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## Our Readers Write



Earlier today, I was fueling my truck at the Pilot on Highway 326 in Ocala when this gentleman came up to me and handed me a red bag containing all sorts of food items, personal items, etc. He explained to me about Transport For Christ. We talked for a few minutes. I, too, am a born-again Christian, and I just wanted to let you know how much I appreciated the thoughtfulness of the gift. I am sure that those drivers who are not saved are blessed as well....Thank you again, and keep up the good work for the glory of our God.

*Steve  
Via e-mail*

Dear Chaplain Michael and Susan, May God bless you and your family for the rest of your life! Thank you all so, so much for taking care of my husband....You were sent to make sure my husband got home safe. You are forever in our hearts and prayers!...I love you all for life!

*Carolyn  
Fayette, MS*

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## A Word from Scott

Yes, it's February again and I would venture to say that for the vast majority of us it would not be our favorite month: dark when you go to work...dark when you drive home...dreary in between. For drivers, it may be a different kind of "dark and dreary." Horrendous weather and dangerous driving conditions; endless miles and long cold winter nights alone; the pressure of on-time delivery by demanding consumers; having to provide for your family while not being able to be with them—all of that makes the job tough even when they're feeling well. But all too often drivers are afflicted with physical, emotional, and spiritual conditions and have few, if any, resources available to help them where they are and when they need them.

Truck drivers matter! They matter to their families and friends; to their employers; to manufacturers and shippers; and to the consumers. They are the men and women who keep this country moving! However, they can't do it all by themselves in an optimal way without help. Whether it is the flu, a toothache, a strained back, an argument with their spouse, traffic jams, or an overly demanding employer...they need resources to help them navigate the difficult conditions of their daily lives.

Since 1951, the TFC family has been sharing the good news of the Gospel with truckers and the trucking industry. However, over recent years tremendous changes have occurred, and the result of these changes is reflected in our numbers. Today, for every 100 drivers that walk past a TFC chapel, we are interacting with an average of two. That means there are ninety-eight we aren't reaching! That is not acceptable; and in order for TFC to be able to sustain its efforts to fulfill its mission, we have to make the adjustments necessary to respond to these changes.

The need to reach the "other 98" has driven us to ask hard questions and made some decisions. As a result, we have labored to craft an effective, integrated care program that will add medical and emotional/behavioral resources to our existing spiritual care resource. In doing so, we have kept one thing in the forefront: the TFC mission of evangelism and discipleship. Evangelism by showing drivers what God's Kingdom is like and showing them how to become part of that Kingdom; and discipleship by helping drivers continue to grow in their understanding of life in God's Kingdom.

It is our firm belief that our new initiative will bring a whole new dimension to the outreach of TFC chaplains as they help drivers navigate the difficult spiritual, emotional, and medical conditions of their lives. During the first quarter of 2016 we are planning to roll out the initial telephonic and virtual options along with onsite options, beginning at our Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, ministry center and moving to at least eleven other locations by the end of 2016. We want to be where the drivers need us, when they need us, with the resources they need. Stay tuned for more information to come!

God bless and safe journey!

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A "new" 1987 Diamond Reo spotted at the Maple Grove Raceway Keystone Diesel Truck Nationals. On the right, an inside view of the cab. Check page 8 for the intriguing story of this "new" truck from a company that has long been out of business!

**Photo by Donald Hollinger**



## Transport For Christ...

*Leading truck drivers as well as the trucking community to Jesus Christ and helping them grow in their faith*

# Chuckie's Amazing Trucker Joe

by Beverly Magee

I am the mother of Chuckie. Ten years ago, while working at a womens and babies hospital, I met Joe Musser and his wife, Marsha, who'd just had a little baby girl there, McKenzie; I had the privilege of taking her baby pictures. In our conversation, we soon started talking about Make-A-Wish and I explained that my son, Chuckie, was one of the wish kids. Joe, a trucker who rode on the Make-A-Wish Mother's Day convoy, then asked if he could take Chuckie on in his truck as his Make-A-Wish kid. Of course, I said yes!

Chuckie was on the convoy with Joe on Mother's Day for ten years, and we became very close over the years. They have been so supportive of our family, even getting holiday meals for us at times when we were struggling.

Chuckie, who was medically fragile and had special needs, looked forward to this truck ride each year. I had to be careful not to tell him too far in advance when the convoy was coming up, because he would get so excited he would remind me about it day in and day out.

