

# HIGHWAY NEWS

## FEATURE

Read about Pennsylvania's  
Crowe Transportation  
driver, Kent Pacacha and  
his award-winning tractor.

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# A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

## LIVING THE LIFE OF A TRUE BELIEVER

Much of what I have written up until now has been on various issues a believer struggles with. However, in light of the time and culture we are in, I feel led of the Holy Spirit to talk about taking a stand for what we believe and living a life that reflects what we believe.

Paul wrote to the Corinthians that his words were not wise and persuasive but rather a demonstration of the Spirit's power in order that their faith might not rest on men's wisdom but God's power. (1 Cor. 2:4-5) Later in the same letter he reiterates that the kingdom of God is not a matter of talk, but of power (4:20).

In most churches today I hear a lot of talk and the facade of human wisdom, but I don't see much of God's presence and power. We often live "church" or our denomination but how often do we simply live the Bible. The bottom line is that we can easily pursue just about any lifestyle we desire, then find Scriptures to show everyone it's alright to live that way. Tell me that is not the case! But what would it look like if we were to start with the Bible and allow it to dictate our actions? How then would we live?

Most of us assume that what we believe is right but have never really studied God's Word for ourselves. We were simply told, "This is the way it is," and didn't question the belief. The problem is, especially in the times we are living today, much of what we believe is often based more on comfort or our culture's tradition and philosophy than on the Bible. It has become easy to compromise our faith.

This has created a real struggle within the universal body of Christ. I think the worst part is when you get outside the church's walls and interact with both believers and non-believers in the same sphere. Can you really tell a difference? If you didn't recognize their faces from church, would you know from their actions and lifestyle that they were followers of Jesus Christ? Maybe I should ask here, "Would they know you were a follower of Jesus Christ...when you're on the road crossing the country on a run, or on a business trip, or away with college friends?" Would they know you were a believer who takes a stand for the gospel of Jesus Christ? More than any other time in history we need men and women who are not afraid to take a stand for what they believe. Will that cost you something? Probably.

Christians talk about being born again and say that they were dead but now have new life in Christ. The Bible tells us in 2 Cor. 5:17, "If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: the old has gone, the new is here!" This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

We have become hardened to those words, but they are powerful words that have significant meaning. Yet when those outside the church see no difference in our lives, they begin to question our integrity, our sanity, or even worse our God. And can you blame them?





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## CROWE TRANSPORTATION'S KENT PACACHA

The love of trucking started as a kid for Kent Pacacha, our featured driver, when he looked out the car window and saw a semi-truck going by. He told his mom he would drive a big truck one day. He earned his CDL at age 20 which started this lifestyle of trucking. He started with dump trucks, then to OTR (over the road) and now drives more local runs.

What Kent loves most about driving is the freedom of it. He will occasionally help with dispatch duties, but prefers to be out driving his truck. When asked what characteristics you need to have to be a successful driver, he replied, "you have to love it or you won't last". You can tell he loves it. He kept saying, "You have to take this on as a lifestyle or you will quit. This isn't a 9-5 type job. Your life revolves around the truck which is both good and tough. You have to be able to independently figure things out, be forward thinking and alert about what coming up on the road, at your destination and adjust as needed." The GPS isn't always right, so you need to be able to calmly figure it out.

Kent drives 50-70,000 miles per year and has the luxury of driving a tractor he helped design. The ownership at Crowe Transportation, where he now works, goes above and beyond to give their drivers trucks they can have input on and take extreme pride in driving every day. Kent drives an International HX 520 with an X15 Cummins, 13 speed, custom pipes, deck plate, custom chrome front bumper and flush mounted accent lighting. The orange and metal flaked black paint really pops and you could use the front bumper as a mirror. Kent loves to polish and you can tell. "You can't be known for polishing and drive around in a dirty truck," he says. His rig won the Sponsor's Choice at this year's Keystone Nationals. He is pretty proud of that well-deserved trophy.

When asked what the toughest parts of driving in 2022 are, Kent said, "traffic, horrible traffic, lack of parking space for rigs, burnout and lower respect for each other in the trucking community". He attributes this to a lower caliber of training for new drivers than there used to be. Things are designed to get barely qualified drivers on the road too quickly. They aren't equipped to handle themselves out there. Automatic transmissions magnify this issue because you don't have to pay as much attention to driving and it's easier for new drivers to feel too comfortable and start using their cell phones and other things as they drive. It's not good.

