



Project 52

God is good. God is faithful.

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Are you a Storm Chaser?



I have always been fascinated by storms. Thunderstorms, hail storms, snow blizzards. I even watched a tornado go through a town as a kid! Storm chasing is broadly defined as: "the pursuit of any severe weather condition, regardless of motive which can be curiosity, adventure, scientific investigation, or for news/media coverage". I think there's a perfect parallel between storm chasing and what it means to be a radically sold out Christian believer today. Jesus is the ultimate Storm Chaser. Yes, Jesus calmed storms but He also chased them.

Jesus healed the sick, and raised Lazarus from the dead, John 11: 38-44. Jesus fed over 5000 people with five loaves and two fish, Matt 14:13-21, John 6: 1-14. Jesus went into the eye of the storm and schooled the religious of His day, the Pharisees, Sadducees, and Scribes, Matt 23. He had mercy on the prostitute, John 8:1 -11. Jesus cast demons out of men, Matt 8: 28-34.

Jesus, the Word made flesh, went intentionally to the cross, gave up His life for us and three days later rose from the dead. He gave us the

same Holy Spirit who rose Him from the dead, Romans 8:11, John 19, 20, Acts 1. He is the Key to our eternal life with God the Father. Jesus is the Lion, Lamb, Wonderful Counselor, our Shalom and our Prince of Peace. He is the King of kings, our Lord and Savior, Ruler, Director of our lives, Anchor to our souls and Friend. He is a Companion when we feel lonely. He is our Strength when we are weak and our Wisdom when we are confused. He is our healer when we are sick. He makes all things work together for our good. He is suffering Messiah, and He is our Glorious, Resurrected Messiah. His Love never ends. If we call ourselves followers, shouldn't we be following in His example? I read somewhere, the only way we can shine our Light so it can be seen is to go into the darkness. That is what Jesus did.

We have read about and have been honored to even meet a few storm chasing followers of Jesus Christ in our lifetime. I know very few in the U.S. I am not there yet myself but am definitely taking notes on lives lived like these, who remind me of modern day Pauls. We would like to highlight a few of these modern day storm chasers who have braved the tempest for the sake of making Jesus famous to a lost world. Their names are Kenneth Bae, Dr. Kent Brantly, Brother Yun and Jim Turner.



Jesus...
Risen Savior!



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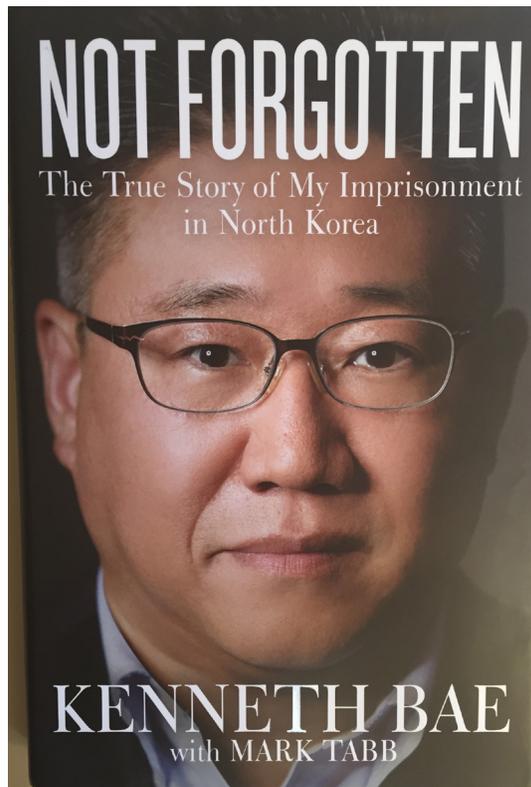
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Kenneth Bae, author of *Not Forgotten*, is a Korean/American missionary and the longest-held U.S. citizen ever to be detained in North Korea since the Korean War, (2 ½ years). He has a heart of compassion for the North Korean people and compelled by God, spent years taking prayer pilgrimages, (under the guise of his tour company escorting tourists), into the Democratic People's Republic of Korea before one fateful day when he was detained by North Korean authorities. Tracy and I had dinner with Pastor Bae last year where he spoke on his burning passion to return one day to North Korea and connect the North Korean people whom he loves, to the outside world and teach them about faith in the One True God. He spent 2 ½ years doing hard labor, being verbally, mentally and emotionally abused, dealing with failing health issues, losing 60 pounds in prison, and yet, he wants to go back.

