

“Polluted Bread” Malachai 1-2 12/29/24

Today, we'd like to see the title of "Polluted Bread" in Malachai 1-2

To the souls on this Online Word *through Podcast or YouTube Channel*, on the earth, we'd like to suggest the 3 expositional Questions. (*Maranatha Worship Songs : Videos are watchable upon the click on the website* : [_____](#)).

Q1. In 1:7, "You offer defiled food on My altar, But say, 'In what way have we defiled You?' By saying, 'The table of the Lord is contemptible,'" what does it mean in the context? And how can we apply it to our lives?

Q2. In 2:8, "But you have departed from the way; You have caused many to stumble at the law. You have corrupted the covenant of Levi,' Says the Lord of hosts," what does it mean? And what can we learn from here?

Q3. In 2:11, "Judah has dealt treacherously, And an abomination has been committed in Israel and in Jerusalem, For Judah has profaned The Lord's holy *institution* which He loves: He has married the daughter of a foreign god," what does it mean? And how can we apply it to our lives?

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

Chronological Order of Prophets

16	Haggai (520-516)	Persia conquered Babylon in 536 BC: (1) return from the captivity: Joshua & Zerubbabel (536-516) (2) Temple rebuilt: Ezra (457-430), and Wall rebuilt: Nehemiah (444-432)
16	Zechariah (520-516)	
18	Malachi (450-400)	

While the temple was rebuilt during Ezra (457-430 BC) and the wall was rebuilt during Nehemiah (444-432 BC), Malachai prophesied during 450-400 BC. Then it was shown the people's disobedience to God such as interracial marriage problem prohibited in the Old Testament (OT) in the light of Nehemiah 13:28-31, "And *one* of the sons of Joiada, the son of Eliashib the high priest, was a son-in-law of Sanballat the Horonite; therefore I drove him from me.²⁹ Remember them, O my God, because they have defiled the priesthood and the covenant of the priesthood and the Levites.³⁰ Thus I purged them of everything pagan. I also assigned duties to the priests and the Levites, each to his service,³¹ and *to bringing* the wood offering and the firstfruits at appointed times. Remember me, O my God, for good!"

The last words of Malachi are the prophecy about the coming of Elija before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord, in the light of Mal 4:5-6, "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet Before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.⁶ And he will turn The hearts of the fathers to the children, And the hearts of the children to their fathers, Lest I come and strike the earth with a curse." Malachi was the last prophet of the OT prophets and, through 400 years of silence, John the Baptist as a role of Elijah, not Elijah per se, came and preached "Repent ye; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand," in the light of Matthew 3:1-2, "In those days John the Baptist came

preaching in the wilderness of Judea, ² and saying, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!’” Jesus stated him as in Matthew 11:11 “Assuredly, I say to you, among those born of women there has not risen one greater than John the Baptist; but he who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.” That means whoever believes in the Lord Jesus Christ the Savior is greater than John the Baptist who is greater than anyone in the OT, because of Jesus.

TEXT: NKJV [KJV]

Inductive Explanation in context & syntax

<p>1 ¹The burden of the word of the Lord to Israel by Malachi. ²“I have loved you,” says the Lord. “Yet you say, ‘In what way have You loved us?’ <i>Was not Esau Jacob’s brother?</i>” Says the Lord. “Yet Jacob I have loved; ³ But Esau I have hated, And laid waste his mountains and his heritage For the jackals of the wilderness.” ⁴ Even though Edom has said, “We have been impoverished, But we will return and build the desolate places,” Thus says the Lord of hosts: “They may build, but I will throw down; They shall be called the Territory of Wickedness, And the people against whom the Lord will have indignation forever. ⁵ Your eyes shall see, And you shall say, ‘The Lord is magnified beyond the border of Israel.’ ⁶ “A son honors <i>his</i> father, And a servant <i>his</i> master. If then I am the Father, Where <i>is</i> My honor? And if I <i>am</i> a Master, Where <i>is</i> My reverence? Says the Lord of hosts To you priests who despise My name. Yet you say, ‘In what way have we despised Your name?’ ⁷ “You offer defiled [polluted] food on My altar, But say, ‘In what way have we defiled You?’ By saying, ‘The table of the Lord is contemptible.’</p>	<p>1</p> <p>3= (God simply chose Jacob through whom the Messiah would come according to the purpose of God that all people would be blessed through the Messiah. God is an absolute chooser or elector like a potter over a clay <i>Rom 9:11-13</i>)</p> <p>5= (Edom the nation descended from Esau beyond the board of Israel, the south of the salt sea or dead sea, has been disappeared through Babylon, Persia, and Alexandria the Greek’s attacks.)</p> <p>6= (To despise My name means not to obey God’s words. Here the priest did not honor, show reverence, or keep His commandments. See verse 8)</p> <p>7=Q1 (The offering to God had to be the best, pure without blemish. The meal offering offered unto the Lord should have been pure, not polluted, defiled, or rotten. Our leftover chattels, time, money, skill, or labor to offered unto Him would not be the best, e.g., garage sale. In the NT time, the Holy Spirit dwells in us who should present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is our reasonable service to Him, i.e., our life itself like Christ.</p>
---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

¹ *Rom 9:11-13* (for the children not yet being born, nor having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works but of Him who calls), ¹² it was said to her, “The older shall serve the younger.” ¹³ As it is written, “Jacob I have loved, but Esau I have hated.”

<p>8 And when you offer the blind as a sacrifice, <i>Is it not evil?</i> And when you offer the lame and sick, <i>Is it not evil?</i> Offer it then to your governor! Would he be pleased with you? Would he accept you favorably?” Says the Lord of hosts.</p> <p>9 “But now entreat God’s favor, That He may be gracious to us. <i>While</i> this is being <i>done</i> by your hands, Will He accept you favorably?” Says the Lord of hosts.</p> <p>10 “Who <i>is there</i> even among you who would shut the doors, So that you would not kindle fire <i>on My</i> altar in vain? I have no pleasure in you,” Says the Lord of hosts, “Nor will I accept an offering from your hands.</p> <p>11 For from the rising of the sun, even to its going down, My name <i>shall be</i> great among the Gentiles; In every place incense <i>shall be</i> offered to My name, And a pure offering; For My name shall be great among the nations,” Says the Lord of hosts.</p> <p>12 “But you profane it, In that you say, ‘The table of the Lord is defiled; And its fruit, its food, <i>is</i> contemptible.’</p> <p>13 You also say, ‘Oh, what a weariness! And you sneer at it,” Says the Lord of hosts. “And you bring the stolen, the lame, and the sick; Thus you bring an offering! Should I accept this from your hand?” Says the Lord.</p> <p>14 “But cursed <i>be</i> the deceiver Who has in his flock a male, And takes a vow, But sacrifices to the Lord what is blemished— For I <i>am</i> a great King,” Says the Lord of hosts, “<i>And My name is to be</i> feared among the nations.</p>	<p>Lev 1:3; Rom 12:1²)</p> <p>8= (The blind, lame, or sick animal sacrifice offered to God was not pure or the best according to the Scripture. God loves a cheerful giver, not a grudging or forced giver. 2 Cor 9:7³)</p> <p>9= (Absolute not)</p> <p>10= (You kindled fire on My altar of incense in the holy place at the tabernacle or the temple of God not according to God’s commandment, e.g., without obedient or honorable heart. It’s called strange fire. See below tabernacle of Moses chart. Lev. 10:1⁴)</p> <p>11= (God wants “a pure offering” according to His word, not impure or polluted offering.)</p> <p>12= (God’s name was profaned by defiled table and contemptible food offerings.)</p> <p>13= (weariness is that you tired of ministries to the Lord; sneer is a contemptuous smile)</p> <p>14= (God’s name was not to be holy feared among the nations due to your disobedient heart and polluted offering)</p>
------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

² Lev 1:3 ‘If his offering *is* a burnt sacrifice of the herd, let him offer a male without blemish; he shall offer it of his own free will at the door of the tabernacle of meeting before the Lord; Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service.

³ 2 Cor 9:7 So *let* each one *give* as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

⁴ Lev. 10:1 And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put **fire** therein, and put incense thereon, and offered **strange fire** before the Lord, which he commanded them not.

<p>2</p> <p>¹“And now, O priests, this commandment is for you. ² If you will not hear, And if you will not take <i>it</i> to heart, To give glory to My name,” Says the Lord of hosts, “I will send a curse upon you, And I will curse your blessings. Yes, I have cursed them already, Because you do not take <i>it</i> to heart. ³ “Behold, I will rebuke your descendants And spread refuse on your faces, The refuse of your solemn feasts; And <i>one</i> will take you away with it. ⁴ Then you shall know that I have sent this commandment to you, That My covenant with Levi may continue,” Says the Lord of hosts. ⁵ “My covenant was with him, <i>one</i> of life and peace, And I gave them to him <i>that he might fear Me</i>; So he feared Me And was reverent before My name.</p> <p>⁶ The law of truth was in his mouth, And injustice was not found on his lips. He walked with Me in peace and equity, And turned many away from iniquity.</p> <p>⁷ “For the lips of a priest should keep knowledge, And <i>people</i> should seek the law from his mouth; For he is the messenger of the Lord of hosts.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>2= (Priests were a representative of God before people, while they were a representative of people before God. You the priests did not give glory to His name, not according to His word or commandment, God will curse your already given blessings or prosperities. In the New Testament time, every Christian is a priest and Jesus is the high priest. <i>1 Peter 2:9; Heb 2:17⁵</i>)</p> <p>4= (God had a covenant with Levites to minister unto the Lord over the tabernacle of the Testimony, over all its furnishings, and over things that belong to it. It had been developed to the Priestly covenant – see the attached Covenants & Dispensation chart. <i>Num 1:47-50⁶</i>)</p> <p>6= (God wants us to walk or live in peace and equity or equality according to His word)</p> <p>7= (The priest should know God’s word but the lack of knowledge caused to mislead people astray from the truth. Pastors or word ministers are best to stick as close to the word as possible and to deliver the word – what it says with purity and without peddling, what it means, and how it applies to daily life. So many peddled partial words of God are sometimes misled from God’s purpose, intention, or will in the Scripture. And how important (1) is that what we say is of the Spirit, directed by the Spirit, and (2) is the Word of God that we bring to His sheep. <i>2 Cor 2:17⁷</i>)</p>
---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

⁵ *1 Peter 2:9* But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light; *Heb 2:17* Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.

