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LETTER: NEEDED ENHANCEMENTS FOR OUR CHURCH MINISTRIES

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TO: Church Leaders and Pastors

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SUBJECT: Needed Enhancement of our Church Ministries

(This could be one of the most important letters I have ever written to pastors and elders.)

WHY THIS LETTER

PURPOSE: Present aspects from the Bible that can greatly enhance our ministries, seeking more of God's best, in the areas of: (1) becoming more greatly mature in Christ-likeness; (2) doing evangelism in the community and of the children; (3) worship and music; and (4) being greatly prepared for the soon-coming endtimes.

COMMENT: I am coming from my experience and as a team member. God has gifted me to think as a system engineer to help the church, bringing added value by presenting things we may not be adequately doing, but should and could be doing. As you are, I am most willing to help church in ministries. I realize we may differ on some things and do things differently. But this letter is meant to bring info for great added value so we in our churches can have more of God's Best and implement more of His will.

AND UNDERSTAND CLEARLY, WE ARE NOW IN AND ARE HEADING RAPIDLY INTO UNPRECEDENTED TIMES. THE TIMES WILL NEVER AGAIN RETURN TO NORMAL. Most today, even seeing things going bad, do not realize we are heading into Revelation's endtimes and are in intense spiritual warfare and that the soon-coming endtimes will bring a socialistic world government that will take away all our freedoms and free enterprise. The endtimes government will make war against us (Christians), and control everything. Many believe we may miss the endtimes Tribulation. But examining over 40 doctrines at the same time, this will (can) not happen.

REFERENCES: This letter is a summary. After reading this letter-report, please read my December 2008 and my January, February, and March 2009 Newsletter-Reports from my web site for augmented and much needed background. Then read many other documents on my web site. (Biblicalworldviewministries.com)

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

Working as a satellite systems engineer in industry in an advanced systems group, we knew and tried to do **ALL** of what the customer wanted and to the degree he wanted things done. We worked

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for the customer's best with excellence when we designed and built satellite systems - I designed the communication systems part and suggested many needed innovations. People in this group had much experience and always worked to have the customer's and the company's best. I had designed parts of radar and communication hardware systems - much experience. I and others, as a team working together, knew what was best for the systems we were to design. (We all had master's or phd degrees. But just having a phd or a master's degree would not qualify one to be in the group. One had to be "exceptional" with much experience and be a team player. I have had people in the company with advanced degrees that I fired because they were mainly self and pride oriented. They had but little experience for their pay grade and were inadequate contributors.)

In the Church, our customer so to speak is God. So, with my advanced systems group background, my mind automatically searches for **ALL** of what God wants done and to the degree He wants them done (to the degree I could (can) find and know them). That is, to seek God's best in all things, we could have an advanced systems group in our churches with the goal we would seek to find and implement **ALL** of God's requirements and then with spiritual excellence. (And just because one was on church staff, a pastor, an elder, or had a Bible or seminary degree by themselves would not qualify one to be in the group. One, in my view, had to be a sharp academic and spiritual person, one sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit. He now has the experience of living the Christian life "regularly seeking God's best with completeness" and all His requirements, have raised a family, and have been in ministry, leading many to Christ for many years. A recent college graduate normally would not be qualified to be in the group.)

For example, unless one is working to mature their people to the maximum, helping to do "area-wide" local evangelism, have taught and lived out head-subordinate relationships living as Christ lives, working to evangelize the children in the community, and having led many to Christ, one would not generally qualify to be in the Church advanced systems group. (It is a group of those who has and is living the life, one who has accomplished ministry - not just one who plans or is learning to do so.) (Of course there is no Bible teaching for such a group. It is based on God-led experience that brings excellent results in industry when experienced people work together. And those involved from the Church will be taking maximum leading from God. God must be leading the entire group. It is not a do it yourself exercise, just from human thought.)

