

VISION

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President's Report

Keep the fire *burning*

Dear Friends

The 35th National convention in SA was a tremendous blessing to all that attended. With 144 delegates coming from far and wide, we had New Zealanders, Malaysians, East Africans, Indonesians, and even Australians!

Every function was overflowing and we could not get any more people in. The Inn was full. Just a note, Rod Winter and his team, did an awesome job. Leading up to preparations, Rod was very particular in praying and hearing from the Lord in asking the right speakers to come. And we were blessed.

Now, in WA in 1214, we need to get a bigger venue, Rod. Yes, that's right, 1214 in WA. Please begin to plan to be at that one, it promises to be an exciting place going by our early plans so far.

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On the final night when we said our good-byes, it was getting late and everyone just wanted to stay longer. We all went away rejoicing that the FGBMFI vision Demos had 60 years ago; is still burning within each one of us.

I want to encourage you that we have a great work ahead of us, as we ask the Holy Spirit to go before us and continue to open doors that were previously shut.

We rejoice that the Lord has wedged one such door open, and that is the merging of the Indonesian Australian Chapters in



Graham Eagle, FGBMFI New Zealand National President, speaking at the National Convention

which they have seven, which will continue to be looked after by their Regional Director, Gunawan Satiadharma, located in Perth.

We are now making final plans on how we can support each other to move forward. This will be a very exciting time and we realise that this is a great blessing to the Australian Fellowship as within the Chapters there are some very gifted individuals. They will be a great help to all of us as we plan the future together.

As I prepare to go to the Asian Council meeting in Singapore, at which we are now officially a member, I look forward to developing friendships of other nations and building relationships that will impact our work in Australia. Blessing to you all!



BILL SGRO
Australian National President

From the National Office

The national office in Sladen Street Hamlyn Heights has now been fully operational for almost two years as we opened our new office in August 2010. The Fellowship is saving about \$1,600 a month in rental lease payments at the new office – Praise the Lord!

The rental lease payments saved can then be spent on Fellowship ministry and outreach. I can assure the membership that the office is running efficiently and that there is no office expenditure waste.

The national office has bought extra colour toner for the office colour photocopy machine. The colour photocopy machine has been used by at least 6 different Chapters in 2011 and for the 2012 National Convention. Thousands of outreach flyers have been printed for these various Chapter meetings and for the National Convention.

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The national office pays for the full indemnity insurance policy, which covers all Chapter and Fellowship meetings and activities in Australia. Our cover comes up for renewal in August 2012. The payment of the indemnity insurance by the national office on behalf of Chapters, is one way that the national office can financially support individual Chapters as they participate in ministry.

The national office has a fund which helps pay for airfare costs for speakers at various Chapters outreach meetings. At these meetings we have had souls won into the Kingdom of God. I would like to like to thank individual Chapters who send donations and tithes to the national office.

I would also like to thank members of the Fellowship who are part of the monthly partnership program; it is this regular giving which allows the office to run financially. I would encourage any lapsed members of the Fellowship to renew their membership and become re involved in the activities of our terrific Fellowship.

The national office has been given a supply of a wonderful book written by Michael Hicks, a long standing FGBMFI member in Victoria. The Book is called "Peace Thru Power". The cost of this great book is only \$8.00, and can be ordered from the national office.

We are also in the process of printing a testimony booklet of Rudi Roll, a well known and respected FGBMFI member from Adelaide. It is a powerful testimony, and it is well worth reading and using as an evangelistic tool. Cost of the booklet will only be \$2.

Finally, we have received newly designed copies of the booklet, "Have you received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit", which will cost only \$1.

I would like to thank Joy Sgro for her wonderful work as office administrator of FGBMFI Australia.



CHARLES ROCKEFELLER
National Secretary

Godly BUSINESS Principles



There are 168 hours in a week, of which we spend maybe 4 hours in Church activities. But, we spend about 40 to 50 hours in the workplace. About 98 % of our time is spent outside the Church. The greatest area of influence in our lives (other than home) is where we are called to be a light shining in the darkness. Where we do that 40 hour thing!

