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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year in your heart, everyone!
“Each His Counsel” *Isaiah 28:29* *12/25/22*

Today, we’d like to see the title of “Each His Counsel” in the book of Isaiah 29:29 as a topical study on Christmas day.

To Online Word’s people, *through MP3 or YouTube Channel*, on the earth, we’d like to suggest the 3 expositional Questions. ([_____ Maranatha Worship Songs](#). Videos are seeable upon the click on the website). *YouTube Channel is not Available in China, Iran, Germany, etc. where only MP3 is available*

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| <p>Q1. In Isaiah 9:6, “For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace,” what does it mean? And how can we apply it to our lives?</p> <p>Q2. In Isaiah 28: 26 & 29, “²⁶For He instructs him in right judgment, His God teaches him,” and “²⁹This also comes from the LORD of hosts, <i>Who</i> is wonderful in counsel <i>and</i> excellent in guidance,” what do these verses mean in this context? And what can we learn from here?</p> <p>Q3. How has His Counsel been done to Calvary Chapel Anaheim Hills (CCAH) the global church (His sheep), in the light of Paul’s last words to Timothy before his martyrdom, and to each one of us individually on this 2022 Christmas day?</p> |
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(Background)

Without Jesus, everybody’s life would be hopeless because our physical life is not forever. Without Jesus, Christmas would be meaningless because Christmas is Jesus’ birthday. We know that God created everybody equally in His image. In 2022, over 8 billion people live on the earth. Over 2 billion people are Christians, while over 5 billion people are still Non-Christians. About 4 billion people earn less than \$6 per day. The majority people of the world are literally struggling for daily bread. How about the lost sheep, eternally lost sheep the over 5 billion, more than double of saved sheep, the over 2 billion sheep?

Now we are seeing specially what’s His counsel to this global church, CCAH, and to each of us individually, on 2022 Christmas day.

TEXT: NKJV [KJV]

Explanation

<p>ISAIAH 9:6</p> <p>⁶ For <u>unto us a Child is born</u>,</p> <p><u>Unto us a Son is given</u>;</p> <p>And <u>the government</u> will be upon His</p>	<p>9:6= Q1 unto us a Child is bornUnto us a Son is given....the government....Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace (Isaiah prophesied about 700 years before Jesus’ birth. The Child-Son’s birth through the virgin was the incarnated Word, or the incarnated God, who is given us as the light of life. He is the Son of the Highest, only way for</p>
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<p>shoulder.</p> <p>And His name will be called <u>Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God,</u> <u>Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.</u></p> <p>ISAIAH 25:1</p> <p>O LORD, <u>You are my God.</u></p> <p>I will <u>exalt You,</u></p> <p>I will <u>praise Your name,</u></p> <p>For You have done <u>wonderful things;</u> <u>Your counsels of</u> <u>old are faithfulness and truth.</u></p> <p>ISAIAH 28:26-29</p> <p>²⁶For He instructs <u>him in right judgment,</u> <u>His God teaches him.</u></p>	<p>everlasting life to us according to God's will. He was descended from David's lineage and His attributes are wonderful, counselor, mighty God, everlasting Father in whom He is, and Prince of Peace – the Ruler of Peace -- because of the peace only in Jesus, not the tribulation in the world. <i>Isaiah 7:14; John 1:1-5, 14; John 8:12; Luke 2:7, Luke 1:32, John 3:16, John 6:38-39; John 14:10; John 16:33¹</i></p> <p>25:1 = You are my God.... exalt You...praise Your name.... wonderful things.... Your counsels of old ... faithfulness and truth (Isaiah the prophet is calling the Lord as his God, as well as each believer can call; he lifts up, honors, praises, or worships Him and His name. His counsels to bring His words of old to us in diversities of operations such as prophecy, promise, law, testimony, way, precept, judgment, word, commandment, statute, etc – see Psalm 119. He has kept faithfully His words which are true. <i>1 Cor 12:6; Ps 119:1,176²</i>)</p> <p>28:26=Q2 in right judgment [to discretion]; His God teaches him (God instructs/ teaches/ counsels/ guides /directs individually, giving a specific talent to each of us properly -- not to a group of us in lump improperly; God's revelation can be divided with the 3 types in the sight of the Scripture --(1) General revelation – God generally reveals Himself to everyone through His creatures (Rom 1:20); (2) Special revelation – God specially reveals Himself to His own special people or every Christian through All Scripture (1 Peter 2:9; 2 Timothy 3:16-17); and (3) Individual revelation – God reveals Himself differently to each individual Christian in order to profit all the body of Christ (1 Cor 12:4-7³).)</p>
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¹ *Isaiah 7:14* Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel; *John 1:1-5, 14* ¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.² He was in the beginning with God. ³All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. ⁴In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. ¹⁴And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth; *John 8:12* Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life; *Luke 2:7* And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn; *Luke 1:32* He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David; *John 3:16* For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life; *John 6:38-39* For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. ³⁹This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day; *John 14:10* Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own *authority*; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works; *John 16:33* These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world. ² *1 Cor 12:6* And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all; *Ps 119:1-176¹* Blessed are the undefiled in the way, Who walk in the law of the LORD! ¹⁷⁶I have gone astray like a lost sheep; Seek Your servant, For I do not forget Your commandments;

