

Kingdom Chronicle

A Prayer For Israel

BY JAVAN SMITH

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Oh Lord,

Where do we begin? Our hearts bleed for Israel. While we certainly pray for the Peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6), more importantly we call forth the awakening of Your people. Cause them, oh Lord, to look on the One whom they pierced (Zechariah 12:10). If we, the redeemed Gentiles who have been grafted into the olive tree as a branch, are meant to provoke Your people to jealousy (Romans 11), then cause the wind of your Spirit to blow through us as the sound of a shofar that will awaken, stir, and draw the people of Israel to their Messiah and King (Isaiah 27:12-13).

During these trying times, as the people of Israel sing the words of 'Hatikvah' with heavy hearts, cause them to understand that the only true hope for Israel is Yeshua Hamashiach. Cause the people of Israel to lift up their heads, not in national pride, but with meekness of heart, so that the King of Glory may enter through the gates (Psalm 24:7-10). May every tongue in Israel welcome the King, boldly declaring, "Blessed is He who comes in the Name of Yahweh" (Psalm 118:26, Matthew 23:37-39).

Oh Righteous Lord, fulfill Your promise to set forth Your Hand yet again to recover the remnant of Your people, as you foretold through the Prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 11:11-12). May Your Church be ready for the harvest that shall come forth out of Israel in the days ahead. Lord, our hearts yearn for the day foretold in Zechariah 1:17, when You declared, "My cities shall again spread out through prosperity; the LORD will again comfort Zion, and will again choose Jerusalem." Oh Lord, hasten the day! Comfort Zion, and choose Jerusalem once again!

Even so, Lord Jesus come! And the Spirit and the Bride say, "Come."

Amen.



Community Spotlight: Java Haus

BY KYLE GONZALEZ

Kingdom Chronicle Editor-in-Chief

Woodland Park has no shortage of great coffee shops in it. Which begs the question: why would a discerning consumer choose Java Haus over any other coffee shop in Woodland Park? I sat down with the manager of Java Haus, Tara Peterson, to ask just that. As the meeting place for the Kingdom Chronicle's partnering ministry, Idea Factory, I wanted to know just what made Java Haus so special, and how it played a role in the inception of Idea Factory. From my own experience, I can say that Java Haus is a coffee shop that lives up to its Mission Statement: Create Coffee. Create Community.

Java Haus was an idea birthed in the heart of Joe and Tessa Swarengin around a decade before its actualization. The focus of the coffee shop would be to love the community that it served. "There's something different about this place, I can't put my finger on it. It's so peaceful in here." is not an uncommon statement to be heard out of the mouths of customers as they enter Java Haus for the first time, according to Tara.

When the time came for the coffee shop to come into reality, the space that would eventually become Java Haus was being used as an office. The owner of the building thought it would make a fantastic coffee shop, and thus Java Haus was born. However, there was just one thing missing: who would run Java Haus?

Enter Tara Peterson. Rewinding to 2017, Tara had just moved to Woodland Park and was attending Freedom Church. She became involved in helping to establish certain procedures and processes in Freedom that showed her aptitude for managing a coffee shop. Before Java Haus was to be opened, Joe and Tessa approached Tara about her managing Java Haus. Initially she turned them down, but, after some time and prayerful consideration, she accepted the job. During the time in which Tara was waiting for Java Haus to open, she received confirmation that this was the right choice and God provided for her abundantly.

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It is Joe, Tessa, and Tara's heart to provide an environment for growth in which team members are equipped with the skills to move into a job at a higher level, by providing an environment in which growth and leadership are cultivated. The team at Java Haus really live out the principles of growth and leadership. Kevin, Tara's assistant, really has a heart for people. He loves to pour into people as much as he pours coffee. Gavin is a Woodland Park native who felt the call to work at a coffee shop, and was drawn to Java Haus because of its loving, open environment. He may be a little shy at first, but he opens up quickly and is funny and loves his customers. Lela, one of the newest member of the team, really goes out of her way to encourage people as they come to receive coffee they get a side of love. Wesley, the newest team member, brings a youthful perspective to the team. He is the model of the heart of sowing into the next generation that Java Haus embodies.



What does Java Haus have to offer that other coffee shops don't? Space, for one. Java Haus can seat 68 people, which is huge in comparison to other coffee shops. To include the shared outside space between Java Haus and the businesses next door, picnic tables out back, and a spacious conference room. They have the capacity for live music, and have great acoustics for any potential live music played. Not saying that there will be live music, but that there's a lot of potential for it to occur. They have fresh baked pastries from Colorado Springs along with fresh prepared burritos. Lastly, they have an exclusive blended coffee from Building 3, known as the Java Haus blend.

