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Is It Helping? Or Is It Enabling?

By Chris Gonthier
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So we see someone on the street asking for money, so what do we do? Do they really need the money or are they just taking advantage of people's kindness? Are they going to use the money for food, or will they buy drugs, tobacco, and alcohol?

There are extremes on both sides with people actually really just trying to survive and there are those who are complete frauds. There are also people at every point in between.

So how do we really know if we should help and who we should help? These are all legitimate questions, but so is this next one.

Are we using the above questions as

an excuse not to help because we are greedy and selfish?

This is a very difficult situation for many people, so let's look closely at the Bible and see what it says.

Our attitude is very important as we see in 2 Corinthians 9:7, "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver."

Yes, it is the Christian's duty to show the love of Christ by helping others in need. Sometimes it is hard to determine what the need is, or even if there is a need.

Also, should we always address each situation the same? Or are there different responses for different circumstances?

1 John 3:17 tells us, "But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from

him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?"

Deuteronomy 15:7-11 is a very good discourse regarding helping people.

"If there be among you a poor man of one of thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land which the Lord thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor brother:

But thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need, in that which he wanteth.

Beware that there be not a thought in thy wicked heart, saying, The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand; and thine eye be evil against thy poor brother, and thou givest him nought; and he cry unto the Lord against thee, and it be sin unto thee.

Thou shalt surely give him, and thine heart shall not be grieved when thou givest unto him: because that for this thing the Lord thy God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou puttest thine hand unto.

For the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land."

The Bible is clear that we help our brethren, even if there is no expectation of return. The Bible clearly indicates that God will bless us for doing the right thing.

Our actions need to be motivated by love. Why we do things can be as important, or even more so, than how we do things.

1 Corinthians 13:1-3, "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have

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"From the Pastor's Pen"

By Wearthly Shank

"...Press Toward the Mark"

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world

1 Peter 5:8-9

As we continue our thoughts on "Press Toward The Mark" I get great joy and encouragement from this passage from 1 Peter. Let God's words speak to us as we commit to staying focused on our service to His will.

It is so easy to get distracted from the course He has set before us. From this passage, we are encouraged to "be sober, be vigilant."

That is a dual statement that Peter uses to emphasis the urgency of the statement. Sober and vigilant both have similar meanings. They both emphasis watchfulness, consciously aware, awake, alert, on guard.

Peter warns us that Satan is constantly

prowl around in our every waking day, causing havoc and doubt, that he may cause us to be consumed in weakness, discouragement, anger, or anything else he knows will draw us away from our commitment to Christ. Satan wants to literally consume [devour] us with sin.

So, in verse 9, Peter says, "stand strong in your faith because that's the only way you'll resist Satan." James said in his writing to submit to God then resist the devil and he will flee from you [James 4:7].

Being "stedfast" is standing your ground and being persistent in your endeavors.

Then Peter reminds us that we aren't in this alone. He speaks that the "same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world."

Think about it!!



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"I Was Just Thinkin'"

By Narita Roady

"To Perish or Not to Perish, That is the Question"



Approximately 350 years ago a shipload of settlers set foot on America's northeast coast. That first year a town was established. The following year a town government was elected.

The third year their town's government planned to build a road five miles west into the wilderness.

The fourth year the citizens tried to impeach their government officials because they viewed it as wasting public resources to build such a dead end road.

Their question was, Who needed or wanted to go there anyway?

Here were people who had a vision to see across 3000 miles of ocean, prevail over insurmountable hardships to arrive, and survived immeasurable suffering to stay, yet in a few short years, weren't able to see just five miles out of their young town!! They had lost their pioneer vision.

Proverbs 29:18a, illustrates this tragedy; *Where there is no vision, the people perish.*

One small sentence tucked into God's Word, yet it speaks volumes of wisdom we need to hear. It addresses a major problem in the world and among Christians. We see the results of it, but we have failed to understand the cause.