This past year and a half has been very tough on our family. In March 2014 I was diagnosed with cancer. I was just two months out of treatment on Halloween eve when our family went out trick-or-



*Chuckie with Trucker Joe in 2013*



*Chuckie with one of his favorite Make-A-Wish clowns, "Obie"*

treating. As we were transferring Chuckie from the car to his wheelchair, we heard his femur snap. Within a week Chuckie was diagnosed with a rare bone cancer, and with being medically fragile and with a compromised immune system, the cancer was going to win; I knew it.

Hearing this news, Joe was devastated and made a point of coming to visit Chuckie during the three-and-a-half months he was in the hospital.

When he came home, Chuckie saw all of his last wishes come true: he received a special adaptive bike (since he had a right leg amputation) so he was able to ride his

bike; he made it to his nephew's dedication; he made it to his 23rd birthday; and finally, his biggest wish was to make it to one more convoy. Chuckie at this point was on high amounts of oxygen. When we arrived at the convoy on May 10, 2015, I whispered into Joe's ear that this would be Chuckie's last ride and Joe broke down along with me.

Chuckie lost his battle to cancer on May 20, and a huge part of my heart went to heaven with him. Joe and his family will always be connected to our family, for Chuckie brought us all together as one great big family. ☹



*Chuckie poses with driver Joe's truck at the Make-A-Wish Convoy in 2013.*

## **TFC Chapel will be there!**

**27th Annual  
Make-A-Wish Mother's Day Convoy  
May 8, 2016**

Burle Industries Park  
1054 New Holland Avenue  
Lancaster, PA 17601  
717-283-4880



*Photos by Donald Hollinger*

## **Can You Guess This Truck?**

*Send guess to [editor@transportforchrist.org](mailto:editor@transportforchrist.org). Answer in next month's magazine. January's "Guess Truck" (below) was a 1939 Chevy Cabover.*



# CHAPLAINS' LOGS

True Stories of God's Amazing Grace

**Excerpts from the daily logs of chapels across North America. See page 15 for a list of chapel locations.**

◆ **The Lord knows and provides all our needs**

Charlie came in for prayer about loads and finances. We discussed trusting God as his dispatcher. Since He already knows where Charlie is going to be next week, I encouraged him to let God provide the load to get him there. He responded with, "That's right! I need to trust Him to provide."  
*Chaplain John*

◆ **Jesus—and chaplains—are our friends**

It was a beautiful evening, so I sat outside the chapel door and talked to everyone who went by. No deep theological discussions; just friendly talks. Sometimes drivers need a friend! Troy, from Minneapolis, saw me outside and started to talk. We came inside and he poured out his heart, and it was heavy. He left refreshed in the grace of God and re-energized to rely upon the Holy Spirit for strength, wisdom, and guidance.  
*Chaplain Dwayne*

◆ **Heavy burdens are unloaded at a chapel**

Jim came into the chapel and confessed that he had been away from the Lord and church for many years. He assured me he was a Christian, so we went through many scriptures to help get him back in a right relationship with God. He said his life was a mess and that he and his wife are getting a divorce. We dealt with that as well, then had a time of prayer. I gave him some materials to help him in his walk with the Lord.  
*Chaplain Ralph*

◆ **Freedom in Christ eases bad childhood memories**

D. and L. came for counseling and to do the *Freedom in Christ* study. We praise the Lord for the transformation that He is doing in their lives by delivering them from all kind of abusive situations they suffered in their childhood. Every week that they come to the chapel, they are praising the Lord for the experience of freedom in Christ.  
*Chaplain Claude*

◆ **Chaplains are good listeners**

Ralf was the only driver in, so we did a Bible study instead of a service. We talked a lot about how to understand God's leading. Ralf was struggling with a job change and after explaining his options he asked my opinion on what I thought God would want him to do. He thanked me for guiding him to a firm decision, but all I really did was let him talk himself through the options. God is so very good!  
*Chaplain Sam*

◆ **Heaven (and TFC) rejoices over each new believer**

Jared came in saying that he would like to know for sure he could have Jesus in his life. We explained the ABCs of belief and salvation, and he indicated he would like to pray to accept Jesus, which he did. Praise the Lord!  
*Chaplain Dave*

◆ **Soldier stops in to thank chaplains for THEIR service!**

Walter came in just to say "Thanks for being here." He is in the Army and says he gets lots of "thank you for your service" from people, and he wanted to say "thank you for being here" to us!  
*Chaplain Doug*

◆ **Joining together in prayer lifts our spirits**

Lewis stopped in to say hi. We had a great time talking and praying with him. Ron came in and said he needed help with a family problem. We talked and prayed, and he said he felt better about everything.  
*Chaplain Tom*

