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Teen Topics

Special Edition



Be the Change. Change the world.

Twenty years before on the same floor, Wilberforce had brought his first motion to abolish the African slave trade in Great Britain and her colonies.

Though his speech was passionate, even compelling, he was voted down. The same outcome of that first year happened every year, for the next twenty years.

Every single year he brought forward the motion, and every year it was voted down. Commitments fell through. Friends backed out. Every year it seemed that something else was more important. But after twenty years of dedication, hard work, and the fiercest of commitment, Wilberforce led the Commons to vote 283–16 in favor of abolishing the slave trade.



ROBERT BOOTH

As the vote was read aloud, the entire house erupted with cheers; Wilberforce sat and wept. William Wilberforce not only led the fight that eventually abolished the slave trade, he led a lifelong campaign that changed the culture of an entire country—and ultimately the world. Wilberforce did something about it! With God's help, He became the change.

Wilberforce's world is eerily similar to the world we live in today. Morality is on a major decline. Truth is under attack. Divorce rates are on the rise and teenage suicide is increasing. Teenagers and young adults are leaving their faith and the church in droves. Our cities are rampant with drug and alcohol problems. Crime is skyrocketing. We desperately need young Wilberforces to rise to the occasion and do something about it. In the age of tolerance, we need people to defend the truth.

I love the potential of this present generation. While some people think that this generation seems to be hopeless, I have to vehemently disagree.

I don't think we've ever seen a generation that has more possibility or promise. This is the generation that could change the world with God's leading.

Teenagers, be the change, change your world! 

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Marriage

Rev. Kenneth Eugene Walter and Patricia Evelyn Sheats were united in Marriage on April 7th, 2012 at the Milesburg God's Missionary Church. Congratulations

Important Dates

June 11–15
God's Missionary Youth Camp
Penns Creek, PA

June 29–July 8
Mount of Blessing Camp
Carroll, PA

June 29–July 8
Hanover Fellowship Camp
Hanover, PA

July 26
77th Annual God's Missionary Church Conference
Penns Creek, PA

July 27–August 6
Penns Creek Camp



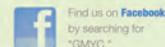
Congratulations to Dwight and Alicia Habecker on the birth of Avery Madison Habecker. Avery was born on October 21, 2011.



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Finding God's Will



There is a question that consistently rises to the top of the list from young people. This question might take on different forms and be asked in different ways but it basically boils down to this, “How can I know the will of God for my life?” I find it encouraging for this question to continually surface with young people because it is evident that many young people are interested in doing God’s will. There is no secret formula to answer this question, but there are some key points to help us along.

First of all, knowing God’s will is a possibility. The truth is, God has a will for every one of us and we can all know we are in the center of His will. In his letter to the Ephesian church, the apostle Paul writes “Be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.” There is the wonderful possibility for every believer to truly know the will of God, but How? How can we know the will of God?

By knowing Him – Knowing what God wants from you starts with a vibrant relationship with Him. Jesus’ disciples did not understand what He was talking about in John chapter fourteen when He was talking about leaving them to return to Heaven. They asked, “How can we know the way?” Jesus’ reply was this, “I am the way.” We can know His will by knowing Him. A right relationship with Jesus is where it all starts.

By sensing His peace – Along with the will of God will come a peace within the depths of our being. Someone has said that in finding the will of God, you need to follow the peace. There is nothing that can take the place of the deep, gentle assurance that comes along with knowing you are doing the will of God. This does not mean there will not be excitement, anxiety or nervousness. But the will of God is always accompanied by His sweet peace.

By following His provision – When God reveals His will to you He will open the

doors and provide the way for you. Believe it or not, He doesn’t need your help. All you have to do is follow Him through the doors through which He leads.

By knowing His word – God will never ask you to do something contrary to His word or to His character. Dating relationships, entertainment choices, career choices, marriage partner, your calling in life - it all needs to line up with God’s word. It is so very important that we have a clear understanding of the word of God so we can distinguish the will of God.

