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A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

A REAL MAN OF GOD

What does it mean to be a REAL man of God? Men, is your life characterized by courage, strength, and love?

We need to live out our calling as men, to be and do what God has called us to be and do. Paul says in 1 Corinthians 16:13 “Be alert, stand firm in the faith, act like a man, be strong. Your every action must be done with love. Despite accepted cultural norms, acting like men doesn’t mean being macho, arrogant, overbearing, rude, or harsh. That’s immaturity and sin. Men are to love and serve through controlled strength. The power of godly men is wrought through the redemptive work of Christ in our hearts and lives. To be a man in our world-- a biblical man-- will look different than much of what passes for manhood in the world and even in contemporary Christian cultural expressions.

This is what God redeems men to be: we aren’t afraid to act like men, to be courageous, and to be godly examples in our home and community. It means standing firm in the faith when waves crash and when the beach erodes around us and around those we are called to lead, love and protect. Being men means building the lives of those we are responsible for on the bedrock that is Christ. But that can’t happen unless our own lives are founded on Christ. So let me briefly explain some ways we must act like men regardless of our current life stage.

First, we must fight the good fight. Second Timothy 4:7 says, “I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race. I have kept the faith.” The sign of a good end to the Christian life is a life well-fought, a race well-run, a faith well-kept. We can’t grow in godliness unless we are fighting. The passive Christian life is no Christian life at all. There are things Christian men will have to fight for and fight against. That means we need to be well-equipped for battle. We need to wear the armor of God, as explained in Ephesians 6.

Secondly, we must be men of integrity. We fight the good fight “of faith” according to 1 Timothy 6. It’s faith in Jesus Christ, in the gospel, and for the sake of the gospel in the world. We aren’t fighting to do good deeds that God might be pleased with us. We are fighting because God was and is pleased with the work of Jesus on our behalf. That’s the gospel, and it creates men who act like men. Every day we face inestimable temptations that require the fight.

Third, we must pursue God. Too many Christian men see the fight as only about avoiding sin. That’s crucial, but there’s also a positive fight that we must embrace. We fight through the pursuit of God, that we may know Him better, more deeply. He is our greatest treasure. Knowing Jesus is our greatest joy. This is why knowing Scripture, a devotion to prayer and the spiritual disciplines, walking in the Spirit, and the communion of the saints in the local church are so important. We have been bought with a price (1 Corinthians 7:23), we are His, and knowing Him better is our eternal pursuit and the source of our eternal blessing.

Look at your life, men. Is your life characterized by courage, strength, and love? Are you fighting against temptation, and in the pursuit of God? Would brothers and sisters in Christ say you act like a man who loves the Savior? Maybe you need to step up right now. It’s time for men to act like men. Will you become the man God made you to be? Obviously it is tough to make an alter call via a magazine or Facebook page, but I still believe that men who are challenged by something they read still need to put a stake in the ground and let others know that you are willing to take a stand and become the man God made you to be.



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Givers & Takers

We are all familiar with the friend who forgets his wallet when it's time to pay for the meal, or the one who orders three cocktails and wants to split the check down the middle (and you drank water). Maybe your neighbor borrows your leaf clippers each fall and then forgets to return them before spring.

Some people seem to take advantage of any opportunity to be on the receiving end of our generosity. They are the "takers," described by Adam Grant in his book, "Give and Take." A taker values material things, such as money, power, status and more.

Whenever I read any business books, I look for a connection to the trucking industry, and this book is no exception. For professional drivers, a taker is someone who parks at the fuel pump and then goes inside to use a rest room and eat, or worse, take time for a shower. They don't care about your schedule or how long you'll wait in line for diesel.

A taker only looks out for himself or herself. They don't care if they leave trash in the parking lot or block another truck from that last spot. Having trouble backing into a dock? A taker will sit and watch you instead of offering to spot the trailer. Takers are easy to identify and someone to avoid. They feel the world is a competitive place, and they must strive to overcome the competition.

According to Grant, a giver values social justice, compassion, helpfulness, and responsibility. A giver will offer you a shower voucher or offer to let you sit at his table to chat. Givers will help you clear your windshield after a snowfall. Everyone likes to be around givers, as we appreciate their caring nature.

Some people view givers as weak and easily manipulated. That may be the case for some people early in their careers who are less productive because they are helping others while still establishing themselves. Once the giver has influence, they are often the most successful.

