

“Restore in 2024”



FROM THE DESK OF:

GERALD B. COLLINGSWORTH, PASTOR



*Our pastor,
Gerald B.
Collingsworth,
at 17 years old*

Military, Mothers and Memorial

In 1969, your pastor had the honor of being a member of Charlie, 3-2. In layman's terms, I was in Charlie company, of the third battalion, of the second brigade, of the fifth army.

During the month of May, there are two days that we observe that bring both pleasant and painful memories to me. One is Mother's Day. While thinking of my Mother, I always begin to think of her care for me when I was sick and how many grey hairs I placed upon her head when forgetting how sweet she was to me. The other is Memorial Day. A day that I remember my brother, who gave his life for his country on May 30, 1966. He was just a teenager.

We have such a rich military heritage in this country because we have fought so many wars. Once again we see pleasant memories of victory and courage, and, yet, the sacrifice of pain and suffering.

Paul the Apostle compared the Christian life as that of being a soldier. Notice *II Timothy 2:3, "Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ."*

What are some of the comparisons between the military and being a soldier for Jesus Christ?

FIRST: THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SERVICE.

JOHN 1:12

1. You must be part of the military.

The military does not allow you to just walk on a base and start shooting people. They also do not hand out Generals' stars to someone who has not joined the military. Just as you must join the military to be part of it, you must join Christ to be part of His army. You must receive Him as your personal Saviour.

2. You must take the basic training.

Basic training is to develop a disciplined soldier who is qualified because of physical conditioning and one who has become skilled in the fundamentals of soldiery and weaponry.

When a person receives Christ they need basic training. They need to understand the fundamentals of their faith. They are on milk, not meat. (I Peter 2:2)

3. You must take Advanced Individual Training.

Known as A.I.T. every soldier now is required to train for a special job, and is usually cross-trained. In other words, an expert rifleman also trained in Heavy Equipment. Some soldiers may be experts at hand-to-hand combat, yet trained to be a cook for their men.

Christians also must realize that though they may be pastors, deacons, Sunday-school teachers, God may also want them to drive a church bus, sing in the choir, or mow the church lawn. (II Timothy 2:15) (II Peter 3:18) "Study and Grow" could also be "Learn and Advance".

4. You must be stationed where you are needed.

It would be a waste to receive all that training and not use it. As Christians, we need to find our purpose in life.

SECOND: THE RULES TO KEEP.

JAMES 1:22

1. You had to wear the uniform that identified your branch of service.

Example: Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force.

But more than that, on your uniform itself was revealed which particular outfit you were with and

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Make Room!



John R. Rice

Reader, have you no room for Jesus? Have you crowded Him out of your heart? Have you no time to serve Him, no time for His Word, no time to pray?

Poor, lost sinner, is not your heart convicted of your terrible sin in crowding Christ out? Will you go to Hell because you have no room in your heart for the Son of God?

Will you spend eternity in torment because pleasure or will or sin in any form bars the door of your heart against Jesus? Oh! Let Him in! Let Him in today! Christ brings sweet peace. You can never have peace without Him, He brings salvation, but **“there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.”** Christ gives everlasting life, but He that believeth not is condemned already.

Most of the world has no room for Jesus. But those few that received Him, how happy they were and how blessed!

“He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.”—John 1:11,12.

Receive Him today! By faith take Him as yours. Open your heart and with tender love take Jesus in. You will never have real happiness without Him. But if you have Him you can laugh at poverty, you can rejoice in adversity, you can look death in the face unafraid. If you have Jesus, you have all that God can give a poor, rebellious race! Take Him today.

No room, no room for Jesus

Oh, give Him welcome free,

Lest you should hear at Heaven’s gate,

There is no room for thee.

Make a Decision Today to Include Jesus.

If you will today make room for Jesus in your heart, take Him as your Saviour, trust Him to forgive you, claim Him now openly once and for all as your Lord and your Saviour, then write me today. Can you honestly sign this, copy it, and send it?

Date: _____

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye!



