishness is wiser than men, such as all men's visions/ plans/ programs (1 Cor 1:25; Zechariah 4:6), and His thoughts unto each soul are more in number than the sand (Psalm 139:17-18), we are just active obedient followers of the Lord, venturing out in faith, "**Let CCAH go, let God.**"

And if you did indeed receive the increase, why do you boast as if you had not received it? (1 Cor 4:7) For we are not, as so many, peddling the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ (2 Cor 2:17), CCAH continues faithfully in teaching the entire Bible simply without alteration, fellowship, communion, and prayers, being the witnesses to Christ, powered with the Spirit, in Jerusalem, all Judea, Samaria, and to the end of the earth (Acts 1:8; 2:42, 47). The truth the Word of God matters wherever - offline, indoor, outdoor, online, at sea, or in sky - and whenever - Sunday, Saturday, weekday, every day, this generation time, or the future generation time (John 5:39; 17:17). The truth shall make us free (John 8:32), from where Christ is named, where commercial capitalism is controlling, where territorial boundaries are lined, or where racial, material, or hereditary partiality underscores. Every Christian is exhorted to go to church at any convenient place unless she is against "the principles of doctrine of Christ" (Heb 6:1) because of "one church (Ekklesia) on the earth" (Eph 1:22-23). Touchable over 1,000 souls by offline and foreseeable over 1 million souls by online at CCAH are being fed by the whole counsel of God throughout the Spirit, living by every His word (1 John 2:27; Luke 4:4). CCAH does care about each soul because we believe that everybody is impartially created by God in His image (Gen 1:26) -- regardless of race, gender, age, wealth, or education such as Caucasian, male, youth, rich, Ivy league graduate, or not-- and that the eternal value of each soul is much greater than the value of any material/ temporal/ perishable things on the earth (James 3:17; Mat 16:26). When God leads, God provides (1 Chronicles 22:11). So, we don't seek money because it follows the faith in the almighty Lord by the love of God. Therefore, we never ask people for money, but would offer what we have to the Lord and pray Him to handle the issues (like Andrew rather than Philip in John 6:6-9). Individually, we can discern our each mind before the Lord, as how much love for Him can be observed (1) by the money index to divide willing expenditures to God by total expenditures (Luke 12:34; 21:2-3), as well as (2) by how much the words of God we love (John 1:1). We know that any offering to God without willing mind is not accepted by God (2 Cor 8:12). The public love money especially in capitalism society because without money capitalism would not exist. However, we as Christians should not love money but should know its nature (1 Timothy 6:10). CCAH has been controlled not by money even in the capitalism society but by sovereign almighty God. The foundation of CCAH finance has begun from a homeless person's 2 dime offering to the Lord for CCAH at the Rock Fortress facility. The willing mind part for an offering should always prevail over its money part. An offering box in a church service or a donation button on websites through CCAH is a way to express a donor's love for God by willing donation, the 1st part rather than 2nd money part, according to the Scripture (Mark 12:43; Luke 21:3-4). In fact, the fund raising or the fund seeking is not necessary for CCAH but the Lord seeking is sufficient because God is continually working through His church, CCAH, in Acts 29 (1 Chronicles 28:9; 2 Chronicles 15:1-2). We have spent offerings/donations about 40% for external ministries (for missions in Philipians 4:15-19 & for charity in Matthew 25:40) based upon our faith of "one church (Ekklesia) on the earth" -- the holy universal church, not unholy ecumenical church -- (e.g. 1st Quarter 2014, 43.15%; 4th Quarter 2013, 55.6 %; 3rd Quarter 2013, 20.11%; 2nd Quarter 2013, 55.91%; 1st Quarter, 2013 43.26%; 4th Quarter, 2012 45.57%, etc.), rather than spent them for additional social/cultural/popular internal programs. But about 60% for the internal ministries following the model of the early church in the Book of Acts is spent for sheep to be fed with spiritual food (Galatians 6:6) and for staff (1 Timothy 5:17-18).

CCAHA is **the poor in material and spirit**, but is the rich to give it away for Christ's sake, e.g., about 40% of annual offerings, with the poor hearts in spirit. The Lord is the shepherd of CCAH who is "as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things" (2 Cor 6:10).

Acts 2:42 "And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers." Acts 2:47b "...And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved." Matthew 16:26 "For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" 1 Corinthians 4:7 "For who makes you differ from another? And what do you have that you did not receive? Now if you did indeed receive it, why do you boast as if you had not received it?" **Source: <https://www.calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/Q&A.htm> for full Q&A**

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(Please pray for the 5 joining co-ministers to be blessed richly and to share the blessings with the Lord's lambs at each ministry that each received from Him.)

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Hope, Suffering, and Glory: Studies in 1 Peter

Dear Friends,

We are really looking forward to this year's CGN International Conference. As the Executive Team sat down to think and pray about this year's theme, we all agreed that, based on the tumultuous nature of the times, we needed to look to a text of Scripture that would speak to our current cultural moment. We agreed that 1 Peter would be an excellent place to draw encouragement from since Peter wrote to those who were also living out their faith in challenging times. Our theme, Hope, Suffering, and Glory, captures much of what the Apostle addressed in the letter and speaks to much of our experience here in this present hour. I am delighted that we have been able to put together a great lineup of speakers to address important and relevant topics. I look forward to seeing each of you, and being encouraged together with you, as we look to the Lord to speak through His word and strengthen each of us through His presence as we gather in His name.



Blessings,

Brian Brodersen

President, Calvary Global Network