A giver is also a networker. Consider someone looking for a job at a carrier and you know a driver or dispatcher there. Would you make introductions? Would you help a potential driver research truck driving schools in her area, so she makes an informed decision? Does it benefit you? If not, that's okay with you because you want them to succeed.

There is a third category of individual called the "matcher." The matcher keeps score and makes sure that she pays for lunch this time if you bought last time. He keeps track of how many times he's helped you because he expects you to reciprocate in the future. A matcher gives to have a favor in his back pocket for next time. They value fairness.

If you think gender plays a role in whether we are a giver or taker, you'd be surprised to learn there isn't a difference in the likelihood of being a giver or a taker. However, there is a difference in how women approach giving compared to men. According to the author, women give to people they know, such as family members, friends, or colleagues. Women are more giving when the relationship is close to them.

Men are more giving when it comes to strangers. Men are more likely to help save someone's life or help someone in need. For men, giving is more of an act related to ability than empathy and helping others shows a physical or mental proficiency.

There is an online test you can take to determine if you're a giver, taker, or matcher. You may already have an idea based on your personality. You can also be a giver in some situations, a taker in others, and a matcher based on the interaction. The author shows how givers do achieve a higher level of success in life, so the next time you're having lunch with a friend, offer to pick up the check, and then forget to keep score.



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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER BY CRAIG MAART

TFC GLOBAL'S CORPORATE CHAPLAINS NETWORK CASUALTY AND LOSS PROGRAM



We are always seeking God for ways to get into spaces where the needs of the trucking community exist. Through prayer and networking there are many ways to consider adding to what we offer with our chaplaincy services to the trucking community. One new way is in the category of casualty and loss. Unfortunately, what we are experiencing is it takes a tragedy before a company or family realizes they are without personal chaplain care and help in the event of casualty and loss.



We have had enough situations where death or serious injury has occurred, and then we get a call asking if we will step in with chaplaincy services. Imagine getting a call from a company asking if you can call a family member of a driver who died in an accident on the road, and the family is asking why God would allow their husband/father to die like that. That's not a fun call to take, but that is why God has us in place. That's why advanced training of our chaplains takes place. The impact a death or traumatic injury on a company and family is massive. The culture of the company is affected, and how a company handles a casualty and loss situation sends a loud message that they care or don't really care for their employees.

TFC Global's Corporate Chaplains Network now offers a special on-call chaplaincy program that provides a casualty and loss program that allows large trucking companies and trucking-related organizations to get the right kind of help before a crisis occurs. There are also options for independent drivers and smaller trucking companies to purchase a plan that provides the benefits of this program. On-call chaplaincy services are available to independent drivers also. Contact our office at info@tfcglobal.org or 717-426-9977 for more information on the options this program provides for you or your company. One company had a tragedy happen and the state police came to the company office and told the next of kin the bad news and then left. There was no chaplain presence to support the employee to work through this shocking loss of life. Human Resource departments are not set up to care for casualty and loss situations, and it can take up a lot of time and resources. Bringing in our chaplaincy services takes this heavy load off owners and provides the care and help your company will require with chaplaincy care for employees and the family of the deceased or seriously injured. One thing we offer is to host a CISM debrief (Critical Incident Stress Management) with the added benefit of Christian counseling and care for the employees of your company.

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It's time to take action. What TFC Global offers through Casualty and Loss Chaplaincy Services is a unique and powerful way to care for a company and family in the event of a tragedy. Contact us at info@tfcglobal.org or call us at 717-426-9977.





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TruckStruck

LYNN BOLSTER

HONEY SUGAR DARLIN' DEAR

Recently, I was speaking with a retired driver named Oz and when I finished, I said, "you know what I mean honey?" He gave me a stern look and said "honey? What do you mean by that?" Taken aback I said, "I meant nothing by it, it's just a figure of speech, not everything means something."

"Figure of speech? I don't like being called honey, no honeys here!"

He thinks phrases like these should be reserved for spouses or significant others, not anyone else. And if you do use one, it could be construed as being suggestive. This can and does happen but I would venture to say not as much as one would believe. So I apologized and promised not to repeat it. But, of course, after years of use, it slips out, and I am asking for his forgiveness yet again. It's rare anyone calls me out on it, other than Oz of course, but he's a story for another day. If his feathers got this ruffled what about all the other people I say this to?

