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#### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Virtuous Teens Meeting**

July 17, 2010 August 21, 2010 Sept. 18, 2010 YMCA - Penn Hills

#### Young Men's Ministry

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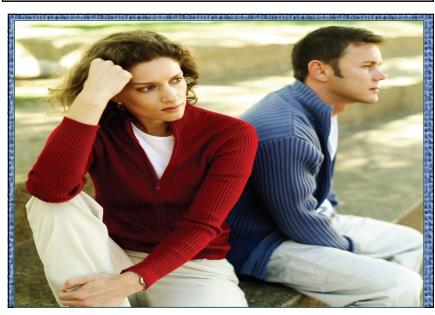
#### **Living Debt-Free Workshop**

August 21, 2010 October 23, 2010 Call for Registration & Location

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## TO FORGIVE OR NOT TO FORGIVE - G. M. HEAD



Are you troubled by the spirit of "unforgiveness?" Has someone wronged you in such a way that just mentioning their name makes your stomach knot; or do you find yourself always rehearsing a series of excuses in your head why you can't forgive your offender? Well you are not alone! Thousands of people everyday live in a stronghold of unforgiveness - or better yet in bondage to Satan, the master deceiver. He knows if you knew the truth about forgiveness and the freedom forgiveness brings, then he will lose his victim. Yes, you, his victim!

Doing a prayer ministry session a few months ago, we listened for several weeks from a young man, named Eddie tell why it is so hard to forgive his mother. In his mind he believes that his mother ruined his life because of her actions toward him as a child. He hasn't spoken to his mother in years, and he also feels he is not able

to embrace life the way God intends for us because of his wounds suffered as a child. Should he forgive his mother or should he continue to harbor unforgiveness the rest of his life? Who do you feel he is hurting his mother or self?

There are numerous scriptures and examples found in the Bible commanding us to forgive one another (Eph. 4:32; Mark 11:25-26; Matt. 18:21-22; Matt. 5:23-24; Matt 6:14-15 to name a few) but very few of us are obedient to these commandments because we don't fully understand God's unconditional love and purpose for forgiving one another.

Retaining unforgiveness is a demonic spirit and if this spirit is not destroyed immediately it becomes a cancerous root attacking the mind and heart. The mind is tormented daily with reminders of the offender's

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If you give, you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full measure, pressed down, shaken together to make room for more and running over. Whatever measure you use in giving—it will be used to measure what is given back to you.

Luke 6:38

## FINANCIAL FITNESS-MIN. GEORGETTA HEAD

**Q.** How can I stay on track paying my bills? I often forget the due dates and end up receiving calls from the creditor reminding me that my payment is late.

Α. Two methods come to a "tickler system" or mind: what I call a "perpetual list." To setup a tickler system you will need one (1) accordion folder with tabs listed from 1 to 31 (this folder can be found in any office supply store). your bills arrive in the mail, open them! Review the amount owed, the due date, interest due etc., for accuracy. Next, on the envelope write the due date and amount owed. Now, put bill back into envelope and file the bill in the appropriate date tab in the accordion folder (i.e., bill is due on the 10<sup>th</sup>, put envelope with bill in accordion folder tab number 10). In order for this system to work, you MUST look at the accordion folder on a daily basis. Decide on a time that you will have little distraction when reviewing your folder and paying bills evening time right after dinner might be a good time to take care of this task.

The method that works best for me is the "perpetual list." This list once typed up can be used continually month after month! Each month you just change the month to the current month. I used Excel Spreadsheet software to generate my perpetual list, you can use any software that suits your needs. When making your perpetual list, you will need four columns labeled: 1) Creditor; 2) Account Number; 3) Due Date; 4) Amount Owed; and 5) Comments. Fill in each column with required information.

This is a quick and simple way of keeping track of your bills. I use the Comments Columns to note any late fees. interest, etc. The Amount Owed column will change from time to time, especially utility bills. I keep every month's list for future reference and it's a great list to have in the event you have to call a Creditor, all the necessary information is already on your perpetual list. And, as bills are paid off, delete the creditor from the list.

Q. I would like to start a sav-

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ings account and pay tithes, but after paying my bills I don't' have enough money left over.

