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# LET THE KINGDOM OF GOD RISE UP *within You*

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

To let the Kingdom of God rise up within you means that God's agenda is inside your heart and it is being expressed in your life. As we continue in this New Year, you must shift your thinking and speaking to focus on what God wants and desires.

We must graduate from a parochial (narrow-minded) view of our lives and understand that God has specifically designed and chosen us for a particular expression in the earth. No one else is able to make the signature you are supposed to make in this world, but it must be with God's help.

You are God's sheep (His flock - the Body of Christ). And God places shepherds over His sheep to watch over the sheep, especially at night. He does this so that when the dark places of your life come up, God can protect you and continue to build the Kingdom in you. The five-fold ministry is God's way of caring for the Body of Christ (Ephesians 4:11).

The environment God is establishing is one of peace. Peace must surround the sheep so they can produce and reproduce. If the sheep are fearful, their ability to produce goes down. God places shepherds over the flock to ensure there is peace amongst the sheep.

**WARNING:** When God places you in an environment where the Kingdom of God is rising in your heart, the enemy will come along and try to cause a jolt or a disturbance. He does it in an attempt to cause the faith and anointing inside of you to collapse. His goal is to keep the Kingdom of God from rising within you.

But you must have your mind set that you are going to have a Kingdom mentality at all costs. Understand, God's Kingdom is a Kingdom of power. He has given you the power and authority to rise above every circumstance in your life, and to preach the gospel (good news) of the Kingdom. What's the good news? The good news is that Jesus saves, heals and delivers! Jesus saves us from sin (Romans 10:9 - 10), heals us from all sickness and disease (Acts 10:36 - 38), and delivers us from bondage (Luke 4:18).

In Luke 4:18, Jesus says, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he has sent me to heal the brokenhearted; to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord."

## We have been commissioned to share this very same gospel!

Jesus told us to "Go into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15) I encourage you to take this gospel everywhere you go. WEAR it and SHARE it! And I want to hear about it too! I've set up 4 ways for you to share your story of how God used you to advance the Kingdom (see list to the left). There's no testimony too small!

**REMEMBER,** The devil is the chain-maker. He's the one who produces bondages in people's lives. But be of good cheer! I'm here to let you know that God has provided a CHAIN-BREAKER, and his name is Jesus Christ!

### Share your testimony in one of the following ways:

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3. Call the Church Office at (614) 416-9673 ext. 216 and leave your testimony.
4. Pick up a **testimony form** in the Grand Concourse and write it down. Place completed form in testimony dropbox at semi-circle.

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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 in order to manifest the Power of Christ.

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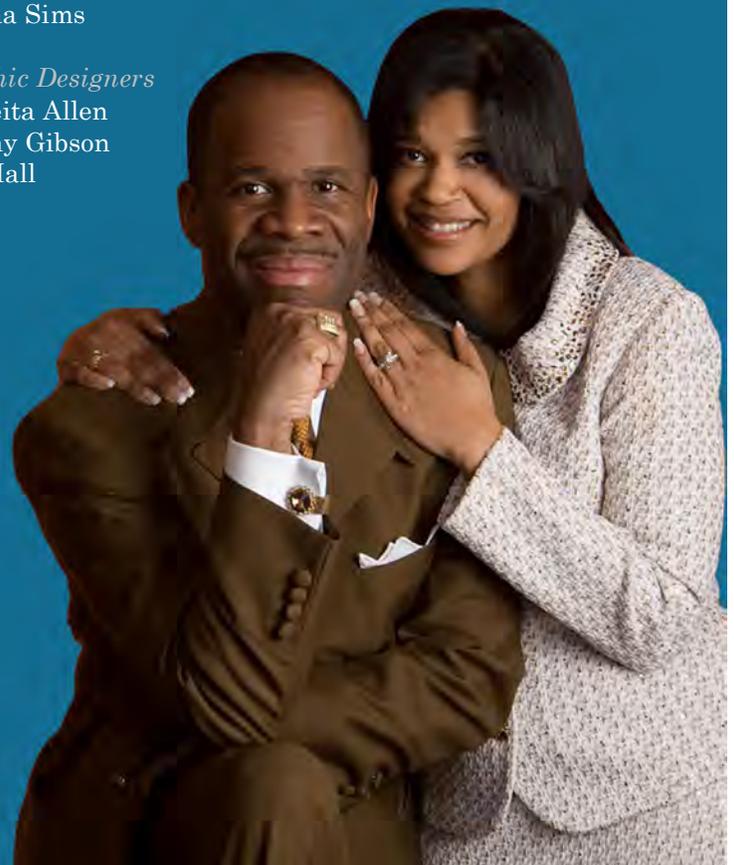
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# Love IN MARRIAGE

By Tiffany Gibson

Candy hearts, red roses and boxes full of chocolates are piled on shelves all across the world. Spouses are scrambling into stores in hopes of finding the perfect Valentine's Day gift for their spouse.

