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## A Word from Our President

If you are in the midst of a challenging period in your life, or you don't see any way out of your situation, this reminder from Rick Warren's Daily Hope newsletter might speak to you today: "How do you know when you're at a dead-end? You know it when things get out of your control and you can't do anything about it."

"When you're stuck in a phase of life and you're waiting for deliverance, or you simply don't see how things could get any worse, you need to remember what God can do. The situation

may be out of your control, but it's not out of God's control. When you face a dead-end, don't focus on what you can't do. Focus instead on what God can do.

"Romans 4:17 says, 'Abraham believed in the God who brings the dead back to life and who creates new things out of nothing' "There are many things that God can do that we cannot do, but two in particular are: He can give life to the dead, and He can create something out of nothing. If God can give life to a dead man, He can give life to a dead career. He can bring life to that dead marriage. He can bring life to that dead dream. He can bring life to that financial dead-end...

"When you face things that are out of your control, you need something more than a positive mental attitude. You need faith in God, because He can control it when you can't. Most of life is beyond your control, so you need faith far more than you need positive thinking.

But what is faith? There are a number of acronyms for faith but the one I like most is the one that says faith stands for "Forsaking All I Trust Him."

Allow me to paraphrase Hebrews Chapter 11. Faith is the confident assurance that something we want is going to happen. It is the certainty that what we hope for is waiting for us, even though we cannot see it up ahead. Men of God in days of old were famous for their faith. By faith, by believing God, we know that the world and the stars, in fact, all things, were made at God's command; and that they were all made from things that can't be seen.

The Bible says in Luke 18:27, 'What is impossible with man is possible with God. God specializes in the impossible. It's called a miracle, and He can do it in your life! He is ready to turn your dead-end into deliverance.'

You can never please God without faith, without depending on him. Anyone who wants to come to God must believe that there is a God and that he rewards those who sincerely look for him. Ephesians 2:8&9 make it very clear. For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: You are saved by faith in God, who by the way treats us much better than we deserve. This is God's gift to you, and not anything you have done on your own. For by such grace you have been saved through faith.



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### **On the Cover:**

*This Kenworth is the truck mentioned in our new feature, TruckStruck, by Lynn Bolster. Lynn Bolster loves anything to do with trucks and has been active in the trucking industry since the 1980's. She worked over the road for 12 years with her partner of 22 years. She has her Bachelor's degree in journalism and a Master's degree in Recreation and Leisure Studies*

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## TFC GLOBAL: UPCOMING EVENTS

**October 1: Ohio Truck Show & Parade, Kidron, Ohio**

**October 9: Bucks-Montgomery County Chapter Banquet, Harleysville, Pennsylvania**

**October 16: LargeCarMag Southern Classic Truck Show, Raphine, Virginia**

**October 26-27: Liberty University Ministry Career Job Fair, Lynchburg, Virginia**

**November 6: TAP Event, Talk & Prayer for the trucking community, Kelley Latta speaking**

**November 12-14: Gateway To Freedom Foundation Intensive, Mt. Bethel, Pennsylvania**

**November 16-19: JuST Conference, Washington D.C.**

*For more information on any of these events, email [info@tfcglobal.org](mailto:info@tfcglobal.org) or call 717-426-9977.*

### *Leave a Legacy of Faith for TFC Global's future ministry to the trucking community.*

TFC Global stands for more than just a ministry to truck drivers; our chaplains have had opportunities to help the men and women of the trucking community with struggles such as addictions, family and co-worker relationships, self care and more.

Our faith partners support us financially because they support our vision — support it because they know a driver, are a driver themselves or own a trucking company — support it because God has called them to give.

*What about you?*

#### *Touching the Future*



*Make a lasting impact  
through a legacy gift.*



We exist to evangelize, educate and equip members of the trucking community and their families to help them grow in their faith.

Building a legacy is critical to the ongoing ministry of TFC Global. We can all make a difference in seeing the ministry be financially secure to continue meeting needs and expanding to reach more of the trucking world with the message and hope of Jesus.

TFC Global has years of learning, good friends, and ministry opportunities that have continued to touch many people. Gifts such as the following are a few examples of ways to bless drivers beyond a cash donation.