As stated, I realize we do not always see things the same way. But in this letter, I want to share some things that are part of God's specifications so to speak, that, in my view, and in the view of others, our churches are not adequately doing, but could and should be doing. And I am most willing to help establish and do. Again, I am thinking from the perspective of an advanced systems group wanting to do all that God wants done and to the degree He wants them done.

These omissions to be discussed include the following: (1) Even though our churches may be doing many-many good things, they, in my view, are not adequately maturing her people in Christ toward the maximum; (2) they appear not to be evangelizing the children out in the community such as in after-school Bible clubs (they often have special yearly events in the park to reach the children); they are not working with other churches to evangelize their entire local communities; and (3) they do not recognize the endtimes signs or knows endtimes prophecy. Thus, they do not take action to brief, warn, and

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prepare their people to go through the very soon coming calamity that will place the Church, world, and America under the Tribulation with socialized world government. The Church is operating wrongly as if the current times will continue long term. This will not happen.

The Church(es) will go through the Tribulation because her (their) current falling away is primarily responsible for its coming. Churches may be doing many-many good things (we all believe this), but in some ways is in the process of falling away. We do have good VBS, Awana, and foreign missionary programs. But in today's environment, we need to do more for our families so they will bring their kids up closer in relationship to God and be prepared for the soon-coming endtimes. Of course, many in our church are attempting to do right - but the majority?

And allow me to say this with the objective to bring added value. Because when we are not adequately doing the above or trying seriously to do the above, it is doubtful we have many in our church leaderships that qualify to be in a church advanced systems group. (Why are we not attempting to do the above with excellence.) We can be appointing staff and others to head ministries where they have but little experience and qualifications. Going this route the Church life and ministry will plateau - is plateauing. But qualified "experienced" (not just learners) persons should lead the ministries (e.g. they already know how to become and have taught people to become mature people in Christ to the maximum, have already led many to Christ and have taught evangelism, and understands the endtimes, and that they are coming soon - they should not lead ministries just because they are positionally a pastor, an elder, or on staff). Of course, sometimes, we may not have a choice.

And in many aspects in our ministries, we need more top-down leadership. Much of what we are doing apart from our missions program, VBS, Awana, etc. appears mainly bottoms up waiting for people to step forward wanting to do ministries. Then the elders and pastors support, instead of pushing, selecting, and helping to direct the ministries. This is okay, but, in my view, we strongly need a combination of top down and bottoms up ministry of placing tens of Bible clubs in the schools.

MAXIMUM MATURITY IN CHRIST LIKENESS- THE REASON WE ARE ON THE EARTH (From an Advanced System Perspective)

ENHANCEMENT: Mature our people to gain the highest mature skill level of spiritual ability in Christ-likeness in relationship living as He walked with the Father using a version of God's Whole Counsel that we understand. Pray for more understanding. Understand that our maturity in Christ can (will) be fixed forever at death, and it is needed to relate to and to know God in His depth-breadth throughout eternity. Apart from this pursuit, there is nothing, and training church people to become maximum mature in Christ is the only job of the Church. This training as a minimum should include: (1) God's Plan for history with the spiritual warfare to mature us in Christ (our maturity can be fixed forever at death); (2) Christian-Life Relationship Principles walking as Christ walks; and (3) endtimes prophecy - Post-Tribulation Rapture view.

DISCUSSION: THE MAIN OR ONLY REASON WE ARE ON THE EARTH is to gain a maximum

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high-skill spiritual ability in Christ-likeness in relationship living patterned as Christ walks with the Father based much on faith and love. All of life is to come from the Father as a source. This is for the purpose we can relate to and know God toward the maximum in His perfection in eternity - forever. **APART FROM THIS RELATIONSHIP, THERE IS NOTHING. To gain this maturity, as stated, is the ONLY job of the Church. She has no other job. All of church ministries and Christian lives should lead to growth in this maturity.** In eternity, God will direct every thought and action we will ever have. But the degree He can or may (most likely by His choice) direct and use us very likely depends upon our spiritual mature capability to respond. **We are here now to gain this needed maturity. This is God's plan and the Bible commands that we do.**