The world's system labels February as the month of Love, but God is love every month, every day and every minute. He expresses His love to us continuously, even if we feel we don't deserve it.

Until we love God, we certainly aren't able to express *true* love in marriage. To have love in marriage, we must:

1. Love God more than we love our spouse
2. Love our spouse more than we love ourselves
3. Love ourselves

Without these three key components, a person will never experience the fullness of being loved by a man or a woman. Love is broken without this triangle, so let's take a closer look at each of these factors.

## Love God

We must love God more than we love our spouse. This is the most essential component to love in marriage. Our relationship with God should be the foundation of our entire lives, but it is significantly vital in marriage.

We have to love God more than anything because His love teaches us how to really love others. Before we

can love our spouse, we need to learn God's love.

People will let you down, but God's love never fails. As we love Him, it shapes our character to then be able to express love to others, even when others let us down.

## Love Your Spouse

We must love our spouse more than we love our self. This concept is probably the most difficult one for many couples to accomplish. What a sacrifice it is to not only put your spouse before yourself, but to love them more than you love yourself.

Is this even possible? It's possible because Genesis 1:27 says that "God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."

Since we are made in God's image and God's love is selfless, then we can certainly love our husband or wife more than we love our self. With this kind of love, we desire to meet the needs of our spouse first.

Don't worry about whether or not your needs are being met. As your spouse begins to grow in these three components of true love, they will in turn endeavor to meet your needs.

## Love Yourself

Without this component, your marriage has no chance. It is absolutely impossible to love another person if you don't love yourself. Your spouse cannot make you happy.

Your spouse cannot make you love them. Ideally, a person should learn to love themselves before getting married.

Embrace who God designed you to be. After all, God created you just as He did this marvelous world in which we live. Loving yourself makes it so much easier to not only love others, but to truly love your husband or wife.

If you're married, do not let another Valentine's Day pass without making a commitment to develop the three key components of love in marriage and live it out every day.

As a single person, practice loving God more than anyone and anything else. Also, put others before self, and love who you are.

Husbands and wives, vow to: Love one another, but love God the most; love your spouse more than you love yourself; and finally, love yourself.

Love endures long and is patient and kind. Love never is envious nor boils over with jealousy. It is not conceited; it is not rude and does not act unbecomingly. Love (God's love in us) does not insist on its own rights or its own way, for it is not self-seeking. It is not touchy or fretful or resentful. Love bears up under everything that comes.

## Love Never Fails!

(1 Corinthians 13:4-8)

*Amplified Bible paraphrased*



## BELIEVER'S VOICE: Honoring Parents in

# Love

By Tonya Montgomery

Pastor Forbes refers to the culture of honor as accurately acknowledging who each other are in order to give each person the honor they deserve and release the gifts they carry to enhance the Body of Christ. Operating in a culture of honor should also be embedded in the family unit of parents and children.

Honor means to show or treat others respectfully because we value them highly. As a family unit, children should value their parents (Ephesians 6:2), and parents should rear their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord (Ephesians 6:4).

God's purpose in establishing this structure is for parents to train their children in God's way of doing things. The enemy is always trying to bring a wedge in this vital covenant relationship. He wants to stop the plan of God from being transferred to the next generation.

In American, culture we've witnessed the degrading and deplorable behavior in the parent/child relationship. Abuse, misuse and rebellion seem to have replaced the old school values on both sides. Regardless, of a person's upbringing or tutelage, God designed parents to train and lead their children to honor Him.

Some parents may not be great examples of God, and we can be resentful. If that is the case, ask the Lord to heal you - Jesus still saves, heals and delivers. More importantly, we have to avoid letting our feelings override God's instructions.

Our honorable conduct speaks to God and says, "My parents represent you Lord, and they are serving as your agents. They are preparing me for the Kingdom of God." As children we must recognize that a culture of honor also includes recognizing who God is, and agreeing that His way of doing things is the final answer.

God is honored through a child when they obey their parents (Ephesians 6:2). The same holds true of our spiritual parents; we owe them respect whether we understand everything or not. Walking in honor helps us to distinguish the gravity in which their position demands, and helps us treat them accordingly.

Honor should be in conjunction with love (1 Corinthians 13). Below is a list of how you can love your parents:

- L - Listen** to your parents. Proverbs 23:22
- O - Obey** your parents. Ephesians 6:1-3
- V - Value** your parents. Genesis 18:19
- E - Enjoy** your parents. Proverbs 15:20

Both natural and spiritual parents can be honored in various ways. If it is possible, reach out to them by phone, greeting card or sowing a financial seed. God will be honored as you take this step to obey His Word!



