

The Story of THE BIBLE COMES TO LIFE in Washington, DC

A group of Noble Warriors' fans and friends had a great opportunity last month to tour The Museum of the Bible. The 430,000-squarefoot building is currently under construction just 8 blocks from the United States Capitol. We were all encouraged and excited about the Kingdom resource this new museum will be. The comment that I heard most often was about the quality and excellence that marks this project. It's really cool to see so much time and effort taken to represent God with excellence and tell the story of the Bible!

Here is what one pastor said about his experience and his plan to impact his church:

"As a professional firefighter, I did numerous construction tours; watching a building go from the ground up. This tour required a bit of vision and imagination. Eight stories that will engage all of your senses to show the impact of the Bible in and on the world. On the Sunday after the tour, I showed a video of what the MOTB will look like when completed to Bermuda Baptist Church. The goal will be to charter a bus, once the museum opens in November, hoping that an entire church will get even more excited about the Word of God."

Pastor Pete Hypes

The museum, opening in November, will be the most technologically advanced museum in the world providing guests with an immersive and personalized experience as they explore the history, narrative and impact of the Bible. Check it out at www.MuseumoftheBible.org



MINUTE WITH MIKE

No One Loves You Like a Mother... No One Believes in You Like a Mother

For Mother's Day, I thought I'd point you to one of my favorite Mom stories in the Bible. Take time to read Exodus 2:1-10 to learn about the faith of Moses' mother.

- 1. Moses, "a fine child", was born in a time of turmoil as Pharaoh ordered that every son born to the Hebrews should be cast into the Nile.
- 2. By faith, Moses' mom put her precious baby in a floating basket in the Nile. Clearly, not a great option but she knew if she held on to him, he would be killed like the other Hebrew children.
- 3. Her faith was rewarded... Pharaoh's daughter took pity on this child, recognizing the Hebrew baby was destined to die without intervention. Miriam, his sister, watched the events unfold and then offered to find a nurse for the baby. And it gets even better because Pharaoh's daughter said, "Take this child away and nurse him for me, and I will give you your wages."

That's the part I love and the example for us all... By faith this mother released her child to God's plan by floating him down the River. And it was rewarded in the most amazing way; God, in His providence, allowed her to have him back (and get paid to nurse him!).

Happy Mother's Day,

to my mom (Vivian Young) and all the other mothers who believe in your children but release them by faith for God to work in and through them. God, in His unique and unexpected ways, will reward your love and faith!

CONNECTING THE MEN WHO DISCIPLE MEN!

That's what we do! I met with the National Coalition of Ministries to Men Board of Directors in Nashville last month to prayerfully plan the next season of engagement. We rallied around this new mission statement 'Connecting the Men Who Disciple Men' and are looking forward to seeing how God will lead us to connect with others who share our calling to disciple men! Currently, our membership stands at about 200. We believe it could and should be much larger!

Would you pray for God to guide us, according to His plans, as we seek to connect with and encourage other disciplers of men?



WHAT'S SOMETHING THAT MOST MEN ARE RELUCTANT TO ADMIT?

That's how I engaged men at the beginning of my first ISI keynote message in Elkhart, Indiana. You might be interested in some of the answers...

- · My wife is right about something.
- · I'm lost.
- · I watch romantic comedies!
- · I needed the directions but threw them away.

I admitted to them (with photographic proof) that I fell out of the raft on a whitewater rafting trip. We had a great time talking about how important it is to be in a raft with some good men when you travel through life's whitewater. It was cool to hear the guys' responses to the challenge and even receive some follow-up emails. I'll share this message with some other groups of men locally this month.

Pray with me that more and more men will connect with other men who will challenge and encourage them to walk with Christ and lead well!

YOUNG ADVENTURES

Honestly, everyone's ready for school to end, for various reasons.

Here's an update on other adventures...

Hannah's enjoying her first ever volleyball experience. She's a strong server with lots of aces!

Ben continues to enjoy basketball and is cranking up the 'Young Boy's' lawn services again!

Zach is cruising toward graduation... He was selected as Student of the Year and recently committed to Virginia Tech. He earned a 4-year ROTC scholarship and will be part of the Corps of Cadets.

Tim is finishing up his third year at West Point and recently picked up the saber, red sash and hat plume that will mark him as a Firstie (senior) in parades.

Stacy and I are working hard to keep up and in touch with each other. April was an unusually busy month of travel for me so we're often excited to have an evening or weekend at home with no obligations. Our Life Group for young couples continues to be a source of much fun and great ministry for us!

