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Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell
together in unity!

Psalm 133:1

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From the Desk of the Chairman

'Patience My Friend'



One of the most difficult challenges in life is developing patience. Way back yonder, I used to drive the Church Van. The responsibilities of the van driver were enormous. After a full day on the job of starting and putting out fires (so to speak), it was now about 5:30 p.m. and time to pick up Church Goers, Saints and Visitors. It is Wednesday and the sun is beaming at about 90 degrees. It was time to drive to the Church Van and begin our scheduled route of picking up folks.

The Van was your typical fifteen passenger two tone burgundy and gray Church-Bus, with chrome bumpers and mirrors. It was equipped with two rear doors that we used to store items under the rear passenger row. There were a set of suicide doors on the passenger side. We had a low profile step under the first row of seats to assist riders with climbing up into the van.

I make it to the first location. I am on schedule. *Sister Rattlemykeysallthewayhome* climbs into the van, sits down and then says "Deacon Anthony, it's hot out here...will you please stop at the snow cone stand down the street and get me a snowball." There is a long period of silence. But in my mind – there is a whole lot of talking going on. "Sister, the Pastor wants the van at the Church no later than 7:15pm. We have to keep moving."

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FROM THE PASTOR'S OFFICE

'THE WILL TO GO ON'



Greetings brethren! It is a wonderful gift from the Lord to be able to share with you again in this publication.

Over the years, I have had the wonderful opportunity to talk to many people who have faced seemingly insurmountable obstacles in life. Sometimes, it seems that life is a big obstacle course with one challenge after another one. How can we stay motivated with so many challenges? What do we do when our back is up against the wall? I submit to you today, that we must have the will to go on.

There is a song titled "I Feel Like Going On." Honesty, sometime we do and sometimes we don't "feel" like going on. What do you do when you don't "feel" like it? Our actions must not be dictated by our feelings. Feel like it or not, we must go on.

Feelings are like Chicago's weather, it constantly changes. If our success is based on feelings, well, stick a fork in us because we are done.

I have discovered that men must have will-power. We are all born with a will and it controls every aspect of our lives. What we do with it and how we use it determines whether we fail or succeed. The man that has a strong will coupled with the indwelling presence of the Holy Ghost will not fail. It does not matter if you can speak in the tongues of men and angels, if you do not have the "will" there is very little that you will accomplish in life for yourself or the Kingdom of Heaven.

How many times have you heard someone say, "I'm tired" or "I don't think I'm going to make it?" My question to the individual is, "Do you have the will to go on?" The will can overpower physical, psychological and emotional deficiencies.

Sometimes, we lack the ability to make a decision and stick to it. The "infirm will" is a weak will. Once we decide on a course of action(s), we must have the strength and stamina to stick to it.

Have you heard the saying, "Where there is a will, there is a way?" The will can release energy and creativity to produce the desired results.

Brethren, surround yourselves with men who are decisive and have a healthy will. You don't want to be with men who are unstable, vacillate and are unpredictable. Men who have the will to go on will lead the way. They are the pacesetters.

May God strengthen our resolve to go on.

District Elder Michael Bellamy, Pastor

Our Mission

Through God's inspired guidance, we will offer every man the Gospel of Christ, encourage them to pursue God, while equipping them for spiritual service at church, home, workplace, community and the world.



Real Men's

Day Out

Visit to Starved Rock



The Men of CTC Maywood collaborated with Deacon Jerry Jones and the Men of CTC Joliet.

...And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men. **Matthew 4:19**



Fish were jumping out of the water....



Some people caught fish about 25lbs....
But we didn't catch a thing



D/E Michael Bellamy brought his FULLY LOADED Tackle box and Heavy Duty Pole!



Dea. Anthony giving instruction

Today we fished for fish but God will make us Fishers of Men



Eld. Jerry (the novice fisherman) trying to bait the hook



Dea. Victor Robinson

Real Men

by Bishop Reese Price, Jr.

Pastor of **Victory Apostolic Faith Church**
Chicago, Illinois



Welcome and greetings in the precious name of Jesus Christ. I feel most privilege to sit in your presence and chat with you. It is both my hope and aim to engage you in an enlightening conversation about the power and destiny of **Real Men**. Foremost, it is my sincere desire to penetrate the diverse layers of man, share my opinions about them, and explore ways in which men can truly walk in the will of God.

