

Lifeline

Keeping the Sunset family connected



Tim's Notes

-Tim Burow

As I come to the end of the first school year in which I have served as president of SIBI, I am reflecting on some of the things that have impacted me during this time, and yet I can't help pondering upon what has impacted all of our lives this year. To be sure, my year was interesting, but whose wasn't? I certainly don't claim to know all that is taking place in our world, and how could I begin to perceive what is taking place in your internal world? In common, we face a pandemic, social injustice, bigoted hatred and murder, political and religious polarization, wage decline and job loss. Perhaps you are

tired of hearing about such things. Perhaps you think we haven't yet heard enough. It is in such moments that I need reminding that as impactful as such circumstances might be, our God is above all our circumstances and we do well to also remember His ongoing work in and through us.

I am therefore reminded of God's grace in allowing me to be a part of a worldwide ministry that equips His servants.

And yet, I find that the servants are so few when the scope of the true need is considered.

The world continues to lie in the grip of the evil one, and we are surrounded every day by people who have not heard of the Savior and do not know His love. I believe in our

process of training and in our God's ability to use that to equip able spokesmen of the Word, but oh, how we pray that He would send us more students. We have the space, we have the curriculum, but where are those who want to learn and serve? "The harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few." (Matthew 9:37) The ultimate pandemic in our world is one of sin, and its effects are eternal. Thanks be to God that He allows us to join Him in His labor of love.

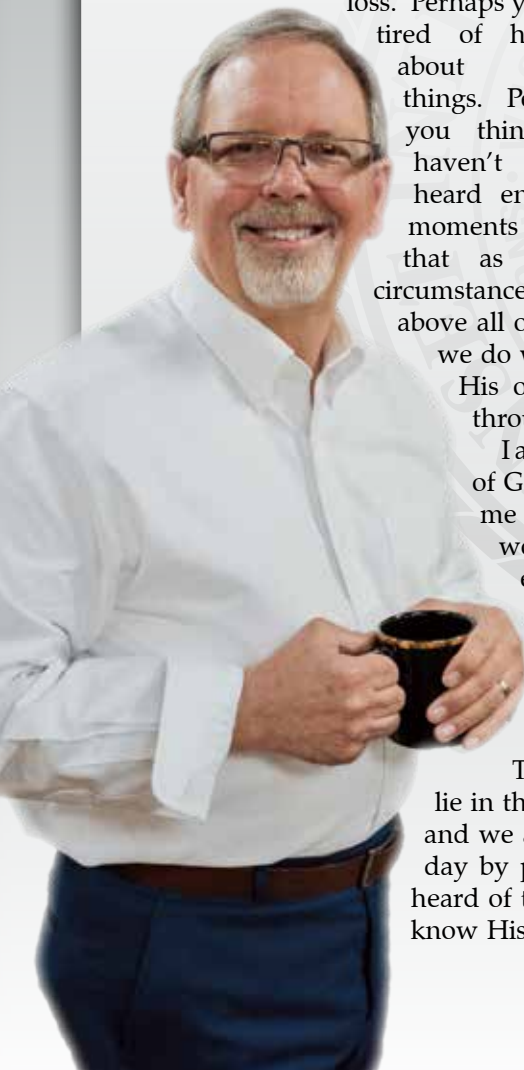
I also reflect on the blessing that is mine to be a gospel preacher and to train others to share in this same glorious task. To preach the gospel is to herald the good news of the King of kings who has through His eternal love given us the opportunity to be His chosen and elect from every nation of the world.

The primary purpose of SIBI in the midst of a broken and fractured generation has never been clearer nor more pressing. We are sending out ministers of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to proclaim justification by faith in His name. This is our challenge, and this we are doing from our residential studies in Lubbock, from our 72 international schools, from more than 150 satellite schools around the U.S. and to more than 350 who study with us online. This is what we do.

And, I am reminded of our true hope in Him who sets us free. The great plague of our world and our society is not ultimate but in Christ we have a living hope (1 Peter 1:3) through His resurrection from the dead. Personally, I am more hopeful today than I have ever been that the best is yet to be. I believe that Sunset is looking at a bright future as it trusts in the power of its Lord. His strength and His resources are readily available. His Word is an ever-present guide for all that we do, and His sacrifice has already secured our victory. Of all the people on this earth, we are the most hopeful.

All my reflections bring me back to these two core things: that Jesus is my Lord and that I am to Preach the Word!

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Tim Burow

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This year's Sunset Vision Workshop in January focused on the continuing need to *Preach the Word*. While it is vitally important to preach the Word from the pulpit, we also focused on preaching the Word in other areas of life. We need to preach the Word to everyone, every day, in every place and in every way. This makes the call to "Preach the Word" universal to all Christians regardless of their ability or position. Every year the workshop sets the tone and theme for Sunset and prepares for what lies ahead in the coming year.

Excellent Speakers and Teachers



Each year we try to have well-known brethren, speakers from SIBI, alumni, leaders of other Christian ministries and ministers and staff from the Sunset Church of Christ. This year's keynote speakers were Phil Sanders (in the picture on the left), Bill Tracy, Jeff Jenkins, Thomas L. Thomas, Ferman Carpenter, Scott Rektenwald, Russ Crosswhite, Truitt Adair, Tim Burow, and Gary Bradley. Each one helped remind us of their respective topics and of the unity we share in a common goal of spreading the Gospel of Jesus

Christ. Keynotes can be viewed on YouTube or on the Sunset Digital Library.

Honoring Those to Whom Honor is Due.

Each year we honor Christian individuals who have served the Kingdom in a special way. One award, the Gray Eagle, is specifically for SIBI alumni, but other awards are given each year to servants from different congregations and ministries. This year, the Gray Eagle was given to Bill & Dot Yasko. See the following page for a full article about the Yaskos. Awards were also given to Truitt & Kay Adair, Marilena Brigham and John & Susie Orr.

Encouraging Our Alumni and Christians from Around the World.

Encouragement is an important part of our workshop each year. This year we had a special time of prayer with the ministry staff from the West Freeway Church of Christ in Fort Worth

(in the picture below) after the shooting they experienced a few weeks prior to the workshop. Throughout the workshop, brothers and sisters gathered on couches and around tables sharing and growing from the time of fellowship. The encouragement shared helps fuel those who attend and the school as a whole.

Promoting Work in the Kingdom.