I have learned, after years on the road, that if honey is the worst thing you are called, you are fortunate indeed. When living out there, drivers see so many people each day, that using words like these actually seems like a courtesy or that you are just being friendly. I lump them in with 'have a nice day.' Those of us who use them just think we are being nice, so why be offended? Some folks see their use as dumbing down, disrespectful and condescending. Others think the speaker is being flirtatious, overly familiar and that's a reason to call them out. But I think most of us would agree that using these terms makes them lose any 'loaded' meaning when said to a stranger, unless your body language or facial expression says otherwise. In my world, it's a daily thing, no ulterior motives. I lived in Baltimore for 20 years and if there is home for the use of the word hon, that's the place. They even have a Honfest each year!

The top words male drivers have called me are sweetheart, darlin', and sugar. Women use honey, dear and sweetie it seems more often. Whenever I talk about this, I always think of the truck stop waitresses I worked with. They would say "what'll you have honey?" or "more coffee dear?" Whereas men would say to me, "get the cheater pipe and tighten those straps sweetheart" or "pull the snow chains out the side box darlin'" or the ever popular "hand me the torque wrench sugar." These guys think they are softening the blow after making me do all the work, by ending their request with a term of endearment. Well, honey, Momma didn't raise no fool, I see right through that.

When trucking down south, everyone uses these terms. It appears to be a regional thing, like southern hospitality, it is expected and accepted. Tell me who would get offended if Dolly Parton, in her sweet southern drawl, said "can you take out the trash sweetheart?" Who can pass that up? Show me the garbage!

When I talk with the old school drivers, I expect this. They were calling women sweetheart long before being politically correct became a thing. Back in their day they listened to country crooner Conway Twitty sing his hit "Hello Darlin'." It seems to be more accepted as a person ages. We all have grandparents that say "it's so good to see you dear." It's so sweet you can't get upset with that.

Talking this way is especially useful if you forget someone's name. It can save a business transaction. It can help save face. I think I got a free dinner once when I ran into a driver I recognized from a couple thousand miles ago but just couldn't place his name. Works for me!

I've used these terms so long that I have said them to the lowest paid employee up to the top managers. I've had bosses say they found it refreshing when they heard me because it showed unpretentiousness and that I treated everyone the same. The next guy wanted to take me to HR. I say them to blue collar or white collar. I don't care about social standing or how much money someone has in the bank. I get that it is a respect thing, but as I've aged, I've learned to pick my battles. This isn't one of them.

Someone once said it's not about what you're called, it's about what you answer to. Now that's some wisdom right there. So world, I give you permission to call me honey, sugar, darlin', and dear, just don't wink at me after you say it. That is unless you look as good as George Clooney.

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Life Is Like A Truck

Tom Wolff. Priority One Area Director

I woke up to an especially cold morning in Columbus, OH. I had a full day ahead of me and did not need any unexpected delays. There was chatter on the CB radio of some drivers whose fuel had gelled and they were shut down. You see, diesel fuel, if not treated for cold weather, can gel at lower temperatures. When this happens the truck can't get the fuel to the engine, and you simply shut down. As our trucks were all leased, I was certain the leasing company had all their fuel treated so this wouldn't be an issue for me. I delivered my first two stops in Dayton problem-free. I left the second stop and started out for Cincinnati. As I was climbing the bridge that would take me over the interstate to the on-ramp, my engine started running rough. My heart sank as I knew instantly what was going on and in only a couple of hundred more feet my truck came to a complete stop. In the middle of the road. In rush hour traffic. At the top of a bridge. Goodbye schedule.

A huge tow truck was dispatched to tow my fully loaded tractor trailer to a truck repair shop. My truck wouldn't run again for 12 hours. It took that long to change the fuel filters and heat my fuel lines and fuel pump in order to turn the fuel back into free-flowing liquid that would feed my engine once again. My engine was fine – what I had put into my engine wasn't. The engine is the heart of the truck and as they say, "It ain't no fun when your truck won't run." This is true.

The human heart is the driver of our life. It lies at the center of all we do – it is our engine. It determines our goals, our attitude, and our destiny. This is why Solomon instructs us in Proverbs to, "Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life." (Prov 4:23)

Thankfully, if we just continue to Ezekiel, we can take great joy in the promise that God will be changing things concerning our heart. "And I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart." (Jer. 36:26). Good news friends, we live in the days of the new heart. That's the offer of Jesus – If we give Him our heart, He will make it new.

The apostle Paul informs us that, "... anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun." (2 Cor 5:17). It is because of this amazing work of Jesus that He can declare, "A good person produces good things from the treasury of a good heart . . ." (Luke 6:45). Did you get that? Because of Jesus, if we are people trusting Him for salvation, we have been given a new heart, a good heart. Can we still suffer with some "bad heart" symptoms? Yes, and we need to continue to allow Jesus to do His work of sanctification in us. But the good news is that our good heart is now on a trajectory of goodness and righteousness.

