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A man in a dark suit, yellow shirt, and red tie with a gold pocket square is walking and pointing his right hand towards the right. He is looking in the same direction. The background is a blurred stage setting.

GOD DESIRES *For YOU To* **PROSPER**

From the Desk of Pastor David C. Forbes, Jr.

When God calls a person to be a part of His plan, it means He has something for them to do. As a Christian, you've been called into God's plan of Salvation. You will face some opposition; but, you must know deeply in your heart that God has a plan for you and part of His plan is for you to prosper.

*“Prosperity comes
from God.”*

As your Pastor, God has given me the charge to teach you about His prosperity. Prosperity goes further than material things; it requires character development and maturity in these areas:

1. **Morality** – Your sense of right or wrong, or your world view.
2. **Marriage** – Understanding that God designed marriage to be the foundation of the family unit.
3. **Motive** – What is your motivation for wanting things in life? You can desire the right thing, but if you have the wrong intent, your desire could go unmanifested.
4. **Money** – God wants you to possess money, not have money possess you. When you have a heart that is highly developed to sow (give) and you sow constantly, it keeps greed from overtaking you.

Psalms 35:27 says, “Let the Lord be magnified, which has pleasure in the prosperity of His servant.” It pleases God to prosper you when you serve Him. 2 Chronicles 26:1-5 gives a wonderful account of this with the life of Uzziah. It says in verse 5, “...As long as he sought the Lord, God made him to prosper.” Seeking God means seeking His way - what does He desire, what is He calling for, and what does it require for me to do? There's going to be some sacrifices, but there's no sacrifice that can compare to the reward that God has in store. Hebrews 11:6 says that God is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

As we continue learning and studying what God says about prosperity, I want you to remember these things:

- ♦ Prosperity comes from God
- ♦ Prosperity is Spiritual
- ♦ Prosperity has a Purpose
- ♦ All Prosperity is in the Seed

I invite you to join me on this journey to truly living the life that God designed for us as Breakthrough Believers to live - a life full of God's prosperity that He's provided through Jesus Christ.

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Our Vision

Increasing Lives with the Word of God

Our Mission

Teaching all people to Love God,
Love Others and Impact the World

Love God

Because I love God, I purpose to attend weekly encounters where I worship God through praise, prayer, giving and hearing the Word so that my daily life glorifies Him.

Love Others

Because I value the Body of Christ, I purpose to connect with a Life Group where I can meet others and learn to live in victory as I mature in Christ.

Impact the World

Because God loves the world, I purpose to engage in evangelism, missions and service projects through Life Groups in order to manifest the Power of Christ.

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CELEBRATING *Christmas*

By Tiffany Gibson

Ever wonder what it truly means to prosper? Is it God's will for you to celebrate Christ through your finances? Do you believe someone can be "too well off?" If you believe that not having what you need makes you more holy, then you should take a closer look at the life of Jesus Christ. Jesus was very prosperous and He wants us to prosper as well.

The main reasons that God wants us to prosper are:

- 1) *To give God glory (John 15:8)*
- 2) *For the gospel to be preached (Matthew 28:19-20)*
- 3) *To meet our needs abundantly (Philippians 4:19)*
- 4) *To give towards every good work (II Corinthians 9:8)*
- 5) *Because God is committed to keeping His word and His covenant (Deuteronomy 8:17-18)*

Prospering allows us to be in position to fulfill God's plan on earth. When God calls us to do a work, we need to have the capacity to step up to complete His assignment. As Christians, we especially need to accept that it is God's will for us to prosper.

The Christmas season gives us the perfect opportunity to learn more about prosperity because it is a time where many reflect on love, family, giving and thankfulness. If we lack in our finances, God is not always able to use us to bless others.

We actually limit the Lord because we cannot do what He desires for us to do!

Prosperity includes but goes beyond material things. To prosper means to do well or have success. In other words, God desires for us to do well and have success in every area of our lives!

He wants us happy, healthy and wealthy. In 3 John 2, God clearly demonstrates that it is His desire that our soul prosper. "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."

What does this mean? We know that our soul is our mind, will and emotions. If our "soul prospers",

then we are well in our soul. We have God's perspective.