Α. This is a problem for a lot of people. They forget to pay self and to pay God. When receiving your paycheck, the first thing that needs done is to acknowledge God first. Pray over your paycheck (resources) and bills you owe out before making any decisions. Ask God for wisdom on how to manage the finances that He entrusted to vou. Also, ask Him how much should you set aside for savings (faith) and the "discipline" to tithe 10% from all incoming Some people may monies. have to start a savings with only 2% of their incoming resources, but I believe little makes much. As you are faithful to do this God will bless you from unexpected sources and increase your savings.

If you work a 40 hour a week job you should reward yourself and family by having a savings for the future and emergencies. Oftentimes, it is not

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### WORDS OF WISDOM

He who works his land will have abundant food, but the one who chases fantasies will have his fill of poverty. *Proverbs 28:19 NIV* 

Be willing to say no to other people and to yourself. "A man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." *Luke 12:15 NIV* 

"For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment, let us therewith be content. *1 Tim.* 6:7-8

## God's Word on Generosity:

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"The man with two tunics should share with him who has none, and the one who has food should do the same." Luke 3:11 NIV

"And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins." 1 Peter 4:8 KJV

Do you have questions about the Bible? Email your questions to: journeylife@verizon.net Agape Fellowship Christian Community Ctr. Wilmerding, PA 15104

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Wednesday Prayer 12:00 noon

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## FAMILY CORNER—ELDER CHARLES HEAD

Today's topic will be "Action vs. Words." After much thought, I have come to the conclusion that our actions speak more volume into a person's life than any of our words, so we need to examine our actions.

At times we spend countless hours trying to convince a friend, family member or acquaintance that we are right in our ideas or opinions. Yet, if we would examine ourselves during these times of discussions and really be honest about it we would come to the conclusion that people watch our actions after we have spoken many words and value how we handle our daily affairs. You know the old saying - "talk is cheap!"

I personally know people who have spoken volumes into my life without a lot of talk, but rather with how they lived and made their decisions. It was those people who gave me inspiration to be a man of integrity. Don't misunderstand me, I myself am a talker, but even I must examine what I am saying when I talk to be sure my words are backed up with actions that will represent to the hearers an example for them to follow. Believe me, there is someone watching every action you take and many are our youth. Let me ask you, "how is your influence?" You may be a teacher, coach, mother, co-worker, grandparent, etc. It doesn't matter what your position in life you are someone's example or influence whether you like it or not.

There is a generation of young people today who will put you to the test; they are watching you - and how you lead them is very important! Be a person of integrity with your words or don't speak. Live a life of truth!

No matter what we are going through, no matter how long the waiting for answers, of one thing we may be sure. God is faithful. He keeps His promises. What He starts. He finishes . . . including His perfect work in you. By Gloria Gaither

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## TO FORGIVE OR TO NOT FORGIVE? (CONT'D)

offense and the heart becomes diseased with bitterness and anger because we feel the offender should suffer for his/her wrongdoings. So, you see unforgiveness left untreated flows through the body like a cancer worm destroying our emotional well being; our heart, which is the issue of our life (*Proverbs 4:23*); and according to medical doctors our physical body is attacked with various illnesses including arthritis (doctors say "A healthy life demands that we forgive ourselves and others).

Believers, who don't understand the power of God's love and forgiveness, which was demonstrated on the Cross. will always be a victim of Satan, bound as a prisoner of his lies and deceits. When Jesus made the supreme sacrifice to go to the cross for the sins of the world, He did it out of love and forgiveness. When Jesus said "it is finished," he was also saying "I" conquered hate, death, hell and unforgiveness. Jesus' death and resurrection meant He forgave everyone, everywhere ALL offenses ever committed, past, present and future, if we dare to believe Him and accept His gift won on the Cross.

So now I ask, who are we to say "I can't forgive," when Jesus took all of our sins on the Cross, including forgiving those who hurt us? Now let me ask this, how many times today or yesterday did you ask God to forgive you for something you did to someone or to God? In God's eyes all of us need forgiveness. God has declared every one of us "quilty" before him. The Bible tells us "there is none righteous" (Romans 3:9-12); and God is not a partial God so when He says everyone, that means preachers, prostitutes, governors, homeless, high society, you, me, etc., are all guilty. When we learn to forgive, we set a prisoner free and soon discover that the prisoner set free is "YOU!"