This is a foundational event for promoting the works of Sunset through the AIM Flag Presentation, Camp Adventure, the World Missions Luncheon and much more. Many have learned about how they can be involved with Sunset and the many ministries we offer, but the workshop is not just about SIBI. It's about growing the Kingdom. Children's homes, mission efforts, relief ministries and more come to present their ministries each year. It's a blessing to help them promote their ministries. The connections made and renewed remind us that we are not alone in our work and that we serve a mighty God who is working in ways that are bigger than ourselves.

With the changing world environment and uncertainty



about meeting and travel restrictions, Sunset has decided this would be the perfect opportunity to *Preach the Word Every Way*. The message of the Gospel will not be stopped by a pandemic or travel and meeting restrictions. God has shown in the past few months how we can change our methods without changing the message. For 2021, the Sunset Vision Workshop will be **online** as we participate in a new way to discuss a timeless message. Reserve the dates of January 20-23, 2021. We will provide more details as plans are finalized. We look forward to letting God show us what he can do through these novel and challenging times.

-Chris Swinford & Jeff Rader



CLINE R PADEN GRAY EAGLE

2020 ALUMNI AWARD PRESENTED TO BILL YASKO

The Cline R. Paden Gray Eagle Award is an award that is presented to an outstanding alumnus at our Sunset Vision Workshop.

It is named for the founder of the Sunset International Bible Institute and is meant to honor his memory by honoring those special members of our alumni who carry his spirit within them and serve the Lord's Kingdom in an extraordinary way.

The recipient of the Gray Eagle award promotes and exemplifies the values of the school, preaches and teaches the Word of God capably, serves the Lord's Kingdom with distinction and has dedicated his or her life to seeking and saving that which is lost.

The 2020 recipient of the Cline R. Paden Gray Eagle Award is Bill Yasko.

Bill was raised in a broken home in the Appalachian Mountains. His father left when he was six, and his mother was mentally disabled. Fortunately his grandad was there to care for and raise the three young boys. His grandad contracted tuberculosis and died in this young man's arms when Bill was 18.

Not long after, Bill married his high school sweetheart, Dot. After a couple of years in which he worked as an apprentice tool maker, they had a daughter. She was born with a heart defect. It caused what they called blue baby syndrome. Her heart was underdeveloped and couldn't pump enough blood for her body. Today it's easily cured, but in 1956, it was a death sentence. The doctor said it would be better for her to live in a warm climate, so this young family headed to south Florida. They didn't know anyone. They didn't have a job. They just had a daughter who needed a warmer environment.

At about this same time, Dot's father studied the Gospel with Bill, and he was converted to Christ. When they arrived in Florida, they found a congregation and went to worship. A church member there saw some potential and offered him a job in a new company. This began a relationship that lasted over 50 years.

The little girl didn't die as expected. She lived. A little later a little boy was added to this Christian family. Bill studied his Bible, taught classes and began preaching around that area. With Dot, he taught many Bible studies, baptized many souls and they saw many enter the Kingdom.

A preacher and graduate of Sunset encouraged him to go to preaching school. The



Yaskos moved to Lubbock to study at Sunset in the spring of 1972. The Sunset congregation hired Bill at his graduation, and he went to work with Richard Rogers with a focus on growing the Sunset congregation.

Bill taught many Sunset students and Sunset members how to teach the lost the Gospel of Christ. His evangelism techniques are currently taught in Evangelism 1 by Chris Swinford, whom he mentored both in person and through his materials.

This couple never stopped teaching the Gospel, preaching in different places and ministering to people. They raised their son to follow in these footsteps. Dot even studied counseling so that they could serve those around them in a new way.

For the past 20 years, the Yaskos have worked for Sunset raising funds, recruiting students and telling the story of Sunset in Texas and the southeastern United States.

We have been blessed to witness their work for the school. Nobody represents us better.

Here are the words given as Chris Swinford presented the award to Bill.

"Brother Bill. Because of what you meant to our founder, Cline Paden . . .

Because of the miles you have traveled and hours you have spent telling others about Sunset and encouraging them to Preach the Word . . .

Because of your significant efforts spreading the Gospel in Lubbock, in Texas and across the country . . .

Because of your dedication to preaching the Word of God in pulpits and ministering to the spiritual needs of so many . . .

Because you raised a family, loved by Sunset, who have served and ministered with the same heart that they have seen in you . . .

And finally, because we see in you the heart of Sunset's Gray Eagle, Cline R. Paden, the leadership of the Sunset International Bible Institute is honored to present to Bill Yasko the Cline R. Paden Gray Eagle Alumni Award for 2020."

-Chris Swinford



PARTING WAYS IN MINISTRY

In 2005, Chris and Brenda Swinford returned to Lubbock as Chris received the mantle of leadership from Truman Scott as dean of International Studies at Sunset. Truman worked for many years to develop a network of schools that used the Sunset material as a model to help teach ministers within their own culture around the world. This model of training was one with which Chris was very familiar,



Chris & Brenda Swinford

as he had previously worked in one of these first schools, the Ukrainian Bible Institute. Chris worked tirelessly over the next few years to develop relationships with more and more schools around the world. He travelled most months of the year and found schools where Sunset could assist in training and helped to spread the gospel internationally.

After building up the number of international schools to over 40 in 2009, Chris was invited to lead Sunset in a new way-in development. To replace him as Dean of International Studies, Chris invited his fellow missionary from Ukraine, Tim Burow. Chris changed the name of the department from Development to Advancement. He believed that beyond fundraising, the department would advance the mission and purpose of the school around the world. Over the next 11 years, Chris represented the school in countless churches

in both his life and his ministry. He committed more time to his grandsons and in developing leadership in those around him. He reduced his travel but still strived to make connections internationally and to say thank you to as many donors and congregations as he could. Always a man of faith, Chris learned more and more to rely on God to provide both for his own needs and for the needs of the school. Many times the numbers would seem insurmountable, but over and over again, Chris would lead the department to rely on God's faithfulness, and God always provided.

Chris has always been and always will be passionate that God has placed Sunset International Bible Institute in a unique place in His Kingdom. He demonstrated this by making time to teach evangelism whenever he could. He also led a number of domestic campaigns each year to help reinforce the school's mission to reach the lost.