Second, seeking God’s will is our number one priority. In Matthew 6:33 Jesus said, “Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness.” Finding God’s will involves seeking. In my absentmindedness I misplace a lot of things; keys, tools, books, CDs, pens and other things that I am too absent minded to remember right now. In order to find those things I have to do one of two things: ask my wife where they are or start looking for them myself. Seeking involves personal effort. If you are expecting to just sit around and wait for the will of God to strike you like a lightning bolt, you will probably be waiting for a while.

How should we seek God?

We seek through prayer. In seeking direction for God’s will, the first step should be in the place of prayer. It is in the place of prayer that our souls become tuned in with heaven. It is in those quiet times alone with God that we are able to hear His voice and sense His presence.

There are some specific ways we should pray: First, we should pray for direction. We should pray that God will make His way clear to us and that He will lead us. Second, we should pray for a passion. We should pray that God will give us a living, vibrant love and passion for what He wants us to do. Third, we should pray for peace. We need the assurance which we spoke of earlier and that is so important.

We seek through preparing. Until God reveals His specific will to you, go ahead and keep minding Him and serving Him the best way you can.

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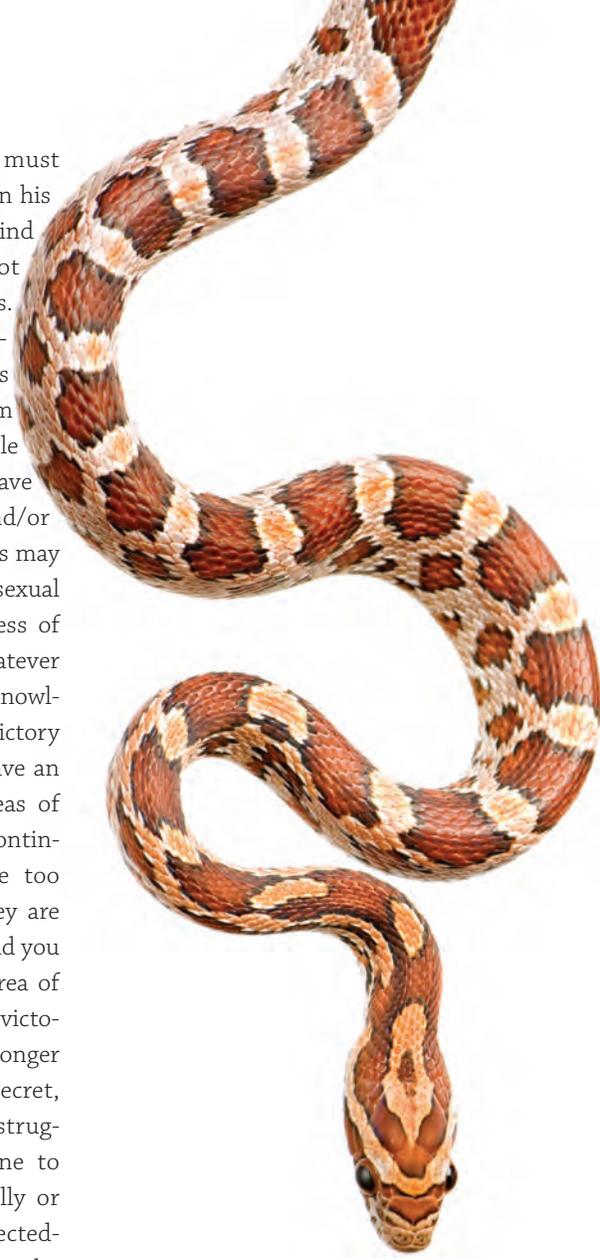
Snakes! I hate them. Even the non-poisonous ones send chills up and down my spine. How in the world people get their kicks and giggles from handling and taunting poisonous snakes I will never know, but apparently there are those who just think it's great. I have read articles, seen pictures and watched videos of these "daring" people. I've seen the snake charmer who has kissed the King Cobra, hood flared, on its mouth. I watched a man allow others to fill his sleeping bag full of timber rattlers. These people flirt with danger and death as if it were no big deal. I have also seen the large scars and damaged flesh because, at some point in time, their actions had disastrous consequences. The snake bit them. They were rushed to get medical attention. Anti-venom was a must. As the anti-venom took its effect, it spared their lives; but, as is often the case, the poison still left its mark.

