

OUR JOURNEY WITH GOD

In 2007, I began preparing for a sermon on Daniel 5. As I did, God moved my thoughts to another subject and another passage. God made it so

plain to me to delay preaching on Daniel 5 and prepare the sermon, "God's Cure for Worry," from Philippians 4. So, I obeyed. I thought perhaps someone needed to hear the Philippian passage instead.

Then, on Tuesday, February 20, 2007, my wife, Viv, received the test results from her thyroid biopsy. As some of you have experienced, we heard words we did not want to hear: "Your tests came back indeterminant. You need to have your thyroid removed. It might be cancerous." And it was.

So, in February 2007, we began a journey holding God's hand and following God's lead, not knowing what would happen. We followed His guidance and trusted Him. By faith, we knew that God would be with us as we talked with the surgeon, as Viv had the surgery, and during her recovery. By faith, we knew that God would be us as we heard the results of future tests. As we took this journey, we asked others to pray for us, especially for Cameron and Katelyn, who were very young.

God answered many prayers. By His grace, Viv survived and has shared her story with others.

Early in my life, God blessed me with a sincere spiritual mentor, Dr. Curtis Erwin. He once read the following poem during one of his sermons. I copied it because God used that poem frequently to touch my heart during that journey and many times since that journey. The poem was written by A.M. Overton:

My Father's way may twist and turn, My heart may throb and ache, But in my soul, I'm glad I know, He maketh no mistake.

My cherished plans may go astray, My hopes may fade away, But still, I'll trust my Lord to lead, For He doth know the way.

Tho' night be dark and it may seem, That day will never break, I'll put my faith, my all in Him, He maketh no mistake.

There's so much now I cannot see, My eyesight's far too dim, But come what may, I'll simply trust, And leave it all to Him.

For by and by the mist will lift, And see quite plain He'll make, Through all the way, tho' dark to me, He made not one mistake.

I pray you sense His presence on whatever journey you are on now. If I can assist you or pray with you on your unique journey, please call the office.

In Christ,

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Upcoming Events &

Announcements:

Lab Recovery Team— If you feel God leading you to be apart of this ministry, please reach out to Silas Session at sjsession@yahoo.com

Pastor Prayer Meeting– Join us each Week at 9:00am for fellowship and prayer. Date will be emailed weekly.



New Fellowship Baptist Church's Pastor is Jack Dilbeck. He has served here for almost five years.

Pastors Highlight

New Beginning Baptist Church's Pastor is O.C. Jones, Sr. He has served here for over six years.







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