

Behind the Scenes

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There is no higher calling or greater privilege known to man than being involved in helping fulfill the Great Commission.

-Bill Bright



Incredible Opportunity

By Charlie Oliver

Have you ever looked, really looked, at the state of the world around you? Do you see how sin has wormed its way so deeply into the fabric of humanity that the obscene becomes normal? Look too long, and things can start to look hopeless really fast.

This world can be a tough place, with more than its fair share of struggles and hardships. It's not uncommon for people to feel overwhelmed by anxiety and sadness. Remember, you're not alone in experiencing these feelings. In fact, a survey back in 2015 found that about 41.6% of people worldwide dealt with mental health issues such as anxiety and depression in a single year. Unfortunately, the situation hasn't improved much since then. That's why so many folks are out there seeking answers and hoping for better days.

Just last month, I had the incredible opportunity to attend the ASI International Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. Meeting fellow believers and ministries from all over the world was truly inspiring. It's amazing to witness how we can unite under the banner of Jesus Christ, collaborating to spread His message of hope and healing to others. This is the Jesus Method in action, helping people where they are, giving them hope that comes from being seen, being helped, and a pathway forward that includes community and love in and through Jesus.

“Christ’s method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Saviour mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He bade them, ‘Follow Me.’ “ - Ellen G. White, The Ministry of Healing, p. 143.

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Important September Dates

September 1st - Celebrate National Food Bank Day on the first Friday in September! Let's chow down on kindness and fill hearts (and bellies) by giving back. You could volunteer or donate to a place near you.

September 17th - National POW/MIA Recognition Day. This day Americans honor the sacrifices of prisoners of war, and those missing in action, along with their families. Across the country, veteran rallies, flying flags, and remembrance ceremonies are held to pay tribute to these brave individuals.

Hip, hip, hooray for **National Centenarian's Day** on September 22! Let's celebrate with those fabulous 100-year-olds, soak in their wisdom, and be inspired by their incredible life stories. Age is just a number and they're proof that life keeps getting better!

Inspirational Musings

By Jeanette Stark

I take a somewhat organic approach to gardening. Yes, I plant with purpose, but I also allow nature to do some planting. Perhaps a seed dropped by a bird or brought in by the wind and suddenly I see new, unexpected life springing up in places I had nothing to do with.

Not too long ago, I hosted my dear friend Bernie Martin Beck on Women in the Word. Somewhere in that interview, I asked Bernie if she had any advice and she simply stated, "Grow where you're planted". That has stuck with me. Grow where you're planted. You know, people and plants are a lot alike. I know people that thrive in any and all conditions and circumstances and I know yet others who do not.

One of the songs we sing at Gateway is "I Shall Not Be Moved" with chorus lyrics: "just like a tree, planted by the water. Oh Lord, I shall not be moved."

That song is based in scripture. Jeremiah wrote: "***Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit.***" Jeremiah 17:7-8 ESV

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Odds & Ends: Viewer Submission

Unknown Author

I just finished watching Boots 'n Bibles and decided to tell you something that happens every time I watch it. I thought you might find it funny too.

I have a ten-year-old Siamese cat named Tommy. I got him when he was six weeks old, and he is my buddy. I talk to him all day long.

I love to sing. I sing along with the singers on Boots 'n Bibles. When Tommy hears the music at the beginning of the program, he comes running to sit on my lap and watches me sing. He puts his face close to mine and stares into my eyes. I can't keep from laughing.

Even though I talk to him all day, he will only do this when I sing along with Boots 'n Bibles. I haven't figured out if Tommy likes my singing or if he likes the hymns and church songs. I sure enjoy both the music and what Tommy does. It makes me happy.



Photo is not of Tommy

Reaching the World

Emails, Letters & Phone Calls

As I read the emails and letters we received, I noticed a few viewers wished that we would note the special presentations on our monthly schedules. I thought I would address that.

We don't always know about the special presentation when preparing the newsletter and schedule to go out to the printer. Sometimes, we know but don't have days or times yet for the special.

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For updated information, see our website at BetterLifeTV.tv.



Thanks for taking the time to read what's on our mind, but we want to know what's on yours? Do you have a miracle to share? Possibly a poem, photo or family recipe? Would you like to give someone a pat on the back or share an inspiring story? We cannot guarantee all submissions will be printed, but we'll try. Our mailing address is:

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or email us at newsletter@betterlifetv.tv

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Now that I'm back in Grants Pass, I can't stop thinking about and sharing what I learned at the convention. The insights I gained have me fired up about how Better Life can play a part in the Great Commission of introducing our communities to Jesus. Folks, I truly believe we have a singular mission: to provide programs and connections that showcase a loving Jesus, embracing everyone without exception. Inviting others to take a stand in their community, helping others in ways that can only happen when people choose to allow Jesus to live in and work through them.

As we continue on this journey together, you'll notice a few changes over the next few months. These adjustments are designed to help us fulfill our mission, working with similarly-minded people and ministries. We're inviting others to join us in healing communities and forming a meaningful relationship with Jesus Christ and fellow believers. -CO

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There is also Psalm 1:3 ***"He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither..."***

What can we take from this metaphor? What does it mean? Well, it means stability: just as a tree with deep roots is firmly planted and not easily swayed by external forces, a person grounded in their faith can weather life's challenges with a toughness that only comes from Heaven.

It means nourishment: Trees that grow next to water have a continuous supply of water, which enables healthy growth and the bearing of fruit. Like that tree, when we plunge ourselves into our faith and seek spiritual nourishment we can experience personal growth and productivity.

