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Would you like to learn how to pray more accurately and receive God's answers faster? The Scripture says, *"The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much"* (James 5:16). But **what does effective prayer look like?**

When the disciples asked Jesus how to pray, He spent quite some time countering false ideas and discussing what prayer is **not** before He told them the proper way to pray. It's true! Why did He do that? It's because in order to lay a firm foundation, He had to remove the faulty one in place. Many Christians have grown up with religious misconceptions about prayer that are actually hurting them more than helping them. Jesus said it's the traditions and doctrines of man that make the Word of God *"of none effect"* (Mark 7:13).

If you aren't careful, prayer can become a monologue instead of a conversation. It can become just another ritual that you go through. **Religion teaches that effective prayer is long-winded and repetitive, basically begging God for things.** These people sometimes use the parable of the widow and the unjust judge in Luke 18 for justification. But what a sorry example of relationship with God that is! Jesus wasn't likening God to a judge who is unjust; He was contrasting them. After telling the parable, He said the Lord would answer speedily those who pray unto Him (Luke 18:8). Most religious folks miss that. You don't have to pray something over and over again to properly relate it to God.

Jesus said in Matthew 6:7-8,

But when you pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think they shall be heard for their much speaking. [8] Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

Prayer isn't about informing "poor, uninformed" God. He knows what you need before you ask. Prayer is your opportunity to fellowship with Him. There are good ways to do that, and there are *better* ways!

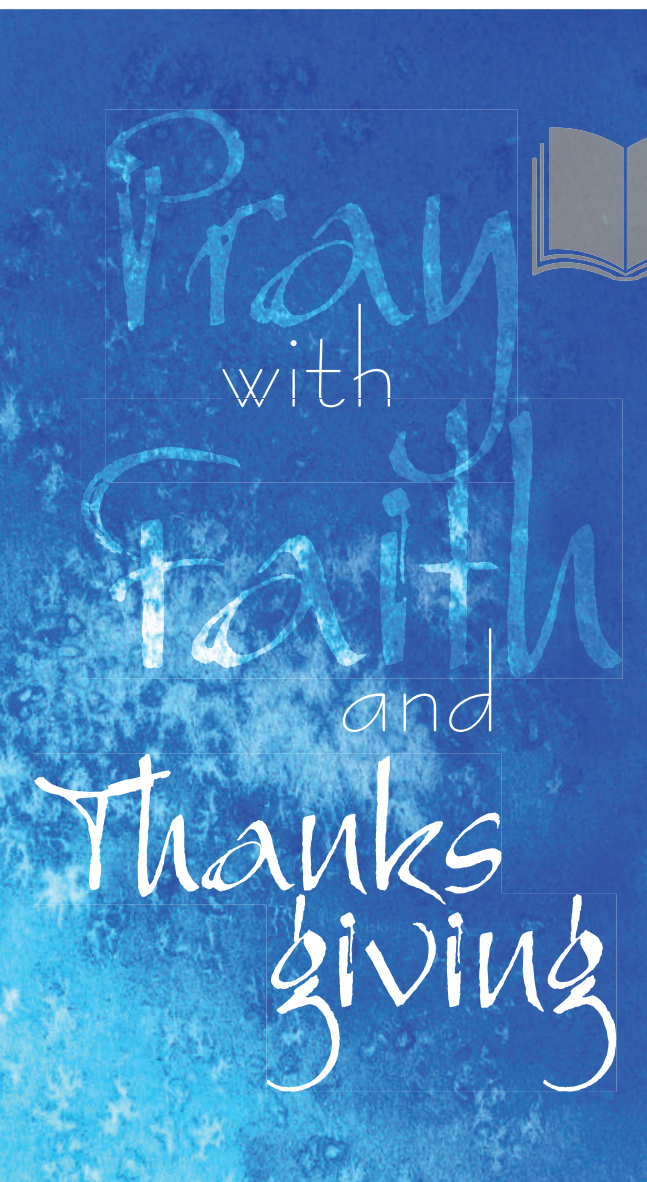
As believers in Jesus, we have a restored relationship with God to where we can boldly approach the throne of grace, as it says in Hebrews 4:16. You can fellowship with God anytime you like! To me, relationship with God is the goal, and prayer is the vehicle I use. You are not going to have a close, intimate relationship with the Lord if you don't spend time with Him. It's about talking to Him and letting Him talk to you. I believe that is a better way to pray. **My teaching will show you how to do just that.**