In June, Chris left Sunset to preach for the Faith Village Church of Christ in Wichita Falls, Texas. Chris has worked with and known this congregation for many years. He will continue to teach Evangelism I and II for Sunset. Chris will always be a representative of Sunset wherever he goes, but for now, he will do that from a distance. In his place, Sunset has charged his coworkers, Jeff Rader and Zane Perkins, with leading advancement. Jeff has worked with Chris in advancement since his beginning with the department. Jeff has maintained many of the operational and data components of advancement. His new role as director of advancement operations is a continuation of his previous responsibilities, while taking a larger role in fundraising. Zane Perkins joined advancement last year after 17 years as a missionary in Santiago, Chile. Zane has taken the responsibility as the director of advancement relations. He is continuing to develop relationships with individuals and churches and overseeing advancement representatives of Sunset.

Sunset is thankful that God used Chris for so many years to strengthen our relationships to others in the Kingdom of God. We look forward to seeing how God will use him in the coming years and how God will use Jeff and Zane to carry Sunset into the future.

-Jeff Rader

Chris and Jeff Rader working on a trip in Zambia



Chris' mentor, Truman Scott, passing on the leadership of the international schools



Chris and Saleek Gambi, dean of the Mzimba Bible Institute, receiving a chicken in gratitude for speaking in a village in Malawi



Chris giving Feliciano a solar player in Guatemala



THREE NEW FACES & TWO GOODBYES

God has blessed Sunset with many wonderful people who work every day doing what they can to serve the Kingdom. One sad note about working with so many godly people is how hard it is when they leave--but God faithfully brings new workers to work in the Kingdom.

Brad Shelt, a recent graduate of Sunset, has taken over as the dean of online studies in External Studies. Brad completed his coursework in December 2019 and began working in March, as Tommy Bailey began to transition out of leading online studies. Tommy had been the dean of



Brad & Rebecca Shelt

online studies, but since he is the minister for Parkway Drive Church of Christ in Lubbock, he needed to devote more of his time to that ministry. Brad has a background in technology and is working to expand the growing number of students taking classes online. In May of 2019, he married Rebecca Garnett, who has been teaching in Sunset's Christian deaf interpreter training since 2009.

External Studies also recently

said goodbye to Tom Rucker. Tom had run Sunset's video studio since he graduated in 2002. Tom took over the studio from Tom Martin. Tom worked to complete most of the video courses used in Sunset's satellite schools, online studies and around the world in many partner international schools. Tom's humor and charm always made him easy to work with. Tom also took thousands of pictures and took hundreds of hours of video in the classroom and at various times. In recent years, Tom took trips with Doug Reeves and others to chronicle the distribution of solar players around the world. Tom's wife, Corrie, worked for Sunset in various ways throughout their time here, both for the school and the church. They are relocating to the Austin area to be closer to family.



Tommy & Peggy Bailey



Tom & Corrie Rucker



Darrin & Pearl Bible

In late December 2019, Tim Burow hired Pearl Bible to be his secretary. Pearl was born and raised in Colorado and lived most of her life in Pueblo. Darrin and Pearl moved to Lubbock to attend Sunset International Bible Institute and decided to stay when Jeff Smith asked Darrin to work with DiscipleTrips. She and Darrin just celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary in December. The Bibles have two children: David who just recently returned from his AIM field after serving 21 months in Mexico City and Rachel who is studying business at South Plains Community College. Pearl said, "I am looking forward to seeing what the Lord has in store for me."

Truitt Adair hired Lori Yedor in the early months of 2020 to be the executive administrative assistant to the chancellor. Lori's husband Bernie

started attending classes at Sunset in January. They moved from Florida with their two children to attend school. The late Jerry Tallman studied with and baptized Bernie, Lori, and their son Damien and encouraged them to attend Sunset. She has had experience as an administrative assistant for many years before coming to Lubbock. She says, "I am truly blessed with this opportunity."

Sunset is so very thankful to God for the men and women whom he brings to work here." We will miss the Baileys and the Ruckers but look forward to seeing how God will use Brad, Pearl and Lori to bring glory to the Kingdom.

-Jeff Rader



*Bernie & Lori Yedor with their children,
Damien & Kaitlin*

Be Encouraged!

A STUDY IN ROMANS FROM CHARLES SPEER



Christians need frequent encouragement from their fellow believers. In a pagan world and culture, the challenges to live victorious lives are formidable. Our beliefs are odious to unbelievers; our behaviors by their very nature judge others as condemned; our integrity and morality are the exception and not the norm. Our rejection and even persecution are to be expected: *Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you.* (I Peter 4:12). In such a world, encouragement to remain faithful remains a necessity.

A passage of great encouragement is Romans 5:1-11. In this section of his letter, as a result of our being

justified through faith (1) and *justified by his blood* (9), Paul enumerates various blessings of being in Christ. Our standing with the Father and His Son qualify us to enjoy and be motivated by *all spiritual blessings in Christ* (Ephesians 1:3). Talk to me, Paul. What do those blessings look like?

#1—PEACE WITH GOD (v. 1)

This phrase could be translated *peace we are having*, since it is present tense. Our peace with God began when we were baptized into Christ, and it will not be taken away! Unlike the young-and-in-love teen, we do not have to pick a daisy from the field and with one-by-one removal

of its petals, test our standing with God, “He loves me; He loves me not; He loves me; He loves me not . . .” We are at peace in our relationship with God when it comes to salvation, sonship, and inheritance. As D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones says, “Peace with God indicates a belief that God still loves me in spite of the fact that I still sin. Peace with God indicates a state of mind that is at rest about my relationship to God. Peace with God indicates an ability to confidently answer the accusations of the Devil. Peace with God indicates a lack of fear of judgment. The peace of which I have spoken is related to what Christ created at Calvary.” *For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile all things to himself, . . . by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.* (Colossians 1:19-20) And because we have peace with God, we have peace with ourselves. *And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus . . . and the God of peace will be with you.* (Philippians 4:7, 9) Our thoughts and our feelings can be peaceful because God has made peace with us.

No matter what the world is saying to you, nothing and no one can take away your PEACE WITH GOD!

#2—ACCESS TO GOD (v. 2)

Which of you has access to your country’s primary leader? Who has a hotline to the Oval Office? But this verse claims we have access to the throne room of the King of kings and Lord of lords!

The word “access” connotes “facing God, coming close to Him.” It was used in some settings in the first century to refer to ushering one into the presence of another, especially to royalty. The proper translation is *have had* (perfect tense), indicating we got it when we were baptized and still have it, access to God anytime, anywhere. It was not a temporary, start-up Christian blessing, but rather an ongoing blessing till we come face-to-face with the Father in heaven.

