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"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth." III John 4

Fear Not

Stand strong in God's promises | by Michael Pearl



The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower... In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me. *Psalms 18:2 & 56:11*

We seldom call it fear, for obvious reasons; better to call it timidity, nervousness, worry, caution, introversion, apprehension, anxiety, or phobia. If the reasons for our fear were apparent, no one would question our reluctance. But how do you explain to someone that you are afraid to ask a question for fear of looking stupid, or afraid of a social contact for fear of being looked down upon?

Fear is the belief that you don't have the answers, the feeling that you are not up to the task. "How can I homeschool

my children?" Fear is expecting failure before any attempt at success is made. "Nothing ever works out right for me."

Fear is a deadly virus that wreaks havoc on the vitality of hope. Fear and faith are opposite poles, set apart by a world of possibilities. Depending on one's perspective, those possibilities are viewed as either opportunities or obstacles. To the fearless, opportunities spring up like dandelions in the spring. But the fearful expect everything to work against their success, and somehow it always

FEAR! That stifling emotion that stalks the average person like a sinister enemy, always casting its shadow over the new and unknown, choking out creativity, adventure, and success. But it is more than an emotion; fear is a dark conviction, a worldview, a personal frame of reference.

does. The brave expect to excel, whereas the fearful chart a course toward mediocrity and accept it as their preordained lot in life, all the while complaining about cruel fate instead of taking charge of their lives.

All of us are afraid of something. A big, strong, "fearless" man may actually have a dread of speaking in public, whereas it doesn't bother some dried-up little wimp who would be scared to death to walk past the two guys standing outside the gas station. You can usually identify your fears, although you may not have previously recognized them as such, simply by looking for those dutiful things that you are "uncomfort-

able” with and tend to avoid. Are you afraid of returning a product that you bought? Are you uncomfortable meeting new people, sitting in someone’s presence without talking, approaching a person in uniform, being home alone, praying in public, sharing your faith in Christ, talking to your children about sex, or discussing your feelings with your spouse?

And then there are the big scary things like cancer, stroke, heart attack, car wrecks, fire, atomic bombs, and terrorists on your airplane. Many families with children are afraid of the liberal agenda. The examples are endless. There are even things I am afraid of, but I am not going to tell you what they are; I’m afraid to.

The word “fear” is found exactly 500 times in the Holy Bible (KJV), the majority of times exhorting us to fear God. In addition, “afraid” is found 193 times. We are told to “fear not” 81 times.

There is a proper fear. We are to fear God, fear the king, fear hell, but we are told not to fear the “*terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday*” (Psalm 91:5-6). That covers home invasion at night, flying missiles in the daytime, diseases like bird flu, and cataclysmic terrorist attacks at noonday. “*For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind*” (2 Timothy 1:7). Don’t fear losing your mind. “*Fear hath torment*” (1John 4:18).

God has directed us as to how to deal with potential fear. “*What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee. In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me. In God have I put my trust: I will not be*

afraid what man can do unto me” (Psalm 56:3, 4, 11). “*There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear*” (1John 4:18).

“*When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet. Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh. For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken*” (Proverbs 3:24-26). The passage said not to be afraid of sudden fear (fear of fear), nor of the terrible judgments that come on the wicked. If our confidence was in our own resources, we might have reason to be afraid, but our confidence is in our God. “*The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?*” (Psalm 27:1)

salvation” (Isaiah 12: 2-3). I have always loved the imagery of that passage. It is my life. I can see my wife and me, along with our children, hilariously drawing living water from the wells of salvation, spilling it on the ground and throwing water all over each other, drinking our fill, and pouring it over our heads. “*I will trust and not be afraid.*” That is the key—trusting God instead of the stability of the circumstances.

Many of the unnecessary fears we have can be minimized by simple knowledge and preparation. When fear leaves you on the unhappy side of the fence, the Devil has won, but if you allow fear to send you back to boot camp to increase your knowledge and develop your skills, you will feel empowered rather than defeated. The tiny ant survives fire,

“When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.” Psalm 3:24



flood, and long winters by being prepared (Proverbs 30:25).

Almost thirty years ago when we had young children, we were afraid that a handful of misguided social workers would take them away from us. They threatened to do just that. I can still remember the tension as social workers came into our home with their questions and note-taking. I remember the “judge” telling me how much power he had and how he could remove the children from our home if we did not send them to public school. He was especially concerned about “Bible thumpers,” as he called them. This was all before there was any such public concept as homeschooling. We knew of no one else attempting it. Raymond Moore was the lone voice at that time, and we had not yet discovered

“*Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation. Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of*

his writings. It was scary. So we prepared.

We prepared ourselves, our children, and our possessions to deal with any eventuality. Yes, of course we prayed, but we also prepared to the best of our abilities. We fought in the area of public opinion by contacting the

That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear, In holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life.
Luke 1:74-75

TV and newspapers and getting our story on the six o'clock news and on the front pages. We went to the state capital and lobbied senators, and in time, we also attended rallies and organizational meetings. Laws were passed in our favor, and thousands joined us in what came to be called homeschooling. Because of this ground work, if you feel unjustly threaten by the local social department you can call Home-school Legal Defense Association (hsllda.org).

At the time there was no one for us to call, so we prepared on another front. We prepared the whole family to move to another country that was more jurisdictionally friendly to the concept of homeschooling. Since ancient times, movers and shakers have had the option to move to a new land of "liberty and justice for all." There may be less land to choose from, but it is wise for any pioneer to know his options, and be prepared to move

on to greener pastures for the good of your family. Our plans to move were a last resort, after every cooperation and legal string had been pulled. Thankfully, for us, the legal system and honest communication was enough. We're still Americans! Sounds a little crazy 28 years later, but you must remember that at that time homeschooling was strange and unknown to everyone. When friends and relatives discovered that we taught our children at home, it always provoked immediate suspicion and the same question from everyone, "Why?"