I'm offering a package this month that includes my book *A Better Way to Pray* as well as the CD or DVD album. The package also includes my book *The True Nature of God* and a mug that says, "Tell Your Mountain about God." You can order the mug separate from the package, and *A Better Way to Pray* is also available as a CD audiobook. This is awesome! **You'll be blessed.** Order by going to **www.awme.net**, calling our Helpline: +44 (0)1922 473 300, or by completing and returning the enclosed order form.

We love you,

Andrew and Jamie





LIVING Devotional

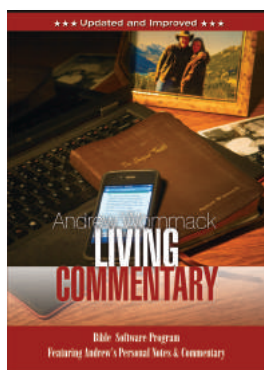
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Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

Philippians 4:6

The Greek word *merimnao*, which was translated “careful” in this verse, literally means “to be anxious about” (Strong’s Concordance). The *New International Version* translated it as “anxious.” The word *anxious* means “uneasy and apprehensive about an uncertain event or matter; worried” (*American Heritage Dictionary*). This is a command for us not to be anxious about anything. How do we do that? This verse goes on to explain that we are supposed to take our needs and problems to the Lord in prayer. Anxious people are people who haven’t thrown their problems over on the Lord in prayer.

Notice that all our supplications are supposed to be made with thanksgiving. That’s very important. Sometimes people just tell the Lord all their problems and call that prayer. That’s complaining. But when we voice our needs to the Lord and wrap them in thanksgiving, that moves us over into the realm of faith. If there isn’t thanksgiving in every prayer we pray, then we aren’t abounding in faith (Col. 2:7).



Paul said we were to give thanks when we make our requests to God. A request is something asked for but not yet received. We wouldn’t request something to happen that has already happened. So, we are supposed to thank the Lord for doing things before He does them. That’s what the Bible calls faith.

Notice that we are supposed to use prayer and supplication. Many people only think of prayer as supplication; i.e., asking for something. But the Greek word *proseuche*, translated “prayer” in this verse, means “prayer (worship)” (*Strong’s Concordance*). This is saying we need to be praising the Lord, which moves us into faith, and then make our supplication to the Lord.

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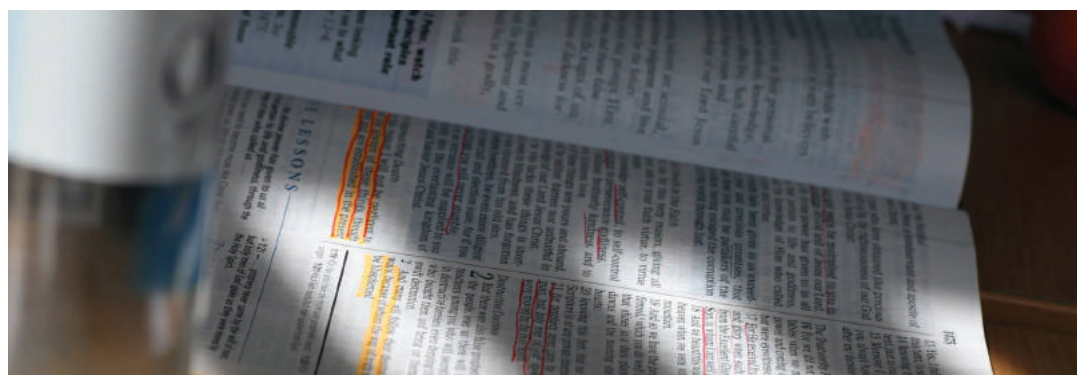


Charis Bible College Part Time Schools

In Walsall And Belfast Colleges To Start In January 2017

Have You Planned All Your Saturdays In 2017 And 2018?

