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WELCOME

to Pioneers

Last Sunday morning, I woke up at 4:13 a.m.—wide awake and wishing the sun was already up. I had been anticipating this day—predicted to be sunny and 70+ degrees. And I could hardly wait to get outside and do "Spring" things!

Why is it that we celebrate when we see Spring flowers pushing through the soil, and hear birds singing their sweetest songs? I think we celebrate not just for a change of season, but for the reminders of "new birth" all around us.

During our worship services today, we are celebrating the "new birth" that is available to all, through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, who died in our place, bearing the penalty for our sin. Join us as we worship and together anticipate another resurrection morning—when Jesus comes to take us home! Hallelujah! Amen!

—Sharon Terrell

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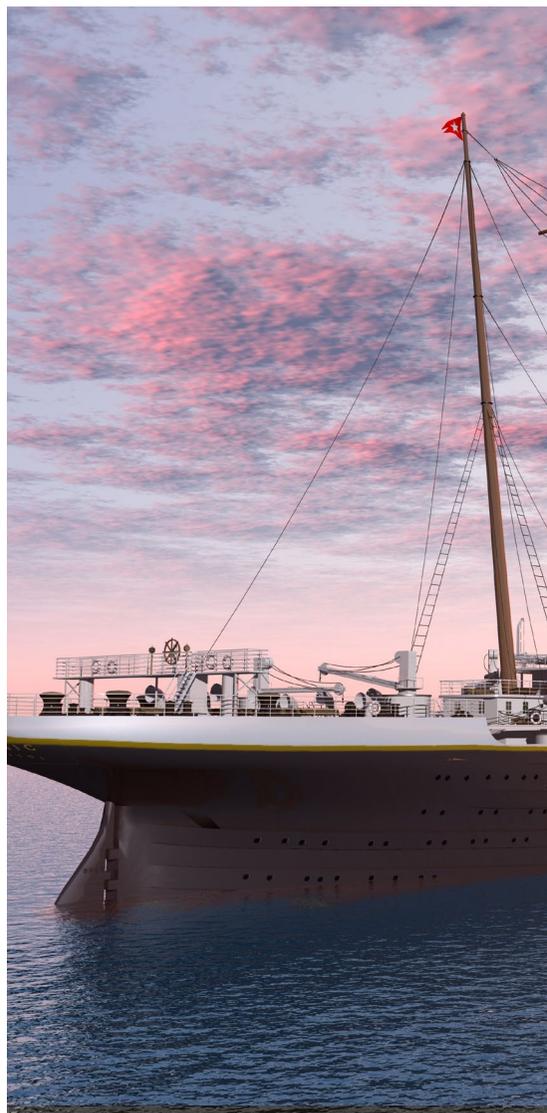
105 YEARS AGO TODAY

BY DWIGHT K. NELSON

Nineteen year old Helen and her honeymooning groom, Dickinson Bishop, were as star struck as newly-weds could be. The two young adults from Dowagiac, Michigan, were setting sail on what at the time was the largest moving object on earth—the *RMS Titanic*. Boarding the maiden voyage of the four-stack luxury liner on the evening of April 12, 1912, in Cherbourg, France, the couple set sail for New York City embedded in the luxury of first-class cabin B-49.

Two nights later Helen was already in bed and her husband reading in their cabin stateroom, when a knock at their door summoned them to the deck above. Neither had felt or heard the *Titanic* strike a floating iceberg. But when they ascended to the upper deck, officials there announced there was no danger and they might as well return to their cabin. As they prepared again for bed, a friend knocked, concerned that the ship was listing to its side, and so the Bishops dressed once more and hurried top side, where only a few passengers had gathered. Moments later crew instructed them to don their lifejackets, and the Bishops were ordered into the first lifeboat (No. 7).

In fact Helen was the first *Titanic* passenger to board one of those vessels, dangling from its perch 75 feet above the dark and frigid Atlantic. Afraid of its precarious height,



many passengers were reluctant to climb on board any of the lifeboats. Thus at 12:45 AM, when lifeboat No. 7 was lowered to the night sea with 28 passengers, it was less than half full. Only three crew were aboard, which meant the passengers took turns hurriedly rowing the vessel into the night away from the massive sinking hulk.