When Kent was OTR and stopped for the day, he would use FaceTime a lot to help the girls (Raygan, 14 and Chloe, 16) with homework. This would also allow his wife Kendra and the girls see his rugged face that does smile once in a while. Everyone in the family has to understand the reality of life on the road for Dad. You maximize the time when you are together but there



has to be an understanding of what the job takes in order to last and succeed as a driver and as a family. Kent did make the recent decision to drive more local runs so he could see his wife and go to the girl's activities. This was a move he is glad he made and had earned the credibility with Crowe leadership to ask for this option.

Kent Pacacha has been driving for 25 years and the last six with Crowe Transportation in Elizabethtown, PA. He describes himself as an "old school" driver and is a no-nonsense kind of guy. "We are here to do a job for Brian and Cindy Crowe, so go get the job done."

Charles Crowe started Crowe Trucking in 1968 as a milk hauling operation. For more than five decades the family-owned business has been dedicated to meeting the unique needs of food industry clients along the east coast. They are 100% a food-focused carrier. In 1980 Charles' son Brian joined the team and is the current owner and president. His son Austin is being mentored and trained to lead the company after Brian steps down, keeping the family-run business in the family.

Last December a terrible thing happened to Kent and the girls. Kendra, his wife of over 12 years passed away suddenly due to blood clot issues related to Covid. Kendra was in dispatch with UPS for 22 years, so she was also in the industry. They were home together when she started talking weird and fell to the ground. Kent tried CPR, called 911 and a friend all in the blink of an eye. It was too late. They could not revive her. Following this tragedy the benefits of a supportive work place really came through. Brian Crowe came back from deer hunting to go see Kent at his house. Cindy, Brian's wife, was so comforting. Kent says he is so thankful for them and the employees of Crowe. He specifically mentioned gratitude for Marlin in dispatch and Michelle in administration. You could tell from his body language as he shared that it meant a lot. The grieving process is far from over, but having people like those he mentioned around you is a blessing from God. Driving is still something he loves and is glad for the distraction in dealing with the loss of Kendra.

As the interview ended I asked Kent one last question: "What message would you like to give the trucking community?" He quickly replied, "Be kind. It's tough out there for everyone so be kind." He also said, "Take your time and pay attention. Be patient. Get home safe because things can change in an instant". You could tell he was referring back to the loss of Kendra with that comment. So let's take that advice from the 6'3, bearded and buff Kent Pacacha. Be kind. Pay attention. Be patient and get home to your family and friends.



To the Left:  
Kent and his  
wife, Kendra  
who passed  
away last  
December.

To the Right:  
Kent and his  
custom-designed  
tractor.



## THE AUCTION OPTION

"I make more money by accident than you do on purpose," Bill once said to me. After the insult wore off, I realized he was right. He was a fly-by-the-seat-of-your-pants-guy when it came to money, and I had a part-time gig when we weren't on the road. His 'accidental' money came from auctions, big truck and heavy equipment sales mostly, but any auction would do if it had tools, scrap metals or involved the closing of a manufacturing facility. We attended about 200 sales while we were together. The vehicles would be fixed up and parked in the driveway for sale. A Baltimore City SWAT bus, a fire department ladder truck, and a giant military style forklift all graced our front lawn. The grandkids really enjoyed it when he would raise them 100 feet into the air in the ladder truck basket – be still my heart! Why go to Hershey Park?

A lot of people are intimidated by auctions, they don't get why auctioneers have to talk so fast, why the spotters yell "YUUUP!" when someone raises their card in the crowd or how people get carried away bidding money they don't have. In my case they always start where I want to stop. But it's all to build a crowd frenzy over something as small as a set of screwdrivers on the block to a rare 1970's extended hood Kenworth. Big or small, they sell it all!

Keeping up with the paperwork on these vehicles was a whole other thing. I set up a filing system so Bill could file the titles and associated disclosures for each purchase that he would resell.

When Bill died, I was his estate executor, no easy task when you had as much junk as he had. Three auctions were needed to disperse all the oddments accumulated over the years. His auctions were heavily attended since he was known locally and throughout Baltimore as the junkman, "by the piece or by the pound," he would say.

As I gathered the vehicle titles, I saw a pattern. The majority of them were never put into his name! What was he thinking - how can I sell these vehicles without any title showing his ownership? Didn't he know it's a class C misdemeanor in PA to have an open title? How could I legally solve this? The secrets executors find when someone dies...I should have known. My problem: there were 30 titles!

I frantically called notaries but no one had run into this before. Even the police and the DMV didn't want to hear it. Really? My state representative didn't know. There I sat, his fleet of joy all unsellable. My auctioneer began squirming and acted like he might back out since he knew the biggest part of his payoff hinged on vehicle buyers.