This time of alertness caused us to focus on training our children in a wide spectrum of potential circumstances that they could face in an uncertain world. We trained our children to swim, walk long distances, use public transportation and telephones, live in the woods and swamps, drive a vehicle when very young, and how to spot and respond to predators and molesters.

The children learned all this without becoming paranoid. "*Fret not thyself because of evil-doers....*" (Psalm 37:1). They had no fear. They were perfectly secure. I think they thought of the preparation as a sort of exciting game, like taking martial arts, not because you expect to have to defend your life, but because it is satisfying to know that you can.

Today, my children are all married and all have children of their own. None of us are afraid of the threats that we read about in the news every day—terrorists' attacks, pandemics, wars, rumors of wars, wickedness in high places. We are ready. We know how to find and prepare

food, how to build a shelter out of anything, how to treat sickness and disease without a doctor. We do not feel threatened today, but we still save enough seed each fall to plant the next year. We buy food in bulk and keep the old hand crank grinder from rusting. We are prepared for a long quarantine if need be. Life is a challenge, and it is always fun. To overcome is fun. To build is fun. To solve problems is fun. "*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever*" (Psalm 23:4-6).

Goodness and Mercy shall follow me all the days of my life. That has been the expectation of every day of our lives. Sometimes when I stop suddenly, I think Mr. Goodness and Mrs. Mercy bump into me because they are following so closely. They have followed my kids for decades and now are right behind my grandchildren. As my family grows, so grows the job security of Goodness and Mercy.

Zacharias prayed the prayer we should all pray, "*That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear, In holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life*" (Luke 1:74-75).



FROM THE MAILBOX

MILITARY MINISTRY

Thank you so much for the package that you send out to soldiers and families. We received it today. It was very encouraging to know that there are people like you and your organization that take the time and money to get things like this together. It was very uplifting to me and my family to know that people still care about what we are doing in service to our country.

—Jeremy and Lanitha

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My Reason for Homeschooling

By Anita Doran

I want to be the special potter,
Who molds and shapes my little daughter.
To keep her closely to my side,
To teach her why our Jesus died.

I think that she is doing great,
Especially since she's only eight.
She shops, she bakes, she mops the floor,
Has two cats she's responsible for.

She can read a product label
To see if it's fit for our table.
I teach her all about life, you see,
As she tags along with me.

And no matter where we roam,
We keep on learning, just like home.
We add a little mystery,
By learning the state's history.

Although she reads and writes and sings,
She's learning more important things.
Like love and kindness and God's word,
How to be humble, yet still be heard.

Sure it's hard and I have doubts,
"Am I doing this right?" "How will she
turn out?"

And my house gets such a mess!
Too many papers strewn, I guess.

Sometimes frustration rears its head,
She didn't do what I said.
Yet, all in all, it is a charm,
To have my daughter on my arm.

If I ever have a doubt,
I get our big old Bible out.
In the book, I always see
That this is how it's meant to be.

Side by side, day by day,
Teaching her the Godly way.

DEAR MR. PEARL,

AMAZING!! Your book *Good and Evil* is truly amazing. My children don't want me to put it down. Tears came to my eyes as I read of Abraham's faith to offer his only son Isaac. Oh how the children and I rejoiced at God's provision. Praise be to our God! I am thrilled to think of how God will use this to reach the unreached. Oh how I pray he does!



Want more information about *Good and Evil*? Email us with your address and we'll send you our 40-page special edition magazine with 30 pages excerpted from the book as well as news on its worldwide translation project.

They're also listed under Free Ministry Tools on the order form if you would like extras to give out.

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I now fully understand what God means when he said in Hosea that his children perish for lack of knowledge. THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart for making the knowledge God so freely gives real to me. I will not perish, praise the Lord! Never before has the Bible made so much sense.

Your Romans series was the beginning for us...ahhh, I'm free!

I am forever indebted to Debi. I used to long for my husband to bring me flowers or do all those sweet little things (what woman doesn't?), well, the other day he was gazing at me and I smiled and said, "What? Do I have a booger?" He laughed and said, "No, I'm having a love moment." Who needs flowers?

—Christy

Noah's Wife

Viewing life as an adventure,
not a trial | by Rebekah Joy Anast

WHEN MY MOM MARRIED my dad, she could not cook, and her housekeeping skills were untried at best. She was (is) deaf in one ear and partially deaf in the other. This handicap made it difficult for her to pronounce words correctly, and resulted in odd spelling and conversational blunders. Nevertheless, my mom had the advantage of Noah's wife: she viewed life as an adventure to experience, not a trial to be endured.

When Dad announced that they would have their babies at home, delivered by a bearded midwife (himself), Mom read up on the subject and talked his ear off about all that she was reading, so that both of them would be prepared when the hour of labor arrived. She kept herself in shape and prepared as best she knew how, and trusted God for the rest. He was faithful.

When Dad announced, "We're going to homeschool!" Mom didn't point out her deafness, or the fact that she'd never heard of anyone teaching their kids at home. Instead, she went to the junk store and bought five dollars worth of phonics books and set to work on her dyslexic 4-year-old (me). When the day of persecution came as a result of following a faith-stricken patriarch, Mom did what Noah's wife did: she followed her man into the ark and waited to see what God would do. Again, He was faithful.

When her firstborn daughter decided, at seventeen years of age, that God was calling her to deliver the Scriptures to an unreached tribe known for its sorcery and cannibalism,



Mom glanced at her man and took her cue to simply pray and throw worry out the window. Floods come and go, she reckoned. And God was faithful, still!

The story goes on, and on, and it's not about a deaf little lady with an impressive resume of life skills. Like Noah's wife, her name may not even be mentioned. But the wise know that Noah didn't har-

up, out of storage came grapevine cuttings, seeds for gardening, a loom and a press, a tent and oil to last until the olive saplings had time to grow and bear. Noah must have looked at the big boat he'd built and realized that his wife had been as busy as he had, and no less faithful.