The Hebrew writer focuses on the high priesthood of Jesus as that which activated our access. *Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are, yet was without sin. Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.* (Hebrews 4:14-16) *For through him we both (Jew and Gentile) have access to the Father by one Spirit.* (Ephesians 2:18) We are not shut out of our Father’s presence. It is as if our Father is saying, “Come on in and let me hear from you! Anytime!” And Jesus is saying, “I’ll plead your case for you!” And the Spirit is saying, “I know just what to say to the Father about your plight and requests!” (Romans 8:26-27)

Christian, pray with confidence! Pray with regularity, for access is always there!

#3—REJOICING IN THE HOPE OF THE GLORY OF GOD (v. 2)

“Rejoice” can be translated “boast.” Paul tells us that our boast is only in Christ (I Corinthians 1:31), and this blessing is a part of that. No, we do not deserve it, but we can be confident in the promises of God, one of which is the glory of God.

When we consider the phrase, “the hope of the glory of God,” two thoughts emerge. Paul has already stated that . . . *all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God* (Romans 3:23). In a sense, when we sin, we fall short of the desired intention or dream that God has always had for his children. So, now, as cleansed, redeemed people we are boasting in the fact that we have already received His hope for us, that is, freedom from sin’s penalty. We appear sinless in His sight. We are not condemned (Romans 8:1). We are cleansed of all sin as we walk in the light (I John 1:7). We have already received that glory, because we are sinless in his sight because of Calvary.

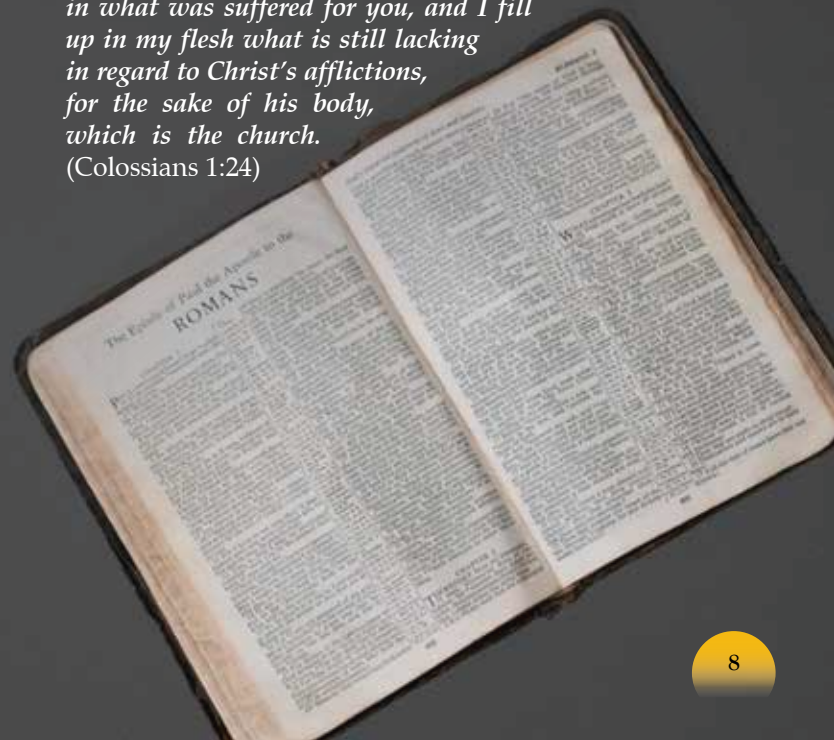
However, if Paul is referring to the end of our lives and the hope of our reward that awaits (8:24-25), that too is something we can boast in already. It is a sure thing for the faithful. We will be allowed to dwell eternally in the presence of or in the glory of God in heaven. More about this in a later blessing we will note.

We can rejoice or boast in being glorified now and later.

#4—REJOICING IN OUR SUFFERINGS (v. 3-4)

Who among men and women would have listed this as a blessing for every Christian!? Maybe we have not counted this among our blessings in Christ, but it is time we did! And for good reason.

Do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. (I Peter 4:12) *Count it all joy, my brothers, when you fall into various trials, knowing that the proving of your faith works patience* (James 1:2-3) *“We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of heaven,”* Paul tells his young converts in the faith (Acts 14:22). *Now I rejoice in what was suffered for you, and I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in regard to Christ’s afflictions, for the sake of his body, which is the church.* (Colossians 1:24)



These scriptures and our own here in Romans 5 remind us of the part that sufferings play in our normal Christian lives and that they are tools in God's hands to transform us into the likeness of Christ.

Suffering produces patience, one of the fruits of the Spirit (Galatians 5), which is a characteristic of Christ. Again, transformation is in view. We cannot attain the patience of Christ without going through trials faithfully. *Perseverance produces character* or "genuineness." Trials have a way of testing our mettle. When we are under the gun, trials challenge us to be real in our faith and commitment.

Our Christianity is not something that just lasts during peace time. Like

Daniel facing the lions' den or other biblical characters facing life and death, we too are challenged with trials to make the choice

to be faithful unto death again. When we do, we are reassured that our faith is real. *Character produces hope*, meaning

trials have a way of taking the glimmer off of this world. What is here to take the place of our heavenly home? Is there anything here worth staying for or substituting for the heavenly glory!?

Trials remind us that this world is not our home. Don't you think it's time we did a better job of rejoicing in our trials?

#5—WE ARE LOVED BY GOD (v. 5-8)

As one of the most quoted scriptures by preachers and teachers, these three verses encapsulate the extent of God's love for us. Paul describes us as "weak, ungodly, not righteous, not good, sinner." While we were at our worst, Christ came to earth to save us. It was "at just the right time" or "in due season" according to Paul. Reminds me of Isaiah 53:6: *All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every man unto his own way; and Jehovah hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.* While we were walking away from Him, He came looking for us. While we were thumbing our nose in His face, as it were, "Christ died for us." When we were at our worst, that is when He loved us the most. The word "for" is HUPER, meaning substitutionary or vicarious or in place of us. We deserved to die or be condemned, but it was just at that time when Christ died for us. As the song says, "How deep the Father's love for us. How vast beyond all measure."