In his book, *Wild at Heart*, John Eldredge makes the point that most men live far from their heart. As a counselor of men, I would agree. But therein lies one of our greatest challenges. How will we know for sure if the fuel we are putting into our heart is good for us or taking us to a breakdown? Besides that, if we don't know what's going on in our heart, we won't understand why we do the things we do. If we don't monitor our engine, we can experience catastrophic failure and not know why. And if we don't know why, how will we prevent it from happening again?

Thankfully there are ways to monitor our heart and gauge the quality of our fuel. We will dive into that in our next chapter. In the meantime, I leave you with this --

"My child, pay attention to what I say.

Listen carefully to my words.

Don't lose sight of them.

Let them penetrate deep into your heart,
for they bring life to those who find them,
and healing to their whole body" (Prov 4: 20-22).

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Most of us reading this article remember the days of Toys R Us and their famous commercials. “I don’t wanna grow up, I wanna be a Toys R Us kid....” If you think about it, that is mantra of nearly any adult out there.

Why is that? We grow up pretty much only one way. Embracing pain.

When we move from crawling to walking, we must embrace pain. To go from training wheels to a two-wheeler, we must embrace pain. To go from single to asking someone out, we must embrace pain.

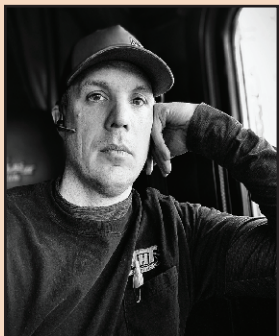
Whether we change grades, schools, or jobs, we must embrace a measure of pain. There is no way to go from where we are to someplace new, without acknowledging we don’t have everything we need. Then asking for help, we embrace the pain of new. We are designed to hate pain. What drives us forward? What could possibly make us willing to embrace it?

Simple. When the pain of where we are exceeds the pain of where we are going. We will move forward. Whether the pain of where we are is excruciating or the pain of moving forward is simply less, that is what we need. After all, walking through death and pain are never the point.

What caused us one day to get our CDL? Maybe it was the dead-end job, not being able to pay bills, or being miserable at work. Or maybe it was the prospect of a new career, new opportunities, or seeing the countryside. When I decided to pursue my commercial drivers license, I had gotten laid off from my electrician job and was needing to support my new wife who was now pregnant. I had no idea what to do.

One day I had the thought, “What would I love to do whether I get paid or not?” I came to the conclusion of driving a truck. I embraced the pain of training, passing the test, and getting into a new career, never to look back.

What is the pain of our moment? What is the pain that keeps us from moving forward? Sometimes it is really helpful to name those things. Statements like: I am afraid that..., I don’t want to appear....., people expect me to..... Without naming our pain, it can feel like fighting the invisible man -- trying to hit, or being hit by something we can’t even see.



Jesus embraced pain. Pain that wasn’t even His to embrace. Hebrews 12:2 (NKJV) “...who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God...”

Giving us access to what was originally intended for us was the joy set before Him. Each one of us is created for something. The only way we will ever find it is in Him.

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GOD IS NOT LIKE THE GYM

Maybe you can relate to my story. I grew up playing sports and was fit until I married. After years of not being active and gaining a lot of weight, blood tests showed very high levels of triglycerides, cholesterol, and glucose. My doctor strongly challenged me to lose weight. I knew the Lord was speaking to me not only through my doctor, but also through His word:



Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 (NIV)

After several years of successes and failures, I finally settled into a lifestyle of proper eating and exercise. Leaning heavily on God's help for the needed discipline, I lost approximately thirty pounds and have maintained my weightloss and fitness for many years now. With that as context, this is the time of year when people make New Year's resolutions to lose weight. Most gym memberships are purchased in January, accounting for around 75% of total sales. Initially, many people are in the gym, but just as quickly, things return to normal, with attendance declining over the rest of the year.

I struggled to write this because I didn't want to use clichés like "a new beginning" and "starting over" for a New Year. We need something much more powerful than our human efforts if we're going to progress at anything difficult. From a spiritual standpoint, willpower is powerless. The truth is, you can't make progress apart from the power of God. And that starts with His grace.

