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By: Kathryn Enloe Executive Director

For You formed my inward parts; You knitted me together in my mother's womb.

I praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are Your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from You, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in Your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them. (Ps. 139:13-16)

Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward. (Ps. 127:3)

The idea to open a pregnancy resource center in Kings County was birthed in 1983 after several concerned Christians wanted to provide a place where women in crisis pregnancies could receive help and to hear alternatives to abortion.

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JULY 12
Glad Tidings Church Family Game Night at 6 pm

JULY 22-26
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JULY 26
Grace Bible Hanford Youth Pool party

JULY 26-28
Kings County Asian Experiences at the Carnegie Museum Friday-Sunday 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

AUGUST 3
Refuge Armona Back to School Bash

AUGUST 3
Cops & Cars in Lemoore - Saturday from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm located at the Lemoore Sports Comple

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Christ & Common Sense

The Madness of Materialism



T.M. Dinkins: County Publisher

There is fascinating account of a rich man who came to Jesus and asked what he needed to do to inherit eternal life. Jesus told him the answer, but the man would not do it because he was unwilling to give up his possessions and follow after Jesus. Afterwards Jesus turned to his disciples and said, "It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." (Luke 18:25 ESV)

That image is a vivid illustration of the struggle that exists in every human heart. Will someone pursue possessions, or will they pursue God? Will someone lay up treasures in heaven, or will they settle for investing in the temporary riches of this world? It can be a surprisingly strong battle in our hearts unless we have been trained to see that wealth often leads away from God towards idolatry, isolation, and worldliness.

The apostle Paul made this clear when he wrote, "For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils." We often hear that verse and think it refers to people in the world. The shocking realization about Paul's warning is that he was writing to the church! He wrote, "It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs." (1 Tim. 6:10)

The tragedy of pursuing wealth is that it often deadens a Christian to the pain they are inflicting upon themselves. Like a leprosy patient

who burns himself without knowing it, a Christian in pursuit of wealth can hurt their spiritual health without knowing it. Their conscience can become deadened to the clear teaching of Scripture which means they are in danger of damaging their soul.

One of the first signs of someone following a dangerous pursuit of wealth is that they tend to isolate themselves. This isolation is a natural outcome of the selfishness that is tied to wealth. The more money someone has, the more they tend to think about spending it on themselves. This often happens gradually, but it is definitely something to be aware of. Proverbs 18:1 says, "Whoever isolates himself seeks his own desire; he breaks out against all sound judgment."

“ Christians who pursue wealth often see it have a negative impact on their connection with the local church. Either their work or their leisure begins to squeeze out Sunday morning worship. ”

Hebrews 10:24-25 says "And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." I have met many professing Christians who act as if this verse has been removed from their Bibles. They know they should prioritize meeting as a church family, but they act as though Sunday is just Saturday with a different name.

Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his

soul?" (Matthew 16:24-26) Our society is super-charged with consumerism. It is built around the premise that the whole world can be yours if you work hard enough. As Christians we must be aware of the madness of materialism. We must remember we are different than the world. We must take every thought captive and seek to live to please the Lord and not the consumerism of our society.

So how do we counter our culture's incessant cry for more wealth, more money, more things? It is quite simple. We have to think of wealth the way the Bible does. Jesus said, "No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money." We have to ask ourselves is this purchase helping me serve God or money? Does this job allow me store up treasure in heaven or only here on earth? Do our plans

for this weekend help us serve God or ourselves?

The apostle Paul gave the solution to the wickedness of pursuing wealth. He wrote "But godliness with contentment is great gain." (1 Timothy 6:6) How can we be godly? We have to repent of our sins and commit our lives to Christ! How can we be content? We have to trust in the sovereignty of God. He will provide. And if you can live a godly and content life then your life will naturally result in great spiritual gain. Jesus put it like this, "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matt. 6:19-20)

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Power outages? The Quick Solar Solution



“ I just received an email from PG&E warning about power outages due to the heat wave. I also received one for our Palm Desert office. SCE is warning about Critical Peak Pricing due to the heat. ”

Facing a power outage in your house is not a pleasant thought. Rotating outages are planned for 2-3 hours. We can all live through a few hours of annoyance, but what happens if a substation goes down during the heat? What would you do for 2-3 days without power? If a big enough transformer goes down, it could be 2-3 weeks or more. Then what? Did you know there is a

severe shortage of transformers in the world? We rely on them to keep the grid working. Ordering them takes 6 months to 2 years, depending on the type.

