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Quotable Quotes

from the President's Report, Part 2
and Thursday's seminars



"Which people group on planet earth has the right to determine what

is the right way to do church? I think every culture has the right to say, 'This is how we do it.'"

—Ron Morrison, senior pastor of Hope Alliance Bible Church in Maple Heights, Ohio



"There is a great bonfire coming on this planet when everything that

is used for human purposes will go up in flames. . . . We are rescuers of resources from the great bonfire to come." —John Stumbo, U.S. C&MA president



"God is using these Muslim Syrian children to bring forth His praise." —a

CAMA worker from a creative-access country

"We have to believe and have faith that God will bring this work to completion. This is the belief that sustains us in the dry places." —a marketplace ministries worker



SPIRIT-LED, -SANCITIFIED, -EMPOWERED

In Thursday night's message, Dr. Stanley John, assistant professor of Intercultural Studies at Alliance Theological Seminary, challenged the Alliance family to shed any ethnic prejudices or nationalistic idolatry that may hinder us from a pure proclamation of the gospel to those who are desperately searching for God.

" . . . We cannot move forward in our missionary call apart from the Spirit's stirring."

Stanley cited Acts 10:15—where the angel of the Lord commanded Peter to "not call anything impure that God has made clean"—as the catalytic revelation that challenged everything Peter had come to believe about Kingdom equality and radically altered the course of his missionary work.

Stanley first reminded us that we are "Spirit-guided." In describing the spiritual journeys of Soeuth and Syna Lao, C&MA missionaries to Cambodia,

he reminded us that we cannot move forward in our missionary call apart from the Spirit's stirring.

Then, in recounting an encounter that forever changed the trajectory of ATS Dean Ron Walborn's ministry, Stanley further characterized us as "Spirit-sanctified," receiving with humility and gratitude the Holy Spirit's gentle guidance in remembering our true Kingdom citizenship and embracing the things that warm the heart of God.

And finally, we are "Spirit-empowered," emboldened as Christ's witnesses and equipped with the courage to risk reputation, leadership security, and community acceptance to fulfill our missionary calling—just as Peter did when the angel of the Lord gave Him a fresh vision of the Kingdom.

Stanley ended his message by encouraging the Alliance family to allow the gospel to challenge the ethnic pride, priorities, and structures that hinder our efforts to proclaim the good news to all peoples.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alliance Perspective on Law and Culture—Colorado Springs, September 22-23, 2017 For the first time, the Alliance legal counsel is bringing together the best thinkers and communicators to provide an Alliance perspective on the latest legal, political, and cultural issues in the United States. This information will be presented in a way that will be immediately applicable for church leaders. Register through Events at www.cmalliance.org. Early bird registration is \$99; cost is \$119 after July 31.

Seeking an Alliance missions project for your VBS/children's ministry this year? Stop by the Children's Disciplemaking Ministry booth (#134) to pick up a packet of sample materials.

If you are a Crown College alum, don't miss the opportunity to be "Crowned"! Visit us at Booth 158.

CHURCH MINISTRY LEADERS: Visit Booth 172 to see how we can help unleash your local church's resources to help bring the whole gospel to impoverished and exploited peoples around the world. We would love to talk to you about opportunities such as women's retreats and other events!

"It's the best hard work I've ever done," said Kristin, a CDLC student. Stop by the

Children's Disciplemaking Leadership Certificate booth for more details.

At Faith Investment Services, we see the Holy Spirit as *Parakletos*, "One called alongside to help." We want to assist with your retirement planning and needs. Stop by Booth 4 to talk or pray. While there, sign up to win Google Home or Fitbit prizes.

Church Ministries will have a drawing for a book, *A Practical Theology of Assessment*, Tuesday-Saturday. To enter, fill out your coupon and bring it to Booth 162.

Want to meet our ethnic pastors? Have questions about how to witness to an ethnic friend? Stop by Booth 166, 8:30-10 p.m., to meet and greet Haitian pastors on Friday and African pastors on Saturday. Don't miss this time to be encouraged and to encourage them!

68-70 percent of Christian men and 30 percent of Christian women struggle to stop unwanted sexual behavior; only 7 percent of churches have a plan to help. Stop by Booth 39 to learn how you can partner with Pure Desire Ministries to bring the message of hope and freedom to your church.

Indigenous Faith Dan Wetzel says, "Today, culture frequently trumps truth. Craig's biblical approach to indigenous

faith reflects deep conviction and personal experience. His insight is of value to the church as a whole. I encourage you to consider how you can benefit from these much-needed teaching materials." Available at the Council Bookstore.

Alliance Life magazine in Spanish? No way! Come by Booth 167 and get a FREE copy of the *Vida Aliancista* magazine. It is a combination of articles from the English version and additional articles for Spanish churches.

¿Te sientes solo en tu ministerio? ¿Tu distrito no tiene información para desarrollar líderes hispanos indocumentados, con familias separadas, con falta de poder hablar el lenguaje? Habla con nosotros en el Booth 167 queremos ayudarte. Únete a los ministerios hispanos de la Alianza.

LADIES! Prepare to bring a "first fruits" offering to the Women's Global Gathering, 11 am, Saturday, for our Isaiah 61:1 project. Women reach women. The poor. The brokenhearted. The captives. The prisoners. More.

IMPORTANT TIME CHANGE! The Chaplain Banquet location (Sunday 6-9 p.m.) has been changed to Hyatt Taft A & B.

"CAPTION IT" CONTEST!



Feeling witty and brilliant? Snap a pic of the image above and post it to the Council app with your best caption. Have fun!

TOCCOATRIVIA

Question: I arrived on an Alliance college campus about three years ago. At first, I was not a very obedient resident. I could not align myself with the confinement of the smaller campus in the mountains. Since those early days, I have grown to enjoy the campus and residents. I especially like the goats on campus. I am currently serving on the campus security force. Who am I?

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The first three people to bring the correct answer to Toccoa Falls College Booth 155 will win a prize. (Answer in tomorrow's BANNER)

Thursday's Trivia answer: Hawaii Five-O. C&MA evangelist William T. MacArthur had seven children. One of them, Charles MacArthur, grew up to become a famous American playwright. He married Helen Hayes, the first lady of American theater, and they settled in Nyack, New York. Their adopted son, James MacArthur, was also an actor, best known for playing Danny "Danno" Williams on the original Hawaii Five-O series.

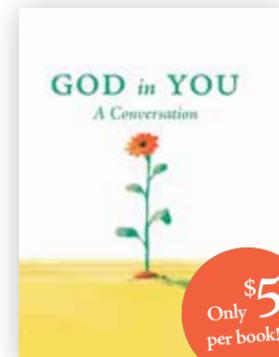
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