It is almost as if we are aware of the end of the verse, the people perish, but fail to comprehend the beginning, Where

there is no vision;

Think about it, what do you see perishing today? Every minute churches, close their doors, and of those left how many are spiritually dead?

Marriages are ending at the highest rate in history. With each divorce, a family is destroyed and separated.

Children are plagued with behavioral, emotional, and mental problems. Jails are full.

Do people see the real answer? No, Satan bombards the world with his answers, and all the while God's Word has the true answer, having a vision.

People say, "Well, I have a vision to work hard and be rich, be successful, be a leader in my vocation, etc." Those are fleshly desires, not visions.

A vision produces hope. If the Lord is not in the picture, and the result is not for Him, His work, and His glory, then there is no vision. It is merely a selfish desire, a delusion, a whim.

Without a vision, our perception is distorted. All we can see is how miserable and discouraging our condition appears. Faulty images spawn faulty thinking and beliefs.

Have you ever thought, Ok this is all there is, this is it, this is what its going to be from now on, things will never

change. Then you have lost your vision.

Are you fighting against circumstances or people in your life right now? Then you have lost your vision.

Such battles are so intense

because the present is the center of your attention, you cannot see past right now.

Are you more a part of the problem than the solution, in your church or family? Then you have lost your vision.

Are you bitter toward people or situations in your life? Then you have lost your vision.

Without a vision we cannot move past our current conditions. A vision blinds us to our present our state of affairs, no matter how bleak and fills us with hope and joyful expectation. Our sights are set on the Lord, not our present circumstances.

With a clear vision of what we can become in Christ and what He can accomplish through us, no amount of difficulty is too great, nor any obstacle impossible to over come. We are so filled with faith there is no room for doubt or fear.

How do Christians in other countries serve faithfully under constant persecution and with little or no provisions?

Some have no church building to worship in. Life is harsh and unpredictable. Everywhere things are just downright hopeless looking.

Yet, the people are filled with great joy and excitement over God's work in their church and lives. They put 1000 % into the ministry when on the outside it looks like a very depressing situation. Why? Simply because they understand the first part of the scripture, having a vision.

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Central Baptist Announces Million Dollar Scholarship

Central Baptist College President Terry Kimbrow has announced the establishment of the “East North Street Foundation Scholarship.” The scholarship was established by Mr. David Hendrix and Mr. Douglas Hendrix.

Priority in awarding of the East North Street Foundation Scholarship will be given to a male or female student that furthers the college’s mission. CBC President Terry Kimbrow said, “This is the largest scholarship donation in the history of CBC.

I am humbled that the Foundation has chosen to make such a significant impact in the lives of our students.”

David Hendrix, President of East North Street Foundation says, “We think CBC is a great choice for our first gifts as a Foundation. It really reflects our mission statement, which is to spread God’s word.”

The East North Street Foundation was formed in 2023 by the Hendrix family. The Foundation is named after the street on which David and Doug Hendrix grew up in Benton, AR and was created with the purposes of, among other things, helping those in the community who are in need and spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ to all who will listen.

The Hendrix family feels strongly that Central Baptist College also seeks to fulfill those same purposes and is excited to see how it continues to work to educate its students on Christian values and principles.

The Scholarship total will be fulfilled over four years with the first \$250,000 satisfied on December 23, 2023. The remaining payments will be given annually on June 1, 2024, 2025, and 2026.

According to the scholarship

agreement, “The scholarship amounts shall be determined by taking into consideration both the Student Aid Index (SAI) and the student’s complete aid package.

The SAI is assigned to the student by the U.S. Department of Education based on the information submitted on their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and is used to determine their need and Pell grant eligibility.”

“Of the nearly 100 endowed and cash scholarships open to our students, the East North Street Foundation Scholarship is unique,” commented Kimbrow.

The scholarship awards are intended to close any gap between a student’s financial aid package and billed tuition (plus room and board, if applicable).

