

Call of Grace Ministries

Come unto Me . . . I will give you rest

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"Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 3:12–14 (NKJV)

Previously in this section of Philippians, the Apostle Paul has reviewed what he considered successes in his walk with God. However, he came to realize they were failures in the Lord's eyes when he met Jesus. All the things he considered as having been done for merit before the Lord were worthless with regard to the righteousness God requires. These works formerly perceived as successes Paul now calls rubbish: worthless, useless trash to be thrown away.

Whether Paul ever looked upon the memories of these actions with regret, we cannot truly know. What we can know is this; at this writing (in prison), rather than bemoaning his failures, Paul was looking to the future with anticipation and joy. His justification before the Lord was no longer his goal, it was now assured (Phil 3:9). However, Paul knew that this was a new beginning rather than an end to the journey; God had so much more in store for Him! Past failures, past successes, and circumstances are not to be dwelt upon. "What's next, Lord?"

In this new year, I pray that all of us will truly adopt this perspective which the Holy Spirit has relayed to us through Paul. Don't look back! Never stop! Continue to move forward in and with the Lord! This viewpoint is given for our encouragement. It is given for our growth in the Lord. Finally, this point of view is recorded in Scripture that we might embrace it for His Glory. And now, as in eternity, nothing else truly matters.

I ended last year and started this year in the pulpit speaking the Lord's word to two different congregations. What a blessing it is to fellowship with others and minister to them in this way! I thank you for your prayers regarding this and ask that you continue to pray the Lord will allow this as much as He sees fit.

Cindy and I spent yesterday serving with the Salvation Army ringing the bell and passing tracts. "Why? It's not Christmas.", you say? Because the need in our region is increasing. And when the need increases, more is required to meet the need. Cash donations are used to help others with bills, food, etc. Please pray about making a donation to help the Salvation Army bless someone in your area this year.

By the time some of you receive this newsletter, it is likely that I will be traveling to Miami to share the Gospel with the Superbowl crowd. This outreach is a ministry of Sports Fan Outreach International. Please pray the Gospel will go forth without hindrance. Pray as well for seed to be sown and a harvest of souls to occur.

We ask for your prayers for the following opportunities to proclaim or the Gospel of our Lord or to prepare to do so in a different setting.

- **Mardi Gras 2020** (Feb. 20-26) - Please be in prayer as preparations continue for this outreach. Currently, there are 50 Brothers called to serve on this mission. Men, if you have never been a part of this outreach and the Lord is calling you to join us, call or text me at (618) 694-8199.
- **Preaching** - Please continue to be in prayerful agreement with us that the Lord will fill this calendar as He wills.
- **Evangelism Training / Community Outreach** - Coming alongside those who desire to reach their community for Christ is one of our great joys in ministry. We are asking the Lord to grant us more opportunities to do this. If your church or ministry group desires to reach out and wants help, please contact us.
- ***We are continuing to seek other opportunities to serve the Lord this year. Please come into agreement with us as we ask Him for wisdom and direction.***

We want to thank you for your prayers and financial support in 2019. We have come alongside other ministries this past year even as others have served with us in our Lord's mission to proclaim His Gospel around the U.S. With your help, we have provided more than 50,000 Gospel tracts for distribution. We have also given away more than 800 Bibles and New Testaments. The Lord used us to provide training in both prayer-walking and Evangelism, which is a great blessing. And throughout the year, as we served Him together, many professed Jesus as Lord! So please, keep praying! And if the Lord calls you to go on mission with us, wherever we go, or to help support a mission or any part of our ministry, please let us know. Likewise, if you or your church believe we could be of service to you in any evangelistic effort, please contact us.

Until Jesus comes,

Dennis & Cindy Mohr

~Cindy's Bottom Line~

Allow the love of God to compel you to keep going forward. Remember, God has a plan for you.

"Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."

Heb 13:20-21 (NIV)