Grow where you're planted.

It means fruitfulness: The image of a tree bearing fruit in its season represents the positive outcomes and good works that result from a person's right living.

And finally, it means vitality: The comparison to a tree with leaves that do not wither, indicates the good life that comes from living in position with God's principles.

Yes, people and plants are a lot alike. But unlike plants we have choice. We can choose to stay firmly planted on the Rock. We can choose to drink from the Living Water. We can choose to take our nourishment through the Bread of Life.

Jesus wants us to choose life. He said, ***"I call heaven and earth as witnesses today...I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life..."*** Deuteronomy 30:19 NKJV

Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

Matthew 13:8 ESV



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	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Midnight	It's Coming	Coming Out	Country Wisdom	Bible Answers	Gospel Outreach		Praise!
12:30 AM	Secret Life of the Desert	Women in the Word	The Incredible Journey	Earth's Final Conflict	Maranatha Mission Stories		Your Favorite by Request
1:00 AM	From Sickness to Health	3ABN Homecoming	Sanctuary, Salvation & Our Savior	Women in the Word	Revelation's Ancient Discoveries	Doug Batchelor	Daniel All Access
1:30 AM	David Klinedinst	Boots 'N Bibles	Stories of Faith	Receiving the Word	Better Life Today	Catching the Light	Revelation Now
2:00 AM	Digital Disconnect	Unlocking Bible Prophecy	Nature Music	White Horse Media	Adventist World Radio	Secret Life of the Desert	2:00 AM
2:30 AM	Evolution Impossible	When We Talk	The Whole Message	Nature Music	Worship Hour Special Series	Multitude of Counselors	2:30 AM
3:00 AM	The Seventh Day	Stories of Faith	Better Life on Tour	GP Worship Hour	NEWSTART Now!	Ultimate Prescription	3:00 AM
3:30 AM	The Carter Report	When We Talk	Evolution Impossible	GP Worship Hour	NEWSTART Now!	Ultimate Prescription	3:30 AM
4:00 AM	Amazing Adventures	Impact Canvasback	Fountain View Music	Amazing Facts Presents	Voice of Prophecy	Maranatha Mission Stories	4:00 AM
5:00 AM	3ABN Today	Exercise Variety	Exercise Variety	Exercise Variety	Animal Encounters	Contending for the Faith	4:30 AM
5:30 AM	Your Favorites by Request	Authentic Variety	3ABN Today Live (repeat)	3ABN Today	Exercise Variety	Nature Music	5:00 AM
6:00 AM	It's In The Bible	Bible Answers	Secret Life of the Desert	Shelly Quinn Presents	3ABN Today	Exercise Variety	5:30 AM
6:30 AM	GP Worship Hour	Authentic Variety	Worship Hour Special Series	The Seventh Day	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	6:00 AM
7:00 AM	Simple Truths Sabbath School	The Carter Report	Ken Cox Ministries	Help! I'm a Parent	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	6:30 AM
7:30 AM	Ken Cox Ministries	Adventist World Radio	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	7:00 AM
8:00 AM	Boots 'N Bibles	Off the Grid	Maranatha Mission Stories	Lineage	Jesus for Asia Now	Behold the Lamb Presents	7:30 AM
8:30 AM	Exercise Variety	Abundant Living	Cook :30	Better Life Today	Amazing Facts Presents	GP Worship Hour	8:00 AM
9:00 AM	Better Life Today	Heaven's Point of View	Body & Spirit	Action 4 Life	Body & Spirit	Women in the Word	8:30 AM
9:30 AM	3ABN Today Live (repeat)	3ABN Today	Unstacked Purpose/Intimate Clarity	Receiving the Word	Journey 'n Journals	Fountainview Music	9:00 AM
10:00 AM		Variety Hour	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	Unlocking Bible Prophecy	9:30 AM
10:30 AM	Catching The Light	The Whole Message	Evolution Impossible	The Whole Message	White Horse Media	The Whole Message	10:00 AM
11:00 AM	Journey 'n Journals	Bible Buzz/Sing Along	The Incomparable Jesus	Bible Gems/Creation Crafts	Kids Time	Kids Time Praise	10:30 AM
11:30 AM	Receiving the Word	Creation Case	Kids Time Praise	Kids Time Praise	Kids Time Praise	It Is Written	11:00 AM
Noon	Women in the Word	Nature Music	Secrets Unsealed	It's Coming	Bible Answers	Secrets Unsealed Presents	11:30 AM
12:30 PM	3ABN Sabbath School	Catching the Light	Unlocking Bible Prophecy	Prophecy Unsealed	3ABN Today LIVE	Simple Truths Sabbath School	Noon
1:00 PM	Worship Hour Special Series	Summer Camp Meeting	Evolution Impossible	Doug Batchelor	Better Life Today	GP Worship Hour	1:00 PM
1:30 PM	Voice of Prophecy	Good News for Muslims	Strategies for Strongholds	Catching the Light	It Is Written	Secrets Unsealed Presents	1:30 PM
2:00 PM	Lineage	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Authentic	2:00 PM
2:30 PM	Better Life on Tour	Nature Music	Featured Ministries	NEWSTART Now!	Table Talk	Women in the Word	2:30 PM
3:00 PM	Celebrating Life in Recovery	Mark Finley Presents	Prophecy Unsealed	Your Favorites by Request	3ABN Today LIVE (Repeat)	3ABN Family Worship	3:00 PM
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