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SERVING**

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& NEXT STEPS**



Not everyone is called to be a missionary, but everyone should struggle with the possibility. – Clifford Clark

THE JOY OF SERVING



God has given us a joyful determination for Sharing the Gospel and Making Disciples, and God has graciously provided us with a clear philosophy and process for both. We love it. It gives us such a deep satisfaction, but recently God allowed me to enjoy these things in a completely different way.

Toward the end of 2017 I was invited to a Discipleship conference in Ireland at Mallow Bible Fellowship (**Pastor Joshua Steward**) along with First Baptist Church of Jackson (Team Led by **Pastor Stephen Wineka**). They could have held this conference without me for sure, but they were so kind to ask me to share some of what God has taught us about Evangelism. This was such a joy for me and it was first time I have taught our **JUST A.S.K.** philosophy to another church in the EU. I felt honoured to serve and make a small contribution to a great church and a very well planned conference.

But there is more. By the third night I had members of MBF coming up to me sharing how they were already putting these evangelism lessons to work. They were already out there sharing Christ with their family and friends. One lady told me she felt she now had the tools she needed, and felt burdened to set herself apart as true believer in her circle. Wow!! I was blown away. These people were hungry.

On top of this I was blessed to see pastor Stephen again and hear him preach, and hug on the whole awesome FBCJ family (**You are doing something right over there Pastor Tom** :). And I connected with some fellow labourers in the work: Pastor Josh his wife Denise, and their beautiful kids. I am excited about what we can do together in the future.

I flew back to London knowing God had lit a fire in some hearts to share his Gospel and that filled my heart with so much Joy because that means more people are going to hear about Jesus. Even now as I write this, burdened to see London won for Christ, I know the disciples in Mallow, Ireland are over there doing it too. Christ is preached and I therein do rejoice. What a joy it is to serve Christ in this way.

But you haven't heard the best part. I have been invited to do it again in a few months with another church in Belgium. What! This time the emphasis will be on Discipleship. But I will tell you all about that next time.

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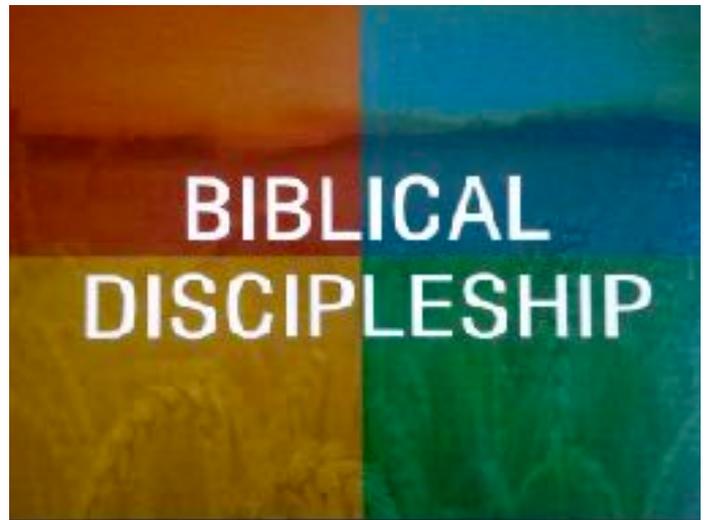
NEW TOOLS & NEXT STEPS

New Discipleship Curriculum

The heart of our work has always been discipleship, and for sometime now I have been working with Living Faith Bible Fellowship to produce a brand new Discipleship curriculum. Tony Godfrey (***Lead Pastor of Harvest Baptist Church, Iola, KS.***) led our team and really did the heavy lifting for this project. The other members of our team were Troy Stogsdill (***Executive Pastor of First Baptist Church of New Philly, OH.***) and Kenny Morgan (***Pastor at Midtown Baptist Temple, Kansas City, MO.***). There were many who have contributed to this project and they are too many to name. But I am so happy to say that we now have a brand new curriculum in our hands to assist us in accomplishing our mission of making disciples. I love these new lessons. They are Biblical, Repeatable and Easy to follow. And LFBF has already begun to translate these into several languages.

We all know that success in discipleship is found in a biblical understanding of its philosophy and not in any particular set of lessons; but it always helps the work when you have great tools, and It makes me so happy to know that I am placing an amazing tool like this in the hands of Crossroads Baptist Church. And God willing I will do so in all future churches that we plant.

I want to give a special thanks to my Pastor, Sam Miles (***Lead Pastor of Midtown Baptist Temple, Kansas City, MO.***) for spearheading this project and for allowing me to play a small part. Your the Best.



New Men's Ministry

One of the things I am looking forward to in 2018 is the start of our new men's bible study. Mindy has had such great success with her study with the ladies; we men got a little jealous :) So we decided to start one of our own. The only difference is we are combining it, not surprisingly, with sports.

The plan is the get together and study the Bible and then afterwards have a time of fellowship by watching a football match or some other sporting event. I think this will be encouraging to all of us in the scriptures and will also be a time to bond as friends. It should be a lot of fun. Please pray that this is a great success.

Paul's Next Steps

Our Pastor in training, Paul Waller, has been growing rapidly in his pastoral skills and his knowledge of the Word. This week we moved his preaching schedule from once every 8 weeks to once every 6 weeks. Added to that he is receiving invitations to speak at several other churches and bible studies. We could not be happier with his progress. Please continue to pray for his growth and protection.

Thank you all so much for all of your prayers. Please continue to pray for our 2020 VISION: (1) 5 New Families (2) Paul Waller Prepared to Pastor (3) A Building we can call our own. We love you guys. God bless.

Thank you so much for choosing to PUSH with us. We would not be here without you.

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PRAYUNTILSOMETHINGHAPPENS

For Paul & Emma and their two boys, Robin and Isaac, as I prepare Paul to pastor

For our 20/20 VISION that God would bring it to pass

For the new Men's ministry to be a great success

For the Ladies bible study as they start a new one this year

Give thanks for the new discipleship curriculum and pray they will be implemented with great success

For new open doors in 2018 to share the gospel and make more disciples

For me to preach the Word with power from the Holy Spirit

For those that our family is witnessing to that they would come to Christ.

For God to protect our family and our church from the Devil and from evil men.



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