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From the Heart of Pastor Don Grosvenor

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Already in our stores we see them getting ready for Christmas and Thanksgiving has not even come yet. I'm sure the world is looking at the commercial side of Christmas and not seeing any commercial value in Thanksgiving even Halloween gets more attention than Thanksgiving other than selling turkeys and a day off from work.

Perhaps we should understand this as prophetic ful-

fillment for Paul wrote in 2 Timothy chapter three about the last days saying they would be unthankful.

It might be well for us to thank God for all of His blessings which are spiritual, physical and monetary. We have been blessed to live in the greatest country on the earth that abounds with blessing from the hand of the Almighty and a Christian heritage so

rich in the faith.

Sometimes we dwell on our troubles, difficulties, our misfortunes and our losses so much that we don't take time to be thankful. This can rob us of a closeness in our walk with God.

Let us remember that the Bible says, "In everything give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you." 1 Thessalonians 5:18

In Christ,
Pastor Don

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First Proclamation after Plymouth

Governor Bradford of Massachusetts made this first Thanksgiving Proclamation three years after the Pilgrims settled at Plymouth:

"Inasmuch as the great Father has given us this year an abundant harvest of Indian corn, wheat, peas, beans, squashes and garden vegetables, and has made the forest to abound with game and the sea with fish and clams, and inasmuch as He has protected us from the ravages of the savages, has spared us from pestilence and disease, has granted us freedom to worship God according to the dictates of our

own conscience.

Now I, your magistrate, do proclaim that all ye Pilgrims, with your wives and ye little ones, do gather at ye meeting house, on ye hill, between the hours of 9 and 12 in the day time, on Thursday, November 29th, of the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and twenty-three and the third year since ye Pilgrims landed on ye Pilgrim Rock, there to listen to ye pastor and render thanksgiving to ye Almighty God for all His blessings."

William Bradford

Ye Governor of Ye Colony
Psalm 106:1 (KJV)

Praise ye the Lord. O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

Romans 6:17 (KJV)

But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.

It Starts with a Gift... It Leads to Lives Transformed by Christ

Right now, an estimated 1.5 million children have a mom or dad in prison. The number is huge – but so is the opportunity. Angel Tree is a ministry that reaches out to the children of inmates and their families with the love of Christ. It seeks to transform the lives of these families and to reconcile them to their Heavenly Father and each other. In Matthew 18:5 Jesus said, “Whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me.” There are children right in our community who are among the most at-risk children in the nation. Angel Tree provides an opportunity to connect with those families

and begin ministering to them at Christmas and then continue through a variety of year-round ministry opportunities. PCA is committed to providing gifts for 100 children and ministering to the families of inmates.

Angel Tree Sunday
November 8, 15 & 22
Sponsor a child!

You can bless a child by purchasing gifts for the child from their mom or dad in prison.

Each child gets a fun gift and clothing gift (each gift ranging between \$15-\$20). The gifts are distributed at the Angel Tree Christmas Party where the families come and enjoy a dinner, games, crafts and fellowship.

Christmas is no time for a child to fall through the cracks.

Donations are also accepted and can be made by cash or check. Be sure to designate “Angel Tree”

Angels will be ready to select on November 8th, 15th & 22nd

“The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.” Matthew 9:37, 38

Upcoming Events

November 1st 10:30am

FreedomSong, a ministry for God and Country, is an exciting, fast-paced program that compliments civic and community events as well as the



church. It serves to reestablish the premise for those who hear Freedom Song that America’s greatness was founded on the principles that Americans have freedom of religion, not freedom from religion. Our country’s heritage and laws were birthed from

the foundations of a recognized belief in a sovereign God and the statutes set forth in His Word. A primary goal of FreedomSong is to bring back to the attention of our land that America was founded as a Christian nation.

November 2nd

Prayer & Fasting 6:30pm

November 8th

Senior Saints Luncheon @ Ruby Tuesdays

November 8th, 15th and 22nd

Angel Tree Sunday. Select your “Angels” from the tree and sponsor a child to provide Christmas gifts

from their parent in prison.