If the power goes out for 2-3 days, everything in your refrigerator and freezer would likely be spoiled or melted. No AC, no fans to help keep you cool, no TV and no lights. Once your phone and laptop battery die, they're dead too unless you have a car charger. I get asked by a lot of people, "but what about a generator?" "Portable generators are reasonably cheap; you can get a good one from Costco for \$999". I agree

with them. I then ask them; "do you know what it takes to hook them up to your house?" "How many 5-gallon jugs of gas do you keep at your house?" Generators will go through 5 gallons of gas per day just to run basic loads. "Do you store 15-20 gallons of gas or more?" That is usually where the generator questions end, but I typically give them one more to ponder. "Generators are loud!" "If you're running yours, all your neighbors will hear it". "You can expect the closest ones to come over with an extension cord on their shoulder begging for some power".

There is a safe (no gas), clean (renewable) and quiet (no load motors) option. A solar system with a battery can be upgraded to provide power to your home during an outage. As long as the sun comes up every day, you can have power available every day, no matter how long the utility outage lasts. If you already have a solar system, a back up battery can be added to your existing system. Battery systems are not cheap. They are most definitely an investment. The question you need to ask yourself is, "if the power is out at my house for a week, all the food is spoiled and I'm in the dark, what would I be willing to spend not to have this happen to me?"

As an industry insider, I am very aware of how fragile our grid is. I put a back up system on my house 10 years ago because I know what's coming. That was before everyone was trying to charge their car from the grid. Give that some thought.

If you would like to get some more information on this subject, please give us a call, we would be happy to speak with you.

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and I are very grateful to work with such a talented and Godly person. We are building a relationship that we hope God will richly bless.

Christian News Magazine is here to do just that; to be true to God's Word and faithful to God's people. I am looking forward to knowing more of you and being a part of the family of God in a place that appreciates a newly found brother and sister in their community.

God Bless You All,
Terry and Georgia Wild

**Terry & Georgia Wild
Founders/Publishers**

Publishing Christian News Magazine means a great deal to both me and my wife Georgia. It represents a lifetime of over fifty years now, following Jesus Christ and wanting to do His will in our lives.

We are just getting to know Kings County, and the more people we meet, the better we like this part of the Valley.

Why are we publishing Christian News Magazine? It's because we feel that we have been called by God to give His people a voice in the community; and by doing so, giving God a voice in the community. Our greatest mission here on earth is to proclaim who Jesus Christ says He really is; The Son of God who loves mankind enough to lay down His life to save us from our sins.

“ Christians are the family of God, the Body of the Lord Jesus Christ, and as such we need each other. We need a sense of unity and belonging; especially when we face what has taken place over the last number of years in our country. ”

There really are no words to describe what is going on with our leaders and institutions that are under attack by something that can only be described as pure evil.

We need a voice of calm and encouragement in the community; a voice that tells us to look to God and to each other for strength and comfort in a time of trouble. We need to laugh and joke and have fun, and we need to comfort and support those who need our help. But that isn't new to Kings County, there is a long history of Godly people who serve Him.

Georgia and I are very impressed with Tim Dinkins and his family. Tim is the Kings County Publisher of Christian News Magazine. Georgia

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Aaron & Melony Odland: West Valley Supply Lemoore



Aaron Odland Jr. - System Designer at West Valley Supply Lemoore

When and why did West Valley Supply start and how long have you been working for the company?

West Valley Supply was opened in 1976 by the Gilfry Family. My Father Aaron Odland Sr. has been working here for over 30 years. He and my mom, Lisa, purchased the business in the late 1990s and they have been the owners ever since. I have grown up in this business my entire life. I ran around the shop as a kid and eventually started working here my sophomore year of high school. I have been working as a full time designer for about 13 years.

What part of the Ag industry does your company focus on the most?