Overtime, as we brothers interact with one another in conversation and worship, we learn more and more about each other. Through this essential interaction, we gain a greater understanding of who we are individually, and what we can be collectively as a body of believers. In order to understand what we can truly be in Jesus Christ, we must define for clarity sake, what the terms "**real**" and "**men**" really mean.

The word "**real**" indicates what is true, actual, genuine, unfeigned, or sincere. While the word "**men**" is the plural of "man". He is the anthropo, and individual at the highest level of animal development. He is mainly characterized by his exceptional mentality. Anthropology is the science that studies the origin of man's development: physical, intellectual, moral, social, etc. It is the study of man's agreement with and his divergence from other animals. It is the scientific investigation of man and his works.

Now that our view of the words "**real**" and "**men**" are more definitive, we gain (perhaps for the first time) a brighter and more insightful view of man. If mankind would ponder for a moment the real purpose for its existence, it would probably have a profound impact. Even God's angels asked a great question:

"What is man, that thou are mindful of him?" and the son of man, that thou visitest him? For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet: All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field; The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas" (Ps. 8:4).

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Real Creative Young Men

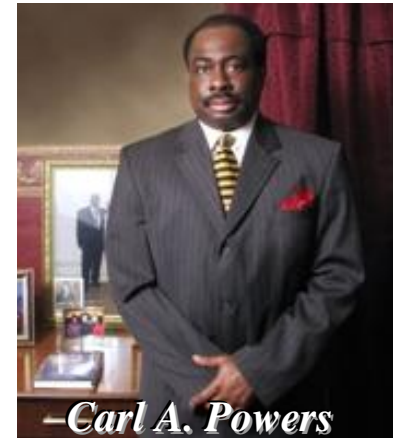
The Adventures of Mylo



By: Mel Campbell

Christ Temple Bloomington, Illinois

Someone You Should Know



Deacon Carl Powers was born and reared on the west side of Chicago, where he graduated from John Marshall High School. He went on to attend ITC where he graduated with a degree in Electric Mechanical Computer Engineering. Carl has been married to Sharon for 30 years in which they have 7 wonderful children. He has also been a member of the Christ Temple Family for 32 years and has held several offices such as president of the choir, usher, drummer, deacon, and labored in the kitchen with the brotherhood. We recently had an opportunity to sit down and ask him a few questions.

- 1) What are your 3 most precious moments? Receiving the Holy Ghost of course is at the top of the list, getting married to Sister Sharon, and serving as the President and Director of the Choir here at Christ Temple Church in Maywood, Illinois.
- 2) What is your favorite hobby? Electronics-building robots and synthesizers, computers and music.
- 3) What is one of your biggest accomplishments both natural and spiritual? While working in electronics, I had the distinct honor of being on the front page of the Sun-times and Tribune newspapers and I was interviewed by Time magazine about my electronic projects. On a spiritual level one of my biggest accomplishments is working in the choir.
- 4) What is some advice you would like to pass along to our young men? Stay focused and don't be swayed by earthly temptations.
- 5) Who do you admire most and why? I'd have to say Bishop Bell for his stability and structure and also Elder Michael for his anointing and the direction in which the Lord is leading him.

Elder Jerry Lawrence

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“Patience my Friend”

By Deacon Anthony D. Bellamy

As I approach the second stop I receive a call stating “don’t stop by *Sister Screamalot’s* house because she can’t find her glasses”. By the way, that’s not her real name. In my mind – This is absolutely crazy!!

I pull up to the third and fourth stops, blow the horn and after a while, they file into the van. We are now fifteen minutes behind schedule. In my mind: Don’t people know that when a person is scheduled to pick you up you should be ready. You should be outside at the gate or curb as they pull up to your house. Is that too much to ask!

“Deacon Anthony watch out for that car...Did y’all see that...We almost crashed”. In my mind – Lord you know...please help me with these back seat drivers. I couldn’t say what I really thought because my Dad had a way of telling me what he thought.

“Oh Lord ham-mercy Jesus, Deacon Anthony I left my bag at home, can we go back? I got my Pastor’s appreciation dinner tickets in it”.
In my mind - YOU HAVE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME!!!

I pull up to the last house and here we go. *Sister Youaintgonnabeweavethis* sends one child out, then a second one. A few minutes later, another one, the fourth kid straggles out, then a fifth. Finally I ask, “What is your momma doing?” One kid replies, “She’s putting the cheese on her Macaroni” THE CHEESE ON HER MACARONI!!! YOU HAVE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME!!! If there was another gauge on the dash next to the speedometer that could read my blood pressure...it would probably break!!! Finally she comes out of the house with a peaceful and pleasant look on her face and says “Praise the Lord Deacon Anthony”. In my mind: Oh, no she didn’t. Lord please help me with THIS ONE.