On the topic of the conference room, this brings us to how Idea Factory (IF) comes into the picture. Back in 2022, the founder of Idea Factory, Rain Bautista, went to Java Haus and asked to be able to rent the conference room, applied online, and then started meeting there weekly. Initially there were five people, but after time it grew. Tara saw everything from classroom sessions of IF, to guest speakers, to workshops. She saw the ministry grow to a consistent number of people meeting in the ball park of just less than 20. The conference room has been a blessing to IF, and IF has brought in increased business to Java Haus in kind. Many of the individual members of IF have gone on to rent out the conference room for their own functions or meetings.

For any potential readers interested in renting out the conference room for yourself, it can be rented between 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays, and weekends from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. There is a form online at javahaus.co and there are a lot of amenities that come with it; such as brewed coffee, a white board, a large TV, foosball table, seating space for up to 40 or 20-25 comfortably. For \$50/hour this is a great deal. Some examples of who has already used Java Haus's conference room are: baby showers, bridal showers, book clubs, going away parties, meetings, and, of course, Idea Factory. If someone under the age of 18 wants to rent the conference room, someone over the age of 18 must be involved.

Looking forward to the future of Java Haus, there seems to be the potential for continued growth and community love. Idea Factory continues to meet there, and will continue to sing the praises of how Java Haus can even help promote events through their community bulletin inside Java Haus's own walls and through their social media. There's potential for future live music options, given the proper set up and acoustics already exist. However, at this time and going forward, Java Haus plans to continue to pour out love into every cup of coffee they sell and continue to be a place to Create Coffee and Create Community.

Raise Your Voice! Upcoming Community Dates:

BY NICOLE BRAUCHLI

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- 10/09/2023, 5:30 p.m.: Chamber of Commerce forum with school board candidates Barkley, Bryant, and Knott at the Ute Pass Cultural Center.
- 10/09/2023, 6 p.m.: School Board Candidates Forum with candidates Illingworth, Bates, and Kimbrell at the Columbine Elementary School Gymnasium.
- 10/11/2023, 6 p.m.: Regular School Board Meeting at the District Office, large conference room.
- 10/17/2023, 5:30 p.m.: Forum of Civics for candidates for the Woodland Park School Board by Merit Academy School of Rhetoric Students.
- 10/19/2023, 6:30 p.m.: City Council meeting at City Hall, 220 W South Ave.
- 10/19/2023-10/21/2023: Munchkin Market at the Woodland Park Community Church, 800 Valley View Drive.
- 10/26/2023, 5 p.m.: Chamber of Commerce Fall Business Expo at the Ute Pass Cultural Center.

Woodland Park School Board Meeting of September 13: **BY NICOLE BRAUCHLI**

A Glimpse Into Upcoming Elections

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The Woodland Park School Board meeting held on September 13, 2023, provided a unique window into the upcoming school board elections as community members, candidates, and the current board gathered to discuss crucial educational matters.

Opening with a Pledge to the Constitution

The school board meeting began with the traditional Pledge of Allegiance followed by the reading of the preamble of the Constitution of the State of Colorado:

"We, the people of Colorado, with profound reverence for the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, in order to form a more independent and perfect government; establish justice; insure tranquility; provide for the common defense; promote the general welfare and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this constitution for the "State of Colorado",

recognizing God as our Supreme Ruler and setting the stage for a night filled with discussions that have the potential to shape the future of education in Woodland Park.

The Current School Board and Superintendent

The Woodland Park School Board is currently comprised of five volunteer members, three of whom, Mick Bates, David Illingworth, and Cassie Kimbrell, are up for reelection this November. The board, led by President David Rusterholtz, and Superintendent Ken Witt, who began his interim term on January 1 and had it extended for another year in May 2023, have been implementing a conservative approach to education.

They have introduced several changes aimed at improving academic performance in Woodland Park's public schools. These changes have sparked a contentious election campaign where opposing candidates, Keegan Barkley, Seth Bryant, and Mike Knott, have pledged to reverse many of these initiatives if elected.

Campaigning and Tension in the Air

As the election draws nearer, campaigning has intensified, seeping even into the school board meetings. President Rusterholtz opened the meeting by apologizing for interrupting the prior August meeting when public comments turned into campaign speeches. He clarified that after legal consultation, it is not unlawful to address campaign issues during public comments.