Apart from relating to God toward the maximum, there is nothing. And He is infinite in scope. Thus, we should have as our most high priority to mature our people in Christ at the highest possible skill levels we understand. We should pray for more understanding. We must realize that if we do not maximumly mature our people, we can be severely ETERNALLY hurting them for when they enter eternity. *We must not let this happen. (As stated, God commands that we pursue maturity.)*

The description of what characterizes and constitutes a mature Christian should include at least (there is much-much more *and "together," we should and could write out a detailed description*): (1) We are to live by and do only what comes from the Father as a source - living as Christ lives, so when people see us, they in reality see the Father because we, from ourselves, are doing nothing; (2) what and how mature Christians think; (3) what they have become; (4) what they believe and do not believe; (5) what character qualities they have; (6) how they respond to God, using His Holy Spirit, and with what capability; (7) by what principles do they live (such as by love, faith, God's holiness and righteousness) in head-subordinate relationships; (8) will believe the Bible alone (an accurate translation) is God's Word, (9) will fellowship and worship with other Christians; (10) will be living how Christ lives with all coming from the Father (nothing from themselves as a source); and (11) be willing to suffer for Christ's sake; etc. ***And as basic, one must be committed to the person of Christ and living His way for the only reason to live.***

A PERSON SHOULD BE ABLE TO GO SOMEWHERE IN THEIR CHURCH AND READ THESE CHARACTERISTICS IN DETAIL. OTHERWISE, MOST LIKELY, THE CHURCH DOES NOT KNOW THEM SUFFICIENTLY. I DOUBT THEY EXIST AT OR IN MOST CHURCHES. But they could, and we can always update them as we learn more. (Together, working as a team, we, with church leaders, could write many-many of them down. This would give us and our church people an aiming course to follow.)

The concept is to search ALL of Scripture and write down all the characteristics (e.g. knowledge, faith, belief structure, direction, and

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experience) constitutes a maximally mature person in Christ (Outcome), and also from all of Scripture write down all of the things needed (knowledge, pursuit, and experience) for how one gets there - what we must know and live out (Procedure) - discipleship. We can do this together. Most likely, no one has all the info. God wants us to work as a team. We are gifted differently and have different experiences. Thus, we need to work together.

To understand the situation, we must be both OUTCOME and PROCEDURALLY oriented. The above is the outcome God wants for us. There is no direct teaching, but there are several doctrines that loudly signal the maturity in Christ we have at death, we will (most likely) have forever. And God commands now that we pursue this maturity and not go "continuously mainly over and over" the fundamentals of the faith. The time now on the earth is the time that God has planned that we gain this mature spiritual capability in Christ-likeness. Christ is our only role model.

Hebrews 6:1 - Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God,

So what are our churches doing? Where we have very good teaching, we all agree here, they, in my view, are (can be) teaching mainly on the average the fundamentals of the faith, without working for excellence before God to train in depth-breadth with a version of God's Whole Counsel. On a scale of say 0-10, 10 being the highest, the church training (being very good) I observe is in the range of say 0-5. The training for the most part from the big picture is missing in the range 6-10. (These numbers are only arbitrarily chosen to show the example - they are not exact.) Thus, we are not training with a sufficient version of God's Whole Counsel - we do not have a complete curriculum. Thus, we can be guilty of the people's blood. And we are not bringing our people to a maximum maturity of high-skill spiritual ability in Christ-likeness. If we were, they would be training and living out the curriculum listed later in excellence. Most would be in ministry and worshiping with the hymns and like music - Gospel and some spirituals.

Acts 20:26-27 - "Therefore I testify to you this day, that I am innocent of the blood of all men. "For I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole purpose (counsel) of God.

The **minimum** curriculum, in my view, for getting there is what I have put together over the years from many sources is presented below. Learning and "living out" the curriculum is the **PROCEDURE** for how we become mature in Christ (the **OUTCOME**). For your reference, it is repeated below.

