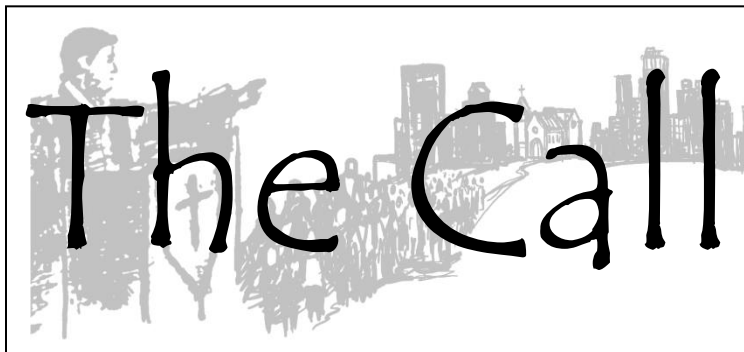




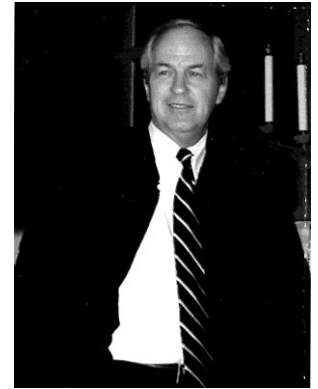
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The Rock Band and The Church (A Parable)



Once upon a time some young people decided they wanted to become a rock band. They were so excited thinking about the fame, the fortune and how popular they would be. They talked for days about what the name of their band would be, what songs they would sing, what they would wear, and what kind of image they wanted to project. At the end of their meetings they were full of themselves and couldn't wait to go and tell their friends. All ready to become rock stars, a challenging stumbling block stood in their way. They didn't know how to play their instruments!

This story reminds me of the church. You can't organize a church into being. Meetings do not a church make. A new name does not make a new church. Buildings, parking spaces, and technology are not the foundation of the church. No, it is people ~ committed people, spirited people, talented people, compassionate and giving people, who in community understand they are the Body of Christ.

There are no shortcuts to being the Church. The Church is the instrument of God...an instrument that requires practice...an instrument that plays the joyful and calling music of justice, peace, hope and love...an instrument of faithful commitment to prayer, worship, witness, evangelism and action.

The Church does not strive for popularity; it strives for community, a oneness through love and understanding. The Call to be the Church is not for 'groupies' (those who follow the band), but for 'disciples' (those who follow Christ). A rock band thrives by having groupies. The Church thrives by having disciples. A rock band needs 'roadies' to help set up the band on the stage. The Church needs 'radicals' with the courage to take the Good News of Jesus into all the world!

*Agapè,
Kimball, SE*

Financially Speaking

BUDGET FOR 2018
\$61,562

Amount Budgeted to Date:
\$ 25,651

Amount Received to Date:
\$ 22,046



In response to you, the readers of our quarterly newsletter, we are now making **The Call** available online, as well as sending it through the Post Office.

If you prefer to receive it in your email box, let us know at kbcministry@integrity.com. To continue receiving **The Call** via the US Postal Service you don't need to do anything unless you have a change of address. You may email your new home address to us or write a note to the Kimball Coburn Ministry – PO Box 633, Claremont, CA 91711-0633 – 909 624-1819. If you no longer want to receive our mailing, we will remove your name and address.

Thank you for Circuit Riding with us these past 38 years through **The Call**. It is a privilege to share our journey with you.

A Note from Our Board of Directors:

At our Board meeting last month, Kimball told us in his State of the Ministry report that with our 2018 Conference in a few weeks, he will begin his 39th year as a Servant Evangelist in the Prophetic Spirit. "I know many of the new young pastors must think this grey haired, ukulele playing, 78 year old pastor, could not tell us anything new," he said. But then he went on to say, "But, I still feel God's nudging me to keep the messages and music going." Whole heartedly, we agreed. Many of you have traveled the circuits with Kimball through the years and we are grateful. You have no idea how your love and belief in his ministry gives him 'fuel' for the journey. Thank you and God bless you all.

"Lord, open our minds and hearts so we can understand and feel the hope that your Call holds for us."

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This song written by Kimball was inspired by the Apostle Paul's letter to the church in Philippi. Paul wrote this during the time he was in jail knowing he might be put to death. He encouraged the people to keep running toward the goal which is the upward calling of God in Jesus Christ. He warns them not to look back, and encourages them to keep pressing forward, keeping their eyes on the prize. (Philippians 3:12-16)

EYES ON THE PRIZE

Words and Music by Kimball Coburn

**1) Fight the good fight Finish the race
 Keep the Faith Forever**

**And we will not look back We will not look back
Keep our eyes on the prize Keep our eyes on the prize**

**2) Stand for justice Speak for peace
 Show the world The Good News**

**And we will not look back We will not look back
Keep our eyes on the prize Keep our eyes on the prize**

**3) Let our light shine Lift the Cross
 Live our lives Like Jesus**

**And we will not look back We will not look back
Keep our eyes on the prize Keep our eyes on the prize**

**4) We're God's children We are one
 Fight the Good Fight Together**

**And we will not look back We will not look back
Keep our eyes on the prize Keep our eyes on the prize**

Listen to **EYES ON THE PRIZE** at kimballcoburn.com/media

You are welcomed to download this song or the CD, 'Servant Songs' or if you would like for Kimball to send you a copy of 'Servant Songs' please call, write, or email

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Service Return Requested

A Spirit Up Sunday

A day that will soar your spirit

A day to renew your vows

A day to deepen your commitment



A day to Gather ~ Preparing to Scatter
With a renewed commitment to answer
God's Call to Be the Church.

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