Then, someone has the nerve to ask, “Deacon I’m hungry. Can you stop by the Chicken Factory and get me a bite to eat?” In my mind: I don’t remember what I was thinking in my mind!!

“Deacon Anthony, good gracious life, I left my Church hat”. In my mind: Good, you were the one blocking my view from seeing the Preacher anyway. You don’t need a hat.

After years of driving the van, I finally realized that my judgment had been clouded by all of the complaints of backseat drivers, snow-ball requests and items left at home. All of this was noise. These things were a mere distraction. My real purpose and mission was to get God’s people to His Sanctuary. That is what I missed at the time. I wasn’t focused.

Luke 21:19 says, “In your patience possess ye your souls.” In order to make it to heaven we can not allow the noise to distract us. We must stay focused.

Y’all pray that I be more real.

Be Blessed.

Deacon Anthony D. Bellamy

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Real Men

by Bishop Reese Price, Jr.

As a result of this celestial inquiry, regarding God’s confidence in his creation “man”, we are more aware of man’s outstanding quality and his potential for greatness. If this were not so, God would not have put all of his earthly creation into the hands of man. Now just imagine that. The standard has been set, by Almighty God himself. There are **REAL MEN**. In fact, God did not create debris, rubbish, or junk. He created men to be real. However, there is a *real* problem and the real problem is this. Man has an adversary, the Devil, who does not like God. Since man is God’s pride and joy, man’s adversary has set out to sabotage man’s standing at the top. Yet, a **real man** knows his potential. A **real man** is true to his profession. A **real man** is faithful in all things: first to God, second to family, and third to his place of worship. A **real man** takes the lead in every role in life.

Let us pause, while we digest some of the things we are partaking of today: “**Real Men know their Potential**”. That statement sounds good, very good doesn’t it? Of course it does. That means you are in good hands with **real men**. You can trust **real men** because they are true. What a blessing it is to know that there are true men. Men you can depend on. They are void of the *pay-back-later* and *hidden agenda* mentality. They are actual, genuine, and sincere men. They are **real men**. You may think I’m living in another world, but wait a minute...hold on...and listen well. Believe me, there are **real men**.

Let’s do a history check. One time, when things got really bad, even God said he would destroy this whole world. It looked like there was no hope! Have you ever been in a situation where there seem to be no hope? But, somehow here comes hope! Well, history tells us when things got bad in this world, up popped Noah, a “**real man**”. Noah saved the day. He was the A-Bomb.

Do you know if it had not been for Noah and his three sons, none of us would be here today? Keep searching within yourself and keep looking as you go out into all the world and you too, even today, will find “**Real Men**”.

