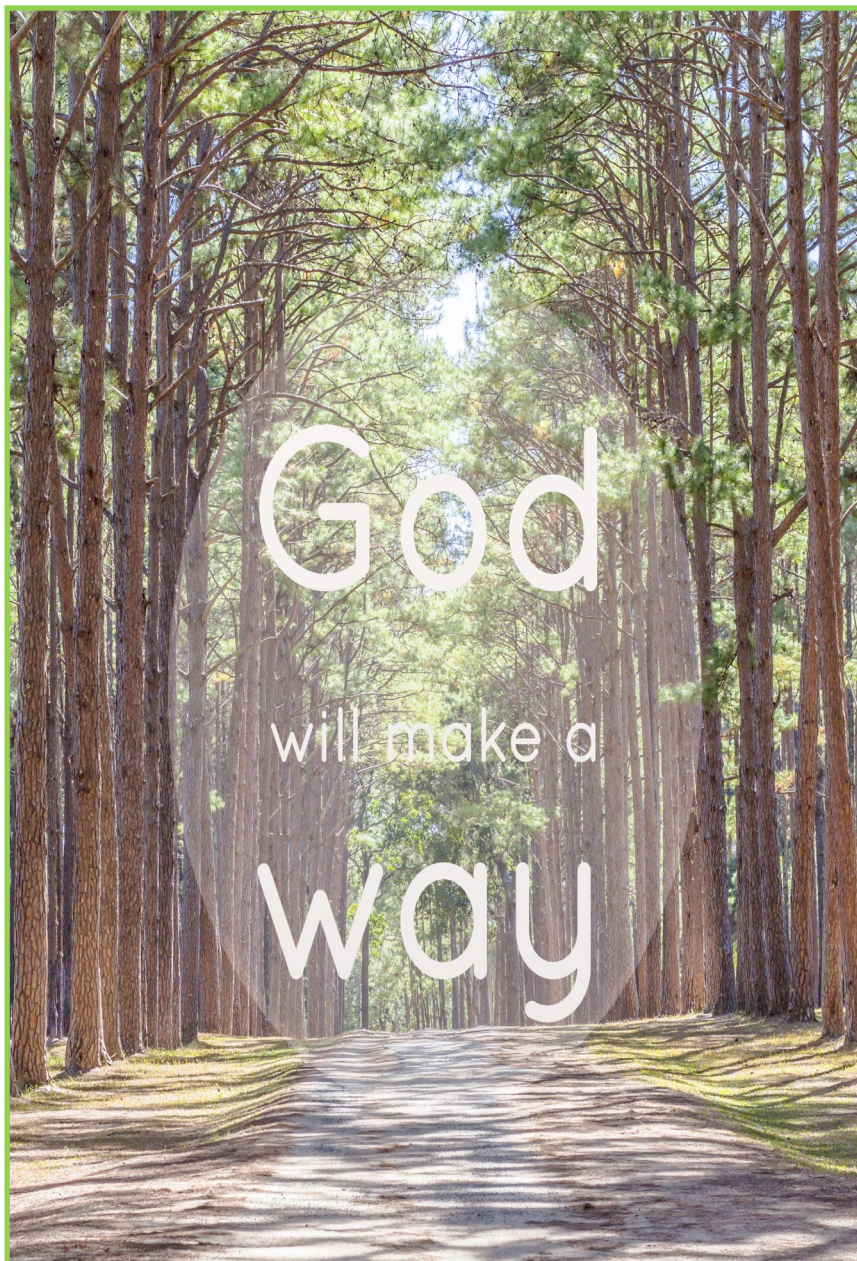


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**"I will go
before you."**



Isaiah 45:2-Proverbs 3:5-6-Deuteronomy 31:8

Dear Family,

Seventy-eight years ago, my father was led by God to begin printing a Biblical based, non-denominational publication that would encourage anyone who wanted to receive the message. Thanks be to God and to those who pray for us, write and support us faithfully, To everyone who is a part of these pages as they go to publication, we say "Thank you!" Please remember each one of the names mentioned below and the needs that are represented. Several of these names have supported the Trumpet for over 50 years. We love you all dearly

Thanks for keeping me in the proofing process and for your continued prayers.
- Tim & Irene Smith

We appreciate receiving the Trumpet and knowing that you are praying for us.
- Jerry & Sue Van Rheeden

We love you and are praying for you.
- Bud & Elwynna Adcock.