Character

Character is the keel that keeps the boat upright. Reputation is who people think you are, character is who you are when no one is looking!

The Bible says, "As a man thinks, so he is." Watch your thoughts, they become words. Watch your words, they become actions. Watch your actions, they become habits. Watch your habits, they become your character. Watch your character, it becomes your destiny. Destiny is born when preparation meets opportunity, when character aligns with your calling.

Nelson Mandela, "It's what we make out of what we have, that separates one man from another." All have some ability, but it's how we apply ourselves that equals opportunity.

Values What are the core values in your life? What is it that is non negotiable? Change a persons core values and you change their behaviour. My core values in business:

- Do nothing to conflict with the values in the Word of God.
- Value people as the most important aspect of business and God's economy.
- To be known as a Christian businessman of integrity
- Treat all people with respect and dignity.

Your core values are your guiding and driving principles.

Leadership

You are the leader, so lead! It's your job to set the vision and inspire the troops. Courageous leadership sees the challenges, but is not overcome by them.

1. Keep the vision clear.
2. Get people engaged and create ownership.
3. Make your encounters memorable, inspiring and exciting.
4. Pace yourself for the long haul - 1 Cor. 9:24,25.
5. Be in a position where opportunity can land.
6. Keep gaining experience.

When things go wrong...what do you do? A Chicken farmer was wiped out 3 times by 3 floods. What now? The wife said, "Buy ducks". Be a problem solver.

The Heart

"When the heart determines a destination, the mind will map a path to get to it." "When the discomfort of the present circumstances, is greater than the fear of moving forward, then you will begin to make progress."

Communicating With People

What you say and how you say it has an affect. Who you say it to has an affect. Always pray before you say. The measure of a man is not what he achieves in life, but what it takes to stop him. (And what you say may just do that!) Know your own strengths and weaknesses.

Choosing people

It takes teamwork to make a dream work. Look for people with initiative. Look for people who are positive. Look for people who will encourage you. Look for people who are reliable. Look for people who honour their word and keep their promises.

Morals and Ethics in Business, and life

The Great wall of China could not be broken down, or climbed over, but the country was invaded 3 times. How could this be?

A small gateway was built into the wall just in case of need. So how did they do it? They bribed the gatekeeper! Take the "but" out of the equation, don't leave room for temptation. Christians don't take bribes. Integrity is defined in the Oxford dictionary as: Wholeness, soundness, uprightness, honesty.

Ask in any situation:

- Will my actions show unconditional love to others?
- Is there any specific Bible teaching applicable to this situation?
- What does my conscience say to me about this, and will it bring me peace?
- What faith example will this show to my workmates?

Don't Quit

When things go wrong as they sometimes will, When the road you're trudging seems all uphill, When funds are low, and the debts are high, And you want to smile, but you have to sigh, When care is pressing you down a bit---Rest if you must, but don't you quit. Success is failure turned inside out, The silver tint of the clouds of doubt. And you never can tell how close you are, It may be near when it seems afar. So, stick to the fight when you're hardest hit---It's when things go wrong that you must not quit. *Author unknown.*

GRAHAM EAGLE

FGBMFI New Zealand National President

WA Report

When we look in retrospect at 2011 we can see that while we worked hard at stressing the need to invite new men and see them saved, we can't say that we got a result commensurate with the effort involved. This has two elements.

One is that our members and friends have largely lost contact with those outside the church and therefore have a limited circle from which to continually invite. The other is that most of our attendees are of an older age group and therefore are content with continually hearing great uplifting testimonies and having good fellowship with people they already know.

Our groups have become comfortable with each other, therefore the urge to reach out to those who need to hear about the saving grace of Jesus Christ is considered "risky" and not of paramount importance. Yet that is the purpose of our existence.

During the past year we have conducted 21 events in the west and about 600 persons attended, about 80% being repeat attendees, and only 3 salvations resulted. That was great for the 3 people concerned because each one had a dire need in their lives to know the love, grace and power that is in Jesus Christ.

