Brother Tim's Blog #5

New for this week, I learned a new saying: "That's not my area of responsibility." Someone taught me that saying today. It seems applicable in the fast-paced world we live in. What does it mean? It means, "Please don't bog me down with things that are not important to my mission." Wait, what is my mission? Jesus told us what our mission is in Matthew 16:19 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." As a Christian, the Great Commission is your Mission! Here's the bad part: the devil will do anything he can to keep you from your mission. I've heard it said this way, "If the devil can't make you sin, he will make you busy." Why don't more people take the Great Commission seriously? They are too busy. We have 347,000 satellite TV channels, 1.6 megalopogillion websites, and more activities than you can fit in a 24 hour day. (Ever heard of "travel ball"?). Remember when NO school function would EVER be scheduled on Wednesday night? I'm showing my age, but, very few of my high school teachers would give homework on Wednesday night. Wednesday night was off limits because we had church. Don't we still? These days, Wednesday is just another day and Wednesday Bible Study is an afterthought. Sunday is now open to ball games and school events. I just found out that graduation at one of our local schools is on Sunday afternoon. Watch what I say, it won't be long until we have to fight to keep Sunday morning from being scheduled for sporting events and other activities. How do we fight back? By saying "no". Dr. Benny Tate once gave me these words of wisdom, he said "Remember, when you say 'yes' to something, you have to say 'no' to something else." Very interesting. For me to say "yes" to one thing, I have to say "no" to something else. When the devil tries to put something else on your plate by saying "you need to do this" or "you need to be involved in that"; you reply with "That's not my area of responsibility."

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