For the godly woman, survival lies in following her man. Even though he may set out to cross a sea rolled back by the invisible hand of God, or spend his whole life hiking and camping on land he claims will be his one day, and even though he be a king who holds your life in his hands.... just follow him, and look to see what God will do to preserve you, your children and your children's children from all evil.

How many times I've seen a good man bound to a "safe life" because his wife is a worrier

vest, preserve, and pack away food enough for eight people to last a year; his faith-filled help meet was there to take up the task. When the storm was over and the rain dried

How many times I've seen a good man bound to a "safe life" because his wife is a worrier. He turns his strong shoulder to bear a load that is heavier than it should have been, because it's a socially-accepted, familiar burden that many men have borne with a dependable measure of success. He dreams of greatness, of fighting the odds, and occasionally brings up in conversation his vision, just to see how his "help unmeet" will react. Her fearful glance assures him that in order to follow God, he must leave his wife behind. But, like Adam, he is not willing to pay that price. And, like Lot, he will wait until the last minute, until God sends angels to drag him and his family from sure destruction, only to see his wife look back at the things she could not leave behind and then perish.

Oh, little nameless lady... destruction comes upon us all at some point in life. Those unpleasant things we fear, disease, death, accidents, and judgment, are a sure part of life. No true son or daughter of the Almighty God lives and dies with his or her faith untried.

Would you be safe from the floods that are coming? Would you save your household alive and be recorded in history as the help meet of a man of faith? Then follow him! Follow him when he says it's time to go; don't look back, don't hesitate, and don't fear. Be like Noah's wife and take up your man's vision without question, and like Noah's wife, you will live.

1 Peter 3:6 "Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement."

Hebrews 11:7 "By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith." ❖

Created to be His Help Meet

- BOOK & AUDIO -

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Now *Created to Be His Help Meet* is in Spanish. Will you reach out to a Spanish couple and help save their marriage by giving the wife *Created To Be His Help Meet*? Many women write, wanting to know what they can do to minister. They ask, "How can I minister? How can one little mama make a difference in eternity? How can I win the next generation for Christ?" If by giving a book you can help bring peace and love to even one family and restore a marriage then your ministry is eternal. You can make a difference.

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Not available in Spanish



We apologize for the delay! As the book went into production, we decided to make it into a 3-ring binder workbook-journal-scrapbook. After much searching, we found a business that could print them and still keep our price low. We think you will like the results.

For verily I say unto you, Till for thou
heaven These words are the true sayings of God
my words shall not pass away
about all
thy name

Wonderful Words of Life

Greater than the name of God | by Michael Pearl

I love the old song that goes, “Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life. Let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life.” Words are such powerful things, the receptacle of all knowledge, the frame of all thought. So fundamental are words that God the Father calls God the Son “The Word of God.”

Read these wonderful words from that book called the word of God. They will give you holy goose bumps. “Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth” (Philippians 2:9-10). God certainly holds the name of Jesus high; that is why you are forbidden to take it in vain. But there is something God holds even higher than that precious name: “for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name” (Psalm 138:2). Even that name is second to the book of words that God gave to his people—the book that I read every day and have spent my life studying from cover to cover, reading every word many times, counting the words, researching their meanings in English, Greek, and Hebrew.

Little children bring copies of the word of God to church on Sunday and, holding it up in the air, sing “The B-I-B-L-E, yes that’s the book for me; I stand alone on the word of God, the B-I-B-L-E,” and then thrusting the old book as high as they can, they shout “BIBLE!”

My children were raised on the word of God/holy Scriptures/King James Bible. It saved them from sin, kept them pure, and prevented them from falling for the lies of evolution, psychology, and pop culture. They are now raising their children on the words of God.

That book (the Word of God) “came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost” (2 Peter 1:21). “All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness...”

(2 Timothy 3:16).

God wrote his precious book through means of prophets, commanding them to write down what he said and distribute the words to the people.

God spoke words and commanded his prophets to write them down and distribute them. “And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it” (Habakkuk 2:2). God wanted the words written so boldly that a jogger could read them as he passed by.

The book of Revelation alone records twelve times that God commanded John to write in a book the words of God. “Write: for these words are true and faithful” (Revelation 21:5). Not just the ideas, but the individual words are true. In Rev. 19:9 God says to John, “Write...These words are the true sayings of God.”

The individual words are important because “Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein...” (Revelation 1:3).

The God who first gave the

words to his servants promised to preserve them so future generations could read them. *“Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away”* (Luke 21:33). Some unbelievers have challenged, *“But God didn’t mean that he would preserve the individual words; he just meant he would preserve the ideas.”* Ideas are contained in words alone. Different words convey different ideas; to change a single word would be to change the idea being expressed. But Jesus promised that not so much as a mark the size of a single quotation mark would pass from his book. *“For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled”* (Matthew 5:18).

While the Apostle Paul was still alive, before all of the books had been written, he warned that there were men in the church already at work to change the words of God’s book. *“For we are not as many, which corrupt the word of God: but as of sincerity, but as of God, in the sight of God speak we in Christ”* (2 Corinthians 2:17). These early Bible critics were *“handling the word of God deceitfully”* (2 Corinthians 4:2).

In A.D. 95 God commended the church of Philadelphia, *“...for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name”* (Revelation 3:8). Where others were allowing the word of God to fall into corruption, that particular church was keeping his word—preserving it intact.

Down through the ages there have been countless attempts by the Devil to corrupt the word of God. I can point to over 200 English corruptions that are the Devil’s products. Some of the foreign language translations are also corrupted by Satan, whereas some are the words of God in their language, to their culture. We

English speaking people have the words of God preserved for us in the Authorized Version, the King James Bible.

So you can expect to see me with the little children, still believing as little children do, holding up a King James Bible and singing, “Yes, that’s the book for me.”

I have read most of the books available on this subject. I took Greek in college and use it almost daily. I have read the Greek and Hebrew Lexicons and word studies. I have read the early church fathers, who more resemble church babies in most cases. I just finished reading another church history book this week. At 61 years old I am still spending more hours studying every week than most of you spend working. There is an amazing amount of ignorance throughout the church on this vast subject. Space in this little magazine does not allow me to address the full myriad of arguments you see on it, though I assure you that there is no point on which I am not intimately familiar.