Each morning during my prayer time, I asked our Father to help me. I

couldn't imagine a solution, as this was dragging on about a month with the auction date fast approaching.

I remembered one notary office I hadn't contacted. I called, explained my dilemma and the woman said, "just bring in what you have and we'll go over it." Just...like...that. So in I went, skeptical as ever. She said since I was the executor, we could put them all in his name, and as the executor, I can sign for him and done deal! It would be pricey, but the expense is an estate cost and allowable. Now I'm no lawyer or title expert so you might not want to try this at home, but legally it worked for me. So we printed and signed and printed and signed again, 30 times and real titles began to arrive in the mail. Prayers answered! A few months later, I had to go to that same notary for a title transaction of my own. When I walked in the clerks looked at me and didn't say, "hi Lynn." Instead they said: "hey, there's the lady with the 30 titles! How you doin'?" There are worse ways to be remembered.

The auction was a success and each vehicle found a new home. I was sad to see them leave but I knew I had no choice. I read this once: God closes doors because it's time to move forward. He knows you won't move until your circumstances force you. Trust the transition – He's got you! Trust I did and move forward I did through the heartbreak of death and associated tough decisions. It's not easy but with His safety net, I knew I was in good hands. He turned a bad situation to the good, Romans 8:28!



Lynn Bolster loves anything to do with trucks and has been active in the trucking industry since the 1980s. She drove over the road for 12 years with her now deceased partner of 22 years, Bill. She has her Bachelor's degree in Journalism and a Master's degree in Recreational and Leisure Studies Management with a focus on health and fitness. Her Master's thesis was: "The Recreational Pursuits and Health Habits of Long Distance Truckers." She has appeared in The Washington Post, USA Today and has written for various trucking industry publications. She was the sales manager covering three truck stops for several years. Lynn is on the Board of Directors for TFC Global.



## LA OPCIÓN DE LA SUBASTA

“Gano más dinero por accidente que tú a propósito”, me dijo una vez Bill. Después de que el insulto pasó, me di cuenta de que tenía razón. Él se movía por instinto en cuanto a dinero se trataba y yo tenía un trabajo de tiempo parcial cuando no estábamos de gira. Su dinero “accidental” provenía de subastas, ventas de camiones grandes y equipos pesados en su mayoría, pero cualquier subasta funcionaría si tuviera herramientas, chatarra o involucrara el cierre de una planta de fabricación. Asistimos a unas 200 ventas mientras estuvimos juntos. Los vehículos serían arreglados y estacionados en el camino de entrada para la venta. Un autobús de la ciudad de Baltimore, un camión con escalera del departamento de bomberos y un montacargas gigante de estilo militar adornaban nuestro jardín delantero. Los nietos realmente disfrutaban cuando él los elevaba 100 pies en el aire en la canasta del camión con escalera, ¡quédate quieto, mi corazón! ¿Por qué ir a Hershey Park?

Mucha gente se siente intimidada por las subastas, no entienden por qué los subastadores tienen que hablar tan rápido, por qué los observadores gritan “¡YUUUP!” cuando alguien levanta su carta entre la multitud o cómo la gente se deja llevar por el dinero que no tiene. En mi caso siempre empiezan donde yo quiero parar. Pero todo es para generar un frenesí de la multitud por algo tan pequeño como un juego de destornilladores en el bloque de un raro Kenworth de capó extendido de la década de 1970. Grandes o pequeños, ¡lo venden todo!

Mantenerse al día con el papeleo de estos vehículos era otra cosa. Establecí un sistema de archivo para que Bill pudiera archivar los títulos y las divulgaciones asociadas para cada compra que revendía.

Cuando Bill murió, yo era su albacea testamentaria, una tarea nada fácil cuando tenías tanta basura como él. Fueron necesarias tres subastas para dispersar todos los cachivaches acumulados a lo largo de los años. Sus subastas fueron muy concurridas ya que era conocido localmente y en todo Baltimore como el chatarrero, “por pieza o por libra”, decía.

Mientras reunía los títulos de los vehículos, vi un patrón. ¡La mayoría de ellos nunca se pusieron a su nombre! ¿En qué estaba pensando? ¿Cómo puedo vender estos vehículos sin ningún título que demuestre su propiedad? ¿No sabía que es un delito menor de clase C en Pensilvania tener un título abierto? ¿Cómo podría solucionar esto legalmente? Los secretos que encuentran los ejecutores cuando alguien muere... Debería haberlo sabido. Mi problema: ¡había 30 títulos!

