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"AMT & ICBT UPDATES"

- 1) Dr. Thompson and Dr. Carr travel plans for this past March were derailed due to the Pandemic. We miss you all so very much, and look forward to when we can travel again.
- 2) Invoices have been sent out for Bi-Annual AMT license fees. Fees cover January 1, 2021 thru December 31, 2022. There are currently over 200 AMT ordained ministers in U.S. Be sure to email in a digital photo, if you do not have a photo on your current card, or need to update it. Send to amticbt@gmail.com
- 3) Articles and teachings are being sent out on various issues that we, The Body of Christ, needs to be aware of and be prayerful about. Please share these articles with others and challenge intercessory prayer. Please email or write to home office if you have articles or testimonies you wish to share, or concerns you would like to address.

Scholarship Opportunity

Many of our Foreign Field and Inmate students do not have the finances to finish their education with a Degree. Registration is nominal and the curriculum is provided free (scholarship funds are used to pay for copying and postage). However many do not have the money to pay the \$50 KWA, \$100 Assoc/Bach or \$150 Master/Docorate Graduation fees for Degrees and Transcripts. Multiple gifts as small as \$10 or \$20 throughout the year will help fill the need.

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*C.J. Goneau, Dr. Loretta Thompson,
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FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Wake Up, Pray Up, Stand Up, Speak Up

As we look over the past four years and especially this year, 2020, it is hard to recognize the United States of America. Twenty-twenty is certainly a year that will stand out in history. It is hard to realize that the Covid-19 pandemic shut down not only our nation, but the world. It put millions out of work and changed life styles. Many have died and others are gripped by panic and fear.

As Evangelical Christians, we are to operate in faith, believe that scripture is true – giving us peace that passes all understanding, being anxious for nothing. This requires us to pull down the strongholds in our mind, control our emotions and worship God in spirit and in truth.

Let us look at the current division in this country and ask ourselves "what do we want?". Do we as Christians come forth boldly and speak the truth in love, or do we shrink back and tolerate all the lawlessness and ungodliness? We must ask ourselves "Where do we stand and are we bold enough to declare the truth?"

Do we want to defund and dismantle the police force throughout the U.S.? Who do we call when we are in need of help? It is true reforms need to be made, and more thorough vetting of anyone entering the police force should be done. However, because of a 'few bad apples' we should not throw out the whole barrel.

When it comes to 'lives matter', ALL lives matter. Just think of the millions of aborted babies. What does scripture say about murder - and abortion is murder. The highest percent of abortions is in the black communities. So shouldn't the lives of black babies matter, too?

It is time for the Body of Christ to realize they can bring unity and change to America. It is time for the Body of Christ to wake up and look at all the things

that are happening to bring destruction to our country. It is time to ask ourselves “who is driving God out of our country, who is attacking Christian organizations and ministers, who is supporting abortions (even to full term), who is in charge of government in areas where police are driven out, highways and bridges blocked, Who is in charge such as governors and mayors of cities and states where the prisoners are being let out of prison without parole oversight (not enough parole officers or police officers to monitor), then go out and commit more crimes?”

It is time to look at platforms and policies and not personalities. Do we really want to be told what we can drive, what we can eat or how to educate our children? Do we really buy into that rioting, stealing and looting are part of ‘free speech’?

The United States of America has been the nation blessed by God, and has attracted people from around the world. Now we are moving toward socialism, communism and having congress trying to tell us we are not smart enough to make a decision and they want to control our lives. Some have even referred to us as deplorable, bible carrying, gun carrying and uneducated.

Over the last four years, from the beginning of 2017, our economy grew and unemployment dropped to an all-time low due to the President’s business like decisions, even though he has been fought against all the way. Then the Pandemic hit. Even now the economic recovery is coming back.

Also, what does scripture say about borders? Do we want open borders, drugs, sex trafficking and all the rest that comes with open immigration? How about the Green New Deal and Medicare for All – think of the consequences.

It is time to be honest with ourselves and with God. So please wake up, pray up, stand up and speak up.

Let us consider the ‘mob mentality’ of riots and looting. A mob is many times a small percentage of people who get drawn in by one or two people in the lead, screaming and shouting. We have to decide to stand up against this type of behavior. There is no appeasement or reasoning with ‘mob mentality’. Given an inch, a mob will take a mile. While protesters, rioters say they are seeking to correct the flaws in others, they do not consider their own flaws.

This is really Marxism, which started over 60 years ago in the 1960’s, continuing to progress a little at a time. This is not racism; it is political correctness and cancel cultures. People have given into it and have fallen into false guilt. This type of mentality is

destroying the U.S. This mentality is seeking control and power over others. Marxism and Socialism seeks to take over our lives in all areas, food, transportation, speech, assembly, Christianity, and finances.

We have the power and authority to stop those who seek control over us and save this country. God has empowered us, if we will wake up, pray up, stand up and speak up.

Seek God for wisdom, he will direct each of us in His plan and the path He has for us. Pray for one another; come against and bind up fear; walk in forgiveness, speaking the truth boldly with power in love; stay in the word and in His presence to maintain a clear and sound mind of peace.

Our power comes from our confidence in God. Let His Peace and His Word rule our thoughts, emotions and actions.

Now is the time.

Special Needs:

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to all who so graciously provided donations to replace our refrigerator and purchase a new generator (no longer reliant on the unreliable grid!) May God Bless You for your generosity.

Prayer List and Articles:

We send out prayer requests and praise reports on a periodic basis. We also send out various articles. If you do not already receive these but would like to start to receive them, please send your email address to: amtictb@gmail.com

WHO AM I?

Most of the angst in our souls comes from our circumstances and our own limitations.



Yet neither of these things are an issue or an obstacle for God. The truth is, if God is for us, who can stand against us? If His promises are true, what problem will overcome us? The God who calls you is the same God who moves the mountains and parts the waters. He uses the willing, available, humble heart. We are tethered to a good and strong God.

Exodus 3:11-12

But Moses protested to God, “Who am I to appear before Pharaoh? Who am I to lead the people of Israel out of Egypt?” God answered, “I will be with you.”