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Reverend Tommy Tallas Retirement Celebration Invitation

Dear Unity Members,

After 51 years of service as a Unity of the Brethren minister, Reverend Tommy Tallas will be retiring as Senior Pastor of Wall Brethren Church. Throughout his ministry Reverend Tallas, better known as "Brother Tommy" to most of us, has served the Lord, this denomination, and all of us with gladness, wisdom, and great compassion. The impacts of his dedicated service are easily seen within Wall Brethren, but also evident throughout the denomination. He has rejoiced with us, comforted us, ministered to our souls, and given us encouragement to press on in all situations. We thank him for his dedicated service, and the difference he has made in the lives of so many as our Pastor, Teacher, and Friend.

In celebration of Brother Tommy's years of service, Wall Brethren will be rejoicing with him during the Sunday Worship Service on October 31, 2021, which will be followed by a noon meal. Everyone is invited. For meal attendance, we would appreciate anyone attending to please RSVP no later than October 20, 2021. You may RSVP to the Wall Brethren Church office Tuesday- Friday at 325-651-4444 between 8:30 AM and 1:30 PM.

Any cards/letters can be dropped off in the card basket on Sunday, October 31, 2021, or mailed to Rick Weise at the address below.

Thanks to each of you for your continued support for Brother Tommy as he retires.

In Christ,
Wall Brethren Church Board of Elders

Card/Letters:

Mail to: Rev. Tommy & Donna Tallas c/o Rick Weise P.O. Box 28 Vancourt, TX 76955

Fearless

- by Rev. Vanessa Mitchell

What does it take to be truly fearless?

To dive into the deep blue sea off a fishing boat?

To growl back at a bear when it appears that it is going to charge at you?

To help a friend in the recovery from an addiction?

To stand at the bedside of a child who is gravely ill, maintaining a warm compassionate smile?

To stand for what is true with a humble but strong spirit?

The word fearless can be taken as a misnomer at first glance, possibly meaning "to fear less." In actuality it means "to be without fear." Being a Christian necessitates living without fear. The reason we are to live without fear is because we have its exact opposite in God: He is the One who is fearless at all times. He is the author of our lives, of our salvation, of hope, peace, love, joy, courage, and so much more. Our task is to obtain fearlessness from Him through

prayer and meditation upon the words of the Holy Bible.

Juxtaposed to the concept of living without fear is the reality that, while God calls us to stand fearlessly in many moments of life, He does call us to always fear, or revere, Him. The fear of God in an individual is the expression of absolute trust in who He is and who you are before Him. God is our Creator and the One who has granted us – as we receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior – eternity in Heaven and a life filled with hope, healing, freedom, and much more in the here and now. God is perfect in His: compassion, love, patience, knowledge, goodness, mercy, integrity, holiness, wisdom, judgment, majesty, and many other attributes. He is omnipotent, omniscient, and omnipresent. Humanity is thus called to fear God, to revere and trust Him, in that He is perfect, above all, in His unswerving love for us. The Book of Proverbs, in the Holy Bible, chapter 9, verse 10, reads: "The fear of the Lord (God) is the beginning of wisdom,

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Rev. John Kueker

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- Rev. Mike Groseclose

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- Visiting Ministers

Houston - Sunday School at 9:15 AM; Worship at 10:30 AM every Sunday.

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Wednesday: 5:30 PM Dinner; 6:30 PM Bible Study.

- Pastor Ben Kruse

Seaton -

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- Pastor Lisa Johnson

Schedule and Details of Upcoming Unity Activities

November 25, 2021 - Thanksgiving Day

SAVE THE DATE:

March 19, 2022 – Spring Synodical Committee Meeting at the Hus Encampment –9:00 a.m.; refreshments served at 8:00 a.m. with a light lunch served at noon. If you have any questions, contact Dr. Larry Koslovsky, 713-594-4518.