For many, losing weight is easier than achieving spiritual growth (and we all know how difficult it is to trim down and keep the weight off). Often, we don't make progress because we don't fully grasp the power of the mercy of God. For many, accepting God's forgiveness doesn't seem right because we know how badly we've sinned against Him. The shame and guilt are just too overwhelming. We know God will forgive others, but surely, He can't forgive me. To succeed in your spiritual progress in the long term, tell God you're grateful for His forgiveness but need His help welcoming it.

To get started, I offer you encouragement from Dane Ortland's book, *Gentle and Lowly*. "Perhaps you have difficulty receiving the rich mercy of God in Christ not because of what others have done to you but because of what you've done to torpedo your life, maybe through one big, stupid decision or maybe ten thousand little ones. You have squandered His mercy, and you know it. To you I say, do you know what Jesus does with those who squander His mercy? He pours out more mercy. God is rich in mercy. That's the whole point. Whether we have been sinned against or have sinned ourselves into misery, the Bible says God is not tight-fisted with mercy but openhanded, not frugal but lavish, not poor but rich. That God is rich in mercy means that your regions of deepest shame and regret are not hotels through which divine mercy passes but homes in which divine mercy abides.

- *It means the things about you that make you cringe most, make Him hug hardest.*
- *It means His mercy is not calculating and cautious, like ours. It is unrestrained, flood-like, sweeping, magnanimous.*
- *It means our haunting shame is not a problem for Him, but the very thing He loves most to work with.*
- *It means our sins do not cause His love to take a hit. Our sins cause His love to surge forward all the more.*
- *It means on that day when we stand before Him, quietly, unhurriedly, we will weep with relief, shocked at how impoverished a view of His mercy-rich heart we had."*

For more information about Brad Huddleston, visit bradhuddleston.com.



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS & GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Trucker having emotional meltdown calls chaplain ...

"The driver took a chance and called to see if there actually was a person on the other end who would pick up the phone. To his surprise, I answered immediately and called him by name. He was having an emotional meltdown and couldn't believe I was actually there for him . . . just like my texts had been telling him all this time. We talked through the situations he is facing in life, and he was so grateful for his company offering chaplain services to him."

Chaplain Johnny



UPDATES FROM THE MINISTRY WORK HAPPENING IN THE NETHERLANDS

Igor Smits continues to work on getting ministry opportunities set up for providing chaplaincy services in his area of the Netherlands. He desires to take our Chaplaincy Training Institute course to focus his passion for the trucking community.



1. Pray for him as he reaches out to truck stops to be allowed to be a presence on the weekends for drivers.
2. Pray for financial partners to catch the vision God has placed on his heart.
3. Pray for opportunities to be an encouragement to drivers and for wisdom in knowing what to say to these drivers.
4. Connect with Igor on LinkedIn to share any contacts in the Netherlands that you may have.





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NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION MONTH

January is national human trafficking prevention month. If you have been following TFC Global the past few years you know that combatting sex trafficking has become an increasing priority for our organization, without sacrificing our core mission to evangelize, educate and equip the professional driver community. TFC Global launched the Gateway to Freedom Foundation three years ago with the vision to put sex trafficking out of business by reducing and ending the demand for consumer sex. Since then GTFF has become a leader in demand reduction, and the results are starting to show. Last year GTFF helped 13 men break free from consumer sexual beliefs and behaviors through our GTF 3-day intensive in PA, as well as our mentoring support group. We also launched a new community awareness workshop called, Until All Are Free, in which we educated key stakeholders in Lancaster county, Berks county, and in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, thus equipping those communities to effectively combat the demand.

We are looking forward to building off of the momentum created last year. This year we are going to be launching free online resources to equip community stakeholders to reduce the demand in their area. By equipping key stakeholders we are able to impact demand reduction exponentially. We are also looking forward to reaching more local churches, families, and blue-collar companies through our Play to End the Game awareness event. Keep an eye out next month for more details about the event.

This month, in recognition of human trafficking prevention, GTFF will be sharing a community presentation about our work and what is being done to combat sex trafficking in Lancaster county, PA. The event is hosted by Men of Iron at the Supply venue (280 S Oak St, Manheim, PA 17545) on Thursday, January 18th at 6:30pm. If you live in Lancaster county or surrounding area you don't want to miss this presentation. Email gateway@tfcglobal.org for more information and to register. If you're unable to attend but want to know other ways you can support GTFF, including financial support, please contact Derek Thompson at the same email address or visit tfcglobal.org/gateway and click donate. Your support makes a difference.



