

Administrative Bishop Daniel Hampton

As a continuation from last month's article I want to once again deal with the importance of our words. Each of us has experienced the emotions which accompany words which have been spoken to us or by us. Some words have brought the emotion of joy and peace and other words have brought just the opposite. In today's environment if there has ever been a need for powerful comforting words of faith it is now. We as the body of believers in Jesus Christ need to weigh every word we speak with the understanding we are representing the King of Kings. Last month I listed five very important words we should speak and now I will list five others.

6. **I WILL**: Psalms 9: 1 & 2 "I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will show forth all thy marvelous works. (2). I will be glad and rejoice in thee; I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High." Psalms 18: 1 "I will love thee, O Lord my strength." Psalms 23: 6 "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever." Psalms 26: 11 "But as for me, I will walk in mine integrity: redeem me and be merciful unto me." Psalms 39: 1 "I said, I will take heed to my ways that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me." Psalms 101: 2 "I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart."

Notice all the "I will's" listed in these few verses and make the choice to follow them.

7. **I WON'T:** Psalms 101: 3 "I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me." James 4: 7 "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you." We must have the mindset and the determination which says we won't give in to the temptations of the enemy or succumb to fleshly desires. I won't be dishonest. I won't be unfaithful. I won't live immoral.

I won't gossip. I won't be addicted. I won't compromise the truth. I won't lie. I won't rob God. So many more things could be listed but I think we get the message and understand we are to live blameless in this world.

- 8. I AM: II Corinthians 5:17 "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." Romans 8: 37-39 "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. (38). For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come. (39). nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. I am an overcomer through Christ and I refuse to believe anything that will try to persuade me otherwise. Whatever you are facing in this season of your life look it directly in the face and declare I AM AN OVERCOMER.
- 9. I CAN: Philippians 4: 13 "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." That short verse sums it all up. We as children of the Most High God need to be reassured of the fact that Christ is our strength and He has given us the Holy Spirit to empower us to be more than what we could ever imagine. I can through Him win the victory and live before others an overcoming life.
- 10. I MUST: Jesus declared in Luke 2: 46-50 "And it came to pass, after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, hearing them and asking them questions. (47). And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers. (48). And when they saw him they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing. (49). And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" John 9: 4 "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work. Remember Jesus said, in John 20: 21 "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you."

We must do as the Lord commanded in the great commission, Go make disciples of all people. Go in the power of the Holy Spirit and teach people that Jesus is the only way. We must evangelize and remember we are empowered to win many. People's eternity is dependent upon what we must do, and that is to tell them about the only Savior. That is the Hope for this world and the words they need to hear.

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Pastoral Appointment Brian Wellman Pie Church of God

Important Information

Due to the current Covid-19 situation our events that where scheduled for the Fall have been postponed. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. We look forward to when this is all over and we can get back to "normal".



Attention Pastor

Do you have a young adult who exhibits strong leadership abilities, and is 16-20 years old?

We have a program that is just right for them. LEADNOW is a online program that consists of 12 sessions one hour a week for 12 weeks. At this time we are taking recommendations for the next session that will begin in January. If you know of someone who would be a good fit for the program please contact our office at 304-252-0622 ext.3 and ask for Lisa.

Please continue to check out our Facebook pages and Website for updated information.

Mountaineer Ministries Prayer Requests:

We as the Church of God State Office are praying for each Pastor, Pastor's Wife, Minister and Lay member, or attender of our churches, that God will provide and keep you and your families safe during this time.

Our country; Our President and State Leaders; Military; Health Care Professionals; Health and Wellness; Finances; Job; Marriage; Family; The Church; God's hand of protection; The upcoming election; Students, Teachers and Staff at School's; A miracle healing for Joshua; My health; Those who are sick with Covid-19; Unsaved family, friends and neighbors; The Election; Our children; My Pastor and Pastor's Wife; Church to resume; Grief from death of family members; To sale our property; Strength for my body; God to lead and guide me; A vaccine for Covid-19; Son not to be deployed

Mountaineer Ministries Praise Reports:

Waking me up this morning; My Pastor; Life starting to return to normal; For going back to church; Repair of our church; My Job; Souls saved; God protecting my children; Husband home from hospital; God always providing; Our Church; God's grace on our country; getting out of hospital; God healing my body; God's comforting presence that I feel; My Pastor; A Church on fire for Jesus; God's presence in my life everyday; My family; My Health; My Husband; My Church Youth Group; God saving my husband; That God has helped me get thru the situation I have

been going thru

November 23-27 State Office will be closed

December 4 Minister and Spouse Christmas Dinner

December 14-January 4 State Office Closed Christmas Holiday

Happy Thanksgiving from Administrative Bishop Daniel Hampton and First Lady Ruth Hampton, Bishop Bill and Amanda Woodruff, Sarita Smith, Tammy Taylor and Lisa Newsome May God bless your family during this holiday season.