

COACH'S NEWSLETTER

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GREAT NEWS FROM KENT KLOEFKORN

Jan 5, 2016

Dear friends -

So I haven't sent out an update to my friends since September, mainly because there just wasn't anything to report. Well, certainly have something to report now! Your prayers and support have been so, so much appreciated.

Back in late August we discovered the tumor in my esophagus / stomach had ulcerated. What I didn't tell everyone is that basically this was casting me from the frying pan into the fire. I could no longer eat well, and health and quality of life was beginning to deteriorate. I

was down to 3 - 6 months left on the timetable that had been set. My oncologist knew my goal was to have a great holiday time with family, so in order to temporarily relieve me of the pain he and the hospital's radiation oncologist thought with an intense combination treatment of weekly chemotherapy and daily radiation focused on the tumor for 6 weeks the ulcer might heal. Well - God had additional plans. It was a tough, tough treatment that ended up stretching over 8 weeks due to further complications, but we kept going. Ended up 40 lbs lighter, which in this case wasn't good. Then I entered a 6 week "rest" period for all the internal damage to heal. No treatment at all. Just before the holidays we had a new CT scan, and then another scope procedure over at the UW.

Yesterday, my oncologist went over the results - the entire tumor... is GONE!!!

He showed me the pictures - and besides some scarring from the radiation, my esophagus is normal. They also did multiple biopsies up and down my esophagus and down into my stomach - all negative. There is no cancer to be found. The tumor which once encompassed the lower third of my esophagus down into my stomach, which had grown completely through the wall of my esophagus, was completely destroyed and washed away! My God is Jehovah Rapha - "Jehovah Who Heals"!

Although this **major** battle is won, the war is not over - I still have lymph nodes all over my body with the cancer - so now we start a new chemotherapy treatment aimed at keeping it at bay. But we're optimistic. Gotta say I'm not looking forward to the new treatment which begins next Monday - but thankful that I have a brilliant oncologist, and a heavenly Father that is leading and guiding. So at the moment it appears you're going to be stuck with me at least a little bit longer! I can't wait to celebrate Easter with everyone!

Your prayers are coveted. To be honest, I'm not praying for myself - I'm living on your prayers. My calling is to pray for others, while I know I can lean on your prayers. Thanks also to everyone for the e-mails, texts, phone

BIBLE QUIZ TOURNAMENT
LAST REGULAR TOURNAMENT
GET REGISTERED NOW!

2016 River Classic
James River A/G, Ozark, MO
March 4-5, 2016

"A" League: all of Acts | **MS:** Acts 1-10

Acts Experience: Acts 5 & 9

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calls, cards in the mail, etc. through the past few months. Your encouragement helped get me through the worse of the treatment to where I am today, feeling so much better and rejoicing in God's healing.

*The song in my heart is an old Gaither song – so beautifully sung by Danny Gaither –
“He touched me, oh He touched me,
And O the joy that floods my soul,
Something wonderful happened, and now I know,
He touched me, and made me whole”.*

I'm in God's hands – where better a place to be! God is Faithful! God is Faithful! God is Faithful! Thanks again for your continued prayers. Celebrate with me and give thanks to God!!! Kent Kloefkorn

DISTRICT/REGIONAL/NATIONAL PRACTICE SETS NOW AVAILABLE

25 sets of “A” Questions written at a District, Regional, and National level by Kent Kloefkorn are now available through My Healthy Church. They will also be available for sale at the River Classic. Cost is only \$30.00 for the 25 sets.

CHAPTER SAMPLER FOR MARK

Thank you to those that responded last month. Still looking for a few more individuals to help us write 1-2 set of questions over the Gospel of Mark for the Chapter Sampler. Please send me an E-mail if you can help.

NUMBER OF TEAMS ADVANCING TO REGIONALS & LOCATIONS

The number of teams advancing from District Finals to Regional Finals is based on the number of teams participating in the first section/league/district-sponsored competition (including A-League, Middle School League, B-League, etc.) and is as follows: districts with fewer than 15 official teams may send two (2) teams to Regional Finals; districts with 16 to 30 official teams may send three (3) teams to Regional Finals; districts with 31 to 50 official teams may send four (4) teams to Regional Finals; districts with 51 or more official teams may send five (5) teams to Regional Finals.