In many ways, I have watched this same scenario be played over and over by people in sin. They play with it and see how dangerously close they can get to it. They surround themselves with it and unfortunately, many times get bitten by it. Playing with sin is dangerous. Sin is powerful and deadly. Romans 13:14 says that we are not to make any provision for the flesh. In other words, do not put oneself in places where it will be easy to be bitten by sin. Run from it. The old saying is still true today, "If one plays with fire, he will get burned".

How then can one live a Christ-centered, God-pleasing, victorious life in this present wicked world? I believe that there are a few answers to this question. First, a person must know that he is truly saved, forgiven from all his sins. A person cannot expect to be victorious over something from which he has not been delivered. Secondly, a person needs to be sanctified and fully surrendered to God's will. Victory will not be part of one's life if there is still something inside him that is not fully given to God. Thirdly, a person must pray every day and ask for God-given strength to live as a Christian should live. It is only through God's power and strength that one will be victorious in

a sin-filled world. Fourthly, one must acknowledge the areas of weakness in his own life. Too many people never find true victory because they will not admit they have areas of weakness. These areas are different for everybody. One's area of greatest weakness is the area where the devil fights him the hardest. Some might fight a battle in the area of music, others might have difficulties with DVDs, movies and/or other entertainments, and still others may struggle with areas of a sensual or sexual nature. Some may fight the weakness of laziness or lack of self-discipline. Whatever one's area of weakness, he must acknowledge it or else he will never have victory over it. Finally, a person needs to have an accountability partner for those areas of weakness. There are too many who continually face failure because they are too proud to admit their weakness. They are embarrassed to say to a friend, "Would you help me to be accountable in this area of weakness in my life?" How sad to see victory sacrificed because of pride. The longer people try to keep their weakness a secret, the more likely they are to fall. Why struggle alone? One should ask someone to check his iTunes account periodically or look into his internet history unexpectedly. If one struggles with devotions, he should ask someone to inquire regularly if he has been faithful in that area. Find an accountability partner and join together for victory's sake. Accountability is Biblical. Ecclesiasties 4:9-10 says, "Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labor. For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when he falleth; for he hath not another to help him up." We need each other.

Heaven and hell are real. Eternity is not something to take lightly. We must make it to Heaven! If that means swallowing one's pride and seeking help from a godly friend, pastor or saint, then by all means, do it. When one hears those words, "Well done, enter into Heaven", he will be glad he did. Don't flirt with sin's poison, run from it! ❏



Snakes in the Grass

Matt Ellison



Solomon Shaffer

Financial 4G for Teens

We all know what it is to hear older folks begin a sentence with the phrase “When I was a kid we had to...”. Then they go on to talk about how they ate corn meal mush 6 times a week, walked up hill to school both ways, milked the cows at 1:00am three times a day, etc. OK, so I might be exaggerating on some of those statements, but as young people, sometimes those stories sound far-fetched. Why? Because those days and times are foreign to us. We can’t identify with them because for the most part we’ve grown up in a society where teens and young adults are expected to be consumers not contributors. Teens are expected to spend their years gaming, socializing, playing sports, and pursuing all other kinds of pleasure.

But I believe that God has other plans for Christian young people. He expects us to work hard and then use the money he has given us in a way that benefits the Kingdom of God. While I’ve paid my share of “stupid tax” when it comes to money, I have found that some basic Biblical principles are key to financial survival. At this stage in your life your financial plan is pretty simple—I call it my “4G” plan for teens:

1. Get a Job

Making money does require an old fashioned concept: w-o-r-k. No, you really can’t make \$3,000 a month just by turning your computer into a cash machine like that internet advertisement said – forget that lazy nonsense. So guys, go get those mower blades sharpened! Go talk to that contractor in your church, shovel snow, get out to the farm. Ladies, babysit those neighbor/church kids. Clean those houses. Deliver those papers. You get the idea: look for work! As a teenager you have a responsibility to earn your own money - don’t you dare sit around with your hands out for free cash from your parents, grandparents or anybody else. If you do that now, when you’re forty life will find you sitting in a van down by the river eating a steady diet of government cheese! Make something of

yourself now, not later. Be a contributor. Get a job and work it with the integrity of a fine young Christian.

