Around the Conference The Call of God

from Steve Carmany, East Ohio Area Rep, written by David Kimberly, pastor of Faith Community Fellowship, Massillon, Ohio

How does an individual, how does a body of believers discern the voice of God? What is the role of prayer in a church's ministry and daily pastoral service? What is the mission of the body of Christ?

Faith Community Fellowship in Massillon, Ohio, had its first worship service in November of 1994. Gathered by a call issued from 101 lay people who wished to continue their Christian life under the authority of the Bible as they understood it, the church has followed a calling to pursue its ministry in a segment of the community where the average household income is \$29,500. First meeting on

Sundays in the gymnasium of an elementary school, the church eventually purchased a 6,500 sq. ft. steelworkers' union headquarters, soon expanded it to 11,500 sq. ft., and is currently nearing completion of another expansion to 15,500 sq. ft. in efforts totaling over \$2 million. Current worship attendance is in the mid-200 range, with one-third of the church's growth by first-time profession of faith in Christ. The other two-thirds of that growth has been by renewal of faith and transfers. Three primary issues currently describe

the church's ministry: 1) how to graft into the nurturing ministry of the church first-time professions of faith that far exceed the number who do join, 2) how to graft into the worship and mobilizing ministry of the church the continuing visitor flow, now totaling 3,000 since the church's founding, and 3) how to orient both of these priorities towards the families of the midweek Awana ministry for children, now approaching 100 children on Wednesday nights.

What have been turning points along the way?

One turning point was how God spoke to my wife and me. I had been the senior pastor of the church these laypeople had left. My effort to help the church discern a common call in the midst of profound denominational controversies had failed. The conflict became so severe and had taken such a toll on me and my family that I wanted to leave ministry completely. So in spite of the testimony within my heart, I began to send my résumé to parachurch organizations. One morning, in spite of what the Lord was telling me, I started to log onto Intercristo. I silently prayed "Lord, if You don't want me to do this have Joanne (my wife) tell me that right now." Joanne was on the second floor and had no way of knowing, of course, what I was doing, or even that I was on the computer. Sure enough, within a couple of minutes Joanne came down into my study and said, "Dave, I don't know what you're doing, but I'm getting a prompting from the Lord to tell you that whatever it is, you should not do it." We received similar clear Gideon-like guidance from the Lord in accepting the call to Faith Community Fellowship.

Another turning point was a ministry audit that the church had in 2003. In the final

analysis, the people of the church had to decide whether the church was there to meet their needs, or whether they were there to share the Gospel with unbelievers. With the help of an outside consultant, the church 1) reduced its mission statement to one sentence, 2) restructured itself around its mission, and 3) launched a contemporary worship service.



Behind all this has been prayer. Regular c h u r c h - w i d e concerts of prayer, leadership retreats with prayer, and calling members to prayer, are what lay behind the conversions that

have taken place. The current chair of the elders, for example, is a convert who for six years had been hardened to the Gospel. The lesson throughout has been that the center of ministry and the Christian life is prayer.

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A Culture of Believing Prayer and Intercession

by Rev. Dr. Ron Hamilton, Conference Minister



We believe that the Lord has called us to develop a culture of believing prayer and intercession in the Conference. This is the first preferred outcome developed by the Guiding Coalition and affirmed by the Board of Directors. It is our conviction that this is the foundation for the ministry that the Lord has in store for the CCCC. The Biblical Basis for this Outcome includes these words:

The Church is to come before Him continually with spiritual sacrifices of praise (Hebrews 13:15), the sacrifice of our own lives (Romans 12:1), and fervent

intercession for one another and for His Kingdom to come in this world (1 Peter 5:7; James 5:13–18; Matthew 9:36–38).

Oswald Chambers said, "Prayer does not fit us for the greater work, prayer is the greater work."