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



You know the important work that TFC Global does. You understand that while some organizations are treating the symptoms of a broken world—sexual violence, divorce, fatherlessness, addiction, greed, and suicide—we are called to bring healing at the root-cause level.

As an investor in this important work, we invite you to take the long view along with us. Through your prayerful, planned giving to the work God is doing through TFC Global, you're building the kingdom of God and a legacy of changed lives.

In our **Planned Giving Options** below, to see a variety of wise, innovative ways for you to give. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of the men and women of the trucking community, their families, and the trucking community that will last not only long into the future, but for eternity.

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LET'S TALK ABOUT ANXIETY

Anxiety: the state of being constantly fearful, accompanied by feelings of unrest, dread, or worry

7 ACTION STEPS FOR WORKING THROUGH ANXIETY

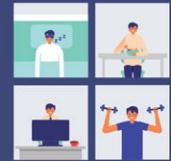
01 TALK TO A CHAPLAIN



02 FIND YOUR TRIGGERS



03 EVALUATE PATTERNS



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For more information, on how chaplaincy services could help your organization handle issues like this, contact TFC Global at info@tfcglobal.org or call 717-426-9977.

BECAUSE OF YOU

By Ron Fraser



Our Mission

Providing
chaplaincy
services to the
trucking
community
through holistic,
preventive, crisis
care and spiritual
guidance



Because of you... TFC Global has been able to put new chaplains into truck stops and trucking companies where we can help minister to the spiritual, physical, and behavior needs of the professional driver and his family.

Because of you... We have been able to answer the pleas for assistance in reaching truck drivers throughout South Africa by setting up TGC Global entities doing ministry in the various countries we serve.

Because of you... This ministry has been sustained throughout its 73-plus years of ministry.

We have now entered into a unique time of ministry unlike we have ever seen before. We are being challenged not only by government restrictions and mandates but also by a sinking economic climate.

The Bible tells us in Ephesians 6:12 "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

I am reminded of something I read in Rick Dunham's book "If God Will Provide Why Do We Have to Ask for Money."

He stated the following: "The spiritual war between Satan and his forces of darkness and God and his forces of light is at the core of God's Kingdom work here on earth. And it is waged on various fronts."

But there is one particular battlefield that is nearly always overlooked. It is a place where the forces of evil are enjoying victory after victory over God's children to the detriment of God's kingdom work. The battlefield is the funding of Christian ministry. I believe that the funding of our ministry, TFC Global has been able to put new chaplains into some truck stops and trucking companies where we can help minister

to the spiritual, physical, and behavioral needs of the professional driver and his family.

I believe that the funding of God's work in the world today is at a critical point- a nexus- that is central, not tangential to the fulfillment of God's purposes in our world today. This makes the funding of Christian ministry a prime target for Satan and the spiritual authorities under his command. This brings with it a significant spiritual implication for God's Kingdom program today. That being "limited resources means limited impact."

He went on to say 'Clearly the ability of a ministry to fulfill God's call is in direct proportion to its ability to fund its work. And if the devil and his forces can thwart Christians from supporting God's work then he has won a victory in undermining the advancement and impact of God's Kingdom here on earth. That is exactly Satan's strategy: to keep ministries from gaining the resources they need to do the work God has called them to do.'

We have seen that here at TFC Global. Although our Faith Partner donor base has actually grown, the average giving per donor is down 49% due to inflation and what that has done to the economic situation of individuals and families everywhere.

If we fail to properly fund Christian ministry, then we limit the ministry's ability to reach people to bring them into a personal relationship with God or grow them in the faith as Disciples of Christ, which means we suffer a loss on the spiritual battlefield for the hearts of men and women.

That being said we want you our Faith Partners to know that we are thankful for whatever you can give to this ministry. We know these are difficult times. We also know that because of you... We are seeing lives transformed both here and overseas by the gospel of Jesus Christ!

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Until All Are Free Awareness Event

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Contact Derek at gateway@tfcglobal.org

20, JANUARY

Susquehanna Chapter Prayer Breakfast

First Baptist Church, Sunbury, PA, 8:00 am

Contact Don at 570-374-9479

27, JANUARY

Benton, Arkansas Prayer Breakfast

JJ's Truckstop, Exit 106, I-30

Contact George at georgel@tfcglobal.org

9, MARCH

Lodi OH Annual Banquet

Dutch Kitchen, 6:30 pm

14278 E Lincoln Highway, Dalton OH

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 Son, that whoever believes in Him will 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 accept this free gift and ask Jesus to be the Lord of your life, 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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