Heritage Baptist Academy
Commencement
Sunday,
June 9th, 7:00 PM

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**“I WAS WALKING IN
THE PARK AND THIS
GUY WAVED AT ME.
THEN HE SAID,
“SORRY, I THOUGHT
YOU WERE SOMEONE
ELSE.” I SAID, “I AM.”**

**Ladies 2024 Retreat
Friday August 16th 7:00PM
All ladies are invited.
Special Speaker:
Mrs. Tracie Burns**



Contending With Rebels

Jude 11

In verse 11 Jude continues, **“...and perished in the gainsaying of Core.”** What did Core do? He rebelled against authority. Good people do not rebel against authority or try to get you to rebel against authority. If somebody comes to your church to rebel against your pastor, confront them. Do not wait for your preacher to have to preach him out, pray him out, or kick him out. You get rid of him. Good people are not those who rebel against authority or who question soulwinning. Good people are not those who question what you are doing to keep people out of Hell and to build a church. That is not what good people do!



Dr. Tom Neal

These people rebelled against authority and against the That is what we have today. That is why I think we ought to make more out of the Bible. You see, one of the biggest criticisms that fundamentalist may get is that we believe in the King James Bible. Every time critics say something about that, I yell louder. You should yell louder too. Proclaim that you believe the King James Bible! Why? The reason is that there are people in their churches who are beginning to figure out why one preacher has a Bible and why their preacher does not know where one is. They look at the old-fashioned preacher, and they say, “He knows what he believes. I don’t know why he believes it, but I know he has something that he can stand on, and he knows what he believes.”

your special certification.

Example: 82nd, 101st, Combat Engineers, Machine Gunner, etc.

We Christians are to be uniformed also. We are to be easily identified by our dress standards, and our outfit. I'm an independent, fundamental Baptist, and I am just as proud of that as wearing the uniform for my country.

2. You were not to betray trust.

Illustration: Benedict Arnold was not the first traitor, but was in the same mind set as Judas Iscariot. By the way, you are not to fraternize with the enemy. That always leads to treason. Have you betrayed your allegiance?

3. You were not to be absent without leave.

A.W.O.L. was a court marshal offense unless there were reasonable circumstances. Question: When you are not in church, or when you decide to leave your church to go to another, who signed your pass?

Illustration: No one should make a life-changing decision without talking it over with their company commander, their pastor.

4. You were to follow lawful orders.

THIRD: THE REGRET OF IMPROPER CONDUCT.

MATTHEW 25:21

Judas Iscariot died in misery and regret. Benedict Arnold died in misery and regret. Why? Because you must live with your decisions.

By the way, Judas never was part of the Lord's army for he was never saved. He was a spy! He was in another army.

Illustration: The decision of George Armstrong Custer to attack against orders cost him all the lives of his command.

Illustration: When Lee decided to attack at Gettysburg, his best soldiers advised against it.

Conclusion: In the military, when everything is said and done, you either receive an honorable or dishonorable discharge. May I ask, when this life is over for you, will it be honorable? What will your memories be?

Prayer of Salvation

If you were to die today, are you 100% sure you would go to Heaven?

If not, would you be willing to pray this prayer with me?

"Dear Jesus, I'm asking you to come into my heart and forgive me of my sins. I'm trusting you, Jesus, as my Saviour. Thank you for saving me. Amen." (Romans 10:9 and 10:13)



Prayer of Service

"Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" (Acts 9:6)

Beauty And Charm

"I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well." Psalm 139:14



*Dr & Mrs.
Bob Gray*

The Bible says we will praise God because He has fearfully and wonderfully made us. You did not do a thing to make you look the way you look.

There is more to being charming than being pretty and dressing right. In a few years you are going to get wrinkles and have crows feet Your hair is going to turn gray or turn loose. (There are ladies who lose their hair, too!)

Don't rely on your hair, your outward beauty, or the shape of your figure; they won't be there one day. This doesn't mean that you shouldn't work on what you have now. It means there are some other things to be considered.

By way of introduction, let's cover a few of these things.

First of all, I want to assure you that I do know what it is like to be a teenager. I became a teenager a long time ago, in 1958. That was back when we wore poodle skirts, ponytails and white saddle oxfords. We rolled our socks down about six times and wore crinolines that stuck out like a hot air balloon. Remember? You stood them in the corner of your bedroom. I turned 13 in 1958, and thought that was the biggest deal in the whole world. I can remember what it was like to be 13. I can remember how excited I was, and how scared I was, too. Whenever I talk to teenagers or young people, I try to put myself in their place.