Prayer fosters dependence on God and realigns our priorities around the work of the Kingdom of God. It opens the door for us to access the Holy of Holies. While prayer allows us to go into the presence of God with our praises and requests, it is also the place where we are empowered by the Spirit to do the Lord's work. Prayer is an exercise of spiritual health and vitality. It also makes a believer healthy and whole

The work of the Guiding Coalition began with a group of Conference leaders gathered to listen to the Lord and discern His will for the ministry of our fellowship. We confessed our tendency to rely on our own wisdom and asked the Lord to clear the way for a significant ministry in the coming days. These times of prayer and intercession convinced us that God would bless our work only as we committed ourselves to humility and prayer.

We are serious about developing the prayer life of the CCCC family. The staff at the home office gathers on Monday mornings to thank God for His faithfulness to our Conference. We rejoice in answers to prayer and share personal needs. We ask the Lord to energize our work. Many people were refreshed and encouraged by the increased emphasis on prayer at our 2011 Annual Family Conference. Our church redevelopment leaders teach that a commitment to prayer is the foundation for the revitalization of the church. We are thrilled with the testimonies that flow

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from the churches that take this seriously. God is at work, unifying the members of the church and opening the doors to new opportunities for ministry.

We envision that pastors will gather on a regular basis for prayer and fellowship. We see prayer playing a more vital role in our regional gatherings. We know that God will do a special work in our Conference as we join the disciples in saying, "Lord, teach us to pray."



Just Plane Talk

by Rev. Terry H. Shanahan, Northeast Regional Minister

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect. 1 Peter 3: 14–16

At our Annual Family Conference in Ohio this past summer, we were blessed to have Dr. Kenneth Swetland as our morning Bible teacher. Making an observation, Dr. Swetland said that each time he flew, he noticed when a seatmate asked him what he did, and he answered that he was a minister. any conversation usually ended right there. The questioner would return to his book. So now Dr. Swetland often will say that he is a professor or counselor and conversation ensues.

This was on my mind as I boarded my flight back home, and a young man I will call Bob sat down next to me. After some pleasantries, and a little conversation about himself, he said, "So, what do you do?" What should I say? If I wanted to stop all conversation and take a nap, I could tell him I am a minister. But he asked, "What do you do?" So I thought about what it is I do and this is what I proceeded to tell him.

I said "I work with various groups in the Northeast part of our country that are trying to live out a shared life and mission together." He said, "Really, that sounds interesting. How do you do that?" I said "I travel to all these various groups, helping them to articulate their values that will lead to a vision for accomplishing their mission." He asked "How is it going?" I said, "I think guite well. We now have 114 sites around the Northeast that are attempting to share their lives in community in a significant way." He said, "I am from California and when I think of what you are describing, I think of some communes that exist in my state. Are these people actually all living together?" I said "No, it isn't like that. But each of the groups meet at least once a week and some are meeting three and four times a week. Some often meet in small groups in people's homes as well."

He said, "That's all very interesting. May I have your card?" I said "Sure,



as I handed him my card which says, "Northeast Regional Minister." He said, "You're a minister!" I said, "Yes." He said, "All those places you referred to are churches?" I said, "Yes." He said "That is the most interesting description I have ever heard." I said, "If I told you I was a minister right away, what would you have done?" He said, "I would have gone back to reading my book." I asked him why that was. He replied, "Bless me Father for I have sinned. I haven't been in church for forever." And then for the rest of the flight, we talked about what he believed, evolution, absence of a supreme being and nothingness, and what I believe, a Divine Creator, us having been made in God's image, eternal life and salvation through Jesus Christ.

At the end of the trip, he shook my hand warmly and said he enjoyed the thought-provoking discussion. I don't know what God will do with Bob. All I know is God did orchestrate us into having a conversation that wasn't abruptly ended by putting a label on what I do. Thank you Dr. Swetland for helping us learn how to engage the world!

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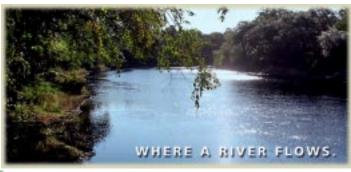


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Church Multiplication

Bilingual Church Plant

by Dan Pryor, Senior Pastor of Plymouth Congregational Church, Whittier, California



Dan and Jorge

The city of Whittier was at one time one of Southern California's original suburbs. Now it is located close to the geographic center of a vast metropolis. The shifting demographics have made Whittier a majority Hispanic city

now, with more changes certain to come in the future.

