

# Wonderful Words of Assurance

When times are tough, stressful, and unending in complexity, a 'good word' spoken by a friend assists greatly. One is encouraged even though the event or problem has not been resolved.

After Jesus heard that Lazarus had died, He delayed His departure two days. Then he said the following;

"... Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep but

I'm on my way to wake him up."

John 11:11 CSB

"Then the disciples said to him. 'Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will get well.' Jesus however, was speaking about his death, but they thought he was speaking about natural sleep. So, Jesus then told them plainly, 'Lazarus has died. I'm glad for you that I wasn't there so that you may believe. But let's go to him."" John 11:12-15 CSB

The Christian Standard Bible places an engaging translation of the statements of Jesus in an incredible and warm manner. To meet the challenge, the problem, the heartache, and the extreme circumstance, He said: "I'm on My way!"

These words are affirming and deeply encouraging: **He Is On The Way!** 

This truth is for YOU! For that with which you have been challenged ... *He Is On The Way!* That for which you have been praying ... *He Is On The Way.* And that which has pressed you down, broke your heart, and challenged your resources ... *He Is On The Way!* Dear believer, He Is Coming to you as He did for Lazarus. He

was Coming to Mary and Martha and now He is Coming to you! He is Coming!

Do not trust your feelings! Do not trust in your thoughts of doubt! <u>Feed at</u> this moment on His Character and Word. He cares and He Is Coming to You! He Is on The Way!

He knows what you have been handling and thinking! He knows how you are feeling! He knows what other people have said to discourage you! He knows the hurt and pain! He is on the way to help you! Get ready! It is a short journey! Remember John 11:4-5:

"When Jesus heard it, He said, This sickness will not end in death but is *for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.*" Now Jesus loved Martha, her sister, and Lazarus."

There it is ... "for the Glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

"I'm on My way" demonstrates the following:

- God knows Your Need
- God Is on the 'way' to Help you
- God will change your situation SOON!
- God will be Glorified ... His Son will be Glorified!

And You Will Be Blessed!

And You will Believe! John 11:15

Be Encouraged ...

Help is on the way!

## The Latest from Trinity ...

→ Our 2022 Annual Banquet, A New Launch, with Great Promise, was held at the Spartan Manor in New Port Richey, Florida. Awards and recognitions were presented along with updates on what the Lord has done and is doing. Our Board Chair Ed Brandt and his wife, Jan, were given the Prokope Award. Les Harris and Brad Hines were honored for their years of service on the Board of Trustees (17 years and 26 years respectively). Steve Best, adjunct professor, received the Dr. Thomas and Ann C. Wade Distinguished Service Award. Sam Thomas was on hand to award the Alumnus of the Year award to Keith Martin Johns.

**Dr. Peter Teague**, President Emeritus of Lancaster Bible College, delivered a memorable and timely keynote address.







Steve Best

Brad Hines, Les Harris, Ed Brandt

Dr. Peter Teague





Keith Martin Johns, Linda Johns, Bonnie Thomas, Sam Thomas

Ed Brandt



→ A special **Thank You** to *The Chapel*. Volunteers from this church came on April 30 for a work day. Various projects were undertaken from painting to woodwork. Pastor Mark Quattrochi (Pastor Q), the church leadership, and congregation deserve our deepest form of appreciation and gratitude for their efforts in our behalf.





→ A model of the Wilderness Tabernacle is now on display in the Raymond H. Center Library. The tabernacle in the wilderness was a portable place of worship (God commanded Moses to build when on Mt. Sinai) which the Israelites built after they were rescued from slavery in Egypt. The display was donated to Trinity College of Florida by Mrs. Lillian Williams in honor of Dr. Richard Williams, former President and Chancellor. The table for the display was constructed by Dr. Thomas Wade. Our thanks for the efforts of both Mrs. Williams and Dr. Wade for making this possible.

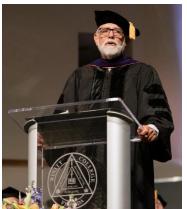






→ The Class of 2022 received their degrees at Trinity's 89<sup>th</sup> Commencement on Saturday, May 14, 2022. The commencement address was delivered by Attorney George Tragos.







→ The President's Council met in April. A broad and detailed presentation was made, indicating the progress and needs of the College. Monies and commitments were given for the mission and vision of Trinity College of Florida.



#### Items of Interest:

- → The college campus had special prayer during the National Day of Prayer.
- ◆ Chinese-English Bible classes are being held on campus during the summer.
- → Welbilt Boulevard (in front of the College) is being extended from Mitchell Boulevard to Mitchell Ranch Road and State Road 54. This will greatly increase visibility for the College.
- → The President attended the CMAF Board of Directors meeting for Shell Point in Fort Myers.

### **Urgent Prayer Request**

**Operational Needs:** Gift income supports the ongoing compensations of faculty, staff, and administrators during the summer months. Your prayers and partnership are so appreciated! The urgent need through the first of August, 2022 is \$250,000. *Please pray ... Please give!* 

"This is the cycle of the Kingdom: God gives, we receive. We give, others receive. Others receive, and all of us give glory to God. Then God gives even more. We disrupt that cycle by neglecting any single element of it, but we can step back into it at any time. We are blessed in order to bless." Devotional from "Heaven and Earth" April 22.

#### Also Needed:

Please Pray for the Operational Needs for the College.

**Please Pray** for the incoming Class of Fall 2022. **Please pray** for the interest of prospective students.

**Please Pray** for the additional funds needed to hire important Business Office personnel for the College.

**Please Pray** for the traveling students and faculty this summer. There are planned trips overseas as well as in North America.

Please Pray for the ongoing Ukrainian and Russian conflict.

**Please Pray** for our country's crises ... from the borders to inflation.

In my freshman year of College, this hymn, "Like a River Glorious," by Frances Havergal (excerpt below) was sung when a student had drowned in the river behind our residence hall.

Hidden in the hollow of His blessed hand Never foe can follow, never traitor stand; Not a surge of worry, not a shade of care, Not a blast of hurry touch the spirit there.

Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest, Finding as He promised Perfect peace and rest.

"When we put our problems in God's Hands, He puts His peace in our hearts."

Daily Bread April 13

With Great Confidence in Our Lord,

Mark T. O'Farrell

President

Trinity College of Florida

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