⁶ *Num 1:47-50* But the Levites were not numbered among them by their fathers’ tribe; ⁴⁸ for the Lord had spoken to Moses, saying: ⁴⁹ “Only the tribe of Levi you shall not number, nor take a census of them among the children of Israel; ⁵⁰ but you shall appoint the Levites over the tabernacle of the Testimony, over all its furnishings, and over all things that belong to it; they shall carry the tabernacle and all its furnishings; they shall attend to it and camp around the tabernacle.

⁷ *2 Cor 2:17* For we are not, as many, peddling the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ.

⁸ But you have departed from the way;
You have caused many to stumble at the law.
You have corrupted the covenant of Levi,”
Says the Lord of hosts.

⁹ “Therefore I also have made you contemptible
and base Before all the people,
Because you have not kept My ways
But have shown partiality in the law.”

¹⁰ Have we not all one Father?
Has not one God created us?
Why do we deal treacherously with one another
By profaning the covenant of the fathers?

¹¹ Judah has dealt treacherously,
And an abomination has been committed in Israel
and in Jerusalem,
For Judah has profaned
The Lord’s holy *institution* [holiness of the Lord]
which He loves:
He has married the daughter of a foreign god.

8=Q2 (Your lack of knowledge caused many to stumble. For example, for offering, donation, or gift to God, a tradition was developed. But sadly the tradition used to excuse to keep the 5th commandment to honor parents, such as you gave all to God which were not leftover to support parents. Jesus did not come to destroy the Law or the Prophets in OT but to fulfill. So under the new covenant in Jesus’ blood, keeping the law will not make us righteous, but we are righteous because of each faith in the Lord Jesus Christ the Savior. That does not negate the law in any wise but through Jesus Christ we have the power to keep the law by the work of the Holy Spirit in the form of the faith through hearing of His word within each life. *Mat 15:3-6; Mat 5:17-19; Rom 8:4⁸*)

10=(God created all of us, showing love. God wants to be loved mostly by us who love each other, not treat treacherously/cheatingly/ betrayingly each other such as partiality either favor to the rich or hatred to the poor. When we try to live apart from God, we then become controlled by our own lust and our greed which lead us to the partiality. Our God is impartial *James 2:1⁹*)

11= Q3 (As in Nehemiah time, even a high priest’s grandson’s marriage with a pagan woman had occurred against God’s word. In the OT, God prohibited the interracial marriage between a Jews and a non-Jews because of a pagan worship. In NT in the dispensation of the fullness of the times in one all things in Jesus Christ, the marriage between a believer and an unbeliever is

⁸ *Mat 15:3-6* He answered and said to them, “Why do you also transgress the commandment of God because of your tradition? ⁴ For God commanded, saying, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death.’ ⁵ But you say, ‘Whoever says to his father or mother, “Whatever profit you might have received from me *is a gift to God*”— ⁶ then he need not honor his father or mother.’ Thus you have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition; *Mat 5:17-19* “Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled. ¹⁹ Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches *them*, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven; *Rom 8:4* that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

⁹ *James 2:1* My brethren, do not hold the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, *the Lord* of glory, with partiality.

<p>12 May the Lord cut off from the tents of Jacob The man who does this, being awake and aware, Yet who brings an offering to the Lord of hosts!</p> <p>13 And this is the second thing you do: You cover the altar of the Lord with tears, With weeping and crying; So He does not regard the offering anymore, Nor receive <i>it</i> with goodwill from your hands.</p> <p>14 Yet you say, “For what reason?” Because the Lord has been witness Between you and the wife of your youth, With whom you have dealt treacherously; Yet she is your companion And your wife by covenant.</p> <p>15 But did He not make <i>them</i> one, Having a remnant of the Spirit? And why one? He seeks godly offspring. Therefore take heed to your spirit, And let none deal treacherously with the wife of his youth.</p> <p>16 “For the Lord God of Israel says That He hates divorce, For it covers one’s garment with violence,” Says the Lord of hosts. “Therefore take heed to your spirit, That you do not deal treacherously.”</p> <p>17 You have wearied the Lord with your words; Yet you say, “In what way have we wearied <i>Him</i>?” In that you say, “Everyone who does evil <i>Is</i> good in the sight of the Lord, And He delights in them,” Or, “Where <i>is</i> the God of justice?”</p>	<p>unholy or an unholy institution. See Covenants vs. Dispensations below. <i>Deu</i> <i>7:3-4; 2 Cor 6:14; Eph 1:10¹⁰</i>)</p> <p>13= (God does not accept the willing offering against the said commandments of God or against His words, despite your weeping with tears and crying at the altar of incense or the altar of the burnt offerings..)</p> <p>14=(God wants a husband and his wife love each other. Even if in the OT a certificate of divorce was allowed, Jesus said not divorce is allowed except sexual immorality. Further, The married couple are no longer two but one flesh, So, what God has joined together, let not man separate. <i>Mat 5:31-32; Mat</i> <i>19:6¹¹</i>)</p> <p>15=(To seek godly offspring, God planed the marriage or the holy marriage. So, husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself to her <i>Eph 5:25¹²</i>)</p> <p>16= (God hates divorce and violence in the marriage. Today many divorces and violences in effect are unholy against God’s desire.)</p> <p>17= (God doesn’t find His justice during your tiring of God and doing evil)</p>
-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

¹⁰ *Deu 7:3-4* Nor shall you make marriages with them. You shall not give your daughter to their son, nor take their daughter for your son. ⁴ For they will turn your sons away from following Me, to serve other gods; so the anger of the Lord will be aroused against you and destroy you suddenly; *2 Cor 6:14* Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness?; *Eph 1:10* that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him.

¹¹; *Mat 5:31-32* “Furthermore it has been said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ ³² But I say to you that whoever divorces his wife for any reason except sexual immorality causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a woman who is divorced commits adultery; *Mat 19:6* So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate.”

¹² *Eph 5:25* Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,

Covenants vs. Dispensations

Dispensation (OKINOMIA, οἰκονομία the Greek) is God's special arrangement, order or plan during times, stated in Ephesians 1:10, 3:2, and Colossians 1:25. In the present time, we are in grace. We might view 2 or more up to 7 times in order to understand the Bible faithfully. But the substance is of Christ in Ephesians 1:10, "that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him."

Today, we'd like to compare Covenants to Dispensations,

Q1. How do we define a covenant between God and a man?

Q2. How do we define Dispensations in the context of the Bible?

Q3. How can Covenants work with Dispensations together?

(Background)

The Old Testament is written in the Hebrew word while the New Testament is written in the Greek word.

A. Covenants

The term of Covenant is rooted from the Hebrew word "BERITH," while the term of Testament is rooted from the Greek word "DIATHEKE."

1. Covenant between God and Man¹³

God makes a promise to a man, who accepts by word or conduct such as, belief, prayer, obedience, or a cutting. In the Bible, the term of "covenant" between God and a man is often found. (Q1)

Covenant – 2 parties' agreement – rooted from the Hebrew word, "berith." It means "a cutting," with reference to the ritual of the cutting or dividing animals into two parts, that are God and a man. (Gen 15:9-11; Jer 34:18-19)	Testament – 2 parties' word – rooted from the Greek word, "diatheke."
------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----------------------------------------------------------------------

(Genies 15:9-11) And he said unto him, Take me an heifer of three years old, and a she goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon.¹⁰ And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another: but the birds divided he not.¹¹ And when the fowls [vultures] came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

(Jeremiah 34:18-19) And I will give the men that have transgressed my covenant, which have not performed the words of the covenant which they had made before me, when they cut the calf in twain [two], and passed between the parts thereof,¹⁹ The princes of Judah, and the princes of Jerusalem, the eunuchs, and the priests, and all the people of the land, which passed between the parts of the calf;

2. Six(6) Covenants

¹³ See [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Covenant_\(biblical\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Covenant_(biblical))

There are six (6) covenants – Noachic Covenant, Abrahamic Covenant, Mosaic Covenant, Aaronic Covenant, Davidic Covenant, and New Covenant.

1	Noachic Covenant	¹⁴ Gen 9:11-13	
2	Abrahamic Covenant (Gen 12-17)	¹⁵ Gen 12:3;15:4-6;17:4-7,19	Circumcision (¹⁶ Gen 17:10-11)
3	Mosaic Covenant (Ex 19-24)	¹⁷ Ex 19:5-6; 20:3-17;34:27-28	Sabbath (¹⁸ Ex 31:16); Covenant of Salt (¹⁹ Nu 18:19) "symbol of perpetuity"
4	Aaronic Covenant [priestly covenant]	²⁰ Ex 40:13-15; Heb 10:1,12	
5	Davidic Covenant	²¹ 2 Sam 7:16;23:5; Ps 80:3-4, 89:34-	

¹⁴ Gen 9:11-13 And I will establish my covenant with you, neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth.¹² And God said, This is the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations:¹³ I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.

¹⁵ Gen 12:3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed. Gen 15:4-6 And, behold, the word of the Lord came unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir.⁵ And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be. ⁶ And he believed in the Lord; and he counted it to him for righteousness; Gen 17:4-7,19⁴ As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations.⁵ Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.⁶ And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.⁷ And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee. ¹⁹ And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him.

¹⁶ Gen 17:10-11 ¹⁰This is my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.¹¹ And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you.

¹⁷ Ex 19:5-6 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine:⁶ And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel; Ex 20:3-17(Ten Commandments); Ex 34:27-28 And the Lord said unto Moses, Write thou these words: for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel.²⁸ And he was there with the Lord forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten commandments.

¹⁸ Ex 31:16 Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath throughout their generations, for a perpetual covenant.

¹⁹ Nu 18:19 I the heave offerings of the holy things, which the children of Israel offer unto the Lord, have I given thee, and thy sons and thy daughters with thee, by a statute for ever: it is a covenant of salt for ever before the Lord unto thee and to thy seed with thee.

