



Events

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WHAT ABOUT OUR NATION?

I Thess. 5: 3 “For when they say, peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them...”
Proverbs 14: 34 “Righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people.”

For too many years it has been hinted that America is immune from the national decay that has plagued other nations. Being an American, I love my country. I glory in her virtues, but it trust I am not blind to her weaknesses. I declare upon the authority of God's word, that just as He is no respecter of persons, He is no respecter of nations. If we, as Americans, forsake the holy practices and righteous foundations upon which the integrity of our nation was founded, and make unto us “graven images” God will judge us the same as He judged Israel, Babylon and Rome. The smug complacent feeling that we are impregnable, invulnerable and unbeatable, is one of the surest signs that we do not understand what history and the scriptures have to say about nations that forget God. Oh, America! thou who was conceived by God fearing men who loved freedom to worship in primitive surroundings more than the luxuries of Europe. Oh America, born amidst the travail of prayer at Plymouth Rock, where faithful pilgrims christened thee with tears and dedicated thee to God. Oh America! thou who was nourished and fed in thine infancy upon the living Word of God, and who thrived in thy childhood on righteous precepts. May God forbid that thou should ever sink to the level of Babylon and other fallen nations, and share their awful fate.

The trouble with sin is that it renders men insensible and its consequences. You ask, what can we do to keep it from happening? Well, the answer to that question; we must return to God's Word. First, we must confess our sins and God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness (I John 1: 9). In First Chronicles 7: 14 this was the promise of God to Solomon, “If my people which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn away from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven and forgive their sin, and will heal their land.” Solomon accepted the divine challenge; called the people to repentance and prayers and rebuilt the house of the Lord; and consecrated his wisdom, his gold and his good name to the cause of Almighty God. Let us know today, that the promise God gave to Solomon is timeless. It applies to America today. We, like Israel have been singularly blessed and used of God. But the love of pleasure, gold and sin has crowded out our former love for God and His righteousness. We, like Israel, must confess this sin, we must humble ourselves. Our repentance must not be limited to a few individuals, but it must be nationwide in its scope if we, as a nation, are going to enjoy the benediction and blessing of God. What a simple thing it would be, for our leaders to call a day of national repentance! not merely a day of prayer. The only prayer God will hear from a backslidden heart is the prayer of repentance. I am convinced that if we as a nation should sincerely repent and humble ourselves before the Lord that our national problems would be solved as if by magic. I am further convinced that all of the woes which we, as a nation, are suffering are the result of our failure to keep His commandments and walk in His precepts.

The greatest contribution that you and I can make to our country is to yield our heart and life to the Lord Jesus. A nation is no stronger than the individuals which comprise that nation, and the gesture that will obtain divine recognition is the gesture of repentance and humility, both individually and nationally. I shudder as I think of what the future of America and our families will be unless there is an individual and national return to the faith we once had in God. There is no real security in possession of advanced weapons of war, or our national resources, or our ability to out produce other countries unless our natural advantages are controlled by underlying spiritual motives, and are coupled with a desire to please God in our international relations. These very assets could be turned or changed overnight into liabilities. Remember, I believe that it is later than we think. What say you???

Kenneth K. Howe

The Sopchaks Minister At ILA CONVENTION In Puerto Rico

WBWF Vice-President, Pastor Larry Sopchak, along with his wife Robin had the opportunity to minister at the International Longshoremen's Association's international convention on Sunday, July 19, 2015, in San Juan, Puerto Rico!



The International Longshoremen's Association represents over 14,000 union dockworkers who work on the docks in many of our nation's ports, from Maine to Texas.

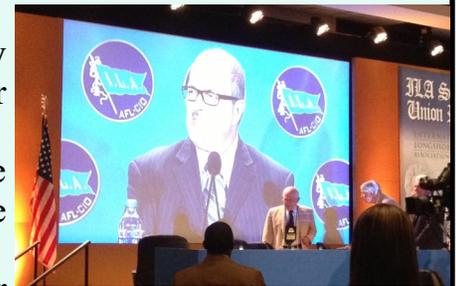


Larry and Robin were given the opportunity in July of 2014 to minister at the South Atlantic & Gulf Coast District convention in Savannah, Georgia, which was attended by over 200 longshoremen and guests, including the International President, Harold Daggett, along with many other top leaders of the ILA.

Following the Chapel Service in Savannah, Larry was approached by President Daggett and his P.R. person, and asked to do the same for this year's International convention.