January 2013

*Congratulations!*

**BRIAN  
SMITH**

Guest Services

Brian came to Guest Services with a desire to just serve. He possessed little to no cooking skills at first. However, his desire to learn and serve, coupled with his humble nature, led him to really study the techniques of our major cooks. He now can command an entire event very well. Almost every time he serves, someone wants to "compliment the Chef". He is dependable and reliable. I can call him in a pinch and he will be there. Most of the time, by the time I am contacted for an event, Brian has already volunteered to serve.

His character of service however, extends beyond the kitchen. His wife, Michelle (who is awesome as well; their partnership is amazing to see), has "lent" him to many on our team for household help. He has lit pilot lights, fixed ovens and checked refrigerators for his sisters and mothers in Christ. Brian is not only passionate about hospitality, but about the people he serves with. He truly exemplifies love for your neighbor...brother, sister and teammate.

I know this is Brian's true character because I also see his easy relationships with others outside our team. Other men of the church come to the cafe just to visit with him. He has a genuine nature about him that attracts the light in others. People that are not necessarily approachable become good friends in his presence. The God in Brian is evident in everything he does and every interaction he has. I know that he loves God through the way he loves and serves people. And with his yielding to the Holy Spirit, he impacts the world around him every day.



## Join a **SPRING LIFE GROUP**

One of the many ways to get plugged into our ministry is to be a part of a Life Group. Life Groups are our way of facilitating love to others. Life Groups have 8 to 12 people that gather regularly to “grow” in Christ and to “go” in Christ. Each Life Group features a unique TAP (Theme, Affinity or Passion) and follows a defined curriculum. Connect with a Life Group to meet others and learn to live in victory, as you mature in Christ. Here are the Life Groups currently being offered for the Spring Cycle:

### **God’s Armor Bearers**

The time of awakening for the men of God in the local church is here. This group will look at the lives of powerful men of God from the book “God’s Armor Bearers” and how we can use our lives as examples in connection with the vision of CCC and the passion that God has placed in every man.

**Saturdays 6:15 - 7:30 am Training Center**

### **W.I.S.E.**

#### ***(Wives Increasing in Submission & Excellence)***

This group is dedicated to helping wives increase their relationships with their husbands and with God. Submission initially is a decision, just like receiving salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ. Then submission has to grow and INCREASE as the marriage continues, just as our submission to Jesus as HIS bride must increase for our relationship to remain strong. It’s an issue of trusting the love.

**Tuesdays 6:30 - 7:45 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Green Room**

### **What’s Love Got to Do with It**

How would you like to take your marriage from ordinary to EXTRAORDINARY? This group is for married couples that desire for their marriage to go to another level of love, respect and honor. This can only be accomplished by growing closer to Jesus. Discover how your marriage can be what God has already designed it to be.

**Tuesdays 6:45 - 8:00 pm Training Center**

### **Victorious Living**

This group focuses on nine essentials that will help you live victoriously in all life situations. In 10 weeks you will walk through the meaning and application of the Fruit of the Spirit. You will develop an eye to see everything through the lenses of the Fruit of the Spirit and invoke the Holy Spirit’s help.

**Tuesdays 6:30 - 7:45 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Orange Room**

### **Foundations for Faith**

This group will use the book “Foundations for Faith” to discuss the basic principles of faith and why faith is the key to receiving from God. Join us on this journey to take our faith to the next level.

**Saturdays 11:00 am - 12:15 pm Training Center**

### **Victory in Marriage**

This group is for couples that have been married more than once, widowed and remarried, or have children and later married. Even if you have a great marriage, through this group you will better understand the power of an open heart. Your marriage will leap to a higher level of love.

**Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:15 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Purple Room**

*Don’t delay, sign-up today!*

Groups fill to capacity rather quickly. The spring sign-up period is January 20 - February 17, 2013. Groups start the week of February 10th. Visit the Life Groups Table in the Grand Concourse for more information.

# The Bookstore

By Carmen Dandridge

Each month, we look forward to highlighting a different area of Helps Ministries. This month the ministry spotlight is on the Hope & Support - the Bookstore. Let's look at how it plays a supporting role to the ministry, and how it is an extension of our visionaries Drs. David and Tracy Forbes.

## More Than Just Books!

The Columbus Christian Center (CCC) Bookstore has a two-fold mission: to provide materials that reinforce the pulpit teachings of our Pastor and First Lady, and to enhance the spiritual walk of Breakthrough Believers.

The Bookstore is located at the end of the grand concourse and is open 30 minutes before and an hour after Sunday and Wednesday encounters.

