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KINGDOM NEWSLETTER

MEN'S CHAT

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We have brother's scattered around the world and many isolated from any other believers.

A brother in Romania asked to set a chat group for men so they could discuss biblical issues and have a place to connect.

I know this isn't how most men communicate, but I believe that Paul would use any form of communication that he could to encourage his brothers in the faith.

If you are man, and would like to join, please email me (tracy@kogmissions.com) and I will give you the link. The chat is is <u>Signal</u>. You would have to download that to your phone. Thank you!

Nations

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Jesus' last command was to take his teachings to the nations. His ministry started with Israel, but after the resurrection he sent the disciples into the whole world and into every nation.

How can <u>we</u> carry on that great commission of our Lord to all nations?

The internet goes into most nations I would presume, and even though not all the people in every nation have access, I am sure some do and they can be the ones to carry it to their people.

Restoration Fellowship has translated books into many languages. You can find them on both of our websites. It makes sharing Bible truth easy!

https://focusonthekingdom.org/books/



Keep Praying

Please keep praying for Maksim and our brothers and sisters in Russia and the Russian-speaking countries, as well as for our brothers in Ukraine.

DONATE HERE to partner in Kingdom ministry in Russia and other Russian-speaking countries. (Bibles, travel, prison ministry. online ministry, etc.)

(100% of all donations received go to respective ministries.)

Russia

Maksim continues to volunteer and minister at the hospital. Please pray for open hearts and minds. God has His hand in people who come to the hospital and meet Maksim. He has a very compassionate heart and helps meet their physical and emotional needs, but more importantly, their spiritual needs if they are open to hearing. He never pushes anything on anyone but as he develops a rapport with them, God opens doors.

Pakistan

The pastors and evangelists are looking forward to their next trip during Eid. They will leave at the end of March and visit Faislabad and meet with the people they visited before, and they will also go to Khushaband.

Please consider <u>helping</u> with this upcoming trip. They are willing to sow the seed but they need seed (the booklets) and support to travel. Thank you for partnering in this Kingdom ministry.

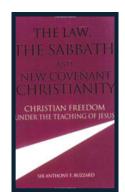
Book Printing

I may sound like a broken record, but books are *essential* to ministry in Russia and Pakistan (and most countries).

People value books. Many don't have regular or stable internet access, and some have none. They are able to reread them and study them over and over.

When a person has a book they can take their time working through some of these difficult topics. It also makes it easier for those teaching and preaching.

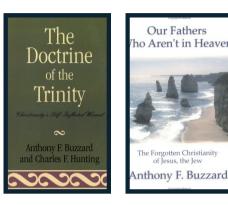
Please consider how you, your church, or Bible study group may be able to contribute to the Great Commission in Russia and Pakistan.



Help print "*The Law, The Sabbath, and New Covenant Christianity*," in <u>Urdu</u>. It is a much needed book!

\$5/book. They also need 100 more of "*Who is Jesus?*" booklets. Please consider <u>donating</u> to help get these books printed that are essential for evangelism and teaching.

Donate here to partner in Pakistan Ministry.



This year we need to reprint 2 books in **Russian**:

"Our fathers Who Aren't in Heaven" and "The Doctrine of the Trinity, Christianity's Self-Inflicted Wound."

This <u>donation link</u> is specific to the printing of these books in Russian.

Wars & Rumors of Wars

Does watching the news alarm you?

Jesus said in Matthew 24:6-7 that "You will hear of wars and rumors of wars. <u>Make sure that you are not alarmed</u>, for this must happen, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise up in arms against nation, and kingdom against kingdom."

As followers of Jesus we shouldn't be alarmed or afraid when we hear about these wars. We know they will continue until Jesus returns and they will only get worse and more frequent.

We should use this as an opportunity to share the hope of the coming Kingdom when "swords will be made into plowshares" and people will no longer take up arms against each other.

People cry for peace now but they have no hope that it will be achieved prior to the return of Christ. We have a great news for them and as things go from bad to worse, there is more of a chance they will want to listen.

We can have peace today, even amidst the turmoil, and we should be a light to others and be different from the rest of world around them who are frightened because they don't know what is going on in the world and how it will all end. We were NOT given the job though to try to make everything right. There will never be world peace until the Prince of Peace arrives and set up his government worldwide. Our job is to speak and teach what Jesus did.

With all of the wars, natural disasters, economic problems, and illness in the world today, we have the opportunity to share a better day that is coming. We can be the ones who bring the good news. We should be looking at this as a great evangelism opportunity.

Instead of making everything about the politics of today and screaming and fighting with our neighbors at home and on social media, we should turn the discussion to the the biblical hope that we have and the message of the coming Kingdom that Jesus gave us to share with the nations.

The Bible gives us an idea as to what life will be like in the Kingdom. After the first 1000 years it will be totally perfected and the curse will be removed. There will be no more pain, suffering, sadness, or death. Is that not what people are looking for today?

Be the light that shines in their darkness and be the voice that shares that there is hope for a much better future. Teach them all that Jesus commanded so they too can have the opportunity to choose to obey and follow him. There is no greater hope for tomorrow and no greater peace for today!



His will is to preach the kingdom is coming, not that it is here! Otherwise, why are you commanded to pray "May Your Kingdom Come"?! (YouTube Short: "<u>Inauguration</u> (Jesus has NOT been inaugurated yet!)")

Words of truth and life. Thank you, Tracy. (YouTube Short: "<u>Feeling far from God?</u>")

I would argue NO. The only time there will be a Christian nation is when Jesus returns! (YouTube: "<u>Are there Christian Nations?</u>")

Thank you both for this discussion. Very interesting. Thanks, very informative. Thanks. Super interesting! Enjoying this!

It is a positive endeavor to engage with those of differing cultures and beliefs in order to become knowledgeable about them. The mysterious stranger becomes much less so if nonjudgmental interchange can occur. (email)

(YouTube Discussion: "<u>Discussion about Islamic</u> <u>Eschatology with Imran Usmani</u>")

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- Women Tuesdays 7 PM UK time (2 PM EST)
- Women Wednesdays 8:30 PM EST
- Men's & Women's Bible Study Saturdays 7 PM EST
- Men's & women's Bible Class Sundays, 7:00 PM EST with Pastor Dennis Baldwin

Email Tracy for more information: tracy@kogmissions.com

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Have you ever felt that God isn't hearing you or thought that He is not answering your prayers? Have you ever been told, or thought that you just have to "pray harder" or have more faith? (There will be a second part discussing the difficult texts.)

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- Russian Ministry Expenses
- Pakistan Ministry Expenses
- Pakistan <u>School Support</u>
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