Llamé frenéticamente a los notarios, pero nadie se había topado

con esto antes. Incluso la policía y el DMV no querían escucharlo. ¿En serio? Mi representante estatal no lo sabía. Allí me senté, su flota de alegría toda invendible. Mi subastador comenzó a retorcerse y actuó como si fuera a echarse atrás, ya que sabía que la mayor parte de su pago dependía de los compradores de vehículos.

Cada mañana durante mi tiempo de oración, pedía a nuestro Padre que me ayudara. No podía imaginar una solución, ya que esto se estaba demorando alrededor de un mes y la fecha de la subasta se acercaba rápidamente.

Recordé una notaría con la que no me había puesto en contacto. Llamé, le expliqué mi dilema y la mujer dijo: “solo trae lo que tienes y lo revisaremos”, como si nada. Así que entré, escéptico como siempre. Ella dijo que como yo era el albacea, podíamos ponerlos todos a su nombre, y como albacea, ¡puedo firmar por él y hacer el trato! Sería costoso, pero el gasto es un costo del patrimonio y está permitido. No soy abogado ni experto en títulos, por lo que es posible que no desee probar esto en casa, pero legalmente funcionó para mí. Así que imprimimos y firmamos e imprimimos y firmamos de nuevo, 30 veces y los títulos reales comenzaron a llegar por correo. ¡Oraciones contestadas! Unos meses más tarde, tuve que ir a ese mismo notario para una transacción de título propia. Cuando entré, los empleados me miraron y no dijeron: “hola, Lynn”. En su lugar dijeron: “¡oye, ahí está la señora de los 30 títulos! ¿Cómo estás?” Hay peores formas de ser recordada.

La subasta fue un éxito y cada vehículo encontró un nuevo hogar. Me entristeció verlos irse, pero sabía que no tenía otra opción. Una vez leí esto: Dios cierra puertas porque es hora de avanzar. Él sabe que no te moverás hasta que tus circunstancias te obliguen. Confíe en la transición: ¡Él lo tiene a usted! Confíe y avancé, lo hice a través de la angustia de la muerte y las decisiones difíciles asociadas. No es fácil, pero con Su red de seguridad, sabía que estaba en buenas manos. ¡Convirtió una mala situación en buena, Romanos 8:28!

# MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS & GIVING OPPORTUNITIES



**TFC Global Tanzania** is working with the trucking community in three main areas -- the Mwanza, Arusha, and Kagera regions. Three additional areas are being reached -- Tabora, Manyara, and Singida.

- \* Mwanza: 43 drivers reached, 23 of those drivers know the Savior now. Thirty Bibles were given to drivers in the Kinyereshi and Kirumba parking areas.
- \* Kagera: 50 drivers reached who are now new believers.
- \* Tabora: 30 Bibles given out; 30 drivers reached; all 30 drivers accepted Jesus
- \* Singida: 20 Bibles given out to drivers; those 20 drivers came to know Jesus personally
- \* Manyara: 25 Bibles given out; 34 drivers reached; all 34 drivers know Jesus now.

One of the biggest needs for this group of eager chaplains is bicycles. Most of the time, the truck parking areas are requiring a 30 kilometer (18.6 miles) walk.


**TFC Global Malawi** has distributed 540 Bibles, 3,000 Christian books, and 3,000 Christian tracts in the months of August and September. One highlight of this time period is the new partnership with the Truck Drivers Union of Malawi. The result of this partnership is the open door to share the gospel with around 15,000 drivers and their families. This is huge!

Ministry leader, Francis Ananda Chipukunya, has recruited 90 people who want to be trained chaplains who will share the gospel with the trucking community. Those chaplains will be divided into zones led by chaplaincy coordinators in areas throughout south Africa such as Lunzu, Zalewa, Mwanza, Liwonde and Kasungu. Pastor Manasseh Mugo, under the direction of Francis, has mobilized chaplains to be trained in eastern Kenya.