The public comment section of the meeting generally allows for 15 speakers, each given three minutes to express their views. Tensions ran high in the room as attendees showed either support or opposition to the current board. Notably, interruptions and inappropriate comments were directed primarily at board supporters and conservative speakers, who demanded order in return.

One speaker highlighted the alleged boycotting threats to local businesses in Woodland Park that support the current board. Some attendees audibly remarked that this was not an illegal practice. Whereas this is certainly true, it is a preview of a hostile atmosphere created by a group of board opponents that is unlikely to change after the election, no matter which side ends up taking the upper hand. The speaker concluded her speech with a very fitting quotation from John 8:32: *"And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."*

Academic Achievement Presentation

The board meeting concluded with an academic achievement presentation by Chief Academic Officer Moore, based on CMAS data and School Performance Framework snapshots. The data indicated that Woodland Park's academic performance is generally improving to pre-covid levels and, in all cases, close to or slightly above the state average. However, a significant portion of these achievements is attributed to the Merit charter school, which consistently outperforms the other public schools in the district.

A Crucial Election Looms

As the November election approaches, Woodland Park's public school system stands at a critical juncture. The outcome could drastically influence the direction of local education. Community members are urged to take their civic responsibilities seriously, both by attending school board meetings and participating in the upcoming election.

Woodland Park is fortunate to have a school board committed to the pursuit of truth. In a time of divisive rhetoric, it's essential for parents and community members to voice their support for the board's approach to education. School board meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month, with the next meeting scheduled for October 11.

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Additionally, in the coming weeks there are three school board candidate forums scheduled, providing an opportunity for the public to hear the candidates' plans and ask questions:

1. The Greater Woodland Park Chamber of Commerce will host a forum on October 9, featuring candidates Barkley, Bryant, and Knott at the Ute Pass Cultural Center from 5:30-7:30 p.m.
2. A second forum will be held on the same night, October 9, from 6-8 p.m. at the Columbine Elementary School Gymnasium, where current board members Illingworth, Bates, and Kimbrell will be present.
3. On October 17, Merit Academy will host a Forum of Civics for candidates for the Woodland Park School Board, featuring a "meet the candidates" period at 5:30 p.m., followed by a question and answer period from 6-7:30 p.m., moderated by Merit Academy School of Rhetoric Students.

Woodland Park residents are encouraged to engage with these opportunities to shape the future of our schools.

Pray For	Pray Against
Teachers and caretakers in the Woodland Park public schools.	Lies being spread about candidates and campaigns.
Our current school board members.	Division in our community.
A constructive and amicable dialogue between the school board, the teachers, and the city council.	Any spiritual or non-spiritual attacks targeting the current school board members and their campaign.
Churches in Colorado to get involved in the public domain and take a stand for truth.	Any attempts to disrupt the planned school board meetings, candidate forums, and election.
A constructive and fair election campaign on both sides.	
A great voter turnout, especially by christian voters, at the school board elections on November 7, 2023.	
Woodland Park to remain a conservative school board.	
Truth to prevail.	

What Is The Kingdom Chronicle?

BY KYLE GONZALEZ

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To properly explain what the Kingdom Chronicle is it would be prudent to begin with the genesis of the newspaper. The Kingdom Chronicle was birthed from a conversation between the Kingdom Chronicle's first partner ministry Idea Factory's founder, Rain Bautista, and myself. He was sharing with me the need for Idea Factory to have a newsletter, and God dropped the desire in my heart to help out with this need. Idea Factory is an up-and-coming ministry, which you can read more about in my article titled "The History of Idea Factory." However, once I said yes to God's call to help with Idea Factory's needs, it was like I had signed on a blank piece of paper from God.

As God filled in more of the blanks on the blank piece of paper, I realized that this wasn't just a newsletter for Idea Factory anymore. The Kingdom Chronicle is for the Body of Christ to have a news outlet that leaves them feeling edified and encouraged after reading. It began with the following verse: *Then the Lord answered me and said: "Write the vision And make it plain on tablets, That he may run who reads it."* - Habakkuk 2:2 NKJV

Here it is readers, the vision of the Kingdom Chronicle is: A Journalistic Endeavor With A Faith-Based Focus. I presented this vision to prospective writers, just as the Lord instructed me to, and I was astounded at the outpouring of support. It's as though the Body of Christ was waiting for something like this to come into existence. Praise God!