It is our heart to give all people who are called to come to Charis Bible College the opportunity to do so. When we speak to many of our Partners and friends, we often hear the request to open a Charis Bible College in their neighbourhood to enable them to come to college, as many find it difficult to relocate to our present locations of Walsall, Dewsbury and Belfast. In addition to relocating, a further hindrance can be family or work commitments which, at this stage of your life, make it difficult for you to attend college every day. Even though the full time Bible based training is the



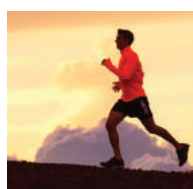
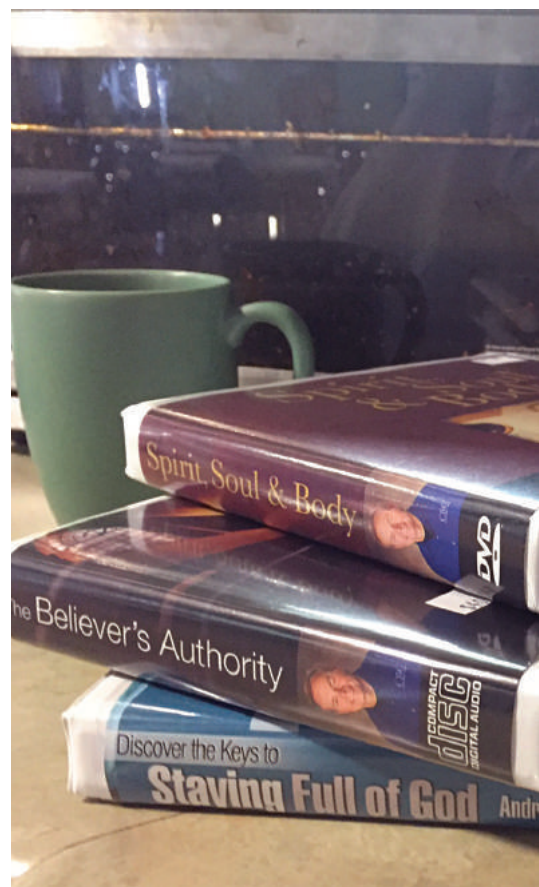
most complete option in terms of being here every day of the week, we are very happy to introduce to you a newly developed format – our part time Charis Bible College. You will have the same content as in the full time college, as well as interactive live teaching, great times of fellowship, guest speakers and opportunities to evangelize in the college neighbourhood. All this is designed to ultimately equip, enable and help you to find the calling of God on your life. Starting on January 7th, 2017, we will meet with our new students every other Saturday from 10.00 am until 5.00 pm for praise and worship, live teaching

and ministry, to equip and enable you to share what you have learned. There will also be time to fellowship in a blessed and friendly atmosphere. This new, part time college will be offered in our Walsall and Belfast Charis locations where we will meet for 28 Saturdays; finishing the school year in May 2018 with certificates of achievement being presented at the graduation ceremony together with the other Colleges. In Walsall we will offer first and second year curriculum of our Bible College; Belfast will start with the first year. This new format will enable you to graduate from Charis Bible College after

completion of all modules for the first and second year curriculum; it does, however, have a longer time span than full time college. We are certain that the time spent with your fellow students will bring you enjoyment and an experience you do not want to miss.

For more information feel free to phone us at our **Walsall Campus +44 (0) 1922 473637** or at the **Belfast Campus +44 (0) 28 90319691**, email to **enquiries@charisbiblecollege.org.uk** or visit our website at **www.charisbiblecollege.org.uk**





STUDENT Journey- Deanna Palko

Where Darkness Cannot Stand

In the darkest time of my life, I felt God's love the most. This love overwhelmed and transformed my entire life - transporting me from the edge of death to a place of indescribable joy and freedom.