#6—MORE GLORY AFTER WE DID (v. 9-10)

Paul says there is more! It is not over on this earth. The Lord could have said, "I'll save you down there on earth, but if you expect me to bring you up here to live with me for eternity, forget it!" But he did say we could come live with him! *How much more shall we be saved from God's wrath . . . how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!* He has prepared a place for us, a room in His mansion (John 14:1-3). Jesus himself will come with his angels to get us from the grave or from the world (I Thessalonians 4:13-18). We will get our crown then (II Timothy 4:8). He will transform our bodies into the likeness of His body (Philippians 3:20-21). We will enter into the joy of the Lord (Matthew 25:21). The kingdom is ours. *Take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world.* (Matthew 25:34) Best of all, we get to be with Him. *And so shall we be with the Lord forever.* (I Thessalonians 4:18)

CONCLUSION

Paul ends this section with somewhat of a summary of all he has just said, *Not only is this so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ* (5:11). It is all "rejoicing in God through our Lord Jesus Christ." All of these blessings come from the Lord and represent His character, love, and intentions toward us. If that isn't love--if that isn't reason to rejoice! As Paul says elsewhere, *Wherefore, encourage each other with these words* (I Thessalonians 4:18).

-Charles Speer

THE SOLAR MISSION IN A GLOBAL PANDEMIC



Families in Zimbabwe use their solar player for their church service.

When we began the large distribution of solar players in 2014, Zimbabwe was one of the first recipient nations. Our partner school, Mutare School of Preaching, and its director, Nhamo Marunga, led the way in helping us put over 900 solar players into the hands of the right people in one of the most receptive nations in our world. After six years, most of those solar players are still preaching and teaching the gospel. Recently brother Marunga said this:

“When the solar player project started, we did not know that a global pandemic would come. We have used the solar players in evangelism, Bible classes, preacher training, leadership workshops, prisons, and hospitals far and wide. In Zimbabwe, we were not spared from the

pandemic and lockdowns. Families are now able to listen to the songs, Bible lessons, sermons, and Bible readings from their solar players. What a blessing.”

Most of us in the US have been blessed to have church services, Bible classes and worship songs streamed into our homes via Internet as we “shelter in place.” Few people in Zimbabwe and other third-world countries have that opportunity. But in the providence of God, about 13,000 precious souls in over 70 nations have solar players loaded with the Sunset curriculum, WBS courses, family resources, gospel hymns, and the entire Bible. We are hearing from Christians all around the world who are saying thank you to generous American donors who provide solar players to help their families worship and grow spiritually in isolation.

Meanwhile at SIBI, we are translating more solar player courses into Portuguese, Creole, French, Telugu and other languages. We are preparing over 2000 solar players to be delivered to Mozambique, Brazil and Haiti as soon as travel is possible. Your financial partnership is vital and appreciated now to help us see that these gospel tools are prepared to be delivered to thousands who will be blessed by them.

It takes \$500 to put a solar player in the hand of a church leader in a receptive part of our world. Send donations to: SIBI, 3723 34th Street, Lubbock, TX 79410. Contact tadair@sibi.cc or 806-789-4879 or visit sunset.bible/solar.

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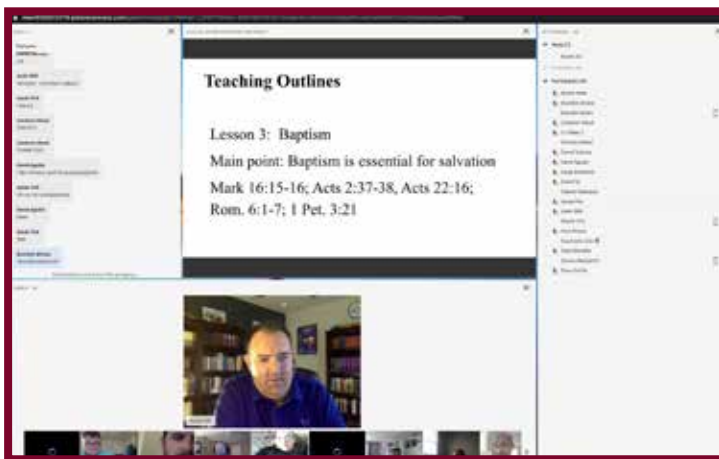


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The final term at Sunset International Bible Institute was filled with blessings and challenges. The mayor's order to shelter in place for Lubbock came during a break week for Sunset, just before the beginning of the fourth term. We were able to convert our residential classes to an online format and continue instruction (shown in the two screenshots above). Seniors were able to complete the requirements for graduation including a senior sermon delivered online. Sunset also used this opportunity to reach out to many donors and alumni to get updates on how they were persevering through the difficult time. Hopefully many of you received those calls. Unfortunately we do not have accurate phone numbers for all of our alumni and donors.

Sunset will be honoring these graduates at our opening chapel ceremony on August 10, 2020. At this point, the coming school year is on course with a new class of students arriving in Lubbock soon. If circumstances change, the faculty has spent the summer preparing to provide continual education online. All of the classes are utilizing the online learning system at SunsetOnline.org to help augment and enrich the learning environment and provide for the most flexibility during this time.

Though we have around twenty students ready to attend classes, many are finding it more difficult to raise support with so many churches meeting in irregular ways right now. Prayerfully consider supporting any of the incoming students. If you get in touch with Tom Cote, director of admissions (tom.cote@sibi.cc), he can help you find a student who is need of help. You may also use the form below and designate it for student scholarships.



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The Queen's Request

Since her beloved Gerald went to be with the Lord in 2015, there has been one thing on Mrs. Bobbie's heart--a queen's request if you will--and that was to join him. Like Paul, her thoughts were *For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain. But if I live on in the flesh, this will mean fruit from my labor; yet what I shall choose I cannot tell. For I am hard-pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better.* (Philippians 1:21-23) In her mind there were things left "unfinished." There were things she knew she couldn't do anymore without help, **and** she never gave up that famous saying, *"I have a little project for you!"* It didn't matter who you were or what you were doing at the time, if you heard that soft, sweet voice behind you, you knew you were in for a "not so little" project. But those projects were done with love and honor for the sister we called Ms. Bobbie. Bobbie's request to be with her Lord and her Gerald was answered on April 30, 2020. She was surrounded by the family she loved more than life (she was so proud of her family), and even though I wasn't there, I feel certain when she saw the heavens open and heard her name called by her Lord, that smile (with lipstick) was on her face. We can only imagine. Ms. Bobbie wouldn't want a long tribute about her written in this issue of Lifeline. I think she would have wanted pictures. She loved pictures. She had thousands of pictures of her family and the SSOP/SIBI family. While you look at the "tribute in pictures" below, let your memories of "Sunset's Queen" fill your heart, not with sadness, but with the smile that she always wanted to see on your face. Remember . . .

with love to our Queen, Linda Wagner



DEPARTURES

Joe Akin ('83) passed away. His wife Jackie notified us in April.

