



The Faith Script

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The Widow's Offering

*And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box ... but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."*  
Mark 12:41-44 (ESV)

November 2018

~A note from the President~



Thanksgiving is often an occasion for us to reflect on how God has graciously blessed us this past year. As you do that this year I want to encourage you to remember the gospel story about the widow's offering and how Jesus looked upon that gift. *"And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And he called his disciples to him and said to them, 'Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.'"* Mark 12:41-44 (ESV). Notice that what was important to Jesus was the sacrifice that she made to give. He was not concerned about the amount, but that she had given all that she had and that she was trusting that He was going to provide what she was going to need to continue.

The leadership of CPFI considers it a joy to take turns sharing a message of encouragement in our monthly newsletter. In November the past two



years much of my story has been about our son Josh and his journey of recovery from brain cancer. I wish I could share how God has miraculously restored Josh to perfect health. I can see that there has been miraculous healing, because two years ago I talked about how he was just waking up from his coma and how we saw some of the first movement in his limbs. It is amazing how far he has come from there, but he is nowhere near where he wants to be. Josh is still in a wheel chair, making slow progress in relearning to walk and maintain his balance. Tremors still limit his ability to feed himself and do some personal cares, but more and more he conquers some of those small battles. This journey brings me back to this passage

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November is the time our attention turns to the holiday season – Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's. As Christians, we are indeed a blessed people. We are eternally thankful to our Lord. It is quite interesting when a New Testament passage (Ephesians 2:8-10 – *"For by grace you are saved through faith, and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so that no one can boast. For we are his workmanship, having been created in Christ Jesus for good works that God prepared beforehand so we may do them."*) is combined with an Old Testament passage (Exodus 31:1-5 – *"The Lord spoke to Moses: 'See, I have chosen Bezalel son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, and I have filled him with the Spirit of God in skill, in understanding, in knowledge, and in all kinds of craftsmanship, to make artistic designs for work with gold, with silver, and with bronze, and with cutting and setting stone, and with cutting wood, to work in all kinds of craftsmanship.'"*). In a similar fashion as the Lord graciously chose and gifted Bezalel, He graciously saved and equipped us to serve in the ministry area of His choosing. Let's pray: "Lord, thank You for saving and equipping us to serve You. Please help us to understand where to serve You and we ask that You will create the path to do so. Please, as an organization, individuals, and families, fill us with Your Spirit in skill, understanding, knowledge, and craftsmanship to consistently and faithfully serve You for Your glory. In Jesus name, amen."

Jeffrey T. Copeland, President

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in Mark. Jesus did not look at how much people were putting in the offering plate at the temple. He was concerned about their attitude. What were they giving up in order to give. Josh's journey has taught us about how miraculous healing is what takes place in our heart to give us grace to accept the challenges and limitations that we may experience day to day while knowing that He has restored and refreshed our soul in spite of the day to day challenges that we face. I know we are going to approach Thanksgiving with grateful hearts for what He has done and continues to do through us as we walk the journey that God has laid before us.

Ron Herman, CPFI Executive Director

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Some recent top Bible study picks from RightNow media;



Top Studies on RightNow Media @Work for the Months of July thru September

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| 1. The Book Of James           | 6. The Sacred Search                              |
| 2. The Book Of Judges          | 7. The Book Of Ephesians                          |
| 3. Work as Worship Bible Study | 8. Go Fish  |
| 4. Shaken                      | 9. Thriving in Babylon                            |
| 5. The Book of Colossians      | 10. 7 Questions that Rattle the Minds of Most Men |

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Global Missions Health Conference (GMHC), Nov. 8-10

CPFI held its midyear board meeting at the 2018 GHMC in Louisville that was attended by about 2500



medical and mission personnel. About 30 pharmacists and students attended a Meet and Greet on Friday evening. It was a great time of fellowship hosted by



Daniel Wilson and Tristram Ford with a nice address by Fred Eckel.