Plymouth Congregational Church was planted in Whittier in 1894 — that's old for Southern California! To my knowledge no church has ever been intentionally planted out of Plymouth. That is something that we should grieve about and be committed to changing with the help of the Lord.

In 2008 God began to impress on us the need for a Spanishspeaking ministry in our community. There were more and more bilingual families getting involved in our church and Christian school. We realized that there was not a bilingual church in the community to address the spiritual needs of so many multi-generational and bilingual families. Imagine not being able to take non-English-speaking family members to church with you. Or, imagine being an English-speaking high school student forced to attend a Spanish-speaking church with your parents, and hating every minute of it. We saw a clear need and stepped out in faith.

The model that we were led to use is, admittedly, not usually successful. We believed that we were being called to be as completely integrated as possible: the one-church-with-twolanguages model. Early in 2009, the Lord brought us a Spanishspeaking pastor, Jorge Hrebien, who was willing to help start the Spanish-speaking ministry at Plymouth. He was right under our noses because his daughters were attending our church's school. After a few months of prayer and many hours of discussions, the first Spanish-speaking worship service was held in our especially refurbished Fellowship Hall in September of 2009. Several bilingual people from the English-speaking ministry provided key leadership in the early going. Next Sunday we will celebrate the second anniversary of that growing ministry. There are now about one hundred adults attending, and many children and youth connected to them.

Our leadership, budget, missions, facilities, children and youth ministries are all shared and integrated. We start worship services at the same time and end at the same time in order to share "KidsChurch" and to socialize together after church on a common patio. Quarterly we have a combined, bilingual worship service that fills our sanctuary with whole families of joyful worshippers. It has turned out that for the vast majority of people, both English and Spanish speakers, that those combined, bilingual services are their favorite ones.

No doubt, we face many challenges in the days ahead, but we are having fun, and we are intriguing our community through this unique expression of unity in the Body of Christ. Even though we are an old church, our average age continues to fall. Lord willing, He is giving us a model that can be reproduced through church-planting in other similar communities — of which there are many. Please pray for

Church Redevelopment

The Sin of Busy-ness

by Rev. Dr. John Kimball, CCCC Director of Conference Care and Church Redevelopment

In the last three months, nearly every pastor with whom I have talked has in some way noted the same problem plaguing their parish: an overly busy membership. Careers put growing demands upon our people. School requirements (even in primary and secondary education) are far more stringent than a generation ago. Academic and athletic achievement are primary pursuits — with more and more parents opting to make sports and recreational activities a functional priority over those activities that grow their families spiritually. Whereas Sundays and Wednesdays used to be days set aside for families to participate in church events, now one of the busiest sports mornings is Sunday morning in many communities. Church members are less involved in traditional spiritual activities, are experiencing more stress-related problems, and finding people to help lead in God's kingdom work is now nearly impossible in some church families.

Pastor, be careful not to "amen" what I have written here

too guickly. Because there is another trend I see that is tracking almost evenly with the above: most pastoral families are no different! In fact, a growing number of CCCC pastors are tired and stressed because they are trying to "pick up the slack" at the church while, at the same time, trying to provide their families the same opportunities as their peers. In other words, many pastors are busier than their parishioners!



I don't think I can state my conviction more emphatically: busy-ness is undermining the kingdom work of Christ's church. It is typically American to think that success and busy-ness go hand in hand. It is distinctly Christian to proclaim the opposite. In fact, I would go so far as to say that slowing down is a mandatory spiritual discipline for today's church.