We specialize in all kinds of irrigation. Over the last 45 years, we have seen a lot of changes in the markets from

dairy business to flood irrigation and now onto more precise drip irrigation in orchards and water conservation. We have done business with 2nd and 3rd generation owned dairies that still continue to thrive in this county which is an amazing success to have. Our drip irrigation and designs in orchards are our main focus, with the explosion of pistachio orchards and almond orchards over the past 10 years it has become a staple for us to supply our customers.

What is the largest project you have designed?

In agriculture it would be a few projects designed for around 80-100 acres of orchards installed here in kings county.

We also do a lot of commercial and municipality irrigation designs. I have designed a few local high schools and elementary schools. Which also includes Football, Soccer, and baseball fields as well as the entire school irrigation systems.

What is one of the most interesting projects you have helped out with?

One of the coolest projects i was involved in was around 2011 when we were involved in a wounded warrior

project for a new home build for a veteran. At the time my father had designed the irrigation system for this home and we supplied all the irrigation.

How much water can companies save if they use an efficient irrigation system?

Basic savings right off the top are easily 40% with an efficient system and with correct irrigation and scheduling we can get that number to 80% savings. Water is something that will be talked and fought over in our state. My biggest problem with the state water requirements are the drastic choices made to regulate and shut water off completely. If we handle water correctly and do smart and efficient irrigation systems and designs we can conserve more water than ever before. This includes any type of irrigation (agriculture, sports complex, city parks, and homeowner properties).

Is there a verse in the Bible that inspires you in your work?

A verse that has stuck with me my entire life is a verse that was dedicated to me when I was a child. It is Matthew 19:26 "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

I have used this verse from daily life to challenges or just as a verse in the morning to read. Its a reminder of everything going on the world with

life, business especially we do not know what the next month or the next year holds so we put our faith in God.

God's word says, "He who finds a wife finds a good thing and obtains favor from the Lord." (Prov. 18:22) How has your wife been a blessing to you in your life and work?

My wife Melony has been a savior for me. We grew up knowing each other as kids. We have been together for 14 years and married for seven coming this October. I am blessed to have my wife work with us at the business as our secretary at West Valley Supply. I believe it takes some special people to work as a family and even as husband and wife to own and run a business. She is the educated one in the family with a degree in Business Administration. I believe we form an amazing team together and we complement each other in different thoughts and actions.

How does your faith impact your work at West Valley Supply?

I believe that our faith reflects a lot on our business. We all strive as business owners to run a great business that can serve others and produce a great product to its customers. I want my faith in God and my personality to encourage others. My goal is to help others to the best of my ability and for people to enjoy shopping at our business and make their day better in anyway possible.





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Meet the Pastor

Pastor Lloyd Rippey and his wife Marcia



How long have you been serving as a pastor here in Kings County and can you tell us about the history of New Hope Fellowship in Corcoran?

My wife Marcia and I came to Hanford in April of 1985 to help Pastor Charles Harlin with a building project at Glad Tidings church in Hanford. He invited me to become the Associate Pastor in Christian Education. Marcia became the Children's Church Director at that time. Three years later we began serving at the Calvary Christian Center Assembly of God on Hanford Armona road in Hanford in August of 1989.

When we left The Calvary Christian Center we began serving at Kings Christian School in Lemoore and served there until 1999.

In June of that year I was asked to become the pastor at The New Hope Fellowship Assembly of God in Corcoran (we have served them for 25 years to date).

New Hope Fellowship AG was formerly known as Corcoran Assembly of God and before that as The Full Gospel Church of Corcoran. This year it will celebrate 100 years as an outreach to Corcoran. The Hundred Year Anniversary statement is "We have been waiting For His Return for us for 100 years – Is He still waiting for you to return to Him?"

What are some things that you enjoy about being a pastor?

Pastor Charles Harlin said, "I love my job, My boss is the best ever, my job description is clearly printed out, and my benefits are out of this world..." I would like to add "We get to work with the best people on earth, and we get to make friendships that will last forever."

If you could choose one highlight from your ministry, what would it be?