The Bookstore is staffed by 15 committed partners who have a combined total of over 50 years of experience. They professionally produce, stock, and sell faith-based materials.

Linda Byas has seen this area of ministry grow from a library, where materials were checked out and returned, into a fully operational resource center serving the Body of Christ. Her commitment to serve in this area stems from wanting others to have convenient access to the Truth of God.

The Bookstore offers CD's, DVD's, books and music from CCC, as well as material from churches in the Leroy Thompson Ministerial Association (LTMA) and other leaders of the faith.

The Bookstore is a valuable resource to both new and seasoned Christians who want to fulfill II Timothy 2:15 which says, "Study to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth."

For individuals that have recently given their life to Christ and need more books on how to study the Bible, please feel free to stop by for a list of references that will help you get started. Additionally, the Bookstore has the current teachings of Drs. Forbes, which will help to increase your understanding of the following:

- Apostolic Government
- Creating an Open Heaven
- Developing a Culture of Honor
- Developing Breakthrough Believers

It's an honor to highlight the Bookstore this month and to thank the staff for their dedication in 'offering more than just books.'

Interested in joining this team? Complete a Helps Interest Form located on the wall outside of the Bookstore.

## There is room for everyone, where would you like to serve?

### Creative Arts (CMA)

- Dance
- Drama
- Sign Language
- Step Teams
  - *The HOT Steppers (boys ages 3-7)*
  - *P31 Step Team (girls 9-14)*
  - *Lowercase G's (boys 9-14)*
  - *Ignite (co-ed 14-21)*
  - *Virtue (women 18-up)*

### Daytime Support

- General Cleaning or Light Maintenance
- Office Administrative Support

### Hope and Support

- Bookstore
- Call Center
- Mercy Team
- Personal Care Ministry (Altar Workers)

### Next Generation (Children/Teens)

- U-TURN (Grades 8 - 12)
- KIDCity (Children)
- KIDCity (Infants & Toddlers)
- Welcome Table for Children's Ministry

### Outreach

- Prison Ministry

### People Care

- Greeters
- Guest Services (includes R & B Café)
- Ushers
- Wedding Services

### Technical/Skilled

- Digital Media Video
- Digital Media Sound
- Maintenance Team (Housekeeping)
- Imaging and Messaging Team
- Security

Pick up a Helps Interest Form in the Grand Concourse on the wall near the Bookstore. Questions? Email [partnerservices@eilm.org](mailto:partnerservices@eilm.org) or call the Church Office at 614-416-9673.



# SHINE!

DEPLOYMENT

# Reaching Out to the 43219

By Tonya Montgomery

Columbus Christian Center Church, in alignment with the Kingdom of God, is taking territory and establishing God's agenda in the earth: location the 43219.

In the month of January, Pastor David Forbes and Dr. Tracy Forbes made several clarion calls to you - the partners of CCC. These include: clothing the homeless, supporting unborn babies and providing prom dresses to teenage girls in need.

The response of God's people was great! The labor of love and support you have sown is recognized and appreciated.

"... And the King shall answer and say ...Inasmuch as ye have done *it* unto one of the least of these my brethren; ye have done *it* unto me" (Matthew 25:40).

The request for men's clothing sizes 31-36 was needed to assist the homeless. However, you responded above the appeal. How? Clothing donations were also received for women and children!

Dr. Tracy Forbes and ALIVE partnered once again with the Women's Clinic of Ohio. Last year over 24,765 babies were aborted in Ohio; but, **YOUR** support helped over **600 babies be born!** You're once again off to a great start in 2013 by contributing to this God-cause of preserving life.

Fairy Goodmothers is a program that provides prom dresses, jewelry and shoes for Central Ohio under privileged teenage girls. The drive was held in the R&B café and your giving showed that God's Kingdom is in effect.

Jesus said in Luke 17:21, "...for behold, the kingdom of God is within you."