## Save the Dates!

### 2019 CPFI Annual Conference & National Student Retreat

National Student Retreat: May 22 to May 26  
Annual Conference: May 23 to May 26



Doubletree by Hilton  
Myrtle Beach Oceanfront  
3200 South Ocean Blvd.  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

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**Upcoming Events:**

- **CPFI Prayer Breakfast at ASHP  
Midyear**  
Anaheim, CA  
December 2 - 6, 2018
- **CPFI Prayer Breakfast at the 2019  
APhA Annual Meeting**  
Seattle, WA  
March 22 - 25, 2019
- **2019 CPFI Annual Conference &  
National Student Retreat**  
Doubletree Resort by Hilton  
Myrtle Beach Oceanfront  
Myrtle Beach, SC  
May 22 - 26, 2019  
(Registration opens in January 10, 2019)



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*“For I can testify that they gave not only what they could afford, but far more. And they did it of their own free will.” II Corinthians 8:3(NLT)*

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CPFI welcomes articles with a Christian focus. If you are interested in contributing an article for possible publication in our journal, Christianity & Pharmacy, please submit your manuscript directly to the CPFI office or to the editor. The deadlines for the journal: Spring Journal, December 1; Fall Journal, July 1.

## Short Term Foreign Mission Opportunities

CPFI partners with the Christian Medical and Dental Association, the Fellowship of Christian Nurses and the Fellowship of Christian Physician Assistants to send out short term medical teams through Global Health Outreach. The primary care teams are usually one or two weeks, and our goal is to have two pharmacists on each team. Below is a list of upcoming trips. For a complete list of the projects and dates, visit the [GHO website](http://www.gho.org) which can be accessed from the CPFI website [www.cpfi.org](http://www.cpfi.org) or the CMDA website [www.cmda.org](http://www.cmda.org).

### Upcoming GHO Short Term Projects

<b>Jan 11 – 19, 2019</b> North Africa/Middle East	<b>May 8 – 16, 2019</b> Guatemala
<b>Jan 12 – 20, 2019</b> El Salvador	<b>May 25 – Jun 2, 2019</b> Honduras
<b>Jan 19 – Feb 2, 2019</b> East Africa	<b>Jun 8 – 16, 2019</b> El Salvador
<b>Feb 8 – 17, 2019</b> Athens, Greece	<b>Jun 14 – 29, 2019</b> Zambia
<b>Feb 14 – Mar 2, 2019</b> Southeast Asia	<b>Jun 15 – 23, 2019</b> Dominican Republic
<b>Mar 2 – 10, 2019</b> Honduras	<b>Jun 22 – 30, 2019</b> El Salvador
<b>Mar 7 – 16, 2019</b> Eastern Europe	<b>Jul 6 – 14, 2019</b> Dominican Republic
<b>Mar 9 – 16, 2019</b> Haiti	<b>Jul 13 – 24, 2019</b> Guatemala
<b>Mar 16 – 24, 2019</b> Ecuador	<b>Jul 26 – Aug 6, 2019</b> Ghana
<b>Mar 16 – 24, 2019</b> El Salvador	<b>Jul 27 – Aug 4, 2019</b> El Salvador
<b>Mar 16 – 24, 2019</b> Dominican Republic	<b>Aug 1 – 15, 2019</b> Tanzania
<b>Mar 16 – 24, 2019</b> El Salvador	<b>Aug 2 – 17, 2019</b> Kenya
<b>Mar 30 – Apr 7, 2019</b> Honduras	<b>Aug 3 – 11, 2019</b> Honduras
<b>Apr 5 -14, 2019</b> West Africa	<b>Aug 15 – 31, 2019</b> Asia/Pacific
<b>Apr 6 – 14, 2019</b> El Salvador	<b>Sep 9 – 21, 2019</b> Albania (Moldova)
<b>May 10 – 21, 2019</b> North Africa/Middle East	<b>Nov 1 – 10, 2019</b> Athens Greece

The GHO website provides a link for each trip, the name of each team leader, and the estimated cost of each trip. You may apply on-line to participate in the trip of your choice or e-mail Keith Allhands, [kwallhands@gmail.com](mailto:kwallhands@gmail.com) the Mission Committee Chair for additional information.