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and the knowledge of the Holy One (God) is insight." Fear, or humility, before God yields insight in a person, increasing awareness of God's flawless and impassable design for relating to, caring for His Creation, humanity. Therefore, we "fear God" because He is God, which intensifies our gratitude towards Him and compels us to live fearlessly as bearers of His loving truth to others. As Jesus Christ teaches us in the Book of the Gospel of John, chapter 13, verse 34: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." We can only love perfectly when we "fear" God enough to ask Him to teach us how to love others His way.

As you choose to fear God, to revere and trust Him, fearlessness becomes increasingly second nature.

Consider these words of encouragement as you seek to be fearless:

- 1) God calls us to be fearless because He is standing by us wherever we go.
- "...Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever

you go." (Joshua 1:9)

2) God calls us to be fearless because He knows that we can overcome with Him as our literal source of strength.

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;" (Psalm 46:1-2)

3) God calls us to be fearless because He knows how He has created us: In the image of Jesus Christ – filled with God's power, love, and self-discipline as we yield to the Holy Spirit's infilling.

"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline." (2 Timothy 1:7)

4) Finally, becoming fearless is automatic as we proclaim the truth about who God is and who we are because of God's love.

Consider the thieves who hung on crosses at either side of Jesus during the Crucifixion. One of them understood who Jesus is:

"One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and

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saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man (Jesus) has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' Jesus replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'" (Luke 23:39-43)

The One thing that you and I are to always be fearless about is the reality that Jesus Christ is the Savior who forgives and loves without limit.

Do you "fear" God to the point where you are willing to live fearlessly to spread His truth and love to those in your life?

Jesus said: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."

Let's love others without fear, without hesitation.

Praying Fearlessly With You, Sister Vanessa Mitchell

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19. Not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Heb. 10:25

- To Him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. Dan. 7:14a
- 21. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and His kingship is one that shall never be destroyed. Dan. 7:14b
- 22. The LORD is king, He is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed, He is girded with strength. Ps. 93:1a
- 23. May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy. Ps. 126:5
- 24. Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves. Ps. 126:6
- O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the LORD your God. Joel 2:23
- 26. To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul. Ps. 25:1
- 27. O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me. Ps. 25:2
- 28. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah.

 Jer. 33:14
- 29. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and He shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. Jer. 33:15
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Daily Morsels for November 2021

By Mari-Anne K. Gordon and Dorothy E. Kocian

From the Holy Bible Revised Standard Revision.

Sundays in bold.

- Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. Rev. 21:1
- And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. Rev. 21:2
- And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be His peoples, and God Himself will be with them..." Rev. 21:3
- "...He will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." Rev. 21:4
- And the One Who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also He said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Rev. 21:5
- Then He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end." Rev. 21:6a
- 7. Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! Ps. 146:1
- I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long. Ps. 146:2

- Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. Ps. 146:3
- When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish. Ps. 146:4
- 11. Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God. Ps. 146:5
- He made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, He Who keeps faith forever. Ps. 146:6
- He executes justice for the oppressed, He Who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free. Ps. 146:7
- 14. The LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. Ps. 146:8
- 15. The LORD watches over the strangers; He upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked He brings to ruin. Ps. 146:9
- 16. The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD! Ps. 146:10
- 17. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for He Who has promised is faithful. Heb. 10:23
- And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds. Heb. 10:24

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Predecessors of Hus

- by Jim Pokorny

Around the middle of the 14th century, cracks began appearing in the medieval church system. It had held hearts and minds captive for far too long. But God would not permit those whom He sent to remain captive. The beginning of this movement witnessed a decline in scholastic theology. Men were no longer thinking as the church demanded; they were beginning to think for themselves. They looked to scripture as the voice of authority rather than the doctrines created by the church.

John Wycliffe was an important voice of a reformation movement in his home of England where it gathered strength. But the concept of religious freedom was more developed in the nations of Bohemia and Moravia. These nations had provided a home for religious liberty. Now they would provide the battlefield. This conflict would be sustained for two centuries prior to the Thirty Years War.