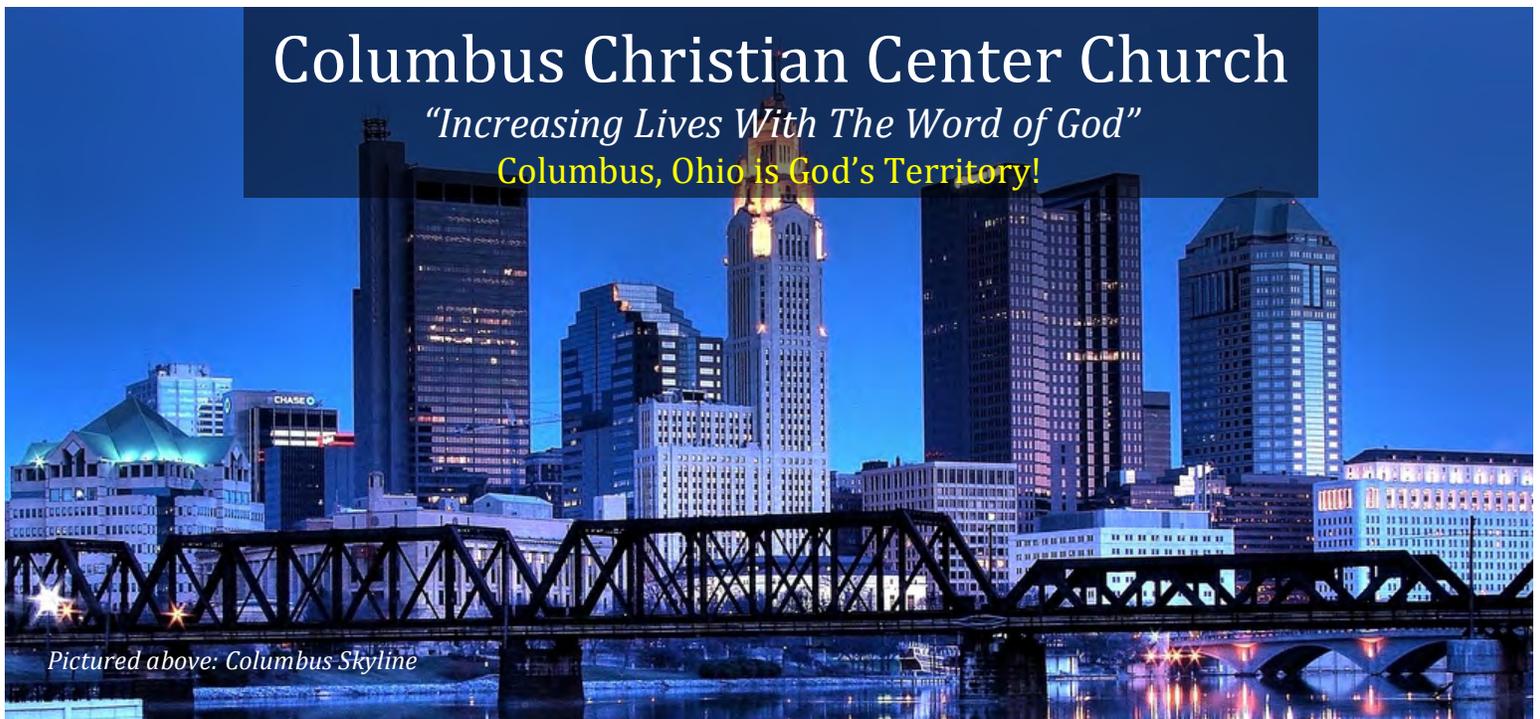
The year has only begun, and already you are Impacting the World. Be watchful for your next opportunity to assist God in bringing heaven to earth.

To learn more, contact the Church Office at 614-416-9673.

## 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

## Have a TESTIMONY?

We want to hear from you!

Email us at

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or complete a **testimony form**

located in the Grand Concourse.

### FAITH - TESTED, TRIED & TRUE

Is faith really faith until it's tried? Let something life-changing happen and you'll certainly find out. Faced with one of the most devastating times of my life, my faith became real. In July of 2012, I was laid off. When I received the news, I felt like my life was literally turned upside down. Hurt, fear and anxiety took deep roots. I couldn't eat. I couldn't sleep. All I could think about was "What are we going to do?"

As if losing one income wasn't devastating enough, a week later, my husband was laid off. My soul man wasn't even strong enough to process that information because I was still hurting and fearful of where my lay off would leave our family.

The next couple of days, the Lord really began dealing with me. Dr. Forbes began his teaching on faith. One message was "Is Your Faith Sold Out or Worn Out?" Another was titled "How to Have Gold Medal Faith." Those messages ignited my faith and saved me from corrupting myself with my thoughts. The Lord said you can either continue hurting yourself by focusing on what you feel or you can begin looking at the Word and what I've promised you. And so I chose to go to battle. Not a battle of whether or not we would win, but a battle of whether or not I was going to walk in faith and believe that WE WIN!

I changed the way I prayed, spent more time in the word, filled up a prayer journal, wrote confessions, scriptures and declarations on note cards, and incorporated more praise in my time spent with the Lord. This was the first time in my life that we truly had to solely trust and depend on God. There was no other way. So that's what we did and that's when the blessings began to roll in.

God gave us a word. He said, "I've got it covered." So "God's got it covered" became our saying. Every time a need was met, we would speak it "God's got it covered." Need after need after need came up. And God provided for every single one of them. We never stopped sowing. We always had a tithe, even through the months of both of us being unemployed. God was our source. He covered everything.