We want you to become informed. There are many good books available that expound this critical topic. We have chosen and purchased a very simple yet thorough book on the subject and are making it available to our readers at our cost, \$6.20, until March 1, 2007. This price does not cover the cost of our operation and handling, the cost of damaged books, nor even the cost of shipping the books to us—only the cost of the book itself. Since we’re charging nothing above our actual cost, of course, you will need to pay shipping costs. It will change your life to be able to read a Bible that you know contains all the words of God, nothing added and nothing missing. ❖

Which Version Is The Bible?
By Floyd Nolen Jones, Th.D., Ph.D.
281 pages, paperback
\$6.20 through March 1, 2007

FROM THE MAILBOX



THANKS

Thank you so much for your article, “What is the best method for studying the Bible?” Before reading it I was confused about the accuracy of any “Bible” because of the criticism of the KJV. I had already learned enough to know that all the new versions were not accurately translated. Now, after being enlightened by your article, I know why people said that, and that the KJV IS accurate! I have been using the KJV as my primary source for Bible study (along with a 1974 Webster’s collegiate dictionary) for the past couple years, but now I can read my Bible with total confidence! Thank you for sharing the truth about The Truth!

—Reba

You can find the article “What is the Best Method for Studying the Bible?” (Nov-Dec 2006) as well as all our other past articles on our website. Visit nogreaterjoy.org.

EIGHT KINGDOMS

I’m reading your *Eight Kingdoms* book and I’m just baffled as to how I’m missing all of this in my own reading. Thanks for all of your hard work and discernment!

—Jeff

FROM THE MAILBOX

DEAR PEARLS,

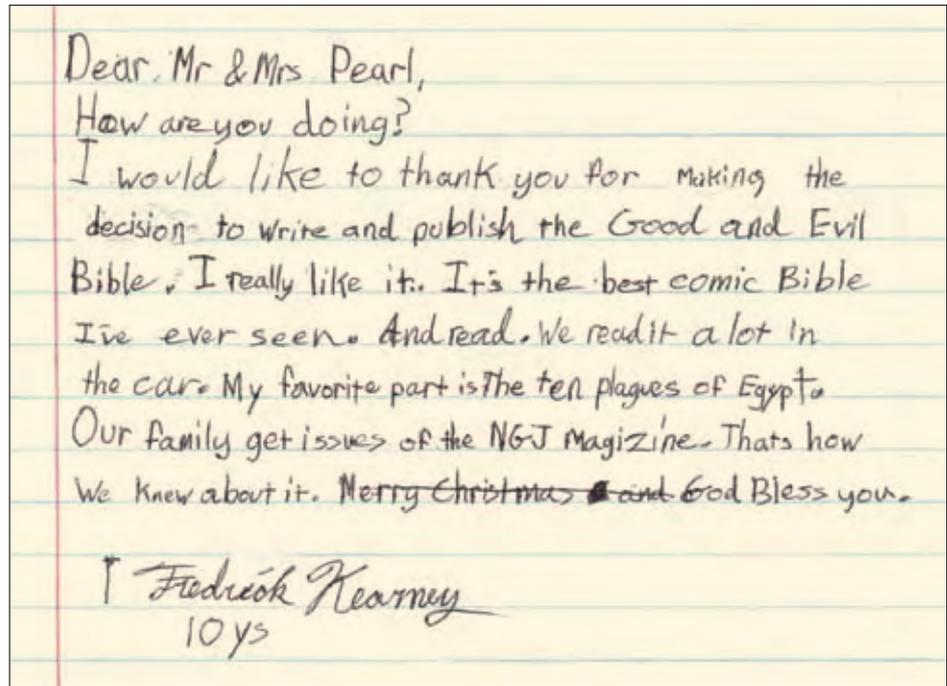
Thanks so for your kind gifts to our family. We have been so blessed by all of them.

I have especially enjoyed "Help Meet." I really need the encouragement from an older Christian woman. This came to me just at the right time.

Our 6-month-old son, our firstborn; has enjoyed the ABC songs. He listens to them intently.

My husband is reading through the book. He says it has been very informative and helpful as he leads our family. Although he's presently on shore duty, our time of separation has been a challenge - along with the demanding job he currently holds. Thank you for supporting military families the way you do. This was the best support, practically speaking, we could receive. Thank you, -Theresa

ABC Bible Verse Songs features 26 songs taken directly from the Word. Your little ones will want to listen to it night and day. See item on page 22 or online nogreaterjoy.org.



HI MIKE,

I just received the *Eight Kingdoms* a couple weeks ago. It is a very thorough book on the subject. I have gone to church for 40 years and never heard that the Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of heaven were different. I am from what we call an old order Mennonite Church and they, or should I say we, always emphasized that we used the New Testament and only the New Testament in conducting our services. Since I read this and reread it, it does show a person plainly the difference between the Kingdom



of God and the Kingdom of heaven. In thinking it over I realized that the 18 articles of our faith have a lot of things based on Matthew's writing.

If all this information in the book would start taking root in our church. It would at the very least cause a stir, possibly a split. I am sure some could not accept it. It is amazing how clear and simple the Bible really is if the difference is known.

I can only thank God for this book and wish you the Lord's blessings. Also thank Mike as there must have been a lot of years' work in it.

-Reader

HELLO DEBI,

I know you have had many many wonderful letters about how your book *Created to be His Help Meet* and how it has helped many marriages. I have read and reread your book, I have given it for gifts, I ordered the audio and listened and re-listened. It truly has been my marriage saver. I knew all these concepts from being in the church for 30+ years, so why it didn't sink in before now I have no idea. My marriage was in the toilet, so to speak. We hadn't slept in the same bed for 2 years. This was all my doing. My husband was a victim of my abusive, ungodly behavior. He backed away from

me like the plague. But for whatever reason, God reinforced your book with knowledge I already knew to transform me into a loving, reverent helpmeet. My husband has responded the same way your husband did, giving me all the attention I could ever want. He also took back his God-given leadership, all because I did what God said. I gave up the negative, disrespectful, authoritative leadership role and turned it over to God. WOW, what a difference it made.