2. Give Your Tithes and Offerings

Once you start pulling in your own cash, you need realize something so that you’re not conquered by the love of money: it’s not your money. For real? For real! It’s God who gives us the ability to earn money, therefore all of our money is God’s. And the beautiful thing about God is that he’s generous with his money: He lets you keep 90%, and only requires 10% to be given to the general fund of your local church. Of course, once we’ve given the required 10% to the local church, then we are free to give offerings to special projects and other ministries. Establish the tithing/giving principle in your life and you’ll never regret it! I have found that when I give, God always supplies my needs, and sometimes adds extra just because He’s so good.

3. Grow Your Cash

Save God’s money! Teens of both genders are tempted to buy every latest game/gadget that comes to market (not to mention nice cars, rifles, rods, purses, shoes—you get the picture.)

While most teens think these years are for blowing money, really they should be for saving. Soon you will leave your parents’ house and enter the real world. Upon entry into that world, you are going to be shocked at the fact that you have to actually pay money for things like water, electricity, garbage disposal, toothpaste, deodorant, and a million other ridiculous things you never thought of because they were just always there. It’s not too early to begin saving for major living expenses which you undoubtedly will incur in the coming years. Driving the \$2,000 beater might not seem all that smart right now, but when you write a check to pay for Bible school, or you pay off your first house 10 years early, the sacrifice will suddenly seem worth it. Grow your cash.

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With over 150 million Twitter users, 170 million people using Google+, Facebook on track to have over 1 billion accounts by the end of the year, Pinterest having more than 11 million visitors a week and the recent news of Facebook buying Instagram for 1 billion dollars, social networking has taken the world by storm! According to statistics gathered at the end of 2011, more than 70% of web users in the U.S. are on Facebook and 73% of teens are on social networking sites.

Believe it or not the Book that spans the ages of time has four questions we should ask ourselves concerning the use of social networking...

1. How Does Social Networking Affect My Privacy?

"In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise."

—Proverbs 10:19

If you are not careful, your profile information, photos, status updates and comments could reveal too much. For example, they might reveal such things as where you live, when you are (and are not) at home, where you work, or where you go to school. Your address along with a brief post such as, "We leave for vacation tomorrow!" is enough to tell a thief where and when to strike.

Other details—for instance, your e-mail address, your date of birth, or your phone number—could leave you open to harassment, bullying, or identity theft. Yet, many people readily divulge such information on their social networking page.

People tend to forget that once they post something online, it is in the public domain. Even if they specify that their status updates are to be shared with "Friends Only," they have no control over what those friends might do with the information. Really, anything posted on a social network should be viewed as public or as material that can easily be made public.

What you can do.

Be thoroughly familiar with the privacy settings on your social network, and use

them. Restrict access to your status updates and photos to people you know and trust. Even then, realize that what you post can be made more public than you intend. Regularly review your page, and ask yourself whether anything you have revealed could be used by unscrupulous individuals to locate you or to steal your identity. Remember that God cares about your modesty even in the pictures you post on social networking sites. Even among your friends, do not post information that could violate your privacy or the privacy of another person. (Proverbs 11:13) If you have sensitive information to relate, use another form of communication.

A survey by Consumer Reports revealed that many social network users "take risks that can lead to burglaries, identity theft, and stalking. 15% had posted their current location or travel plans, 34% their full birth date, and 21% of those with children at home had posted those children's names and photos."

2. How Does Social Networking Affect My Relationships?

"He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed."