Will went back to work on October 1st. I received a job offer on November 26th. Dr. Forbes spoke about acceleration on our lives late October. Since that word, my prayer has been for an accelerated interview and hiring process. I received a call about the opportunity the day before Thanksgiving and was offered the position the following Monday. It is a temporary position with the possibility of becoming a permanent position. We're believing that "God's got the permanent offer part covered too!"



Will & Tiffany Gibson

### JESUS SAVES, HEALS AND DELIVERS

Since Pastor Forbes has been teaching about the gospel of Jesus, and His ability to save, heal and deliver, I have seen my one and only grandson receive Christ. Elijah is five years old and he accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his savior three weeks ago. If that wasn't enough, my second oldest cousin also came to church with me and re-dedicated his life to the Lord.

The day he came to church he had been fired from his job, but he knew that he needed to be in church. He had to stay an extra long time and it was to his benefit. By Saturday, when he went to pick up his check, he was re-hired. Glory to God! Jesus is able to save anyone that calls on His Name!

In addition to this - I have a nephew that gave his life to the Lord! That is three family members in three weeks since this message of the gospel has been preached!

Working at a state institution has given me the ability to turn my office into a place of prayer and restoration. All this was possible according to the word of prophecy that Pastor Forbes gave the congregation at Kingdom College. He stated that, "If you work in a corporation, it can be a place of Prayer." I took that word and became a living witness to a man that visited the office, a woman from Illinois that was looking for a church, and a lady that was seeking divine intervention for direction on the job.

The Kingdom of God is at hand...it is in our hearts and in our mouths. Stay tuned because God is not finished with my family yet. Glory to the Most High God!

Tonya Montgomery



Imagine how you would feel if you visited a foreign country and found yourself surrounded by strange people and customs. You'd probably feel uncomfortable and out of place. Researching the country and its culture is the best way for seasoned travelers to familiarize themselves for travel to foreign places.

On a similar note, Christians that do not renew their mind with the Word of God may find themselves struggling with how God's Kingdom operates. Renew means to begin again. In order to live the life God wants you to live, you must read, hear and know God's instructions for your journey.

**Romans 12:2 says, "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God."**

A renewed mind will take Biblical instruction, which God has given, into every situation to prove His perfect will. However, a carnal mind cannot know the will of God, nor bring heaven to earth. The truth of God's Word, along with His perfect and acceptable will, cannot filter through a carnal mind. A carnal mind pertains to the flesh or the body and its passions and appetites; merely human or worldly.

Renewing your mind is one of the most important areas of growth you can tackle. By renewing your mind, you adopt a **kingdom mindset**; whereby, you agree with God's methods to bring heaven to earth. Further, it helps you to fully understand the following paradigm shifts that Columbus Christian Center is in:

**1. Embracing the Apostolic** – we must accept God's government, which He put into place and understand the five-fold ministry structure of apostle, prophet, evangelist, pastor and teacher, and its design to equip the saints to do the work of the ministry.

**2. Operating in a Culture of Honor** – accurately acknowledging who each other are in order to give each person the honor they deserve and release the gifts they carry to enhance the Body of Christ.

**3. Seeing our own transformation from a broke-down Christian into a Breakthrough Believer.**

**A renewed mind is a prerequisite to fully operating in God's Kingdom.**

You cannot bring God's will to fruition until your mind is renewed. The devil doesn't want your mind to be renewed. He knows that without the truth of God, we are merely ineffective Christians operating out of a place of defeat and devoid of power.

Only a renewed mind can express God's will in any given situation. Also, nothing can prosper without a renewed mind: not marriage, parenting, or any other relationships. If you love God and desire for Him to use you, read the Word daily, meditate on it constantly, and let the renewal process begin.

Ask yourself, "am I going to be a great achiever or a mediocre believer?" Renew your mind, so you can position yourself to achieve great things for the Kingdom of God and hear His words...

**"You are my good and faithful servant"**  
(Matthew 25:23).

### Kingdom College

Offering foundational classes taught by our very own Dr. David C. Forbes, Jr. and Dr. Tracy D. Forbes.

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and the People  
Who Live It*

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# NEVER FAIL LIFE (NFL)

## *“Veterans & Newcomers”*



**Karlene Ford**  
First Round Draft Pick

**Katrell Smiley**  
First Round Draft Pick

I have been aggressively attending CCC since April 2009. As a result of being an active participant, I have seen a remarkable transformation in myself, my children and my approach to life. Since becoming a member, I can successfully face any challenge that may arise.

Being a part of the ministry has blessed and transformed me - mind, body and soul. This ministry and the Word it teaches has made me more aware of what I mean to God. I have learned how to exercise my faith, minister to my family and transform my thoughts about my finances.