Thank you, Peggy



Silk Maker

A missionary chargeable to no man | by Gabriel Pearl

When I was fourteen years old, my dad started witnessing to a pot-smoking hippie family living down the road from us. We went there faithfully three times a week during the first year, sitting around an outdoor campfire (which was their “living room”) in the summer, or around a wood-burning stove in a dilapidated old school bus in the winter. The family’s eldest son, TJ, was saved that year at seventeen years old, and in the sixteen years that I have known him he has never once gone back into sin. After two years of Bible school and a year of intense linguistic training he was called of God to go to a Southeast Asian country closed to Christianity and to missionaries.

It is one of the poorest countries on earth and has a population of several million. Although living conditions are not as difficult as in Sudan or North Korea, it is not an easy place for a foreigner to live. One must be with a relief agency or in a legitimate business to be allowed to stay in the country. TJ chose the sale and exportation of hand-woven silk as his legitimate occupation because it takes very little time away from his Bible

translation work, and he hopes it will provide some needed income for his growing family.

So while the native ladies weave silk all day, TJ translates the Word. Paul the apostle was a tentmaker (Acts 18:3). Three times Paul tells the saints that he was “chargeable to no man.” He says in I Corinthians 11, “...and in all things I have kept myself from being burdensome unto you, and so will I keep myself.” He says in II Thessalonians 3:8, “Neither did we eat any man’s bread for nought; but wrought with labour and travail night and day, that we might not be chargeable to any of you:” Basically, Paul was saying that even though he was traveling and preaching full time, he still worked making tents, and when he was given support he put in overtime to proclaim his message.

It is my vision to help TJ become self-supporting - chargeable to no man - while he devotes his life to translation work. This part of the world is known to produce the highest quality hand-woven silk in the world—second to none.

My website, pearloutdoors.com,

now carries these hand-woven silk scarves. My wife loves them, my mom loves them, my sisters love them, even my baby girl loves to wrap the silk around her as a light blanket. They are positively gorgeous. I have included a fascinating picture gallery showing how the national women make these beautiful silks. If you want to give your wife or daughter a gift she will really love, then check it out.

I also have some intricately hand-embroidered hangings depicting the book of Revelation that the Hmong refugees made to help raise money to buy rice for their families. Go to pearloutdoors.com. For a catalog, write to PO Box 309, Lobelville, TN 37097 or call 1-800-394-9080.





A \$3.00 bushel of corn will fill up two five-gallon buckets.

Corny, Ten Different Ways

Reprint from December 1999 | by Debi Pearl

When we moved to Cane Creek 19 years ago, we went from the 'haves' to the 'have nots'. We hadn't been exactly affluent, but we pretty much had what we wanted when we needed it. Moving here changed all that.

We sold our four-acre "estate" outside of Memphis, Tennessee, and bought 77 acres of rough woodland with eight tillable acres. After paying for the land, we had \$7,000 left with which to build a house and barn and to live on for a year while we were building. To get lumber for our house, Mike and the two boys cut down trees, dragged them to the house with a mule, and then sawed the logs into lumber at a sawmill he had previously built for that purpose.

They had the easy job. I had to learn how to feed the family on \$10 or less each week. Fortunately, I had spent the summer canning and had 300 quarts of fruits and vegetables to add to our larder. But when you divide 300 quarts by five fast-growing kids and two hungry parents, it won't go very far. By the first of November, I knew we were in for a lean win-

ter. When a man came by and offered to sell 100 pounds of cabbage for 10 cents a pound, I decided it was a wise use of \$10.00. He told me that if I placed the cabbage under our 12 X 16 foot cabin and covered it with hay, it would keep all winter. Another lady sold me 100 pounds of sweet potatoes and Irish potatoes, which we also kept under the cabin covered with hay. Still, you divide 200 pounds of food by

eight mouths and multiply by three months, and you don't have many days to eat.

I guess the old man down the road thought that maybe the dumb city folks needed a helping hand. He brought over a small sack of rough corn meal, brownish in color. He explained to me that this was just field corn, the kind you feed to animals. Any dried corn will do. You can buy it straight from a farmer or from



Corn Harvester -Clint

Homeschooling is a lifestyle, not just a classroom choice. I was reminded of that on our quick photoshoot for the article's photos. I was struck by how fascinating a machine the corn harvester is; it cuts the stalks, removes the ears and removes the kernels. You could build an entire class project around it by interviewing the driver, studying the mechanics of the process, making handmade corn tortillas and hominy, ect.

For more ideas read *The OldSchoolhouse Magazine*.

your local farmers' co-op. It is cheaper than potting soil. Some people burn it in their stoves for heat. It is cheaper than coal or firewood. This past year we paid a farmer less than \$3.00 per bushel for a truck-load of corn. A bushel will fill up two five-gallon buckets. A pick-up truck full would only cost \$50.00.

It is easy to store. Some farmers just dump it in an open bin in the barn. You can put it in barrels, buckets, or boxes. It must be kept dry, and, in warm weather it must be sealed or treated with diatomaceous earth, or the bugs will eat it. There are several easy and safe ways to kill the bugs before sealing it in buckets. You could get that information from a library, but we planned to eat it before the next summer. A bug or two never hurt anybody. Our kids were raised on them—complaining, mind you.

The old man told me to lightly roast the dried corn in the oven (Indians put the whole cob in warm ashes until it roasted to a golden brown) and then grind it coarsely with my cheap little flea market grinder. If you don't have a grinder, you could do as the Indians did—beat it with a piece of wood.