(Thank you dear Lord for Sue, Tim and Elwynna, my dear cousins and family, who encourage me and support this ministry.)

Just finished reading the new 7th! Well done! To GOD be the Glory! He uses the truths of His Word. - Sharon Hall, IL

We can all thank you Dad and Mom for you. We can keep them in our hearts! "But the God of Peace, who brought back our Lord Jesus from the dead, The Great Shepherd of the sheep, purify you with the Blood of an eternal settlement, supporting you in everything good to effect His will, doing in yourselves the best before HIM, through JESUS CHRIST; to whom be the majesty for ever and ever Amen" Hebrews 13:20-21 - Nancy Carlson, AR

I always enjoy reading your paper.
- Evelyn Hunter, IL

God has blessed my music ministry. I have been able to purchase CD's with music and I call up to 30 people on Sundays. I feel honored to be able to serve God from my home. - Robin & Melinda, FL

The year of 2020 is a calling from our Lord to have hope and believe in Him. May the Lord Bless you and keep you!
- Dennis & Twila Bonser, AR


In this most unusual year, we are thanking our most dependable God for His love and care. Enjoy reading the Trumpet with it's encouragement and sound reminders. Keep your light burning!
- Louis & Cheryl Bender, IN

You and Jack are always in our prayers, Sis, May God Bless You
- TR & Kerri Gosnell, TN

Thank you for the Trumpet and letter update. Imogene Newlin (my aunt) just had her 94th birthday. I can only visit with her through the door. I feel sorry for the patients there and families who are in the nursing home. - Ellen Raymer, IL

Thank you for still sending the Trumpet! I always read it from cover to cover. I am still on the farm but was diagnosed in July with colon cancer and had to have major surgery, but refused to do chemo. I'm doing pretty good at present. Thank the Lord.
- Bobbie Turner, CO

We are praying for you - Ralph & Dorothy Zimmerman, OH

Editor's Note: Have you written us in the past 2-3 years? Are you getting the paper? If we don't hear from you, we have no choice but to remove your name. Please write to us if you want to stay on the list. 

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ALWAYS ON TIME

Jack Coy

Remember when the Israelites came face to face with the Red Sea? They had just been released from Pharaoh's anger, and now, what are they going to do? Has God forgotten His promise? The enemy was in pursuit, but just at the right time, the waters parted and they were able to walk through safely, even as the Egyptians were engulfed and surrounded by the waves. Later, when the Children of Israel were in the wilderness, God provided faithfully with manna each morning, exactly on time. The blessing of the bread could not be kept overnight because God wanted them to trust Him daily to meet their physical need.

The people were always following Jesus while he was here on earth. Some were critical, others curious, and there were those who truly wanted to hear what He had to say. In Matthew 14:13, Jesus had just heard about the death of John the Baptist; He was tired and wanted to get away by Himself to pray. But when He saw the crowds who wanted to be healed, He had compassion on them.

The disciples said to Jesus, "This is a remote place, it's getting late, send the crowds away so they can go to the villages and buy themselves something to eat." No doubt they were hungry physically, but Jesus knew they were hungry spiritually. He said, "They don't need to leave, you give them something to eat." The disciples were confused, "We have only five loaves and two fish." Jesus said, "Bring them to me." He then told the 5,000 people to sit down. He took the food, blessed it, broke it in two, and told the disciples to distribute it among the people. Because of their faith and patience, they were blessed greatly with more food than they could eat. Our God is STILL always on time! ■

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

John 14:27



The Sioux Indians believe that the longest journey we take in life is from the head to the heart. A spiritual journey of prayer, a pilgrimage, to balance the heart with the mind so we can live our lives in peace and wisdom

Peace is a fruit of daily prayer. It will lighten your heart and light up your eyes. You will be more efficient, and accomplish more, because as you see clearly what matters most and what matters least, you will prioritize your time and energy to achieve better outcomes. TRUST IN God! He promises that everything will work out for good, but He doesn't promise that everything will work out the way we want it to. Be not afraid. Pray for what seems impossible. Hope against Hope.

- Our appreciation goes to Susan Browning for sharing with us.