²⁰ Ex 40:13-15 And thou shalt put upon Aaron the holy garments, and anoint him, and sanctify him; that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.¹⁴ And thou shalt bring his sons, and clothe them with coats:¹⁵ And thou shalt anoint them, as thou didst anoint their father, that they may minister unto me in the priest's office: for their anointing shall surely be an everlasting priesthood throughout their generations; Heb 10:1,12 ¹For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect. ¹² But this man [this Man], after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;

²¹ 2 Sam 7:16 And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever; 2 Sam 23:5 Although my house be not so with God; yet he hath made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things, and sure: for this is all my salvation, and all my desire, although he make it not to grow. Ps 80:3-4 Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.⁴ O Lord God of hosts, how long wilt thou be angry against the prayer of thy people? Ps 89:34-37 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.³⁵ Once have I sworn by my holiness that I will not lie unto David.³⁶ His seed shall endure for ever, and his throne as the sun before me.³⁷ It shall be established for ever as the moon, and as a faithful witness in heaven. Selah; Luke 1:31-33 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus.³² He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:³³ And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

		37; Luke 1:31-33	
6	New Covenant	²² Jeremiah 31:31-33; 1 Cor 11:24-25	

3. Synonyms

Old Covenant is a synonym for Old Testament, which is Covenant of Works. New Covenant is a synonym for New Testament, which is Covenant of Grace.

Old Covenant or Old Testament	Covenant of Works – eternal life on condition of perfect obedience (<i>Hosea 6:7; Romans 3:27; Galatians 2:19</i>)
New Covenant or New Testament	Covenant of Grace – eternal life on condition of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior (<i>Romans 10:9-10</i>)

(Hosea 6:7) But they like men have transgressed the covenant: there have they dealt treacherously against me.

(Romans 3:27) Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by the law of faith.

(Galatians 2:19) For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God.

(Romans 10:9-10) That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.¹⁹ For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

B. Dispensations

1. Literal Meaning

In the New Testament, the term of “Dispensation” is found. It is rooted from “OUKONOMIA” the Greek which is OIKOS (house) plus NOMOS (rule). So, literally, a dispensation means God’s rule or plan to the house of people.

2. Contextual Meaning

(Ephesians 1:10) “That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:”

“The dispensation of the fullness of times” - God’s rule or plan to people - to make full during times (plural, 2 or more times) in one all things, which are in heaven and on earth, into the Lord Jesus Christ.

Hereby, in the context, a dispensation means God’s rule or plan to a certain person during a

²² Jeremiah 31:31-33 Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:³² Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the Lord:³³ But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people; 1 Cor 11:24-25 And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.²⁵ After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, this cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

certain time. Dispensations mean God's rules or plans to people during times. (Q2) Like a Pharmacist dispenses a patient a medicine, instructing when to take it, God dispenses a certain people or person a rule or plan during a certain time.

(1 Corinthians 9:17) "For if I do this thing willingly, I have a reward: but if against my will, a dispensation of the gospel is committed unto me." If I do this thing (to preach the gospel) willing (with willing mind), I have a reward (from God); but if against my will (i.e., a circumstance discourages me), a dispensation of the gospel (God's rule or plan of the gospel to preach the gospel) is committed unto me (Paul). Hereby, the term of "a dispensation" is used to a certain person, Paul. God ruled or called Paul to preach the gospel during Paul's life time.

(Colossians 1:25) "Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God;" I (Paul) was made a minister, according to the dispensation of God (the rule or plan of God) which is given to me (Paul) to you (Colossians people) to fulfill the word of God. Hereby, the dispensation is used to fulfill the word of God. God called Paul as a minister to fulfill His word during Paul's life time.

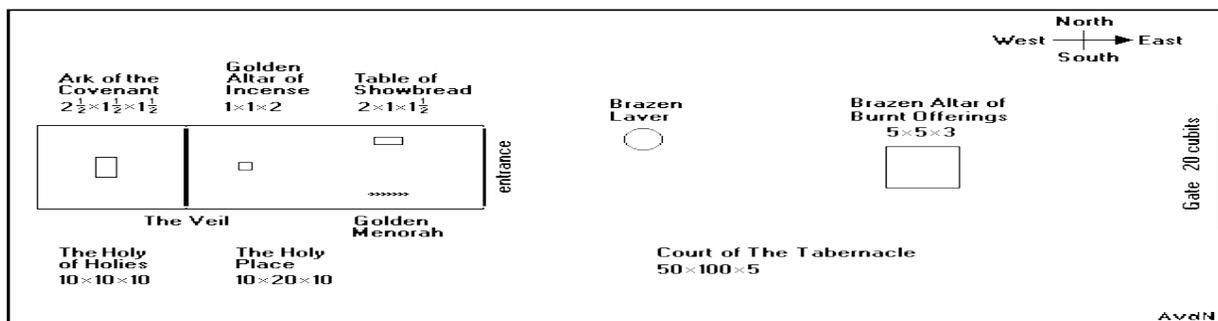
(Ephesians 3:2) "If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward [to me for you]:" God's rule or plan of grace was given to Ephesians people during Paul's life time.

Here are examples of dispensations as God's rules or plans to people during times as follows: Pre-tribulation means "before tribulation," i.e., the caught up Church (all believers' rapture, ²³1 Thessalonians 4:17) will occur before Great Tribulation. Pre-millennium means "before millennium," i.e., the caught up the Church will occur before the millennium Kingdom, established by Christ who will return on the earth (²⁴Revelation 20:4). The nation of Israel is different from the Church (²⁵Romans 11:11).²⁶

C. Conclusion

In conclusion, we understand that God has worked with covenants and dispensations together during times to fulfill the word of God in the context of the Bible (Q3)

Tabernacle of Moses



Source: <https://blogs.bible.org/the-tabernacle-of-moses-gods-heavenly-pattern-for-our-spiritual-transformation-part-v-the-most-holy-place/>

²³ 1 Thess. 4:17 "Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord."

²⁴ Rev 20:4, "And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years."

²⁵ Romans 11:1 I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin.

²⁶ Wayne Kim, "Chuck Smith's Theology," (ibid.)

Note: Most Christians say the Scripture is important, but rarely study every word in the Scripture 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 Scripture 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. Also the whole verses of NIV as a reference are observed equally to KJV and NKJV for every online word. We think that "Any human opinion is not really important rather than what God says. So, the best commentary on the Scripture is the Scripture 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).

All quotations are taken, except King James Version (KJV), from New King James Version (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. Also the whole verses of NIV as a reference are observed equally to KJV and NKJV for every online word. We think that "Any human opinion is not really important rather than what God says. So, the best commentary on the Scripture is the Scripture 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).

All quotations are taken, except King James Version (KJV), from New King James Version (NKJV), ©1982 by Thomas Nelson, Inc. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

© Copyright 2024 by Wayne Kim. All rights reserved. No part of this material may be reproduced in any forms or by any means without the prior written permission of the publisher, except for brief quotations in critical articles or reviews.

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



<https://www.calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/OnlineSermon2024.htm>

Thank you everybody. Come to Jesus!

Last Day Service Before New Year 12/31 Tues Noon from Midnight at the Veteran Chapel, Gate 10, Rose Hills Memorial Park, 10080 Rose Hills Road, Whittier, CA (Ecclesiastes 7:2-4) [https://ccanaheimhills.com/songs/Index of /songs/Special Songs/Last Day Before New Year](https://ccanaheimhills.com/songs/Index%20of%20songs/Special%20Songs/Last%20Day%20Before%20New%20Year)

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Pastoral Training of Asia

Ministering to Ministers

CALVARY CHAPEL KOREA

Loudermilk Family Occasional Newsletter – December 2024

Dear Friends and Family,

After nearly 19 years here in Korea (16 years since starting Calvary Chapel in Daejeon), we finally had an actual American style Thanksgiving dinner at the church. Everyone had a great time as we got to see some people we hadn't seen in a while, and some visitors were brought in as well. It was a good time of fellowship and getting into God's Word to be reminded of the need for thankfulness and prayer.

*Rejoice in the Lord always.
Again I will say, rejoice!
Let your gentleness be known to all men.
The Lord is at hand.
Be anxious for nothing,
but in everything by prayer
and supplication, with thanksgiving,
let your requests be made known to God;
and the peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding,
will guard your hearts and minds through
Christ Jesus.*

Philippians 4:4-7



Everyone is now even more excited about our upcoming Christmas party on December 25th where we will worship with songs of Christmas, share the Gospel of God's Grace, and enjoy the fun of a white elephant gift exchange which we have done every year from the beginning. It is another chance for evangelism as people who don't normally attend church tend to come enjoy the time with us. Please pray for effective outreach for those who need to know God's salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.

As you consider us with your prayers in 2025, please pray that God would raise up an army of young people that are on fire for the Lord with a desire for evangelism. Pray that us older folks would be ready and willing to disciple them and help them along the way.

Pray that all of us would increase in the knowledge of His will, to walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, to be fruitful and increase in the knowledge of God. Strengthened with His power, patient with joy, and always giving thanks to Him.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

Mike, Hye-Young, and Jeena

mike@ccdaejeon.org / www.ccdaejeon.org

Office: 1000 S. El Camino Real, Unit B, San Clemente, CA 92672 | Mailing: PO Box 1136, San Clemente, CA 92674
Phone: 949-348-1808 | e-mail: ptadavis1949@gmail.com | Website: www.pastoraltrainingasia.org

Pray for Iran & Underground Church. We are one body of Christ as long as any soul is not against the principles of the doctrine of Christ (Heb 6:1; Eph 1:22-23)

Iran's church is one of the fastest growing in the world. Join the story:

PRAY Prayer is at the heart of Iran's church growth. Download our 30-day prayer guide and subscribe to our monthly prayer email!

ELAM.COM/PRAY

GIVE Your financial support enables us to reach and disciple Persian speakers across the Iran region and beyond. Donate today at:

ELAM.COM/GIVE

LISTEN Listen to the *Jesus Speaks Farsi* podcast to hear stories from Iranian men and women about how the church is growing, fueled by the simple belief that Jesus is alive.

ELAM.COM/PODCAST



Elam

The love of Christ for Iran and beyond

elam.com



Pray for Christians and Underground Churches in Iran.