It began one particular night I had been out drinking with friends. I was offered drugs, something that I had taken before without any adverse effects. This time, though, almost immediately, I couldn't breathe. I remember lying on the bathroom floor. I gasped for air and

grabbed at my throat while looking into the eyes of my friend. Afraid that she and the others would get in trouble for doing drugs, they just laid me on the couch to die. I felt my body shutting down as my heart beat out of my chest. Soon I could no longer open my eyes. In that moment, I knew God was with me. I asked Him to let me live for my daughter's sake. In my head, I cried, "Help me, Jesus. Save me!" Hope welled up, and God carried me through.

Having escaped death so miraculously, my world was quickly plunged into darkness when I lost my brother to a drug overdose. I knew my brother partied - just like we all did - but I never knew to what extent. It's hard to explain what happened in the aftermath of one phone call: the deep anger, shock, sadness, and pain that followed. My life fell apart. I didn't want to live. Despairing, I tried everything from counseling to antidepressants, but those things never got to the root of



the pain; they just slightly numbed me and left me hopeless again.

After my brother's death, my mom started listening to Andrew Wommack. She tried to get me to listen to his CDs, but I wasn't interested. However, after over a year of suffering, I had a moment in my bedroom when I fell on my knees and cried out to God. I told Him I was done carrying the pain and trying to heal myself. I was ready to surrender my life to Him. The Holy Spirit showed me a Bible devotional on my nightstand that my mom had given me. I opened it to Philippians 4:6-7, and the words on that page jumped into my spirit:

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; [7] and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

New King James Version

I was set free! I walked into the bathroom and flushed all my pills, antidepressants, high blood pressure medication, and even my cigarettes. I never looked back. I went downstairs and saw a stack of Andrew's CDs that my mom had been trying to get me to listen to since my brother's death. I picked them up and put them in my car. When I heard Andrew teaching the Word, I knew it was the truth. It lit a fire inside me that I could not contain! In all my years of going to church, I had never ever heard the Gospel preached this way. This was the beginning of an amazing journey of getting to know God through His Word and His Spirit.

Even after beginning my journey, I made mistakes and let "life" distract me, but Jesus has been with me each step of the way. Eventually He led me to Charis Bible College. I've been a Charis Online student for almost a year now, and I can't even begin to tell you all that's happened. Bondages have

been broken. Spiritual strongholds have come down. I've experienced freedom in my mind and soul, and I'm overjoyed by God's goodness. These courses have made me a better wife, mom, leader, businesswoman, and friend. They've also better equipped me to share the revelation of the love of God with others - a love that reaches into the darkest places, delivers us from death, and brings us to a place of abundant life in Him!

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October 2016**



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and renewal for Pastors with:

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Pastor Bob Yandian

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A pastor's job can be both rewarding and exhausting at once and many could benefit from a time of refreshing and renewal. Andrew and Jamie will host their annual European Ministers Conference, October 17th-19th, this year at our European Headquarters in Walsall. This event promises to provide much needed encouragement from speakers who desire to impart to those on the front lines of ministry.

If you are an active pastor, associate pastor or a leader of a Christian ministry you are very welcome, as this conference is specifically focused for you. This is always a great time of encouragement, refreshing and renewal.

Both Andrew, his special guest speaker Bob Yandian, and Charlie & Jill LeBlanc are coming together at this event for one purpose and that is to serve you.

Register today!

This meeting is **FREE** to attend. However, you must register as spaces are limited. It is open to all active pastors, associate pastors and leaders of Christian ministries.

Please note that children are not permitted at these meetings.

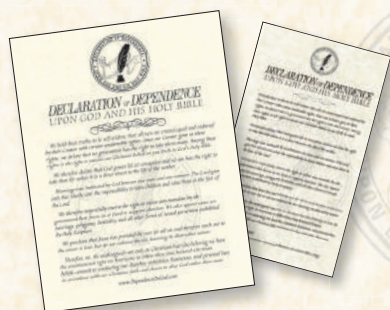
Please register by 3rd October, by phoning our Helpline on +44(0)1922 473 300.

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