—Proverbs 13:20

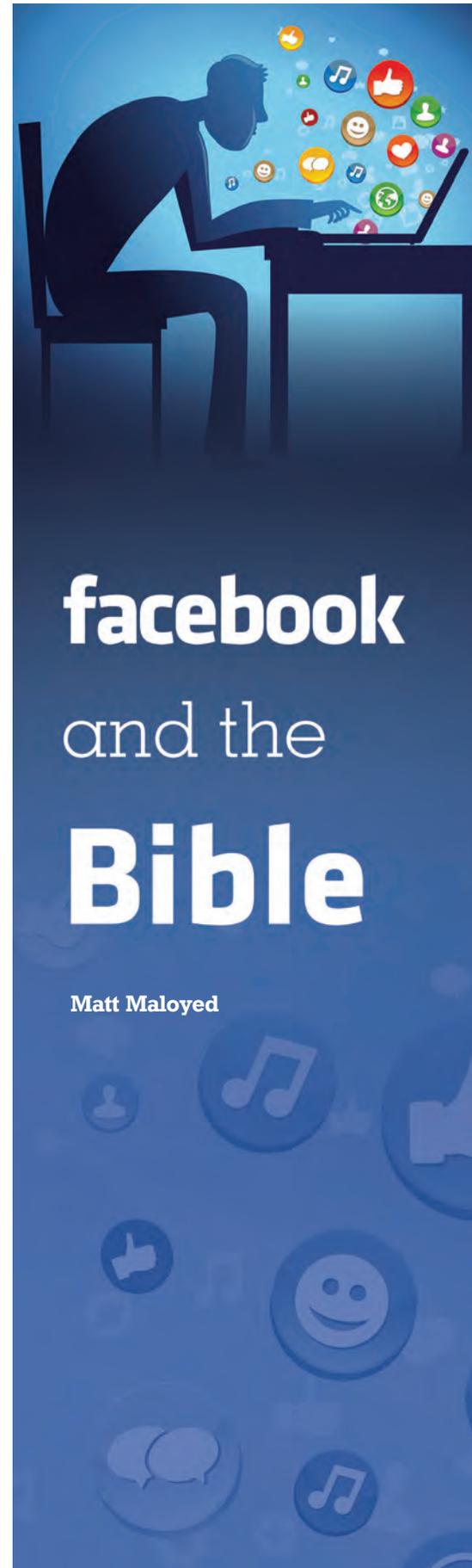
Your friendships influence how you think and act (1 Corinthians 15:33). So it only makes sense to be selective about whom you befriend on a social network. Some accept dozens or even hundreds of friend requests from people they hardly know—or do not know at all. Others discover that not all on their list of friends are good associates.

Dr. Gwenn Schurgin O'Keeffe writes in her book *Cyber Safe*: "The best guideline is to only friend people you know and have a connection with offline."

3. How Does Social Networking Affect My Reputation?

"A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold." —Proverbs 22:1

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facebook and the Bible

Matt Maloyed



CELEBRATION WEEKEND OF A FAITHFUL PASTOR

Rev. & Mrs. Barry Arnold

A PASTOR WITH A VISION FULFILLED

In the summer of 1977, with the Lebanon God's Missionary church in need of a pastor, God put a definite call on the heart of a young minister to move to 'This Lebanon'. Rev. & Mrs. Barry Arnold along with five young children moved into the parsonage and a new outreach into the community of Lebanon was about to begin.

With a passion for winning lost souls, Pastor Arnold filled his van every Sunday morning with children and it wasn't long until more room was needed. The parsonage was the Arnold's home, but also served as classrooms each Sunday morning including the garage in the basement. In 1985, the beginning of a new era of outreach began with at first one bus, and within a few years and yet today four buses going into the city and bringing children and adults to the Lebanon God's Missionary Church.

With the church growing, a new Sanctuary was built in 1990 followed with an education wing having twelve large classrooms and the most recent addition being the Family Life Center for special events, which has been a blessing to the church and the community.

Under the direction of Rev. Arnold, a Spanish outreach was started and today the ministry continues in the original sanctuary. In the year 2000 the Lebanon Gospel Center was given to Rev. Arnold and the Lebanon God's Missionary Church as another outreach to the city of Lebanon.

Rev. Arnold has worked tirelessly in seeing his vision for the Lebanon God's Missionary Church become a reality. 'To God be the Glory'. Today and into the future, heaven is richer as a result of the many souls who have found Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior.