NOVEMBER 2024

In a region at war, the Lord remains at work

Dear Friend,

With all that has been taking place this year in the Middle East, I know many hearts are heavy. Our thoughts and prayers are turned towards this war-torn region and all those suffering there.

I want to encourage you today that the Lord is at work in this part of the world. 2024 has been a year of much ministry and, by God's grace, we have seen many people putting their trust in Jesus, many lives transformed, and the hope of the Gospel changing communities.

In this letter, I am delighted to share with you just two of the many stories from this year. One is the story of my friend and colleague Magda, who serves with our women's ministry team. The other is of Firouz, one of the many church planters we have trained for the Iranian church, and who we continue to support.

As you will read, both Magda and Firouz have stood firm for Jesus under unimaginable pressure. Both have paid a great price as a result. Both testify that God is faithful even in the darkest chapters of our lives. And both believe Christ - and His beautiful Gospel of hope - is worth any cost.

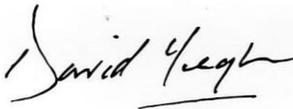
It is our privilege to serve people like Magda and Firouz. We are deeply grateful for your prayers and partnership which have allowed us to do so.

Our desire, as we look forward to 2025, is to do even more. We want to train, equip, and send more faithful ministers of the Gospel for the Persian-speaking church.

To do this, we need your help, so I ask you to consider making a gift this end of year. On the reverse of this letter are examples of how your gift can strengthen the Persian-speaking church at this time. We would be grateful for your prayerful consideration.

As we approach the close of the year with all its festivities, we pray it's a wonderful time for you and your loved ones. I pray the stories in this letter would encourage you and would help lift your eyes afresh to our beautiful Savior who - as Magda and Firouz testify - is faithful and good and worthy of our all.

Grace and peace,



David Yeghnazar
Executive Director, Elam Ministries

P.S. We want to do more to support the Persian-speaking church to declare the hope of Christ. On the reverse of this letter you'll discover the tangible ways your gift can make a real difference. Thank you for your prayerful consideration. We are so grateful for your partnership.

ELAM MINISTRIES 5755 NORTH POINT PKWY, SUITE 217 ALPHARETTA, GA 30022



European Union Mission

(Thank you for your prayers. EU mission team has had a safe & joyful tour, sharing Jesus face to face with EU people. Most of them were so glad to share Jesus amazingly as you prayed.)

From 9/26 To 10/4, 2024

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 a few Scripture-based 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.

Soli Deo Gloria! For those on the EU Mission from 9/26 to 10/4, the mobile apps have been launched. We the Board invite you to review any eBook that encourages others to dive into our expositional study and grow in their knowledge of Jesus and their life by faith. If the Lord wills, please consider doing so. Use the code "Review" for free access, and "Calvary" for a 30% discount. The Apple App Store, with over 650 million users per week, and Google Play Store, with over 2.5 billion users per month. The more increasing materialism, the more demanding this kind of App the whole counsel of God in exposition to every soul at all nations.



[eBook.Church – Apps on Apple App Store; eBook.Church - Apps on Google Play Store](#)

[Gospel](#)

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

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

<https://calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/EU.htm>

Christian Population By Country

This list includes approximate numbers for the Christian population in key countries across different regions.

<p>North America</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United States: 230 million • Canada: 22 million • Mexico: 120 million 	<p>Europe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Russia: 105 million • Germany: 50 million • United Kingdom: 40 million • France: 38 million • Italy: 44 million • Spain: 37 million • Poland: 35 million • Ukraine: 30 million • Romania: 18 million • Netherlands: 12 million 	<p>Asia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Philippines: 90 million • China: 70 million • India: 31 million • Indonesia: 25 million • South Korea: 15 million • Vietnam: 7 million • Kazakhstan: 4 million 	<p>Africa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nigeria: 85 million • Democratic Republic of the Congo: 65 million • Ethiopia: 45 million • South Africa: 37 million • Kenya: 35 million • Uganda: 34 million • Tanzania: 30 million • Ghana: 24 million
<p>Central America and the Caribbean</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guatemala: 13 million • Honduras: 7 million • El Salvador: 6 million • Nicaragua: 5 million • Cuba: 6 million • Dominican Republic: 9 million • Haiti: 6 million 	<p>Middle East</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Egypt: 10 million • Lebanon: 2 million • Iraq: 0.5 million • Syria: 0.5 million • Jordan: 0.4 million 	<p>Oceania</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australia: 14 million • Papua New Guinea: 8 million • New Zealand: 2 million • Fiji: 0.6 million 	<p>“And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. ¹⁹ Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: ²⁰ Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” (Mat 28:18-20).</p> <p style="color: red;">Note: there are more Christians than we often realize, but only a few are truly Scripture-based Christians. So, anyone among them who wanders from the truth should be turned to the life by faith through all the Scripture (Jame 5:19; Dan 12:3)</p> <p>Sources: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christianity_by_country: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hQBeX0M3Ego</p>
<p>South America</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brazil: 180 million • Argentina: 35 million • Colombia: 35 million • Peru: 25 million • Venezuela: 25 million • Chile: 16 million 			

Delivery of the words of God

in the Gospel and in all the Scripture

[Calvary Chapel Anaheim Hills](#) (all Scripture)

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).

English	Spanish	French	German	Italian	Dutch	Greek	Turkish
-------------------------	-------------------------	------------------------	------------------------	-------------------------	-----------------------	-----------------------	-------------------------

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.



[ebook.church](https://calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/GoodNews.htm) <https://calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/GoodNews.htm>

The entirety of God's words is truth. The truth matters in the eternity wherever - indoor, outdoor, online, offline, at sea, or in sky - and whenever - Sunday, Saturday, weekday, every day, this generation time, or the future generation time - and whatever - mega church, basilica, or chapel (Psalm 119:160; 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)

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

Nicaragua -- Michael & Jackelin Gaude..... MAP

Mexico -- Alex & Cruz Sanchez, Garry & Keri Goo, James & Monica Arista, Octavio, Martin, Victor & Sonia Mayoral..... MAP

North Korea -- Ed, Inquired Anonymous Missionaries..... MAP

Peru -- Timothy Kim, J Y Oh..... MAP

Philippines -- Dodong, Jim Davis..... MAP

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

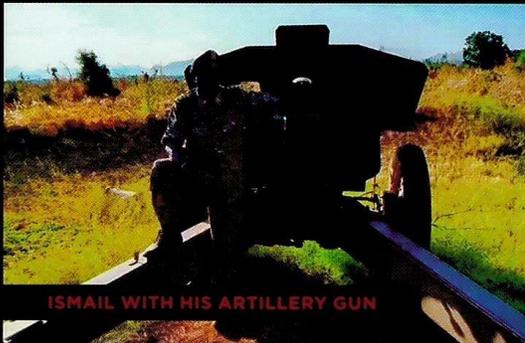
United Arab Emirates – Simon Baek MAP

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."*

See <https://calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/missioncountries.htm>

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.

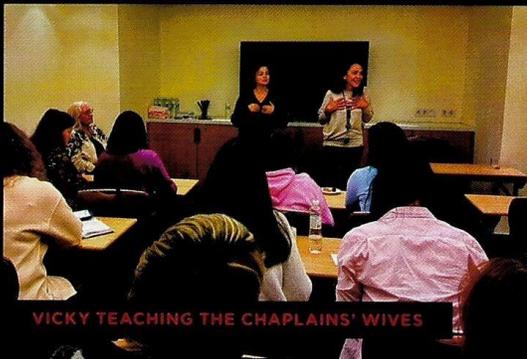
He never knew the comforts of this world but will know great peace throughout eternity, having given his all to protect his people and serve Christ.

Wes Bentley

Wes Bentley

Far Reaching Ministries

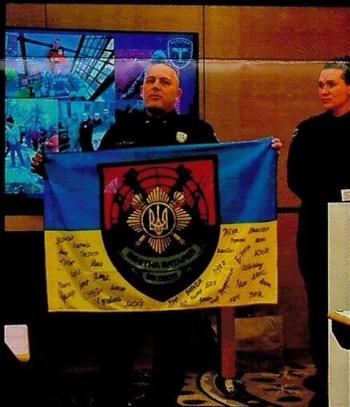
Pray for Abandoned children in Ukraine and for His increase



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

**THEY DID NOT CHOOSE
THIS WAR; IT WAS
FORCED UPON THEM**

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.

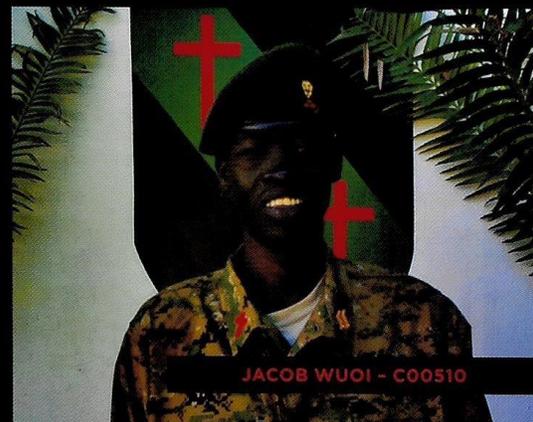
www.frmusa.org



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 Scriptures & 200 lunches per week for the homeless, and over a million online visitors (Mat 25:40 "unto one of the least of these"). 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 Scripture 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 Philippians 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

Prayer for Ukrainian Children & Orphans' Necessity with His love.

UKRAINIAN CHILDREN'S HOME - GHOST OPERATIONS



I have never had a project weigh so heavily on my heart as to the need for caring for abandoned and handicapped children.

In Ukraine, there are no homes for abandoned or handicapped children. Far Reaching Ministries wants to raise funds to start a first-of-its-kind children's home for both abandoned and handicapped children.

We need people to come alongside us and help us build the infrastructure to save children in Ukraine. A project of this magnitude will require that we raise \$1,000,000. You can sign up for a monthly amount from \$25 to \$100 or more if able to do so. We welcome gifts of any amount and assure you that these funds will be used solely for this project.

Please consider joining us in the rescue of these precious children by marking **"Ukrainian Children's Home"** on the enclosed gift card along with your donation.