Let's look at the wealthy aspect of prosperity. We know that Jesus was wealthy, right? After all, He is a King and was treated as such by the Gentiles. Remember the wise men who visited Jesus? They came bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh (Matthew 2:11).

In biblical times, these were considered extremely valuable gifts. Imagine receiving gold as a baby! According to Wake Forest University Professor Vanessa Willis, today frankincense would cost \$500 per pound and myrrh \$4,000 per pound. Jesus was royalty, revered, and He was celebrated as King.

This Christmas, let's renew our thinking about prosperity. Realize that God intends for us to prosper to carry out His plan in the earth. Living a happy, healthy and wealthy life is an awesome ministry to others.

Latch onto the promises in the Bible about prosperity. We have a covenant through our Lord Jesus Christ that God wants fulfilled in the earth.

Vanessa Urruela Willis.

<http://www.wfu.edu/wfunews/2000/120400g.htm>

BELIEVER'S VOICE: The Christian's Stress-Free Holiday

By Tonya Montgomery



Many articles have appeared that help the average shopper in the hunt for bargains this holiday season; however, as Christians we should understand that these articles are one dimensional in nature. Our Assistant Pastor, Dr. Tracy Forbes has taught us that we are spiritual beings having a human experience, and as such we need to view Christmas through the eyes of God.

The word Christmas has a profound definition; the suffix "mas" means to celebrate, and Christ is defined as the Anointed One (Jesus) and His Anointing. As a result, God wants us to celebrate the Anointed One (Jesus) and His Anointing. To celebrate Jesus means that we acknowledge all that He did for us at Calvary and the victory we have as a result of the sacrifice He made.

Keeping the knowledge of Jesus' victory on the cross helps us keep God first in holiday event planning, which includes shopping. While scheduling to go shopping, make out a holiday shopping list. Simultaneously, remember to acknowledge God in the planning stages. Allow Him to direct your course of action.

After making your list, put the list on your smart device, in your purse or in your wallet and make continuous updates. This will help you avoid the agony of trying to remember who is crossed off on the list. Next, try to do some research to see who can offer you the best price for your items. Remember, going across town may not be in your best interest; therefore, shop for price and convenience.

If you plan to shop online, find sites that offer free shipping, and most importantly, if you have a craft – do it yourself! Hand crafted gifts can hold sentimental value and are often what people place in treasure boxes for the future. When we keep God first, the Christmas holiday will remain stress-free. Remember, the greatest gift of all is the finished work of Jesus Christ at the Cross.

Thanks GIVEAWAY CONTEST 2012

Congratulations to **DEBORAH HOWARD** Our Thanks Giveaway **WINNER!**



"After my husband passed in February 2010, the Lord gave me the desire to move out of my neighborhood and get a new home. My goal was to be out of the house by February 2011. So, I sowed into Drs. Forbes and Dr. Thompson and made a vision board. As I meditated on Jeremiah 29:10-11 "... I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place. For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end." Afterward I drove around the new neighborhood and prayed.

On August 2010, I put my home on the market, and it sold January 2011- in just 5 months! The deadline I set was exceeded by a month and I was set to move.

I had a second mortgage of \$11,000, and the repayment of this loan was a requirement for my home to be sold. During this period of time Dr. Forbes was imparting to the congregation about mortgages being paid off, and told people to pray for and bless the loan officers of the banks and the realtors.

The sale of my home only covered \$2,000 of the \$11,000 I needed; therefore, I called the lenders and asked what happens when you don't receive enough from the sale of the home to pay off the loan? The response I got was, "They wipe it out." So a \$9,000 debt was cleared. Then in April 2011, which was exactly the 8th month from the start of this process, I moved into my new condo. Eight is the number of new beginnings, and it was exactly what this was for me. I'm thankful that God worked this out – selling my home, clearing a \$9,000 balance of a second mortgage and giving me a new home. He has a watchful eye and He cares for me. God provided everything I needed."

Deborah Howard



What does it mean to Plug In to a HELPS (Having Enough Loving People Serve) Ministry? As a child, I always desired to serve in the house of the Lord. Although I wasn't sure where to serve, I wanted to be a part of God's house. The first ministry team I joined at CCC was the Greeter's Ministry. At the time, I was unaware of my motivational gifts, and that these gifts were imbedded in my personality. I was just so excited to serve God!