Initially, my children were very resistant to the lifestyle change, but I kept praying and pressing. Now in the last two years, my son has attended a Christian school, and both his friends and acquaintances have changed. He brings his friends to church, and I have seen his attitude adjust. He has gone from not wanting to attend church, to really wanting to fellowship with the saints and to become involved!

**CCC is not just an ordinary church. It is an EXTRAORDINARY church!**

We are a house on a hill, the salt of Central Ohio (our members have flavor and flair wherever they go). We are a church of difference makers. This is a place where you can learn the Word of God and become successful.

The teachings of Dr. David C. Forbes, Jr. will educate you on how to live your life victoriously. You learn how to speak the language of faith, as well as how to be the man or woman God planned and purposed you to be.

Words can never express my sincere appreciation for Dr. Forbes and Dr. Tracy for unselfishly giving of themselves to sow into my life and the lives of all those that walk through the doors of CCC. To Drs. Forbes, I say thank you from the bottom of my heart. I love you both and I bless you in Jesus Name.

18 months ago, I moved here from Miami, Florida. I began attending CCC in March 2012. I officially joined the ministry on July 1, 2012 and currently serve in the Greeter's Ministry.

Since becoming a partner in the ministry, I have grown spiritually. I feel that my prayers and praise have turned from natural to supernatural. Pastor Forbes continues to teach us that in order to see the supernatural manifest in our lives we have to keep a renewed mind and meditate on God's word. That's the power of a Breakthrough Believer!

Being a part of this ministry, my level of faith has increased, and I run with Gold Medal Faith! My faith had to increase because when I first moved here, I felt like I made a mistake. So, I asked the Lord, "Why did you move me to a place where I have no family?"

**But after joining CCC, God answered me and said "Now who said you don't have any family? I have given you over 1,000 brothers and sisters."**

Being here, I know I am blessed according to Genesis 12:1-3. I was faithful and obedient, and God will continue to prosper and use me to carry out the work for His kingdom. From Pastor Forbes, I have learned the importance of sowing seed, and that God always gives seed to sowers!

I want others to know that CCC was birthed in God's love, and at each encounter you feel God's love from the people and through the word taught by Drs. Forbes. We operate in love by putting God first, others second and ourselves last. Additionally, our ministry preaches the good news of the gospel: Jesus Christ saves us from sin, heals us from diseases, and delivers us from bondage.

When we walk in supernatural faith, then God will reveal our supernatural gifts to be used for the Kingdom of God. God wants to use us to impact the world!



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## Breakfast Buffet starting Feb. 3rd

### WEDNESDAYS GRAB and GO!

Meet us in the airlock after the encounter for a quick dinner to enjoy either in the cafe or on your way home!

Soups \$2  
Sandwiches \$3  
Other Quickies priced as marked.  
Family maximum (applies to soups and sandwiches only), \$15.

#### Feb. 6th

Soup - Creamy Tomato Basil  
Sandwich - Grilled Cheese, provolone and cheddar on Texas toast

#### Feb. 13th

Soup - Vegetable Beef  
Sandwich - Roast Beef and Swiss on a crusty roll with tomato

#### Feb. 20th

Soup - Loaded Potato  
Sandwich - Honey Smoked turkey on whole wheat, with lettuce, tomato and Dijon mustard

#### Feb. 27th

Soup - Classic Chicken Noodle  
Sandwich - Ham on challah with white cheddar

#### *HOURS*

*Wednesday  
After Evening Encounter*

*Sunday  
9:00 – 10:00 a.m. and  
After Morning Encounter*

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# WEALTH – God’s Gift to Me

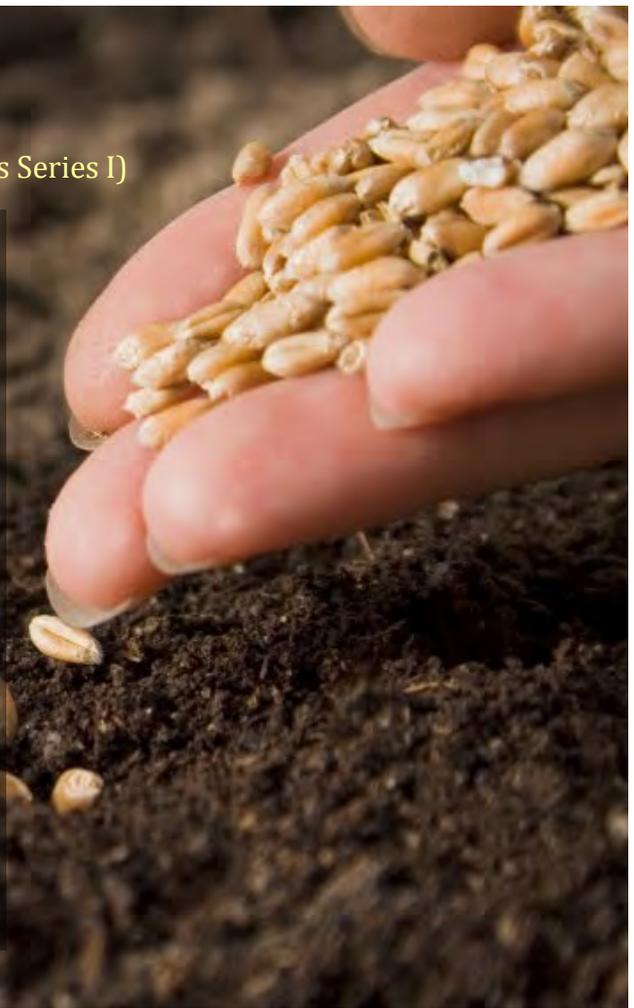
## Seed Counseling Training 101 (SOULutions Series I)