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# GRINDING HALT

By Brad Huddleston

Sometime around 2006, I kept hearing the words, “grinding halt.” I heard this not through my ears but in my mind. Sometimes these things are just passing thoughts that dissipate about as quickly as they come. But this one didn’t. So, I asked the Lord the meaning.

I will digress for a moment.

Some reading this will have issues with His children claiming to “hear” from God; others will not. For those who believe that God is alive, active, and still speaks to His children, my claim to have heard from God will most likely resonate with you. For those who believe God ceased talking when the Biblical canon was complete, I respect you and ask that you at least hear me out. Please understand that I strongly believe in *sola scriptura*. What I mean is that the Bible is inerrant in the original manuscripts and is the final authority for all faith and conduct. What I want to emphasize here is the application of *sola scriptura*. I believe that God still “whispers” in the ears of His children but, the Scripture must strictly judge everything we might think we hear from Him, and if found wanting, must be dismissed immediately. If you’re still reading, thank you for your consideration.

Now, back to what I think I have heard from God.

As time went on, I believe the Lord whispered the following to me:

Life as we know it could come to a grinding halt? What is the grinding halt? A loss of electricity? That would bring things to a grinding halt in a hurry! I have written for this magazine before about digital cocaine and the awful effects that our devices can have on our lives and the lives of people we know and love. As I continued to seek guidance and “test” this message from God, I first turned to the Scriptures:

2 Corinthians 13:1b (NKJV) “By the mouth of two or three witnesses every word shall be established.”

1 John 4:1a (NKJV) Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God;

I have always trusted my pastor with the serious issues of my life, so I, secondly, went to him. The “grinding halt” message resonated with him, and he asked me to share this with our church. After taking this to another pastor, I also shared this message with his church. In 2016, when Ted Koppel released his book *Lights Out: A Cyberattack, A Nation Unprepared, Surviving the Aftermath*, I was once again emboldened to talk about a coming grinding halt.

Back in 2006, I wondered if God might turn the lights out in the US. You see, I have studied and written much on the topic. My first book regarding technology was titled *The Dark Side of Technology: Restoring Balance in the Digital Age*. The follow-up book is *Digital Cocaine: A Journey Toward iBalance*. I have toured the world numerous times, teaching and preaching from these books and making appearances on radio shows, podcasts, newspapers, magazines, and television. While I’ve generally been well-received, these messages, if the truth were to be faced, have not made any significant difference in the lives of believers and non-believers. Can technology be used in wonderful ways to spread the gospel and grow in our Christian faith? Yes! But, the addictive and spiritually dark nature of technology is undeniable.

So why continue with this challenging message about digital addiction and seeking repentance for allowing technology to become more important than our relationship with Christ? Because God loves us and always contends with us, even when we are sinning. God is fair and always warns us before acting.

Because God loves us so much, if we don’t repent of our sins, including our digital addiction, I believe He, as a loving parent, could step in and fix the problem for us by interrupting the ability to consume technology. This event will no doubt cause us to consider giving Him our undivided attention.

I genuinely believe there could be dark days ahead in both senses of that word.



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**Our Vision:** To ensure that all drivers can provide for their families without fear.

For more information, contact TFC Global at [foundation@tfcglobal.org](mailto:foundation@tfcglobal.org).



TFC Global has become increasingly aware that our brothers and sisters in Christ who are professional drivers and those who are part of the trucking industry along with their families have a strong need and desire to be able to build Biblical community among their peers. Our desire is to connect drivers, employed or retired, trucking company owners and other Christian trucking-related individuals in supporting and encouraging one another.



To become a member of the ICTA visit our website, [TFCGlobal.org](http://TFCGlobal.org), or email us at [info@tfcglobal.org](mailto:info@tfcglobal.org).

Your membership fees help fund the TruckersLife Foundation which provides resources for professional drivers and their families in an emergency.





# *Trucking with Women in Mind*

By Ellen Voie, President & CEO, Women in Trucking

## **FIERCENESS & THE FEMALE DRIVER**

If you were asked to name the fiercest animal in the animal kingdom, how would you respond? Would your initial reaction be to say it would be a bear, a lion, or a tiger? How about a snake or crocodile?