Years ago I was confronted by a nurse in my congregation with Archibald Hart's book, Adrenaline and Stress. I hated that book — but it was given in God's perfect timing. I now highly recommend it. We live and minister in a world that says, "Go faster. Do more. Work harder. Be more efficient." But our Loving Father tells us to "Be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10). Jesus' own example was quite the opposite of modern experience. In between two particularly busy periods of ministry, Jesus separates his disciples. Mark reports, "Then because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, 'Come away with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest" (Mark 6:31). The message of our Christ is, "Slow down. Rest more. Listen to me and work smarter."

Pastor, I challenge you to lead by example — in fact, do so very publicly. Deliberately slow down and tell people why you are doing it. Stop and think before you speak in every conversation. Look people in their eyes. Eat dinner together as a family every night — no exceptions. And you might take a cue from our European brethren by making the evening meal an event that lasts for hours. Talk to your kids about their day and their desires. Go the speed limit. Turn off your cell phone at night. Take one day a week without Facebook, and devote it to rest, reading, prayer and family. And by all means, do not allow worldly priorities to take your family's focus off of Christian community and spiritual nourishment. You cannot expect your congregations to slow down until you (and your leadership) begin to demonstrate this discipline right before their eyes.

(Another in a series of articles on eminent Congregational Christians by Alwyn York, Conference historian)

Asahel Nettleton

The name of Asahel Nettleton is not familiar to most Christians today, but he was the leading evangelist of the Second Great Awakening in New England. It is estimated that over 30,000 individuals were converted through his preaching. His personality was different from what we

would customarily expect in a successful evangelist. Naturally modest and self-effacing almost to a fault, he would not go into a community if he felt that people were expecting him to create a spiritual interest that had not already begun. On a couple of occasions he removed himself from a community when he felt that people were looking too much to him personally as the agent of revival.

He was an itinerant evangelist. As such, he was a rare figure in the Second Great Awakening as it manifested itself in New England during the early part of the nineteenth century. Most of

the preaching under which revivals were seen during this period was done by settled ministers of a church. Despite a general suspicion of itinerant preachers during this period, Nettleton was universally welcomed wherever he went because he took great pains to cultivate relationships with the local pastors and make his efforts an extension of their ministries.

Nettleton was born in 1783 in the small village of Killingworth, Connecticut, to a farming family of modest means. He came under deep conviction of sin in the fall of 1800, and experienced conversion during a revival in the North Killingworth church in 1801. Soon after he found peace in Christ he experienced a desire to preach the gospel on the foreign mission field. By means of teaching for several years he was able to lav aside some money for college and enrolled in Yale in 1805. While he did not excel as a student, his spiritual seriousness was striking. Timothy Dwight, the president of Yale, said of him, "He will make one of the most useful men this country has ever seen." Upon his graduation from college he did not feel free to immediately offer himself for missionary service because he had contracted some debts which he felt the need to settle first.

His career as an evangelist developed unintentionally. While waiting for a call to overseas missions, he was invited by

Congregational leaders in Connecticut to preach in some of the pulpits in the southeastern part of the state which were without pastors. A dramatic response to his preaching was first seen while he was preaching in South Britain, Connecticut. The spiritual fruit seen from his preaching led to a number of calls to other communities. From 1812 to 1822 revivals were seen in numerous communities where he ministered in New England (chiefly Connecticut) and upstate New York. His pattern of ministry was to labor in one area for an extended period of time. He was thus able to gain a good understanding of the spiritual needs of the

community, and to do follow-up work with those who professed conversion. He spent much time in personal counseling with individuals who were seeking salvation.

The time of his active ministry was curtailed by a personal tragedy. In 1822 he contracted typhus, and stayed at the home of his friend Philander Parmele, pastor of the Congregational church in Bolton, Connecticut. Nettleton survived the disease. but was never as strong afterward. Tragically, his host, his closest friend, contracted the disease from him and died. During the time of Nettleton's recovery, he produced his most lasting work. Many people at the time felt there was no hymnal that was suitable for use in a time of revival. Nettleton assembled a collection of hymns entitled Village Hymns for Social Worship. Published in 1825, it became very popular and went through many editions. Royalties from this provided him with a steady income, and made it possible for him to give generous support to causes that were dear to him.