◆ **Father wants New Testaments for his five children**

Francois, from Port Rouge, came to the chapel today. He gave his heart to the Lord last year at this chapel. Back then I gave him a copy of *Five Minutes a Day New Testament in One Year*. He wanted five more, to give to his five children. He had numerous questions for me and I was able to answer them all.  
*Chaplain Raymond*

◆ **Blessings and concerns—God wants to hear about both**

Driver Paul came in with a very heart because of issues with his one-truck business, as he is finding it extremely difficult making it work, and with concerns at home, so he spent some time just dumping. I shared some words of encouragement and prayed with him. Then, an extremely opposite arrived, sharing how God blesses him so often and in so many different ways. We too shared and prayed, and he was on his way.  
*Chaplain Len*

# GOOD NEWS FOR YOU

## Are You Thirsty?

Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again,” Jesus told the Samaritan woman who came down to draw water from the well in the heat of the day. Then He continued, “but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life” (John 4:13-14).

Every human being is thirsty—spiritually thirsty for something that will restore meaning to life. Man has never really forgotten where he came from. He once experienced true life, and since the fall in the Garden of Eden, he has been dissatisfied, looking for something that will give him back the life he’s lost, something that will quench the thirst of his soul.



We all know that out there somewhere is a water that satisfies. Satan would like us to think that fulfillment and satisfaction in life can be found in the “waters” the world

offers: fame, money, drugs, success. But the waters of the world only increase our thirst, like salt water.

Maybe you have experienced that. Maybe you have discovered the desire for more money is never quenched; drugs and alcohol leave you empty and yearning for something more; relationships, even good ones, don’t fill you up completely. Only Jesus satisfies. If you don’t have Him, nothing the world has to offer can bring true satisfaction. But Jesus promises that if we ask Him, He will give us His living waters and we will never thirst again.

Have you drunk from the living water? Have you found satisfaction for your soul? If

not, why don’t you turn to Jesus right now and receive Him into your life. Only He can satisfy the thirst of your soul. If you drink from the water He has to give, you will never thirst again. ☺

### Let Jesus Satisfy Your Thirst!

- Believe in Jesus for the forgiveness of your sins and for eternal life.
- Confess Jesus as your Savior and Lord and turn from your sins.
- Pray this prayer: *“Lord Jesus, I know that I’m a sinner. I believe that You died on the cross and shed Your blood to pay the penalty for my sins. Please forgive me and come into my life. You are my Savior and Lord.”*

Easier said than done? Stop by a TFC chapel (listed on page 15), call a chaplain for more guidance, or call the toll-free prayer line, 1-877-797-PRAY (1-877-797-7729).

- On the back of this magazine is a coupon to send to us if you have prayed this prayer. We will send you a Bible study designed for truckers, to help you in your new walk with Christ.

# Fascinating Trucks Shine at Summer Truck Shows

**Some of the rare or unusual trucks from the many truck shows Donald Hollinger attended this past summer. Enjoy the view!**

At the **Keystone Diesel Truck Nationals**, held at Maple Grove Raceway in Mohnton, Pennsylvania, on July 25, I was sitting with Chaplain Jake Wise at the TFC booth when I looked back and saw this Diamond Reo that looked brand new (see cover, and view of inside the cab on page 3). But then I thought it just had to be a really super paint job, because I knew Diamond Reo went out of business nearly twenty-five years ago. However, upon investigation, I found out it was brand new—at least most of it. The owner, John Savoy from Aston, Pennsylvania, told me he found the Glider Kit, a model C116, stored in someone's garage since it was new, in 1986. This beauty is powered by a KT Cummins engine. John has another road tractor but plans to use the Diamond Reo mostly for shows for now but might take it on the road at times in nice weather. He also had it on the race track the day of the show.

At the **American Truck Historical Society show** in York, as well as at the annual show at the Mack Museum in Allentown (both in Pennsylvania), there was this 1990 Mack model R-722RS, owned by Dan Thomas from Medford, Oregon, and imported from down under – and, yes, a real Australian Road Train tractor powered by a Mack E-9 V-8 Diesel with an 18-speed Mack T2180 transmission. And of course, coming from Australia where they “drive on the wrong side of the road,” as we Americans think, it has a right-side steering. As a trucker myself for more than sixty years, I can't comprehend driving in this country, sitting on the curb side and shifting gears with your left hand! After seeing many pictures of Road Trains through the years, it was great to see one up close.