Dale Arnett ('85), 75, passed away July 27, 2018, in Athens, Texas. Dale graduated from Sunset and dedicated his life to ministry. He was the chaplain and prison minister serving Eastern Hills Church of Christ for 20 years. He was a proud veteran of the US Marine Corp. He was a loving husband, father, brother, and grandfather. Judy Arnett, 78, passed away February 5, 2020. She served with Dale in prison ministry for many years.

Jim Bellcock ('75), 88, passed away on January 6, 2020. He served 22 years in the Air Force serving during the Korean and Vietnam conflicts. After retiring from the Air Force, he went to Sunset School of Preaching and spent five years as a minister in Wisconsin.



Orfila Banda (wife of Marcelino '81) passed away May 5, 2019. Orfila was a wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, teacher and a friend, but most importantly she was a daughter of our Lord and Savior. She worked for the Brownfield Independent School District for 10 years and the Texas Department of Transportation as an Administrative Assistant. Above all, she spent over 40 years in the ministry alongside her husband Marcelino.



Emmett Bobbitt (SAIM), 78, of Lubbock passed away Monday, March 16, 2020. Emmett was a talented handyman, woodworker, and a collector of guns and knives. He was a member of Sunset Church of Christ and took many classes in Senior AIM.



Kerry Cain ('67), 80, of San Antonio, joined his Father in Heaven on Thursday, May 21, 2020, after a lifetime dedicated to spreading the Word around the world. Following high school, Kerry joined the United States Army. After his time in the military, Kerry attended Sunset and served the Lord for more than 50 years. He ministered in New Zealand, Ukraine, West Palm Beach and Lake City, Florida, and several stops along the way in Texas before he retired. Kerry is survived by his beloved wife, Tommie, and children.



Lynn Campbell ('66), 77, of Omaha, Texas, died January 28, 2020. Lynn attended David Lipscomb College and graduated from Lake Sumpter Community College before enrolling in the Sunset School of Preaching. He graduated from Sunset and married Allie Chastain in 1966. In 1967 the newlyweds moved to Northern Ireland to teach and preach. Lynn returned in 1968 to join the inaugural faculty of the White's Ferry Road School of Preaching. He helped start Ouachita Christian School. His pulpit work in Louisiana, Florida, Arkansas, and Texas created deep connections and relationships with people. His heart for people led him to serve as a hospice chaplain and board member for Wadley Hospital in Texarkana. He is survived by his wife, Allie.



John Carter ('85), 75, passed away December 24, 2019. John served in the United States Army Infantry. After attending Sunset, he became a patrol agent in the United States Border Patrol.



John Carter (Deaf Studies), 69, of Lubbock died December 13, 2019.



Wirt Cook ('67), 83, of Parkersburg, West Virginia, passed away December 2, 2019, at his home with his wife and children by his side. Wirt served in the United States Navy for 11 years. He was a faithful gospel preacher for over 50 years and was one of the cofounders of the West Virginia School of Preaching. Left behind to cherish his memory is his wife Shirley Smith Cook and family.



Mike Dennis ('75) passed from this life into eternity with his Lord on April 3, 2020, following a series of illnesses. After graduating from SIBI and the School of Missions, Mike preached for churches in West Texas and Arizona. He and his wife of nearly 52 years, Lenice, taught Bible classes, hosted missionaries, and opened their home to many in their service for the Lord.



Louise Gilliam joined Doyle in heaven on October 24, 2019. Louise spent her childhood in Lakeland, Florida, and later attended Florida Christian College, where she met and married Doyle Gilliam. After a few years in church ministry and the birth of two children, the Gilliams moved to Malawi (Africa) to do mission work among the Chechewa-speaking people. The Gilliam's, along with their growing family of five children, spent over twenty years in the countries of Malawi and Rhodesia (Zimbabwe). During the Rhodesian civil war, the Gilliams returned to the States and Doyle began teaching at the Sunset International Bible Institute in Lubbock, Texas. Louise spent many of her years in Lubbock running the day care program for the Sunset. Her work enabled the wives to attend classes knowing that their babies and children would be cared for by Miss Louise and her helpers. Many adult men and women consider Miss Louise their second mother. The Gilliams often hosted students in their home for Louise's famous home-cooked meals. She was beloved by many generations of student families and will be greatly missed.



Roben Hanes ('67), 77, joined his Savior on December 20, 2019. Roben began Sunset School of Preaching in Lubbock in 1965. After Sunset, he served in many different congregations in Texas: Follett, Groom, Eden, and Red Oak. Roben was also involved in the prison ministry in Grand Prairie, Fishers of Men in Ennis, and was an elder at both the Beltline at Main congregation in Lancaster and the Brown Street congregation in Waxahachie. In the midst of serving the Church, Roben continued to grow his ministry as a licensed funeral director. Roben is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Carol.



Joe Harber ('69), 92, passed away December 20, 2019. Joe married Christine Hammers, the love of his life, on October 10, 1946, in Baird, Texas. Joe graduated from Abilene High School and then joined the Navy for two years. He then moved to Lubbock and graduated from Sunset School of Preaching. Joe preached in Sundown, Big Spring, Seminole, Pecos, Colorado and held many meetings in and around West Texas.



Homer Harris, Jr. ('82), 91, passed away on August 25, 2019. After graduating high school, Homer went into the Navy near the end of World War II. Homer married Margie Ruth Moore on September 2, 1950, at the Central church of Christ in Houston.



Gerald Jackson ('86) passed away on May 28, 2020. Gerald was a man of the Gospel - preaching, teaching, and a servant to all around him. Gerald spent the last 40 years helping hundreds of people through his ministry in service to his Lord.



Isaya Jackson ('97) passed away on October 14, 2019. Isaya was a Sudanese refugee in Houston years ago when he met and was converted by Bill Yasko. After graduating from Sunset, he went back to the Sudanese refugee camps and preached, planted churches and trained preachers. His ministry was responsible for thousands of baptisms, many dozens of congregations and hundreds of trained preachers. Last year he was diagnosed with a brain tumor and came back to Houston to be near family and medical treatment. This great African missionary will be missed by brethren on both sides of the ocean.