The 1820s were a time of theological ferment and change, and Nettleton found himself reluctantly drawn into controversy. He was troubled by reports he heard about the techniques used in the revivals occurring in western New York, under the leadership of Charles Finney. Nettleton strongly believed that spiritual regeneration was purely the supernatural work of the Holy Spirit, and felt that the techniques used by Finney and his associates produced conversions that were more the result of psychological manipulation than the Spirit's work. Nettleton, along with his friend Lyman Beecher, confronted Finney and his supporters at the meeting held in New Lebanon, New York in 1827. (Our CCCC member church, New Lebanon Congregational, where I served as pastor in the 1990s, hosted this meeting.) The meeting produced intense debate, but no agreement. This face to face meeting did not lessen any of Nettleton's concerns about the "new measures" in evangelism, and in 1828 he and Beecher published a volume entitled Letters on the New Measures in Conducting Revivals of Religion explaining their concerns.

Nettleton also became involved in the controversy produced

by the writings of Nathaniel Taylor, professor of Divinity at Yale. Taylor denied the existence of a sinful nature in people, and saw the new birth not as a supernatural work of the Holy Spirit but as a result of moral persuasion. Though Taylor was a long-time personal friend of Nettleton, Nettleton saw his views as quite erroneous and dangerous. When the Theological Institute of Connecticut (later Hartford Theological Seminary) was formed to combat the influence of Taylor's "New Haven Theology," Nettleton was invited to become a professor. He declined on account of his health, but moved to East Windsor, Connecticut, where the seminary was located, in 1838, and served as an informal lecturer and counselor to students. He remained there for the rest of his life. He died in 1844.

Shortly after his death, Nettleton's friend Bennet Tyler published a Memoir of the Life and Character of Asahel Nettleton. A modern biography, God Sent Revival, by John F. Thornbury was published in 1977.

What Are You Good At?

by Clint Goddard, CCCC missionary with Coastal Haiti Mission

My favorite movie is "Chariots Of Fire." The time is 1924. Britain's finest athletes have begun their quest for glory in the Olympic games. I watched it recently for the umpteenth time!

In one scene a runner, Harold Abrahams, and a running coach, Sam Mussabini, are watching Eric Liddell run in a race that Eric won. After the race Abrahams asked the running coach if he would help him take on Liddell. To that the coach replied, "There's an old saying in this game: 'you can't put in what God left out!""

That's when the Lord got my attention. Profound words for us. Abrahams replied, "I can run fast, and with your help I can run faster." The coach agreed to observe his running style. Later, concluding that Abrahams did indeed "have the goods," Mussabini told him, "Mr. Abrahams, "I can find you two more yards." Abrahams went on to win a gold medal in the 1924 Olympic games.

Lesson: It is better and easier to improve on a God-given gift rather than struggle to make progress at something you are not gifted in. Do you know what your gifts are? Or are you struggling to excel at something for which you are not cut

Whether it's a secular or spiritual gift the lesson is the same: Talent matters! A baseball player without a natural swing can improve his batting average after many years of practice, but the natural swing of Ted Williams, made perfect with some practice, caused his batting average to soar immediately. He is in the baseball hall of fame!

Whether in a public school or in the Body of Christ, a teacher without the gift of communication will need to work hard just to become average. On the other hand, gifted communicators make a difference in the classroom right away, and then they go on to further perfection. Many have been given a head start with God-given gifts, so let us put them to work in building up God's kingdom and changing the world.

1 Peter 4:10 (NIV) Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

Pray for Our Missionary

Dr. Kaarina Ham had successful quadruple bypass heart surgery on September 9 of this year. She continues in recovery, staying with relatives in Massachusetts.

Kaarina has been a missionary since 1979 and a member of the CCCC since 1982. She served with the Slavic Gospel Association from 1979 until 1986, working in Eastern Europe during those years.