Rev. Barry Arnold feels it is time to retire and change paces and courses in his

life. To show our appreciation to the Arnolds, for the 35 years of committed service to the Lebanon area, we plan to have a Celebration Weekend to reminisce, rejoice and reach toward the future. Concluding the weekend will be a Passing The Torch service to officially install the new pastor, Rev. Alan Walter. We believe the future is bright and there is much to be accomplished before Christ returns for His own. We want the absolute Best and God's richest blessing for Rev. & Mrs. Arnold as they continue to minister after his retirement from the pastorate.

You are welcome to join us, the church family, along with those who have served under the direction of Rev. Barry Arnold, at the Lebanon God's Missionary Church on Labor Day weekend for a full schedule of services as follows:

REMINISCING THE PAST

Friday, August 31, 2012
7:00 P.M.

REJOICING IN THE PRESENT

Saturday, September 1, 2012
4:00-7:30 P.M.

REACHING FOR THE FUTURE

Sunday, September 2, 2012
9:30 A.M.

PASSING THE TORCH

Sunday, September 2, 2012
2:30 A.M.

RSVP if you plan to attend on Sunday, September 2, since lunch will be provided in the Family Life Center (717-273-3690) or weekendcelebration@gmail.com 📧

And I will give
you pastors
according to
mine heart,
which shall
feed you with
knowledge and
understanding.

JEREMIAH 3:15

What you post on a social network carves out a reputation for you that may be difficult to erase. (Proverbs 20:11; Matthew 7:17) Many seem oblivious to the potential danger. Too often it seems that when people go on a social network, they lose their sense of reason. They say things that they normally wouldn't say and post pictures of themselves that are displeasing to God. They don't realize that with one distasteful post, their good reputation can be ruined. Damaging your reputation on a social network can have long-range consequences. There are thousands of social network site users that have lost their jobs or been turned down for new jobs because of what they posted online.

Look at your social network page and try to see it the way others would see it. Ask yourself these questions: "Is this how I really want to be viewed? If someone looked at my posted photos and had to describe my character as they perceived it, what terms would likely come to that person's mind? "Flirty"? "Promiscuous"? "Party animal"? If so, is that the way I want to be seen when I apply for a job, for example, and my prospective employer looks at my page? Do these pictures really represent the values I stand for?"

If you are a young person, ask yourself: "What if my parents, a teacher, or an adult whom I look up to viewed my page? Would I be embarrassed at what they could see and read?"

MOST IMPORTANTLY, ask yourself: "What does God think of my page?"

When it comes to your reputation, remember the words of the apostle Paul: "For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." —Galatians 6:7

4. How Does Social Networking Affect My Time?

"That ye may approve things that are excellent." —Philippians 1:10

Social networking can become a tool that Satan uses to rob you spiritually. It can consume your time and distract you from

vital activities and the most important thing in life—your relationship with God. The more contacts you have, the more time you will spend social networking and the more addictive it can be. Satan can get you so involved in the virtual world that you lose track of your own spiritual condition. You can easily spend more time social networking than you spend time with God, spending more time on Facebook than in The Book. Social Networking can become an idol, taking God's rightful place as number one in your life.

Time is a commodity that you cannot afford to waste. So why not set a budget for it, just as you would for your money? First, write down an amount of time that you feel would be reasonable to spend networking. Then track yourself for a month, and see how well you kept your resolve. Make adjustments where needed. If you are a parent and your adolescents are spending excessive time with social networking, try to discern if there are any underlying issues. For example, in her book *Cyber-Safe Kids, Cyber-Savvy Teens*, Nancy E. Willard points out that overuse of social networking may be linked to anxiety, stress, and low self-esteem. "Many teens are highly concerned about their social status," she writes. "If teens measure their social worth based on the level of electronic communication activity with friends, this can fuel addiction."

Never let social networking—or any online activity, for that matter—interfere with the friendships you should be cultivating within your own household. "One of the ironies of the Internet," writes Don Tapscott in his book *Grown Up Digital*, "is that while it makes staying in touch easier when family members are physically apart, it can also keep them apart when they're at home."

