

Kingdom Chronicle

Coming Up @ Your City Council Meeting:

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The next City Council meeting will take place on September 5th with a public hearing on two very important issues scheduled:

Potential Ballot Question on 1.09% Special Sales Tax for our Schools

During the August 15 meeting, the City Council decided on the final plan for yet another revision to the IGA with the Woodland Park School District aimed at once and for all satisfying the call for more transparency in the use of the special sales tax collected by the city for the school district. The district agreed to transition into a new accounting method that would treat the sales tax similar to a grant, making every expenditure traceable and report-able on a monthly basis. Despite the district's continued cooperation and the council-members' repeated assurance that nobody wants to repeal the sales tax, the City Council is nevertheless considering putting the question on the November ballot for citizens to decide and set a public hearing on the matter for September 5th. The November ballot would notably force a vote from citizens, before the school board even has the chance to implement the agreed changes and publish its first accounting reports based on the new method. Accordingly, it appears that a potential ballot question in November would rather turn into a vote on the current school board than on our children's education funding and the actual question at hand. School board president Bates, supported by Merit Academy's CFO, Mrs. Tally, made it very clear to the council that the bulk of the sales tax funds goes to teachers' salaries. A repeal of the tax would unavoidably lead to significant pay cuts. The public is asked to way in on the issue at the public hearing on September 5th.

Fire Arms on City Property

At their June 27 meeting, the City Council passed an emergency ordinance allowing the legal carrying of firearms in city buildings, City Hall, and the Ute Pass Cultural Center. The emergency ordinance became

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Embrace the Power Within

BY AMANDA LOCKMAN
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As Christians, we are called not just to exist, but to show up, fully embracing the power and presence of Christ within us. The Scriptures remind us of this profound truth. Revelation 1:4 (NLT) declares, "Grace and peace to you from the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come; from the seven-fold Spirit before his throne." This is not just a greeting, but a divine reminder of the Spirit that resides in us, the same Spirit described in Isaiah 11:2: "And the Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord."

Imagine the transformation in our schools, libraries, governments, and businesses if we, as Christians, truly understood and lived out the reality of who we are in Christ. Colossians 1:27 (NLT) reveals this mystery: "For God wanted them to know that the riches and glory of Christ are for you Gentiles, too. And this is the secret: Christ lives in you. This gives you assurance of sharing his glory." If we genuinely grasped this truth, our presence alone would radiate the power and light of Christ, transforming every space we enter.

It's easy to see the mess in our society and wonder how things could change. But the real question is, why are we not expecting transformation if Christians are already present? The answer lies in understanding and surrendering to the Spirit of Christ within us. When we show up, we don't just bring ourselves; we bring the seven-fold Spirit of God—the Spirit of the Lord, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. These are not just abstract concepts but the very essence of God that we carry wherever we go.

What would our schools look like if every Christian there fully embraced this reality? What would our communities look like if we surrendered completely to the Spirit of Christ within us? If we were truly faithful to show up, not just physically but spiritually, our

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necessary to beat Senate Bill 24-131 that bans all firearms in “sensitive spaces” and became law on July 1st. The council is now considering a permanent ordinance. In past meetings discussions arose surrounding the question of concealed and/or open carrying. The public hearing will be held on September 5th after which the council will vote on the final ordinance.

Please find the current agenda and supporting documents on the city’s website:

<https://woodlandparkco.portal.civicclerk.com/>

We encourage you to attend these public meetings and voice your opinion during public comment. Also, please email your council-members to make sure your voice is heard. Even a few emails have a tremendous impact on the council-member preparing for these meetings.



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environments would be radically transformed.

This brings to mind the story of Elisha and his servant in 2 Kings 6:15-17. When Elisha's servant was terrified by the approaching enemy army, Elisha prayed for his eyes to be opened. The servant then saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire—God's angel army surrounding them. Like Elisha's servant, we often fail to see the spiritual reality around us. But when our eyes are opened, we realize that we are never alone. We carry the presence of Christ, and with Him, we carry victory.

Lord, open the eyes of our hearts that we may truly see and know Christ in us. I surrender and submit my body, soul, and spirit to You. Glorify Yourself through me. Give me courage and boldness to go not just where I am comfortable, but to the places where You have been removed. Let Your light flow through this temple, exposing darkness and drawing people to their knees at the feet of Jesus. In Jesus' name, amen.

It's time for us to show up, fully aware of the power and presence of Christ within us. Let's be the light in the darkness, the wisdom in confusion, and the strength in weakness. When we do, the world around us cannot remain the same.

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Follow The Zigzag Road

BY JOY OTI

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As he raced to the bus-stop, Nedu thought within himself that only a miracle could make him meet up with his job interview. When he got to the bus-stop, he was panting for breath.

