

# Evangelism In The Prophetic Spirit

Kimball Boyd Coburn Ministry

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# EASTER

#### Born Anew Into A Living Hope

Please take time as you read this scripture to let it sink in. Read it several times knowing it was written for you today. Let it lift you to a rejoicing that will take you beyond depression and discouragement.



"... On account of his (God's) vast mercy, he has given us new birth. You have been born anew into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. You have a pure and enduring inheritance that cannot perish - an inheritance that is presently kept safe in heaven for you. ... You now rejoice in this hope, even if it's necessary for you to be distressed for a short time by various trials."

Hope is what Easter is about. In Jesus' time it didn't change the Roman Empire's domination system. But hope started happening – a new way of understanding and receiving God's love as a gift of grace and a new way of living by forgiveness and love. People began to feel the hope of God's Kingdom come and Will be done. They had something to live for and a way to do it.

Let Easter be a time of hope for you. I'm not saying all you have to do is 'pack up your troubles in an old kit-bag and smile, smile, smile.' I'm saying to accept the living hope that God is offering you. It is your inheritance, your eternal life which will give you the strength and courage to live boldly and joyfully in this life. Let hope guide your daily living and you will see that silver lining behind the clouds. Let hope guide your daily praying and God will answer with the blessed assurance – "I am with you always."

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# Budget Figures for 2015 and 2016

	2015		2016
	Budget	Actuals	Budget
Contributions:	56,150		56,150
Contributions Received for Ministry		\$ 47,257	
Contributions Received for Pension		\$ 100	
Expenses:			
Media Expenses	3,500	2,663	3,500
Children's Ministry Expense	100	91	100
Office Supplies	400	672	400
Newsletter/Postage	2,800	3,276	2,800
Postage	500	435	500
Advertising/Publicity	100	-0-	100
Telephone/Internet	1,200	1,035	1,200
Travel	2,000	3,919	2,000
Continuing Education	100	-0-	100
Dues/subscriptions	50	52	50
Miscellaneous	200	160	200
Pension (in addition to amounts	4 000	400	4 000
contributed)	1,000	100	1,000
Salary	30,000	30,000	30,000
Medical insurance and expenses	8,000	4,647	8,000
Allowance for Social Security	4,000	4,000	4,000
Parsonage utilities	1,200	711	1,200
Beyond ourselves	1,000	140	1,000
Subtotals	56,150	51,841	56,150
Totals	\$ 56,150	\$ 51,841	\$ 56,150

~ Circuit Riding This May ~
Pentecost with the Churches in
Placentia, CA

Placentia UMC and Cornerstone UMC

will come together for this great day of celebration!

May 15, 2016 at 10:30

~Financially Speaking~

BUDGET FOR 2016
\$56,150

Needed to Date
(March 4, 2016)
\$ 9358

Received to Date
(March 4, 2016)
\$ 4865

#### FROM THE KBC BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

At our Board Meeting in January invigorated by the joy and love felt as we move into the middle of our 37th year sharing leadership of Kimball's ministry doing evangelism in the prophetic spirit. We humbly thank those of you who contributed \$47,357 towards our budget of \$56,150 for 2015. We spent \$51,841 using reserves in our account to do so. We carefully watch how your gifts are spent and have through the years learned that some things must wait and only spend what is most needed. After the findings of 2015 were presented, they were After some approved. discussion, Susan Hume, our Chief Financial Officer, proposed our Budget for 2016, \$56,150, as it was last year. It was seconded and approved. Many of our supporters are on fixed incomes and can give no more financially but oh, how they are rich in their giving of prayers and belief in our work. This is how Kimball has always wanted it to be. It is important to him that you give first to your local church and that gifts to the ministry be second mile gifts.

Thank you, thank you, everyone!

### $\sim Still \; Be \; Still \sim \text{Written and Remembered by Pam Coburn}$

Having grown up in large churches in Memphis, Tennessee, Kimball and I were about to embark on a most wonderful journey. It was June, 1967. He was appointed to serve as a student lay pastor of two rural churches in Kentucky. My goodness, we had never even been in a country church, yet it was exciting to just imagine, what was unimaginable, that he could really serve as a pastor, while going to college full time in preparation for four years of seminary and that our young family of six would be a parsonage family. We loaded our station wagon with four children (3 weeks, 19 months, 5 and 7), hitched on a U Haul trailer and headed for our first appointment and parsonage in Water Valley, KY.

With Kimball going to school full time, serving our churches full time, visiting, preparing sermons and being a daddy, too, I sometimes found myself overwhelmed with a sense of insecurity that I could not do all that I expected of myself. I'd throw up a prayer ever now and then, but I was busy... I thought I didn't have time to be still and pray and just as important, to listen.

One day after a hard morning with two crying, sick babies, I began to cry...my young son came to my rescue. "Why are you crying, Mama, what's the matter?" I hugged him and told him, "Son, I'm just tired and need a place to call my own when my spirits are down." He wiped my tears with his shirttail, gave me a hug and disappeared. I thought he had gone to play with his little brother but he had another idea. After a while he came back to me, "Mama, I found you a place you can call your own. Come see!" He took me by the hand to the large closet in my bedroom. He had taken most everything from the floor and piled them on our bed. He couldn't reach the hanging clothes so he just grabbed the bottom of them and scooted them from the center of the closet. He had put a little table and a chair from his table and chairs set, in the center of the closet. He put a Bible and paper and pencil... and a flashlight on the table for my use. When his Daddy got home from school he asked him to help him make a sign for my prayer closet. When I was in there I was to hang it on the door knob..."DON'T BOTHER MAMA...SHE IS IN THE PRAYER CLOSET! I loved that little prayer closet and I used it. I used it a lot! I smile when I remember the day when our 3 year, Kathy, came down the hall from her nap, yelling, "Where's my mama?" "Shhh, she is in the prayer closet," her brothers told her as they took her back to their room to play. I finished my prayers refreshed and renewed to be a mama, a minister's wife and ME once again.

I learned from my thoughtful 8 year old the importance of finding a place to call my own when I am overwhelmed with the noise of the world around me. I did not know how to be still. I did not realize how much I was missing in my life. My 'still be still' times saved my sanity but also refreshed me for



In these days of Lent, I hope you will find a place to call your own, and have some "Still Be Still" times to find hope for the living of these days. ~ As we journey together, Pam

living a life with meaning and purpose. I didn't have a name for those quiet times, like I do today, but I do know I am who I am because of my times in prayer. I believe in its power, especially when prayed with heart and soul for others, as well as myself.



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We will be leaving very soon to be with Pam's mother, Mildred Sisk, who is on hospice in Mississippi. We were with her when her journey began 2 months ago. As she began to organize her thoughts, she said to us, "You came a'runnin' when Sister and I needed you and you left a lot of things undone. It's best that you go home and take care of what you need to do and then come back. I'll be waiting for you ... unless the good Lord has my room ready ... if this happens, I'll see you from heaven."

We ask that you keep Mama and all of us, her family and friends from her church, who also call her 'Mama,' in your prayers. Through her leadership with United Methodist Women, local church and community involvement, she has been a powerful witness of the good Lord's love.

Thank you, Pam and Kimball

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