



Partner Newsletter

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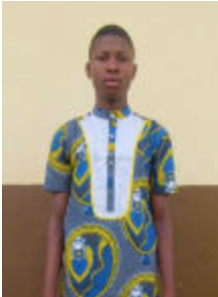
FROM THE HEART

Jeremiah 17:5 in the MEV reads, "Thus says the Lord; Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength." Verse seven responds with, "Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord and whose hope is the Lord. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreads out its roots by the river, and shall not fear when heat comes, but its leaf shall be green and it shall not be anxious in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit."

This verse made me do a check up from the neck up, if you will, and reaffirm that my trust is in God. He is our source, even in the drought of COVID-19 when the group has only been able to minister a fraction of the times we normally would. God has been our source and we have not missed a bill!

We will continue to put our trust in God- no wavering. He WILL supply all of our needs according to His riches in glory. Part of how he meets those needs are through your generous partnership with the ministry of The Ascension Quartet. We thank you for standing with us, both financially, but more importantly, in your prayers. Our partners are a huge part of the success of this ministry and we pray God's manifest blessings on you.

MOVED WITH COMPASSION



This is Noel. He lives in Togo on the West Coast of Africa. Noel was the very first child that we sponsored in 2012 and he has continued in the program to this day.

Noel will be 17 on Christmas day, so in just another year or so He will age out of the system. Through Compassion, Int'l, he and his family have heard the message of the Word. Pray with us that Noel will trust God as his source all the days of his life and do great things for the kingdom of God! Would you like to make a difference in the life of a child? Ask us about becoming a Compassion sponsor.

TAQ NEWS

As you well know, COVID-19 has interrupted a lot of our normal lives this year and there hasn't been an exception for TAQ. We've only been able to minister 4 or 5 times so far this year, but each time has been special. We have some great concerts coming up though in the month of October so make sure to keep up with us on Facebook or via our website.

In other news, Derrick and Kelly are expecting precious Anniston to join the family soon. Please be in prayer for the family as they await the new arrival. Anniston has been eager to make her arrival, and that has made

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ON THE ROAD WITH TAQ

October 3rd and 4th - Grace Freewill Baptist Church, Broken Arrow, OK 3:30 on Saturday the 3rd then 10:30 and 6:00 on Sunday the 4th.

October 24th @ 6:30pm - Joplin Family Worship Center with the Nelons. Doors will open at 5:30 that evening.

Check our Facebook page or the website for the latest info.

THE WORD IN SONG

Our latest radio release, Faith Steps Out of the Boat, is already moving up some charts. We recently received word that, on our first report concerning the song's radio play, we're already getting heavy rotation on a number of stations and we're excited about that!

The story about Peter climbing out of the boat and walking on the water is often told to concentrate on the idea of holding onto your faith, not allowing the storms of life to distract you..., and that's a great message. But consider this: Peter was the only one in the boat with faith enough to step out of the boat in the first place! I can just see the rest of the group talking amongst themselves about "what is this yahoo doing climbing out of the boat? Who does he think he is, Jesus?" The fact is, according to the Bible in Romans 8:11, we have the same Holy Spirit living within us that raised Christ from the dead, and in 2 Timothy 1:7, we're reminded "God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, and love, and self control." [MEV]

Faith acts, certain God is there, knowing He is faithful!

But, we can't really get too excited about staying in faith until we turn it on and step out of the boat. Elijah called down fire from heaven and slew some 450 prophets of Baal in 1 Kings 18. But, in the next chapter, we find him fleeing for his life and hiding because Jezebel has threatened to kill him. Where did all that faith go? He obviously had plenty to tap into. He whines to God, "I'm all that's left, and they're out to get me." God told him to eat and get back to work. Are we walking around with our faith-switch turned on or off in the midst of the rampant fear going on all around us? If yours has been turned off, it's time to turn it back on, feed your spirit, and get back to work. There is still a lot for us to get done for God!

This morning, I saw a post on Facebook from someone that said they weren't going to vote for a presidential candidate because God had already decided our fate, anyway. My friend, we are God's hands and feet! Yes, God know what's coming and won't be surprised, but He's expecting us to do His work. He's already done His part, and expects His sons and daughters to do theirs, without fear. It's not ours to choose whether a cause is worthy or not. How many people will be doomed to Hell if we sit on our hands with the attitude that nothing we do really matters? Now is the time for the church to arise, not hide... To step out, not shrink back. He has called, and He is faithful. You can't lose!

TAQ NEWS (cont'd)

the last month or so a little more interesting than Derrick and Kelly were expecting.

I recently heard a prophecy that 2021 will be the year of the local church. Are we ready for what's coming? There are a lot of hungry people out there and we're about to have them at the doors of our churches. Lets be ready!

We have begun selling our Faith Steps Out of the Boat CD's and t-shirts. The shirt reads:

**Jesus pleasin', boat releasin',
water-walkin', storm-stoppin',
wave denyin', thunder defyin'
FAITH steps out of the boat!**

Both are \$15/each, or two for \$25.

Get yours two ways: purchase from us when you bring us to your church for a concert, or become a partner and automatically receive every new product that we sell as they become available. We know you'll be proud to wear this shirt! Get yours today!

PARTNERING IN PRAYER & PRAISE

Paul wrote in Philippians 4, "You've so graciously provided for my essential needs during this season of difficulty.... that the fruit of your generosity may bring you an abundant reward." (vv 14, 17)

Ministry just doesn't happen without prayer, finances, and the anointing. But the rewards of ministry are JOINTLY received by the ministers and the partners. What is accounted to us in ministry, is accounted to you in partnership, as if you were doing the speaking and singing! Consider partnering with The Ascension Quartet ministry!

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Thank you for partnering with The Ascension Quartet. The seed you have sown brings forth a harvest all over the Midwest. You share in the rewards and anointing of this ministry! Not a partner? Sign up at <http://www.theascensionqt.com/partners.html>