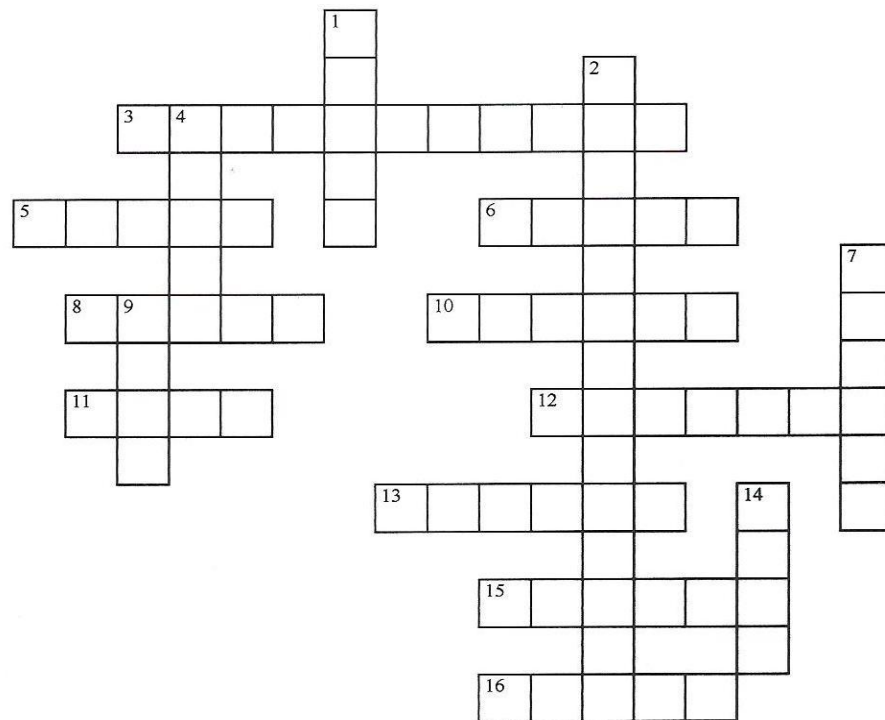
Hooping In The Holy Land



A product of Christ Temple Maywood, Jitim Young is a professional basketball player currently playing in Ramie, Israel. Prior to his professional career, Jitim played in the Big Ten for Northwestern University where he established his reputation as a leader and standout amongst his peers. Currently, averaging 19 points, 6 rebounds, and 6 assist per game. There is no wonder why Jitim has reached stardom in the small town nearly the same size as Maywood. "People really don't speak English because the education isn't that great", Jitim explained as he tries to communicate with fans. To break this barrier, Jitim has made it a priority to learn the Hebrew language that was spoken by Christ Jesus. Some words include "Shalom" which means Hello or Goodbye, "Tadow" is thank you, "Yah La" means Lets Go, "Abba" is father, and "Can" means Yes, just to name a few. Jitim also describes what he calls "very interesting about their culture" as he recounts the doorway entries of each building. Uniquely, there's a object attached to the doorway of each building the size of a pen with Hebrew Lettering. These letters represent a prayer and each time you walk through the door, you're to kiss your fingers and touch it.

The current basketball season is nearing its end as Jitim leads his team for a fight to the playoffs. While he'll miss what he describes as "Los Angeles weather", Jitim's work doesn't stop when he gets back to the States. He runs and participates in several basketball camps throughout Chicago and Suburbs. Basketball has taken Jitim to many places small and grand, but there's nothing like Hooping in the Holy Land.

Men of the Bible



ACROSS

- 3 "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man."
- 5 Born to betray Jesus
- 6 Missionary to Nineveh
- 8 The second born of Isaac
- 10 Fought the battle of Jericho
- 11 Apostle to the Gentiles
- 12 The father of Faith
- 13 Sold into slavery by his brothers
- 15 Recieved a double portion of his predecessor
- 16 Given keys to the Kingdom

DOWN

- 1 Also known as the Messiah
- 2 Known as the forrunner for Jesus
- 4 Nearly offered as a sacrifice by his father
- 7 Known as the doubter
- 9 Responsible for the fall of man
- 14 Built the Ark

Keys to Financial Success

Previously we discussed topics: “Get paid according to your skill set and spend less than what you earn” and “Prepare realistic budget to be executed”. I hope you were able to apply some of the knowledge given to your everyday spending and job search. We will now cover two more topics on preparing you for financial success.

- Get paid according to your skill set and Spend less than what you earn
- Prepare Realistic Budget to be Executed
- **Eliminate Credit Card Debt**
- **Plan for the Retirement**
- Have a Savings Plan
- Know/Use Employee Benefits
- Maximize Promising Investments
- Review Your Insurance Coverage’s
- Update your Will
- Keep Good Records

Current Issues Topics


Eliminate Credit Card Debt

Credit card debt is the number one obstacle to getting ahead financially. Those little pieces of plastic are so easy to use, and it's so easy to forget that it's real money we're dealing with when we whip them out to pay for a purchase, large or small. Despite our good resolves to pay the balance off quickly, the reality is that we often don't, and end up paying far more for things than we would have paid if we had used cash.

Plan for the Retirement


If your employer has a 401(k) plan and you don't contribute to it, you're walking away from one of the best deals out there. Ask your employer if they have a 401(k) plan (or similar plan), and sign up today. If you're already contributing, try to increase your contribution. If your employer doesn't offer a retirement plan, consider an IRA.

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Football (comer back)

Recently married in the Dominican Republic, David started his professional career as a history teacher at his former high school Currie Metro on Chicago's Southwest Side. Later David took on the task as a Student Counselor in addition to heading the Currie Varsity Baseball Team. Attending Christ Temple Church Maywood allows David to reflect and be educated on his role in the family as a husband and follower of Christ Jesus. He and his wife often review the Sunday School lessons to find applications for everyday life.



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