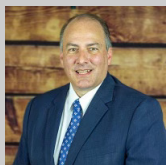
Many times young people think their parents don't understand them, their preacher doesn't understand them, and their teachers don't understand them. Young people think older folks don't know what it is like to be a teenager. Believe me, I do remember what it was like to be a teenager.

Something to “CROW” about!

1. Heritage Baptist Church had someone saved every week for 33 years.
2. Heritage Baptist Church has not closed our Sunday School, Sunday Morning, Sunday Night, or mid-week service in 33 years—including two years of COVID.
3. Heritage Baptist Church will be hosting the 10th Annual “Old-Time Religion” Conference on June 16th, 17th, and 18th, 2024.



4. Scheduled Meetings in 2024.



Dr. Greg Neal



Dr. Tom Neal



Joseph
Collingsworth



July 21st
Dr. Bob Gray

Old-Time Religion Conference—June 16th-18th

My Testimony

On April 9 of this year, Mrs. Collingsworth and Mrs. Berezne were giving testimony as to the importance of absolutely knowing you are saved. During the meeting I became convinced that I was not saved. I had been doubting my salvation for sometimes, but I did not want to tell my mom. After the meeting, Mrs. Berezne asked me if there was something wrong. I just started bawling and told her I was not sure I was saved. She then took me to the front of the car and led me to Christ. You see I wasn't saved before and deep down inside, I knew it. I just want to thank Jesus for saving me and having a caring mother, and teacher like Mrs. Collingsworth always reminding us that we need to be saved, and a special thanks to Mrs. Berezne who noticed my doubt and took time to show me the right way. *Lily Smith*

A TEENAGER TOLD HER FRIEND, "FOR THE PROM, I'M RENTING A LIMO, SPENDING \$500 ON A NEW DRESS AND HAVING A MAKEUP ARTIST DO MY HAIR."

*A TEACHER LISTENING NEARBY EXCLAIMED, "THAT'S MORE THAN I SPENT FOR MY WEDDING!"
THE GIRL REPLIED, "YEAH, YOU CAN DO THAT THREE OR FOUR TIMES, BUT A PROM IS A ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME EXPERIENCE."*



*Mrs. C with
Nathan Reilly
Collingsworth*

From our Pastor's Wife ... Mrs. Vida Collingsworth *Cherish The Moment*

"Cherish The Moment" is a beautiful song we often sing at baby dedications. No matter how often I hear the words, I am reminded to cherish the moments I have with my children. Babies grow too quickly into toddlers and teenagers and adults. We need to cherish the moments God has given us. But may I ask the children, teenagers and young adults: Are you cherishing the moments spent with your parents? How can you best do this?

1. Think on your parents. Think about the good things they do for you. (Feed you, clothe you, wash your clothes, worry about you...)
2. Realize the many responsibilities and burdens your parents may carry. Be an encourager to them by having a good spirit.
3. Find pleasure in the little things you do together.
4. Be openly thankful and loving each day.
5. Remember that no matter how old you are or how independent you may be, you always need your parents.
Realize that each day you have brings you closer to being apart. So cherish the moments you spend with Dad & Mom.

The Preserved Word

Psalm 12:6-7



Dr. Jack
Hyles

Somebody says, "Well, we have different kinds of churches. You have a soul-winning church, and we have a deeper-life church." In the first place, it's a lie. There's no life as deep as a soul-winning life. However, they say, "We just have different kinds of churches." No, we don't. We have a church, and you don't! Brother, the Bible is our charter to exist. If the Bible is not your final authority in practice and doctrine, then you are not a church. You might have the word "church" on the outside, but you are not a church.

Since the Word of God is our authority, —hear me carefully— we simply must have it. That's a profound statement. We've got to have it! I mean, shall we have an authority we can't find? Would God tell us His Word is the final authority and leave us without His Word? We must have a copy or we may as well join our Catholic friends and let the church

be the basis for truth. If we have no Word of God, and if the Bible is not the Word of God, then we have only three other alternatives. We've got to say the final authority will be the church, or human experience, or human reasoning.

I'm saying, if we have no Bible that is the Word of God, then we have no way to go to the Book for the final authority. If one word in this Bible is not true, we don't know which one it is; so, once again, the mind of man or experience or the church is going to have to decide which one is true and which one is not true. If we are going to believe that the Word of God is the final authority, we've got to have a copy of it.