She then pioneered youth work in Moscow from 1987 to 2003 under Youth for Christ. During that time she also earned her Ph.D. from Fuller Theological Seminary School of Inter-Cultural Studies in Russian Church History. Her heart for

the former Soviet Union nations and their spiritual needs led her to Armenia in 2003. There she founded Way of Hope in 2006 (called Hope of Armenia in the US).

The official atheist pressure from the Communist Party during those many decades devastated the churches of the USSR. She has worked on rebuilding the church, working within existing churches, including those officially recognized by the governments. Part of that ministry has also involved evangelizing and discipling young people, and building youth ministries.

She pleads for depth and understanding by those who would

minister there. In the early years following the breakup of the Soviet Union, she wrote, "The truth is that the Lord was present among His people in Russia during the totalitarian days; He is present now amid

the overwhelming difficulties at both national and individual levels: and He will continue to be present and active here in the uncertain future, whether or not loud, flashy ministries are permitted."

Dr. Ham has also written much and made many pleas for the unity of the church in the former Soviet bloc. The enmity between the Orthodox Church and the



Promotions to Glory

Johannes Botha, Citrus Heights, California — born July 4, 1927 died February 10, 2011. Joined the CCCC in 1977. He served as a missionary in South Africa for many years. He also served as an interim and supply pastor in California.

Rev. David B. Woodward, Alhambra California — born June 11, 1918 — died August 23, 2011. Joined the CCCC in 1984, was a member of Lake Avenue Church in Pasadena. He taught Bible class and served on several committees at Lake Avenue. He volunteered as a consultant to Literacy and Evangelism International and did a lot of translating. He is survived by his wife, Betty.

Changes and Opportunities

Pastoral Changes: San Gabriel, CA

Wellington, OH Barnes, WI

Hope Christian Fellowship Pittsfield Community Church * Barnes Community Church (Ind.) Jon Hartman *

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Chelmsford, MA Immanuel Church * Addison United Church Addison, MI

South Berne Congregational Christian Church * Berne, NY

Community Bible Church * (Part-time) Inwood, NY

Alexandria, PA Christ Reformed Church * Russell, PA Cable Hollow Church

Orwell, VT First Congregational Church (Ind.) (Part-time)

* = Conference member

+ = In process

Protestant churches is problematic for the work of the Gospel. She has worked tirelessly to bring love and cooperation into the equation.

Pray for Kaarina and her recovery from heart surgery, and also for her continuing ministry once she is able to resume it.

Health Tips

Children and Rabies

Knowing about rabies is not just for adults. More than half of the people who get rabies are under 15 years of age.

Rabies is a dangerous virus found in the saliva of animals that can infect and kill animals and humans. People usually get rabies when they have been bitten by an infected animal. If you suspect you are at risk for rabies, seek help right

People often get rabies from a pet that became infected from a rabid animal. Protect pets by keeping them current with their rabies vaccine. Remind children not to go near stray animals and to alert an adult if there are stray animals in the neighborhood. If your pet goes outside, be sure an adult is there to keep it safe. Provide an environment to keep stray animals away from your yard by not placing water or food outside and by keeping your garbage covered.

Rabies is often found in nocturnal wild animals like raccoons, skunks, foxes and bats. Remind your child to stay away from an animal acting strange in any way – sickly, problems swallowing, lots of saliva. Let the child know to leave the animal alone and contact an adult for help.

Children also need to be reminded not to touch any dead animal. If the animal has been dead for only a short time, it is still possible to contract rabies.

If an animal bite occurs, be sure your child knows to let an adult know what happened and to wash the area with soap and water. Seek medical help for follow up immediately after any animal bite. Symptoms of rabies may not show up for months, but it is important to receive proper care promptly.

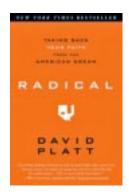
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Betty Mitchell, RN, Parish Nurse Emmanuel Bethel Church Royal Oak, MI

WHAT IS JESUS WORTH TO YOU?

Taking back your faith from the American dream

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends! Philippians 4: 1



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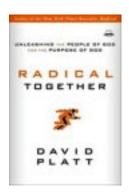
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