We have been called to Corcoran New Hope Fellowship and have been working on the churches 100 year old building for 25 years – we are almost finished with the project. We were asked not to incur any debt as we remodeled, to see the Lord provide time after time to give us special pricing, special workers and gifted laborers to help us as volunteers, many who not only donated work but money to buy materials,

has been a major conformation that He is really in this place. I Love it when God shows up and shows His mighty hand. Corcoran New Hope Fellowship is "100 years Brand New". The Church has no debts and has a beautiful facility to serve and worship God in. To God be the Glory!

How has your wife helped you serve the Lord more effectively?

I just shared an article with the church thanking her for 48 years of Married life together (May 15th) where I wrote "My Tribute to Marcia is she has fully given herself to the work of the Lord, It has been an easy walk for me because she has carried the load along side of me throughout these 48 years. I have told her many times before that I could not walk this walk alone, I am the one who has been blessed in our walk together". I am ever Grateful to God for His Gift of Marcia to me.

What passages have you been preaching on recently and how have they helped your congregation serve the Lord?

Since Easter the verses that have been repeating themselves to me – and in turn I have been repeating to the church are from Matthew 28:18-20 Jesus came and told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. 19 Therefore,

go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. 20 Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Is there a verse from the Bible that inspires you as a pastor?

In Matthew 16:18 Jesus said "...I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it." That verse mixed together with the verse that says "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." (Hebrews 13:8) My confidence is that He is working with me and I cannot fail to accomplish what He wants me to do.

What advice do you have for Christians serving the Lord here in Kings County?

Keep on going no matter what. I have been told that you cannot fail if you don't give up. Paul said it like this in 2 Timothy 4:7 & 8 "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful. 8 And now the prize awaits me—the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on the day of his return. And the prize is not just for me but for all who eagerly look forward to his appearing."

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Dave Fox
Chairman of THX2U Ministry

THX2U exists to help Kings County churches partner with the Naval Air Station Chaplains so that together we might reflect the love and light of Christ by showing appreciation to our active duty Sailors, Marines, and their dependents through prayer, outreach, and events both on and off the base.

THX2U has a three pronged purpose statement: 1) To display the love of Christ in all we do and to be ready to give people an answer for the hope we have so that they know that God loves them and wants to walk with them in life. (1Peter 3:15) 2) To show our love and appreciation for our sailor's service to our community and our country. 3) To use a wide variety of services and events on and off base in order to highlight our gratitude for them. THX2U seeks to do this by helping Chaplains partner with local Christian churches and ministries to further the gospel of Jesus Christ to the Sailors, Marines, and their dependents at Naval Air Station Lemoore.

Our story begins in February 2019, when Chaplain Colby Torres was the Base Command Chaplain for Naval Air Station Lemoore. During that time Frank Carbajal, gathered various church leaders from around Kings County to share a vision of reaching the active duty personnel and their dependents, through a partnership with local pastors and Christian leaders. Many Christian leaders have looked for ways to bring the gospel ministry to the base, but because of federal regulations, it proved to be exceedingly difficult. Through a partnership with base chaplains, there was a way for outside churches to get involved to minister and sharing the love of Christ.

When COVID-19 hit everything changed. The world locked down, the base limited who was able to come aboard, and Churches were faced with dilemma to either open, or go virtual. For almost two years, everything stopped, and the vision of partnering with local churches and chaplains was once again halted.

In 2021, Chaplain Torres moved to Carrier Air Wing Nine, on Naval Air Station Lemoore. While he was preparing to deploy, the vision to partner with local Christian leaders continued to burn within him. The Lord allowed Chaplain Torres and Frank Carbajal to cross paths once again, along with Dave Fox, and Chaplain Jamie DeLeon (the new Senior base chaplain for NASL) and this reignited the vision. Almost 2 years later, we gathered church pastors, leaders, and ministers from around Kings County at Central Valley Assembly of God in Armona CA, to recast this vision to our local Christian community, and THX2U was born and is now operating on Naval Air Station Lemoore with the help of local Christian churches, people and Christian ministries.

We are now seeing God move in ways we never thought possible, but we serve a God who does the impossible. In 2022 we were able to serve a Christmas dinner on short notice to a squadron returning to base just a couple of days before Christmas Eve.

Last year was a wonderful year for THX2U, as we fed over five hundred sailors a free "Hamburger Bash" lunch and dessert while inviting them to "Good Friday & Easter" services at the base chapel as well as several churches in our community. We also held a Fall carnival where almost 1000 people came through to enjoy games, prizes and of course "Hamburgers and Hotdogs!"