God Has Always Had a People

"You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." 1 Peter 2:9 (ESV)

Juanita Coy

We are living in uncharted times. The future is uncertain. Chaos and fear is everywhere. If I leave my heart open, my mind is bombarded by the news and media and I begin sinking into the abyss...While there, I am confused, I cannot hear God's voice.

--- Where do I go? What do I do? ---

My God waits patiently for me to open up my heart to hear His small whisper above the noise.

As I push open the door, I can feel his touch. His Word slowly becomes alive and it reaches into me, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow, exposing my innermost thoughts. The words reach inside me and I begin to see they have become a light shining on my path to show me the way I should take. He calls me to enter His presence and resist the fear that has been thrown at me. As I put on my armor, the fog begins to clear and I realize that the power of the Holy Spirit is within me. I become stronger as I overcome obstacles in my path.

I believe that God is inviting me to read His Word, recall the past and remember

that I am his chosen vessel. His Promises are for today and every day. He has a Promised Land prepared for me, for us!

From the beginning of time, God has had a plan, he has had a blueprint, a strategy. Today, you and I are part of this plan. In the Garden of Eden, God presented his proposal. No sin, no death, no pain, only peace and tranquility and long walks with our maker. Well, we messed that up!

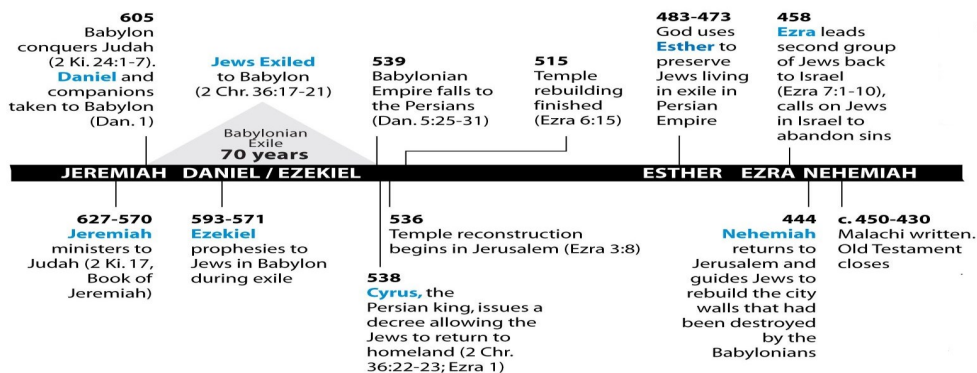
Because sin entered the world, humanity has had to face the facts of life: Obey God, Obtain Guidance; Disobey God, Discover Consequences. We are still trying to get that right! Throughout the Old Testament, you will find this routine repeated.

Some 1,000 years after the time of Moses and 400 years before the birth of Jesus, the nation of Israel was desperate. Solomon's glorious temple, built to honor God's covenant with His people had been destroyed by the Babylonians. They tore down the walls, burned the city and deported two to three million Jews captive to Babylon. It looked like the end of the nation of Israel!

**BUT wait a minute...what is that I hear?
...It is the sound of God's people in prayer!**

The remnant of the children of Israel was still alive and in worship even though they were held captive in Babylon. I am sure they were sharing the stories of how the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob led them to the promised land of Canaan.

Daniel had made a vow to his God that he was not going to break! While in captivity, he refused to obey the guidelines set



up by King Darius, so he was thrown into the lions den. I am sure the king was surprised when Daniel came out unharmed from among them. The king had no choice but to declare that Daniel's God was THE God. Later, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego refused to obey orders to bow to Nebuchadnezzar, another wicked king. That time, God showed up on the scene and entered into the fire beside them. He proved Himself to be true once again when the flames of the furnace did not harm them. Again, another king was challenged and over-ruled. As you look through the above timeline, you will see the names of those who had the courage to lead God's people. You and I have read the stories; we know of the heroes of the faith from Hebrews 11.

Throughout the Old Testament, there were periods of time, just like today, when everything seemed lost, but God never abandoned those who called on His name. Sometimes His work was accomplished by using only one willing man, like Moses, who led the children of Israel out of Pharaoh's control. God was always in the middle of the process, leading the way.

Other times, God needed armies to fight the many kingdoms who worshipped pagan gods. David led many armies into battle and overcame each one in the name of the One True God.

In the New Testament, the disciples who followed Jesus continued to share the Gospel after He was crucified. The truth of God has always been polished by persecution. Despite opposition through the ages, the Word of God is still alive.