In 2008, Dr. Forbes introduced a class on "How To Discover Your Motivational Gifts". Upon attending the class, I learned why I was drawn to the Helps Ministries in which I served. Motivational gifts reveal a part of God that each one of us possesses. My gifts centered on serving, helping and encouraging people that came to the ministry.

Think about this - *having* a gift and *being* a gift reveals how much we are loved by God. He places great value on our existence. Further, we must recognize that God is our source, and that our gifts are meant to be expressed in the earth. Most importantly, we have to remain connected to the giver - God. Since God made you a gift, and also placed gifts within you, the only way to thrive

Are You Plugged In?

By Tonya Montgomery

and prosper is to give yourself away. Therefore, when you assist Drs. David and Tracy Forbes by serving in the ministry, you are saying, "God you can use me. What I have, it's for Your use."

"What a joy and a privilege it is to serve in the House of the Lord!"

Let your preparation to serve begin in your heart. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you and give you a desire to serve. Continually reflect on the great things that God has done for you and express your thankfulness with action.

Don't let another day pass you by - Plug In to this great work at CCC through serving. There is a place for you! When you serve - you affect real people, dealing with real situations, who are looking for a real God to deliver them out of the hands of a real enemy.

Take action now. Pick up and complete a Helps Interest Form located on the wall near the Bookstore in the Grand Concourse. If you have any questions, email partnerservices@eilm.org.



Digital Media

By Tonya Montgomery

Each month, we look forward to highlighting a different area of Helps Ministry. This month the ministry spotlight is on Digital Media and how it supports the agenda, assignment and anointing of our visionaries Drs. David and Tracy Forbes.

Digital Media's mission is to provide excellent video, sound, lighting and photography support which helps to set and enhance the atmosphere for the worship experience and special functions. This area also relays relevant information about outreach programs and various ministry events.

Digital Media includes audio (anything related to sound and production of CDs), video (cameras, screen displays, production of DVDs and Internet streaming content), video production (video creation) and photography.

Catrena Collins serves as the coordinator for Digital Media, and states, "It is our goal to show love and support to partners that serve in Media through recognition, fellowship and cross-training."

Further, Catrena explains the benefits of becoming a part of the Digital Media team. "It provides an avenue for God to bless you for making yourself available to do His work. You learn how new technologies work together to produce what is seen during the encounter, and you have the opportunity to work with a team of growing and maturing believers. As you get to know the members of the team, you realize how much they care about you, and it provides you with a family atmosphere to nurture you as a gift."

When asked what she has enjoyed most about serving in this area of helps, she replied, "I have enjoyed the relationships I have developed with the team. We all have a special friendship and understand each other. Everyone has fresh ideas that are used to further develop the area. The opportunity to learn and grow is always there, and although we have a mission to achieve, we still have time to share personally and be there for one another."

If you are interested in serving on Digital Media, pick up a Helps Partner Interest Form in the Grand Concourse near the Bookstore. Training is provided.

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By Carmen Dandridge

This Christmas as you prepare to spend the holiday with family and friends, take a moment to consider sowing your time, talent, and treasure into Angel Tree. Angel Tree is a prison fellowship that partners with local churches to reach out to the children of incarcerated parents during the Christmas season.

Angel Tree is an outreach that is an extension of Columbus Christian Center's Impact Teams. The ministry impacts the world by showing God's love to families while providing gifts to children whose parents have been incarcerated.

This year's goal is to ensure that each child receives two gifts. Donations will be accepted up to December 7, 2012 at weekly encounters and the Church Office.

Pastor David and Tracy Forbes have supported this outreach for the past five years and it aligns perfectly with the church's mission to Love God, Love Others, and Impact the World.

Children suffer pain when separated from their parent, especially during Christmas. Psalm 146:9 says, "God relieves the parentless", and one way He can relieve these children is through us, the Church.

"Your help is needed to complete this mission of love."

Sign up in the Grand Concourse to help impact a child's life. Teams will be organized to shop, wrap or deliver gifts to the child's home.