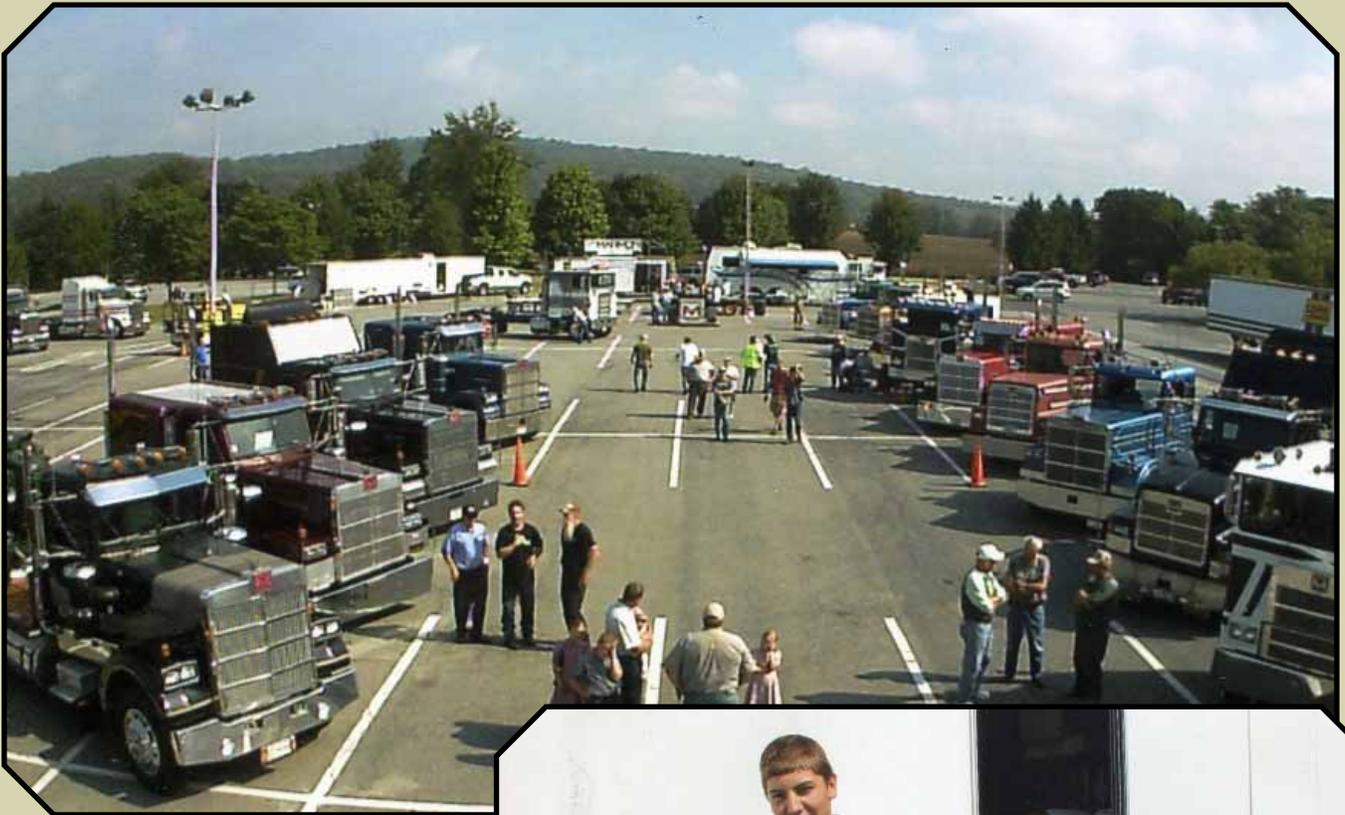


I was fascinated with the 1971 Oshkosh model C-2044, owned by John Skiadas from Hillsboro, New Jersey. Founded in 1917, Oshkosh Corporation, based in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, specializes in military transport vehicles, aircraft fire-fighting equipment, snow removal vehicles, chassis for motor homes, buses, and walk-in delivery vans. They also built various types of trailers at plants in Florida and Texas. Known for their all-wheel-drive trucks, they had many contracts with the military through the years for all kinds of vehicles, including tow trucks (as shown). Today, in addition to manufacturing plants in eight states, Oshkosh Corporation also operates plants in Australia, Belgium, Canada, China, France, and Romania, and has joint ventures in Mexico and Brazil. It currently employs approximately 12,000 people worldwide.

There was nice weather and a nice turnout for the annual **Marmon Truck Show** at Weaver's Market in Adamstown, Pennsylvania, on September 19. When I first arrived at the show I was surprised to see a drone hovering over the trucks. I soon found out it belonged to Kyrell Rissler, oldest son of my friends John and Karen Rissler from California, Missouri. John, a trucker who, along with his brothers, attends the TFC Truck Rally in Lebanon every year, was there with his side job, selling truck parts out of a trailer.



(Left) My pick for the best looking Marmon at the show was this beautiful 1996 sleeper owned by Clyde Stevenson all the way from Salisbury, Maryland.