Today, God is calling for men and women to take a stand against principalities and powers, against evil. We are told to "Stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free." (Galatians 5:1) When Paul, who had been busy full time persecuting Christians, was struck by the power of God, he said, "What shall I do?" And he was told what to do. WE have a job to do. God needs workers in the kingdom. The responsibility is great. Jesus made our instructions clear, "Go ye unto the world." The work of building the Church today is a cooperative effort; we are in this together.

God's Promises have withstood the test of time, and they will last until we are called to our Promise Land - HEAVEN! ■

An Appeal to the Courts of Heaven

Lord God, Sovereign King, Righteous, Just, & True Judge, I cry out to You for a fair, transparent & accurate outcome to America's election for president of the free world.

I seize this day for the Kingdom of light. I bind, stop & utterly void deception & suppression of truth. I release & decree pro-life, pro-liberty & pro-economy policies. May Your supernatural strength, favor & wisdom continue to rest upon the President, Vice-President, & Your people called by Your name... unto the summing up of The Great Commission & the second coming of our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ.

Holy Potentate, only Thou art holy (Rev 15:4). Only Thou art God of strength & righteousness. Your Spirit is irrefutably pro-liberty (2 Cor 3:17). Your Word is absolutely pro-life (Prov 3:8). The "exceeding" wisdom of Your four small creatures serves to instruct our strategy: the prepared ants, the persistent badgers, the organized locusts & the nimble spiders (Prov 30:24-28).

Wisdom is better than strength, & a wise person can overcome weapons of war (Ecc 9:16-18). May Your people, Lord God, discern these times... ever looking to You as their stability (Is 33:6): For You are our faithful refuge & fortress... in You do we trust & wait upon Your timing. You are light & in You is no darkness. Expose wicked plots; reveal deep & hidden things (Dan 2:22). May spinners of iniquity be held guilty & fall by their own devices (Ps 5:10).



John 10:10



I demolish strongholds of darkness (2 Cor 10:4) that threaten the freedoms of Americans. This prayer wields the sword of the Spirit... alive, active & sharper than any two-edged sword (Heb 4:12). In the authority given to me as a follower of Jesus, I have power over all the enemy (Luke 10:19); spiritual warfare, wars or rumors of wars... none of these trouble me... for God goes ahead of me & fights these battles brought to Him in boldness & confidence. God is our confidence.

I hold on to these sure words: (Is 9:6)... unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: & the government shall be upon His shoulder; ... His name... called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

(Ps 22:28) He is the governor among the nations. (Ps 22:27) All the ends of the world shall remember & turn unto the Lord. (Ps 72:11) All kings shall fall down before Him. (Ps 117:1-2)... praise the Lord... His merciful kindness is great towards us: ... the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Praise the Lord.

(Gal 3:8-9) They which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham, (1 Cor 15:57-58) and are always led to victory in Christ's triumphal procession. Therefore, beloved brethren, be steadfast, unmoveable... knowing your labor in the Lord is not in vain. Everlasting Father, Thine is the Kingdom, the power & the glory for ever. In the name of Jesus the Christ, Amen!

Gail Stoddard



"This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them. O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him." Psalms 34:6-8

I have heard many people tell me they did not know if there were angels looking out for them or not. The presence of God is always with us and David brings this up. The angel of the Lord camps all around all them that fear Him. Just as a faithful Mom or Dad would look out for their children, God looks out for His. There are many kinds of angels that are mentioned in the word of God. Our Lord knows what kind of angel we need and when we need it.

Gabriel's name means God is great. He is the angel who stands as a sentinel in the presence of God, the one who announces important events on God's behalf. We know from scripture that Gabriel is the messenger entrusted with important information to reveal to believers. He appears to at least three people in the Bible: first to the prophet Daniel, referenced in Daniel 8:16; next, to the priest Zechariah to foretell the miraculous birth of John the Baptist (Luke 19:19); and finally, to the virgin Mary to tell her that she would conceive and bear a son, referenced in Luke 1:26-28.