Notice I used the word, "fiercest," and not words like intimidating, scary or deadly. One of the definitions of fierce is, "intense in activity or feeling, vigorous or ardent." I used this term because I think the most amazing and intense and vigorous animal is the hummingbird.

Wait, a tiny little bird that weighs about seven ounces and is usually three to five inches in length? Yes, those little birds that arrive each spring and depart in the fall but add color and beauty to our summers. These little flying dive bombers just zip past us without regard to our size.

The tiny little hummingbird got its name because of the sound it makes while flying. They hover in the air and beat their tiny little wings up to eighty times PER SECOND. Those wings are very powerful, as hummingbirds have been measured flying up to 34 miles per hour!

Fun fact, when the males are courting the females, they try to attract them by dive bombing the object of their attention from heights as high as 100 feet at speeds up to 51 miles per hour. That is truly remarkable and probably impresses those lady birds immensely.

So, they can fly fast and high and know how to dive bomb, but why are they the fiercest animal in the kingdom? It's because they give the name "snowbird" a new meaning. Here in Wisconsin, we typically spot the first hummingbirds around Mother's Day, in May.

Where did they come from and why did they decide to spend their summer with us?

Most hummingbirds spend their winters in Mexico and South America. They prefer the coasts of the Gulf of Mexico and return there each year in late summer. Then, when spring is imminent, they make the long journey north, as far as the Yukon or southern Alaska. Yes, that is a journey of nearly 4,000 miles by such a tiny little creature.

They follow the Pacific flyway and coordinate their trip with the emergence of tree leaves and the availability of insects along the way. They can fly 500 miles nonstop across the Gulf of Mexico (both ways). It is not true that they hitch rides on the backs of other birds, they do this by their own power.

Since hummingbirds depend on eating nectar, they couldn't survive a winter where the snow covers the ground, or the plants freeze in the colder months. A few hummingbirds do reside in Florida and Southern California, but most take a journey that is brutal for a tiny, winged animal.

Remember I said hummingbirds are fierce? They are one of the most aggressive birds around. They will attack crows, jays and even hawks that invade their territory. They claim ownership of a backyard feeder and chase intruders away.

Have you ever heard someone use the term, "they eat like a bird?" Well, usually they are referring to someone who doesn't eat a great deal, but when referencing hummingbirds, they actually need to consume half of its weight in sugar every day. Yes, half its weight! If we did that we would not be "eating like a bird."

Personally, I think hummingbirds are the strongest, fiercest animal in our kingdom. They remind me of the women who drive tractor trailers today. They are focused on getting to their destination and for the most part, are unstoppable. They are on a mission!

The next time you see a hummingbird, think about the journey it has been on and how the tiny creature beats incredible odds to traverse the country twice a year.

For me, I will always consider hummingbirds to be the fiercest in the kingdom!



# ON THE HOMEFRONT

My husband Craig and I were recently taking their daughter to college in Virginia. On the way back, after a few hours on the road, we stopped at a convenience store to grab some snacks to tide us over until we reached home. As we were returning to our vehicle, a guy named Jason asked us if he could sing us a song he wrote. We skeptically agreed. He began rapping about his relationship with Jesus and his journey of faith. His bright eyes of joy and smile as he “sang” was so neat to see. He used to drive trucks, but addiction stole that life. He is now travelling around to different truck stops and convenience stores to wash windows with a friend. He sings everywhere he can. As we introduced our ministry to him, he asked if he could pray for us before we continued driving. God brings different people into our paths to encourage and inspire us. Jason did that! Be open to opportunities to bless others and receive blessings from others. *By Joanna Maart*

## NATIONAL HIGHWAY NEWS & EVENTS

- Indiana rest areas are getting a much-needed upgrade to allow for increased truck parking. *August 23*
- A driver with EMS training saved the life of an accident victim. He was awarded the Highway Angel designation by Truckload Carriers Association. *August 24*
- Know your truck — repair and maintenance tips for drivers of older vehicles to stay safe on the road. *August 24*
- Overdrive Online does a poll on people in the trucking community’s thoughts about getting the COVID vaccine. See the results. *August 24*

