



Hallelujah ... We Know the End and the Beginning!

At a time such as this in our confused, chaotic, and misguided culture, is there room for a Hallelujah? I maintain there is! Why ... you may ask. The answer is settled in the reality that as believers, God's people, we know the End and we know the New Beginning that is forthcoming!

It is clearly seen throughout Scripture, but Revelation 19 captures the core or essence of confidence and courage in God's purpose and plan. It is a 'must read' at this time for you. Reflect and reminisce on these few verses that record the words and emotion in Heaven:

"... Hallelujah! Salvation, glory, and power belong to our God, A second time they said:
Hallelujah! ... Then the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God, who is seated on the throne, saying: Amen! Hallelujah ... Hallelujah, because our Lord God, the Almighty, has begun to reign! Let us be glad, rejoice, and give Him glory,.."

Revelation 19:1.3.4.6.7 HCSB

God Calls. We Equip. You Advance.

There is joy, confidence, anticipation, and passion in Heaven! God is guiding ... God is leading ... God is reigning! The superintendence of the Almighty is on station. The battle has been raging over the millenniums and God is victorious. All motives

for action as well as deeds will be judged. The devil and all his emissaries will be thrown into the Lake of Fire and Sulfur along with death and Hades. A new heaven and a new earth will be launched in addition to a 1400-mile cube that is the city of New Jerusalem ... and His people will reign "forever and ever." Revelation 22:5 HCSB

What you have been seeing and feeling in your soul in recent days is not going unnoticed! If you feel helpless and maybe a little hopeless, Be of Good Cheer! If you think lawlessness and evil will go unnoticed, be reminded that accountability is required.

- "... every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it..." Matthew 12:36 NKJV
- "... the Lord comes, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts." 1 Corinthians 4:5
- " ...all things *are* naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account."

 Hebrews 4:13

All events are on schedule. In the very last chapter of the Bible, Revelation 22, John is reminded by the Lord three times: "Look, I am coming quickly!" (verses 7, 12, 20). Yes, he is coming SOON! All is in order. All is under His Control. All is ready.

The challenge before us is simple: **Know the Truth ... Live the Truth ... Proclaim the Truth ... Stand for the Truth. Present Jesus** as the Way, the Truth, and the Life! Everything under His control is not out of control! Hallelujah! Our God reigns. Join me in this great Theological

Proclamation in the midst of this confused and misguided world of depravity and utter foolishness!

We know the End and the New Beginning! Let the reality of this grip your soul as you serve and represent Him! Let us join with John when he said: "... **Amen, Come, Lord Jesus**." Revelation 22:20 HCSB

The Latest Happenings

The **2020 Faculty and Staff Retreat** was held at the East Lake campus of Calvary Church in Clearwater. CDC Guidelines were used as faculty and staff met together in preparation for the new collegiate year. Campus Pastor Danny Bennett addressed the gathering. A tour also was taken reviewing their new sanctuary and facilities for Christian education.

The **Fall Semester** has begun with "students in the seat." CDC Guidelines for Colleges and Universities are in place for our student body. Social distancing and masks are required. The same policies were followed for Student Orientation.

Both residence facilities, **L.L. Speer Hall and Ruth Munce Hall**, are being utilized. Munce Hall has been refreshed with new hallways, air conditioning units, and remodeled bathrooms.



First Baptist Church of New Port Richey provided lunch for the new students attending the college during orientation. Our own Billy Cronin, class of 2020, who is now on staff at the church, spoke to the students.

The **2020 Commencement Service** was held at the First Baptist Church of New Port Richey on Saturday, August 22. Dr. John Corts, second President of Trinity College of Florida, delivered the address to the graduates. A

number of awards were presented, including the Wade Distinguished Academic and Service Award. This award went to Dr. Joe Allotta, Campus Pastor and Chair of the Church Ministries Department.





Classrooms have been reconfigured to comply with CDC Guidelines.



The **2020 Convocation** service was held in the sanctuary of the First Baptist Church in New Port Richey Monday, September 14 at 10:45 a.m. This allowed all students, faculty, and staff to attend together in one meeting place to comply with CDC Guidelines.

Details ...

 Check it out! On the new and refreshed website www.trinitycollege.edu, there is a new section entitled, "The President's Circle." It contains information, devotionals, and videos produced by the college.

- IT offerings (along with new software)
 have been put in place for faculty, staff,
 and student use.
- Plenary sessions of chapel are being held in four areas of the college: chapel, library and two classrooms in order to space students properly. The program is seen live in every location.
- **Spiritual Emphasis** week was September 14-17, 2020.
- Board of Trustees will meet October 16, 2020.
- Campus Preview is scheduled for October 26, 2020.

Urgent Prayer Requests ...

Please pray that the students will remain vigilant and aware of COVID-19. Pray that they will follow all the necessary precautions.

Please pray for the protection of our Faculty, Administration, and Staff during these days. In addition, a number of staff members, family members, and other personnel have a number of personal health issues. Please claim Christ as our Healer for them.

Please pray for the support of the college. Pray for our donors. Pray for our students that they will have resources to attend. We are deeply grateful for the U.S. Department of Education grants through the Cares Act passed by Congress.

Please pray for our Board of Trustees and President's Council as they govern and advise.

Please pray for Trinity College of Florida to have a significant role and influence in bringing the magnificence of Jesus to each student.

Please pray for the new digital marketing campaign for the Spring semester and next fall.

Good advice from *Thomas Manton:* "If you are content to look after God by and by, with a few slight endeavors, and do not make this the great employment of your lives, you will never find Him. We were made for God; it is the end of our creation. Therefore, this must be the business of our lives. God made us for Himself and man can never be happy without Him."

Grateful for your partnership on this journey for His Glory and Honor,

Mark T. O'Farrell President

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