Gift shopping will be done on December 8, 2012 and the gifts will be delivered on December 15, 2012. To help with this mission or to learn more about how you can donate your time, speak with Deacon Ken Long or see a ministry representative after the encounter.

Columbus Christian Center Church

"Increasing Lives With The Word of God"

Columbus, Ohio is God's Territory!



Pictured above: Columbus Skyline

Testimonies

Celebrating the Great Things God Has Done

GOD HAS RESOURCES

My recent prayers have been "Lord, touch my heart with matters that touch your heart". I strongly desired to participate in the CCC Thanksgiving Outreach to help homeless men. So my husband Don and I ordered toilet tissue, soap and toothpaste from our personal business. And I held a few dollars from our household budget to purchase more items - deodorant, socks and lotion. I was not content with the quantity of products, but it was what "I" could do.

I carried the INCREASE Magazine around with me so I could frequently look at the list of items needed and pray about it. At work Thursday morning (November 15, the day before the items were due) while looking at the list, the Senior Partner came in my office. I looked up, and in the midst of small talk, I simply asked if he wanted to "get in on this" and showed him the list. I suggested \$50. His reply was "is that all I can give". I laughed and said of course not. He told me to write a check for \$100 and go get some stuff. Glory to God! I was so excited.

When the receptionist came into my office, I shared what we (CCC) were doing and how excited I was that our company was "getting in on it". Her response was that she wanted to "get in on it" too! I made it clear that I was not asking her to give; I was just sharing what I was so excited about. After lunch she came in my office with 30 bars of individually wrapped soap! GLORY to the King of Kings! I thought I was excited before. She raised the BAR! I was jumping up and down.

I then went to the dental office next door and asked if they wanted to "get in on this" by donating a few tooth brushes. About half hour later, the dentist donated not ten, not twenty, not thirty toothbrushes, but 100 toothbrushes, 96 tubes of toothpaste and Chap Stick. I had now exceeded excitement. I was so overwhelmed and touched. I was speechless and could only cry.

Great people really are ready to assist US in the right way and at the right time. People who don't even know it yet!! God has resources that WE have not even considered. But in the right way and at the right time, HE WILL PROVIDE!

Bonita Williams



BLESSING UPON BLESSING

When I returned to work from vacation in June I was notified that I was being layed off after only 18 months there - no rationale was given. I was supposed to get only 2 weeks of severance but they gave me three months. I went back and asked for an additional month and they granted it (first blessing). I talked to Pastor Forbes at the Church Picnic and asked him to join in with prayers for our family.

Shortly after that my wife Calisa who was working part time was offered a full-time job. Due to various circumstances this would not work so her company agreed to let her do contract work making her own hours with the potential of making the same money as a full time worker (second blessing). I was then offered 3 job offers (third blessing). I recently accepted an offer making more money where I will be developing corporate programs of the parent company that layed me off (fourth blessing). Since I traveled a lot for work, this experience also allowed me to spend every day with my family which is a blessing in its own. I know that I am blessed and favored!

Todd Jackson



INCREASE AND ELEVATION

I'm thankful for what God has done in my life, just over the past 12 months. Earlier this year, I was praying for the finances to go to Campmeeting; it was my desire to be down there all week for that event. God had assured me that He had me covered. Unexpectedly, He blessed me with an abundant tax return which was MORE THAN ENOUGH to fund my Campmeeting expenses! Not only that, Campmeeting itself was OFF THE CHAIN!

I heard God clearer down there than I ever had before, the preaching and impartation was unparalleled, and God has given me great desires for what His will is for my life in the future. For me, Campmeeting 2012 was literally a life-changing event! A month later, I was given the honor and opportunity of leading the Annual Church Picnic. That event was the start of the current season of elevation that my life is in right now.

Not only am I becoming more of a leader as well as a stronger saint, I have also been blessed with increase in employment; I was recently given an internship position in software development which, of course, includes a substantial pay raise from my last job. I shall also end this year on an extremely high note; I will be awarded my Bachelor's Degree from THE Ohio State University! I'm thankful that this year, my walk with God--and my entire life--has gone to a whole new level! GLORY BE TO GOD!!!!