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## **TFC GLOBAL CHAPLAINS PROVIDE**

- 1) Free emergency care for crisis events**
- 2) Someone to listen to your employees**
- 3) Addiction help through Celebrate Recovery**
- 4) TFC Global network of counselors dealing with many aspects of health and mental illness**
- 5) Fee-based program for full or part time chaplaincy services at your location**
- 6) Intensive weekend seminars for addiction recovery with on-site counselors and support staff**

*For more information on how TFC Global's Corporate Chaplains Network can provide services to your company contact our office at [info@tfcglobal.org](mailto:info@tfcglobal.org).*

The Gateway to Freedom Foundation combats human trafficking by driving down the demand in cities across the United States through the trucking industry.

## **HOW WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

### **ON THE GROUND**

Through our chaplaincy ministry we are uniquely positioned in cities across the U.S. to be a presence of hope and healing in areas commonly used for human trafficking. Our chaplains have been a key deterrent to human traffickers, while building life changing relationships with professional drivers.

### **RESTORING LIVES AND FAMILIES**

We connect professional drivers, and anyone who struggles with consumer sexual beliefs and habits, to proven pathways that lead to healing and freedom. Our passion is to see lives restored so families can flourish.

### **PROTECTING CHILDREN**

NCMEC estimates there are 100-300K children recruited into sex trafficking every year. Truck stops have been a key target for traffickers as they rely on the buyer demand of drivers. Our work prevents future generations of children from ever being trafficked in the first place.





## ***TFC GLOBAL : FIG PROFESSIONAL***

Why is the development of a chaplaincy for professional drivers and their families so important? The risk for poor health. Due to their work conditions, they may take the form of chronic stress, disrupted schedules and excessive time away from home. For many companies have prioritized the bottom line over the health of their drivers, the workload demands of trucking have led to the development of marital issues, addictions, anxiety, and depression.

TFC Global has long recognized the need for chaplains and drivers to deliver a ministry of presence and support that most chaplaincy programs provide. In this community, we are able to offer additional support and resources.

Centers located at truck stops or in the companies throughout the region of these centers. These centers provide recipients point-of-contact resources, local referral capabilities and a trained professional chaplain.



- ◆ Celebrate Recovery Step meetings led by a trained chaplain.
- ◆ Human Trafficking Awareness training through the National Human Trafficking Resource Center.
- ◆ Pornography addiction assistance through a 12-week program that will utilize a professional counselor.
- ◆ Crisis Care from a trained chaplain.
- ◆ International Christian Trucking Association (ICTA) leaders and company employees in the surrounding area.
- ◆ Talk & Prayer (TAP) meetings for women in the trucking community to support families.
- ◆ DivorceCare and GriefShare programs will be available as well.

***Would you consider hosting an ICTA or TAP event at your church or company? Would you also think a human trafficking expert to speak at your church, school, company orientation, young men/women's groups? Contact us at [info@tfcglobal.org](mailto:info@tfcglobal.org) or call our office at 717-426-9977.***



# HTING FOR THE HEARTS AND LIVES OF OUR DRIVERS AND THE TRUCKING COMMUNITY

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## GOD LOVES PECULIAR FAMILIES

After at a NC convention, I was encouraged and edified fellowshiping with the peculiar families who were present. Please let me describe a few of these peculiar people.

Friday afternoon, I was wrapping up a session on "Communication for Families." I noted that several folks still had questions and comments. Since it was the last workshop of the day, I prayed and dismissed the group but announced that I would stay a little longer. One family with several children quietly got up to make their way to the exit. As they filed out, I said, "Thank you for coming!" over the loudspeaker. As I did, the youngest child said in a loud voice, "That was a good speech!" That peculiar child had just finished sitting through a long session and yet had the energy and politeness to bless me as she left. My heart sang.

The next morning, I was walking towards the vendor hall and met a mom holding the hands of her two children, ages 7 and 5. I shook their hands and asked how they were doing. The youngest, without lifting his head, said he was fine and then asked me how I was doing! I was flabbergasted by his response. I think that may be the first time a youngster had ever asked me how I was doing. How peculiar.