### TFC GLOBAL TANZANIA GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

1. **Motorcycles (\$1,000)/Bicycles (\$150) for more effective ministry at truck parking areas**
2. **Training materials to be printed for chaplaincy training — \$100**
3. **Monthly shipping cost to get magazines, and Bibles to Tanzania — \$125.**
4. **Money for Dr. Norbert to purchase Bibles in the local languages.**



### TFC GLOBAL MALAWI GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

1. **100 Bibles at \$13 per Bible — \$1300**
2. **20 bicycles at \$150 per bike — \$3000**
3. **3 motorcycles at \$1000 — \$3000**
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**Why is the development of a chaplaincy program important for the spiritual needs of our professional drivers and the lives of the people in their lives?**

*Physical care because:*

- \* Unhealthy habits due to long hours on the road
- \* Work environment is characterized by the following: poor

*Psychological/Behavioral care because:*

- \* Heavy workloads can cause the following: burnout, anxiety, diminished cognitive ability
- \* High levels of stress can cause the following: hypertension, extremely high blood pressure

*Spiritual care because:*

- \* There is an openness to faith topics when life seems to be
- \* Religion is often used to increase physical healing and well-being
- \* Religion can change one's outlook and perspective from
- \* Religion is often related to greater marital and family stability



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- \* International Christian Trucking Association
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*Would you consider hosting an ICTA or TAP event at your church or company? Would you also think about inviting a chaplain for company orientation, young men/women's groups? For more information, contact us at [info@tfcglobal.org](mailto:info@tfcglobal.org) or*



# RITUAL BATTLE FOR THE HEARTS THE TRUCKING COMMUNITY

program to the trucking community that includes caring for the physical, psychological and their families so important?

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# TIME & TALENT

Selena was the Queen of Tejano music and perhaps the most celebrated Mexican American entertainer near the end of the twentieth century. The talented singer was on her way to stardom in the mainstream music industry when she began recording an English-language album. That album would never be completed since Selena was murdered by a deranged fan when she was just twenty-three years of age.

The question of time and talent was brought home to me recently upon meeting the film actor and owner of the car used in the Selena movie. He was visiting my friend Anthony at the Orale Network. I had recorded an interview at the Orale Network a few days earlier. Although I did have a few publishing credits here and there, my first book, *Rough Way to the High Way*, wasn't published until I was 65 years old. My second book is now with a publisher. A ghostwriting project is also in the works. It is a race against time to have three books published before my 70th birthday. Many more books are planned or in various stages of development.

Why did I wait so long? The answer to that question has a backstory that could (and perhaps will) fill a full-length book. Henry Ford said, "Whether you think you can, or you think you can't – you're right." The short version of the story is that I didn't think I could, even though writing books is something I had in my heart to do since childhood. And who could blame me? After all, I raised myself since my troubled parents weren't up to the task. My dad stayed drunk for the entire time I was growing up, and my mom was in and out of insane asylums (that's what they were called in less sensitive times). You can imagine how much fun it was at my house. I had no mentors and no one in my neighborhood in the south side of Dallas even talked about such things. My goal in life was to survive until adulthood. True story. So, I also have plenty of good excuses.

But this is not about blame or excuses. I only share these details so no one will think there were some kind of special circumstances that allowed me to pursue my dream of becoming an author. Whatever our situation, it's never too late for us as long as we're still above ground. You are above ground if you're reading this, so this means you.

As Dr. Dwayne Dyer said, "Don't let your music die with you." Your music is the tune the Lord placed in your heart. Why not take steps now toward playing your music or writing your book or whatever you have in mind to do?

I started driving a truck in 1974 because that to me was a poor boy's way of seeing the world. And it was a way of escape for me as well. I loved driving from the start. The windshield therapy is wonderful – and free. Just one of the perks of the job. I still love driving. My dream is to have a truck and use it in ministry while still getting my books written. Every book I'll write will have a message. I have no time for fluff.

You might think that you don't have anything special to offer. Maybe driving a truck is what you love, and you wouldn't think of doing anything else. You are fortunate to be able to do what you love for a living if that's the case. But each of us has a unique gift to share with the world. It's what makes us all special, and it's something that we should all celebrate. Your unique gift might be your ability to make people laugh, your talent for fixing things, or your knack for always knowing just the right thing to say. Whatever it is, it's something you need to share with the rest of us.

Think about the people in your life who have made a difference. Chances are, they're the ones who have used their unique gifts to make the world a better place. They're the ones who have made you laugh when you needed it most, who were there for you when you needed a shoulder to cry on, and who have always been there to lend a helping hand. These are the people who matter most in the world because they've used their gifts to make a difference.

Do you have any of those talents? There are ministries that would be a great fit for you. Don't have the time you say? Then support those who do in this season of your life now. Perhaps later when you have more time you can share your special gifts then as well. What is your unique gift? What is it that you have to offer the world? Take some time to think about it and then use it to make a difference in someone's life. You never know how far your act of kindness will go or how many lives you'll touch. Remember, we all have something special to offer. You and God alone may know what your special gift may be. Dig down deep in your soul. It's still there.



