



TESTIMONY CORNER

We are doing a NEW THING!!! This space is now our Testimony Corner. It is good to testify of the great things God has done for us. When we hear what the Lord has done for others, it helps build our faith knowing that God can do the same for us. Psalms 105 says, "Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples! Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell of all His wondrous works!"

Here are some key elements for a strong testimony:

- 1.) Keep it relatable
- 2.) Be specific
- 3.) Be concise

We would love to hear from you. If you want to share what the Lord has done for you, please submit your testimony for approval to our office email at: atmoffice@atmintl.org



THRIVE YOUTH CORNER

Thrive Youth had an amazing start to the new year! The youth had their annual winter camp alongside a couple of other ATM churches. Camp was a powerful time for students to focus on the Lord and step away from the distractions of day-to-day life. The theme of winter camp was establishing Christian values and building on them. We had very powerful nights of worship, the main message, and ministry times! It was a great time of fellowship and breakthrough for the students! As we look ahead to February, the youth will be going through apologetics, which is defending the faith and learning how to combat arguments from other beliefs. They will also be applying what they learn! Some upcoming events for Thrive Youth are: February 8th, the Super Bowl party, and February 22nd, going to Mad River Mountain for tubing! Thank you for your continued support and prayers for Thrive Youth!

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Just a reminder that during the colder months you may want to bring a sweater or jacket to wear in the sanctuary. We purposely do not heat the room up to a comfortable warm temperature because once worship begins, it warms up quickly. If we heated it before hand we would have to run the AC in the winter! Thank you for taking this into consideration.



**THRIVE Youth Outing
Mad River Mountain Tubing
February 22**

Mark your calendars for this fun event! The cost is \$50 per person which includes food and entry fee.

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Jim Tegelhutter

March 19 - 20, 9am - 4 pm

Join us for this 2 day dynamic seminar on prayer focusing on the biblical foundations of revival, the role of prayer in birthing spiritual renewal, and the believer's call to intercession. Jim has been in full time ministry for over 40 years and has a passion to see the kingdom come with signs, wonders, and miracles, and to see souls saved, healed, and delivered for the glory of God.

March 22, 10 am

Jim will also be ministering as our guest speaker on Sunday morning. Mark your calendars so you will not miss this special service. Be sure to invite your friends and family!

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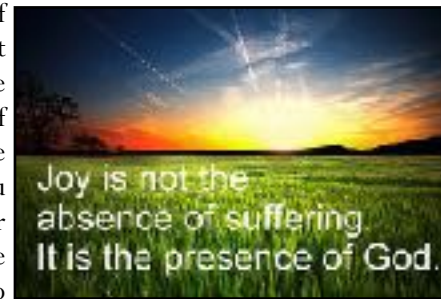
We are a satellite location for Vision Christian Bible College and offer courses for anyone interested in working toward either an associate's, bachelor's, or master's degree, or you may also audit the classes. Upcoming classes for March are *Leadership 101* and a 2 day prayer seminar with Jim Tegelhutter. Use the QR code above to access the website for more information or to sign up.

THE JOY OF SERVING

Levi Dahlke

As believers, it's important to know what is included in our inheritance as children of the Lord. One piece of that inheritance is experiencing and walking in His joy! I believe one way we receive and walk in this joy is by surrendering to the Lord and allowing Him to do through us what only He can do—transform us and cause us to both will and work according to His good pleasure. Our love for Him is the fuel of our obedience and service, and it positions us to be overtaken by His joy, because wherever the presence of the Lord is, there is fullness of joy (Ps. 16:11; 1 Chronicles 16:27; John 14:23).

So what should our service to the Lord look like? Philippians 2:1-8 gives us the answer. We must empty ourselves, take on the form of a servant, humble ourselves, and become obedient. The first three principles can be summarized this way: it is "the resolute divesting of self-interest ready to live demands of free from the what you



In our Lord, some where to not overcomplicate it. Here is a profound commandment included in the general calling for all believers. Jesus instructs us in Matthew 22:34-40, that the greatest commandment is this, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment, and the second is like it: you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."

So let our focus be on Him, the author and finisher of our faith. May our love for Him ignite the flame of service and obedience to His will, and may His joy abide with us.

DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

Discipleship 2: February 15, 22, 8:00 - 9:15 AM

Discipleship 3: February 15, 22, 8:00 - 9:15 AM



LOOKING FOR LOOPHOLES

Pastor Doyle

The Pharisees and scribes were constantly trying to trip Jesus up by asking him questions. They used their religion to cloak themselves in self-righteousness and they hated Jesus for exposing their hypocrisy. In Matthew 15:1-9, Jesus exposed one of their "loopholes." Noah Webster, in his 1828 Dictionary, defines loophole as: 1), a small aperture in the bulk-head and other parts of a merchant ship, through which small arms are fired at an enemy. 2). A hole or aperture that gives a passage for escape; means of escape. The Pharisees had created a religious loophole that made them feel good and look good, but it was dead works and self-deceiving. God's word teaches us that parents should take care of their children, 1 Timothy 5:8. Scripture would also tell us that adult children should take care of their parents, 1 Timothy 5:4 & Ephesians 6:2-3.

Our beliefs lead to our attitudes and actions. The Pharisees would take something they had, money or fiscal possessions, and say that they had set it aside as an offering to God. Then they could say to their parents, "Whatever I have that would help you has been given to God." They invalidated the word of God for their own convenience. It was self-deception and spiritual blindness. Unfortunately, they deceived themselves with their "loophole" doctrine. One author tells the loophole story of a convict

sentenced to life in prison in Australia. The dreaded prison was located on an island with some of the worst of the worst. This convict turned on a fellow prisoner, with no provocation, beat him senseless and murdered him. When he was shipped back to the mainland to stand trial, he showed no sign of remorse. The judge inquired of his motive as to why he had committed this crime. The prisoner informed the judge that he

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was sick of life on the island, in this horrendous prison, and saw no reason to keep on living. "Yes, I understand all that; I can see why you might drown yourself in the ocean, but murder, why murder?", the judge inquired. The prisoner explained that he had been taught that if he committed suicide, he would go straight to hell. He certainly did not want to go there. "But if I murder, I can come back here to Sydney and confess to a priest before my execution. That way, God will forgive me." This individual thought that he had found a way to avoid hell and go to heaven. Unfortunately, sadly, he had been deceived by the teachings of others who presented a "gospel" with a loophole that is inconsistent with Scripture. We are living in days of much deception; make sure no one deceives you. Mark 13:5, "See to it that no one misleads you."