NORTHEAST: May 6-7, 2016
First A/G, Binghamton, New York
Coordinator: Elisa Napierala, elisa.napierala@gmail.com

NORTH CENTRAL: April 29-30, 2016
Summit Church, St. Paul, Minnesota
Coordinator: Don Jones, donvjones@comcast.net

SOUTHEAST: May 14, 2016
Evangel Temple, Jacksonville, Florida
Coordinator: Tim McDaniel, Tim@PFBibleQuiz.com

SOUTH CENTRAL: April 29-30, 2016
The Oaks Fellowship, Red Oak, Texas
Coordinator: Steve Fowler, slf1106@Aol.com

GREAT LAKES: May 13-14, 2016
Lakeview A/G, Indianapolis, Indiana
Coordinator: Julie Steel, juliesteel@gmail.com

NORTHWEST: April 29-30, 2016
Bellevue Neighborhood Church, Bellevue, WA
Coordinator: Ron Philips, repmp@yahoo.com

GULF: May 7, 2016
Central Assembly of God, Springfield, Missouri
Coordinator: Dilla Dawson, dilladawson@me.com

SOUTHWEST: April 29-30, 2016
The Champion Center, Las Vegas, NV
Coordinator: Eric Lind, ericthelind@gmail.com

MEMORIAL TO THE 12 APOSTLES

By Mark Batterson

Very few people can name the twelve Apostles and even fewer know anything about them. Hope this changes that. On this Memorial Day weekend when we remember those who sacrificed their lives for the freedoms we enjoy, it seems appropriate to share how each of the twelve apostles died.

James the brother of John was killed with a sword during a persecution initiated by King Herod in AD 44.

Andrew was hung on an olive tree around 70 AD.

Doubting Thomas was thrust through with pine spears, tortured with red-hot plates, and burned alive around 70 AD.

Philip went to Phrygia where he was tortured and crucified in AD 54.

Matthew was beheaded sometime after 60 AD.

Bartholomew was flayed after he refused to recant. After the removal of his skin, he was crucified in 70 AD.

James the lesser was taken to the top of the Temple where a crowd gathered. When he refused to recant, he was thrown down. He survived the fall so a mob beat him to death with clubs in 63 AD.

Simon the Zealot was crucified by the governor of Syria in AD 74.

Judas Thaddeus ministered in Mesopotamia where he was beaten to death with sticks in AD 72.

Matthias, who replaced Judas Iscariot, went to Ethiopia and was stoned to death while hanging on a cross in AD 70.

According to Eusebius, the third century historian, Peter thought himself unworthy to die in the manner in which Jesus was crucified so he requested that he be crucified upside-down.

And last but not least, John the beloved is the only disciple who died a natural death, but that doesn't mean he was exempt from persecution. He was exiled to the Island of Patmos and according to legend, thrown into a cauldron of boiling oil.

I'm not sure what that does to you. In fact, I'm not sure what that does to me. But I know this: I'm grateful for the estimated 70 million martyrs who have died because of their faith in Jesus Christ! And I'm grateful for the freedoms I enjoy as an American. May we never take them for granted.

(Sources: Primary source is Eusebius' Church History. You can also try Michael Patton, What Happened to the Twelve Apostles? I also love Foxes Book of Martyrs and Josephus for historical research.)

CORRECTIONS IN SCRIPTURE PORTION

Unique Word List:

First 7 words in Unique Word list are repeated twice. Delete first 7 words.