# Chaplain's Corner

By Craig Maart



There is no doubt in my mind you have pre-conceived notions about what a chaplain does, but is it accurate? Yes, our chaplains host services, lead in music as worship and pray with people. But, the perspective is not, “someone stopped by” or “I talked with a person”. Our chaplains care for people with names, history, and real issues. We care for people by name. Here are some examples of experiences and interactions our chaplains see daily from the activity reports. (Names changed for privacy reasons.)

- \* Talked with Doug in the parking lot. He says he is worn out and tired of trucking, but he's too young to retire.
- \* Tom shared how his mother's death is affecting him.
- \*- Katie shared an update on how her sister is doing after her abduction.
- \* Seven drivers stayed late and finished watching the movie.
- \* Thom was questioning if you have to be baptized in order to be saved
- \* Visited Clyde, who was in a bad motorcycle accident. He's now stuck at home and going stir-crazy.
- \* Took part in a safety meeting as chaplain at Good's Disposal Trucking Company
- \* My wife had 8 ladies at her Bible study.
- \* Prayed with Jeremy. His brother is on drugs, pulled a gun on a police officer and charged. All four of his kids were taken away.
- \* Dominic just got out of the hospital yesterday after an overdose with pills. He attempted to take his life. He has a child with Down syndrome and caught the mother of his children in bed with another man. We talked, Dominic repented of some sin and rededicated his life to Jesus.
- \* Karen and I met with Thomas and Christy for marriage counseling. I pray we have a breakthrough with them.
- \* Dave came to the service and accepted Jesus.
- \* I found out a driver died in his truck at 9 am. He had several dogs with him in the truck. I am seeing what I can do to help.
- \* Ex-gang member turned his life over to Jesus.
- \* I completed rounds in the country passing out Highway News magazines, parade and truck rally posters to advertise for TFC Global and fundraising events.
- \* I was able to share the ministry of TFC Global to a denominational clergy and lay leaders meeting. Several asked for more information after the meeting.
- \* I had a conversation with a Muslim man who was angry and trying to get me to convert to being a Muslim. I told him about Jesus and the guarantee of forgiveness and eternal life was only through Jesus Christ. He didn't want to listen, but I tried.
- \* I was able to present the work of TFC Global at a local church, hosted by an associate of the Sioux Falls, SD location
- \* I talked with Geraldo from New Mexico today. He accepted Jesus Christ as Savior
- \* I spoke with company manager Jason about spiritual things and am making progress with him
- \* Because of a generous donation I was able to give Spanish Bibles to two drivers who only spoke Spanish.
- \* Brett, from Canada stopped to talk today. He said he is so thankful for our ministry. He shared how he has benefitted from it.
- \* I stopped by two trucking companies today to present TFC Global chaplaincy for their company. We will see what God does with this.
- \* I met Tony, from Cuba. He came to me saying he “wanted salvation”. I talked with him, and he prayed right there to accept Jesus as Savior.
- \* I met Jacob from Boston. He is originally from Kenya and is in the US for Bible school. He is driving to help support his family as he goes through school.
- \* Will, who is 27 and riding along with his grandfather, shared his struggles with loss. In the last couple years he lost his mom, dad and step dad. He is a believer but walked away from the Lord and got into trouble. He wants to get his life back on the right path with God.
- \* The crew of associates and I fired up the grill to cook hot dogs, play music and invited drivers to stop by for free food, conversation, and resources.

So, as you can see, our chaplains experience a lot each day. You never know what God has in store. That's why TFC Global chaplains are trained and stay spiritually sharp so they are ready for “divine interruptions” each day. Now, more than ever our chaplains need your prayer and financial support. Because of your support these stories are recorded and a lot more will be made in the future. Thank you for supporting our chaplains.

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*Derek Thompson is an ordained pastor and the Director of the Gateway to Freedom Foundation. Derek has dedicated his professional career to combatting human trafficking. His greatest joy is being a husband and father of four daughters.*

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TFC Global has become increasingly aware that our brothers and sisters in Christ who are commercial drivers and those who are part of the trucking industry, along with their families, have a strong need and desire to build biblical community among their peers. In today's current environment, it's not unusual for new drivers that work for the same company to not ever speak to any other drivers at the company. There's no time for a friendly smile, helping a fellow trucker or motorist in need. It's a thing of the past. The International Christian Trucking Association (ICTA) wants to change this. We want to bring back the sense of brotherhood among the Christian drivers in the way we corporately come together to battle the issues of human trafficking, chemical and physical addiction, depression, as well as divorce and marriage issues. At TFC Global, some of our locations host monthly breakfasts to talk about what's happening in the trucking community. Our desire is to connect commercial drivers, retired professional drivers, trucking company owners, and other Christian trucking-related individuals in supporting and encouraging one another. I once had a commercial driver tell me that he did not go to college so the trucking community was his fraternity. If there is going to be a movement of God in the trucking industry, it will begin with the Christian drivers and owners coming together to pray for this industry.