(I have taught most of this curriculum before in my Church for many years, and I have lived it out in my family. However, no one should teach this material unless they have studied it in detail, have lived it out in their families, and have much experience in the ministry- including leading many to receive Christ as Savior. In my case, I have led tens of kids to Christ and I witness to 2-8 people each week. One should not be in, is not qualified to be in, the Church advanced systems group unless they know and especially have lived out the principles shared below. Of course we are all continually growing and learning more. We need to help each other. None of us have it all.)

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AS A PROCEDURE (method) to produce **THE OUTCOME** of becoming mature in Christ, we should train (disciple) with **AT LEAST** the following Christian-Life Relationship Principles (No doubt there are many more we can add): (Note: because of the impending soon coming endtimes, we should do this training of all the following with great urgency by those who already have the experience. We can call it: "Project Speed Up." (We may not be able to do all at once in great detail, but we should aim in this direction. When I teach it in the Sunday School, it takes many weeks. But I can give all day seminars on all of them and reference my web site reports where people can gain much more detail at rapid rate.)

1. Believe with conviction, that the Holy Bible (an accurate translation from the original manuscripts, not from another translated Bible) is the only source of our faith from God (no church, no person, and no religion is). (The true believers (both Jews and Gentiles) in Christ as Savior are the Church. The Church uses organization activities and buildings, but they are not the church. Thus, in the biblical sense, one cannot go to church. But instead the Church assembles for worship (such as in buildings or in homes)).

The true Church, founded only on the efficacious Cross of Christ (without the need of works or water baptism or the need to join anything such as some church or organization), is a personal relationship with Christ and with God. It is not a religion. It uses organization, but it is not an organization. However, one needs to activate their faith in the Cross to have living faith by some biblical action such as by a prayer, confession of Christ to others, or water baptism. But one is not saved by these actions - we are saved "only" by faith in the Cross - what Christ has done. **The Cross is efficacious - is totally complete in itself.**

(In our worship services and personal study, we will use an accurate translated (not an interpreted) Bible from the original manuscripts (e.g. use KJ, NKJ, and NAS), no paraphrases - I do not want to use even the NIV. We should want to learn from an accurately translated Bible, not one that contains much personal interpretation and potential many interpretation errors, just because the English provides better listening and reading. Of course, some times we may not have a choice. Then we should use the best Bible available.)

2. Learn to glorify, please, honor, praise, worship, and obey God (only God is Great, holy, righteous, and true) in all that we think and do. Our lives should be Christ and God centered in every aspect. We are to be humble and do all things to the glory of God - things coming from Him as a source. We are to trust God, not ourselves, to work all things together for good. We should study God's attributes to learn of His absolute and infinite Greatness. This will help us to love Him greatly and obey His commandments toward the utmost.

(We glorify God by being obedient to what He has asked us to do and live out. Then when people see us, they will see Him through us, because we are doing nothing from ourselves as a source. He does not accept glory from anything that comes from us as a source - we are depraved and He is the source of all knowledge etc. He alone has perfection.) Our Lord said:

John 17:4 - "I glorified Thee on the earth, having accomplished the work which Thou hast given Me to do.

3. Learn to live godly as Christ does in a head-subordinate relationship with the Father with everything coming from the Father as a source. Then people see Him, not us, as we live our

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lives. Thus, we should learn to live by head-subordinate relationships in our families and world patterned after Christ's walk with the Father. The Father is head of Christ. Christ is the head of man. Man is the head of women. Parents are head of children. Live by love to serve God and each other sacrificially, keeping God's commandments (we should know them). When we do, we live holy and righteously. Live by faith trusting God to fulfill His promises (we should memorize them). When we do, we live without sin, are partakers of our divine nature, and receive revelation of the Scriptures from God - even the revelation needed for church ministries. We activate our faith by obeying the instructions with the promise. Have the character qualities for Church leadership and those of the beatitudes.

(Having studied and taught these principles, my wife and I lived by these head-subordinate relationships throughout our entire marriage. We had unity in everything. Now our kids are living by them. Of course we had to learn to live them out.)