I also met five siblings who came to the conference without their parents. They simply enjoyed the workshops and fellowshiping with others of like precious faith. After my last session on Saturday, the six of us found a piano and sang hymns together. How special. And unique.

Friday afternoon, I had the privilege of meeting a devoted group of men. These husbands and fathers had taken a day off work to learn how to use their God-given authority to build up their wives and children. They were intentional about improving their ability to serve and lay down their lives for their family. What a peculiar group.

Lastly, I was wonderfully blessed meeting the faithful moms throughout the conference. These remarkable women embody Jesus' teaching about the grain of wheat that falls into the earth and dies, and thus bears much fruit. Their husbands and children are their good fruit. It is always an honor meeting these especially peculiar ladies.

**Peculiar.** There are a few definitions of the word "peculiar." When this word is used in the present day, it connotes strange, uncommon, or odd. That is partly accurate. In addition to being uncommon, it also means special, unique, and distinctive.

**peculiar:**

\ pi-'kyul-yər \ noun

**:different from the usual or normal  
:something exempt from ordinary**

In the King James Version, the word "peculiar" appears seven times. Here are two verses accompanied by the ESV translation:

"Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of Him Who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light." (1 Peter 2:9 KJV)

"You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him Who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light." (1 Peter 2:9 ESV)

"Thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God, and the LORD hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto Himself." (Deuteronomy 14:2 KJV)

"You are a people holy to the LORD your God, and the LORD has chosen you to be a people for His treasured possession." (Deuteronomy 14:2 ESV)

We are blessedly peculiar. From the viewpoint of the world, we are strange. But in the eyes of God, we are singularly special, for we have been set apart as His own special treasured possession, who are zealous for good works.



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# Walk the Walk

By Mike McGough

***Don't repay evil for evil. Don't retaliate with insults when people insult you. Instead, pay them back with a blessing. That is what God has called you to do, and he will grant you his blessing. 1 Peter 3:9 NLT***

**I'M DONE!** It all started with a rather snarky comment in the break room. Although the statement was true, it was also hurtful, unkind, and very poorly timed. It was lunchtime, and the breakroom was full. Although it wasn't her intention to do so, he was hurt, embarrassed, and angry. It created an uncomfortable tone. She knew she should have apologized for what she said, but since he didn't respond, she assumed he was okay with it.

At the end of the day, she learned he wasn't. Again, in front of a full room, he offered an equally snarky comment in return, and it hit the mark. Even though she didn't respond to his comment at the time, over the next week it became clear that such exchanges would likely continue for some time to come. In fact, they grew in both frequency and intensity, and with each exchange their individual resolves to get even grew. It was a cruel cycle.

Neither one of them had any intention of apologizing, and each felt justified in returning jab for jab and punch for punch. Then finally she crossed the line. It wasn't a workplace topic she addressed, but it was instead a comment about his family. It was so inappropriate that he didn't respond with words. The look on his face, his silence, and the stunned

reactions of those in the room said it all.

When the lunch break was over, she went to his work area, and before he could say anything she said, "I'm so sorry. I went too far today, and I feel horrible. I should have apologized weeks ago, when this all started."

He said, "I kept it going too, but enough is enough. I'm done!"

"Again, I'm sorry, and I'm done too," she said, extending her hand for a shake.

Whether accidentally or on purpose, everyone gets their feelings hurt, is insulted, or is treated unfairly now and again. Speaking up for oneself, working to resolve differences, setting wrongs right, and clearing the air can resolve interpersonal mishaps. If left unattended, retaliation becomes more likely and problems linger.

When evil is repaid with evil and insults are answered with insults, the stage is set for ongoing hostility that benefits no one.



*Walk the Walk: A Daily Guide to a More Christlike Life is the devotional guide from which the New Testament passage that inspired this article is drawn. Copies of that devotional are available at [Leadershipmrm.com](http://Leadershipmrm.com) under the Books/Publications tab.*

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# TruckStruck

By Lynn Bolster

If you were asked what currency is, you would probably answer money of course. But there are all kinds of currency. For the addict, drugs are the currency. For children, toys are the currency. See what I mean? For those of us in trucking, trucks are our currency. In a trucking family, the truck is big currency, since it is the bread winner providing food, shelter and clothing to its members. If the truck is damaged, stolen or broken down, it causes hardship. This forces the owners to use their currency to fix it. What happens when the owner of the truck dies? It now becomes emotional currency.