For more information on membership, visit our website at [www.TFCGlobal.org](http://www.TFCGlobal.org) and click on the ICTA section of the home page. Scan the QR code to give a financial gift in support of the ICTA and its mission.



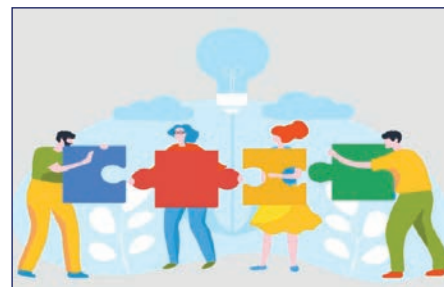
## **TFC GLOBAL NEEDS YOU! START A CHAPTER WHEREVER YOU ARE!**

Do you have a heart for the professional drivers who travel our highways and for the trucking industry? Have you ever wondered how you or your church might partner together with TFC Global strategically for the cause of Christ in your area? Maybe TFC Global has had an impact on your life by leading you to the Lord or has been a source of discipleship while on the road as a new believer. Maybe you have family members who are in the trucking industry. Here is a great way you can help.

Apply to TFC Global to start a **REGIONAL CHAPTER**. Many individuals and small groups across North America have shown an interest in and support for the ministry of TFC Global but feel they have no opportunity to become more directly involved in the ministry. TFC Global regional chapters can form and function anywhere people are interested in ministry and can gather together to help promote and support the ministry efforts of TFC Global. These chapters help raise support for this ministry to help us establish new ministry centers, and they work with a staff chaplain to support the budget of an existing ministry center in their region. They help fight human trafficking through our Gateway To Freedom Foundation, and help drivers battle addictions such as pornography and alcoholism. They provide money for the day-to-day operations of TFC Global.

TFC Global chapters are committed to being a tool for God's provisions to His ministry through such things as upholding TFC Global in prayer, providing ministry to local drivers, volunteering at a local TFC Global ministry center, passing out TFC Global materials to trucking companies, holding fundraising events or anything else that helps promote and support the ministry of TFC Global locally, nationally and Internationally.

Regional chapters can also help raise funds for our International Ministries outreach. There is an urgent need to share the gospel with thousands of ethnic groups who have never heard it. Roman 15:20 "Yea, so have I strived to preach the gospel, not where Christ was named, lest I should build upon another man's foundation. I Cor. 15:34 "Awake to righteousness, for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame." You can make a difference. Join us in this important work.



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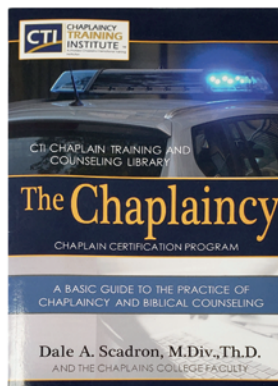
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# Trucking with Women in Mind

By Ellen Voie, President & CEO, Women in Trucking

## SIX COMPONENTS OF SELF-MANAGEMENT-PART 2

### To Review...

#### 1. Composure Under Pressure

#### 2. Self-Awareness

#### Part 2

#### 3. Open to Change

Technology changes fast, as do consumer preferences, company processes, and market trends. It's inevitable that companies have to revise systems, strategies, and policies. Refusing to adapt and showing resentment toward change are sure ways to be labeled as stubborn or stagnant.

How to show you're adaptable:

- **Ask questions** – Start preparing yourself early for new changes, and help others transition as seamlessly as possible.
- **Update your understanding** – Stay current with best practices and read up when new information comes to light.
- **Volunteer to be part of the solution** – Is there a steering committee or a team leading the changes? Get involved!

#### 4. Professionalism

Professionalism is about maintaining integrity when executing your responsibilities, respecting people at all levels of the organization (as well as customers and vendors), and embracing the ethics and best practices of the profession. In fact, openly expressing a personal philosophy of professionalism in a job interview can make a favorable impression on a prospective employer.