The hand behind the photos: Kyrell Rissler with the drone he used to get the from-the-air photos of the truck show.



# When You Put On Love You Look More Like Jesus

Regardless of what else you put on, wear love. It's your basic, all-purpose garment. Never be without it. Colossians 3:13 The Message



# Free and Accountable!

by Lynn Kolb

**W**henever Chaplain Earl is on duty at the TFC chapel in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, he and his wife, Cheryl, walk to the back of the truck lot to pray at the start of their day. Recently, Cheryl felt impressed that this was not enough. She believed God was asking her to go truck to truck and pray for the drivers.

At first, it took her a while to get up the nerve to do it. However, when the idea persisted she followed the Lord's leading and walked truck to truck, placing her hands on each one to pray. When she reached the second truck, she began to weep for the souls of the drivers and their families. For some, she prayed the Holy Spirit would bring conviction of sin unto repentance so they would be saved and live for Him. For others, she sensed they knew God but needed strength to go on. It was not easy, but she persevered through the 200-capacity lot!

A few days later, a driver named Jack\* came into the chapel and said, "I've never been in here before." He talked to Chaplain Earl about the issues he was struggling with. Even though Jack is a believer, he admitted to having an addiction to pornography that was out of control. He prayed with Chaplain Earl, repenting of this habit, then bought an Internet filter program recommended by Earl and installed it on his device. He asked Earl to set up the password and keep it safe. With tears in his eyes, Jack exclaimed, "This is the first time in years that I have felt truly free and accountable."

After Jack's visit, another truck driver stopped by and asked for prayer. Although he didn't have an addiction to porn, he felt tempted to begin to use it. Chaplain Earl prayed with him, too.

Those two drivers represent choices many drivers face while on the road. For the one who sought deliverance, his choice to no longer use pornography is actually going to reduce demand for human trafficking. The one who sought for strength to resist the pornography temptation is also reducing demand for human trafficking. How? Pornography is connected to human trafficking in several ways.

Pornography is used by the industry as a marketing tool for prostitution. Traffickers take pornographic images of those they are selling and post them to websites in order to lure customers. Traffickers will also use pornography to train those they forced into prostitution of what types of services they are required to provide.

Industry producers also misrepresent job requirements. Often, it's not until after the unsuspecting candidates arrive for their first photo or video shoot that they discover their contract requires they produce pornography. They often leave the industry broken and fearful within three months of experiencing the extremely abusive practices of video porn.

Every time anyone consumes pornography, the demand increases. The industry, whose only interest is to

make money, is always looking for new recruits—both ignorant and forced—in order to fulfill the demand.

Our chaplains are positioned to reduce demand for trafficking in the trucking industry. They often pray for drivers who are involved with pornography. They show the *She's Somebody's Daughter* DVD to open their eyes to the effects of porn. They also connect them with resources to help them stop using pornography. But our chaplains make sure drivers like these are led to the ultimate answer to this issue, which is a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Weeks after she began her ministry of prayer, Cheryl noticed a truck driver sitting in his truck on his cell phone. He kept an eye on her until she approached his truck. He jumped out of the cab and gave her a big hug, saying, "I was talking to my girlfriend when I noticed you and wondered what you were up to. Then I realized you were praying for truckers. I am so thankful. You don't realize what your prayers mean to us."

If you'd like to know more about Exit 58, TFC's initiative to reduce demand for human trafficking, e-mail [Exit58@TransportForChrist.org](mailto:Exit58@TransportForChrist.org). ☺

\* Name changed to protect identity

*In addition to being coordinator of Exit 58 and TFC's Facebook, Lynn Kolb is also the ministry's Business & Finance Supervisor.*

# MORE FROM THE FRONTLINES

More True Stories of God's Amazing Grace

## From the logs of the Lodi Chapel

- ◆ A driver came in today saying he needed prayer for when he is going to see his son; they haven't seen each other for over thirty-five years. He is looking forward to this meeting with anticipation. Praised God for His timing, and prayed for grace for this meeting.
- ◆ Matt came in needing someone to talk to that didn't know him personally but shared his faith...and that was me! He told me how he prayed that today God would give him someone to talk to. Before he got to the truck stop he had all but given up on that happening, but the bright open sign on the chapel door lifted his spirits, and he came in. He told me of his backsliding and trouble with relationships. He said he just wanted to get right with the Lord. After we prayed and he asked the Lord for forgiveness, I shared with him the story of Jesus and Peter in John 21:15-17. He was encouraged by that and left much relieved. Thank You, Lord, for Your Son Jesus, and bright "open" signs!
- ◆ A driver stopped to say he's glad chapels are out there and to leave an offering, knowing the Lord will increase it for both us and him. He told a quick story of his illness and how he and his wife were blessed by giving when they had no income.
- ◆ Two men from California, Deen and his son Sunny came in to see what the chapel was like. I welcomed them, explained the Gospel of Jesus to them, and gave them a CD and a New Testament.
- ◆ Bob came in, and we fellowshiped and prayed for our families.
- ◆ Three people stopped in the chapel today. One man just wanted to visit the chapel; the other two men needed prayer. One of them just needed things put into perspective, while the other was suffering from PTSD. I prayed with him and he said he felt a lot better.