At 2:20 AM, April 15, the unsinkable *Titanic* silently lurched forward, then nosedived into the sea, its twinkling lights simultaneously extinguished as the At-



lantic swallowed the iron ship, carrying 1503 passengers and crew to their death. There were lifejackets available for all 2,208 passengers. But only 705 survived.

Rescued by the *Carpathia*, the Bishops returned to New York City, and eventually to Dowagiac. Both testified at a Senate investigation, headed coincidentally by Dowagiac-born Michigan Senator William A. Smith.

But tragedy continued to track Helen and Dickinson. Their infant child born

that December died after two days. And on November 15, 1913, “the couple was returning to Dowagiac from Kalamazoo, Michigan, in their motor car when it went out of control and struck a tree. Helen suffered a severely fractured skull and was not expected to live. She recovered with a steel plate placed in her skull, but the accident caused a change in her mental condition and their marriage suffered. In January 1916, the couple divorced. Three months later Helen fell while visiting friends in Danville, Illinois. On March 16, 1916, she died and was buried in Sturgis, Michigan” (www.encyclopedia-titanica.org/titanic-survivor/helen-bishop.html). She was twenty-three years old.

One hundred-five years later the sinking of the *Titanic* remains a story of enduring sorrow. Such boasted promise, such hope misplaced, such tragic endings for both rich and poor.

And yet the story of an empty Palestine sepulcher two millennia ago offers to exchange our enduring sorrow with Hope’s singular promise: **“Never again will death have the last word” for “because I live, you shall live also” (Romans 6:9 The Message; John 14:19).**

No matter how titanic the tragedy, the sorrow, the death that stalks us. Today we seek Him. Who still promises. Resurrection hope. ■

Soar we then where Christ has led
Alleluia!

Following our exalted Head
Alleluia!

Made like Him, like Him we rise
Alleluia!

Ours the cross, the grave, the skies
Alleluia!

—Charles Wesley

You can follow Pastor Dwight’s blog at www.pmchurch.tv/blog.

GOD'S FINANCIAL PEACE

BY BRYAN VON DORPOWSKI

Revelation 12:12 says, “Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short.” Today’s headlines remind us that we are in the middle of a spiritual war. The enemy attacks us from every angle and especially seeks to destroy families through finances.

It’s no wonder that the #1 cause of divorce in North America is money fights. CNN noted, “A couple with \$10,000 in debt and no savings is twice as likely to divorce as a couple with no debt and \$10,000 in savings.”

Let me share some statistics with you regarding average household personal finances in the United States:

AVERAGE U.S. HOUSEHOLD

- Household income is \$56,516
- Debts include \$187,187 in mortgages, \$29,575 in student loans, \$16,917 in auto loans, and \$5,100 in credit card debt
- 76% of people live paycheck to paycheck
- 4% of take-home pay is wasted on consumer debt
- 64% can’t cover a \$1,000 emergency

Proverbs 22:7 says, “The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is slave to the lender.” Proverbs 21:20 says, “In the house of the wise are stores of choice food and

oil, but a foolish man devours all he has.” Based on the statistics above, most people live under the stress associated with being a slave to the lender while having almost nothing in reserve.

The good news is that God has given us financial advice and desires to set us free. Some of His counsel is contrary to what certain “financial experts” teach today but those who choose to follow God’s word find peace, hope, and a way of escape. Proverbs 14:12 reminds us, “There is a way that seems right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.”

That’s why our pastors have supported Financial Peace University (FPU). We have offered this class four times now and have scheduled another for next school year. God is active in our current class of nearly 80 people. Week after week our members share testimonies of how God had blessed as they follow His plan.

We asked our members what they would like to do if they were out of debt, had a fully-funded emergency fund, and were contributing fully to their retirement. One student said, “I’m sick of eating lentils; I would eat something else.” Another said, “I’m tired of giving my nieces and nephews small, tiny gifts for their birthdays and Christmas. I would be free to give in a way I only wish I could today.”