“This will no doubt be a game changer for many prospective students” said Kimbrow.



All Scholarships are awarded by vote of the CBC Scholarship Committee, taking into account the qualifications and eligibility of the applicants, as detailed in each scholarship agreement.

All full-time, degree-seeking students will be considered for the Scholarship.

Central Baptist College is a four-year, private liberal arts college located in Conway, AR founded by the Baptist Missionary Association of Arkansas.

Since its inception, the College has been committed to transforming lives through education that integrates Christian faith and academic excellence in a Christ-centered environment. CBC offers over 40 baccalaureate degree programs.

For information about CBC, visit:

cbc.edu

or call 501-329-6873

Central Baptist College Professor Achieves Second Doctoral Degree

CBC takes pride in our faculty and the work that they do on our campus. As a result, we love taking opportunities to celebrate and commend their achievements, and we are very happy to congratulate Dr. Rachel Scott for obtaining her second doctoral degree.

Dr. Scott, Associate Professor of Biology, graduated in December from the University of Central Arkansas (UCA) with her Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Physical Therapy. Scott’s dissertation, Modified Predictors of Chronotropic Response to Exercise in People with and without Obesity, earned her a second doctorate. In 2006, Scott earned a Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) from UCA.



Before her appointment as Associate Professor of Biology, Scott worked full time as a Physical Therapist (PT). As a PT, she worked in several different clinical settings including pediatrics, orthopedics, sports medicine, and neuro rehab.

Dr. Scott teaches Human Anatomy & Physiology I and II, Histology, Neuroscience, Medical Terminology, Research Methods, and Zoology. Scott is also the faculty sponsor for the Central Baptist College Medical Professionals Society.

Devilish Abuse of Children

Dr. John M. Adams
Executive Director, Moral Action
Matthew 19:13-15

"Then were there brought unto him little children, that he should put his hands on them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them. But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me; for of such is the kingdom of heaven. And he laid his hands on them, and departed thence."

There is much child abuse in our wicked society. Some of the things which are done to children defy description.

We may sometimes be tempted to hide our faces from such things and pretend that they do not exist. Little children are at stake. They are defenseless before those who abuse them.

God alone knows the extent of this madness of society, and He alone will judge it.

Not all that is called child abuse really is. Some would think it abusive to a child to have him in church regularly. Some would think that discipline is abuse.

There are those who suppose that children have the constitutional right to do as they please, and such people try to incite children to rebel against their parents.

"We must be careful not to be taken in by the do-gooders who are guided by human philosophy..." (copied)

Child Abused – How?

Many children are physically abused. A man was released from a California prison where he served time for setting his little boy afire. Another man was recently in court for shaking his "girlfriend's" little girl to death because she would not stop crying.

It is common to hear or read news reports about a child's being beaten to death. Their bones are broken. They are burned with cigarettes.

Justice cries out that those who do such things should be punished. The law

of Moses required "life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe."
Exodus 21:23-25

Children are abused by broken homes. The selfishness which causes one to abandon his marriage vows often hurts the children involved more than anyone else. They are the innocent pawns in the "games which adults play."

God's plan is for a man to leave his father and mother and to be joined to his wife. As God gives them children, they are to rear them in the shelter of a loving home.

Perhaps the most common practice of child abuse is neglect. The Bible teaches that a man is to provide for his own (I Timothy 5:8) and that women are to guide the home and care for the children (I Timothy 5:9, 10, 14).

Little children are left alone, cold and hungry, while their parents go to the bars. They are left with incompetent baby-sitters while their mothers "paint the town".

Children Abuse – By Whom?

King Manasseh "made his son pass through the fire" as a religious ritual (II Kings 21:6), and Judah did the same (Jeremiah 19:5).

As wicked as that was, it is not uncommon to hear of some child's murder and mutilation in connection with suspected devil worship today.