Kyle Kynard

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REWIND - BUILDING AN UNUSUAL CHURCH



BUILDING AN UNUSUAL CHURCH

The Holy Spirit is creating an Unusual Church (Genesis 28:11-19). This church is shaped by the work we are supposed to be doing, and identifies who we are supposed to be. The place God is calling you to is surrounded by an unusual spirit, anointing and grace.

“Unusualality” should be on your life, on your church and everything you do.

Unusual Christians are easily identified by what comes out of their mouth, because they produce what they are speaking. An unusual Christian knows that thoughts determine feelings. Feelings determine actions. Actions determine results. The results come from how you act, behave and feel.

These keys will help transform the way you act, behave and feel:

Impartation – bringing truths from the heart and mind of God that are set in your heart by the Holy Ghost. Messages of impartation are concentrated to bring results. Impartation can get you in three weeks what ‘teaching only’ will take you three years to reach.

Intimacy – as your Creator, you need to be closer to the Lord every day.

Introduction – some things will be introduced to you from impartation that hasn’t met your acquaintance.

Interest – look a little further and come a little closer to God. Understand that you don’t have all there is to know, but God is going to show you enough to come through the door.

In Touch – be in touch with the Father. Don’t allow too much time to go by without contacting your heavenly Father.

In Tune – God will speak to you so you can have access to the supernatural realm.

Intimidated – the enemy needs to be intimidated by you.

Genesis 28:11-19 shows three births that connect you to your unusual status.

The *first* is NATURAL BIRTH that connects you to humanity (Jeremiah 1:15). Through impartation, you will gain an unusual edge that breaks barriers and snaps limitation, as well as gives you impact and influence beyond your age. This impartation is going to flow freely to you from your Man of God.

The *second* is the SPIRITUAL BIRTH that connects us to eternity through the new birth (John 3:3).

The *third* is the KINGDOM BIRTH and it connects us to maximum impact and influence. Jacob allowed God to touch his eyes, ears and heart for impact and influence. Stay In Touch with God so He can Introduce you to His side of things. The enemy wants to keep you limited, but if you allow God to touch you, He’ll welcome you to the other side. That is why we are called *Breakthrough Believers*. You break through the veil of the flesh to see the other side where things are really happening (the realm of the spirit). On God’s side of things, you and God get to make things happen to you and through you.

There are five unusual results you receive when you have access to God’s side of things: Provision, Purpose, Presence, Promise and Protection.

The Unusual Church requires the Breaker (Micah 2:13), who is like an ATM card that you must swipe to activate. Swipe is when you speak out! So speak out your healing, deliverance, provision, peace of mind and peace in your marriage in the name of Jesus!

Allow yourself to be trapped in by the Breaker so you can breakout, break forth, break off, break through, and then break dance!



NEVER FAIL LIFE (NFL)

"Veterans & Newcomers"

Deacon Ruth Mosier
First Round Draft Pick

"I joined CCC the fall of 2006 and currently serve in the Deacons Ministry. As a partner in the ministry, my connection has brought increase in my life. One of the results of my connection to this ministry is that I am a breakthrough believer. A breakthrough believer is a person that has broken through the natural side of life, to see God's side of things.

The revelation, impartation and prophetic anointing on our visionaries has caused me to grow and mature spiritually. Further, it has properly equipped me for my calling, as a deacon (a servant), to serve in the ministry.

My connection to the vision of the ministry, Increasing Lives with the Word of God, has spilled over into my life and caused me to be successful as an employee, a parent, a grandmother and a disciple of Christ. Today, I enjoy the full benefits of my partnership to the ministry which include contentment, fulfillment, joy and peace."

"CCC is a great church to be connected to!"

There are plenty of opportunities to serve along with missions and outreaches that touch the community. For example, the S.O.R.T.I.E. missions (Saints Offensively Released to Intimidate the Enemy) is one of my favorites. This mission allows me to go into an area of the community to impact others.

CCC also has a ministry school to equip the body of Christ, which helps individuals become more grounded in the Word of God. It's an equipping tool that is open to everyone in the church. Intercessory prayer is also an important aspect of our church and I love to participate. Overall, CCC is filled with a spirit of love and it ties into our mission: Love God, Love Others and Impact the World. This love flows from the Apostle – Dr. Leroy Thompson, Sr. to the Prophet and my Pastors Drs. David and Tracy Forbes. All three are Godly examples and bear good fruit in their lives as a witness."