Did you know that when we choose not to forgive others we: are robbing ourselves of God's forgiveness (Matt. 6:15). If we do not forgive others, God will not forgive us our trespasses; unforgiveness keeps God from answering our prayers (Mark 11:24-25); unforgiveness causes us to walk in darkness, and the Bible refers to darkness as sin (1 John 2:9-11);

unforgiveness binds us to the one whom we hate (*John 20:23*); we actually become like the person we hold unforgiveness toward; you are judging another and God says judge not or your judgment will be measured back to you (*Luke 6:37-38*).

On the other hand, when we understand the meaning of true forgiveness and forgive our offender we learn that forgiveness is: 1) not denying the reality of our pain, yes we were hurt, but God is there to comfort us and to avenge for us; 2) we are not letting the offender off the hook. Forgiveness is demonstrating a "Christlike" character. After all, He forgave us; and we must remember God is still in control and will fight our battles if we surrender them to Him; and 3) forgiving the offender actually frees the offended one so that he/she can go on with their life. Otherwise the offended (you) become an emotional prisoner to the offender.

Sometimes the offended party must take the first step to restore a broken relationship and our steps for help in the forgiveness process is found in Psalm 37:3-9: trusting God to do good for us and believing in His faithfulness; delighting in God to give us the desires of our heart; resting in Him and waiting patiently for God to fulfill all He has promised; not fretting over what the offender has done, because God said the wicked will not prosper; committing our pain and hurt to God by ceasing from anger and forsaking wrath because it only causes harm to the body: but God assures us in verse 9 that evildoers shall be cut off and will not inherit the earth. Are you ready now to forgive and surrender all to God?

God's grace (His unmerited favor) is what forgives a believer and saves him/her from eternal damnation. His forgiveness has no strings attached, no getting even, and no making us suffer. God offers and gives us unconditional love and forgiveness. God's grace releases us from the consequences of sin, although we deserve eternal punishment for our sins. God freely offers us forgiveness and eternal life when we receive His forgiveness. Don't become a prisoner like Eddie, bound in an unnecessary emotional jail. Make the decision today to get out of prison by letting the Grace of God set you free to enjoy the "peace" and "freedom" He has waiting for you!

## **Forgive**By David Aultman

God sent His one and only begotten Son, To forgive us of all the wrong we have done.

He wants us to do the same thing, too.

He wants you to forgive me and for me to forgive you.

Sometimes it's hard to forget all the wrong,
But we must learn to forgive and to move on.

And if we proceed to live in this way, God will proceed to forgive us each day.

I must give credit where credit is due, so *Matthew 6:14* tells me this much is true:

One thing to remember for as long as you live, If you want to be forgiven, then you have to forgive.



Forgive one another and don't let the sun go down on your anger!

### FINANCIAL FITNESS (CONT'D)

that we don't make enough money it's what we do with the money we make.

I would like to first challenge you to review your last six months bank statements. How many ATM transactions are listed? How many debit transactions are listed? Make a list of your ATM transactions and record how you spent money from the ATM. Next, list your debit purchases, were they needs or wants? How much of that money could have been used toward savings or tithe? The second challenge is to track your spending habits for the next 3 months. Are your spending habits more on the impulse side or are they planned spending?

If you try these challenges you will be surprised at how much money you actually do have that could be used to start a savings account or pay tithe to God. Discipline is the key.

#### Finance 101:

Maintaining your checkbook is a good start in managing your finances. It is very important to know at all times your bottom line. How much income is available to you right now? Do you balance your checkbook monthly or do you rely on ATM balances?

Do you record every transaction—ATM, checks written, online banking, debit transactions? Do you keep a running

balance in your check register?

Have you every received a bounced check because you paid a bill and thought you had enough money in your account, only to find out via a bounced check notice and bank fees there wasn't enough to cover the check written.

Well now it is the time to make it a habit to balance your checkbook. Managing your finances is not difficult, it just takes commitment, discipline, and planning.

God tells us in Proverbs 27:23-24 "Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks, and look well endure to every generation?" to thy herds. For riches are not

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for ever: .... "

As Believers it is our responsibility to know at all times our net worth. One day we will have to give an account of what we did with the resources God has entrusted to each of us. How will you answer on that day?

It is empowering to know where you are financially, because then you will be able to make informed choices!

