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NEW HORIZONS

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FROM THE BISHOP'S DESK: Is our "Routine" too "Routine"?



As we return in September and October to our church services, community activities and everyday *routines*, let our *routines* not be "routine." *Routine* synonyms include "regular, mundane, average, dull, monotonous, tedious, repetitive, humdrum, predictable, usual, habitual, standard, normal."

Well, doesn't "routine" sound exciting? NO, not at all. It sounds like something we do because we are required to or something we do out of habit or something that is boring.

The "routine" in our lives should include the joy of sharing our stories, telling our testimonies, and giving the gospel to our family, friends and neighbors.

The "routine" in our lives should include exciting church services, fervent prayer time, meaningful praise and worship, cheerfully giving tithes and offerings, serving our neighbors, loving each other and heartfelt Bible reading and study.

The "routine" in our lives can be anything but "routine."

Experiencing God's power in a church service, feeling God's comfort in troubled times, watching as our family and friends grow in discipleship, sensing God's direction in our lives, singing with exuberance the hymns and praise music, shouting with a voice of triumph, having strength through God's joy and living an abundant life in Jesus Christ are anything but "routine," yet should be part of our "routine."

We say we want revival. The truth is we all need to be revived, reset, revitalized, renewed, reborn, rejuvenated, restored, relaunched and released. Our "routines" can truly become "routine" if don't we focus on Jesus, listen to the Holy Spirit and follow God's guidance in our everyday lives.

If we focus on the "stuff" and not Jesus, our efforts will become "routine." Yet, when we fill our "routines" with love, joy, peace, power, mercy, grace, praise, prayer, worship, evangelism and discipleship, we won't feel "routine" at all.

Let's return to our "routines" but in a very "UNroutine" way.

GO & TELL!

PERSPECTIVES FROM THE FIRST LADY: Major Moments - Strength



My heart was saddened when I learned that an acquaintance of mine had suffered a miscarriage. Grief entered into my heart as I reflected back to a time many years ago, long before I carried my sons to term to that terrible feeling of loss, hopelessness, despair, crushed dreams and an unnecessary nursery.

I remember like it was yesterday. Easter Weekend with a big Easter production to participate in and weekend commitments. Not wanting anyone to know my pain, I prayed for the Lord to give me the strength to do what I needed to do. He did and Monday I took some sick days and gave my body time to rest. The heart healing took many years.

As I reflect upon that time, I know one thing for sure....God always has a plan. I don't understand why he chose to have me walk through that but I know that I have had a sympathetic heart in ministering to others regarding miscarriages.

I am continually amazed at the way the Lord gives us His **strength**! Looking back on that Easter weekend, it is only through Him that I made it through. One thing I so appreciate about the Lord is that His **strength** is there for us in every situation life hands us!

Psalms 18: 1-2 declares, "*I love you, God-you make me strong. God is the bedrock under my feet, the castle in which I live, my rescuing knight. My God-the High crag where I run for dear life, hiding behind the boulders, safe in the granite hideout*" (The Message). Hold on to this timely word.

In today's challenging times, His **strength** is there for us in our everyday conversations, guiding our conducts and forever building our character as we focus on Him.

Stay Strong Sweet Ladies! - Michelle



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RUAH

School of Prophecy

Our Prophetic Conference in partnership with Ruah Ministries is September 10 & 11 featuring IPHC Missionary Matt Helland and NHM Arise in Prayer Directors Lael & Uli LeBlanc. Held at the beautiful Okmulgee Refuge Church with Pastor Rocky Ausbrook, this important spiritual time of studying and learning the ministry of the Prophetic and Prayer will be a wonderful time of refreshing and releasing our prophetic gifts for God's glory. Registration is \$25 and includes all sessions, Saturday lunch and Matt Helland's book.



Matt Helland

VISTA EMERGING LEADERSHIP COUNCIL - September 18

Our inaugural VISTA Emerging Leadership Council (ELC) will be September 18 at Tulsa SpiritLife Church. This training of individuals interested in Conference and Local Church leadership service will be 9 am – 3 pm. VISTA ELC is the Conference Executive Council prepared and the Conference approved leadership training program for NHM. Lunch will be provided. *“Equipping and Releasing Churches and Ministers into Divine Destiny.”*



For registration forms, visit nhmiphc.com/forms

NHM Minister & Spouse FALL RETREAT

Our Minister and Spouse Retreat is September 30, October 1 & 2 in Tulsa. Our hotel is the beautiful Homewood Suites. Our activities will include Thursday Opening Night Reception, 2 nights lodging & breakfasts, and on Friday, unlimited buffet & games at Incredible Pizza, a fun time for all. Cost is \$145 per couple and \$120 for an individual minister. NHM Churches are encouraged to send their pastors to this retreat and pay for the retreat as part of their Pastor Appreciation. Hope to see you there.

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theGathering

Keynote Speaker:
Bishop Randell O. Drake

GO & TELL



"It's time for theGathering. For 3 years, we have gathered together on 6 different nights in 6 locations to pray, praise, worship, preach, give and fellowship. Last year (2020), theGathering was done through video due to COVID restrictions and issues. This year we will gather together again. Praise the Lord!

GO & TELL!

Words we live. Words we believe. Words we share.

Last year, we Gathered to GO! This year, we will Gather to TELL!

Share our Stories. Give the Gospel. Tell our Testimonies.

Our families, friends, neighborhoods, communities, state, nation and world need to hear, need to know, need to experience the Gospel, the Good News, the salvation of Jesus Christ, the power of the Holy Spirit, the holiness of God the Father ... and it's the story we need to TELL!"

7 PM NIGHTLY



Monday, Oct. 4
Tulsa, OK
Centro Familiar
1330 S. 119th E. Ave.
Pastor Hilario Chacon



Thursday, Oct. 7
Licking, MO
First PHC
310 Walnut Ave.
Pastor Erin McConnell



Monday, Oct. 18
Wetumka, OK
Living Water
8108 E. Hwy 9
Pastor Brad Burton



Thursday, Oct. 21
Sulphur, OK
First PHC
1503 W. 12th
Pastor Lance Bonner



Monday, Oct. 25
Tahlequah, OK
Abundant Life
1330 N. Cedar St.
Pastor Jay Jones



Thursday, Oct. 28
Magazine, AR
Solid Rock
52 N. Watson St.
Pastor Charles Crawford

Global Outreach & Southwestern Christian University offerings will be received from Churches at each service.