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RISK ANALYSIS: LEPERS UNIVERSITY

BY JOY OTI

Kingdom Chronicle Staff

I am fascinated with the biblical story that serves as inspiration for this article. It resonates with me particularly because of the remarkable individuals at its center. Their experience is especially relevant in today's increasingly materialistic and status-driven world. These individuals were considered as invalid, and were relegated to the city's gate, where they could only hope for someone's generosity to provide them with food. After every meal, they would then return to the lepers' colony, which was their home according to law. This harsh reality defined their life, and their story is a powerful testament to their resilience, and proof that not all risks are born equal.

The prelude of the story begins in 2nd Kings Chapter 6, where a great famine had besieged the city of Samaria so bad that the head of a donkey was valued at eighty shekels of silver. The king had lost control of the situation, and couldn't be of help to anyone. Everyone in the city was on their own. This was the harsh reality that the four lepers at the city gate had found themselves. All odds were against them. They were outcasts, who could not mix with the general population, because of their health condition. These men had never experienced a life of ease, whether in times of famine or not. Employment opportunities eluded them entirely because they were considered unclean. Even when someone displayed kindness by providing them with food, it was done from a distance, as physical contact was forbidden due to their unclean status. I wonder if there are any readers of this article who can relate to facing such extreme adversity in their own lives at any point.

As the King of Israel was passing by, he heard a woman cry out to him for help. He asked her what the matter was, and she told him the gory story of how she had made an agreement with a friend to take turns cooking and eating their own sons because of the famine. She had fulfilled her part of the arrangement, but her friend had hidden her own son. The king was livid and tore his robe in rage. In his anger he swore to have Elisha killed, because he believed Elisha was to blame for the famine. When Elisha heard of the King's outburst, he made a proclamation that in 24 hours things will become incredibly cheap. But the king's right-hand man thought he was being preposterous. "Look, even if the Lord should open the floodgates of the heavens, could this happen?" he said. "You will see it with your own eyes," answered Elisha, "but you will not eat any of it!" – 2 Kings 7:2.

The four lepers who sat at the city gate had had it. They said to each other, "Why stay here until we die? If we say, 'We'll go into the city'—the famine is there, and we will die. And if we stay here, we will die. So, let's go over to the camp of the Arameans and surrender. If they spare us, we live; if they kill us, then we die." (The Arameans are the enemy soldiers). With this resolve, they rose at dusk and headed toward the Aramean camp. However, upon reaching the outskirts of the camp, they were met with an astonishing sight. The Lord had orchestrated an illusion, causing the Arameans to perceive the noise of chariots, horses, and a formidable army (though it was just the lepers walking). Convinced that the kings of Hittites and Egyptians had been hired by the King of Israel to launch an attack, the Arameans panicked. In their haste, they abandoned their tents, leaving behind their horses and donkeys, and fled for their lives.

The lepers reached the edge of the camp, entered one of the tents and ate and drank. Then they took silver, gold and clothes, and went off and hid them. They returned and entered another tent and took some things from it and hid them also. Then they said to each other, "What we're doing is not right. This is a day of good news and we are keeping it to ourselves. So, they went and called out to the city gatekeepers and told them what they had found. Eventually, the people got into the Aramean camp and plundered it. Indeed, things became incredibly cheap in 24 hours, and the King's right-hand man died in the stampede - prophecy was fulfilled.

Think about it! Even though the Lepers were the instrument for the fulfillment of the prophecy, **GOD DIDN'T SEND THEM!** They knew that decision could have killed them, but they went anyway. Remember Queen Esther in the bible? The step she took to see the King could have killed her as well. But she chose courage over fear, and her people were delivered from destruction.

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A lot of the good we enjoy in the world today are fruits of individuals who dared to take risks. How often do we sit down waiting for God to do or say something about our situation? God does not always have to tell us what to do. We are not robots! He wants us to take initiative. If we fail He will be there to help us. Someone might ask, “why would God even let us fail at all?” It is because failure is part of life – there’s treasure in darkness (Isaiah 45:3). When a child is learning to walk, falling is part of the process. Show me a child who walks and I will show you a child who has fallen many times in their attempts to walk.

Sometimes when we are in dire need, God waits for us to make a move, and He’ll be there to give us the push we need, just as He did for the Lepers. Nothing about the Lepers could scare a rat. They were invalids, destitute, outcasts, dishonorable and untouchable. Yet they had something the rest of the people from the palace to the city didn’t have – courage! And with their courage, they thought through what could go wrong and what could go right. Seeing their resolve, God orchestrated an illusion that paved the way for them to become the richest men in town and the first partakers of His goodness in that season – Really, think about it!