For breakfast every morning, we stirred the ground corn into boiling water to make a delicious hot cereal—just like the old man had told us to do. He called it "corn mush". He told us that a bushel or two would provide breakfast for our family throughout the winter. The first time we tried it, we added a little cream that had been given to us by a neighbor. It was delicious. As the leftover corn mush cools, it soon firms up into a wiggle cake. It can then be sliced

and later pan-fried to make a delicious evening snack, especially if you have some honey, maple syrup, or sorghum to pour over it. The snack would never make it to McDonald's as a famous special, but we aspiring hillbillies, not having anything else, found it delightfully satisfying.

A few days later, I told another neighbor how much we enjoyed the corn mush. Amused at my simple ignorance, and seeing my eagerness to try new things, she gave me careful instructions on how to make hominy and corn tortillas. Years before I had watched the Maya Indians in the jungles of Central America make tortillas this way, but now I was to try it myself. I put about four cups of the same dried corn (not ground) into a large pan of water. Then I took the hardwood ashes right out of my wood stove and sifted about one cup of ashes into the corn and water. Hardwood ashes contain lye and will make the outside hull of the corn soften and dissolve. Ashes can also be used for making soap, cleaning bug-infested

areas, treating certain skin fungi; and, they are great for keeping bugs off of the corn when you store it in the barn or in any open container. I cooked the corn with the ashes for 30 minutes and then checked it. After several thirty-minute cooking sessions, or after sitting all night on the warm edge of our wood-burning stove, the outside of the corn became soft and the corn was swollen to twice its size.

I then washed the corn to remove the ashes. If your ashes are finely sifted before putting into the corn, then it is easy to wash them out of the corn; otherwise, it takes a while. A little of it is not going to hurt you, and it doesn't taste bad. If you want hominy, then put the cleaned corn back on to cook until it swells up to several times its original size. It should take about an hour, and will then be white and tender.

If you want corn tortillas instead of hominy, then instead of cooking it a second time as you did for hominy, get out your old flea market hand-grinder and grind the soft, washed corn. Add a little water to the mush dough



FROM THE MAILBOX

DEAR MIKE & DEBI,

I can't thank you enough for your ministry. About 4 years ago a friend shared your book, "To Train Up A Child", it blessed my husband and I so much. I had become a very angry mother, I hardly disciplined, but I screamed a lot. I would smile around other people, but boy behind closed doors I let everybody have it including my poor husband.

I now see what my hypocritical state was conveying to my children. I was a religious, long hair, long dress, whole wheat bread etc..... yes, I was that kind of woman.

After reading your book I was on my knees repenting for my ungodly ways and destroying my family and marriage.

I just wanted to say thanks soooo much, you really changed my life. I'm on the road to having happy, jolly, joyful children and on my way to knowing how to get rid of anger.

—S.G.

DEAR PEARLS,

I am a mother of two boys (2yrs and 5 weeks). When our oldest was an infant I was grateful to be given a copy of "To Trained Up a Child". Everyday I engage in training these little boys into men of God. We have lots of fun together. Thanks for helping me with this incredible responsibility of raising kids!

—Brian & Melissa



that comes through the grinder, and make one-inch balls of dough.

The Maya Indians in Central America always had a bucket of lye water with corn soaking in preparation for a meal. They just took a little out as needed and dropped some more in. They carefully scooped the top floating corn so there was little washing. They didn't have a grinder, so they pounded the softened corn with a large stick to bring it to a dough consistency. The dough can be patted out and cooked in a dry pan (no oil, just sprinkle dry corn meal to keep dough from sticking). The Indians cooked over an open fire on the lid of an old 55-gallon drum.

Now my horse-feed corn was making our breakfast and lunch, but we are not through yet! Being from the south, I was raised on cornbread. Everyday I would grind the dried corn into cornmeal and mix salt, baking powder, and sour milk (if we were really rich, I'd add an egg) and pour into a hot, oiled, iron skillet to bake for dinner. Often, the next day the leftover cornbread was crumbed into a bowl with water, onions, sage, salt, pepper, celery seed, chicken seasoning, chopped cabbage and anything I thought might taste OK. This mixture was baked into a dressing. With a little seasoning, corn was feeding us well. So, there we sat eating hominy, cornbread, dressing, corn tortillas, dumplings, hot tamales, and corn mush patties. With the addition of sweet potatoes and cabbage and a pot of wild game, we were eating fine—like kings, we thought!

Before the winter was over, I was stuffing some kind of corn concoction into everything from squirrel to cabbage.

That first long, cold winter finally ended. We planted the leftover corn



Mr. Cotton, our local corn harvester.

that spring, I had well-learned that in time of famine, the humble corn seed can feed a family well. I also learned that being poor can make you or break you. Sometimes a family's greatest handicap is having too much and having it too easy. We learned how to be resourceful because we had to. Success in business may not translate into success in the family. Creativity, work ethic, confidence, and emotional balance often come out of the struggle. Even in the middle of washing our clothes outdoors in a large pot over a fire, while trying to figure out what I could feed the family next, I was happy, happier than I could ever remember. And when Nanny and Daddy Bill came to visit and brought peanut butter, I was thrilled. We learned how to be thankful, because doing without made a little seem so good.

We learned how to work together, because we needed each other to survive. We didn't have to tell our children that they were needed. We didn't pat them on the back when they did their chores, or give them "positive affirmation" by reminding them how important they were; they were living their worth. They knew that what they did mattered. A life like that grows strong kids. They learned to be survivors. Don't regret your struggles; rejoice in the opportunity to grow. Don't fear tomorrow; make a plan to overcome. And when the lean times come, remember: you can always eat corn. ❖

Practical Suggestions

by Debi Pearl

Proverbs 27:12 says,

“A prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself; but the simple pass on, and are punished.”

Many of you have written to us wanting information on our views concerning the fears generated by our uncertain world. We believe preparedness is the key.

It is vital to have information on hand that can teach you practical methods of treating illnesses, finding natural food sources, outdoor living, basic farming knowledge, and to have books that will teach you how to use the things listed below. If you don't know how to use them, they will be useless! Check the websites we have listed below for good books. There is a vast wealth of excellent information out there, but be wise as you research. Much of what you read could prove to be misleading, unreliable, or just plain nonsense.

