



Student Testimony



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I came to know Christ through my elder brother who welcomed a preacher at our home. After he preached, I accepted Christ when I was a boy of 13 years.

TBI has helped me in many ways like taking me deeper into the dissecting of the Word as compared to my former ability. My understanding of the Gospel has also broadened, I have developed into a more honest minister to the Gospel, and I am able to interact with pastors with different backgrounds.

I envision carrying on with the Gospel intensively and extensively since I am being equipped with more knowledge and skills which I will employ to reach people like Muslims, SDAs, etc.

QUARTERLY TCWM NEWSLETTER

How to Overcome Your Fears and Anxiety

Have you ever struggled with fears concerning a variety of issues in your life? Maybe it is fear, as I am sure our brother Patrick has felt, when taking the Gospel to nonbelievers like the Muslims in his community. Maybe it is fear of failure, fear of not “measuring up”, or fear of disappointing someone? Have you struggled with anxiety that can attack you in the night, stealing away your peace & maybe even your ability to sleep? Even if you are a person who is a man or woman after God’s own heart like King David was, it doesn’t mean we don’t struggle with these kinds of things. In Psalm 34:4 David says, “I sought the LORD, and He answered me and delivered me from all my fears.” Now this is interesting, because David had many outward enemies: Goliath, then Saul, then Abimelech, and even his own son, Absalom, turned on him, but it was not these outward enemies he struggles with here. It is perhaps the greatest enemy of all, the enemy which is on the inside: his fearful thoughts. How does David and how do we defeat this enemy which is inside the gates? 1) We seek the Lord in prayer, and 2) the Lord answers and delivers us supernaturally from the power of this gripping inward fear and anxiety by His loving grace.

What fearful or anxious thoughts are trying to beat you down today? Seek deliverance in nothing else than the presence and power of your Lord and Savior who loved you to death. Then, as David says in the next verse (5) your face will be radiant, as you are more than a conqueror over those fears today!

I hope you are blessed with this word of grace today, and we thank each and every one of you for blessing many in Africa through your prayers and gifts!

Doug McNutt
President, TCWM

TCWM, A Major Source of Kingdom Joy

Most people plan on being happy, but they are not happy. Of course, they have had happy moments, times of great joy, special events, and fun times. But for the most part, these moments do not last because they are temporal joys, focused on being happy in the world.

But there is another kind of joy: Kingdom joy. Kingdom joy is a unique joy that comes to those who are in Christ's Kingdom; it is a joy that comes to those who focus on and seek first Christ's kingdom. In Romans 14, the Apostle Paul wrote: "For the Kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit." In 1 Peter 1:8-9, the Apostle Peter writes to followers of Jesus Christ in the early church, "Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls." Peter here writes of a powerful and wonderful joy – he says this joy is both *inexpressible* and *glorious*.

Only a few people discover this Kingdom joy. For example, you can experience temporal or earthly joy in many ways: watching sports on TV, finding an item on sale, chomping down on a piece of steak or a piece of chocolate, or going on vacation. These are OK, but if that is all there is to your joy, then you have yet to discover Kingdom joy. If that is the extent of your joy, then you are still living as if you were a permanent resident of earth.

In contrast, Kingdom joy is your heart's response to what God has done and is doing in the world.

Kingdom joy is experienced by those who live on earth but are mindful that they are citizens of something that is much, much bigger. Kingdom joy is for people who understand that they are aliens, pilgrims, temporary residents, and short-timers on Earth. Their hopes and dreams are not tied up with everything on this earth. Their hearts are not focused on building an earthly kingdom, accumulating, and maintaining more stuff. Their focus is not on their temporal comfort or plans.

To develop a Kingdom heart and mind, to discover Kingdom joy, you must make a major shift. You see, God does not want your primary source of joy to come from things on CNN or Fox News or what is happening in politics in America.

Kingdom joy is for those who study the Bible and then look at the world and discover what God is doing in the nations. Kingdom joy is for the global Christian. And what is our Christ doing in this world? He has one great commission. He has sent us to make disciples, to work for the eternal Kingdom.

As I think of TCWM, I smile, and I am filled with joy at the great things God is doing. I am glad to give to a ministry that has eternal value, especially as I see seminaries and churches planted, individuals coming to Christ, and a growing army of disciples of Jesus Christ. I rejoice when I listen to KTR Radio in Uganda and when I see orphans and widows being cared for.

I am glad to support this ministry through prayer and giving. Giving to TCWM brings me great joy and I pray that you feel the same way regarding your gifts to TCWM. You are making a difference and you are partners with us in taking the Gospel to the world.

Please join us today in this great work commanded by our Lord.

Let us press on with joy.



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