#### THE COOKIE THIEF - AUTHOR UNKNOWN

While waiting for her flight to depart, the woman purchased a book to read and a bag of cookies to munch on. Losing herself in her book she noticed the man sitting next to her eating a cookie from her bag which was between them. It was a bold move on his part, she thought, since she had purchased the bag of cookies. "Just who does he think he is?"

The cookie thief continued to take one cookie after another from the bag, and so did she, becoming more and more irritated. What nerve this man has, she thought to herself. Each time she took a cookie, he took one, too, down to the last one. He was considerate though, offering her half of the last cookie. That was it. As the story goes, she snatched it from him.

Can you imagine a stranger sitting next to you eating out of your bag of cookies, even down to the last one? Like me, the woman was in for a rude awakening. As she boarded the plane, she reached in her bag and found a surprise -- her bag of cookies. The man had been gracious through the ordeal and shared his cookies

with her, down to splitting the last one. Heading to her plane, it was too late for her to apologize.

I'm sure you have believed something to be a certain way and later found out what you believed was not true. Maybe you held your ground, confident that you were right. Only to find out later, that you were wrong.

So, the moral of the story? Always keep an open mind and an open heart because you just never know when you might be eating someone else's cookies.



Encourage One Another

The Church of The Good Shepherd Second & Johnston Ave. Hazelwood, PA

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## BIBLE FACTS



Instruction Manual for Living Did you know that Jesus will go to the furthest extent to meet a hungry heart who is seeking Him. Zacchaeus was not very popular with the Jews, being a tax collector with his deceptive practices, but Jesus still loved him and received him into the kingdom of God after he repented (Luke 19:2-10).

Did you know that Jesus appeared to His followers ten (10) times after His resurrection?

(John 20:11-18; Matt. 28:1-10; Luke 24:34; Mark 16:12:13; Mark 16:14; John 20:24-29; Matt. 28:16-20; John 21:1-24; John 28:16; and Acts 1:3-8).

Did you know that the beginning of wisdom is to honor God?

Regardless how much natural wisdom you may have, God's Word says the beginning of wisdom starts with honoring Him. (Proverbs 1:7).

Did you know that in the natural as well as the spiritual it is not how you start a race, but how you finish? (II Tim. 4:1-8).

Did you know that God is an *AWESOME* God and has extended His mercy to us all wrapped up in love? (Psalm 136:1-26).

## HEART TO HEART -ELDER CHARLES HEAD

At this time it is my desire to express my thoughts on God and His unchanging love for man. Contrary to what some believe about God I know for a fact that God loves me and without His mercy I would be lost.

I have discussed with others from time to time the subject of "is God who He says He is." My answer has and always will be, yes, He is! For over 37 years, I have walked with the Lord not just to know His acts, but His ways. God has been to me more than I ever could have thought He would be. He has proven it through His living word as I've applied it to work on my behalf.

The life of a believer is not a life of easy street or a bed of roses, but I will say it has been a life experiencing victory after victory as I believed on His Word.

Yes, there were times when I failed the

Lord, and I am sure He has been disappointed with me, yet when I acknowledged my faults and failures, He was there to extend His hand of "love and mercy" each time. I have also learned experientially that God knows our heart and motives, and when we voluntarily admit that we are frail and weak without Him it keeps us humble and glorifies Him for who He is.

We are currently living with a generation of young people who will not accept things at face value. They want proof of everything or it does not exist. It is not enough to say that God is a good God and loves all of us. This generation wants to know "how and why" and that it is all good, but it is my responsibility, as a Believer, to express to others my relationship with the "true and living God" whom I have within my heart and soul, and is my whole being. I must confess, what I like most about God is that it does not matter what generation we live in, He loves us the same as He did

people thousands of years ago. It does not matter whether we question His being or not, He will go to any extent to reach out to us, even to the last heart beat.

I am so glad that He sought me out over 37 years ago and His son, Christ Jesus, became my personal Savior and Lord. I was headed down a one way dead end street in life but He changed my whole life. I am glad I learned about Him as a young man and even in my older age I have no regrets. I have been down in a few battles of life but my God being my leader has never lost a war because "He is a MIGHTY GOOD LEADER."

Though you may question who God is, or is He who He says He is, try Him for yourself, He will prove to be more than enough, because He is – I AM (All Sufficient). Exodus 3:11-14.



