

Making the last days count

Recently the Lord reminded me of why we are still here. Jesus said to his disciples, "And this gospel of the Kingdom will be preached to the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come" (Matthew 24:14). The gospel of the Kingdom is the good news about the King and His domain that rules over everything that transpires on this earth. We are a part of that Kingdom and are to be actively giving both testimony to and demonstration of that Kingdom to people who are caught up in the Kingdoms of this world. The way I see it, there are three Kingdoms: the Kingdom of God, the Kingdom of Darkness and the Kingdoms of this world. People can only belong to one and we are to preach the good news of the Kingdom of God so people will have a chance to make a decision. Right now, many don't know that they belong to the Kingdom of darkness.

A month ago the Lord spoke to my heart. He let me know that we could begin the count down. That means that the time of his coming is close enough to start checking off the years, 10, 9, 8, 7... But it also means that as a church who believes in the soon coming of the King, we have a responsibility to spread the gospel while there is still time.

New Life is a church that desires to set an atmosphere of *warmth* where visitors feel very welcome, an atmosphere of *worship* where His presence is welcome and an atmosphere where His *Word* is welcomed and obeyed. Jesus told his disciples just before he left, "Go and make disciples of all nations..." This was his final command to his followers. It is a very important one. As a praying church, we can hear the heartbeat of the Lord. It is not his will that any should perish. Would you pray with me about how we can make the Gospel of the Kingdom known to those in our area of the world? Would you pray about how you can become a greater witness to the things of God? This summer I plan to go door to door throughout Bordentown and the township. Hopefully we can get some teams together to help. But there are other ways to reach people with the powerful news. May His Spirit speak to you! Let's all make the last days count. I believe that a part of being expectant of the Lord's presence to increase among us is to also be expectant of souls being won for his Kingdom. Please pray and see how that Lord guides you.

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