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From the Heart of Pastor Don Grosvenor

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Bible Conference 2009 is history. On this Thursday following the final Wednesday night service I am between trips to the airport. I just tool Brother Roosevelt and Brother Andrew and now I will be taking Pastor Stephen and then having breakfast with Pastor Harold.

Words cannot express this conference and what it has meant to so many people. In the words of so many people, "This was the best one ever." It's so easy to get caught up with that mindset but in this case I think their assessment might be accurate.

Just to break things down simply I want to say all four night were great, a great anointing, great preaching and great crowds and the last night conclusion with the outpouring of love and prayer for my wife and I and our family. The vision for the new building was something that caught

fire in this conference.

Another incredible aspect of this conference was the morning sessions. Every one of our speakers blessed us so tremendously and the first-hand reports of the missionaries were inspiring beyond measure. These folks touched our hearts; brought tears to our eyes and increased our vision for the world.

One highlight was the parade of flags on our last night as our choir sang their rendition of "Partners In The Harvest." In fact we were so moved by it that we're going to do that again this Sunday morning.

A real joy for Gerri and I was to have Brother Roosevelt and Brother Andrew stay in our home. What an incredible experience. As Pearl Porter said, "It was a God link." Speaking of Brother Roosevelt and Brother Andrew, because of international flight regulations requiring early check-in those two brothers

were going to get together after check in for more fellowship, though in different terminals.

When the service closed on Wednesday night, no one wanted to leave and so many stayed even in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments. It goes without saying that everything planned was so very special but the part that we never planned that God did was unbelievably special. Appearances such as Chester and Naomi Carney, John & Viora Dolinschi, Brother Andrew, Brother Roosevelt and then Brother Thaddeus. Time will erase some memories but most of the highlights will be forged forever upon our hearts.

Now all we can do is pray and look forward to next year with our missions banquet next month.

Prayerfully yours,
Pastor Don

Upcoming Events

March 2nd– Prayer & Fasting
6:30pm

March 8th– Senior Saints Luncheon

Manuel's Mexican Restaurant
28th Street & Indian School



March 13th & 14th– Couple's Retreat in Casa Grande

March 20th– Missions Dinner

March 22nd– Aaron

Wilburn both Sunday AM and PM Service

March 28th– Senior Saints Fellowship 4:00pm at Carolyn and Raymond Steven's house, 3117 E. Cheery Lane Phx.- 602.956.1748

MentorKids USA

In 1997, Orville Krieger founded Phoenix MatchPoint, in partnership with Prison Fellowship, to address the needs of at-risk youth in the Phoenix, Arizona metropolitan area by matching caring Christian adults with youth ages 8-17 who showed warning signs of becoming criminal offenders. Youth targeted for mentoring included those who had either trouble with the law, significant school problems, dysfunctional family backgrounds, or drug or alcohol abuse

Throughout the history of the organization, local churches have played a major role by providing program support and mentors. Mentors commit time each week to be a friend and role

model for an at-risk youth. The mentors offer concrete expressions of unconditional love and support to the mentee; and the two participate in activities designed to build friendship, trust, and constructive values.

In January of 2004, Phoenix MatchPoint changed its name to MentorKids USA. Maintaining the heart of the organization, MentorKids USA continues to serve at-risk youth, specifically targeting youth between the ages of 5-18 who have an incarcerated parent, come from a single-parent household, have drug or alcohol problems, have been physically or sexually abused, have significant school problems, or live in poverty. Since its inception, the

organization has served more than 500 kids.

Call MENTOR KIDS USA today to enroll your children or to learn how you can get involved as a mentor. Become a mentor of one of our Angel Tree kids.

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Missionary Spotlight

Reverend Dr. Pearl Porter was born into a sharecropper's family and raised in Alabama in a family of twelve. Life hasn't been easy for "Pastor Pearl". She has always continued to "go on anyhow" in spite of many adversities. PTL! In her devastation, the Lord challenged her to "pick up the cross" and she traveled for ten years in the ministry, but that travel took her to Denver where she met and married Dr. Bob Reimann in 1980. For the past twenty-six years, she has pastored in Denver and accomplished many dreams for the Lord. Dr. Bob went home to be with Jesus in 1998 and Pearl continued in the ministry alone until August 2006 when she married Rev. James Koehler from Houston, TX. She says of this..."God has provided another miracle in my life!"

God has challenged Pastor Pearl to a special work in Costa Rica, helping start churches, building a school,

building a missions house, going there 22 times, helping Colorado Senator Mora build a "GOD WILL CARE CENTER". The work in Costa Rica continues to be her passion and she asks that we pray for it in every prayer. Other works that Pastor Pearl asks us to pray for are as follows:

*Founder/Senior Pastor of Victory Temple

*Founder/President of Faith Revivals, Inc.