A camp is a place of temporary shelter or residence away from town for protection from the elements of nature that cause peril or discomfort. Let us look at how angels camp around us and why. There are protecting angels, and angels of war, and angels that will

address almost every need we have. Thank God, we have not only Jesus, but also His angels. The Bible reminds us in Revelation 19:10, that angels are not to be worshipped in any way. When John saw an angel that talked to him, he fell on his knees to worship. The angel refused this saying he is also just a servant worshipping God. The why is God loves us for sure. God can just say the word and anything He says will be done for us. Through love He makes sure we have protection all around us. Some religions use metal or wood to make likenesses of people they think are holy, then worship the statue. Like totem poles around a village, they have no inherent power.

David was granted angels to overcome his enemy on this day: 2 Samuel 5: 23-24, "And when David inquired of the Lord, he said, 'Thou shalt not go up; but fetch a compass behind them and come upon them over against the mulberry trees. And let it be, when thou hearest the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself: for then shall the Lord go out before thee, to smite the host of the Philistines'." God directed David to circle around the Philistines instead of attacking them straight on. When David heard the shuffling sounds in the tops of the sacred grove, he set out to ambush the enemy behind the onslaught of the Lord. The wonders of our God amaze me more each day. Who can forget Daniel in the hungry lion's den and the angel that kept him safe all night long? Later when three Hebrew children were cast in the furnace for refusing to worship an idol, Jesus himself came down and walked in the fire with them and protected them. God is greater than we can say, and faster than we can see. There have been many times I was faced with great challenges, but along the way I could feel a presence with me, as if someone were walking with me and looking out for me. I have no doubt it was the presence of God and maybe even an angel sent to help and comfort me. When Jesus was here on earth, there was no reason to call for angels.

He said that he would send the Holy Ghost to lead and guide us into all truth. He also sent angels to bless us; for example, in Hebrews, Paul calls the angels our true ministers.

Jacob wrestled with an angel all night long. He said I will not let you go unless you bless me. We need that dedication to God today. Holding on, until He blesses us. We have an angel to release us from captivity. Acts 12:7-10, "And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, 'Arise up quickly.' And his chains fell off from his hands. And the angel said unto him, 'Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals.' And so, he did. And he saith unto him, 'Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me.' And he went out and followed him; and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision. When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city; which opened to them of its own accord: and they went out and passed on through one street; and forthwith the angel departed from him."

Many times, I have prayed to God about an affliction or something. I tell Him, "Lord, I am a prisoner of this until You release me from it." God does not want us to be a prisoner of anything or anybody. God will heal us and deliver us if we will just hold on. Angels can come to us unaware. Hebrews 13:1-2, "Let brotherly love continue. Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

In Genesis 18, Abraham was visited by three men who were sent by God to destroy Sodom and the neighboring cities. Numbers 22:30-35, And the ass said unto Balaam, "Am not I thine ass, upon which thou hast ridden ever since I was thine unto this day? Was I ever wont to do so unto thee?" And he said, "Nay." Then the Lord opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the Lord standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and he bowed down his head and fell flat on his face. And the angel of the Lord said unto him, "Wherefore hast thou smitten thine ass these three times?

Behold, I went out to withstand thee, because thy way is perverse before me: and the ass saw me and turned from me these three times: unless she had turned from me, surely now also I had slain thee, and saved her alive." And Balaam said unto the angel of the Lord, "I have sinned; for I knew not that thou stoodest in the way against me: now therefore, if it displease thee, I will get me back again." And the angel of the Lord said unto Balaam, "Go with the men: but only the word that I shall speak unto thee, that thou shalt speak." So, Balaam went with the princes of Balak." The angel could have killed Balaam, but he chose to let him have a chance to turn from what he was doing. The angel spoke through the little donkey to get his attention. Thank God for the grace we can receive through the blood of Jesus.

Joshua 5:13-15, "And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted his eyes and looked, and behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, 'Art thou for us, or for our adversaries?' And he said, 'Nay; but as captain of the host of the Lord am I now come'. And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto him, 'What saith my Lord unto his servant?' And the captain of the Lord's host said unto Joshua, 'Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place whereon thou standest is holy'. And Joshua did so." God had sent the captain of his angelic army to help the people of God.

There is a story that tells of a little boy who was about to die from a mass that was in his stomach. He asked his dad to carry him to the hospital window so he could see the little birds one more time. As he stood at the window with his little boy who was now down to skin and bone, the child asked: "Dad, do you see all those people in the room?" The father turned to see angels all around the ceiling. The next day they ran tests on the boy that proved he was healed and well enough to go home.