Charles the First ascended the throne of Bohemia in 1347. He became Emperor of Germany in 1355 and as-

sumed the title of Charles the Fourth. Under his rule, Bohemia entered its golden age. Its boundaries expanded, its prosperity flourished, and its capital enlarged enough to rival Paris. When he created the archbishopric of Prague in 1344, he liberated the Bohemian Church from the control of the archbishopric of Mayence. He organized the Slavonic Monastery of Emmaus in 1347. In 1348, he founded the illustrious University of Prague. These were to have advanced Romanism, but instead they spread the Gospel. The Czech language was reintroduced. This invigorated evangelism. It grew in power in the University. In time, it would lead to Jan Hus and a full awakening of religious freedom. But three forerunners first paved the way.

The first of these was Conrad of Waldhausen, who preached in Austria between 1340 and 1360. The jubilee of 1350 brought him to Rome, where his eyes opened to the evil of selling indulgences. He witnessed people paying the price for absolu-



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tion without giving a thought to repentance. Upon returning to Austria, he preached on the scriptural conditions of forgiveness. Charles the Fourth invited him to Bohemia. Upon resettlement, he began preaching in Prague. His congregations grew, and eventually he began holding services in a marketplace to accommodate them. He was appointed to the Thein Church in 1364. From that pulpit he denounced the vices of the clergy and the idleness of the rich. He called upon ladies to give up their fine dresses and jewels. He even managed to convince well-known sinners to do penance in public.

Another forerunner was the Moravian Milic of Kremsier. Little is known of his early life, but shortly after 1350 he became an archdeacon and a canon at St. Vitus. Despite the luxuries his life afforded him, he desired to serve the Lord. He resigned his lofty positions in 1363. Upon moving to Teinitz, he began preach-

ing to the people. He rescued many fallen women and built shelters for them. Disgusted by the state of the world, he became convinced that the end of days was at hand.

A third forerunner of Hus was Matthew of Janow. Matthew was a pupil of Milic and carried the movement further. The schism in the Papacy fueled the fire. The period 1378-1415 witnessed two, sometimes three, rival Popes caught up in fighting each other. The people found it difficult to look upon any of them as a spiritual leader. Matthew wrote: "This schism has not arisen because the priests loved Jesus Christ and His Church, but rather because they loved themselves and the world." Taken with his other writings, his message was clear. It was time to return to Christ and the Apostles.

The wheels had been set in motion. Hearts and minds were stirred as the writings of Wycliffe made their way into Bohemia. But another voice

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Chocolate Ball: The Pilgrims lived in England. The King told the Pilgrims how they were supposed to worship. They decided to go to American so they could worship the way they wanted. This ball represents the earth and how far they had to sail to get to America.

Pretzel Twist: This pretzel represents praying hands. The Pilgrims prayed for a place they were free to worship God as they wanted. They also prayed for protection as they sailed across the ocean.

Cracker and Jerky: The trip on the Mayflower was long. There was no fresh fruit. They only had dried bread and meat to eat.

Stick Pretzel: When the Pilgrims arrived in America, there were no houses or places to live. They had to cut down trees to make log homes.

Mini Marshmallow: The first winter in the new land was very cold and hard. These marshmallows remind us of the snow.

Candy Corn and Goldfish: Squanto showed the Pilgrims how to grow corn by placing four seeds in the grown with a fish. This helped the Pilgrims have food in their new home.

Maple candy: Squanto also showed the Pilgrims how to tap maple trees to get their sap.

Teddy Grahams: The Pilgrims had to protect themselves from many wild animals, including bears.

Fruit Gummies: Squanto also taught the Pilgrims where to find wild berries and fruit to eat. He also taught them how to dry them so they would have food during the cold winters.



Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

BIBLE LESSON Give Thanks Scriptures: Ephesians 5:20, 1 Timothy 4:4-5, Psalms 136

Say: We are going to look at three scriptures today that remind us to be thankful.