*Tour Host to Israel ten times

*Founder of "King's House" for Women

*Founder of Hawaii, CO, Filipino, Costa Rica, Handmaidens

*Founder of Guapilas Church, and S.E.M. Christian School, Costa Rica

*Founder Victory Temple Mt.

Church, Benait, Haiti

*Sponsor of Christian Haitian Outreach for 25 years

*Sponsor of 40 Mission Outreaches around the Globe

*Seminar, Crusade and Convention Speaker

*Affiliated with Assemblies of God International Fellowship

Be sure to attend the Missionary Banquet on March 20th. Dress in denim and be prepared to enjoy a time of wonderful fellowship and blessing. Thank you for your faithfulness to our missionaries.

Your prayer support and financial support for the work in Costa Rica will be greatly blessed as you bring peace, love, faith, hope, joy, and the Light of

Jesus to the people there.

God bless you.

Love, Pearl

From Where I Stand

Fairness is a Realistic Topic

Once again we are seeing the revival of “The Fairness Doctrine” being projected as the way to go in the world of telecommunication.

The concept is this, a legislative statement that forces broadcasters to give “fair and equal time” to those with opposing views.

Realistically this is nothing more than the abuse of power and intrusion to the point of a government only infor-

mation base.

For such a law to be in place would require a literal army of regulatory agents to monitor television, radio, internet progress as well as printed media. One could only wish an army of regulators would have been in place the past two years monitoring and avoiding the recent financial meltdown that could destroy our nation.

Even more disconcerting is the realization that the dual standard of the secular humanist world view wants to

have freedom of expression until someone disagrees, then it must be silenced.

If you think the “fairness doctrine” is viable which statement should be censored; Jesus the way, the truth and the life,” or “So many fundamental evangelical Christians and so few lions?”

Apparently freedom of speech and religion are to take a back seat if there is someone that disagrees with you.

Pastor Steve Grosvenor

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Pray in Time of Victory

The book of Joshua is a wonderful illustration and pattern for victorious Christian Living. Victorious Christian Living can be not only a theory to be admired, but also an experience to be enjoyed.

The seventh chapter of the book of Joshua opens with an ominous “But . . .”

So far, the people of God have been completely victorious in crossing the Jordan, in entering the land, in dealing with God at Gilgal, and at Jericho. So far all the story has been a story of success. But here we find the children of Israel in full retreat. We find Joshua on his face before God filled with dismay.

An examination of reasons for failure in Ai, may expose some of the reasons why we all have failed in our Christian lives. The first reason for failure at Ai was self-confidence. The victory at Jericho was not a testimony to the strength of the people of God, but a testimony to the power of Jehovah Himself. There is no experience in Christian living so full of danger as the flush of victory. There is no moment so perilous as when, for the first time in his Christian life, the man of God has experienced deliverance from sin. At such times we begin to take pride in our-

selves, and to boast that our own arm has saved us. We so easily imagine that because we have achieved victory once, God has imparted to us some new strength which will see us through all our earthly journey. The victory you won yesterday will not bring you power today.

The second reason for failure at Ai was the neglect of prayer. Joshua failed to wait on God. He did not go back to Gilgal. Flushed with victory at Jericho, he immediately made plans to capture the next portion of territory. If he only had sought God’s counsel at the moment of triumph, he would have discerned immediately that there was sin in the camp. Failure to pray always makes us insensitive to sin. **If you pray in time of victory you will never have to plead in time of defeat.** One of the greatest temptations that can come to you after you have proved that God is able to give you victory, is to neglect to pray. When you think that you are strong and don’t need to pray anymore, then you will have dulled your sensitivity to sin. It is only prayer in the hour of victory that makes a man of God realize that he will face defeat again unless he maintains continuous contact

with the Lord Jesus Christ. The moment of victory is the moment for humiliation. The third reason for defeat at Ai was disobedience. God speaks to Joshua and says, “Israel has sinned . . .” “One man had failed and the whole army was defeated. This illustrates that no individual Christian can sin without affecting the whole church. No child of God can grow cold in his spiritual life without lowering the temperature of everybody else around him. The victory of the whole community depends on the victorious life of every individual church member. The testimony of your church in its community and throughout the world depends on the victorious life of every man and woman in the church. The unity of the Spirit and the bond of peace are the testimony of victory in the house of God.

May the Holy Spirit speak to our hearts regarding the necessity of humility, prayer and obedience in victorious Christian living. The final lesson learned should convict everyone of us that what we do or what we neglect to do affects the entire body of Christ. Remember, Pentecost came when they were all in one accord in prayer. Following the victory from the Bible Conference is the time for Prayer!