Do you remember Jim Jones and the mass murder in which he was involved? Religious leaders can abuse children.

Witness the sexual abuse of boys by renegade priests, preachers, coaches, and homosexuals/lesbians.

"Pharaoh ordered the death of

newborn Jewish boys. Herod caused the death of the children around Bethlehem in an effort to kill Jesus. Hitler also had political reasons for trying to wipe out God's chosen people, the Jews. Thousands of children were sent to death".... Copied



Joseph was seventeen when his brothers sold him into slavery. Most child abuse is perpetrated by relatives.

Children are beaten, battered, starved, neglected, sexually assaulted, burned, cursed, and exposed to all kinds of ungodliness.

God remembers those who abuse children. Pharaoh lost his first-born. Manasseh's and Herod's names have gone down in infamy. Joseph's brothers had to face him. Judah went into captivity. Hitler died in the ruins of his country.

Jesus said, "Whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."

Matthew 18:6

Children Abused – Why?

Abuse is caused by selfishness. Some who bring children into the world do not want to be bothered with them. Children require time which parents could spend in the pursuit of pleasure, money which they could spend on themselves.

Abuse is caused by sadism. One who can get pleasure of any kind from hurting others is sadistic.

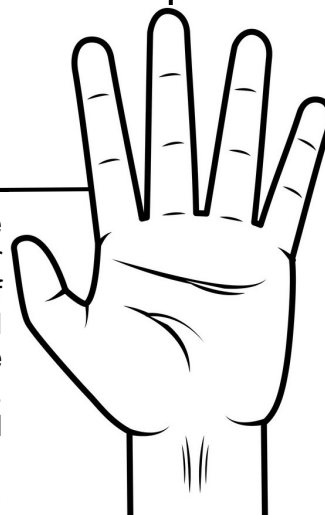
Grown men take advantage of helpless children. Wicked people take pictures of all sorts of child abuse. Dads and Mothers beat their children, not to make them better, but to satisfy their rage.

"Abuse is caused by sickness. Sin is a sickness which can be cured by conversion to Christ. Some must be the result of mental illness, maybe even demon possession."

"That Reminds Me"

By Jesse Spurlock

"A Prayer Memory Peg"



A "memory peg" is a term describing the way to memorize facts or a list of otherwise difficult items. Although we may not realize it, most of us routinely use such pegs.

Mentally, we unconsciously connect an item to be remembered to some well known fact or event. That helps us to remember lesser known events or items.

Not long ago, I re-read a memory peg dealing with prayer. It outlined the way we could remember to follow the Biblical pattern for whom to pray. I've found if I just pray for whoever comes to my mind, I'll forget those who have specifically asked me to pray for them.

I use our bulletin prayer sheet and go through that to pray for each one on it so I don't forget those. But others I really should pray for are not specifically listed.

I had heard this before, but this was a reminder and it does work well. This writer called it "five fingers prayers. If you follow the pattern you will pray as follows.

1. Your thumb reminds you to pray for those closest to you, as it is the closest digit on your hand.

2. Your index finger is the "pointer." This will remind you to pray for those who teach. The preachers and teachers in your life.

3. Your middle finger is the tallest finger and would remind you to pray for those in authority and our leaders. This would take in the President, law enforcement, military, etc.

4. Your ring finger is usually the weakest. This would remind you to pray for the sick and those who are in trouble or suffering.

5. The little finger reminds you of your smallness in the presence of God. This would remind you to pray for yourself (if a reminder is needed for that.)

According to the writer, if you have your hands folded in front of you as you pray, you will pray for those we are commanded to pray for. That sounded good and I tried it.

It really worked, except almost immediately I remembered someone not on the list. Where is the finger to remind us of our enemies?

Jesus told us specifically in Matthew 5:44, "But I say unto you, love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you and persecute you."