"If you love me, feed my sheep."
John 21:15-19

Dr. Kent Brantly, a medical doctor who has been a part of the Samaritan Purse World Medical Mission team made news a few years ago when he contracted the Ebola virus while working in a local clinic in Liberia, where he had been stationed for 9 months. As stated in an interview, Dr. Brantly was there because he is 'committed to saving lives and serving others... My faith is central to my life.' An Ebola outbreak began while he and his family were there, and Dr. Brantly made the choice to stay, as his family came back to the States. He remained there along with his team, to help and treat people who had been infected with the virus during a terrible epidemic of the disease. No matter the precautions, no matter the full protective equipment, no matter the safety protocol, Dr. Brantly and a close friend/nurse both contracted the disease and were forced to place their lives in God's hands. God eventually healed them and they survived. Living in Ft. Worth TX today, working at a county hospital, Dr. Brantly and his wife are still pursuing their call to missions and have been invited to share their story and the Gospel in places they never thought possible. It's a story of running to the fire in LOVE and not running from it in fear. (See the documentary *Facing Darkness*, by Samaritan's Purse for the full report).



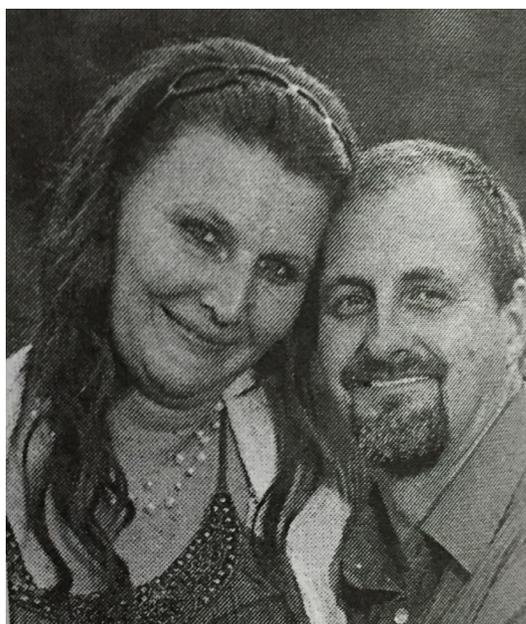


Tracy and I were honored to hear Brother Yun and have him pray for us in Moravian Falls NC, this past October. We noticed while we listened to him that a quick and natural posture for him was not standing or sitting, but kneeling. The following are some of the highlights from his personal resume:

- Was on China's most wanted list by age of 21 for his evangelical efforts in spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout China mostly through underground house churches
- After receiving a Bible that he fasted and prayed for (100 days), when he was young, Brother Yun read it, then memorized 1 chapter a day and in 28 days he memorized the book of Matthew, then went on to memorize Acts...
- Was imprisoned three times in his life, with the first imprisonment at the age of 17. He spent seven years of his newly married life in prison, being beaten, tortured with an electric baton, urinated on and crippled to prevent his escape (but oh, the fruit that came from his suffering)
- Went 74 days without food or water, was reduced to 60 pounds. Yes, I said 74 days. (Isaiah 53:7)

- Has disciplined / taught/trained over 150 Chinese pastors and evangelists in China
- Is not happy with the current statistic of only 28-30,000 Chinese people coming to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ daily. He prays for that number to increase while currently working to get the gospel into nations in the 1040 window.

For more on Brother Yun, see www.backtojerusalem.com or read The Heavenly Man, but read at your own risk!



Project 5 2 had the honor to serve Pastor Jim Turner for two years in the Over the Rhine area of Cincinnati. He is now in Arizona doing urban outreaches and planting churches. We featured him in our newsletter in 2014. Jim is definitely a storm chaser and I learned much from him. Here is the condensed version of the article:

Direction Correction, in what Direction are we Running?

I have a friend by the name of Jim Turner. I have been watching my friend Jim over the

Deuteronomy
15:10-11
English
Standard
Version (ESV)

You shall give to him freely, and your heart shall not be grudging when you give to him, because for this the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore I command you, 'You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in your land.'