³ *Rom 1:20* For since the creation of the world His invisible *attributes* are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse; *1 Peter 2:9* But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; *2 Tim 3:16-17* All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, ¹⁷that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work; *1 Cor 12:4-7* There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. ⁶And there are diversities of activities [operations], but it is the same God who works all in all. ⁷But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all.

²⁷ For the black cummin is not threshed with a threshing sledge,
Nor is a cartwheel rolled over the cummin;
But the black cummin is beaten out with a stick, And the cummin with a rod.

²⁸ Bread flour must be ground;
Therefore he does not thresh it forever,
Break it with his cartwheel,
Or crush it with his horsemen.

²⁹ This also comes from the LORD of hosts,
Who is wonderful in counsel and excellent in guidance.

(Paul's last word to Timothy before his martyrdom)

2 Timothy 3:16-4:5

^{3:16} All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

^{4:1} I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and

27= black cummin [fitches]...not threshed....a threshing sledge...a cart wheel...But...with a stick (the black cummin or fitches are small sized incense seeds, smaller than the cummin. So that the cummins are threshed properly with a stick to the black cummin and with a rod to the cumin differently, not a threshing sledge nor a car wheel improperly; We can observe God's proper counsel/ guidance to each individual believer)

28= Bread flour [Bread corn] must be ground..... not thresh it forever....break...with his cartwheel...crush it with his horsemen (To make bread flour, the threshed – not forever -- corn, wheat, or barley must be ground, not broken with cartwheel, nor crushed with horse; it's observed that different ways are suitable to different individuals)

29=Q2 This.... comes from the Lord of hosts ...wonderful in counsel...excellent in guidance [in working] (This proper guidance/counsel comes from the Lord. Because He is wonderful and excellent, His counsel is wonderful and His guidance is excellent; And so, every believer should be guided and counseled by the Lord, i.e., not according to the flesh will for self-interests but according to God's will, plan, or purpose for His kingdom, His righteousness, or His glory; Now think the end of the path of each our life – Have I done God's will? Have I brought forth much fruit? Is God pleased and satisfied with me like Jeremiah or Paul? At the time to meet the Lord in heaven, God may call me "Good and faithful servant" – that's successful life in eternity, not in vanity; If I never sowed eternal value things or spiritual things, or I spent my whole life time for myself, such as my self-interests of money, power, glory, entertainment, or success, those things would be burned out at that time, like withering grass or fading flower. That's wasted life which God doesn't recognize. How Tragic I would be indeed! *Galatians 6:8; Matthew 25:21; John 15:8; Jer 20:9; 2 Tim 4:8* 4);)

Q3= How has His Counsel been done to CCAH (His sheep), in the light of Paul's last words to Timothy before his martyrdom, and to each one of us individually on this 2022 Christmas day? (His sheep at CCAH have been nourished from His whole counsel through co-ministers who preach, convince, rebuke, exhort, and teach with all long suffering, wherever the Spirit leads – Anaheim Hills, West Anaheim, Norwalk, Riverside, Moreno Valley, Hemet, and Social Media – for the people in community, the addicted, homeless, seniors, and the needy; Also social media sheep through online, YouTube, and books published by CCAH PRESS® have been nourished from the same Counsel of God. We don't see them but it