George Jones (SAIM '04) died on January 23, 2020, in Canton, Mississippi. George retired from the US Air Force in May 1982 as a master sergeant. He and his wife, Wilma, were actively engaged in churches of Christ in New Mexico, Washington, Germany & Saudi Arabia. They enrolled in Senior AIM in 2002. They chose to serve in Albany, Western Australia, for 10 months. Afterwards, they helped their aged parents in Jackson and Canton, Mississippi. George is survived by his wife, Wilma.



Vic Kyler, 80, passed away Sunday, December 1, 2019. Vic served as an elder and was a member of Sunset Church of Christ.



Donald & Kathy McMillon ('92). Donald McMillon, 77, of Rochester, Minnesota, died February 2, 2020. Don served in the U.S. Army and worked for Boeing, Mack Truck, and UPS. In 1990 he attended Sunset School of Preaching. He completed an internship at the Church of Christ in Rochester and then served as their preacher for 16 years. He retired from the church in 2008. He and Kathy traveled with the Sojourners for four to five years. He also served on the board for the House of Compassion in Rochester. **Kathy McMillon**, 74, died March 25, 2020, just 52 days after Don. While attending the Roseville Church of Christ in Roseville, Minnesota, Kathy interpreted for the deaf and became avidly involved in the deaf ministry. In 1990 she and Don left for Lubbock, TX, where they attended Sunset School of Preaching, furthering her training in deaf ministry.



Gary Nutt, 60, of Dimmitt, Texas, passed away on February 1, 2020, after a short battle with ALS. Gary was a faithful servant of God and continued to use his faith to touch others around him even in his final days. Gary served with Sunset International Bible Institute on the Sunset Council and on the SIBI Foundation Board of Directors.



Tom Phillips, 83, passed away on December 8, 2019. Tom was a veteran of the U.S. Army, where he served from 1959 to 1965. Tom served as an elder of Sunset Church of Christ for many years.



Lil Powers (SAIM '99), 87, died October 15, 2019, in Abilene, Texas. Lil married Billy Ray Powers on August 30, 1952. With the encouragement of Lil's brother, Richard Rogers, they eventually settled in Lubbock after retirement. After graduating from Senior AIM, they helped to set up satellite schools for External Studies at Sunset.



Earle Robinson III ('77) passed away on May 4, 2014. Earle was a resident of Houston, Texas, at the time of his passing.

Jerry Tallman ('76), 75, of Fort Myers, Florida, and Rochester Hills, Michigan, went to be with his Lord on December 22, 2019. Jerry taught evangelism at Sunset and the students loved his methods of evangelism. Jerry's lessons on how to become a Christian are on the solar players that are handed out all over the world. Connie and Jerry traveled all over the United States for Jerry to teach his evangelism classes.



Tex Williams, 91, went to meet the Lord on October 23, 2019. He grew up wanting to be a cowboy—earning him the nickname Tex. His Sunday school teacher insisted that he would become a missionary. She helped to set the trajectory of his life. After college at Abilene Christian University and Texas A&M, Tex worked at Boles Children's Home. There he met his life's partner, Mary Jane. They married in 1955. Tex preached at Northside church of Christ (now Hyde Park) in Austin, and that congregation helped to send the Williams family to South Africa in 1957. The Sunset church and School of Preaching in Lubbock asked Tex to start the Sunset School of Missions. He served there from 1970 until 1985, when Reuel Lemmons urgently requested his assistance in leading World Bible School. Tex served as president of WBS and editor of Action from 1987 until his retirement in 2006. Tex's travels touched on some 120 nations, with direct work in 90.



Nancy Yeaman (AIM '90) passed on June 18, 2019, from cancer. She lived in Huntsville, Texas. Nancy always signed her emails with this verse: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, lean not on your own understanding." Proverbs 3:5.



A correction from the previous Lifeline is that William Altaffer's wife's name is Norma, not Linda. We apologize to Norma and his daughters for the mistake.

Mastering a Life of Service

Every student who comes to Sunset is given not just an education in the Bible but a taste for what can be gained by a lifelong study of the Word of God. Two years, no matter how intense, cannot adequately satisfy a true Bible student with all that they need. While graduates leave with the equipping needed for them to begin a life of service in the Kingdom, there should always be a thirst and desire to learn more. To help answer this desire for more, Sunset's graduate school provides an opportunity for those serving in ministry to continue to learn even as they teach. Tommy Maxwell completed his requirements to receive a master of Biblical studies degree in December. He continues to use all of his education and experience to be the best servant of God he can be.

After graduation from Sunset in 2012 and before entering the Sunset Graduate Studies program, Tommy worked as a missionary in Stirling, Scotland. His main focus was on evangelistic studies with people in the community. He preached on a rotation with the other men in the congregation and also taught the adult Bible class periodically. He only spent three years in full-time ministry between graduating from Sunset with a bachelor's degree and beginning the graduate school. Tommy currently serves as the pulpit minister of the Waurika church of Christ in Waurika, Oklahoma. He began preaching there in September 2015 and started graduate studies at Sunset in January 2016. It took him four years to complete his graduate studies. He purposely took courses one at a time in order to not get too overwhelmed between full-time pulpit ministry, having a young family and school obligations. His goal was not to rush through any program but be in continual growth at a manageable pace.

In answering what some of the personal benefits he gained from his studies for his master's degree, Tommy replied:

*There have been a number of personal benefits to the graduate studies at Sunset. I have learned to manage my time better and work more efficiently because of **Practical Ministry** taught by Kerry Williams. I have learned to dig deeper into studying the Bible rather than simply accept what I have always been taught. A couple of courses that come to mind are **Studies in Spiritual Warfare** and **Theology of Assembly**. **Advanced Hermeneutics** has also been valuable in that I am now more attentive and careful in reading the text. This course taught me to be a better student of the Word, and this has helped me to also teach and preach it more accurately and effectively.*

Tommy believes his graduate studies taught him to be more observant and aware of where others in the church are coming from, and as a result he has learned to be more patient and understanding with others when they do not see eye to eye. Working with a congregation takes a great deal of patience and discernment, especially when dealing with difficult subjects and situations. The graduate school has helped him tremendously in this. Along with that, he has learned from his courses how to gently address sensitive issues so that difficult truths can be accepted more easily. He would recommend any graduate of Sunset serving in full-time ministry continue their studies through the graduate program. *"I cannot overstate the value it has had for me."* He added that these classes would also be valuable for elders in the church as well.

