

## Something Small ... Something Little ... GREAT POWER!

Have you ever felt that your participation, resources, or assistance made no difference? It was all you had to give, you sacrificed, worked diligently to the best of your ability, and gave it your all but it really made no difference. In fact, you felt it was not really noticed or appreciated. Let me ask you this: *How did you really feel*?

Let me assure you as a believer, a person of faith, your 'little' or 'small' are vitally important and provide great influence and impact. "Little is much when God is in it" and "Much is little when God is not in it." Remember the little boy who only had 'five barley loaves and two small fishes'. Jesus gave thanks and 5,000 men plus others were fed with twelve baskets of leftovers ... more than what was initially available. The 'little' or 'small' became gigantic by the Power of God! (John 6)

In Scripture, watch how the 'small' and 'little' are used by the Almighty to win battles and change circumstances. It is God's Power! It is God's Influence! It is God's Guidance! Your seemingly insignificant position, influence, contribution, or word changes the whole landscape!

**Consider this:** Edward Kimball, a Sunday School teacher, wanted to make sure that his pupil, Dwight L. Moody, was a Christian and led him to the Lord. Moody influenced Wilbur Chapman. Chapman recruited Billy Sunday to join his evangelistic campaigns. Billy Sunday then launched a national ministry that reached into Charlotte, North Carolina. This influenced Mordecai Ham to have meetings there where Billy Graham became a believer. One small event and effort led to something more and MORE ... all through the Power of God!

**Do not underestimate your significance or worth**! You are extremely valuable! You are one 'link' of the 'chain' to fulfill the plan of God! Yes, YOU!

"I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, have kept My word and have not denied My name." Revelation 3:8 NKJV

The Lord knows what you have been up against. He ... yes ... <u>He</u>, has given you an open door! It is a door of influence and impact. It is a door of understanding leading to contribution. Yes, you have 'little strength,' but He provides the POWER to keep it open and to lead you through! You do make a difference! You do provide what is needed! It is 'your little,' your 'humanly forgotten, God-given qualities' that will change the landscape. It will be through you and your presence that the solution is found and relief is provided! It will be the POWER of GOD in YOU and THROUGH YOU!

The following is God's Promise to You:

"The Lord will guide you always; He will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail." Isaiah 58:11 NIV

Your need will be met. Your 'frame' will be strengthened. You will be a freshwater spring, always giving what is needed within the landscape of a well-watered garden! It will be the POWER OF GOD in you, on you, and through you! **Get Ready!!** 

## The Latest Happenings ...

 Reaffirmation of Accreditation. The following was announced by ABHE at their 75<sup>th</sup> Celebration and Annual Conference last month:

"... Reaffirm the accreditation of Trinity College of Florida until 2032 in light of the Commission on Accreditation's judgment that the institution substantially complies with ABHE's institutional accreditation standards, including documentation that fit the appropriateness, rigor, and achievement of its stated student learning outcomes and all other Title IV eligibility requirements ..." Commission on Accreditation, Lisa L. Beatty, PhD, Executive Director



\*\*A progress report is required by November 15, 2022. Three of the four issues on the report have already been addressed.\*\*

Our 2022 Annual Banquet, A New Launch, with Great Promise, will be held at the Spartan Manor, 6121 Massachusetts Avenue, New Port Richey, Florida. There will be awards and recognitions presented along with updates on what the Lord has done and is doing. Mark down the date and watch for details!



## **Projects/Events Underway**

Outside Dining Area for students and additional amenities:



Cleaning and trimming of trees .....Bringing New Life



New access for Welbilt Boulevard:



Pastors' Seminar with Shepherds Theological Seminary



Special barbecues for students, faculty, and staff



 Our Men's Basketball Team won the NIT Championship for their division (colleges of 1,000 or less in student population). This is the fourth time that they have had a national division championship since the beginning of NIT in 2005. Congratulations to players and coaches alike!



 Our 2022 Scholarship Chapel was held March 24. Over 30 scholarships were presented to students who are achieving educational accomplishments and possess financial needs. Donors were present.



## Please remember these events in prayer:

- College Preview on April 25 for potential students
- President's Council (advisory group for the President) April 8
- Annual Banquet May 12
- Board of Trustees May 13
- Commencement May 14

"My flesh and my heart fail; but God is the strength of my heart..." Psalm 73:26

God makes all the difference! He is our Strength ... He is our Strength for our hearts! We are not alone. We are not neglected. We are not forgotten! He is our Strength ... **rely on Him and trust HIM!** 

With great anticipation,

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