⁴ *Galatians 6:8* For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life; *Matthew 25:21* His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord; *John 15:8* By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples; *Jer 20:9* Then I said, "I will not make mention of Him, Nor speak anymore in His name." But *His word* was in my heart like a burning fire Shut up in my bones; I was weary of holding *it* back, And I could not.; *2 Tim 4:8* Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

<p>His kingdom: ² <u>Preach the word!</u> Be ready in season <i>and</i> out of season. <u>Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.</u>³ For the time will come when they will <u>not endure sound doctrine</u>, but according to their own desires, <i>because</i> they have <u>itching ears</u>, they will heap up <u>for themselves teachers</u>;⁴ and they will <u>turn their ears away from the truth</u>, and be turned aside to fables. ⁵ But you be <u>watchful in all things</u>, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, <u>fulfill your ministry</u>.</p>	<p>doesn't mean they are not there. Truth matters regardless of online, offline, indoor, or outdoor services. Each of us is looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, for the joy, desiring to be called at the end of life as "Good and Faithful Servant." And future generations would be nourished through the same Word on the published books, filed in US Congress library in the same & one Spirit. Now all other local churches sheep are the one united body of Christ unless they are not against the sound doctrine of Christ. So, on 2022 Christmas day, we as Christians are looking unto Jesus by loving the least one - - about 4 billion people literally struggling for daily food at less than \$6 per day and the over 5 billion lost sheep more than double of saved the over 2 billion sheep; Finally, how about His Counsel of each of us individually on 2022 Christmas Season? (Open Question – See my heart! e.g., God counsels me individually to keep on simply teaching every word of God wherever and whenever the Spirit leads) <i>Heb 12:2; Eph 1:22-23; Mat 25:40⁵</i>)</p>
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Note: Most Christians say the Bible is important, but rarely study every word in the Bible and commit it to the Lord. So, it's better to study it and live accordingly after the Spirit for the Lord (2 Tim 2:15). This online word for global crusade in effect develops from the expositional sermon (KJV), into spiritual transformation in daily love fellowship with the Lord throughout the Bible Study (NKJV) -- *All Scripture Expository Study from verse by verse Inductive Studies* -- of which application is the Discipleship and Spiritual Formation, closer to the image of Christ. We think that "Any human opinion is not really important rather than what God says. So, the best commentary on the Bible is the Bible per se. But the opinion to make us understand God's Word is acceptable (2 Corinthians 10:5)." Further, for the application, a life or spiritual experience might be helpful to understand how to apply an understood word in the text column, but it is temperately used like Paul, because nobody should think above that actual experience (2 Cor 12:6, Jeremiah 23:28).