What was amazing about the carnival event was that the base command allowed us to have information tables for several participating churches and faith-based community organizations! Thank you to the base commands and NASL Chaplains office.

As we enter the second half of 2024, we are once more getting ready to share the love of Christ with

our military personnel at Naval Air station Lemoore. Two more events are in the works for this year. The first is "Vacation Bible School" on July 22-24 from 9:00am til. Noon. The second is a "Fall Festival" that will have the date announced later.

We will relate well ahead of time to what each event will require to be held so that both our churches and individuals can pray about their support. We always need food, financing, and plenty of friendly faces to love on our service friends. God has miraculously supplied all these needs last year through so many of our congregations both large and small as well as individuals. We have never solicited specific things only that you pray and do as God leads. We have had the "right" gifts and support for each event.

Let me conclude by saying that local church ministry is both difficult and sometimes involved and we do not want to take away from what you are doing at your local church. However, if each of us will do "a little," collectively we can do "a lot" for our sailors and for the kingdom of God.



Student Spotlight



"Luke Mello and George, the Supreme Champion Market Hog"

Luke Mello - Tell us about your animals and how you prepare them for the show

I've been showing animals for five or six years. I've always been here at the fair because of my older siblings and I also showed pigs when I was little in the junior divisions. I showed all these animals at a Jackpot show in Modesto and Paso Robles. This year I am showing a market goat, market hog, and three breeding gilts at the Kings County Fair.

We have to get the animals to the correct weight limit, they can't be over or under the weight limit. They need to be given the right feed so they look good. The feed I use is showtec and primo. If one pig is too fat we need to lower its fat intake and raise its protein. If it is too muscular and it is having a hard time walking, we lower its protein and raise its fat content.

How do you see God's hand of creation in the animals?

I wouldn't be here, if it wasn't for God. I wouldn't have patience to work with them. You have to rely on God and be patient because anything can happen. Any of the animals could die on you out of nowhere, but you always have to be ready and you need to know that you are going to try your best. If you win, you will be humble. If someone else wins, you will tell them "Good job." My favorite part about showing animals at fair is helping others out, being able to

show my livestock and making new friends.

How did you and Colt do at the Kings County Fair this year?

Luke won Supreme Champion Market Hog, Champion 4-H Market Hog, Reserve Supreme Champion Market Goat, Champion 4-H Market Goat, Reserve Champion Senior 4-H Hog Showmanship, and Reserve Champion Senior 4-H Goat Showmanship. Colt won Reserve Supreme Champion Breeding Gilt, Grand Champion Purebred Breeding Gilt, Champion 4-H Hampshire Market Hog, and Champion Senior Goat Showmanship.

Colt Mello - I am showing four pigs and one goat. My goat is a boar goat and I have one market hog. She is a crossbred. I have three breeding goats. Some of my favorite things about showing animals at the fair is showing my progress and how hard I have worked on my animals. I also like seeing the amazing work of God in how he can get the animal to grow so well.

What is it like working with the animals on your farm?

At times it can be stressful because they might have a problem, but most of the time it is good. It takes a lot of work to keep them healthy. During school, my dad takes care of them in the mornings because I don't have time. I usually take care of them in the afternoon with the help of my mom and dad sometimes. Sports, practice, homework and my animals are a full plate! Now that it is summer break, I can do the mornings with my livestock as well.

How far have you taken animals in local shows?

The best I have done was when I got 8th overall cross-bred breeding gilt at The Arizona National Livestock Show and she made the sale and sold for \$32,000. Where do the judges come from? Some judges come from out of state so we know their pigs aren't there, others are from California. Some of the judges are pig farmers and some are Ag students and most of them breed pigs.



"Colt and Bucky, Champion 4-H Sr Goat Showmanship"



"Colt and Ember Reserve Supreme Champion Breeding Gilt"



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The Lord has blessed us with eleven volunteer advocates and forty support/auxiliary who regularly serve the Center in various capacities.

The Center is solely funded by gracious donations from private donors, churches, and organizations in the community, together with two annual fundraisers: Changing Babies baby bottle campaign in the spring and Walk for Life in the fall. Crossroads does not receive, nor seek any local, state or federal government funding.