I am convinced that the Bible contains a wealth of resources for achieving success, and its principles are applicable to anyone, regardless of their religious beliefs. If you provide me with the names of three exceptionally wealthy individuals who are not Christians, I can demonstrate how biblical principles form the basis of their business models. However, it’s important to note that these biblical principles are not for the fainthearted. Every successful person in the Bible undertook daring risks, driven either by their unwavering trust in the God who guided them or by sheer happenstance (like the Lepers). Regardless of the motivation, risk-taking was at the core of their endeavors.

A TRUFICTION DIALOGUE

The four lepers sat under a tree, still reeling from the sudden turn of events that had changed their lives. “Wow, we survived!” said the first one. “Yes, we did! I can’t believe we made that move, knowing we could have died. We practically walked into a potential death zone.” the second one responded. “Well, we would have died anyway.” the third one chimed in. Then there was a brief moment of silence as each leper rummaged through their loot. “Do any of you think our story will inspire somebody?” the fourth leper asked. “Well, I don’t know about inspiring someone to go to a death zone,” said the second leper, laughing hysterically. I do believe it should get us thinking. How long are we going to sit on our couch, bed or whatever; crying, hoping or wishing something changes? Do you not know that uncertainty is constant? If you seek, you will find! So, let’s get out do something!

Help Wanted!

Hello Kingdom Chronicle readers! This is Hunter, a member of Idea Factory, with Eternity. Eternity is a music group which seeks to present Christ to the world through music by training and equipping musicians to be like Christ. We are currently looking for a place to host our music sessions and teachings. We are looking for places such as: houses, rental rooms, or any space that we can use to fulfill our vision. We are also looking for people, particularly musicians and businessmen, who can go in together on a house. If you have any ideas, places, or people that you think would be a good fit, feel free to message me at (870) 315-1821. Thank you and have a blessed day!

Here Are Some Local, Christian-Owned Businesses We'd Like To Highlight:



Yourmoneymakeover.com



Faithchai.com

An Iron Rod

BY PASTOR JIM GREEN
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God is a God of order. He sent John the Baptist, to usher in the first advent; our Father changes not. It stands to reason that the mode of operation does not change. The Father will have His commanded ones usher in the second advent. There are commanded ones in every denomination! Those who read God's love letter, know His will! The Father has given us commands, not suggestions; therefore, those who know His word, by truth, can discern what comes to us from any platform. We can be wise enough to eat hay and spit out the sticks; a caveat to that old saying, it is by wisdom that we know, there are some sticks too big to spit out.

There is a proverb that says something in the natural, as well as the supernatural,
"a good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."
 The wealth of the sinner is the supernatural part, it is stored up for the just; however, it is up to our Father's timing as to when the just receive it.

Now we are closer to the second advent than we were yesterday, "commanded ones", and we are to occupy until He returns (not a suggestion).

When the wealth of the sinner is given to the just; those who know the silver and gold belong to God (Haggai 2:8), it will not be given only to fulfill scripture, it is for a purpose! Oddly enough, it will take money to stop the spirit of mammon, because God is a God of order. We will not be going from our own way of governing, to God's way of governing, in the blink of an eye, that would be a train wreck!

To give honor to Jesus, the marriage of the Lamb will come, and it is His wife that makes herself ready! She is given fine linen, clean and white. It is the righteous acts, of the saints, the "commanded ones", that prepare the bride to be worthy of a King. It does not mention any denomination. He returns to restore "that" which was lost in the garden, which was a loving relationship between creation and creator.

The only thing better than an awakened ecclesia, "commanded ones" are those with marching orders! We will have the silver and gold to do what it takes, to usher in the second advent. The Kingdom of God has been here on Earth since Emmanuel. Sadly, we have let divisions come among us, and have allowed evil, to steal the wealth of those too good-natured to put a stop to it.

There are many of us who have been conformed to the ways of this world, because we live here. However, Angels are ministering spirits to those who shall be saved. There are those who have chosen to reject the proposal of the King, and they shall become as nothing.

Now, imagine a world where only the just live; behold those who contended with you, and waged war against you, though you look all over for them, they are no more Is 41:11,12. God will put an end to His enemies, and we will gradually usher in the Father's government, that is ruled with an Iron Rod.