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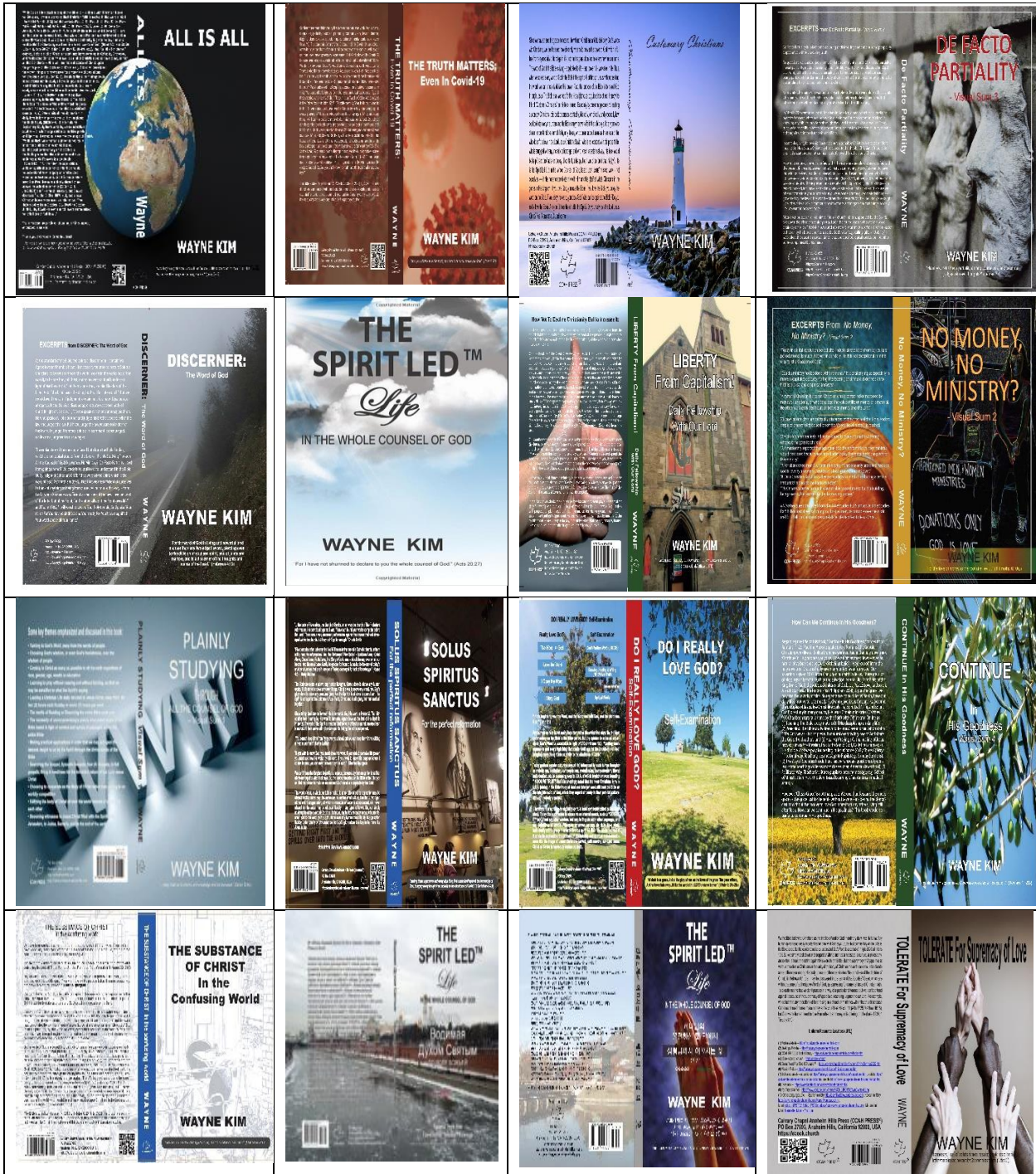


Thank you everybody. Come to Jesus!

⁵ *Heb 12:2* "looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God; *Eph 1:22-23* And He put all *things* under His feet, and gave Him *to be* head over all *things* to the church, ²³ which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all; *Matthew 25:40* And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did *it* to one of the least of these My brethren, you did *it* to Me.

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“How sweet are Your words to my taste, Sweeter than honey to my mouth!” (Psalm 119:103).



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Pray for Calvary Chapel Missions Conference 2023

OPEN DOOR (January 4-7, 2023)

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“I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, have kept My word, and have not denied My name” (Rev 3:8).

Dear Friends,

I would like to invite you to the 2023 Calvary Chapel Missions Conference on the campus of Calvary Chapel Costa Mesa.

This year, things will look a little different, as we will be kicking off the conference on Wednesday afternoon, January 4, and concluding on Saturday afternoon, January 7.

Our theme is an Open Door, taken from the letter of Jesus to the church in ancient Philadelphia. To them he said, “Behold I set before you an open door that no one can shut.” As we look around at our troubled world, we see the devastation of war, the psychological effects of a worldwide pandemic, political unrest, economic instability, and a whole set of other things that have unsettled the lives of many. This unsettling has sadly led to much anxiety, but it has also produced a new openness to spiritual things in people all over the world.

We have been hearing story after story of how God is at work in places that we would never have dreamed of just a short time ago. It seems the Lord is truly opening doors no one can shut. Once again, we will gather with this threefold purpose:

- Strengthening those who are presently doing the work in fields far and wide,
- Encouraging supporters who remain at home to continue their support, and
- Inspiring a new generation of men and women who will, in faith, step through the doors the Lord has opened.

Looking forward to all the Lord will do among us as we gather to seek his will and wisdom for the days ahead.

