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Revival Fires, by Tara Schowe

Sunday, September 23, 2007 marked the 150th anniversary of the Fulton Street Revival. (CBN.com) Most people that knew of this revival call it "America's Last Great Awakening." This spiritual event began in 1857 when the stock market took a turn for the worse and financial trouble began to set in for families. In the midst of this financial hardship one man Jeremiah Lamphier began to pray. He started a Wednesday noon-time prayer meeting. This one-hour, lunch time prayer meeting started out with just one man. It soon exploded into a movement leading to salvation for over two million people across the United States.

The thing that makes this revival so amazing is that it took no human effort.

People were just drawn to the presence of God, through the prayers of Godly people. As a result of this revival people became missionaries to India, China, and Korea.

Today's society is not much different than it was 150 years ago and I have a desire to see revival happen again. For example, just like Mr. Lamphier, even one person following the instructions of 2 Chronicles 7:14 could change millions of lives. "If My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin and will heal their land." So I encourage us all to continue to pray.

Christians and Yoga? by Myung Hee Bae

Everyone knows that exercise is necessary for good health. Working out has become an important part of daily life. Yoga is one of the most popular exercise trends, but is it all right for a Christian to practice yoga? Even a 'strong' Christian?

There is a massive infiltration of eastern mysticism into the Christian church today, including yoga. Whether we want to admit it or not, there is a spiritual danger in these practices. Many people, including Christians, think that yoga exercises are

harmless. This could not be further from the truth. Yoga is not mere exercise. The postures themselves are specifically designed to worship the gods of Hinduism.

Doug Pagitt, who was one of two speakers at the Wired 2 Grow Conference was recently featured on CNN Headline News as a short news brief with John MacArthur. The topic was about yoga. Pagitt claimed that yoga is safe and really about creating balance in the body through developing both strength and flexibility.

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EVENING CL&M October 5th 7:00 PM

Due to our Homecoming Banquet this Friday, CL&M will begin at 7:00 p.m. All evening CL&M students will be treated to dessert that evening.

If you would like to attend the Banquet, please call the TLBC office to make your reservations. The cost is ONLY \$12, for a great meal from Pete's Restaurant, with three types of pasta, salad, French/garlic/cheese bread, and dessert. Please call to reserve your space by Oct. 2nd.

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MacArthur, on the other hand, said that Christians should not “borrow an expression from a false religion.” However, he went on to comment further, “If it’s just purely exercise, and you’re a strong Christian, it probably wouldn’t have any impact on your faith.” This may have left

some viewers confused. The word of God says, “Avoid every kind of evil” (1 Thessalonians 5:22), and we must do just that. Yoga cannot be looked upon as simple exercise, as the positions themselves are designed to honor false gods. Don’t let yourselves be drawn into this trap.

What Does Faith Mean To You? By Jack Gonzales



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What is faith to you? Okay I’m sure you have an answer. You might even quote Hebrews 11, but what would faith look like if the church really had it. Its not enough that individuals have faith, the church must have faith.

So what do we do because we know that we just can’t say it, but we must take action? How do individuals take action so that the body of Christ can move and work in faith? We must agree on some basic truths. First, we must agree that Christ really did die for our sins, and rose again, and that the Holy Spirit is alive and living today. Secondly, we must understand that the gifts of the Spirit are still working and that they can work through

us just as they did in the early church. If we can come to that understanding we’ll be making huge progress.

It’s one thing to say you believe these truths and it’s another thing to believe them so much that you own them. We know that we can’t make decisions for people and we can’t make them have faith, but it’s our own actions, our own faith that reflects onto the people around us. Basically we must look at it like this. If we can just work on ourselves, we will accomplish more, than if we give up on people, allowing that to overshadow our own lack of faith. Let us enjoy our faith in Christ as a body and celebrate Christ in faith.

The Tension of War, by Andrew Johnson

I must admit that this has been the hardest article to write. It’s taken me two weeks to write! First, I have mixed emotions on this topic. Moreover, war has shades of gray in addition to stark blacks and whites. In other words, while in some cases (if not many) war is absolutely wrong and unjustified, there are others where this is not so clear. The current conflict in Iraq is an excellent example.

Since the reasons for going to war in Iraq have been clouded in a mist of manipulation and half-truths, some argue that the war was not justified. Many believe that not only should we not be there now, but we never should have engaged in war in the first place. On the other hand, others would argue

that the fact that Saddam Hussein was brought to justice justifies the conflict. However, one might point out that ending Hussein’s dictatorship has not ended hardships for many innocent Iraqis. While progress is being made, the conflict continues and lives are still being lost.

This leads me to the point of this article: What I wish to communicate is the critical tension that we often face as Christians: “To fight or not when faced with a war or other type of violence?” We must understand that just as Paul tells us “as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone” (Rom. 12:18 NIV), he also says, that the government “does not bear the sword for nothing.”

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Keep Your Eye On The Prize, by Angelica Morgan

When watching a video from Mercy Ministries, I was reminded of who we are in Christ. In Romans 8:17, Paul writes, “ Now if we are children, then we are heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.”

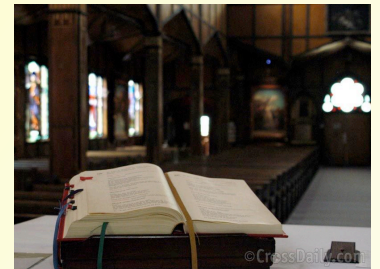
The meaning of the word “heir” is one who inherits another’s possessions or position. Christians are heirs of the kingdom of God with its security and blessings, both present and future (The Student Bible Dictionary).