Prosperity and wealth are the plan of God for the church. God desires for the church to function in wealth in order to fulfill the mandate of bringing in the harvest of souls in these last days. Wealth and prosperity are a gift from God. This foundational truth is very important. Without this knowledge you will not understand the purpose of the seed.

### The “seed” is the master key to prosperity!

There are 3 fundamental truths that have to be understood on the road to prosperity.

1. Prosperity is experiencing God, prosperity is a God-given experience and God is the God of prosperity.
2. Grace is the transportation (or vehicle) to prosperity and wealth.
3. The seed is the bridge (or road) that grace travels to get you to prosperity and wealth.



# Tropical Amor

**VALENTINE’S DAY DANCE**  
COLUMBUS CHRISTIAN CENTER

**FEBRUARY 15, 2013**  
7:00 - 10:00 PM

FOR ALL MARRIED COUPLES

Admission – No Charge  
Professional Childcare Available – \$2 per child  
(Please pre-register your children, although not required)

See a Covenant Marriages Representative in the Grand Concourse for more information

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## Faith Stadium News & Events

- Feb. 2 Happy Birthday David Josiah Forbes!
- Feb. 3 Covenant Marriages Stay Back Meeting, after morning encounter, Sanctuary
- Feb. 3 Water Baptism
- Feb. 3 Annual Super Bowl Party, 6:00 p.m., \$5 at the door
- Feb. 10 Pancakes with Pastor
- Feb. 15 Covenant Marriages Valentine's Dance, 7:00 – 10:00 p.m.
- Feb. 16 U-TURN Youth Fellowship Valentine's Day Celebration
- Feb. 17 **FAITH STADIUM IS DEBT-FREE! GET IN THE ZONE. RED ZONE**, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary **\*\*Don't forget to wear RED\*\***
- Feb. 21 - 22 Money Cometh to You Conference, Straight Truth Faith Church, Birmingham, AL, Thursday 7:00 p.m. and Friday 10:00 a.m./7:00 p.m.
- Feb. 24 Seed Training, 8:45 – 9:15 a.m., U-TURN Center
- Mar. 3 Water Baptism

Please visit [www.eilm.org](http://www.eilm.org) for the most up to date information & news.

### How Do I Become A Member At CCC?

Attend Membership Orientation Class offered the first Sunday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in Training Center B.

### How Can I Get Baptized?

Call the Church Office at (614) 416-9673.

### How Do I Become A Part of a Helps Ministry?

Complete a Helps Ministry Interest Form located near the Bookstore in the Grand Concourse. Place completed form in the wooden box next to the Bookstore.

### Questions?

Email [partnerservices@eilm.org](mailto:partnerservices@eilm.org)

### Join us for Prayer

Sundays 9:15 am  
U-TURN Center

Wednesdays 6:00 pm  
Sanctuary

### Did U Know?

**Increase Magazine** is printed in-house on our own production printer.

Increase Magazine is created by the CCC Imaging & Messaging Team and we are looking for people that enjoy: writing, editing, designing, social media or web development / management.

Interested in joining the team or learning more? Complete a Helps Partner Interest Form in the Grand Concourse. If you have any questions email us at [partnerservices@eilm.org](mailto:partnerservices@eilm.org), or call the Church Office at 614-416-9673.

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**ZONE**

**FAITH STADIUM IS DEBT-FREE!**

**GET IN THE ZONE!**

**SUNDAY, February 17<sup>th</sup>**

For more information, visit [EILM.org](http://EILM.org)  
or pick up a REDZONE brochure in the Grand Concourse.

— SAVE THE DATES —



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2013**

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**JULY 8 - 12, 2013**

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**MAY 9 - 10, 2013**

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