Sean Seabring
First Round Draft Pick

"I started attending Columbus Christian Center (CCC) on resurrection Sunday 2012. Recently, I joined Ignite and am in the process of helping with Kid City and AWANA. As a partner in the ministry and rather new in my walk (4 years), I have discovered that Christianity is not a religion, but a way of life.

Seeing that I am the only Christian in my family, I have learned that I can stand in my decision to serve God. It has been an amazing progression for me. I no longer have to fight about my faith, deal with being questioned, or try to prove my new life in Christ. I have learned to share my walk with others as well.

What I want others to know is that having a church home is very important. Despite what you may think and how strong you think you are - you can't do things alone! Being part of CCC, I have learned that you are never alone. CCC is a place full of great people. It is also a place for everyone that comes into the doors to call home.

"Letting go of your past can be a difficult thing to do in the beginning, but you will have to separate yourself from that old life so you can grow."

I recognized that friends and old sinful habits that appeared to be "fun" will hold back my faith. These old, familiar ways were the hardest things for me to turn away from when I first started my new life. What I did is become a true friend. I changed my life, so they could see how God could fulfill and sustain me in my new life - that in my past ways "fun" could never do. Most importantly, I believe that true friends introduce friends to Jesus."



Holiday Food Consumption



Christmas is a holiday where many are surrounded by desserts, homemade candy and rich, decadent food. In this season, it is tempting to throw the diet out the window and begin anew in January. However, giving up on the decision to live a healthier lifestyle shouldn't stop because of the holiday season. Remember how Daniel avoided King Nebuchadnezzar's table of sweets in Daniel 1:8? We can bless the Lord in our body through a lifestyle of healthy eating and exercise (1 Corinthians 9:27). Moderation and food alternatives can help you steer clear of unhealthy eating situations.

Moderation

This season, try using a smaller plate and smaller portion sizes to avoid over-consumption. For example, if you have a large selection of food, take a little of everything instead of large portions of a few. For every glass of soda or juice, drink a cup of water. Leftovers can be a problem, but once the event is over help clear the table - out of sight out of mind. Mix drinks with natural fruit juices instead of the sugar laden canned juices. Also, when you host an event, put out only enough food to serve, then once it is consumed bring out more.

Food Alternatives

Whenever you host an event, look for healthier alternatives to cut down on the fat content and increase the nutritional value. Keep raw vegetables in plain sight and in reach for easy consumption. Try to use spices and herbs to flavor vegetables instead of creamy dips. Whenever possible, try to stay away from fatty foods that are high in calories and low in nutrition (such as fried foods). Further, trim as much fat as you can before cooking your meat.

Another alternative is to reach past tradition and go for fresh fish / seafood as an alternate to red meat. When basting meat, try lemon juice mixed with garlic and herbs. Grilled or barbecued is always a great route to take when preparing meat.

Desserts can be tricky; therefore, supply your guest with platters of fruit or fruit salad. When baking a cake, use pureed fruit such as applesauce to replace oil.

For stuffing, use wholegrain bread and cook it separate from meat to avoid the absorption of fat. Try Earth Balance, Olivio and Smart Balance to replace butter.

Try having breakfast every day and drink a glass of water before eating. These methods will help cut down the appetite and help you avoid over-eating. God can be glorified in your body, and remember, you are the temple of the Holy Ghost (1 Corinthians 6:19-20).

Give God an opportunity to speak to you about your holiday food consumption.

Have a Merry Christmas!

R&B Café Recipe *Waldorf Salad*

Ingredients:

2 cups of peeled, diced apples
1 tablespoon white sugar (or a sugar substitute)
1 teaspoon lemon juice
A pinch of salt
½ cup chopped celery
½ cup of chopped walnuts
¼ cup miniature marshmallow
½ cup heavy cream (or fat free pre-made whip)
¼ cup of mayonnaise (or fat free mayonnaise / yogurt)
½ cup chopped pitted fruit of your choice: you can use cherries, dates, cranberries or raisins.