When Bill, my partner of 22 years - with whom I trucked over the road for 12 of those years - died, his truck became emotional currency to his family. I say his family because Bill left all his earthly possessions to me and they wanted to know their position with his possessions. After several encounters with hostile family members, I knew the line in the sand had been drawn. I knew not what to do to extinguish the family flames surrounding me.

The elephant in the room was his green 1980 W900A model Kenworth with a Big Cam 400 and 13 double over that we bought at a farm auction for junk. We washed the ants and manure out of the interior, replaced the mattress in the 36" sleeper, mechanically dressed it up, scrubbed and cleaned, painted and polished and off we went. We were Kenworth folks after all, having just retired the 1978 W900A model. We knew 'green' - as we nicknamed it - was our ticket to great freight hauling. And indeed she was. Too many stories to share now, but for a 'junk' truck, she sure did perform and made us some currency!

But now here she sat, owner dead and me the new title holder. It broke my heart to think of selling it. I knew I would miss it and could never drive it without him. It sat for about a year as I watched it rusting to pieces but there wasn't enough money to fix it. I tried to sell it but everyone saw it as a big project and well, we all know how projects go.

So I began to pray the Lord's will and I didn't like what I heard. I discussed what I heard with my best friend and explained my options: sell it, auction it or fix it. But guess what? She heard what He said. God led me to GIVE the truck to his one boy. But to give it - this was too much for me to handle after what I had endured on the family battlefield. During this time I read a devotional piece by Joyce Meyer who was led by God to give one of her favorite dresses to a woman she didn't really like. This is what the Lord said to her - and to me - "if you can give her that dress, if you can give your favorite possession to someone who hurt you, you will break the power of the enemy. You will destroy his plan to destroy you." I said to my friend, "I can't just give it away," and she said, "I like that option." Or as Mark Twain said, "it's never wrong to do the right thing."

Taking a step of obedience is hard but we do it because we know that in the end the Lord has what is best for us in mind. When I called his boy and told him, he was astonished. I cried and said I realized green had to stay on the family property with Bill's trucking son and grandsons. The currency of this family was and will forever be trucks and I knew it. I asked if he wouldn't mind giving me the chrome hood ornament - a bird - that I had bought Bill for his birthday one year. We worked behind that bird for many, many miles and if I could have that, I would be at peace.

I was spending Christmas alone that year when there was a knock at the door. There stood Bill's grandson with a gift. I invited him in, opened the box and fell apart. They had mounted the bird on a piece of wood so I could proudly display it in my 'trucking corner' at home.

Now that green is resting comfortably at the family homestead, I know I did the right thing. I am blessed to have lived the trucking life that many just dream about.

But as it turns out, the thing I miss the most isn't green, it's him.



# Be Our Guest

The Salem Church from Rough and Ready township in Klingerstown, Pennsylvania were our guests at our International Office to check out our ministry and cast the vision to their students about vocational ministry. Pastor Mark Mantz and his wife brought the



group. Our president, Ron Fraser shared our mission; Joanna Maart gave them a tour of our building and shop. Ron took them down the memory lane of our organization by showing them the inside of a mobile unit. After some snacks and meeting the canine mascots, we bid them adieu. We encourage any group to come visit our office. We'd love to show you around and treat you like a very welcome guest. For more information, email [info@tfcglobal.org](mailto:info@tfcglobal.org) or call 717-426-9977. See our post on Facebook for more photos of this visit.

TFC Global is also developing an intern program for high school seniors and college students. Our focus will be on vocational ministry experiences that are outside of being a pastor in a church. From chaplaincy to office positions, we will be offering a program that allows for training as well as experience in the non-profit organization sector.