Social networking is a great way to stay in touch with people. But you just have to know when to shut it down. God time should exceed social networking time. ❑

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 2 <http://thenextweb.com/google/2012/04/11/now-with-170-million-users-google-gets-a-complete-redesign/>
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 5 <http://www.digitalbuzzblog.com/facebook-statistics-stats-facts-2011/>
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4. Go to Bible School

Don't get so caught up in working and making money that you forget the single most important thing in your life right now: allowing God to reveal his plan for you. I firmly believe that every high-school graduate needs to spend at least one, if not two, years at Bible College. Not only are the classes great and God gets a chance to direct your life, but it's a semi-controlled environment allowing you to spread your wings before your release into society. In Bible College, you learn life lessons which you will never forget. I truly believe that your future is dramatically enhanced by saving and paying for as much of your own Bible College education as possible and then allowing God to shape and mold you before you strike out on your own.

That wraps up my "4g" plan: Get. Give. Grow. Go. God expects us to be wise stewards of His money. And stewardship doesn't start when we are 21, 25, or 30. It starts right now. ❑

continued from **page 4** will is a personal obligation. I have found that God is always faithful. Even though it is not always easy to distinguish God's will, He will be faithful to reveal His will to us. When He does, it is then our obligation to follow. We must be willing to submit ourselves to the will of God. Do not settle for anything less than the perfect will of God. Seek it. Find it. Do it. ❑

 travel notes from the
 president

January 16: Rachel and I traveled to Brandon, FL and made a quick stop at Lazy Days RV Sales where we were shown through several travel trailers. We found one that seemed to fit our needs and hopefully our budget. We made an offer and left the rest to the salesman and the Lord.

There was deep concern about the upcoming camp meeting, knowing that at best, we would only have one dorm ready to pass inspection and no guarantee that we would be able to use our cooking facilities due to fire code regulations. Reports were coming that several of the regular people would not be coming this year due to lack of rooms. The Ogg Brothers from Bethel Holiness Church in Sebring, FL and their construction crew were busy doing an excellent job of installing a fire escape and hurricane-proof windows in each dorm room. We prepared rooms for Rev. & Mrs. John Walter Sr. and John Walter Jr.—our 2012 camp cooks who arrived just after midnight.

January 19: The opening day of camp meeting. Meacham's RV rentals were real good to work with and gave excellent prices so that some of the people had nice RVs to stay in. Others borrowed or bought campers and some stayed in nearby hotels. Thank you to our dear friends from the Kissimmee church for bringing a trailer for one of our evangelists and a motor home for their pastor. At 4:00 pm the fire code inspector gave permission to use all camp buildings, including the dorm torn up and under construction! Thank the Lord! It meant a lot of cleaning and moving furniture, but we were able to give rooms to all who needed one.

January 20: Lazy Days RV Sales delivered a used, but nice camper trailer—our "new Florida home." We moved things quickly out of the little room where we were staying to make space for others. Thank you to John and Cheryl Gandee for making us feel so welcome these past several years during Sun City Camp Meeting and Florida District Conference.

January 29: This was the closing day of a wonderful camp meeting with Noel Scott and David Fulton as evangelists. Mary Braun and Penny Ford were the singers and children's workers. Thank the Lord for miracles during this little camp meeting and for the spiritual help that people received, also that the pressing financial needs were met. The last Sunday was record attendance.

February 2: We traveled on to Hobe Sound, Florida. After dropping off our luggage, we went on to the Ft. Lauderdale airport to pick up our granddaughter, Jennifer and son, Jim who was serving as one of the evangelists. Rev. Chris Cravens did an excellent job preaching in the opening service, even though suffering physically. We also enjoyed the singing of the Glick family.

February 4: We were saddened to hear of the death of one of our ministers, Rev. Gonzolo Palacios. After the evening service, Dr. & Mrs. Knapp invited us to their lovely Florida home for a lunch.

February 6: As we were on our way home traveling through North Carolina, we learned that the funeral of Eugene Richardson, grandfather of Daniel Richardson, would be in the afternoon at Harkers Island. We changed our course so that we could attend, and spent the night with Rachel's dad and step-mother, Harold and Frances Will.

February 12: I preached at the Beavertown church. Pastors Plank, Stratton and Maloyed are doing a great job.