I think the reason I realized so quickly the writer had left off that group was the difficulty I have of doing that. I have to almost force myself to pray for those who hate me and are intent on doing

me harm.

With me, I probably need to be as the giant in Gath, who was described in 2 Samuel 21:20 as "a man of great stature, that had on every hand six fingers, and on every foot six toes, four and twenty in number, and also he was born to the giant."

That sixth finger on my hand could remind me of my enemies. That way I wouldn't forget them.

I don't really want to criticize this method of remembering who to pray for as it assures we will pray for others, and in all probability more than we would if we had no such memory peg for it.

However, we need to remember to pray for individuals specifically. When we come to the middle finger we need to name the president, governor and all who we can think of. When we come to the weaker ones we need to pray for the sick by name.

And when we come to the pointer which is to remind you of the pastor, please pray for me by name, that is, "Bro. Jesse"...J-E-S-S-E.

On-line Registration Available For BMA National Meeting

Pastors and Messengers attending the 2024 BMA National Meeting in Branson, Missouri will have the opportunity this year to register and pay their minute/conference donation online and book hotel reservations from the same site, www.bmaamerica.org/nationalmeeting. There is also an on-line registration form for ministries wanting to secure their spot to display at the National Meeting.

The BMA National Meeting will be held April 16-18 at the Chateau On the Lake Hotel and Convention Center in Branson, MO. In addition to taking care of vital business of the Association, there will be inspiring worship services and ministry investment opportunities designed to help your church. Two of the highlights of the event will be a gospel concert by Point of Grace and teaching by Mac Lake. Messages will be presented by BMA President Dr. Clif Johnson, Bro James Schoenrock and Bro Kirk Shelton.

Once registered, attendees will simply proceed to the registration table located in the lobby of the hotel to receive their ballots for voting.

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not charity, I am nothing.

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.” Sometimes people do things to be seen of others and they really do not care about their neighbors. Our love for others is what helps us to demonstrate the love of God flowing through us.

Matthew 6:1 says, “Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven.”

Matthew 25:34-46,

“Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:

Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.

Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an

hungered, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink?

When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee?

Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?

And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

For I was an hungered, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink:

I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not.

Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee?

Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye

did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me.

And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.”

How we treat others is how we treat Christ. Notice the use of the word stranger. We do not know what is going on in people’s lives that we do not know. If we do help someone and they do wrong God will take care of it.

I will share what I do personally, but understand this works for me and I cannot give you scripture to demand this is the only way to help others. Use your own judgment.

I do not give cash to those I do not know. I give through organizations that give God the credit and not secular or governmental entities. I prefer giving through the local church when possible, to God be the glory.

I cannot help everyone and so I do not allow myself to feel guilty because I cannot. I look for ways, when possible, to not enable others to live in sin. I try to be led of the Spirit as God is the only one who knows what is best all the time.

I do not let others control my emotions by using guilt, this includes other church members or even the pastor. As a pastor I encourage others to help as they are led by God to do so.

I understand that a brother in Christ and a stranger sometimes require a different approach. While I recognize that some needs are immediate, I try to discover long term solutions. Mostly, I try to remember to always apply the following verse.

1 Corinthians 10:31

“Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.”

Author’s note: giving is personal between you and God. This article is not intended to chastise anyone nor tell anyone what they must do.

“The Question,” cont from pg 3

Have you lost your vision, for your church, your family, your marriage, your life, your service to God?

Without a godly vision we have no hope and are forever trapped in fear and despair.

Let each of us pray for God to impart His vision on our lives and our churches, while there is yet time to see those visions come to pass.

Disturb us, Lord, when we are too contented with ourselves, when our work is done because we have aspired to do too little; when our journey is unchallenging because we have ventured only along the easy paths.

Distress us, Lord, when with the wealth of things we possess, we have lost our hunger and thirst for You; having fallen in love with this life, we cease to long for eternal life with You; and in our efforts to build a our life on earth, we have allowed our vision of our life in Heaven to fade.

