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Journey Enews

Journey Community Christian Church

Service Times:
Saturday @ 6 PM
Sunday @ 10:30 AM

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Planning Ahead

Spring has arrived, March 20th, right on time. The last several days in Kentucky have seen warmer, southerly winds in our local forecast. After lingering dreary winter months, mostly everyone is ready to move on to warmer days ahead. The grass is growing and greening, flowers are springing forth, and trees are awakening from winter sleep, budding new blossoms for springtime leaves.



It's time to start making plans for summer travel, picnics and being outdoors. How might we make wise decisions about the future? Besides consulting the weather app, what other tips should we follow? I think we must be cautious and not get ahead of ourselves; or more importantly, not get ahead of God. Let God lead, follow His footsteps, then listen for his love and guidance in everything. Here are a few words of wisdom from the Bible's perspective:

"And now I have a word for you who brashly announce, 'Today—at the latest, tomorrow—we're off to such and such a city for the year. We're going to start a business and make a lot of money.' You don't know the first thing about tomorrow. You're nothing but a wisp of fog, catching a brief bit of sun before disappearing. Instead, make it a habit to say, 'If the Master wills it and we're still alive, we'll do this or that.'" James 4:13-15 MSG

Have you ever acted brashly before? I don't know about you, but I've probably gotten ahead of myself from time to time, especially when I was younger; you know, 'counting my chickens before they were hatched.'

Connie and I have been married for 50 years. Before I knew what I was doing (I was 20 yrs old), I thought, "I'm going to date that girl. I'm going to marry that girl." And then I said, "I've got a week's vacation, let's get married. What could go wrong?"

My draft papers were in the mailbox when we returned from our honeymoon. It felt like the world had ended. I entered the U.S. Army and moved to El Paso, Texas, 3 months after we were married. Sixteen months later I was on my way overseas, leaving behind my wife and baby daughter. It was a critical time in our new marriage. I spent a long year in South Korea on a missile site surrounded by rice paddies and the Yellow Sea. This was a huge test of faith in our young life and family. We had to grow up, a lot.

God had a plan, though, using my military service to guide us into the full-time ministry we've enjoyed these past forty-three years. We've become a better family, a better couple, and better version of ourselves. God had a plan for our life, better than the one we first imagined.

I am sure we can all look back and remember when our journey took a twist or turn we hand't anticipated. Make big plans. Have big dreams. But always include God.

Bobby D.