4. Help accomplish Christ's ministry (work) under His leadership, being led of the Holy Spirit (using our spiritual gifts as team members together) of: (1) evangelizing "complete" local areas, especially the children (one can be trained by and work with Child Evangelism Fellowship to establish tens of after-school Bible clubs); (2) discipling believers to reach a maximum maturity in Christ - outcome (not just working to have spiritual growth in Christ - procedure); (3) planting new churches; (4) especially building godly families; and (5) reaching out to and helping the needy.
5. Know, believe, and stand strong on the basic doctrines of the Christian faith such as contained in a good and detailed Church doctrinal statement. Believing these doctrines greatly build our faith. But they must be accurate, complete, well described, and true or we can believe wrongly without our knowing it. (See my doctrinal statements on my web site for examples.)
6. Know the details of God's Plan for all of biblical history for people to take them to a maximum maturity in Christ. This includes the spiritual warfare and what must happen before Christ will bring the endtimes Tribulation and Rapture of the Church. It includes the doctrines that signal the maturity we have at death, we may have forever, and we need it to know and relate to God toward the fullest in eternity. (See my web site report: *God's Plan Over History for Man to Become Mature in Christ Needed to Eternally Know and Relate to Our Perfect God in His Greatness.*)
7. Know endtimes prophecy in some detail for the Post-Tribulation Rapture with the endtimes pattern sequence, patterned after the one God used with Old Testament Israel. Knowing this sequence allows us to know how Revelation's events unfold.) See my web site report: *The Pattern View of Prophecy* and chapter 5 from my book: *Watchman Warning: The Pattern Sequence of Revelation* for a detailed development from the Scriptures. This chapter is also on my web site.)
8. Have personal daily devotions with God in prayer, reading our Bibles, and needed Christian materials. (See my web site report: *Living by God's Righteousness.*)

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9. Fellowship and share with other believers in homes and Church services (which could be in homes.)

RECOGNIZE: That in the church, we have the gung ho, the very faithful, the watchers, and new people. Very likely mainly the gung ho and faithful with some new people will want to take the above training. Because of the times, the percentage of watchers and new people (mainly the youth) is increasing. (Our children now are being overcome with homework, rock music, I-pod's, TV, and computer games. They have little time for the Bible and even church.) We must in some manner provide the needed training for these people, such as from the pulpit, in seminars, special training, and in the Sunday School. ***However, even so, we as leaders and trainers should spend about 80% or so of our time with the gung ho and the very faithful, not what we are now mainly doing with the new people. If we do not train our gung ho and faithful to reach a maximum maturity in Christ and get them in ministry, our church life and ministry will plateau. This appears to be happening now.***

However, there are some difficulties. Those who sit under rock music, in my observation and reading, are very often desensitized to the training of the Holy Spirit and are not seriously interested in learning or being in ministry. They take on bad and very hurting wrong habits. I realize that all may not believe this, but I researched the situation a few years ago. I ask you to pray about it.

We, in my view, are not adequately maturing our youth. I have asked youth from several churches periodically who sit under rock music about 8 questions, and they cannot answer or struggle to answer any of them. Many of our youth are leaving the church when they go to college. We must now get them trained and in ministry. Once they see God using them in ministry, they are more apt to stay in the Church and in ministry. CEF has excellent CYIA (Christian Youth in Action) training in e.g. June in many churches to train for ministry. Many young people having taken the training, God has used them to lead children to and disciple them in Christ such as in summer 5 day clubs. They are now no longer the same people. God has changed them.

EVANGELIZATION

ENHANCEMENT: Train our people and have them help evangelize our complete local area and also, most importantly, establish tens of after-school Bible clubs to evangelize and disciple children, working with CEF. We can reach 20-40 kids or more per club. (We have about 28 students in the School Club where I work and minister.) This will help our churches and nation to change and implement the Great Commission in a much greater sense.

DISCUSSION: The Bible tells us we should evangelize the children and the entire world - even our entire **LOCAL** world. Our churches need to most-most-most greatly enhance their evangelizing of the children in the community and work with other churches to evangelize their entire local community. I share the Gospel with 2-8 people in Silicon Valley each week in divine appointments and more than half of the people I talk with, do not know there even is a Gospel. So are we doing our job?