Both services are believed to be the first ever of its kind within the ILA, and leadership of both commented that they intend to make the Chapel Service a part of all future conventions!

The Chapel Service in Puerto Rico was also attended by well over 200 longshoremen, including top ILA leadership, guests, and even Larry's hometown Congressman, Gene Green and his wife. Larry, Robin, and one of Larry's board members from his home local, ILA #28, ministered in music, shared personal testimonies, followed by a message from Pastor Larry entitled, "What's So Amazing About Grace"!



Pastor Larry reports that many received prayer following the service, and even throughout the week, with many testimonies of God's power changing hearts and lives, including a couple who testified that God had begun to heal their marriage! To God Be The Glory!

Additionally, during the Convention in the week that followed, Larry and Robin were both asked to give the invocation on separate morning introductions, and Larry sang the National Anthem!

Larry testifies that when you walk uprightly before the Lord, He will open doors that no man can shut, have you doing things you never imagined, take you places and show you things you never dreamed of! We praise God for the ministry of Pastor Larry & Robin Sopchak! We are so proud of what God is doing through our Vice-President at home and abroad.



*I asked, "Why doesn't somebody do something?"
Then I realized I was somebody!*

Dr. Dan Hope

Dr. Dan Hope, went to be with his Lord Monday, August 10, 2015, after an extended illness. He served as President of World Bible Way Fellowship for 38 years. We pay tribute to him by reflecting on his life. It is not how did he die, but rather how did he live? Not what did he gain, but what did he give? These are the merits used to measure the worth of a man. Only eternity will reveal the number of lives that were touched by this man of God. Bro. Hope you will be missed by all who knew and loved you. We look forward to seeing you on the other side.



REGIONAL MEETING HELD IN KANSAS JUNE 24th & 25th

Special thanks to Sis. Beth Ann Hardin, our Regional Rep. for Kansas, who did a fantastic job of planning and organizing for this meeting.

There were WBWF ministers from KS, OK, NE, AR, WI, CO, TX, IN, MN, ME and VA. There was a wonderful presence of God in every service. There was a powerful anointing on each speaker and the praise and worship. God is faithful.

We are looking forward to the next Regional Meeting to be held September 16th and 17th at Bible Way Chapel in Irving, TX with Pastors Charles & Faith McKay. You don't want to miss this meeting! Come and bring a representation from your church.



WHAT TIME IS IT?

II Tim. 3: 1-5

“This know also that in the last days perilous times shall come, for men shall be lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God.”

History records the fact that no nation has ever gone down into oblivion because of an outside enemy until first it has been defeated from within. The wreckage of civilizations, empires, nations and tribes, known to us through the pages of history clearly reveals the fact that such destruction directly resulted from four things; first, loss of national pride; second, absence of a pioneer spirit; third, unwillingness to work hard for their own welfare and that of their fellowman; and fourth, these pleasures almost invariably led to an increasing degree of lust, licentiousness and sin in all its destructive hideousness. There are two danger signals seen on every hand which mark the impending doom of our nation as a great world power. They are, first, the extreme love of entertainment and pleasure which has become one of our basic goals and, second, the complete aversion to good hard work.

Thank God there is one way out of this morass of despair. There is only one

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way, it is found in the message of the Word of God. If only ministers of Protestant churches would once again herald the truth of the gospel; that men must be born again. Then, they will have the power of the Holy Spirit in their lives to change from their wicked ways. Then will morality and common decency once again be the unwritten law of the land and sin will be revealed in all of its hideousness instead of being held up as a most attractive part of life. Then will we be able to stay the onrushing tide that is surely about to sweep us to our national doom. On the other hand, this very trend might well be one of the signs that point to the soon return of the Lord. For it is clearly portrayed in numerous places throughout scripture that these conditions will prevail in the last days of this

dispensation. The world is blindly saying, “Cheer up, the best is yet to come”, but the Word of God and the children of God exultantly exclaim, “Cheer up, the worst is yet to come” then the worst comes. Then we can look up and know that our redemption draweth nigh. The national picture and the world picture are very dark indeed. But to the child of God who has accepted Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, the future was never brighter and we joyously exclaim, “Even so come quickly, Lord Jesus.” Amen. Take time to read our text in II Tim. 3: 1-5. Read the list of things which the apostle gave to young Timothy, then tell me, what time you think it is.

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