UKRAINIAN ORPHAN



After traveling to Ukraine, Far Reaching Ministries witnessed firsthand the condition of the abandoned and handicapped children. These precious children suffer not only through war-torn conditions, but also non-existent infrastructure to care for them, the most vulnerable of society.

We have an urgent need for sponsors to come alongside us with a \$75 monthly

sponsorship. If you are not able to commit to this amount, any gift will be welcomed. Your sponsorship will not only provide a home for the children, including necessities such as food, clothing, and medical care, but most importantly they will receive love along with being raised in a Christian family.

Please prayerfully consider helping in this dire situation, and if you would count it a privilege to financially support one of these precious children, please mark **"Ukrainian Orphan"** on the enclosed gift card along with your donation. After we receive your monthly commitment, we will then send you a photo of a child that you can pray for.



Pastoral Training of Asia

Ministering to Ministers

Dear Calvary Chapel Pastor,

July 2024

ON OUR WAY TO CLASS A WILD ELEPHANT CROSSED THE ROAD. What a sight! Only tourists want to see wild elephants, not so with the locals, as they can be incredibly destructive, in some cases kill humans. On the Thai/Burma border many elephants come from Burma as they often are poached but are protected in Thailand. The Karen still come in numbers into Thailand for similar reasons being displaced and killed by the Burmese military. Pray for these hurting people.

SORROW GREETES US ON THE BORDER. Two horrific accidents occurred days before we arrived. Poor people often travel in the back of pick-up trucks, this was the case and all in the back were thrown out, 4 died (all young people) most hospitalized. They all lived in the Karen community (18 in one truck, 10 in the other). We became part of the pastoral team, visited 3 hospitals, bringing comfort, prayer and some financial assistance (God provided). Next came the memorial services in which the unbelievers present were all able to hear the message of eternal life available to all who put their trust in Jesus.

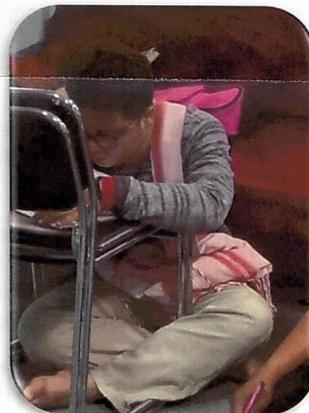


This mother survived the accident, but her son did not.

PTA TRAINING A BIG HIT Pastors, Church workers and Bible School students all joined together in learning Inductive method of Bible Study and Evangelism & Discipleship. One that joined was in my class 24 years ago when he said, "For the first time I can understand the Bible!" **House to house evangelism** was fruitful as several people prayed and came to the Church service that night. I wish you could see the radiating joy flooding their faces as the students shared their personal experiences in sharing the gospel. **Pray** for the new believers and seeds.



Boys on one side...



All were diligent in their Bible study.



.... Girls on the other!

Office: 1000 S. El Camino Real, Unit B, San Clemente, CA 92672 | Mailing: PO Box 1136, San Clemente, CA 92674
Phone: 949-348-1808 | e-mail: ptadavis1949@gmail.com | Website: www.pastoraltraining.org

INDONESIA: FROM JAVA TO SUMATRA With a Muslim population of over two hundred million my heart is always heavy when we land in this great country. Sad to confess in preparation I needed to pray, "Dear Lord, help me to see Muslims as You see them, in need of the Savior Jesus." With my heart adjustment it makes a great difference in how I look at them. Most are just trying to work and care for their families. I was blessed watching one of our PTA Team members share Jesus with a Muslim family on the boat over to Sumatra. They are open!

SHONDA'S TESTIMONY BROUGHT APPLAUSE Because of discrimination, oppression, and persecution; many Christians feel discouraged. Shonda was asked repeatedly to share her testimony which includes losing her eyesight 24 years ago. Even though legally blind, she continues to love, pray for people, and has a great attitude, loving the Lord even through one of the worst disabilities. She has a loving, listening ear combined with a compassionate heart which brings comfort to all those she ministers to.



SUMATRA TEACHATHON! The last day of the Seminar I taught from 9:00 am until 9:00 pm! The pastors and wives were extremely motivated and thankful for our training in Inductive method of Bible Study and Marriage & Family. Many have struggling congregations yet love the Lord and share their faith with the lost. We can't use the word "missionary" publicly for they are illegal. So, when we talk, we just use the word, "M" instead of the whole word. Pray for Christian Indonesians, for boldness in their witness and God's protection.



Pastors & wives at the Sumatra PTA Seminar

CALVARY CHAPEL KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE : PTA TAUGHT INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY What a super group of students, over 100 studied, discussed and were blessed learning how to better understand the Bible. If you are interested in me coming to your Calvary, just email me. Feel free to contact Pastor Mark Kirk for a reference.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Sorry to say, after Pastor Chuck went to heaven some congregations have slowly move away from the Word of God. Emerging church ideas, seeker friendly and spiritual formations seem to be creeping into some Calvary Chapel churches. My position is the "old-fashioned" Jesus People, Pastor Chuck & his brother Paul and "what does the Bible say?" kind of guy, just FYI.

Please pray for us, we believe that we are indeed in the Last Days and that the people need to know the Lord, that is our Mission, building up the Church and evangelizing the lost. If the Lord moves you, we could use your support, Thank you!

Lord bless you,

Jim & Shonda Davis

Pray for Ukrainians to be Protected from Explosions and for Peace in Christ

Luke and I met with Ukrainian officers in charge of training their chaplains and showed them pictures of our base and training center in South Sudan. We showed them videos of the chaplain silent drill team we use for evangelical outreach. Just like the Marine Corps silent-drill team, our men do a 15-minute drill without any verbal command. The men then share God's Word, and many soldiers get saved. I am not sure if the officers that Luke and I met with are truly saved, but both were very respectful. At the end of our conversation, the senior officer asked how I would motivate his men as their military is very demoralized.



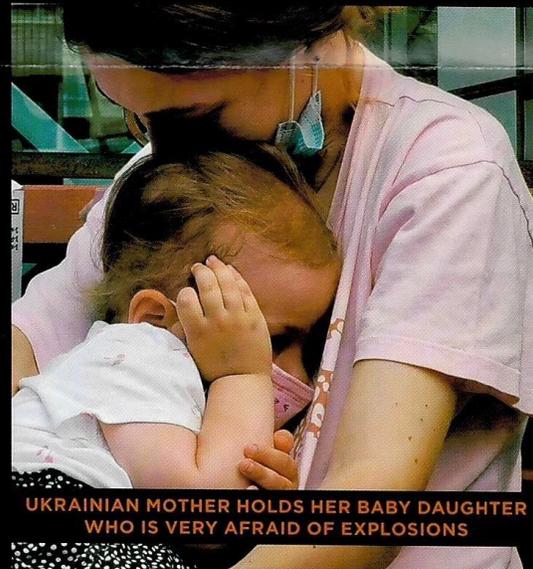
At this moment in our conversation, I knew this was a time to give them something of substance that they could relate to. I said that at the future chaplain training school there would be a large aquarium, and on the bottom, there would be a sunken battleship with the word Moskva on it. I knew that this would be meaningful to them. You see, at one of the worst times in the war with Russia, when it looked as if all might be lost, Ukraine miraculously got two Neptune missiles working. They fired them at the Moskva, the flagship of the Russian fleet while it was in port, and amazingly, they hit the ship. Not wanting to accept defeat, the Russians pulled the ship out to sea and said it had sunk in heavy seas, but truthfully, it was the damage the Ukrainian army inflicted on the ship that sank it. This was the largest ship in the Russian fleet, and nothing like this has happened since the Second World War. I told the officers about the war in South Sudan and said that we refused to surrender when we were outmanned and outgunned but not outfought, and we won the war. The two men laughed and said that we had a great strategy for encouraging the men. Sometimes, men need to be reminded to never give up and never surrender. They need to understand that they have a God given role to protect women and children, even at the cost of one's life. See folks we do not fear men, we fear the Lord. As men we were made for battle; we were made to protect

www.frnusa.org

those that cannot protect themselves. It is important that Luke and I live trusting the Lord so that those around us can see what true faith looks like. This is why we go to the frontlines. Many times, non-believers do not understand why we would go to such dangerous places, but you see this action opens the door to share about the Lord.

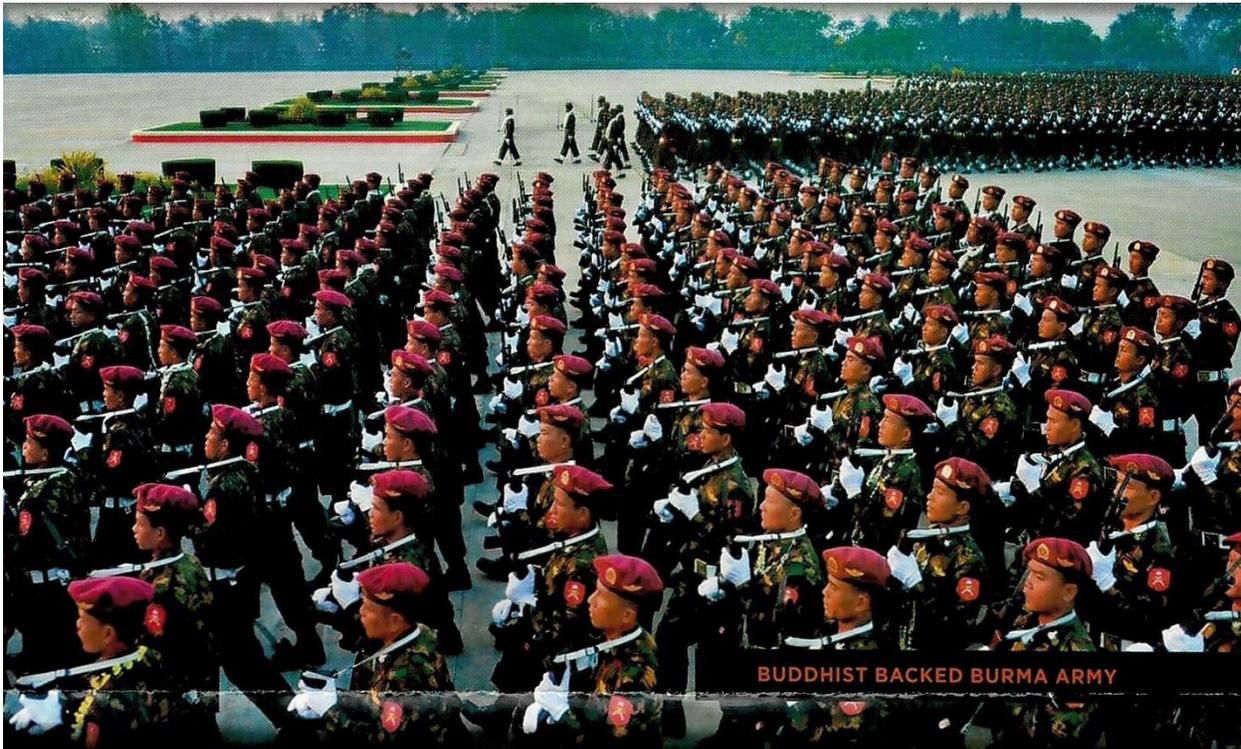


I was in Europe when a Russian missile hit a children's hospital and maternity ward in Ukraine, killing mothers and children. One photo, in particular, troubled me.