If you think back to when you received Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, your focus was to make it to Heaven. When you started attending Trinity Life Bible College you knew what your focus was. Whether it was to finish that one class, to make your way up to an A.A., or to focus on

getting your B.A., the goal was clear in your mind.

We are going to go through struggles, have many quizzes, tests, reports, and finals this quarter but you have almost 60 percent completed. Remember, 2 Corinthians 4:8-9, where it reads, “We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.” Give yourself a pat on the back. It’s time to rejoice and keep our eyes on the prize. Though there are times of struggle and sadness, the things we have accomplished so far are enough to praise God about.

So, as an encouragement this week, keep your eyes on the prize and remember that Jesus loves you and cares even about the little things we go through. As the Apostle Paul would say, “Fight the good fight of faith.” (2 Timothy 6:12)



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Record-Breaking Bonds’ Ball Branded? by Marcus Steele

Okay, so I’m sure that by now most of you know that Barry Bonds has passed Hank Aaron as baseball’s all-time home run hitter (If you don’t, you’re almost two months behind!). However, you probably don’t know what happened to the ball that made history the night of August 7, 2007.

Here’s the story: After Matt Murphy, a 21-year-old New Yorker on his way to an Australian vacation, caught the ball, he auctioned it off, where it was purchased for \$752,467 by urban fashion designer Marc Ecko. Ecko then promptly turned around and set up a web poll, vote756.com, to let fans decide what should happen to the ball: Should the ball go directly to the Hall of Fame? Should the ball be branded with an asterisk? Or should the ball be blasted into outer space? Apparently, they want #756 permanently

tagged, as doubts rage as to whether or not Bonds has been taking steroids. Bonds, who initially said he didn’t care about the ball’s fate *before* Ecko’s decision, is now calling Ecko “stupid” and “an idiot” for his decision. Personally, I think that if the Hall of Fame wants to portray any doubts, they should make a notation on the ball’s plaque. The artifact itself shouldn’t be altered, especially by outside sources, but that’s just my opinion.

Now, it’s your turn to vent. Do you think it’s fair that a piece of baseball history is going to be given to the Hall of Fame with a tattoo? Or, does it not really matter, since Bonds said it didn’t matter to him, and no one really knows if he was clean or not? The floor is open, people. I’ve made my voice heard. Let me hear yours.



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Hello from Vinnytsa, Ukraine,

I am on the other side of the world from you and I would like to make the distance a little shorter. Every night I go to sleep and travel back to Sacramento, California just to wake up back in Ukraine. I am a little home sick not to mention all the cultural differences. I have read the latest "Campus Chronicles"; it looks great.

Mark Bohanan
2006 Graduate

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We have precedent in Scripture to say that God does use the strong arm of one nation to bring judgment upon another. In the Old Testament we see how God brought judgment on His own nation through the sword of pagan nations like Assyria and Babylon; and even in New Testament times through Rome. Let us not forget, however, that God also judged those nations for their sins.

The "rightness" of any conflict is ultimately for God to determine. God will be the Judge of every leader who made decisions,

and every soldier who entered the field of battle. God will judge the intent of their hearts and He knows whether their actions were truly just. Even then, the most important decision anyone can make is to follow Christ in mind, heart and deed, to become one to whom Christ can say, "I know him. He is My sheep, and I His Shepherd."

In the next article we will consider whether you should think twice before you take knife and fork to that juicy tri-tip steak...

Homecoming Week

Join us for a great time of Spiritual Emphasis this week in Chapel as we welcome a host of exciting Alumni Guest Speakers:

Monday 10:00 am - Pastor Robyn Martin
Monday 7:40 pm - Pastor Boyd Patterson
Tuesday 10:00 am - JonJuliene Peters
Tuesday 7:40 pm - Shelia Knoll
Wednesday 10:00 am -

Pastor "Chito" Rosado
Thursday 10:00 am - Pastor Wiley Rowe
Thursday 7:40 pm - Pastor Shawn Lowry
Friday 10:00 am - Pastor Ray Dare
Friday CL&M - Pastor Harlyn Matson
Friday Night - Pastor Rob Baker

For this week only, evening classes (Monday, Tuesday & Thursday) will dismiss for Chapel at 7:30 p.m. with Chapel beginning at 7:40 p.m. and running until 8:10 p.m.

See you there!



MLA Notice

On page 41, the Works Cited example of "Kegen, Desmond," which is 1/2 down the page, please make the following correction: "Change" should be underlined, as it is a part of the book title.

Job Openings

Earn a little extra money this holiday season by selling tickets to The Sacramento Ballet's production of "The Nutcracker" at Arden Fair Mall. Training is provided, and shifts range from 6:00 AM to 11:00 PM starting in mid-November through mid-December. Hourly pay plus 2 tickets to a "Nutcracker" performance (a \$50 value). For more information, or to apply, contact Janee Jacobs at 552-5800 ext. 2 or e-mail at janees@sacballet.org.

Do you have a friend or family member with administrative assistant or secretarial experience, who is looking for a job? The TLBC Office is looking for support staff. These are part-time, paid positions. The schedule is not flexible; unfortunately, accommodations cannot be made for class schedules.

For more information please contact Kathy Clarke at 348-4689.