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**QUALITY
CO.**

MADE WITH INTEGRITY



Qualityclothing.co



Your Success is Our Success
Quarataconsulting.com

Vulnerability

BY JEM HEALING

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Like fresh snow on the ground, pure, untouched beauty that takes my breath away, I gaze in awe at the majesty of the love of God found in His Word new everyday. I break out in unspeakable joy, singing praises to my God and King. Freedom at its purest form! How I love the true freedom that God's loving kindness provides through Jesus Christ and has been made available to all who will receive.

Before you turn away and look for something else to occupy the ever seeking hungry mind, I beg you pause... This is for you! The Word of God is more than just boring words you can't understand. There was a time I thought that way too. I couldn't be more surprised that that was not the case, but that the word of God is life, it is peace, it is a satisfying nourishment to the innermost parts of the heart and soul. Most of all it is truth. We all like truth. There is nothing more healing to the heart than truth and being able to fully trust it.

Let me tell you a story:

Once upon a time there was a little child living within the walls of an extreme religious cult in northwestern Wisconsin. (They are still in full operation today) She didn't know she was living in a cult or that it wasn't from God. There was lots of abuse of all kinds, leading to trauma from which many never recover. It was normal to her. Life was hard and scary. Sad and alone, she kept her thoughts to herself. Sharing thoughts was never safe. Although she had 7 sisters and 5 brothers, a mom and a dad, many cousins, aunts, uncles and friends, she often felt all alone.

Standing at the window, her little face pressed against the frosty glass, the wind whistling through the trees she felt the cold of winter against her cheek. The sounds of a baby crying, kids screaming in happy play, total chaos in the background, she welcomed the moment of calm alone in the bedroom.

Now, many years later, with unlimited access to scriptures, words jumping off the pages full of life and truth, I am mesmerized with God's great love and grace. For example, today I am pondering on Philippians 2:5-11. God has given Jesus the name above every name. What does that even mean for this life today?

The little girl at the window never heard the truth of the Word. Only rules and laws to hopefully gain God's love and favor. In her heart she knew something wasn't right. She didn't know what it was, but she knew in her heart it wasn't from God. Asking questions only brought swift and harsh punishment.

How can people learn the truth if they aren't allowed access to an education, especially the Bible? Through patience and comfort of the scriptures, we might have hope and encouragement to help us live in harmony with each other, which is fitting for the followers of Jesus Christ. Then we can join together with one voice, giving praise and glory to God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The devil hides himself in the name of religion, enters into the minds and hearts of people, disguised as light, filling them with lies and deception. The devil does this because they believe the traditions of men rather than the the Truth of the Word. They teach their traditions for salvation rather than the Gospel of Faith in Jesus Christ. Many do not know it, nor question it, being forced into it or be shunned. Education and outsider influences that might lead to knowledge and understanding isn't permitted, and is kept very limited as a means of control.

Within each of us lives a child, shaped by our past. The little girl in this story lives in me everyday. As the adult of me, I get to teach her truth and help her to be set free in Christ daily. It is up to you to teach your child in the way you want it to go. Your earthly parents might not have taught you the truth that brings Life and Life abundant—The Lord Jesus Christ, but it is never too late to start teaching your inner child the truth that will set him or her free forever. You get to live in that freedom through believing by faith and bring it to others who are being held hostage by the lies and deception of the enemy.

Before you were born Jesus already paid the price for our unrighteousness. Romans 3:23 says, "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Even on our best day, our good is far from good compared to God's glory. We were all born into sin. God has forgiven all sins of man. It's up to you to receive what's already done for you. That's where life begins: at the end of ourselves.

What Jesus did for us is more than just forgiveness of sins, we were made the Righteousness of God. It is blessing, honor, glory, righteousness, health, healing, abundance in all good things, (including finances) that we inherited through Jesus Christ. Everything Jesus made available to us includes power and authority over the enemy, who is the ruler of this earth. You have power and authority over the devil in Jesus Name! You are not a victim but a Victorious Child of The Most High God and King for all eternity! Amen. Nothing can separate you again from God.

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When I first heard this I could hardly dare to believe it. “You mean I don’t have to do all that stuff so God will love me?” The harder I tried to be good the worse I failed. Religious bondage is never from God. Jesus came to set us free from law, which only magnified sin and to show us that in our own efforts we are doomed. If law had been able to set people free from the unrighteousness of sin and death Jesus would not have had to come and rescue us.

