



## Partner Newsletter

Sept/Oct 2019

### FROM THE HEART

In our group, we have two grandfathers, the father of a young family, and a bachelor. We have experienced marriage, divorce, raising children- those who live for God and those who run from Him- the loss of family members, living without technology, or never having gone without... The interaction between us is an interesting dynamic. There are knowing looks, innocent wonder, the pride of grandparents, the heartbreak of prodigal children, and lots of experiences to share. But there is always laughter! No matter the subject matter, one thing is the same: however we interact, the joy of the Lord is present. We have learned that in every stage of life, God's joy is our strength, God's love sustains, and God's grace never fails.

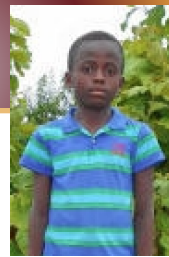
We are not guaranteed life will be perfect, and we know life-situations change, but we are created perfectly able to face anything. In our own family, we have children who recently moved away, taking grandbabies hours from us, while we remodeled our home to move our parents in so we can assist them in their daily living. Life will change- God will not. We are guaranteed His strength to be more than conquerors. We are promised His comfort in loss. We are given His love to keep us secure. His Word is constant- He cannot lie.

Remember, change is not fatal, and you are never alone. Our prayer is that you find God to be "I AM"- the answer to every question in every stage of life. Give God time to show Himself good to you. He loves His kids!

### MOVED WITH COMPASSION

This cutie is Ange Drabo, an 11 year old boy from Burkino Faso. Recently, we received a letter from his center director. Ange and his family receive training in spiritual, physical, and social areas. His community received food assistance and training for income generating activities, to begin supporting themselves. Ange and the other children at the center have medical visits and training that have resulted in a decline in malaria, meningitis, and hygiene related diseases. "Some who did not know the Lord Jesus began to confess Him and to sing Christian hymns in their families where the name of Jesus could not be mentioned." Praise God!

Children who receive letters hurry to show them to family and friends, and rejoice! If you would like to help change the world one child at a time through Compassion International, check out our website for more info. We are making a difference. Won't you join us?



### CALL & RESPONSE

We love hearing the stories of God's goodness in response to ministry. In September, as we ministered in Iowa, God began moving upon the congregation. We enjoyed His presence through our concert and the message, which ended with two people coming to make Christ their personal Savior! What a joy! In October, we ministered in a service where the pastor was so moved he was led to bless his entire congregation with witness wear (ball caps) from our table, to help empower them to be bolder about their testimony.

We love to hear how God is ministering through us, and we hear it often. But, of course, there are those times when we don't hear them, or we are singing at a fair or other event where an altar call is not feasible.  
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### ON THE ROAD WITH TAQ

#### October 2019

October 19th @ 6:00pm - Gladden Baptist Church, [13028 S Hwy 19, Salem, MO](#)

October 26th @ 6:00pm - Mt. Zion Christian Church, [5610 County Rd. 425, Hannibal, MO](#)

October 27th @ 10:30am - Faith Baptist Church, [8280 105th Ave, Ottumwa, IA](#)

#### November 2019

November 1st @ 6:00pm - MAGMA

Convention, [Centene Center, Farmington, MO](#)

November 2nd @ 6:00pm - MAGMA Convention, [Centene Center, Farmington, MO](#)

November 17th @ 10:55am - Mt. Zion Baptist Church, [877 State Hwy JJ, Ozark, MO](#)

November 22nd @ 7:00pm - Forest Park Baptist Church, [725 S Highview Ave, Joplin, MO 64801](#)



## THE WORD IN SONG

On our "We're Gonna Walk Out" project, we have a song called "New Beginning." The chorus says, "I want to show you I've made a new start." No matter the mess you have come from, how dirty the sin, or deep the hole you've dug, Praise God, when He redeems our life, ALL things are new!

So why do we allow ourselves to relive the past? Paul, after his conversion from a life of hunting and killing Christians, declared several times that he was innocent of blood and done nothing wrong. How could he say that? Because he knew the totality of redemption! He was not that man any longer. That man was in his past- dead!

Double jeopardy ways you can't be condemned twice for the same offense. When your sin has condemned you, and Jesus paid your sentence, and you accept His payment, you cannot continue to be condemned- not by others, and not by yourself.

Satan is the accuser- Jesus says "I don't accuse you." No one else can hold your past to your account. Neither can you. So when you say you can't forgive yourself, who do you sound like? Who talks like that?

The bridge of "New Beginning" says, "I'm not the same man that I used to be. My heart has been changed. God's living in me. The old life is gone. Everything's brand new!"

Jesus purchased your past. You have the present. You have the future. But you don't have the past. That's been purchased by the blood of Jesus. It no longer has a voice, because it has no authority to speak to you. Why? It was bought. Your past is not yours! You have no legal right to it.

This is the knowledge of God, and anything that challenges it- any thought or imagination of former sin- should be "cast" or thrown down (2 Cor. 10:5). How do you do this? Our world is ordered by our speech and our speech is dominated by "the abundance of the heart." Take time to get a grasp on a whole new vocabulary- to call yourself by a new name!

When the enemy brings up your past, to show you why you don't deserve to be blessed. You speak out Romans 4:7- being forgiven is the only criteria for the blessing! Like Paul, you stand innocent and guilt free, because the old man is dead. Stop revisiting the past. It no longer belongs to you. Jesus gives new beginnings!

## PARTNERING IN PRAYER & PRAISE

There are many examples of partnership in the Bible. Today, when we want to make a difference in an area where we can't go, we partner with a ministry that does. That means we give financially, and pray fervently for the message of the gospel to go forth through that ministry. When you support TAQ, you enable us, financially, to go into places that would not hear the Word otherwise. Then, your prayers empower that Word so that it never returns void. Ask us about partnership!

***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>***

## CALL & RESPONSE (Continued)

But our confidence is in the Word of God, not in the words of man. We know of a surety that God's Word does not return void. We plant seeds or water, and sometimes we are the harvesters. But we have God's promise that His Word will accomplish what it is sent to do. We've seen it again and again.

Thank you for being a part of this ministry with your prayers and financial support. We are expanding the Kingdom, and partnering with us lays that ministry to your account, as well.

Not a partner yet? We partner with other ministries because that's how the gospel goes around the world. We understand the importance of partnership. Consider being a part of our ministry being able to go into prisons, benefits, or anywhere people are receptive. Go to [TheAscensionQT.com](http://TheAscensionQT.com) and click on the "partner" page.



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