Trouble us, Lord, to dare more boldly, to venture on trusting in you, where trials will only show your power and strength.

We ask you to push back the limits we have placed on Your Mighty Hand, and to move forward into the future with strength, courage, hope, and faith in You.

BMAO WMA Getting Bibles For Zambia

Good day ladies, I emailed Bro Michael Quillman and asked if he could send some information on Zambia for the Bibles. I don't know if you guys have been talking or getting the information out, but the more all the churches hear about it was hoping they would generously give.

Please let me know how the project progresses. Was thinking maybe a flier would be nice to send to all the churches to put up in their church, even those that don't come. More information the more hopefully we can receive for the Bibles.

Thank you for all you do in the Lord. Hope the Lord will bless our efforts in serving Him! Thank you again!

From Bro. Quillman

Zambia is a country located in the southern portion of the continent of Africa. The country is comparative in size to the state of Texas, but the total population is only 18 million.

Our mission of teaching pastors and leaders is located in the Southern Province with our home base being in Livingstone, population 134,000. That number doesn't touch the majority of the people we are focused on, the villagers.

In the eight months we have been doing ministry in Zambia, we have realized one of the greatest needs is Bibles. Not just any Bible, but Bibles in their own language. Although English is the official national language of Zambia (and most people in the city speak English), very few of the villagers speak or read English.

Our province is made up of four main

dialects: Tonga, Lozi, Tokalea, and Nyanja. Most of our villages are Tonga with a few Lozi/Tokalea mixed. We have been able to purchase bibles from the Bible Society of Lusaka, but not all dialects are available yet.

One of the main languages, Nyanja, isn't even available as a translation because it is a variation of the Chewa language spoken in the eastern province.

The languages of Tonga, Lozi, and Bembe, however, are available. The cost of the bibles vary for us depending on the exchange rate of the dollar.

We have currently spent over \$5000 to purchase bibles. Below is a list of prices as of December 1st, 2023.

Tonga:	\$10.00
Lozi:	\$10.00
English:	\$10.00
English Study Bible:	\$15.00

Children's Bibles:

Tonga:	\$10.00
English:	\$10.00

The villages vary in size from 150-300 people, and we have discovered that in most of these villages there will be just one or two that even own a Bible. Within a 15 mile radius of Chibinga, there are over 25 different villages who are currently unreached with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We have started with those that are attending the Bible study.

Our prayer is to put at least one Bible into every hut of every village we are serving in. Eventually we would love to be able to give

a bible to every person in the village. We started this in Chibinga Village in November 2022.

Our bible study grew from 20 attendees to over 50 within a month, so we made sure that every person attending had a Bible in their own language.

As we always tell them, we don't want you to just believe what we are telling you, but want you to be able to see it for yourself. In this way, they can know that it not just our opinion, but God's own word.

The local witch doctors in these villages have ruled through fear, lies, and intimidation for many centuries, but have nothing to support their claims. As we combat the evil being taught, we want them to know that there is a way they can know for certain.

Our overall goal is to obtain 5,000 bibles at an average cost of \$10.00 each, as this would allow us to put a bible into the home of each family in Chibinga village and the surrounding villages.

We hope that you will prayerfully consider our project as we continue to serve God and the previously unreached people groups of Zambia.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Central Oklahoma
District Meeting
Johnnies Restaurant
Moore, OK, March 2, 2024**

**BMA of OK
Midyear Meeting
Bethany, Tulsa
April 6, 2024**

**BMA of America
Annual Meeting
April 16-18, 2024
Chateau on the Lake
Branson, MO
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Pulpit Announcements

Morse LM Baptist Church is looking for a pastor. We are a small church in a rural community area. We are located north of exit 221 on I-40 which exits into Okemah.

We are a conservative, traditional Baptist church. We own our building, have no debts and are financially stable.

If you know of anyone looking for a church contact me at:

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