Read: Ephesians 5:20.

Ask: Who should we give thanks to? What are some things we should be thankful for? What are you thankful for?

Read: 1 Timothy 4:4-5

Ask: What is created by God? Is everything God made good or bad? At Thanksgiving we celebrate with a big meal. What kinds of foods do you eat at Thanksgiving? What is your favorite? Who should we give thanks to for the food?

Read: Psalm 136

Ask: Why should we thank the Lord? What endures forever? What are you thankful for?

Together say a common table prayer (God is great, Come Lord Jesus, etc.)

Craft: Thanksgiving Memory Basket Materials: Paper plates, chocolate balls, pretzel twists, crackers, jerky, stick pretzel, mini marshmallows, candy corn, goldfish, life savers, maple candies, teddy grams, fruit gummies

Make a basket using 2 paper plates. Staple together. Children can decorate their baskets. As you tell the Thanksgiving story, have children add items to their basket.





was still required. A powerful voice that also preached in the language of the people – the voice of Jan Hus.

The way was prepared. Hus seized the initiative. Hus declared that the Pope was capable of sin. Furthermore, the Pope was not to be obeyed when his order contradicted scripture. Hus stated that the authority of the Bible superseded the authority of the Pope. Hus even dared to write *De Ecclesia* (On the Church) in which he put forth the doctrine that men could encounter God without the assistance of priests. Change was in the air, and it would succeed in time. But Hus would have to be willing to die in truth's defense first.

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE "Bear ye one another's burdens And so fulfill the Law of Christ." (Gal. 6:2)

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From Robert and Anne Thiessen ...Missionaries in Mexico

September 24, 2021

Inevitable changes

Dear friends,

We are here in Ontario at the transition time from summer to fall, almost ready for the vibrant colours that are coming in just weeks. Today is bright and cool, after several days of overcast gray rain. Change is inevitable.

We are also in the transition from Mexico to Canada. Lots of change there, too. Some days are gray and we can't see very far, and other days are brighter. Thank you for your prayers for us as we journey the uncharted.

One bright spot is the trip we embark on tomorrow. We fly to Fresno, California, for a week of workshops with our agency, Multiply (Mennonite Brethren). A Mexican-American couple, pastoring in California for the last 15 years, is being trained for a whole different kind of Kingdom ministry, in Peru. They will spend their first term (3 years) acculturating (even though they speak the language), finding ways to come alongside the leaders of the conference of MB churches there. Together they will find ways to grow in health and understanding, impacting their NW corner of the country more and more.

The challenges are great, and di-

verse. To start with, the Chavez family is moving from being the centers of their church world, to being infants (initially) and at the most, catalyzers (which by nature need to be in the background, and not part of the results). And for us, we need to adapt from teaching the ideals (first principles) of pioneer church planting (where there is freedom to start "right"), to helping their team explore pathways out of colonial mentality foundations (that came from the missionaries) that bind the conference in so many ways.

I look forward to the challenges and relationship building of this coming week. Please pray for us as we all learn and change together.

We also get to visit one set of kids and several good friends from the past. Some ex-missionaries that we knew from Oaxaca are living in the area, as well as the doctors who found Anne's cancer six years ago, and Philip and Cailey recently moved to the LA area (for his job).

RuthE and Mikael also travel tomorrow. They are leaving the US to study and work abroad for the next two years. Mikael will continue, now remotely, at his start-up, and RuthE's studies toward a Masters in Counseling were already online. They will be making up their plans month by month as they live all around Latin America for the next long while.

We are still just beginning to explore what God has in store for us here in Ontario. We will let you know as that path becomes clearer. Once we



Sunday School Helper



Bible Story

Thanksgfulness

Bible Reference

1 Chronicles 16:34

As we enter another holiday season, we recognize that we have been through another difficult year. However, there have been many blessings. This month's activities will remind us, and the children we serve, to be thankful for all we have been given.



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