How to demonstrate professionalism in the workplace:

- Show up to work on time
- Stay positive and redirect negativity
- Offer assistance to your co-workers
- Own up to your mistakes
- Leave a bad mood at the door
- Avoid swearing or using inappropriate language

#### 5. Ownership of Work

No matter where they stand on the organizational chart, an employee with good self-management makes tasks their own and delivers on their promises. They accept both praise and criticism gracefully, and don't pass the blame for setbacks or are grateful for help when working on a team.

How to own your work and set an example for others:

- **Hold Yourself and Employees Accountable** – Accountability is the belief that we have control over most situations and outcomes in our everyday lives, regardless of the situation or how fair it seems. What does true accountability look like in your team? Define this and be open to any feedback from your team.
- **Be in Control of Your Own Fear** – Fearful of failure? Write down your concerns, and how much of that fear you have the ability to impact. Chances are you are in control of a lot of those failures because you choose your own fear. Own that fear, and it'll help you get ahead and make you that much better of a leader.
- **Start with the End Goal in Mind** – What is the end goal you need to accomplish? Discover it, define it, and don't try to alter it if it hasn't been achieved. This will help you stay on track when you start to slip, and what it might look like getting back on course.

#### 6. A Focus on Learning

Everyone likes to be the expert and to feel confident in their skills, but if there's a recurring theme for the 21st-century business world, it's "change." To stay viable and valuable, it helps to keep an open mind, look for cross-training opportunities, and show an eagerness to gather insight and expertise from the people around you. This goes for senior managers, too. New hires just out of college or trade school have been exposed to methods and philosophies you haven't thought of. Being open to new ideas doesn't undercut your authority—it strengthens your authority.

*Post written by Aggie Alvarez for the Women in Trucking blog at [womenintrucking.org](http://womenintrucking.org).*

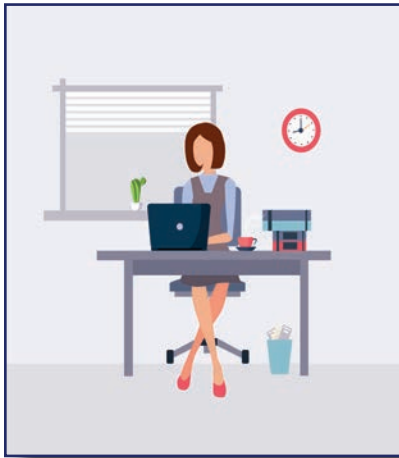
# Walk the Walk

By Mike McGough

## THE RIGHT DECISION

It was a difficult decision, one that troubled him greatly. Warning after warning had been ignored. The problem not only persisted, but it was getting worse. After a two-week suspension, there was some improvement, but by the end of the month, the same troubling behaviors were back. Something had to be done.

In all, he had 19 employees in various capacities. Generally, they worked well together, but it was becoming clear that one employee, one member of the team, was having a seriously negative effect on all of the others. At first, they were sympathetic to the difficulties one of their peers was experiencing, but over time their frustrations and concerns grew. In fact, they grew to the point where they began asking questions about why she was being permitted to continue on with seemingly no real consequences for her actions. The owner/manager knew he had to do something. This was going to be the first time he was going to have to fire an employee. He was uncomfortable. He knew what he had to do, but that didn't make it any easier.



After a difficult and uncomfortable conversation, he terminated her. There were some harsh words in response, a repeat of old excuses, and a restatement of lies meant to provide some cover for her actions. When she left, he felt relieved that this problem was handled. He had done what he had to do.

Over the next few weeks, his initial relief that the problem had been solved, gave way to feelings that he needed to do more. His problem was solved, but hers was not. He had done what had to be done, but he was left to wonder if he had done all that had to be done. When they met, he made an offer and she readily accepted. He suggested that she avail herself to the services of a local community mental health network. She raised the question of who would pay. He offered to not only pay, but to also provide her with a salary stipend, as long as she stayed with the program. Additionally, he said he would consider her potential for re-employment, if and when she finished the treatment program.

Over the next 11 months, she did indeed finish the program. She had some setbacks along the way, but she stuck with it. She would also continue with weekly counseling for at least a year. True to his word, he did reconsider her for employment, and based on the recommendation from the treatment team that worked with her and the forgiving hearts of her peers, he took her back.

Doing the right thing is important. Doing the right thing then doing more than you have to demonstrates empathy, compassion, and Christlike love!

*Walk the Walk: A Daily Guide to a More Christlike Life is the daily devotional guide from which the New Testament-based 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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- 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 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."

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