You may not see them, but just know the angels are camping all around you to help win your battles. God loves us and He will send what we need when we need it. ■



God, grant me the Serenity

to accept the things I cannot change,

Courage to change the

things I can, and the

Wisdom to know the difference.

*Living one day at a time,
enjoying one moment at a time;
accepting hardship as a pathway to peace;
taking, as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is,
not as I would have it; trusting that You will make all things
right if I surrender to Your will;
so that I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely
happy with You forever in the next.*

- Reinhold Niebuhr

I'm sure most of you have read the "Serenity Prayer." I don't believe I knew of the remaining lines until I was searching to find the correct words for this comforting statement. I also discovered that there is much controversy about who actually wrote these lines. The heartfelt prayer touches our hearts as the writer, Reinhold Niebuhr, expresses his version of the love of Christ.

Good morning! It is currently 2:19 A.M. at my house and the LORD is calling ... "WAKE-UP, WAKE-UP" to the Body of Christ, the Church!

Ok, you can yawn and maybe even go back to sleep, but this call is for "REAL!"

The days of having the opportunity to say, "I will choose Jesus" are coming to an end. It is time to take and make a truthful and solid stand for him! You are either going to follow and lead others to CHRIST, or you are going to be forever lost! Yes, I am talking to the Church, the body of believers. (No, I have not lost my mind.)

The devil and his imps totally believe without doubt, but they have made their choice and the Bible tells us their future is a sealed, bottomless pit!

For those who are yet among the living around the globe, there is still time to make that choice of Heaven or Hell! Who are you working for?

All of you on the above list really think I have lost my marbles about now! (That is no doubt nothing new.) But I have spent too many years working for the devil by not working like I should have for the LORD! There is such a thing as "the sin of omission," doing a lot, but not doing what we should or could.

The Church, The Body of CHRIST has been individually chosen by the Lord God Almighty! We have been called to spread the Truth that Jesus is the Lord God, The Savior! There is no other name by which man is saved. Are you a "too quiet" Christian? Are you ashamed to tell others? Or are you just asleep and lazy? Have you asked God what he wants you to do?

Let us pray together for a re-awakening of the Body. You have been chosen and called to be a "lifeline" to those who are lost and perishing all around you. What are you doing to save those "lost souls?"

Wake up and fly right! Start by going to the FATHER to seek forgiveness for your lack of courage and determination and get busy. Know the WORD, study the WORD, share the WORD with all you meet, get a little bolder, tell somebody what JESUS has done for you!

Today, I wore a homemade Covid19 mask that has two words in the middle, "Born Again?" I also had x-rays of my lower back taken and I was mouthy enough to ask the person taking them if she was born again. NOW, that will open a conversation! The doctors report says, "the worst arthritis he has ever seen in all of his medical career." I KNOW GOD HAS A PLAN... Will you stand with me and believe our GOD is able to heal even this?

Church, it is time to come together and start acting like the Christians we have been called to be. Believe and take a stand in and on every issue that comes our way! Our God is able! He has called you and I to believe and stand firm on His every Word! By HIS stripes we are healed! We can do all things through Christ who gives us strength. Whatever your need is, our God is able. Share this message so that others might know that Our GOD RULES AND REIGNS Today, Tomorrow and Forever! There is salvation in no other name.

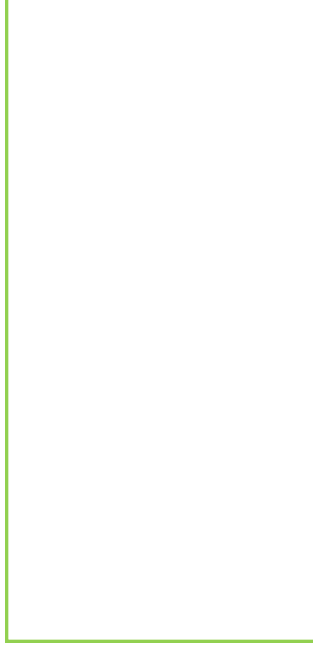
Time is growing short. Wake-up and let us be about our FATHER'S business. Act and Speak-Up to tell others, let them see a sincere attitude of the LIVING CHRIST JESUS in and through you!

The paycheck is good, and the retirement plan is the BEST, for all of Eternity! ■

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