God’s love and grace is the only provision to complete freedom from sin and death, bringing you into eternal life that starts now, when you enter by faith into the grace of God, through Jesus Christ and the finished work on the cross; the resurrection of Christ from the grave. You can take that to the bank! It’s valid and will not bounce when you deposit it. The debt has been paid. Believe and receive it and all the bonuses!

God is not a respecter of time. So what if religion did rob me of my basic human rights, opportunity and choice. It happened. I’m not there anymore. Even though at times things trigger me, and I might feel like I am back there again, it’s a lie of the enemy. God is not limited by religion to get His work done on earth. God will not take back what He’s given to me. It’s up to me to step into it. It requires faith and action; if I am willing, so is He. I just have to be willing and take the first step. I envision my feet standing on top of His as we walk step by step across the globe of life. It’s His ability in me, I’m not my own. I am His and this is life and life abundant in all things!

You are not a victim and neither am I. As a child of God we have complete victory over the enemy by the power and authority of Jesus’ Name, the Name above all names! All power and authority is given to His name and He lives in each of us. God’s perfect love casts out all fear, and His name is Jesus! Gal 2:20 says, “It is no longer I who live, but Christ in me.” This is one of my favorite verses of the Bible.

Thank you for reading these words which are shared with vulnerably hoping to bring light into dark places, giving hope to others who may be in or have experienced similar things. May you be reminded you are so loved by God and He desires fellowship with you!

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Here Are Some Local, Christian-Owned Businesses We'd Like To Highlight:



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Address: 200 S Chestnut St,
Woodland Park, CO 80863
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Here Is A New Movie Coming Out That We'd Like To Highlight:



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Anticipation Of Woodland Park School Board Elections

BY JON WILLIAMS
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It is a curious thing to observe the goings on in Woodland Park concerning the upcoming School Board election. We have three board members up for re-election in November and there is quite a stir in certain circles of the community. Both sides are trying very hard to get their candidates elected. It seems like a lot of energy for a local school board election considering for the past ten years only one election has occurred, according to a campaign worker who came to my door.

I would like to focus on the community impact of this contest. The signage throughout Woodland Park is growing. From the major highways to the random cul-de-sac, it is apparent that word is getting out and sides are being drawn. Let us all celebrate that we have so many participating in our election process. However, there is a level of nastiness growing as well. People are being confronted, and in some cases harassed, out in public for being on the opposing side. Businesses have been threatened with boycotts and intimidated into taking down candidate's signs. The national media has been called in to report to the world about the events in our little town. People are calling the employers of the candidates and demanding that they be terminated. I could go on, but this starts to get embarrassing.

Why is all this energy spent in our community? One of the defining issues is parental involvement in matters both academic and personal. The current board supports parents of being aware and informed of what is happening in the classroom.

During the COVID lock-downs across America, many parents were horrified to find the early sexualization of their children at school. In addition, parents found that failed ideologies (socialism and the like) and even anti-American material were being taught. Parents rose up across the country to oppose what was happening to their children. Locally, many new faces became involved to provide a solid education to their children while protecting them from aggressive social movements. Parents do not have to worry about their child sexually transitioning without their knowledge. Parents do not have to worry about having someone of the opposite sex being allowed into bathrooms or locker rooms. Parents have the right to be informed. Also, if a child needs accommodation, then there is a path for that as well.

However, there is money and power involved so there is more to the story. The board enacted policies that weakened the teacher's union in Woodland Park. The board made insurance available for all teachers, which was a main draw of the union. Furthermore, the union dues would not come directly from the paycheck but would have to be paid separately by the individual. It is important to note that Merit Academy is a charter school and does not have union representation. The teacher's union is, of course, furious about losing this sort of power.

However, the challengers can't seem to confirm or deny the backing of the union and union money. It is as if the presence of union support must be hidden for some reason. Curious.

It appears that Woodland Park has become a place where educational unions are no longer needed or appreciated. In fact, the union has become a lightning rod of criticism due to their support of ideologies that parents do not agree with.

Thankfully, we have qualified people that can do it themselves. We have positive momentum and improving numbers. We have parents who are actively putting their children in schools they want to be in. Merit Academy is growing and maintains waiting lists for many grades. Teachers are applying and reapplying to Woodland Park schools. Problems are being solved and improvements are being made in a dynamic educational environment. Let's keep this current board going and see where the future takes us.

History Of Idea Factory

BY KYLE GONZALEZ
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The mother of all invention is need. This was especially true with the inception of Idea Factory (IF). The founder of IF, Rain Bautista, stated that he was on a quest for an accountability group to help him remain accountable to his ideas about businesses and ministries, but found no such group. After some deliberate searching out, and quiet prayer time with God, he felt as though God was saying to him, "You create something like this." Thus, Idea Factory was born.