## From the logs of the Toledo Chapel

- ◆ A tap on the door awoke me about 3:00 AM. It was Brian, who had been awakened by a dream; he did not want to talk about it [the dream], but he did want prayer, so we prayed. After we finished, he sat and looked at me and said, "How did you know what prayer I needed when I did not tell you?" I told him that God guided my prayer and that God knows his every need. We talked a little and he left about 5:00 AM in much better shape than when he came.
- ◆ Gus stopped in for prayer; his stepson has been battling cancer for a long time and is doing well right now, but still needs prayer. Also, Gus has to have surgery on his lower back, he has some bleeding around the spine and they aren't sure what is going on. We prayed for all these needs and he thanked us for being here.
- ◆ Larry stopped in during the night and signed in but didn't wake me, so I guess he just wanted to be alone to pray.
- ◆ Anthony, from Georgia, came into the chapel for the 7:00 PM service. While we were talking and getting acquainted, I asked him if he had the assurance of heaven when he died. He could only say that he hoped so. As we continued our conversation, he said that he never would go forward for an altar call. He also shared many things that had happened in his life recently and felt that God wanted him to go to the chapel service. I asked him if I could share some Bible verses so that he could know how he could be sure of heaven and he said that he wanted that. I used the *Sharing Jesus without Fear* Bible verses, and after we looked through seven verses, Anthony was ready to do business with God. We prayed and he invited Jesus to come into his life.
- ◆ I was joined by Richard within a few minutes of getting back to the chapel. We chatted for almost four hours and prayed for him and his wife. She had some surgery and is now fighting infections from the surgery and he is heading out to the west coast for the first time in many years right when his wife needs him close by more than ever before. He was at peace when he left, expecting a nice restful night of sleep.

# **MORE FROM THE FRONTLINES**

More True Stories of God's Amazing Grace

## **From the logs of the Greensboro Chapel**

◆ Kay, along with her husband, came in tonight seeking for something. After we talked and prayed, she asked Jesus into her heart!

◆ Bill came in with a humble heart. He admitted he was unsure of his future, and today he asked Jesus into his heart, so now he has assurance!

◆ Rick came in the chapel with a basic knowledge of the Scriptures. I asked him if he were to die tonight, what would happen to him? His response was full of uncertainty. After a brief study, Rick asked Jesus into his heart.

◆ Dan, who belongs to a traditional church, came in today expressing his uncertainty about his relationship with Jesus. After we had a study in the Scriptures, Dan asked Jesus into his heart.

◆ Natalie came in with an open heart. She believed the message of salvation, understanding that Jesus waited to be Lord of her heart.

◆ Byron was resistant to surrender to Jesus, thinking he had to make up for his sins. When he realized Jesus already paid for all his sins, he surrendered to Him.

◆ Kevin came in with an open heart. He accepted the Word of God with a willing heart and gave his heart to the Lord.

◆ Kellie, who is two years free from drugs, was on her way to West Virginia to pick up her daughter and grandchildren whose house was started on fire from arson. I shared with her how Stephen, in the Bible, asked Jesus to forgive his executioners while he was being stoned. I continued to point out how Jesus preached forgiveness both in the Beatitudes and the Lord's Prayer. When I asked her what would happen if she died that day, she admitted she didn't know. I then brought her attention to Romans 10:9 and encouraged her to call out to the Lord Jesus and ask Him her heart. After we prayed she told me that the Lord made Himself real to her.

◆ Chris had a little knowledge of the Scriptures. He said he believed in Jesus but when asked what will happen to him when he died, he said he didn't know. I shared with him the blessed assurance that the Scriptures promise and Chris responded by asking Jesus into his heart to be his Lord and Savior.

◆ Mari, who is from Panama, is engaged to Paul, a truck driver. He plans to retire by the end of May. Mari admitted that she didn't have a personal relationship with Jesus. I emphasized the importance of the Scriptures and the lordship of Jesus. After a study in Romans, Mari agreed to ask Jesus into her heart. After that we shared the importance of holiness and repentance.