Even though Tommy completed his degree in December, he says, *"My studies are far from finished."* Tommy is currently pursuing a master's degree in New Testament studies from Amridge University with the goal of learning New Testament Greek in order to better understand God's word. His future plans also include more courses at Sunset through graduate certificates and to enter a doctoral program at some point as well.

Classes in the graduate school are offered in three terms beginning each January, May, and September. Learn more at <http://sunset.bible/masters> or contact the dean of graduate studies, Kerry Williams (kerry.williams@sibi.cc).

- Jeff Rader (Photos of Tommy ministering in Waurika are courtesy of Pamela Maxwell.)



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SUNSET ACADEMY OF LEADERSHIP TRAINING



The Sunset Academy of Leadership Training (SALT) is designed to be a resource for churches of Christ in biblical leadership development. The need for training leaders within the church becomes more evident each day. Congregations need a program that strengthens their current leaders and prepares the next generation to lead. At SALT, we want to help congregations with this need.

Over the past year, we have developed tools that equip congregations in areas of leadership development. Online lessons can be downloaded to teach weekly classes that focus on training leaders. We recently introduced our weekly saltCasts. These podcasts feature interviews with various leaders who serve within the church. Through these discussions we explore avenues to help leaders learn more about a number of critical topics. Another resource is saltTalks. Speakers are invited to share information that will assist leaders in various areas related to their specific role. Later this year, we plan to publish our first saltJournal. The saltJournal is a publication designed to provide scholarly articles focused on biblical leadership principles, leadership issues in the 21st century, and a host of other related topics. Look for this publication in the near future.

We are also set to host the first saltShop Leadership Training Experience. This event is designed to provide current elders, potential elders, those who might serve as elders in the future, and others with an opportunity to learn from some of the leading men in the brotherhood. These lessons are designed to encourage, strengthen, and equip men to serve in this needed role.



SALT currently serves more than 25 congregations, and we are adding more each week. These congregations are excited about the work of SALT with their leadership. Bill Zuker, an elder with the Mannford church of Christ, shared the value SALT has been to their growth as elders. "SALT guided us in writing a vision and mission statement, a process that helped us grow as leaders. We realized our struggle to clearly define what we wanted to communicate, and SALT helped us find the best way/avenue to communicate it. Our work with SALT has made us better shepherds because we now focus on shepherding the sheep, not administrating the church. We looked internally as individuals and as an eldership and have grown because of this process. Mannford's elders are closer and have a better understanding and respect for one another because of the time focusing on God."

Tom Condos, with the Spokane Valley church of Christ, shared his thoughts about working with SALT. "The Spokane Valley church of Christ recently employed the SALT program to re-energize the church in Washington. The congregation had developed a complacent attitude over the years and was revitalized by the workshop directed by brother Bob Turner with SALT. The workshop inspired the congregation to have productive discussions, which led us to develop a new vision statement for the church. The workshop also helped the church generate a greater desire to re-establish biblical leadership as per the New Testament."

Russell Simpson, an elder with the Lehman Avenue church of Christ, also spoke about SALT's work in a recent leadership retreat. "A few words about SALT and Bob's presentations at the men's retreat: First of all, we had a terrific age range present. Bob had the whole group involved and he really got the creative juices flowing. Two of the greatest things I learned was Lehman's elders in many cases fail to communicate well and listen carefully. We fail to share our vision, we fail to ask for others' involvement and we fail to allow others to invest themselves in our vision. The SALT presentations helped Lehman's leaders identify some of our deficiencies and ways to improve as leaders at church, at home and in our communities. This was by far one of our best men's retreats to date. I believe with all my heart that the providence of God had a large part in bringing Bob to us if only for a short visit. And for that I am forever grateful. And through that we had the opportunity to learn about SALT and grow together as better men in the Lord's Kingdom."

We are thankful for the opportunity to serve these and many others in the work of our Lord's church. As we continue into the new year, we pray that God will open more doors to assist congregations where needs exist and strengthen the future of leadership in the church.

-Bob Turner

1,614 LESSONS ON THE SUNSET DIGITAL LIBRARY

The past few months have been very productive for the Sunset Digital Library. The External Studies staff has been working hard to convert and upload as much material as they can to the app to help people who are remaining at home. This was especially important, since so many people could not attend worship with their church families for so long. Many still feel the need to keep distance. These lessons have helped so many to stay engaged in Bible study and have provided words of comfort and hope. It is not too late to download the Sunset Digital Library. It is available for Apple and Android devices as well as Roku and Amazon devices. This is a free resource that Sunset is making available. If you have found the value of this resource already, consider supporting Sunset so that the app can continue to be enriched with content to help spread the Kingdom. You can give through the app using the "Donate" button at the bottom.

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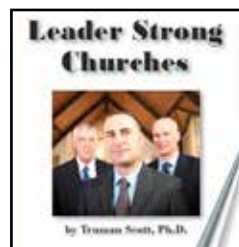
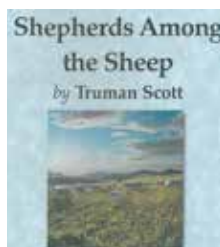
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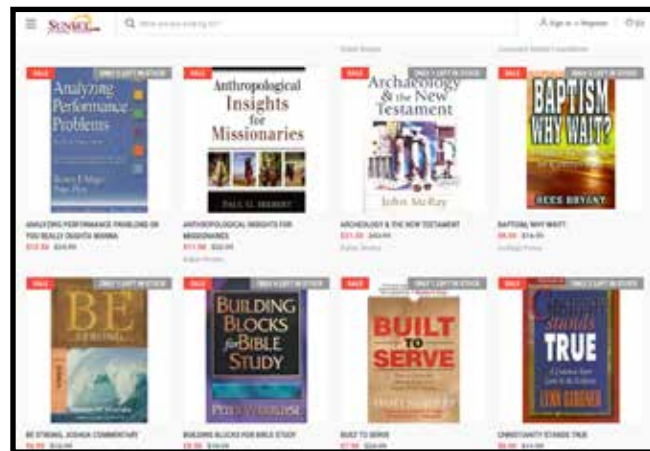
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