PHIL 2: 3-4

'DO NOTHING
FROM SELFISH
AMBITION OR
CONCEIT, BUT
IN HUMILITY,
COUNT
OTHERS
MORE
SIGNIFICANT
THAN
YOURSELVES.
LET EACH OF
YOU LOOK
NOT ONLY
TO HIS OWN
INTERESTS,
BUT ALSO TO
THE INTEREST
OF OTHERS.'

past 18 months, not in a creepy way of course, but in a similar way that Timothy studied Paul. You see, in my prayer time over the past few years, I have asked the Lord 'where are your modern day Jesus Generals'? His response to me 'if you are ready to experience it, I will take you on a journey to see where I have some of them.' He sent me to an abused women's shelter in Appalachia, the homeless shelters in Middletown and Hamilton Ohio and the street ministries in Over the Rhine. There I saw Jesus and met generals that serve these precious and ignored souls. This is where I met Jim. I have prayed for him and our friends at the Lord's Gym many times over the past two years. This week of June 16 was not a typical week for Jim. You see, praying with people, feeding with hot dogs and chocolate cake, presenting the Gospel of Jesus Christ, discipling and loving the homeless was Jim and his wife's life. But that day in lower Price Hill, God had another assignment for Jim after the grills were fired up and the cake was sliced. Within thirty minutes, a series of what sounded like fireworks sounded through the air. People came running toward Jim's outreach from about two blocks away screaming. Jim knew those sounds were gunshots. As men, women and children were running toward him, Jim and another friend

went running toward the gunfire. Two blocks away lay a young man on the sidewalk, shot and bleeding. Jim went beside him, held him, comforted him and loved him. He shared the love of Jesus and the Gospel message with him in the last minutes he had on this earth. I have tears as I write this as I am reminded of Jesus sharing the Kingdom of His Father with the thief on the cross in both their final breaths on earth.

What a Savior we have! The young man died in Jim's arms. When the rest of the community ran for their own safety, Jim ran toward the crippled lamb. What direction are we running Body of Christ?

So I ask the question again. Are you a storm chaser? If you know Jesus, allow Him to be the Lord in every area of your life. He will make you a storm chaser. Get out of the boat, get off your comfy couch, get out of the pew, get out of your comfort zone. Allow God to use you in a mighty Kingdom way. There will be no regrets once we enter heaven's gates and we hear "Well done, good and faithful servant" ~Matthew 25:23.

Jerry
Matt 6:33

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. As it is written, "He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor, his righteousness endures forever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. By their approval of this service, they will glorify God because of your submission that comes from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and generosity of your contribution for them and for all others.'

2 Cor 9: 6-13

2017 Thanks and Praise...

2017 was an incredible year of seeing God's hand move in our lives, in our relationships, in our children's lives, in our ministry, and in the ministries we touch. Tracy and I have both been blessed this year in so many ways. The highlights from 2017 include the following...

- Increased prayer and Presence time with our Lord, which has given us more peace, wisdom, knowledge and love; love for our Lord and love for the hurting. We've learned that the fruit of the Spirit can only be produced in us if we are connected to The Vine, abiding in Him and moving with the Holy Spirit. Apart from Him, everything else we do is in our own strength -which produces man-size results and makes us tired! Big lesson!
- Semis of food, clothing and toys, along with regular shipments of fruits, vegetables and Bibles continue to pass through our hands. It is a joy to be a modern day Epaphroditus, serving other Pauls and Josephs in front-line ministries in the tri state with physical goods and resources, as well as spiritual nourishment found in encouragement and God's Word.
- We continue to support Master's Provision, City on a Hill, and New Life Ministries. Please consider supporting these ministries with your time, talents, prayers and finances:

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- We had a year of heavy travel. We thank God for his Hand of protection as we delivered resources to new cities for the Lord this year. Ministry/ family travel included Kentucky, Indiana, Georgia, Virginia, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Israel.
- We are grateful for all the semis of product we receive, and this year we are grateful for Pilot J and Whole Foods coming on board with us. Whole Foods, as one example, blesses over nine ministries a month; ministries that love Jesus and ensure that the Gospel goes out with the donated food.
- Our Israel trip was life-changing. Our Moravian Falls trip in North Carolina inspired us more than most will ever know. Meeting Brother Yun from China was the beginning of a journey, with the intent of experiencing the realness of the Holy Spirit.
- Zach, our oldest son, was promoted at the Billy Graham Evangelical Association in the film and media department. We are praising the Lord for this opportunity to serve the Lord in such a powerful and global icon of ministry.
- Josh is graduating from OCU in April, and we are so proud of him! He will graduate with a business degree in Disaster Relief Management with a minor in Biblical Studies. Please pray for him as he begins his job search.
- We are equally proud of Abby, our youngest daughter. She is pursuing a Nursing degree at Liberty University. She will make a wonderful nurse very soon. She has a heart for missions and the inner city and we can't wait to see how the Lord will use her someday.
- We are grateful for each one of you that read our newsletter, that pray for us, that give us product, or support us financially on a regular basis. This puts "wind in our sails" as a couple, a ministry, and a family. We appreciate you more than you know!
- We dearly appreciate the work of two of the best dental professionals in the tri-state, that have, and continue to work with Jerry's dental reconstruction. They

Jackson Kentucky Families Canned Food Drive

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Did we say bologna? ;)

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have both been a blessing to Jerry and his health. If you have oral surgery needs, or are in need of prosthodontic work, consider this most excellent team:

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- Finally, please consider collecting Bibles for our ministry. We accept gently used or new, and all translations and languages. I

have a friend making new Bible boxes for me. Pray if your church or family would assist in this Bible collection. They are used throughout the AT, and in the tri-state street ministries, homeless shelters and drug/rehabilitation centers.

... and one more testimony, we received this text a week ago:

“Cots, blankets, Bibles, socks, scarves and more food was delivered to the shelter today. Eight lives given to the Lord in the last three days. Thank you Abba Daddy! Thank you Jerry and Tracy!”

Second text-- “Update, 11 lives given to the Lord!” ~ to God be the Glory!

~Jerry and Tracy



Leviticus 19:9-10 English Standard Version (ESV)
 9 “When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. 10 And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner:
 I am the Lord your God.

Prayers, Praises and Needs.....

- We praise God for his constant faithfulness for provision and resources!
- Praises for traveling mercies everyday!
- Trusting God for more cases/ semis of Bibles
- Please pray that God will grant us wisdom concerning the expansion into new Appalachian areas
- Please pray for our many volunteers
- Please pray for churches to understand and execute Acts 2; Acts 4; Matt 25 and Matt 28
- Please pray for souls to come into the Kingdom along the Appalachian trail and everywhere God sends us
- Personal needs: Finances for Jerry's dental work; Finances for extra medical expenses

Meditate on Isaiah 58 and be blessed!

Agape love,

Jerry and Tracy

ABBY'S BLOG

This was written by our daughter Abby (in an Instagram caption) after a tough semester at college. With her hesitant permission, we thought we would share it with you, and we pray it will bring you Hope and Assurance in your daily walk:

I asked a lot of questions this year. I spent a lot of nights crying and had a lot of intense conversations with the Lord in my car. I learned a lot of hard lessons... the hard way, and like a dog with a tail between its legs, I came crawling back to my Savior, painfully aware of how beaten up my heart was and embarrassed that I hadn't come to Him sooner.

But like a perfect Dad, who is unchanging and never caught off guard, I'm always met with a sweet and quiet voice in all of my mess and chaos.

"Do you trust me?"

In the middle of my disappointments and failures. "Do you trust me?"

In 5-year-plans that are broken apart and re-done. "Do you trust me?"

In broken relationships, and heartbreak and waiting for my time to come. "Do you trust me?"

In sudden losses and loneliness and fear. "Do you trust me?"

You see guys, we serve an intentional God who isn't thrown off by any moment in our life. Not only that but HE has the ability to use every loss, disappointment and failure for our good. This year was hard, and I am tired. But I am not defeated and I am not alone because I serve a good God who walks with me in the valley and loves me too much to let me stay there.

So I count this year as a victory, even if my med-surg grade doesn't reflect that, and my relationships are really messy and I'm still single, and I am still really selfish and spend way too much time worrying about tomorrow, because if going through hell means I get to know Jesus better, I'll do it a thousand more times.



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- Be the hands & feet of Christ by serving and redistributing goods to those who are neglected locally (the Tri-State), specifically orphans.
- Be a teaching mechanism to the Church, ministries, and others on serving the needy kingdom through principles.



As we strive to be good stewards of the resources given us, we ask your help. Would you rather receive the newsletter via email? Please let us know by emailing us at office.project.52@gmail.com

Thanks!



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