The photo was of a baby girl covering her ears and holding on to her mother. It is hard for me to see children afraid. Even worse, the death of a parent is devastating for a child. In an instant, the love and security they have known is gone—leaving the child utterly traumatized. Russia and Ukraine continue to be at war, but no one can justify targeting a hospital with

Pray for Saving People As Many As Possible Wherever Our Lord Leads



BUDDHIST BACKED BURMA ARMY

ONE LONG JOURNEY

When I first met Tirza in Russia, it was probably in 1994. She was from the Dutch office of a sister organization, and I was leading a team into the Russian prisons. At that time, I never thought that she would still be in my life 30 years later. When we met, Tirza spoke six languages and worked harder than any two men on my team. Today, she speaks 12 languages. She began working as an assistant to the director of the Dutch office right out of high school and had always worked for minimum wage so as not to be a burden to the ministry.

She and her husband, Hans, have been married for 37 years, as he likes to say, because they love each other. Hans wrote for a newspaper, and they humbly lived off his salary.

In the early days in Russia, when I traveled from prison to prison, it was hard to find food. I would go for weeks only eating Borsch, a Russian cabbage and beet soup.

**I PRAY YOU JOIN US
IN SAVING AS MANY
AS POSSIBLE**

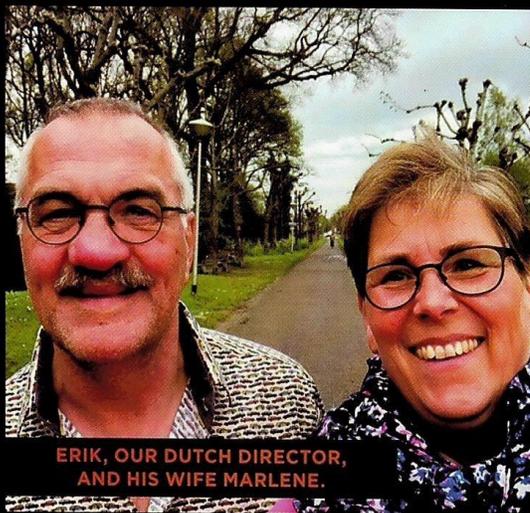
And, often, I would only eat twice a day. When I would return to Moscow after each of my trips, I would run to the only McDonald's in the city to find food. Every month, when I would travel, I would lose at least 20 pounds, but it was never a problem; instead, it was a great joy.

I often traveled with Mark Piester, who also worked alongside Tirza in Holland. Mark, an American, had worked for years smuggling Bibles behind the Iron Curtain. He and I would spend days on trains and buses—going from prison to prison sharing Christ—most of the time in the dead of winter. I would stare out the window for hours, looking at the snow drifts and Russian countryside, but I loved every minute. I never felt alone; it was me and the Lord, and I will always remember it as the most enjoyable time of ministry. Vicky knows the look when she sees me in this state. She always says, “What part of the world are you

planning to conquer next?" I respond back and just say, "I am lost in my thoughts, Love." But she smiles back and says, "You might as well tell me." Which makes me smile at how well she knows her husband. Then I tell her what I believe is God's next plan for the ministry.

Once, I got very sick in Russia and could find no medicine, so I traveled to Holland to stay with Tirza and Hans, and they took great care of me. The Dutch climate during winter is always rainy and overcast, but I did not mind because the rainy weather has always been my favorite. I stayed in the third-story attic of Tirza and Hans's home. The attic had been turned into a nice bedroom with a window that I could open at night and listen to the rain. Tirza made great meals to nurse me back to health. When I got better, we rode bicycles to the Dutch office every morning, and we would stop at a bakery on the way to get something warm. The Dutch bakeries are the best in the world!

Tirza and Hans have been close friends of mine ever since. Hans loved American peanut butter, but it was unavailable in their home country 30 years ago. At the time, I worked at a food bank in America, and they would give me whatever food I wanted to give away. Back then, I had no money, but KLM Airlines would allow me to take two 75-pound boxes with me, so I brought Hans 140 pounds of peanut butter—my way of saying thanks to them for their hospitality. Vicky and I just recently visited them on a trip to Europe.



**ERIK, OUR DUTCH DIRECTOR,
AND HIS WIFE MARLENE.**

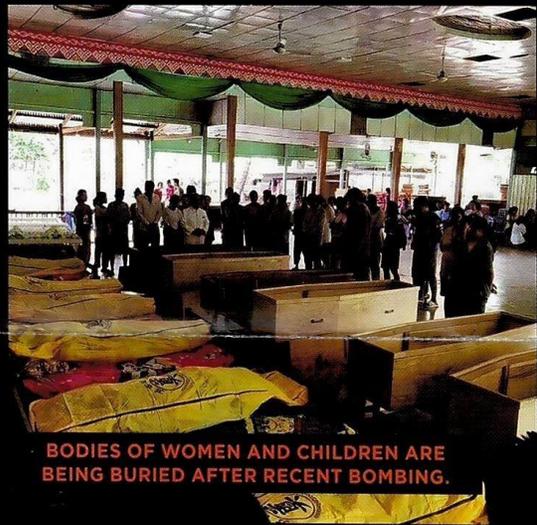
Unfortunately, Erik, the director of the Dutch office, had a heart attack at age 63 and went home to be with the Lord. It was a shock to all of us, and the Dutch office is having to deal with such a great loss. We gave his

www.firmusa.org

wife, Marlene, our love and support, and I assured them that Far Reaching Ministries would not let this mission organization falter but will be with them through this very difficult time.

I will miss Erik and his passion for the Lord.

There is a very important and terrible need that Tirza informed me of. She never asks anything for herself. A few years ago, we purchased her a new car for work. When I told Tirza that we were going to buy her a much-needed car, she spent two days trying to talk me into giving it to other missionaries, but I knew it was God's will for her to have this car. This is why when she calls and says she has a great need, I know it is from the Lord.



**BODIES OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN ARE
BEING BURIED AFTER RECENT BOMBING.**

Tirza shared with me that in Burma, the Junta Army is attacking and killing the Karen, Karenni, and Kachin Christian people. They bomb schools and kill for no reason. The Burma Army is Buddhist-backed, which dispels the image of Buddhists as being peace-loving. But the game the soldiers love is the rape of Christian women, often in front of their husband. Many women have been raped by as many as 20 men to the point they pass out and wake up naked hours later to find that their husband was killed during the rape.

One commander raped a woman and then told 20 of his men that if they did not also rape her, he would kill them; the men did as ordered. When she was finally released, the woman went home and told her husband what happened. He was not a good man and kicked her out of the house. Because she was in so much despair, she took her own life. How I wish the woman had met

Donation(Offering; Gift) [Luke 21:1,4,5](#)

["No One Loves Me Like You."](#)

Why does CCAH use an online donation button or donation basket?

1. CCAH is the Lord's Church

Calvary Chapel Anaheim Hills (CCA) belongs to God, as expressed when Jesus told Peter, "I will build My church" (Matthew 16:18). This affirms that CCAH is not a human institution seeking financial gain but a group where followers of Christ gather to worship Him and advance His kingdom. The church's focus is to fulfill God's calling, ministering through the provision and guidance He provides, rather than through conventional fundraising methods or material wealth.

2. The Lord Doesn't Need Money but Your Heart

God, being self-sufficient, does not require human wealth. In Acts 17:25, Paul reminds us that God is not served by human hands, "as though He needed anything," because He gives life and all things. Therefore, offerings, tithes, gifts, or donations are not payments to God but expressions of love, faith, and obedience to His Word. God desires our hearts, and giving is a demonstration of where our heart is with Him. As Jesus taught in Matthew 10:37, loving God above all else—including family and possessions—is essential to being worthy of Him. It is not the amount we give but the love and devotion that accompany our giving.

3. A Donation Basket or Online Donation Button as a Reflection of Your Love for God

In today's world, shaped by capitalism and materialism, money has become central to human life. However, how we allocate our financial resources reflects the priorities of our heart. As Matthew 6:21 states, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." CCAH uses a donation basket or online donation button as a way for individuals to examine their love for God, gauging it through their willingness to support His work. These tools are not for fundraising but rather to encourage believers to align their financial priorities with their faith, recognizing that where one's money goes often indicates where their heart lies.

CCA follows a Spirit-led approach, relying on God's provision rather than human efforts to seek funds. Therefore, donations at CCAH serve as a personal testament to one's love for God, and are gratefully accepted as an act of faith and commitment to advancing His kingdom. Note that we do tolerate others' fund raising for Godly things which are in Jesus, because of the supremacy of Agape love.

<https://ccanaheimhills.com/offering.htm>

This book of “LIVING EPISTLE WITH AI” the title contemplated from the verse-by-verse inductive expository studies – has been published on October 15, 2024, coming from the CCAH sheep’s inductive & expositional Scripture Studies from September 17, 2023, to September 15, 2024, via the “Online Word for Global Crusade™” viewed by multitudes on the earth. A free either ebook (“Review”, 30% “Calvary Code”) or free paperback book is available for “first-come first-served.” <https://ebook.church> or <https://amazon.com>

The Role of AI in Bible Study

For believers today, the Bible remains the authoritative source of God’s truth. John 1:1 tells us, “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” The written Word is God, and it is through the study of Scripture that we come to know Him.