Blessings,
Brian Brodersen
Senior Pastor, Calvary Chapel Costa Mesa.

Pray for Pastoral Training of Asia (PTA) and its missionaries.



Pastoral Training of Asia

Ministering to Ministers

Dear Calvary Pastor,

December 2022

TEARS HELD BACK Speaking at March of Faith Church was deeply difficult as Pastor Robinhood had gone to heaven due to covid. We have been friends for over 35 years. When I saw his widow, it was incredibly difficult to control my emotions. Very similar was the situation when I spoke at Calvary Chapel, as our close friend and Board member Sol is in heaven, his son and grandkids sat in the front row. We visited and prayed with Betty his widow. On top of this was the death of a beloved grandson of a friend. This all seemed to come together as I sat during worship. Then to add to the emotional tempest, the brother leading worship shared a stirring testimony with tears. I prayed for strength and asked Shonda to pray for me. With God's help I was able to preach without falling apart.

LEADERSHIP SEMINAR Great response as pastors and church board members enjoyed topics such as Administration, Church budgets, Managing Church Conflicts and Getting and Keeping Volunteers. Attorney Ben Lim, board member and friend shared in the teaching. The venue was our very own PTA Mission Center roof deck, nice, comfortable, and breezy. Excellent feedback.



PHILIPPINES: NENE LOVES THE PEOPLE! Nene came to live with us when she was 13. We had her mom, who worked for us, and her 3 sisters lived in the Mission compound. Her Mom was a widow and extremely poor from the mountains near Mt. Canlaon (a smoking volcano). The girls went to school and helped after school. We put 3 of them through college. Nene worked for World Vision for many years, and when they relocated, she started working for Social Services. She helps the poor in the remote mountains travelling hours every day on rough roads, many of the areas are homes of the communist rebels. God has blessed Nene with a heart for the hurting. Lord bless her! Pray for Nene!



Nene never married, sacrificing as she worked to support her nieces and extended family

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3 WEEKS IN INDIA, 3 WEEKS IN PHILIPPINES NO SICKNESS COME BACK TO L.A. AND GET COVID!!

That's right healthy as can be, come through LAX and got covid! Welcome Home! First time to get the virus, this is not a regular flu but an engineered evil intentionally released on the entire world. One good thing this points to is, **Jesus is coming back soon!!!**

50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE! A couple of happy Jesus People. We were so happy we didn't even know we were poor. We both fellowshiped at Calvary Chapel of Costa Mesa starting in 1969. For Shonda, losing her eyesight has been and still is a painful trial yet it has brought us closer together as we lean on Jesus.



50 YEARS OF MINISTRY I started as the Youth Pastor at the Evangelical Free Church in Laguna Hills, CA. Shonda and I had the first baby in the nursery, little Rebecca. Our youth group grew to about 50 kids and we went witnessing in Laguna Beach every Saturday. God richly blessed and much fruit remained.

MISSION PROJECT: NEW COLOR PRESS!!! It has been 5 years with our newest printing press. It is only a one-color press and our most popular tract is a color tract. Each side takes 4 times though the press which slows down production (only 16,000 tracts in 2 weeks). Our tracts are in demand and people are getting saved from them. We are asking you to Pray that we might get a new 4 Color Press. This would be a major upgrade and we could be more efficient with time and product which would allow us to meet the demand. The cost \$160,000. This would be our 5th and best offset printing press that we could use to win countless souls to the Kingdom of heaven. **Please Pray and Give!**

JANUARY/FEBRUARY TO THE PHILIPPINES AND THE THAI/BURMA BORDER. We are excited and blessed to look forward to this trip. Incredibly the Philippines has lightened up the extremely difficult covid rules. We were hoping to go into Burma, but our friends there advised against it as the situation under the military takeover is not good. **Please pray** for Burma and God's blessing, provision, and protection.

PLEASE PRAY AND SUPPORT Indeed these are the last days, yet so many have not even heard once about Jesus. We need your help, please consider PTA, we would be most grateful.

BRING A SHORT-TERM TEAM TO THE PHILIPPINES! We have great contacts and a nice place to stay. Email us for information. People's hearts are very open.

Your Calvary Chapel missionaries for Asia,

Jim & Shonda Davis

Jim & Shonda

Pray for our PTA Missionaries