Directions:

Place the apples in a bowl and sprinkle with sugar, lemon juice and salt. Mix in the celery, fruit and walnuts.

In another bowl, whip the heavy cream with an electric mixer until it holds a peak (to peak is when the cream becomes solid foam). If you are using a fat free pre-made whip skip the peaking process!

Mix in mayonnaise and then gently add the apple mixture and marshmallow. Place in refrigerator for 1 hour and serve.



Highlights

It was a cold and cloudy afternoon on the day of October 27, 2012 at Thomas Worthington High School. 10TV meteorologist Chris Bradley said the temperature was 52 degrees, but it felt more like 30 degrees! The weather conditions however, didn't discourage the 1,000 people (minus a couple here or there) in attendance. Apparently, those fans had been taught to walk by faith and not by sight (or the weather)!

The Little Saints Drumline was in full blast! Drums pounding! The bleachers, rumbling and shaking! The crowd stomping their feet, clapping their chilled hands, and cheering loud in anticipation of the opening kick-off of the 2012 DRIVEN Flag Football game.

Then, suddenly, a voice from above spoke (actually it was the announcer over the loud speaker, but for effect let's just say that it was a voice from above). A deep James Earl Jones sounding voice that reminded us all of Mufasa from Lion King (Will Gibson, CCC) said with enthusiasm, "Back to receive the kick. Pastor David C. Forbes Jr!!!!"

"Take it to the house!", one gentleman shouted, as he spilled his hot chocolate. "Do it for Jesus!", yelled another! What happened next can be described as a miracle! An act of God!



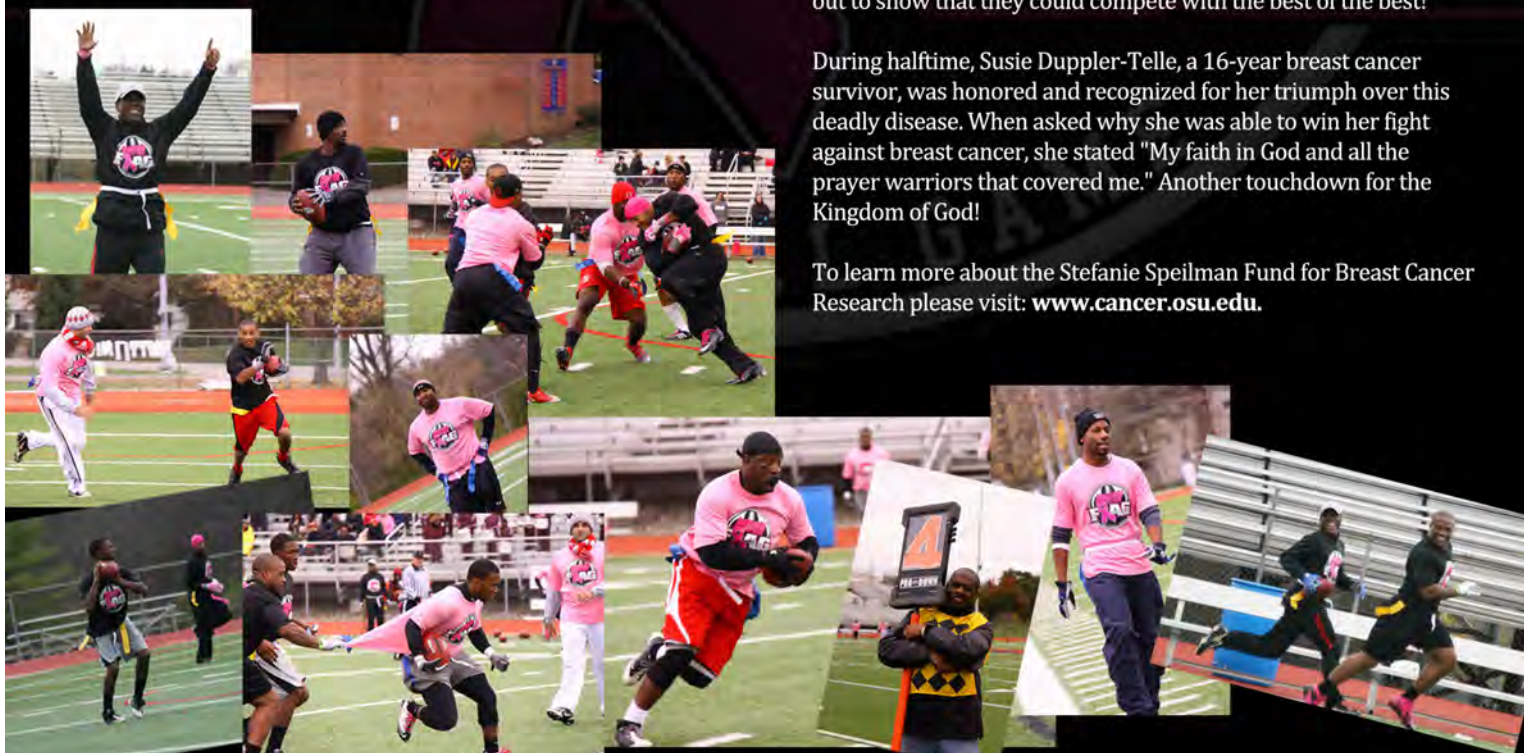
"Pastor Forbes fields the kick-off at the the 22 yard line. He makes a move on the first defender, puts his foot in the ground and gets vertical (football lingo....it just means he ran straight). He makes another man miss and heads up the side line! He has blockers out in front of him! ...He's at the 15, the 10, the 5, TOUCHDOWN! A 78 yard kickoff return for a touchdown by the electric Pastor David C. Forbes Jr!" "And he spikes the ball with authority!", said Mufasa!