There are many versions of the Bible, but which one is closest to the original Scriptures? Many scholars agree that the King James Version (KJV), based on the Textus Receptus, is one of the most accurate translations. However, it can be difficult to understand for modern readers. Therefore, it is recommended to skim over the New Living Translation (NLT) for a fresh perspective, read the New International Version (NIV) for accessibility, and study the New King James Version (NKJV) to grasp the meaning better. Ultimately, the KJV should be searched and studied for its accuracy to the original texts (Acts 17:11; 2 Timothy 2:15).

AI can serve as an essential tool in this journey, helping us to dive deeper into Scripture. For example, AI tools can analyze and compare different translations, provide historical context, and even offer insights into the original Greek and Hebrew languages. This can greatly enhance our understanding of the Bible and make study more efficient and effective.

Calvary Chapel Anaheim Hills Press (CCAH PRESS®)
 PO Box 27693, Anaheim Hills, California 92809, USA
<https://ebook.church>; <https://cchanahemhills.com>

ISBN 978-1-911084-04-2
 52999

Apple Google YouTube

CCAH PRESS®

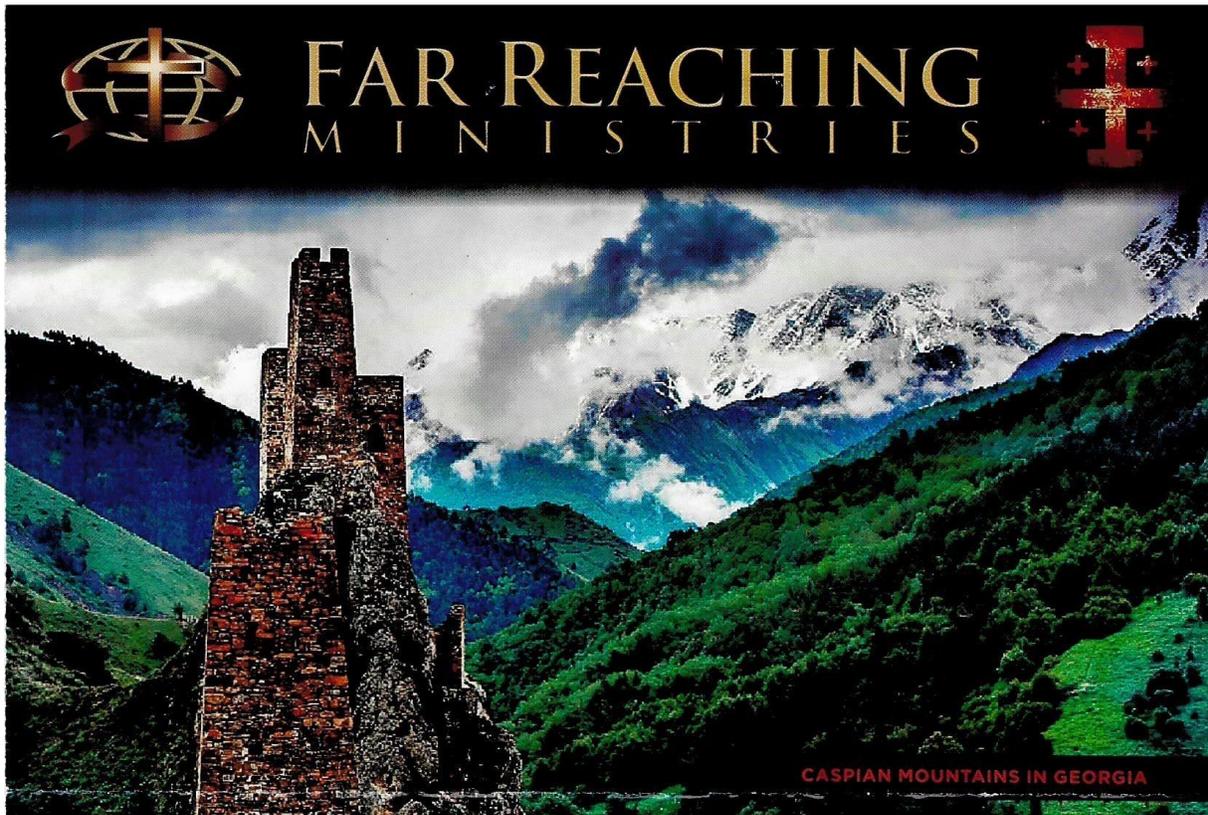
Wayne Kim

WAYNE KIM

“Clearly you are an epistle of Christ...by the Spirit of the living God...” (2 Cor. 3:3)

In today’s world, many factors—like pandemics, family matters, work pressures, factions, materialism, hierarchies, partialities, or even the rise of a post-Christian culture—often give us reasons to excuse ourselves from going to church. However, we can never make excuses when it comes to having fellowship (exclusively bond relationship) with our Lord Jesus Christ, our Savior, naturally overflowing our relationships with family and others. To know Him more and to live by faith through His Word, we have access to platforms like Apple, Google, WordPress, or YouTube anytime and anywhere, if the Lord permits.

Pray for wherever our Lord leads for His kingdom (e.g., Russia, Georgia...)



FAR REACHING MINISTRIES

CASPIAN MOUNTAINS IN GEORGIA

NO MAN WILL WANT ME

I first met Jason and Britny Havertape in Russia almost 17 years ago. They were a young family with three small children and had been serving in Russia for about nine years. They had both learned to speak fluent Russian and were planting a Calvary Chapel. Even the children were speaking the Russian language. They did not own a car because they lived off of only about \$900 in monthly support. During the winter, Britny would take the children around by pulling them on a snow sled, even going to the church and to buy groceries for the family. Eventually, the family could grow to include eight children.

Jason and Britny came home from the mission field for a couple of years, but both realized that they did not belong in the U.S. They prayed and decided to go and start a new work in the country of Georgia.

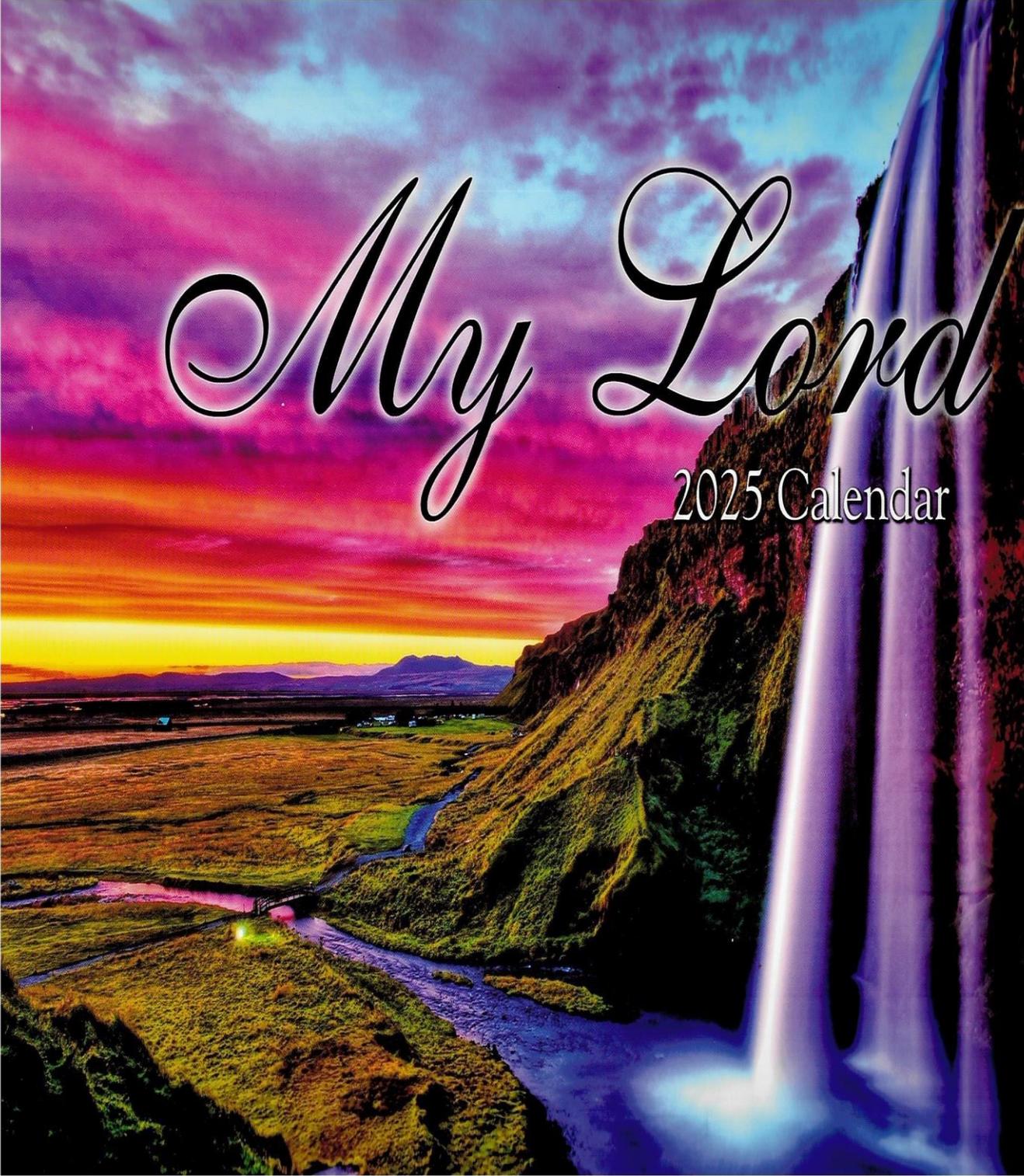
GOING WHERE FEW WOULD DARE TO GO

While it is a former part of the Soviet Union, it has a completely different language. People refer to it as the spaghetti language because the letters look like curled-up spaghetti noodles.