Terri Michele's new book "Was Also The Woman With The Issue Of Blood" recounts the author experiences in how her faith aided her in combating several diseases. The book details several momentous occasions in the author's life wherein her unyielding faith in God served as her foundation in persevering despite severe medical roadblocks., With inspiring passages from scriptures and the author's interpretations and reflections on these passages, the book provides an enlightening and inspiring guide for people fighting diseases – not only physical, but mental and emotional ailments as well.

Meet New Author & Public Speaker Cerri Michele, Ph.D.

Author will be available
for a book signing at
Journey Chrough Life Ministries
4th Annual Women's Conference
November 13, 2010

To purchase her books

"I Was Also the Woman With the Issue of Blood"

Or

"The Effectiveness of a Leader,"

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### HANNAH-BARRENNESS TO BROKENNESS TO BLESSING! - MIN. GEORGETTA HEAD

The Bible gives a wonderful account of a woman named Hannah, who throughout the years lived with a great desire in her heart - to have children, but the Bible tells us, "the Lord shut up her womb." It was considered a disgrace in those days not to have children, so Hannah began to think that God had forgotten or abandoned her. Yearly she would go with her husband to worship the Lord at the Temple, and her enemy, Peninnah, each year would make fun of her and provoke her to tears because of her barrenness. Isn't it just like the enemy, he attacks you with words of destruction, making you feel inadequate and unloved while on your way to worship the Lord. Unfortunately, Hannah allowed Peninnah, her enemy, to control her emotions!

Can you relate to Hannah, wanting something so badly that every thought is centered on the problem or situation? Well that is exactly what Hannah did! She was making her situation bigger than

her God. She was allowing someone to speak lies into her life making her faith small! Have you been there?

After much taunting and humiliation, Hannah realized if her barrenness was to end, it must end by the hand of God. Hannah finally reached her breaking point realizing she was suffering from "spiritual barrenness," more than barrenness of her womb and she was responding wrongly, making her situation bigger than her God. The problem was in her soul not her womb! In her brokenness, she poured out all that was in her heart. She surrendered to God all her pain and her desires asking Him to remember her affliction. Hannah also vowed to God that if He would bless her with a man child she would give the child back to Him to serve Him all the days of his life. What courage and love Hannah had for the Lord to vow to give back to Him what she desired from Him - a child. And the Bible says, God granted her request, He met her need!

This story is a great lesson for all believers! Are you suffering from "spiritual barrenness?" Don't allow this barrenness to become bigger than God! When the enemy speaks lies to you saying God won't bless you, hit him back with the promises of God (Psalm 37:4-5). God loves His children and He delights in doing for us, but when we doubt or lack the faith to believe His promises, we are holding back our blessings. Just like Hannah, we have to trust and believe God's promises and not the enemy's lies! In our brokenness we come to learn that we should serve God with a perfect heart and a willing mind, for the Lord searches all hearts and understands all the imaginations of the thoughts; if we seek Him, He will be found (II Chron. 28:9). And, like Hannah, He will answer you!

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#### SERVANT OF GOD- MIN. GEORGETTA HEAD



I have always served since before I was saved at the age of 30 years old.

Belinda Maize

When I was in the military we

used to raise money by selling baked goods in front of the credit union. We were very good cooks and if we weren't there people would come looking for us. We used the money to have a large dinner for the team at a very nice German Restaurant. The team didn't have to pay anything and were very appreciative that someone had thought of them.

While living in Rochester, New York, I found myself walking with a group of women who were powerful in prayer. I spent two years learning how to walk in

the supernatural with them. I also learned quite a lot about the laying on of hands. We spent every Wednesday traveling from house to house praying for people (both saved and unsaved). I learned that intercessory prayer was not just standing in the gap for someone but standing in place of someone. I would go to pray for people and wind up picking myself up off the floor. I spent much time weeping over other's infirmities. We kept record of the work of the Lord and noted that of all the three pages of names we'd ministered to, two thirds of them were healed.

As I look back over the years, I suppose that I have always served in one capacity or another. I suppose I've spent the majority of my time serving the elderly. I spent many years overseas and in Virginia serving in nursing homes. I've recently served in nursing homes in Pittsburgh as well. I love

working with the elderly because they feel as though people have forgotten them. I love to see them smile. It encourages me to sing and have prayer with them. It blesses my heart to see their level of faith in spite of all they've gone through and know that God has not forgotten them.