Soon after his rendition of Rob Gronkowski (NFL player for the New England Patriots, who spikes the ball after he scores a touchdown), Pastor Forbes almost draws a penalty when he does his rendition of the touchdown celebration made famous by his close friend, former Dallas Cowboys Hall of Fame defensive back, Deion Sanders. What a way to start the game!

This was just one of many highlights on a day that was about joining forces to fight a common enemy, breast cancer. Columbus Christian Center and the DRIVEN Foundation successfully raised awareness and donations for the Stefanie Speilman Fund for Breast Cancer Research. Twelve former Ohio State Buckeye football players, including Maurice Claret, Maurice Lee and Stanley Jackson donated their time and talents to a fun-filled game of flag football. CCC members, Minister Rick Davis, Dave Walker, Tarquin Carroll, Onesiaum Glass, Jeremy Ford and Darren Hawkins also came out to show that they could compete with the best of the best!

During halftime, Susie Duppler-Telle, a 16-year breast cancer survivor, was honored and recognized for her triumph over this deadly disease. When asked why she was able to win her fight against breast cancer, she stated "My faith in God and all the prayer warriors that covered me." Another touchdown for the Kingdom of God!

To learn more about the Stefanie Speilman Fund for Breast Cancer Research please visit: www.cancer.osu.edu.



Faith Stadium News & Events

- Dec. 2 Membership Orientation Class (for anyone that desires to become a member), 9:00 a.m. Training Room B
- Dec. 6 – 7 Money Cometh to You Conference, Love Covenant Word, Orlando, FL 7:00 p.m./10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
- Dec. 7 Increase CDC's Non-Profit Tax Workshop, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. 2215 Citygate Drive, Suite A, Columbus, OH Visit www.increasecdc.org to learn more
- Dec. 9 Blood Drive, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. R&B Café
- Dec. 11 Increase CDC's Financial Management Workshop, 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. 2215 Citygate Drive, Suite A, Columbus, OH Visit www.increasecdc.org to learn more
- Dec. 14 CCC Partner Christmas Celebration, 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary
- Dec. 16 Water Baptism, 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary
- Dec. 16 FAITH STADIUM IS DEBT-FREE! GET IN THE ZONE. RED ZONE, 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary **Don't forget to wear RED**
- Dec. 18 Joelle Forbes Birthday!
- Dec. 19 Christmas Production, 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary
- Dec. 25 Merry Christmas!
- Dec. 31 New Year's Eve Celebration, 9:30 p.m. Sanctuary

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