Over the past four decades, we have served over 27,000 clients, offered more than 10,000 pregnancy tests, and welcomed over 1,100 babies born to our clients. We also facilitated thousands of parenting classes and celebrated with hundreds of women who chose life for their unborn when they were in the valley of decision and rejoiced with those who were saved by the Gospel of Jesus Christ...all to the glory of God!

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We thank God for His faithfulness, provision, and grace to sustain and grow the ministry for 40 years. As a beacon for the Lord Jesus Christ in the community, we are grateful for the opportunity to serve our clients and share that every human being is created in the image of God (Gen. 1:27), fearfully and wonderfully made, woven, and knitted together by the hand of God in the womb of their mother (Ps. 139:13-14). God gives children to us as gifts; the fruit of the womb is His reward (Ps. 126:3).

Life is sacred. Life is a gift. Life is precious. We exist to be a voice for the voiceless and with the Lord's help, rescue the most vulnerable and helpless image bearers of God: the unborn.

One heart at a time, one life at a time.

Kathryn Enloe, Executive Director



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Dear Noelle,

My husband and I have been happily married over the past couple years. We are very content without children but know that we should probably want to have children if we're thinking about children from God's perspective. I'm just afraid that children might get in the way of our marriage. Is it ok to be this content in not having children?

Sincerely,

"Content Without Children"

Dear "Content Without Children,"

It's wonderful that you and husband have enjoyed such a happy marriage over the past couple of years! I'm so glad to hear that you want to think through issues related to the family from God's perspective. It sounds like you are setting a good foundation for your home as you seek to do things God's way.

You're right that a marriage built on godly principles should naturally desire to have children. God's design for the family is for the family to have a father, a mother, and children. In fact, the very first command that God gave to Adam and Eve (the first married couple in history) was to have children. God told them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth..." (Gen.

1:28) Far from getting in the way of a marriage, children are the exact opposite. Children are the fruit that comes from godly love in marriage. They are evidence of the blessing of God upon the couple. Psalm 127:3 says, "Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward." If you think of children as a blessing from the Lord, it can really have a positive impact on your attitude and help you to think favorably about them.

Having kids does not have to get in the way of your marriage relationship. God created the marriage relationship first between Adam and Eve, and the children came later. In Titus 2:4 Paul instructs women to "love their husbands and children," keeping the same order. The Bible is clear that the marriage comes first, and the children come second. Unfortunately, there are many families today in our country that operate a child-centered home. These are homes that place the desires of the children above that of the marriage. As a result, the marriages in child-centered homes suffer and often do not last. But if you and your husband understand that your marriage is the primary relationship in your family, your marriage can thrive and even grow closer as God graciously adds children to your home in His time.

Being content with whatever God brings your way is a wonderful gift. True contentment is being happy in any circumstance, not just the ones you choose for yourself (Phil. 4:11). So whether God brings you children or chooses not to bless you in this way, may you continue to find contentment in Him.

By His grace,

Noelle

*Noelle B. Nightingale is a wife and mother and enjoys counseling women in the church.

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Pastor Arthur Fox completes ministry in Hanford, CA



Pastor Arthur Fox and his wife Olivia moved to Hanford in 2019.

They served almost five years at New Hope Church, which is meeting in the Seventh Day Adventist building at 900 N. Redington in Hanford. Pastor Fox first began serving the Lord as a pastor twenty six years ago in Winner, South Dakota. After that he served in Middletown Pennsylvania for almost twenty three years.

He began serving as a pastor after being called to ministry. He went on to be trained as a pastor at Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. He was able to take part in an internship at Calvary Orthodox Presbyterian Church in Cedar Grove, Wisconsin. He was trained by a humble pastor named Henry Fikkert. He remembers the congregation and elders being very encouraging.

When asked, he said the best years of ministry where in Middletown, PA and his time here in Hanford. He was inspired and sustained in ministry by reading Paul's letters to Timothy and especially Romans 8:28 which says, "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose." (ESV)

Pastor Fox and his wife moved back East in June of this year. Please keep them in prayer as they make this transition into the next season of serving our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

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