I am always looking for ways to help others and have raised my son with the same thought process and that's to give back to the community. He has truly been blessed by others throughout the years and I have been teaching him, if he only gives one hour a week of himself to help others, it could change someone's outlook on life.

God hasn't called us to be successful, but rather faithful!

## MEN OF THE BIBLE (DANIEL) -ELDER CHARLES HEAD

*His Work*: He was of Jewish descent, but became governor of Babylon.

His Character: Daniel was exile who exhibited great discipline and faithfulness to his God in adverse circumstances.

*His Sorrow:* Daniel experienced the tearing of his people from their homeland to be exiled in Babylon. He was never able

to return to the land he loved.

His Triumph: God used his faith and his godly diligence to win the loyalty of kings and kingdoms.

Scriptures: Daniel 1-6

I chose Daniel as one of my heroes of the Bible because I admire his love for God and his uncompromising work. It did not matter that he was threatened by those who opposed him praying to God on a daily basis (Daniel 6:1-23), he continued to pray three times a day even after he was told that he would be thrown into a den of lions for praying to the "only God of life". Daniel was a youth around 18 years of age when he became captive in the first siege of Jerusalem and carried off to Babylon. He was of the royal family of the king's seed and was very skillful in wisdom, cunning in knowledge, understood science, had high intelligence, and possessed linguistic ability (Dan. 1:4). Yet,

with all of his intelligence he was a humble man who knew where his intellect came from, the true and living God, the giver of all gifts. Even after he had found favor with the prince of the eunuchs and was invited to eat of the king's food, meat that was sacrificed to idols, he refused to do so.

Instead he put up a challenge that if he ate a certain type of food, he could still remain healthy and yet get his approval to be presented to the king (Dan. 1:3-16). Daniel proved himself to the prince of the eunuchs of the king who was appointed for this task. After ten days Daniel and three other Hebrews, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah were

much healthier looking than those who ate from the kings table. Daniel proved by his actions that even in adversity with all odds against him that God is still God and He will see you through with victory.

Daniel remained faithful to God and became a standard-bearer of faithfulness in Babylon for them to know that God is who He says He is and even more, because he continued to trust God and was able to interpret dreams. He interpreted the kings dream and God gave him favor. He went on to become the governor in Babylon.

## WORDS OF EXHORTATION -BY "INTEGRITY NOTES"



Though my eyes may fail me
I will follow after You
When Your promise seems forsaken
I'll remember the world's in Your Hands
You'll find me singing
You are unfailing God
Your love's unending
And your Word is Eternal
Firm in the heavens it stands
Eyes can't see but I feel You near
I know You're working through my tears
I trust you Lord I trust you
For you never walk away
Unfailing God unfailing God Your love is unending.

## CREDIT REPORT - UNKNOWN AUTHOR

If my life was a credit report and I was trying to obtain salvation, based on my score I wouldn't get it.

My history shows that I've been delinquent in praise, past due in prayer, my worship has been in collections and I've missed a few payments (tithes) or only paid half (you know how we put \$20 in the basket and feel like we've done God a favor).

Not to mention that my debt

(sin) to income (blessings) ratio is too high.

But I thank God that I was able to file bankruptcy (repentance) and it cleared me of all of my debt (sin). Now I have a co-signer (Jesus) whose score is FLAW-LESS... Not one blemish (sin) on his report.

So now.... I QUALIFY for EVERYTHING! Most importantly I've inherited eternal life

and I didn't have to put one penny down.

All of my closing costs were covered when Jesus laid down His life for me!!!! I hear that my future home has all of the upgrades too.

Hardwood floors? Please!! I'll be walking on GOLD!

Thank You Lord for Your unmerited mercy, grace & favor!!



## THE TONGUE CAN BE YOUR WORST ENEMY!

Your words, your dreams, and your thoughts have power to create conditions in your life. What you speak about, you can bring about. If you keep saying you can't stand your job, you might lose your job.

If you keep saying you can't stand your body, your body can become sick.

If you keep saying you can't stand your car, your car could be stolen or just stop operating. If you keep saying you're broke, guess what? You'll always be broke. If you keep saying you can't trust a man or trust a woman, you will always find some-

one in your life to hurt and betray you.

If you keep saying you can't find a job, you will remain unemployed. If you keep saying you can't find someone to love you or believe in you; your very thought will attract more experiences to confirm your beliefs. If you keep talking about a divorce or break up in a relationship, then you might end up with it.