◆ Jose could not speak English well, and I cannot speak Spanish at all. So I gave him a Spanish Bible. We went over the Romans Road and Jose asked Jesus to come into his heart.

◆ Nick came in tonight with his girlfriend (both drivers). He gave his heart to Jesus and she recommitted her life to the Lord. The theme of our Bible study was obedience to the Lord.



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Join Us at a TFC  
Event!**

**February 5-7 ❖ TFC at MissionFest  
Manitoba:** Church of the Rock, 1397 Buffalo  
Place, Winnipeg, MB; for information call  
Dennis Finnamore at 506-612-0712.

**February 19-21 ❖ TFC at MissionFest  
Alberta:** West Edmonton Christian Assembly,  
6315-199 St., Edmonton, AB; for information  
call Dennis Finnamore at 506-612-0712.

**March 12, 2016, 6:30 pm ❖ Wayne-Holmes  
TFC Banquet Celebrating Lodi Chapel's 25th  
anniversary:** Amish Door Restaurant, Wilmot, OH;  
no charge, but reservations required; for infor-  
mation call Gary Nussbaum at 330-465-4587.

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# Love Is More than a Feeling

By Jane Evans

**T**his month, as we celebrate Valentine's Day, let's take a moment to look at the concept of love. In Matthew 22:36-39, Jesus was asked what was the greatest commandment of the Law. "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind," He replied. "This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

For a follower of Christ, loving God is a natural response to all He has done and continues to do; but loving their neighbor? That's where the rubber of Christianity meets the road of day-to-day living!

We humans can be quite prickly, and it seems like someone is always plucking our last nerve. Whether it's a coworker, someone we meet on the road, or a family member, the commandment is to love this person as we love ourselves. Depending on the circumstances, this goal may seem either easy or impossible, especially when our emotions get involved. Either way, it ultimately can only be accomplished through the strength and grace of God. But how do we live this out?

It helps to recognize the impact emotions play in our relationships. Once we develop the ability to recognize our own and other people's emotions, learn to harness those emotions, and develop the ability to regulate those emotions to cheer up or calm down ourselves and/or another person, we can begin to understand our own strengths and limitations. By being aware of what we feel, like anger or frustration, we will be able to better manage our emotions, which in turn will help us to love others as an act of our will in obedience to Jesus' command.

There are a few strategies you can use to develop emotional balance and cope with conflict—all elements that help to exercise love toward another. When disagreeing,

use positive words/phrases such as "I see/hear what you are saying and I think we can work out a solution that works for both of us." Be a good listener and really hear what the other person says. It's a sign of respect. Good conversation can help people work together to come up with a resolution when there's a conflict; and it is one way to live out the commandment to love the person.

Another tip is to use the word "I" instead of "you." Instead of "You make me..." say, "I feel this way when..." The second sentence is positive and gentle; the first one is blaming the other person and will put him or her in the defensive.

Being a good listener and respecting boundaries go a long

way to helping you love your neighbor as yourself. But listen to the entire commandment: love your neighbor as you love yourself. It's hard to love anyone if you don't first have love and respect for yourself. That means being good to you, taking care of yourself. We may think that we take good care of ourselves and our needs, but sometimes old hurts,

bad memories, and other negative thoughts pop up. Whether it is not getting proper care such as rest, nutrition, exercise, or neglecting our spiritual needs, we can be our own worst enemy. This may seem far-fetched, but it's true nonetheless.

The entire concept of loving your neighbor as yourself is part of God's plan. By loving others, we are living examples of God's love and Who He is, which presents a powerful testimony to an unbeliever. As we love God, we learn to love ourselves, then we can reach out and love our neighbors, who will learn to love God—an unbroken circle. ☺



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by Gary Nussbaum

## Will Your Faith Stand the Test?

**B**elieving in God these days is no big thing. Well, to a point. Is it safe to say everybody believes in god—a god? So who is God or what is a god? It is innate in man to worship something or someone. God made man to worship Him. Man has forever lived in a sin-filled world since that fateful day in Eden. And furthermore, since then, he has worshipped someone, something, or himself and will do so until God determines enough is enough. So who is the god you are worshipping today?

Maybe you recall the time Satan took Jesus to a high mountain to show him the entire world and how it could be all His if He, Jesus, would simply bow down and worship him. Jesus simply reminded Satan from the scripture (Torah), “Away from me, Satan! For it is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only’” (Matthew 4:10). Do we recognize the untold things Satan is inviting us to worship today instead of the Lord our God?