Chapter Analysis:

Acts 1:23 Behind Joseph, insert the words, (**Barsabbas, Justus**)

Acts 3:12 Question should be: "...we **HAD** made this man walk?" **HAD**, not have.
(Scripture Portion is Correct)

Acts 7:49-50 "Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool. What kind of house will you build for me? **says the Lord**. Or where will my resting place be? Has not my hand made all these things?" Phrase **says the Lord** must be inserted.
(Scripture Portion is Correct)

RESULTS-SOUTH TEXAS INVITIONAL

TOP "A" TEAMS

Oaks Fellowship, TX	5-2	95 Avg
Trinity UPS, TX	4-3	94 Avg

TOP "MS/EXPERIENCE" TEAMS

Harvest, TX	7-1	63 Avg
G-Squad	6-2	129 Avg

TOP "A" QUIZZERS

Cameron Berta	81 Avg
Josh	78 Avg

TOP "MS/EXPERIENCE" QUIZZERS

Julia	66 Avg
Kaylen	48 Avg

RESULTS-MID WINTER CLASSIC, OSHKOSH, WI

TOP "A" TEAMS

Dakota Quiz Boys	12-0	222 Avg
The Other Team	10-2	159 Avg
Racine, WI	10-2	128 Avg

TOP "B" TEAMS

Dakota Quiz B	6-6	100 Avg
New Song, IN	2-10	26 Avg

TOP QUIZZERS

Spenser Wilhelm, SD	133 Avg	12 QO
Noah Barnes	109 Avg	10 QO
Alexi Turnage, WI	86 Avg	7 QO
Caleb Czaja	83 Avg	5 QO
Reanna Toeller, WI	71 Avg	8 QO

TOP QUIZZERS

Tabor Van Dusseldorp, SD	58 Avg	5 QO
Amber Ragains, SD	39 Avg	2 QO

NATIONAL FINALS

July 2-8, 2016, Evangel University, Springfield, Missouri

Housing will be available both on campus and also at a hotel. More details in early spring.

Adult Quizzing:

Veteran Division- Comprised of any adult who wishes to quiz and any former regional or national quizzers.

Acts Chapters	1-5	178 verses
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Novice Division- Comprised of adults with no experience beyond league quizzing.

Acts Chapters 1-3 99 verses

Senior Shootout: Will now include any senior, registered as a senior at National Finals, either on one of the 40 teams or as an individual in the One-On-One tournament.

Challenger Division: After the round robin in the Challenger bracket the top 2 teams will playoff for the first place position. This playoff will take place at the same time as the Championship 3rd - 4th matchup.

NUTS & BOLTS

- The Discipleship Book for this year is “*Initiate*” by Pastor Lee Rogers, Youth Alive missionary from Penn-Del and former quizzer. It’s officially listed on Amazon as “**Initiate: Powerful Conversations That Lead To Jesus**” by R. Lee Rogers.
- Master Memorization Award. All of Acts must be quoted consecutively, in one sitting, within a 90 minute time limit, beginning with Acts Chapter one, verse one, and continuing through Acts Chapter 28 verse 31. The quizzer is permitted 10 mistakes for the entirety of the material when quoting the book of Acts.
- If you know of a current missionary who was a former Bible Quizzer please send their contact info to me: **ElliotBQ@aol.com** Thanks.
- Need a quiz set?
 1. Grass Lakes BQ Ministry <http://grasslakeassembly.org/589994.ihtml>
 2. Steve Kirkman www.quizequipment.com
- Need to find other BQ information?
 1. <http://www.biblequiz.ag.org>
 2. <http://www.biblequiz.com>
- Need some BQ promo videos for church or Youth group?
 1. <http://biblequiz.com/blog/>

QUOTABLES

“You may delay, but time will not.” - Benjamin Franklin

“Effort only fully releases its reward after a person refuses to quit.” - Napoleon Hill

“Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does.” - William James

JUST FOR LAUGHS

TOP 10 THINGS MEN UNDERSTAND ABOUT WOMEN

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- 2.
- 3.
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- 10.

Although this married couple enjoyed their luxury fishing boat together, it was the husband who was behind the wheel operating the boat. He was concerned about what might happen in an emergency. So one day out on the lake he said to his wife, "Please take the wheel, dear. Pretend that I am having a heart attack. You must get the boat safely to shore." So she drove the boat to shore.

Later that evening, the wife walked into the living room where her husband was watching television. She sat down next to him, switched the TV channel, and said to him, "Please go into the kitchen, dear. Pretend I'm having a heart attack. You must set the table, cook the dinner, and wash the dishes."

Blessings,

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