Prepare with the goal in mind of being able to survive without leaving your home for 3 months. You must be able to adequately provide food, water, hygiene, medicine, heat, a way of cooking, etc. Use common sense in choosing food that will not spoil and will be easy to prepare without electricity.

Here are some crucial things you will want to have handy:

- Chlorine bleach
- Vinegar
- Salt
- Essential oils such as cinnamon, eucalyptus and oregano.
- Zinc-gluconate lozenges
- Fresh garlic
- Mouthwash
- Elderberry extract
- Ginsana (standardized ginseng extract available at Wal-Mart)
- A stack of paper masks, the kind sanders or painters use, very inexpensive.

In case of unforeseen emergencies, you can greatly benefit from knowing how to use these natural remedies.

- Pine needle tea
- Honey products including Bee Propolis
- ImmPower

Note: Please understand that we do not foresee any specific pandemic or any other kind of major emergency any more than you do, but we do understand the importance of staying prepared.

Your local librarian at the public library can help you open these websites and print off the free information so you can make a notebook for reference. Some of these sites also have books and products you can buy. Some of these sites are secular.

www.practicallegacy.com

↳ Very good site

www.urbanexod.us

www.learningherbs.com

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DEAR PEARL FAMILY,

I wanted to thank you for the very generous gift you gave us, a military family! We love the books. My husband and I read Holy Sex when he returned home, how liberating!

We are also reading To Train up a Child and are enjoying that as well, we are mailing a copy to my sister-in-law who is pregnant with her 8th boy.

We are enjoying listening to the CD's and reading Created to be His Help Meet. Your material has encouraged my husband enough for him to share them with his fellow sailors!

God Bless,

—A & R

TO BETROTH OR NOT TO BETROTH

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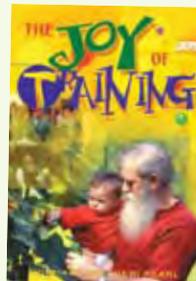
Author: Laurence M. Vance, Ph.D. This is a detailed historical examination and critical biblical analysis of Calvinism. Extensively documented from Calvinistic authorities, this book presents the other side to the over 400-year-old debate of the doctrines of Calvinism. Mike Pearl states, "This is the best book exposing the heresies of Calvinism. If you are a Bible believer concerned about TRUTH, this is a 'must-read.'" Hard bound book of 788 pages.

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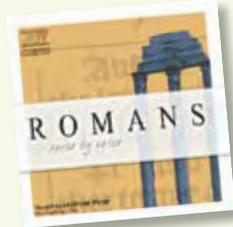
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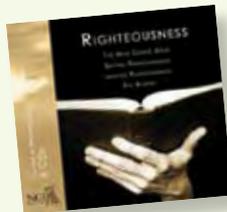
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RECOVERING THE SKILLS OF MANHOOD

Just wanted to let you know how much of an impact your recent article "Recovering the Skills of Manhood" has had on my husband and our 4 year old son. My husband was so greatly motivated by the article and seeing Gabe's hunting website that he took our son out and they purchased his first knife. They go out together at least once a week. They hike, read maps, use their knives and probably break wind together.

What we never saw coming was a 180 degree turn in our son. He is always joyful and actually enjoys doing work, especially if Daddy is with him.

Thank you,

—Jillian

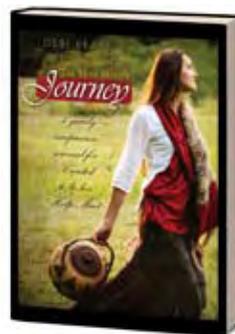
You can find the article "Recovering the Skills of Manhood" (July-Aug 2006) as well as all our other past articles on our website nogreaterjoy.org.

A PIECE OF THE PIE

The ladies in my church started a Created to be His Help Meet study class but my husband told me I could not go. When I told my SS class they all agreed that I must honor my husband's wishes. (Boy, have we all changed our way of thinking.) Then 2 weeks later after Sunday service my husband asked me why I did not go to the women's Tuesday Bible study. I reminded him he said I could not. He handed me a twenty dollar bill and said, "Get a babysitter and do not miss that class again." He had heard the other men talking about how changed their wives were and he wanted a piece of the pie!! Smiling in Texas,

—Sara

Beginning January 30th we will be offering the new book *The Help Meet's Journey – A Year-long Companion Journal for Created to be His Help Meet*. Through your own stories and studies you will create a lasting record of your journey as a help meet. For more information or purchasing of *Created to be His Help Meet* or *The Help Meet's Journey* visit our online store nogreaterjoy.org



ROMANS DOWNLOAD

My youngest child was born with Down Syndrome. He was recently diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia. It has been really hard emotionally and has really caused me to question some of the things I believed about God. I have been listening to the Romans download and it has answered some questions that have been in my heart for a long time.

Thanks & be blessed!

—T.H.

DEAR MIKE AND DEBI,

I have been reading your magazine for 4 years now. I had left my husband after 15 years of marriage. I gave up on God and my husband but through your teachings I have discovered there was a lot wrong with me. I was on my way to becoming a crazy lady/control freak. My husband and I have been back together now for 5 months.

—Annabelle



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Training to Live

Taken from section of *To Train Up A Child* | by Michael & Debi Pearl

ONE WINTER, WHEN MY TWO girls were nine and eleven, they were riding with me in an old 4x4 Army truck. The gravel road was bumpy and rough. When I made a stop at an intersection, I heard the two 12-volt batteries, located right behind the seats, short out and begin to arc. An explosion of spraying battery acid was potentially imminent. The girls understood none of this. However, when I commanded (this time in a raised voice,) “Get out fast!” they didn’t ask, “Why?” I immediately got out on my side to run around and open their usually jammed door. As soon as I cleared the door on my side, I looked over my shoulder to see how they were doing. They were gone. The door was still closed, and the window, which also sticks, was only open about halfway. But they were nowhere in sight. When I got around to the other side, there they were, piled up in the gravel road rubbing sore hands and knees. “How did you get out?” I asked. “Through the window,” they choked out. “Head first?” I asked. “You

said, get out fast!” was their accusing reply. It was a drop of five feet from the window to the hard gravel below.