Maybe some of you are old enough to remember the FRAM filter commercial that had an auto mechanic saying, “Pay me now or pay me later.” What he was inferring was that although the FRAM filter was more expensive and supposedly of greater quality, people may choose to buy a lesser filter; but in the end, they have to spend a greater amount on an engine overhaul. There was a cost either way you looked at it. But which would be less costly in the end?

Paul reminded the believers in Rome and Philippi of the prophet Isaiah’s message in Isaiah 45 when he wrote, “Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father” (Philippians 2:9-11). And in Romans 14:11 we read, “‘As surely as I live,’ says the Lord, ‘every knee will bow before me; every tongue will confess to God.’” So each of us will give an account of himself to God.

We all make choices every day. Some of the present decisions we make are significantly greater than others, ultimately affecting our eternal future. Choosing which oil filter to use will make little difference in the quality of our life, but what we decide regarding Jesus Christ will have eternal consequences.

Our lives are going to be tested more and more because of the choices we make or have made. What are we bowing our knee to today and willing to remain faithful to no matter what the circumstances may be? Are we willing to die for whatever or whoever is the center of our worship? Many who talk about being a “New Testament Christian” think merely of one or two aspects that identified the lives of the believers at that time. We forget the persecution they suffered for being followers of Jesus and that they had to leave Jerusalem and were scattered all over.

There is an increasing persecution of spiritual significance today. The face of our culture is drastically being changed. Men and women are losing jobs or not being hired because of their faith and commitment to Jesus. Students are denied an education or their desired field or vocation because of the same. The name of Jesus is not to be spoken of or inferred in conversation or any form of communication in public or the workplace. It may not be that serious in your own environment yet, but it may soon be so for you as well.

What god (God) do you serve? Do you believe the Ten Commandments God gave us, one of which states clearly, “You shall have no other gods before me”? Will you be like Daniel and his friends who defied the king’s decree to bow before the image of an idol, or be thrown into a fire? Followers of Jesus Christ are facing such today. Is your faith someone else’s, lacking God’s power to triumph, or will your faith be able to stand strong when it’s tested? ☹

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# GREEN ONION



by David Roberts

## True Love Is Always Faithful, Never Fickle

**H**ey, Ladies Man, why didn't you marry that gorgeous waitress from the travel plaza, Alice, after all those years of dating her?" asked Green Onion.

"Oh, I made the worst mistake of my life by introducing her to my rich uncle, Jed, who owns the truck stop," answered Ladies Man. "Now dear Alice is my Aunt Alice."

"Talk about being fickle!" cried Green Onion.

Fickleness is being unsteady in purpose or feeling. It's a behavior and attitude of being changeable like the weather. A vacillating and wavering, irresolute person's song is, "If I'm not near the one I love, I love the one I'm near."

True love does not seek its own rights, happiness, or personal privileges. Love seeks the good and edification of the loved ones. Loving someone means not taking advantage of or using him or her in an improper way. The ideal is mutual love and respect centered on the welfare of the other person.

But if you try this without centering on the "Other Person" of God the Holy Spirit first, you will ultimately fail, because our Heavenly Father never intended us to have any relationship without Him being at the center of it.

You may say a solemn vow of commitment at the altar before all your family and friends, but He created us to include Him. "Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything. Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her...that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish" (Ephesians 5:24, 25, 27 NKJV).

The only way to have this kind of wondrously fulfilling, loving relationship with another sinful, inconsistent human being like yourself is to ask the Lord to fill you with the Holy Spirit. By His grace we are to die to self even when it seems impossible and when our life-partner contradicts and fails us. Living the Christian life and living in a marriage relationship is impossible without His presence and blessing. Love needs God's love and strength, and we depend on His guidance to face reality in our fragile marriages.

Before marrying, every couple needs a good understanding of each other through a qualified marriage counselor or pastor who can help them see differences in their temperaments and their strengths and weaknesses. A good counselor would have helped Alice see how fickle she was. He would have helped the couple discover their backgrounds and help them understand the mental, emotional, and physical state of each other. "Do two walk together unless they have agreed to do so?" (Amos 3:3)

And this applies to those who are already married. It's never too late to start doing what's right, as the saying goes. Evaluate your relationship, consider if you both have a lifetime goal to please the Lord Jesus first (Matthew 6:33), and go from there. Proverbs 24:3-4 says, "By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures."

True love is faithful, patient, and kind, and it always protects, trusts, hopes, and perseveres; and it never falls into fickleness. ☺

*Green Onion*

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**C**ONFESS JESUS AS YOUR SAVIOR AND LORD AND TURN FROM YOUR SINS. "... if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved ... for 'Whoever will call upon the name of the Lord will be saved'" (Romans 10:9, 13). "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 6:23).

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