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## Breaking Down Barriers to Freedom (Part 1)

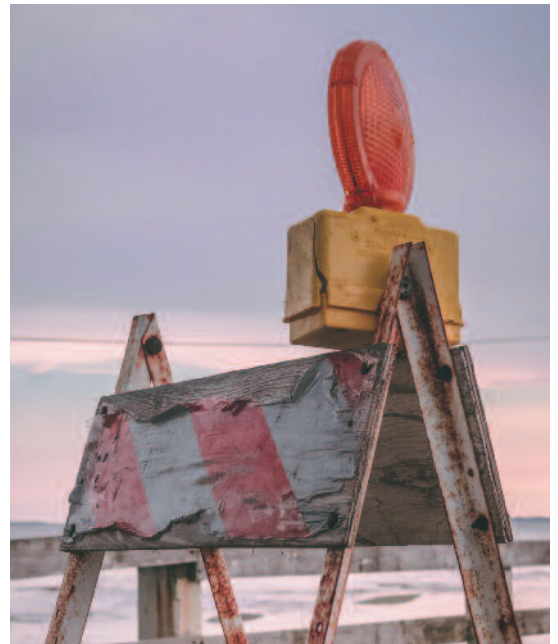
In 2000 the Federal Government passed the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA), which was the first major piece of legislation in the U.S. fighting human trafficking since the MANN Act of 1910. Since the passing of the TVPA anti-human trafficking awareness and work has grown tremendously; particularly in the case of sex trafficking. In fact, over the past 20 years anti-sex trafficking organizations in the U.S. has grown from a mere handful, in 2000, to over 2500 today and still growing. All that growth has led to some great outcomes. Victims are no longer being arrested and treated as criminals, but instead are being connected to better and better services equipped to help them. More and more traffickers are being arrested on human trafficking charges. The general public is more aware of the signs of trafficking and how to report the crime when they see it.

However, despite this tremendous growth sex trafficking continues to thrive and grow in the world. Recent reports indicate that sex trafficking increased significantly over the Covid-19 pandemic and doesn't seem to be slowing down. How can that be? How is it possible that despite the tremendous growth of combatting sex trafficking in the U.S. the crime continues to grow? To answer that question we have to look at the buyer demand for commercial sex. Whereas there has been growth in helping identify victims of trafficking, as well as arresting perpetrators, the buyer demand has largely been neglected, which is the driving force behind the crime.

To be clear the reason sex trafficking is growing today despite some of our best efforts to combat it, is explained by the market for consumer sex. As the market grows for consumer sex so does sex trafficking. To a trafficker the more victims being rescued is simply a supply problem that can be resolved by a steady flow of new victims. Being arrested is seen as the cost of doing business. Certainly it's a risk, but a risk that the profits make worth taking. What matters most to traffickers is the market. As long as the market remains untouched so will sex trafficking.

On the one hand this realization helps bring clarity to what needs to be done to end sex trafficking, i.e. reduce and end the buyer demand. However, on the other hand there is a reason why combatting the demand has largely been neglected. Ironically it's not for lack of awareness. Experts in the field have been saying for over a decade that combatting the buyer demand is essential to ending sex trafficking. This begs the question, if we know better, why aren't we doing better? As it turns out there are both internal and external barriers that prevent us from creating real solutions to reduce and end the buyer demand. Over the next few articles in the Highway News we will take a look at these barriers.

For us at the Gateway to Freedom Foundation we're familiar with these barriers as we pursue our mission to combat the buyer demand in the world. We bump up against these barriers every day. Barriers that keep people from getting free. However, what we're learning in this work is that the barriers are not impenetrable. The Gateway to Freedom Foundation is breaking these barriers down so more people can get free. Your support makes a difference. Go to [www.gatewayff.org](http://www.gatewayff.org) to learn more and help us break down barriers to freedom.







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If you were to die today, where would you spend eternity?  
 You can know for sure.

- A. *Admit you are a sinner. "...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).*
- B. *Believe in Jesus for the forgiveness of your sins and for eternal life. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:16).*
- C. *Confess Jesus as your Savior and Lord, and turn from your sins. "...if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved" (Romans 10:9).*

To give your life to Christ, pray the prayer below.  
*"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."*

We would love to hear about your decision. Email TFC Global at [info@tfcglobal.org](mailto:info@tfcglobal.org) or call 717-426-9977. Resources will be sent to you to help you grow in your faith.