My son, who was driving another truck behind me, said, “I didn’t know what was happening. Suddenly they both came flying out the window head first and landed in the road.” I had trained them to jump upon command. They did. There may come a time when their safety or survival will depend on instant obedience. “Duck!” or “Hit the deck!” has saved more than one life.

The world is sometimes a hostile place. A child must learn to take precautions early. Don’t give your child a modified sense of reality. Teach them about heights and falling, about guns, the danger

of knives and scissors, the peril of sharp sticks and coat-hanger wires, the terror of fire, and the caution of poisons and electricity. School them. Drill them. Show them examples. Expose them to death – the death of a pet or an accident victim. This must be done with calm, confident reverence, not with fear. Don’t be excessive. One or two examples to a three-year-old are enough. It’s okay to control their environment, but don’t shut out reality. Expose them to it at a level they can comprehend and at a rate suitable to their maturity. The goal is to keep the training ahead of any external, threatening assaults and to have them worldly-wise by the time they must face it on their own.

I am the General. My wife is my aide and advisor – the first-in-command when I am absent. I rule benevolently. Love and respect are my primary tools of persuasion. I lead; I don't command from a distant bunker. All of my family knows that I will lay down my life for them; consequently, they will lay down theirs for me. They find joy and pride in being part of the team. To instantly obey a command is their part of the teamwork. In doing so, the home team runs smoothly and our common objectives are met.

I have taught the children to obey first and ask questions later. When they were small and I would put them through paces, they learned to immediately do as I said. If they ever failed to instantly obey a command, I would "drill" them. "Sit down," I would say. "Don't speak until I tell you to." Understand, I was not taking out my frustrations on them. It was all done with utmost pleasantness. "Stand up," I would command. "Now, come

here. Go touch the door." And before they could get there, "Sit." Plop, down they would go. "Now, go to your rooms and clean them up." Just like little, proud soldiers, off they would go to the task. They thought it was just a fun game.

If one of them should fail in his attitude, he would be spanked – without haste or hostility, mind you. Negligence or clumsiness was a time for patience and grace, but lazy rebellion met with the rod.

This may sound cold and harsh. I hope it doesn't, for it was warm, friendly, loving, and produced five confident, calm, hard-working, loyal children and adults. In actuality, because of our consistency in this method of training, the children were seldom spanked. They all soon learned that every transgression received a "just recompense of reward." They knew that without a doubt, delayed obedience meant a meeting with the rod. Delayed obedience was dealt with as disobedience. Firmness with consistency

gives the children security.

The Scripture gives us a simple, common sense admonishment in Exodus 20:12,

"Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee."

A simple training session could make the difference between your child's life and death. Someday your child may be running into the road to catch a ball, not noticing the oncoming truck. If you've trained him to stop instantly on command, your command and his obedience may save his life. If you school your six-year-old in the danger and stupidity of driving recklessly, then when he is seventeen and the guys want him to pass on a hill, he will remember his training and say no to his silly friends, thus saving all their lives. When we train our children to obedience we give them more than maturity, confidence, wisdom, and joy. In many cases we give them life. ❖

A True Story

I have a friend whose 2-story house caught on fire. His 9-year-old son was on the 2nd floor, but the father could not get upstairs, so he and his wife ran outside and yelled. He got his son to come to the window, and told him to jump, that he would catch him. But the son said, "I'm scared!" As the fire gained a foothold on the house, the daddy begged and begged the boy to jump. He yelled, "Don't go back! Don't try to go down the stairs!" But the boy stood at the window, saying "I'm too scared! I can't jump! I'm going to go down the stairs!" That was the last time the father saw him.

If that father had only had the heart of his son in trust, and had taught his son to obey, his son would be alive today. Good training would have meant life. –Gregg



DEAR DEBI,

We love this book and I am selling them as part of our health business - we teach the Hallelujah Diet and sometimes require that women read your book before they enroll in our health classes, because women tell me they are angry so they are overeating or other destructive behaviour. My women's monthly health classes are called "Beautiful Womanhood" and we featured your book as our theme book and have different health topics each month! Thank you and keep up the good work – we could change the world the this book!!

–Jannai

✠ THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD; ✠

I shall not want. *He maketh* me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters. *He restoreth* my soul:
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no
evil: for *thou art with me*; thy rod and thy staff *they comfort me*.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

✠ SURELY ✠

Goodness and Mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the lord for ever. PSALM 23



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Men's Mission Trip

Summer 2007 | Carpathian Mountain Outreach (CMO)

SO WHAT'S THIS PROJECT ALL ABOUT ANYWAY? Camping in the Carpathians is simply a necessary means to higher end: the advancement of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in a region where He is not known. In 2006, the CMO team reached 16 mountain villages with the Gospel message. In addition to that, over 185,000 pieces of Gospel literature were distributed throughout Lviv, mountain villages, and other cities in Western Ukraine. As a result, we now have over 170 students enrolled in our Bible correspondence school. CMO 2007 has two primary goals: the advancement of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and the training/discipleship of men in foreign missions. Various outreaches such as street-preaching, chalk art, and literature campaigns will give you the opportunity to play a front-line role in winning the lost to Christ. Not only will you take part in these ministries in Ukraine, but we'll show you how to organize similar ministries of your own after you return home. Registration deadline is March 25, 2007. Please go to our website to download the registration packet: www.euroteamoutreach.org



Testimonies from 2006

"Camping with the purpose of spreading the Gospel of Christ is incredible."

"I think the most exciting part is when I lay down at night, totally exhausted from a day given completely to ministry, and realize that I spent another entire day spreading the Gospel."