“I see you are running late,” said an old lady at the bus-stop, “you should have used an alarm.”

Catching his breath, Nedu explained to her that his alarmed failed him and now he was afraid he might not make it on time for his job interview. “If I don’t get this job, it’s over ma’am.” He said to her.

She asked him what bus he was waiting for, and he told her bus 43. “Oh dear,” said the old lady, “the bus left shortly before you got here. The next bus going your way arrives in fifteen minutes.

“What! I don’t have fifteen minutes.” Nedu exclaimed. Then he put his hand on his head, hopelessly looking around.

“You need a miracle! Do you believe in God?” she asked him.

Trying not to be rude, Nedu answered, “I don’t! I just need a miracle. I guess it’s over for me!”

The old lady smiled and said, “Well, God is the miracle worker! Tell you what, why don’t you use Him to get what you want, and then you can dump Him afterwards. You got nothing to lose son. What do you say?”

Desperate, Nedu agreed to give it a try. “So, what confession do you want me to make?” he asked her.

“No confession son. Just obey and go to the Zigzag road.” Said the old lady, pointing at a street across the road.

Confused, Nedu asked how the street would lead to his destination, because buses don’t go there.

“Young man, I don’t know either. But I just prayed, and I heard God say to follow the zigzag road.

“I hate anything zigzag, because things are never straight. It’s always a puzzle.” He said.

“Me too,” said the old lady, “Zigzag makes you feel like you are going up and down, continuously. But trust me, the best things happen on Zigzag roads.”

Reluctantly, Nedu crossed over and started walking towards zigzag. When he got to the beginning of zigzag road, he felt stupid because all he could see was houses, and he wondered how he allowed an old lady to deceive

him. Feeling he had run out of time, he decided to go back home when he saw a woman trying to change her tire, with her toddlers standing by her. He thought to make good of his day by helping the woman. “I can help you change your tire.” He said to her.

“Oh, thank you so much. You must be God sent. I’ve been struggling with this stuff. I am late for work and I need to get my toddlers to the day care,” said the woman.

Nedu took over, and in fifteen minutes he was done changing the tire. She thanked him and gave him a twenty-dollar tip, which he declined.

“Well, I see you are dressed for work, I could give you a ride.” She said to him.

He declined as well, and told her he was dressed for a job interview and would not make it because he would be thirty minutes late. “They strictly stated in the email not to come more than five minutes late.” He told her.

She asked him the name of the company, and when he told her, she encouraged him to still get there, and he could just be lucky. “You’ve got nothing to lose.” She said to him.

“You’re the second person telling me I’ve got nothing to lose, this morning. So, I guess I’ll take a

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chance.” He responded.

“Well then, let’s go. I’m going to send a quick text to my job to explain my lateness, make a quick stop at the day care, and then drop you off. By the way, my name is Mercy. What’s your name?” she asked him.

He introduced himself, and they got her toddlers in the car and drove off.

When he got to his destination, he was almost forty minutes late. Getting out of Mercy’s car, he thanked her and said, “even if nothing good comes out of this, I want to thank you for encouraging me.”

Mercy smiled and said to him, “good luck, friend.”

Nedu walked into the reception, not really expecting much. He introduced himself to the lady at the front desk and tried explaining why he was late.

“It’s okay, you can wait.” She said to him.

Shocked, he asked her, “Excuse me, you mean wait for the interview?”

She smiled and said, “Yup! Take a seat and we’ll call you when we are ready.”

Nedu could not hold his joy, as he did a joyful spin around, with everyone watching him. He remembered Mercy and the old lady, and regretted he didn’t get their phone numbers to let them know he made the interview.

Five minutes later, he was escorted to the room where he would be interviewed. Nervous, he asked the staff how many people were waiting to interview him.

“Just one.” She answered and walked away.

Still nervous, he gently knocked and walked in, looking down.

“Good morning,” a familiar voice rang out, “my name is Mercy Cohen and I am interviewing you today. I’m sorry I’m late. How long have you been waiting?”

Recognizing her in a most pleasant surprise, Nedu fell to his knees and started crying. Mercy sat still, smiling and waited until he had spilled enough tears of joy.

“How is this possible?” he said in tears.

“Em, I think it’s called a miracle.” Mercy responded. Mercy went to him and helped him up. Sitting and barely able to look at her, Mercy said to him, “Listen, I told God I wanted someone who truly had a heart for people, because that is what the position is all about. With what happened this morning, need I say more? This

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Calling All Intercessors: Join Us For Strategic Prayer BY AMANDA LOCKMAN *Kingdom Chronicle Staff*

Are you passionate about standing in the gap through prayer? We invite you to join us for Governmental Intercession, where we pray and intercede for everything from our local city council and school board to the nation of Israel.