Turn your thoughts and conversations around to be more positive and power

packed with faith, hope, love and action. Don't be afraid to believe that you can have what you want and deserve.

Watch your Thoughts - they become words. Watch your words - they become actions. Watch your actions - they become habits. Watch your Habits - they become character. Watch your Character - for it becomes your Destiny. The minute you settle for less than you deserve, you get even less than you settle for.

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Rankin Christian Center 12:00 noon To 5:00 p.m. Call: Min. Georgetta Head 412-731-3450 for Tickets

Tired of struggling in your walk with God. Then this conference is for you. You will learn how to become more intimate with God making your struggles a thing of the past.

**Guest Speakers:** 



Rev. Patty Rucker



Min. Willeen Jones

# Nehemiah Ministries Presents

## "School for Kingdom Training"

Nehemiah Ministries of McKeesport, PA, is now offering classes for Kingdom Training. Several classes are being offered with a 8 to12 week course completion. These classes are designed to empower the Church to use the spiritual gifts God has blessed them with individually and corporately as a body. At the completion of each course, individuals will receive a Certificate of Completion.

"Moving in the Prophetic" taught by Rev. Patty Rucker, just ended after a 12 week session. The course focus was on understanding the prophetic and how God wants to use His people within this gifting and how prophecy is used in today's cultural. Rev. Rucker expounded from the scriptures the differences between the "office of a prophet" and the "gift of prophecy," noting that these two gifts are different callings and they are both just as relevant for today as during Biblical times. "Moving in the Prophetic" is designed for anyone wanting to learn how to hear God's voice and how to respond to his speaking to them.

Nehemiah Ministries was founded in 1995 serving primarily in the housing project of Crawford Village touching the lives of hundreds of people through the years by the love and power of God. In February 2010 God opened the door to this new addition of the ministry "School for Kingdom Training." When attending any of the offered courses, you will be trained by the "teach and do method" which provides cutting edge information, practical application, and putting feet to what is being taught. "Dream Interpretation" will be offered September 11, 2010. All classes are held at the Forest Hills/Westinghouse Lodge. If you are interested in attending any of the classes offered through Nehemiah Ministries, contact Dean Yvonne Curry at 412-403-6005 or email Yvonne at: <a href="yvoncurr@aol.com">yvoncurr@aol.com</a>

### "ARE YOU GOD-LOVES-ME MINDED"

The love of God is meant to be a powerful force in our lives, one that will take us through even the most difficult trials into victory.

You become conscious of God's love through reading and memorizing scriptures about His love. Mediate on them and confess them out of your mouth. As you read and mediate on God's love you will come to the revelation of His unconditional love for you.

You will realize that:

It's amazing and incredible, But it's true as it can be God loves and understands us all and that means you and me.

His grace is all-sufficient for both the young and old, for the lonely and the timid, for the brash and for the hold

His love knows no exceptions so never feel ex-

cluded, no matter who or what you are your name has been included. And no matter what your past has been, trust god to understand.

And, no matter what your problem is just place it in his Hand. For in all of our unloveliness this great God loves us still.

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"Jesus said unto him, "I am the way, the truth and the life, no man comes to the Father but by Me." (John 14:16)

\*Are you in need of a Savior today? God loves you and offers a wonderful plan for your Life. All you need to do is pray the "sinner's prayer below!!

\*Dear Jesus, I come to you today as a lost sinner. I am asking that you save my soul and cleanse me from all sin. I know that I need help and that I can't save myself.

I believe that you are the Son of God.

Forgive me for my sins and all wrong doings I have done to others and help me to forgive those who have hurt me.

\*I realize in my heart the need of salvation, which can only come through You. I believe that you died on the Cross for my sins and the sins of the world. I accept You, Jesus, into my heart as my Lord and Savior.

\*In obedience to your word, I confess with my mouth the Lord Jesus, as my Savior and believe in my heart that God has raised Him from the dead and You are now seated in Heaven.

\*You have said in your Word which cannot lie, "for whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved (Romans 10:13)."

"I have called upon your name exactly as you have said, and I believe that right now, I am saved.

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\*If you have sincerely prayed these words, which have been written out for you, and believed in your heart on the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior, you are at this moment saved, and your name is written down in the Lamb's Book of Life. Congratulations! You are a "new creature in Christ and a child of God!"

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