February 13-15: It was so refreshing to spend these two and a half days with our ministers and wives at the annual God's Missionary Ministerial at Camp Hebron near Halifax, PA. Rev. & Mrs. John Case gave us wonderful instruction along with other speakers. We learned some interesting facts about a few of our ministers who gave a short version of their life story.

February 16: I attended a World Missions board meeting, General Board Meeting and a meeting with the Ways and Means Committee. In the evening, we helped paint and glue carpet in the new Beavertown church.

February 18: I made a visit to little Janna Hobelman in the Geisinger Hospital and visited Rev. & Mrs. Warren Major. Sr. Dorothy Major was recovering from injuries received in a recent fall.

February 22: Rachel and I made a trip to Geisinger Hospital to visit Matthew Hicks who recently suffered a stroke, Janna and Chloe Hobelman who were in the hospital due to complication from the Cystic Fibrosis and Rev. Leroy Adams recovering from heart surgery.

February 25 & 26: I spoke at a Game Dinner in the Grange Hall near Marshall, MI hosted by Rev. John Gilley and the men of Fredonia Holiness Church. We ate things like turtle soup, goose chili and moose spaghetti. Our grandson, Jamison came with us since he was part of my hunting story. I preached the next day in the Sunday services at the church, and was honored to have several visitors in attendance including the local game warden and his family. The sanctuary was very full. This congregation is looking forward to getting into their new beautiful church now being built.

March 3: We were on our way to attend the funeral for Ruth Weaver, but the road was closed. After trying several roads and getting lost, we decided to go on to our next appointment. We have fond memories of the Weavers and their love for the Florida District.



HARRY PLANK

March 4: It was great to visit the Sunbury church and also the home of Pastor Jacob Martin and family.

Thanks also to Assistant Pastor Keith Bunch and Youth Pastor Ryan Martin for helping to spread the light of holiness in this city.

March 5: Jacob Martin and I made a trip to Chambersburg to check on a potential church property. We are look-

ing forward to the day when this congregation does not have to share a building with others.

March 6: At 9:00 A.M. I attended a meeting at Penn View with Dr. Tony Buchanan working towards the ABHE accreditation. In the afternoon, we traveled to Lebanon where we attended the Bus and Outreach Convention for the next two days.

March 9: We attended a General Youth Rally in the Straub Memorial Tabernacle in Penns Creek where Rev. Randy Loper preached a wonderful message.

March 11: We enjoyed being with Rev. & Mrs. Ken Gordon and the Bloserveville church family in the morning and Pastors Matt Ellison and Stephen Miller in the evening at the New Columbia church. Both pastors fed us way too well in their home after the services.

March 17: I attended the viewing of Esther Mowery, mother of Penn View's missions director, Steve Mowery.

March 18: I preached at the Duncannon church in the morning where Pastors Jeremy and Brian Fuller work hard to minister to this community. The ladies of the congregation provided a lovely meal to all who attended this 10-year anniversary service. This church is blessed with lots of little ones. What great potential. In the afternoon, we were privileged to hear the beautiful music, singing and testimony of David Duval at the Gratz Emmanuel Wesleyan Church where pastors Daniel Durkee and Nathaniel Mowery minister.

March 25: This Sunday morning found us with the Pillow congregation. Thank you to Arlene and Dale Gessner who have been faithful to provide meals over the years for visiting ministers and Sunday dinners to their bachelor pastor Aaron Dorman. In the evening, we were at the Lewistown church with pastors Darvin Donahey and Joel Sickler.

April 7: We attended the wedding of Kenneth Walter to Patricia Sheats at the Milesburg church.

April 1-8: We were honored to have my mother, Hazel Plank, and Rachel's parents, Harold and Frances Will, along with Mark Lewis in our home for part of the week so that they could attend the dedication of the new church at Beavertown. Starting in the old church on Palm Sunday after Sunday School, the congregation formed a parade to the new church, led by the large pulpit Bible, flags, the band and three antique cars. Dedication week brought many special singers, preachers, choirs and lots of visitors from near and far, concluding on Easter Sunday with the Lebanon Valley Gospel Band. 📖



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