When: Sunday afternoons from 3:00-4:00 PM

Where: Java Haus Conference Room

Additionally, we are gathering for intercession focused specifically on our public library and community. Your prayers are vital in these challenging times!



When: 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month from 6:15-6:45 PM

Where: Downstairs of the library, first room on your left as you enter from the lower level

Please note, we start and end on time as there are events scheduled after each prayer meeting. Don’t be late—every minute of prayer counts! Come, let’s unite in prayer and make a difference.

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interview is over. You are hired! We can discuss more about the benefits and remuneration when you get yourself together. Congratulations!”

Still crying, Nedu thanked Mercy and promised she won't be disappointed.

“I know!” She said.

As he walked back home from the bus-stop, Nedu carried a weight of joy that made it so difficult for him to walk.

Then he heard a familiar voice call out to him, “young man, how did it go?” it was the old lady.

Gathering as much strength as he could, Nedu raced towards her and gave her a warm embrace.

“You got the job!” she said.

“Yes, I did.” He responded.

“So, you going to dump Him now? At least you got what you wanted.” She asked him.

“No, I won't. There was a little bit of zig and a zag, but I arrived. He knows the way, and I want to follow who knows the way. Will you pray for me?” he asked her.

Gladly, the old lady put her hands on his head, and prayed for him. Then she said to him, “there's a scripture that says, ‘Oh taste and see that the Lord is good.’ When I told you to use Him, I knew that if you tasted Him, you would never go back. But I must warn you, walking with God is sweet and sour. But it's always worth it.”

Nodding his head, Nedu said to her, “I could live with that!”

“Well then, Welcome home!” she said to him.

CALL TO ACTION

It's a big world, with straight and zigzag roads. But we have a very big God and He knows the way. Whenever we find ourselves in the unknown, we must never forget that the architect of a structure can be a trusted guide. God created the world, and we can trust His guidance, especially on Zigzag roads.

Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, “This is the way; walk in it.” Isaiah 30:21.

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Raise Your Voice!

BY NICOLE BRAUCHLI

*Kingdom Chronicle Staff***Upcoming Community Dates:**

- ◆ 09/05/2024, 6:30 p.m.: City Council meeting at City Hall, 220 W South Ave. ***pre-briefing and prayer at 6 p.m. at the Memorial Park flagpole.**
- ◆ 09/10/2024, 5:30 p.m.: Teller County Republicans (GOP) monthly meeting followed by Presidential Debate watch-party (7 p.m.) at the Gold Hill Theatre.
- ◆ 09/11/2024, 6 p.m.: Regular School Board Meeting at the District Office, large conference room. ***pre-briefing and prayer at 5.30 p.m. in the High School parking lot.**
- ◆ 09/12-14/2024: Truth & Liberty Conference at Charis Bible College.
- ◆ 09/17/2024: National Constitution Day.
- ◆ 09/17/2024, 5.30 p.m.: Chambers Business After Hours (for members) hosted by the Community Partnership Family Resource Center.
- ◆ 09/18/2024, 6 p.m.: Community Engagement Forum with the Woodland Park Police Department at the police station (moved from 09/11/2024).
- ◆ 09/19/2024, 6:30 p.m.: City Council meeting at City Hall, 220 W South Ave. ***pre-briefing and prayer at 6 p.m. at the Memorial Park flagpole.**
- ◆ 09/24/2024, 5-6:30 p.m.: Braver Angels Event on the topic of Election Integrity at the Woodland Park Library.
- ◆ 09/29/2024, 4-7 p.m.: Teller County Young Republicans official launch party at the Ute Pass Cultural Center.

We the People of Teller County

Invite you to join us on
Tuesday, September 17th
from 3-5 p.m.
at the Lion's Park

(Intersection of Hwy 24 and Hwy 67N)

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JOIN THE MOVEMENT**

Freedom Church

BY KYLE GONZALEZ

*Kingdom Chronicle Editor-in-Chief***Upcoming Events**

◆ 09/28/2024: Jerry Garcia is coming to Freedom Church for a lively Saturday Night Service.



◆ 10/09/2024: Richard Harris is coming to Freedom Church for our Saturday Night Service from the front-lines of what God is doing in the political realm.

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*Kingdom Chronicle Editor-in-Chief***Updates**

The Kingdom Chronicle is looking to fill some important roles in our team. If you feel the call to come alongside us in helping to provide Godly news to the city of Woodland Park, please contact us via editor@kingdomchronicle.news. Also, if you find our content to be a blessing, have suggestions for us, or feedback (to include testimonies) please send us an email at editor@kingdomchronicle.news. I pray that you all have a blessed day.

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The key principle of the Systema is non-destruction. The goal is to make sure that your training and your attitudes do no damage to the body or the psyche of you or your partners. Systema is designed to create, build and strengthen your body, your psyche, your family and your community.