Nov 13th 6-8pm

The Family Fun Festival is for all Parents & Guardians of children 0 years (expecting) through 12th grade and the kids! The Adults are invited to enjoy a nice sit down dinner and DVD while the children will enjoy pizza and fun.

There is no charge but we do need your reservations so we can plan for the food and activities. Signup sheet in foyer or call the office 602.275.8085

November 25th

Special Thanksgiving Service 7pm

Be sure to join in for the fellowship!

From Where I Stand

“All Should Be Thankful”

Thanksgiving 1979 came as our nation was in a death-grip of a recession as unemployment, inflation and interest rates spiraled out of control. Lines at the gas pump were long and the shortage of fuel oil for heating was felt all across the plains states, Midwest and eastern seaboard as temperatures plummeted.

As a nation we sat shocked as our nation's embassy in Tehran was seized and our hostages held at the time with great uncertainty. In spite of that Americans still gath-

ered around the table able to be thankful for so much we had as a nation compared to many others.

Recessions have come and gone since then and we have rebounded and again found ourselves prospering individually and nationally. In the midst of the current circumstances we will again gather around the table with family and friends thankful that we have more than many nations.

As we gather around the Thanksgiving table this year I invite you to read the Prophet's assessment and let us all be thankful.

Habakkuk 3:17-19 - Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: 18 Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation. 19 The LORD God is my strength, and he will make my feet like binds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments.

Pastor Steve Grosvenor

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The Method of Missions

"Go ye therefore, and teach (disciple) all nations." Matthew 28:19

Jesus Christ did not say - Go and save souls (the salvation of souls is the supernatural work of God), but - "Go and teach," i.e., disciple, "all nations," and you cannot make disciples unless you are a disciple yourself. When the disciples came back from their first mission they were filled with joy because the devils were subject to them, and Jesus said - Don't rejoice in successful service; the great secret of joy is that you are rightly related to Me. The great essential of the missionary is that he remains true to the call of God, and realizes that his one purpose is to disciple men and women to Jesus. There is a passion for souls

that does not spring from God, but from the desire to make converts to our point of view.

The challenge to the missionary does not come on the line that people are difficult to get saved, that backsliders are difficult to reclaim, that there is a wedge of callous indifference; but along the line of his own personal relationship to Jesus Christ. "Believe ye that I am able to do this?" Our Lord puts that question steadily, it faces us in every individual case we meet. The one great challenge is - Do I know my Risen Lord? Do I know the power of His indwelling

Spirit? Am I wise enough in God's sight, and foolish enough according

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to the world, to bank on what Jesus Christ has said, or am I abandoning the great supernatural position, which is the only call for a missionary, viz.,

boundless confidence in Christ Jesus? If I take up any other method I depart altogether from the methods laid down by Our Lord - "All power is given unto Me . . . , therefore go ye."

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Sunday School 9:30am Service 10:30am & 6:00pm Prayer Meeting 5:00pm FreedomSong 10:30am	2 Prayer & Fasting 6:30pm	3 Ladies Bible Study 9:30am	4 Adult Education 5:55 pm Service 7:00pm	5	6	7 Men's Prayer Meeting 7:00am
8 Sunday School 9:30am Service 10:30am & 6:00pm Prayer Meeting 5:00pm Senior Saints Luncheon-Ruby Tuesday	9	10 Ladies Bible Study 9:30am	11 Adult Education 5:55 pm Service 7:00pm	12	13 Family Fun Night 6- 8pm	14 Men's Prayer Meeting 7:00am
15 Sunday School 9:30am Service 10:30am & 6:00pm Prayer Meeting 5:00pm Angel Tree Sunday	16	17 Ladies Bible Study 9:30am	18 Adult Education 5:55 pm Service 7:00pm	19	20	21 Men's Prayer Meeting 7:00am
22 Sunday School 9:30am Service 10:30am & 6:00pm Prayer Meeting 5:00pm Angel Tee Sunday	23	24 Ladies Bible Study 9:30am	25 Adult Education 5:55 pm Service 7:00pm Special Service	26 Thanksgiving	27	28 Men's Prayer Meeting 7:00am
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