Let me ask you a question. Would God call a man to preach His Word and not give it to him? God calls a man and says, "I'm calling you. Spend your life preaching the Gospel. Preach the Word!" So, wouldn't He give him a copy of His Word?

Spring Program—2024
March 24th to May 5th

HORSES

Food



Treasure Hunt

Wow!
Games



Fun



Competitions

*DRIVING DOWN THE HIGHWAY, I SAW THIS SLOGAN ON THE BACK OF A WELL KNOWN TRUCKING COMPANY'S VEHICLE:
"WE ALWAYS GO THE EXTRA MILE." IN THE GRIME BENEATH IT, SOMEONE HAD SCRAWLED, "THAT'S BECAUSE WE
MISSED THE LAST EXIT."*



Heritage Highlanders May 2024 Schedule

Saturday May 4
Your Testimony
Saturday May 11
Mothers' Day

Psalms 119:46
Proverbs 31:28

Saturday May 18
Soulwinning
Saturday May 25
Prayer

Mark 16:15
Psalms 54:2

The Iron Dome

Ezekiel 3, Daniel 2, Revelation 17



Dr. Bob Gray

In the end time when Jesus comes again, there will be a terrible battle. The forces of Russia and her allies will march upon little Israel. Russia will come with Egypt, Libya, Turkey, and Germany (Gomer in the Bible). The Western confederacy (possibly the United Nations), shall come and defend Israel on the mountains of Israel. China and Japan will come to join the battle, and there will be a great worldwide confrontation. The Bible says the west will win that war, and the Anti-Christ, the head of the confederacy, will put down Russia, China, Japan, Egypt, Turkey, Libya, and Germany.

A man of sin, the Anti-Christ, shall stand upon Mount Megiddo, and he will rule the entire world. He will look to the north and see no nations who can conquer him, for he will rule the north. He will look to the east and see no nations who can conquer him, for he will rule the east. He will look to the south and see no nations who can conquer him, for he will rule the south. He will look to the west and see no nations who can conquer him, for he will rule the west.

However, he forgets to look one place-up to Heaven. There is Jesus sitting on a white horse, with all the saints of God in white, riding white horses also. I will be there, and you will be there if you are saved. We will come back with Him. We will be in dress whites, not military fatigues, because there will be no battle for us to fight. Jesus will put down the Anti-Christ and defeat the confederacy.

Some food for thought ...or...

Seed From The Silo!

NEW YORK TIMES ADMITS THE TRUTH ABOUT COVID SCHOOL CLOSURES

The New York Times is admitting to the extensive, long-term damage of COVID-19 pandemic lockdowns on schoolchildren and their learning.

Four years after politicians shut down schools, the New York Times published a new analysis... admitting there is “broad acknowledgment among many public health and education experts” that school closures significantly harmed children despite not stopping the spread of COVID-19.

Relying on the most recent data...the Times drew several conclusions about why school closures were bad policy.

First, the Times found that students who were kept out of school longer—relegated to remote or hybrid “learning”—fell behind further academically than students who returned to the classroom earlier. Those academic losses have been near-impossible to overcome...

The kicker is that politicians subjected students to these harms despite a clear lack of evidence proving that school closures slowed the spread of COVID-19.

—Chris Enloe, *The Blaze*

WASHINGTON STATE NIXES BAR EXAM BECAUSE OF “RACE-EQUITY CONCERNS”

The Supreme Court of Washington state has ruled that passing the bar exam will no longer be necessary for law licensure since such a requirement “disproportionately and unnecessarily blocks historically marginalized groups from entering the practice of law.”...

Washington becomes the second state in the U.S. to nix passing the bar exam for legal licensure, following in the footsteps of Oregon, which implemented similar measures back in November...

—Courtney Weil, *theblaze.com*

EDITOR’S COMMENTS: Whether or not the bar exam needs to be set aside can be debated, but the reasoning they ave employed is for “diversity, equality and inclusion “ It is our opinion that any student (whatever their race, color or ethnicity) who makes grades sufficient to graduate four years of college and three years of law school should be able to pass the exam.

What Kind Of Seed Are **You** Sowing?

“The greatest way to promote your church is to attend it.”