Until we see the power of the Holy Spirit more evident in our members and our meetings, things will stay the same, as we labour on. Seeing more men released in the power of the Holy Spirit and seeing signs and wonders follow will bring about a radical directional change in our work. It is largely about setting goals that achieve that end before any other that we will see the original vision of Demos Shakarian fulfilled.

DINKO MIOCEVICH

State Director,WA



Restoring Biblical Order IN BUSINESS

"The steps of a good man are ordered or established by the LORD: and he delights in his way". Psalm 37:23

Studies in Management and Business have always been fascinated by the laws that we can apply to produce success. Many of these laws are based on historical, biographical, and natural laws that have been proven to one extend or another but not always transferrable.

After having entertained many of these texts I have been brought back to a foundational truth. Without a Biblically ordered taxonomy from the Ancient Greek τάξις or taxis which means arrangement, and νομία or nomia which means method, we cannot expect a lasting level of what I would term Biblical success. I.e;Success, that God is happy with.

In studying the greats of history, we see that those with the greatest level of success were people who honoured a correct Biblical and ethical order in the way they conducted themselves and their affairs.

The Roman and Greek Empires overcame through a strategic structure that they used in warfare, hierarchical rank, and subservient levels of authority. I propose that God is a God of Order.

He created in a logical order, the Bible has a book of numbers, and the principles outlined in Scripture imply order and priority.

I have discovered a number of different Orders that should be recognised and honoured as a Christian to help see true lasting success in all I put my hand to.

They are as follows:

- Cosmic Order: Orbits, Hemispheres, position of the earth in our Solar System.
- Creational Order: God created Order out of Chaos, He saw that it was good.
- Kingdom Order: Gods will, ways, and purposes before our own, we represent Him.
- Redemptive Order: Spirit, Soul, Body - Spirit led, our souls and bodies are subservient.
- Biblical Order: Honouring Gods word by meditating and knowing what's in it and being careful to do it.
- Natural Order: Be not deceived. God is not mocked, for whatever a person sows (that) shall he also reap.
- Church Order: We bring order to our life, family, and community when we live and actively get involved in the local Church, His body.
- Melchizedek Order: We are Kings and Priests to God.

An ordered life has the capacity to be one or the other. The Lord is committed to performing his word, If you align with His Divine Order it guarantees lasting Safety, Strength, Unity, Favour, and Growth.

PASTOR WAYNE HARRISON

Significance Church, Mawson Lakes SA

New Members Welcome...

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Swee TAN, Sydney Chinatown
Ashley HUBBARD, North Canberra
Tom MOORE, North Canberra
John FERGUS, Canberra
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Peter THAKE, Gold Coast
Philippe DESVEAUX, Gold Coast
Robert GILLHAM, Toowoomba

SA

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VIC

Harald NIKAS, Goulburn Valley

WA

Stephen ANTHONY, Perth South
Ron MANNING, Perth South
William KENDALL, Busselton

Home to Glory

Tom Spellman, Hobart
Ted Thornton, St George
Keith Smith, Adelaide Eastern

FGBMFI WEBSITE

As with all web sites the FGBMFI website is always being added to and upgraded, please have a look at the website at www.fgbmfi.org.au

Any information you wish to upload on the site, please send to National Office. Please note all the upcoming events around the Nation and if you can, attend. It is the financial giving of the partners which enables this website to function successfully. Thank you for your ongoing financial support.

TESTIMONY TRACTS/VOICE

We have 15 Testimony Tracts available for purchase and we are always looking for more to print. If you would like to have your testimony printed as a flyer please send a copy to the National Office. The bookshop price list can be viewed on the web site. www.fgbmfi.org.au, also all the administration forms can be downloaded from the web site for your convenience.



These powerful testimonies are available in packs of 50 for \$12.50 + postage

It is with excitement that I announce the release of a new testimony. This is the story of Mr. Rudi Roll "From Tragedy To Triumph". It is a 32 page booklet that is available for only \$2.00 a copy. Secure your copy now; it will be a great witnessing tool to hand out to family and friends.

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