Recently, Vicky and I flew into Tbilisi, the capital of Georgia, and Jason picked us up and drove us to the hotel. We were having a pastors' conference with pastors from a closed country to encourage them in their respective ministries. The subject of the conference: Preparing for Persecution.

The country of Georgia is rich in history and in the middle of Tbilisi is a castle that dates back to the year 400 A.D. And the Caspian Mountains are one of the most beautiful mountain ranges I have ever seen. The Georgian flag has five crosses on it to testify to their Christian roots.

Free the Scripture Verse Calendar for 2025, as a Thanksgiving Gift, is available for “first-come first-served.”



Thanksgiving Community Service (HQ)

At the Community Center, 8201 E Santa Ana Canyon Road, Anaheim Hills, CA 92809
On 11/24/27 Sunday at 3-4 pm

*“in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you”
(1 Thessalonians 5:18).*

Happy Thanksgiving Week!
Jesus loves (Agape) you.
Jesus loves us.

We love each other in His Spirit.
Here is a beloved lunch box made by ministers, and
please enjoy it if the Lord permits.



“in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you” (1 Thess 5:18).

Calvary Chapel Anaheim Hills



Apple



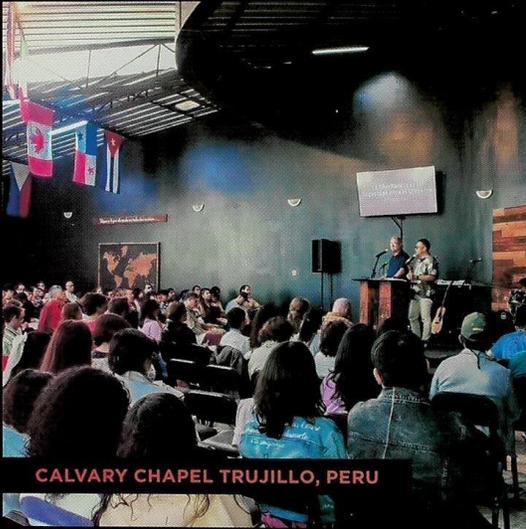
CCAH PRESS®



Google

Keep on Prayer for Peru and other Latin America to Turn Back to the Truth (James 5:19).

Cory and I have the same heart to open a home to rescue these children. A home where they can grow up and have the life that a child is supposed to have and fulfill the biblical mandate that God has for each believer's life.



I know we will need to purchase a piece of property to build these homes, but right now, we are not asking for people to give. We need prayer first for God's direction as we form a battle plan on how to rescue these children.

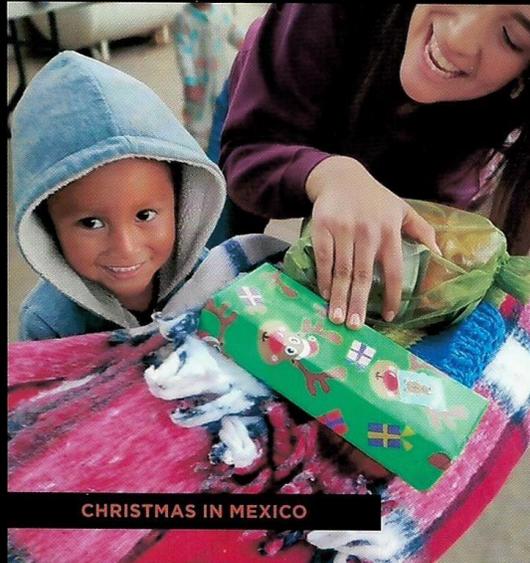
Calvary Chapel Trujillo has a great team that wants to get involved in helping these young ladies. What impressed me was that Cory already had top lawyers



and other people at the top of their fields committed to the work.

In the First and Second World Wars, the Western Front was where all the most extreme fighting took place. As the Lord makes us aware of new areas where spiritual warfare is tremendous, I see each of these as a new front. I have always believed that the Body of Christ is supposed to be a wrecking ball to Satan's kingdom. By prayer, evangelism, and showing God's love, we are called to destroy the kingdom of darkness.

For Far Reaching Ministries, Sudan was a war front, and then came our involvement in Afghanistan, Ukraine, Burma, and many other nations. I now firmly believe that the Lord will have us open up another front in South America. I have only ever had one real dream in my life: to fight battles with men of God that could change the course of history—fighting to win nations for Christ, giving people the tools they need to understand God's will. Ultimately, our calling is to help people not miss the life they were created for. Now, for all of you who want this life, it is crucial to understand that for every front-line combat soldier, it takes five to seventeen support soldiers to keep them in the battle. During D-Day in the Second World War, they needed 17 support soldiers for each combat soldier in battle. I want to encourage you all to be a part of this new front through prayer, financial support, or other ministry opportunities.



Mission To Georgia; Pray for the more the closer to Jesus

THE WAR CROSS

Far Reaching Ministries (FRM) Chaplain Corps proudly presents the War Cross, a distinguished honor awarded in three classes—Bronze, Silver, and Gold—to recognize courage and dedication in war:

- **Bronze** is awarded for five years of wartime service.
- **Silver** honors those with seven years of service.
- **Gold** acknowledges a decade of unwavering faithfulness.

While traditionally reserved for Chaplain Corps members, FRM recently honored two Americans, Dustin Cummings and Roger Ulman, both pastors with Calvary Chapel. These men have shown extraordinary commitment, often giving up personal family vacations, to work with our chaplains and chaplain cadets at our base in South Sudan. Pastor Dustin has served for twelve years, and Pastor Roger for nine years. Their commitment, along with the sacrifices of their incredible wives, reflects a deeply profound dedication to the Gospel.



THE WAR CROSS



CALVARY CHAPEL TBILISI'S
NEW SANCTUARY

MISSION TO GEORGIA



Calvary Chapel Tbilisi, in the country of Georgia, has found a bigger church home. Being led by Jason and Britney Havertape, they are a vibrant, growing church in this former Soviet Union nation. They are unwavering in their continued mission to transform lives and the country through Bible and English language schools.

Far Reaching Ministries (FRM) is assembling a new team of missionaries ready to go there for one to three years to help plant churches and expand the work across Georgia. Whether you are young or elderly and have passion, dedication, and spiritual gifts, FRM wants to hear from you. If you feel you are being called, contact our office at (951) 677-4474.



PASTOR DUSTIN AND
ANGELA CUMMINGS



PASTOR ROGER
AND LISA ULMAN



CALVARY CHAPEL TBILISI'S
NEW SANCTUARY

Pray for Philippine Ministry and Other Countries in Asia



Pastoral Training of Asia

Ministering to Ministers

Dear Calvary Pastor,

December 2024

THE PHILIPPINES: 21 PEOPLE ASK JESUS INTO THEIR HEARTS! The angels in Heaven rejoice! This happened in Bacolod City as the PTA participants went out into the streets and houses with the Gospel. Two homes requested to have home Bible studies which usually brings more salvation as people hear the Word of God explained. Please pray for these new believers and the home Bible studies.



PHILIPPINES: 70 PASTORS & CHRISTIAN WORKERS LEARN HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE Mindanao Island is feared by some because of the radical Muslim presence, yet they are mostly active in remote areas. The Seminars were held in the City of Ozamiz, which I had taught in the same church back in 1985! Our PTA staff Pastor Rey and missionary, Steve Michaels did excellent jobs in communicating according to the reports; "I was glad to attend, because I was having a difficult time making outlines of my sermons but now, I learned the simplest way on how to do it!" Another Pastor said, "I haven't heard of the Inductive Method of Bible Study, but both facilitators explained it well. I will be using this method and encourage other pastors as well." As the pastors are given tools to help them understand the Word of God, so the Church is fed and grows!





THE PHILIPPINES: AN INSATIABLE HUNGER FOR THE BIBLE! Calvary Chapel of Dumaguete City is our Filipino Home Church. Years ago, I was the Senior Pastor. I brought on Pastor Joseph Jo to be my Assistant and in a short time, we swapped positions, and I became his assistant and then at the right time, completely turned it over to Pastor Jo who has grown the church and planted several others. I am speaking in the new building that was donated to the Church! Our PTA Print Shop supplies tracts and new believer books for the outreaches.

SHONDA TAUGHT THE KIDS They love her as she loves these poor kids as she was one of them in her childhood. They love to hear of Jesus and His love for children. I taught the Helping Hands group which is teenagers PTA is helping through HS and College. Even though we sat outside as it rained, they all listened earnestly to the Bible Study (including some parents).

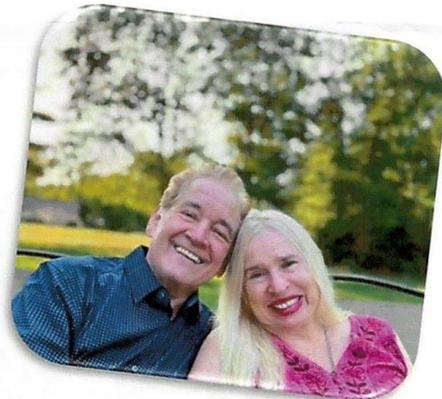


CONCERNING MY POSITION Sorry to say that after Pastor Chuck went to heaven a few Calvary Chapels have slowly moved away from the Word of God. Emerging church ideas, seeker friendly, spiritual formations and progressive ideas seem to have crept in. My position is the "old fashioned" Jesus People, Pastor Chuck and his brother Paul church, and "what does the Bible say?" kind of guy, just FYI.

COME TO THE PHILIPPINES, BRING A TEAM! We have a Mission Center, a place to stay, open doors, gospel tracts in Filipino languages and a full staff. Music groups, children, youth, adult.... hearts are ready to hear about Jesus. Email me for more information. Tremendous fruit awaits!

Please Pray for us, we need more missionaries, short and long term. And if the Lord moves you, we could use your support. **THANK YOU SO MUCH! HAVE A BLESSED CHRISTMAS!**

Your missionaries for Asia,
Jim & Shonda Davis



Office: 1000 S. El Camino Real, Unit B, San Clemente, CA 92672 | Mailing: PO Box 1136, San Clemente, CA 92674
Phone: 949-348-1808 | e-mail: ptadavis1949@gmail.com | Website: www.pastoraltrainingasia.org