What is Idea Factory? IF is a group where people gather to discuss ideas (potential businesses, ministries, and other God ideas) and brainstorm as a group how to bring these ideas to actualization. Instruction from both worldly and kingdom-minded entrepreneurs is the one hallmark of IF's classroom sessions. IF, also, has development sessions, where the ideas presented have an opportunity to be peer-reviewed in an environment that fosters the best way to say "Yes" to every idea.

Idea Factory wasn't always the blossoming, up-and-coming ministry that it is today. Its beginning looked to be bleak. Rain struggled with a moment of self doubt when the first three meetings of IF were met with one faithful attendee.

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However, Rain remembered that he had heard from the Lord to start this group, and kept faithfully sending out invitations to come. During the first three meetings the one attendee, Sunny, had a God idea for a YouTube channel. They both began developing Sunny's idea, and held out faith that God would bring more to join IF.

The fruit of Rain's labor came to fruition during IF's fourth meeting, during which the additional attendees were seeking help with forming ideas to begin with. The time of the meetings was used to teach on concepts from John Maxwell, Dean Radtke, or other businessmen of the like during these initial meetings. This, plus focusing on relationship with God, created fertile ground for the birthing of ideas in the attendees' hearts.

When asked, "What is the summary Bible verse that would encapsulate Idea Factory's vision?" Rain quoted Ephesians 4:11-12. Because IF has always had a vision to, "build a world where pursuing creativity and innovation is normal." Rain explains this by saying that the builders are much like the pastors, the pursuers being like evangelists, innovators being like apostles, creatives being like prophets, and normalizers being like the teachers; which encompasses the Five-Fold ministry.

As the group grew, it became apparent that the environment of being surrounded by fellow creatives was a principle benefit to the group. Those who entered without an idea often helped other members further their ideas, while learning from the classroom style meetings and benefiting from the constant accountability to steward their relationships with God above all else.

Just like when Elisha asked the widow, "What do you have in your house?" (2 Kings 4:1-7) The same question is asked of all members of Idea Factory. Because as the members steward the vision (what is in their house) then God is faithful to multiply the five loaves and two fish (John 6:1-14) in the lives of those with Godly visions. The time spent in fellowship with other IF members, and breaking off into small groups to develop ideas of other members, is invaluable to helping to foster an environment of creativity.

Idea Factory has a bright future ahead of it. To get an idea of where it is headed, one would only need to look to its recent past. Over the summer of 2023, IF hosted many small groups such as: the Spontaneous Worship event, the Sports Day event, the Creative Writing event, and the Community Movie Night event. Each event was lead by an IF facilitator, and the events were a great way to foster community and fellowship. They, also, offered an outreach style of gathering to provide opportunities to share the love of Christ through the activities at each event. Also, IF has recently begun focusing on the concept of legacy. This is because of IF's founder, Rain, heading back to his home state of Texas in God's next step on his journey.

While Idea Factory may look a little different, due to the change in who stewards the day-to-day functions, and weekly meetings, it has never looked brighter. Rain is excited to open a chapter of IF in Texas, and has ideas to have IF partner with the local chapters' Chamber of Commerce to develop 'scholarships' to help get ideas with large budgets off of the ground. The ministry that began in 2022 at Java Haus is still as potent as it ever was. This is largely due to the continued development of ideas and growth track that God is working through the leadership of IF. The mother of all invention is need. Which means that so long as people need help developing their God ideas, IF will continue hosting meetings to "build a world where pursuing creativity and innovation is normal."



What Is The Kingdom Chronicle?

BY KYLE GONZALEZ

Kingdom Chronicle Editor-in-Chief

As we continue and grow, I pray that you will come alongside us in your prayers. We are trailblazing into new territory as a (currently) monthly publication with the aim of upholding journalistic integrity without compromising in our faith. We aim to provide a Biblical Worldview as we facilitate communication for believers in what can only be called the Lord's newspaper.

This is a new idea and I am looking for visionaries to come alongside me and help me steward it to its full potential. That being said, if you feel an leading to do any writing for the Kingdom please prayerfully consider joining us as a one-time contributor or as a staff member. If not, but you still want to play a role in helping us reach our full potential, I pray that you will consider sending us some feedback at: kingdomchronicle375@gmail.com

Until next month, I pray that you all will be blessed and grow in your first love: Jesus Christ.