Lest We Forget



2nd Lt. Ellen
Ainsworth

In January 1944, in an effort to drive the Germans out of Rome, the Allies launched Operation Shingle, an amphibious landing targeting the coastal resort town of Anzio, Italy. Among the Army nurses serving in field hospital tents along the beachhead as part of the 56th Evacuation Hospital Unit were 2nd Lt. Ellen Ainsworth, 1st Lt. Mary Roberts, 2nd Lt. Elaine Roe and 2nd Lt. Rita Rourke. The fighting was fierce and close, and the women worked 12- to 15-hour shifts. Though their tents were clearly marked with red crosses, they were routinely strafed by dive bombers and barraged by artillery. Offered the opportunity to evacuate to a safer location, the “Angels of Anzio” refused. The battle raged for five months.

In early February, Ainsworth, 24, was on duty when a shell landed just outside the hospital tent where she was working. Shrapnel fragments tore through the canvas, but Ainsworth emerged unscathed. She remained calm and guided her patients to the floor. Her actions that day earned her the Silver Star, but she would not live to receive it.

Days after Ainsworth’s first brush with danger, her hospital unit was hit again by a barrage of artillery. Again, shrapnel ripped through the tent. This time Ainsworth was not so lucky; a piece lodged in her chest, but she kept working. She died from her wounds six days later. She is buried at the Sicily-Rome American Cemetery in Nettuno and was awarded the Silver Star posthumously.

The Silver Star is the nation’s third-highest award for valor in combat.

Established in 1918 as the Citation Star, it was originally awarded only by the Army as a silver star worn on the ribbon of the service medal for the campaign in which the citation was given.

In 1932, the Citation Star was succeeded by the Silver Star, and the ribbon device was converted to a medal. The medal is a gold-colored star with a laurel wreath, suspended by a red-, white- and blue- striped ribbon; at the wreath’s center is the original silver citation star. On the medal’s reverse side are the raised words “For Gallantry in Action.”



Our Statement of Faith

We accept the Holy Scriptures contained in the Old and New Testaments as being the verbally inspired Word of God and being perfectly preserved in the King James 1611 Bible. We do not believe it can be corrected or improved upon in any way. It is the final rule of faith and practice. **Psalm 12:6-7, I Peter 1:23**

We believe in the triune God, who is eternally in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. **Matt. 28:19-20**
We believe in the deity of Christ— His virgin birth, His sinless life, His death for the sins of the world, His bodily resurrection, His exaltation at God's right hand, His personal, imminent, and premillennial return.

I Corinthians 15:3-4, I Timothy 3:16, Acts 1:11

We believe that all men are sinners and are guilty before God; in need of a Saviour. **Romans 3:23**

We believe that men are born again through faith in Jesus Christ; that they become the children of God, eternally saved; that the Holy Spirit dwells within every believer to guide and help him in his testimony and service.

Acts 16:30-31, Galatians 2:16, Ephesians 1:13, John 10:28

We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved in Glory, and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost in hell. We believe that all believers have a responsibility to get the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ into all the world. **John 5:28-29, Luke 16:22-23, Rev. 20:11-15**

We believe that Baptist churches were the first churches of Christianity and that Jesus founded a Baptist church. **John 1:35-37, Acts 1:22**

Baptist Beliefs

Biblical Authority

Autonomy of the Local Church

Priesthood of ALL Believers

Two ordinances - Baptism & Communion

Immersed Church Membership

Soul-liberty

Two officers - Pastors and Deacons

Separation of Church and State

Baptist Heritage

- **John the Baptist**, Exalter of Christ
- **Meno Simons** (1496-1561), Dutch Anabaptist leader
- **Roger Williams** (1603-1683), Founded the first Baptist church in America in Providence, Rhode Island in 1638.
- **John Clarke** (1609-1676) was a Baptist preacher, medical doctor, and co-founder of the colony of Rhode Island. He was a driving force to get religious freedom into the charter of Rhode Island.
- **John Bunyan** (1628-1688), Baptist preacher who wrote *Pilgrim's Progress*
- **Charles Spurgeon** (1834-1892), might be the greatest Baptist pastor
- **John Franklyn Norris** (1877-1952), founder of World Baptist Fellowship
- **Jack Frasure Hyles** (1926-2001), 10,000 baptisms per year

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