Nationwide more than 4.5 million people have gone through FPU and here are the results members have found:



AVERAGE FPU RESULTS

- Average debt paid in 90 days is \$5,300
- Average savings in 90 days is \$2,700
- 89% graduated with at least \$1,000 in their emergency fund
- Average giving by FPU graduates increased 50%

The reason graduates have found such success isn't because of some clever scheme. It's because they have found a structured way to apply God's financial principles and He blessed their efforts.

After all, none of "our" money is actually ours, is it? Psalm 24:1 says, "The earth is the Lord's, and all its fullness, the world and those who dwell therein" while Deuteronomy 8:18 says, "And you shall remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth."

God stands at the door of your heart and knocks today. Accept His invitation. Also, present your finances to Him and ask for help to follow His plan. Join our next class and consider financially supporting

those who desperately need help but cannot afford the \$100 fee by donating through the church.

"So if you faithfully obey the commands I am giving you today—to love the Lord your God and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul— then I will send rain on your land in its season, both autumn and spring rains, so that you may gather in your grain, new wine and olive oil. I will provide grass in the fields for your cattle, and you will eat and be satisfied" (Deuteronomy 11:13). ■

*Statistics shared from Financial Peace University.

Bryan von Dorpowski is the chair of the PMC Stewardship Committee.

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See our tithe envelope for ways you can support our church.

WE WORSHIP

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Opening Voluntary

Fanfare for the Common Man • Aaron Copland

Introit

Alleluia! • Kenneth Logan

Call to Worship

Matthew 28:1-6 NIV • Sharon Terrell

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow.

The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said.

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Dwight K. Nelson

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Sharon Terrell
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Masanori Taruya

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April 29—The Great Exchange

Processional of Hope

Dwight & Karen Nelson

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Benediction

Closing Voluntary

Glory to God in the Highest • Allan Greenway

PRESIDING PASTOR: Sharon Terrell; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan
WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Andrews University Wind Symphony; Alan Mitchell, director

MUSIC ALIVE

HEALING AND MUSIC

Today's music includes segments from two recent compositions. Regarding *The Angel Raphael . . .*, among other renderings, "Raphael" means "God Heals." Of *Grace*, composer Brian Balmages wrote, "[After its premiere performance April 24, 2015, the next night] I watched as my home city [Baltimore] was ripped apart by violent protests as a result of the death of Freddy Gray while in police custody. . . . I witnessed the unthinkable—armored National Guard

vehicles patrolling the streets and enforcing curfews. . . . I was overcome with emotion as my city seemed to unravel . . . On Saturday [May] 2nd . . . , I conducted [the Connecticut All-State Band in] the second performance of "Grace." It was one of the most emotional performances I have ever conducted and the group received a standing ovation in the middle of the concert. . . . [M]usic really can help to heal." ■

WE STUDY

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Song Service

Christina Carroll

Prayer & Scripture

Special Feature

"FLAG Camp"

Offertory

O Divine Redeemer • Charles Gounod

Bible Study

"A Royal Priesthood" • Classes

Theme Song

Make Me a Blessing

Make me a blessing; make me a blessing.
Out of my life may Jesus shine.
Make me a blessing; O Savior, I pray.
Make me a blessing; to someone today.

"Make Me a Blessing," Ira Bishop Wilson
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Benediction

Christina Carroll

ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan
OFFERTORY: Jamila Sylvester, soprano; Joshua Goines, piano

WE WORSHIP 2

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As We Begin

Fanfare for the Common Man • Aaron Copland

Praise

Mighty to Save • How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Prayer

Sharon Terrell

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As We Depart

The Angel Raphael Who Leaves a House of Tobias • Masanori Taryua

WORSHIP COORDINATOR: José Bourget; ORGAN: Kenneth Logan
ACOUSTIC GUITAR: Michael Gibson; BASS GUITAR: Jerry Wasmer; PIANO: Joshua Goines
VOCALS: Melissa Gibson, Vivian Raimundo, Jamila Sylvester
WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Andrews University Wind Symphony; Alan Mitchell, director

SUBMIT announcements by emailing bulletin@pmchurch.org or by going to www.pmchurch.org/announcements/submit. Requests must be received **Monday by 5:00 PM** for consideration.

NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING
Michigan Advance Partners

SUNSET TODAY • 8:25
SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY • 8:32

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DWIGHT K. NELSON
"Gone Fishin'" -4

FINANCIAL FEATURE

PMC OPERATING BUDGET

A savvy investor will always question what their investment is going towards. Today as you attend PMC notice the kids who are attending Sabbath School, notice the lights, notice the members around you and their attentiveness to the sermon, notice the cameras capturing the services so it can be live-streamed to countless people, notice the new members you have never seen before. Your donation to the PMC Operating expense is an investment into the lives of those who will join you in Heaven. The return is eternal and of the highest purpose.

"In Memory With Hope"

Honor the memory of someone who has died since last Easter by join the processional this morning. If you didn't bring an Easter flower today, one will be provided.

Family Vespers
TODAY • 7:00 PM
YOUTH CHAPEL

Come and receive a blessing as we praise God at the close of this Sabbath.

Volunteers Needed

Children's Sabbath School divisions are looking for volunteers. There are many ways to serve. If interested or for more information, contact Claudia (bg1@pmchurch.org) or call/text 269.208.7081.

Spreading Love
TODAY • 3:00 & 3:30 PM
PMC GREEN AWNING

On this special Easter Sabbath, we're excited for two GO: Projects being done in partnership with Lighthouse. At 3 PM a group will head to the Pine Ridge Nursing home in Stevensville to minister to the residents. Then at 3:30 PM we will go around the Berrien Springs community passing out carnations and a free gift to spread Easter joy. Both groups will meet by the green awning in front of the church.

Autism Speaks 5K Run

TOMORROW • 9:00 AM
JOHNSON GYM

Join the Autism Speaks 5K Run co-hosted by three student clubs and the Counseling & Testing Center. Registration begins at 8 AM. Proceeds go directly to Autism Speaks, an organization that sponsors autism research and conducts awareness and promotes solutions for individuals with autism. Sign up at www.runsignup.com by searching Autism Speaks 5K. If you are not interested in running but would like to volunteer, email bruna@andrews.edu!

Birthday Celebration

TOMORROW • 11:00 AM TO 3:00 PM
CHAN SHUN HALL LOBBY

The children of Eleanor Stanhiser would like to invite all church members and community to join Eleanor for an open house and full lunch in honor of her 100th birthday!

Blood Drive

APRIL 17 • 12:00 TO 6:00 PM
PMC COMMONS

Andrews and Michigan Blood are sponsoring a blood drive. Sign up for a time slot at https://donate.miblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/100936. For more information contact Larry Ulery (ulery@andrews.edu or 269.471.3296).

Adventist Forum Meeting

APRIL 22 • 3:30 PM
CHAN SHUN HALL (GARBER AUD.)

Nicholas Miller, Director of International Religious Liberty Institute, will lead a panel discussion entitled "Religious Freedom and Public Morality: Church-State Issues in American Today."

The National Christian Choir Concert

APRIL 29 • 7:00 PM

HOWARD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

The National Christian Choir, an inter-denominational choir based in the Washington, DC, area will present an evening of musical worship! Free admission.

RMES Golf Scramble

APRIL 30

BROOKWOOD GOLF COURSE
(1339 RYNEARSON ST., BUCHANAN)

Join us for a Golf Outing Fundraiser for RMES! We will be golfing in teams of 4 with a shotgun start at 9 AM. Register at MyRMES.org and click on Golf Outing. Registration deadline is April 24. Contact Nicole Price for more info or to sponsor the event (jandnprice4@gmail.com).

Soup for Students

On May 2 let's give some bowls of love to students during finals week. We need commitments for 25 pots of soup and some cookies. We also need volunteers to help clean up after the event. Let us know by April 28 if you can help by calling Lailane Legoh at 269.471.3543.

We Mourn

Today we mourn with Jeffrey Lawson on the death of his father, Earl Lawson. Earl died on April 9. A funeral was held in Clarkston, MI, on April 13. With the Lawson family we look forward to the resurrection morning. "Even so, come Lord Jesus."

More Announcements

For more PMC and community announcements, please visit our website at www.pmchurch.org/announcements.

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ONE PLACE WORSHIP [NEWBOLD AUDITORIUM @11:45A]

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