

Pastor's Blog No. 43 for Monday, October 21, 2024

Fall Break

Well, I'm about wore out with posting blogs for now. I have decided to take a break until the first of the year. I spent this morning looking through old photos of things I've done around Calvary and events we've had in the past. It was enlightening as I reflected over the past 16 years of ministry here. A lot of people have come and gone, some never to return having passed beyond the grave. Times and methods have changed. Sometimes I feel I am just laboring to keep up with things, like this blog. I guess what I am saying is that it feels like I am spinning my wheels and making little or no progress. So, for now, my weekly blog will end next Monday. I'll take November and December off for the holidays. Then I'll welcome the new year in with renewed excitement and commitment to move forward in the things of God and ministry once again.

It's not that I will not have anything to say for the next two months. It's just that each new year has always brought on a time of fasting and prayer, reflection and assessment in my life. Am I where God wants me to be? Am I doing what he wants me to do? What can I do differently next year? There are many questions that I always ask myself annually.

Change is Inevitable

If things are not working, if things are continually frustrating, and if things decline instead of grow, then you need to reassess the things you are doing.

Something inside me is changing too. I have lost interest in things I used to occupy myself with. As a result I am spending too much time just passing the time, rather than actively charting my course in life. Also, sometimes when I go through a season like this I find that it is the Lord trying to show me something new.

Whatever the case, I need to altar my schedule and quit just going through the motions out of self-discipline. I need to get my heart back in the game. There are many good things the Lord is bringing our way as a church. I need to be ready to embrace them.

Finally, although it may not be the issue, this could be another attack of the enemy. We like to blame all our problems on him. For me he's always last on my list. However, if this is the case, pray for me. I'm going to enjoy our "season of fellowship" at Calvary, then dig in a see what God has for us in this coming year.

Tune in next week for my final blog post for this year and see you again in 2025.

Until next Monday, may the Lord bless you! Pray for us!

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