We can use different strategies in the evangelism such as on-the-way to divine appointments as I do, work with other churches to establish tens of after-school Bible clubs, have frequent crusades,

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home Bible studies, and work with: (1) Youth for Christ; (2) Campus Crusades; and (3) especially CEF.

We should now go all out, as I have previously encouraged, (even working with other churches) to work with CEF and help establish “**TENS**” of after Bible school clubs **AS A MAJOR-MAJOR-MAJOR CHURCH MINISTRY** sponsored by the elders while the schools remain open (but with the impact of this coming fairness doctrine?). As you may know, 85% of the people who come to Christ do so between the ages of 4-14. 99% of those coming to Christ do so before leaving college. ***The Bible teaches that as our children are trained, they live that way as they grow up. So if you want to change the church and build our nation for God, we need to evangelize and disciple the children to maturity urgently at very-very high priority. It must be a major-major church ministry. But what are we doing? We need to make urgent and major changes. CEF staff can help in the training. In this training, we use the CEF training materials, CEF music and songs, and never rock-type music.***

The CEF ministry, will, in the long-run, transform our church to use the proper music, have good training, and be throughout a more mature church. It would help to change the world. (We would do well to use CEF materials in our Sunday School and have CEF train our Sunday School teachers. We must carefully control the training materials in our Junior and Senior High groups to be sure we are actually on the way to maturity as defined by the above curriculum.

THUS WE SHOULD NOW HAVE EVANGELIZING OF THE CHILDREN AS ONE OF OUR MOST-MOST-MOST HIGHEST PRIORITIES. This is my view. And I and others are here to help. CEF can provide the staff to train our people and provide the initial leadership.

(Because most of our children are reared in secular ways is one major reason that only 1% of the people come to Christ after college.)

SIGNS NOW LOUDLY SIGNAL THAT REVELATION’S ENDTIMES ARE SOON COMING; WE MUST NOW URGENTLY BRIEF, WARN, AND MATURE OUR PEOPLE, INCLUDING OUR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

ENHANCEMENT: Warn, brief, prepare, and train our church people about the soon-coming endtimes Tribulation so they can be prepared for its coming with calamity and world government

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and will not be caught blind-sided. Train them to stand strong under persecution to gain more maturity for Christ. The calamity will come suddenly without warning in a whirlwind apart from the signs and the watchman's warning. ***The signs all around us now signal the Tribulation can come at any time. Thus, this letter brings a watchman warning.***

DISCUSSION: Many elders and pastors have not taken a position for how the endtimes unfold. When you discuss prophecy with them, they say just compare the views. This implies they do not know prophecy or they have not chosen a view. However, one must hedge about being wrong if one does not believe there is an endtimes Tribulation or that we will not go through it and prepare as if we will go through *it*. ***We must not be wrong or not prepare for the sake of our people. And we must not let our people be caught blind sided.***

The signs signaling the endtimes Tribulation could come at any time have been here for some time. ***BUT I HAVE NEVER SEEN THEM SO ACUTE AND SO STRONG AND EASILY OBSERVABLE AS THEY ARE NOW.*** The signs include: a most severe financial crisis, extreme severe weather, fairness doctrine (killing free talk), giving children rights, same sex marriages with abortion (so the elect might not be born and give Satan more power), an increase in immorality, and the falling away of our churches country wide. There are many more. ***The exact timing of the soon-coming Tribulation is of course only known by God. But we should be briefed, warned, prepared, trained in advance, as insurance, for whenever it comes. What if it came this year, next year, or in the next few years?***

The Bible's doctrines clearly teach without ambiguity there is an endtimes Tribulation and that the Church will go through it. (I have studied over 50 books re prophecy (about all the major views held by theologians - more than six) and my view is founded on the harmonization of over 40 doctrines - using God's training in system engineering where everything must work - must find the harmonization of all Scripture - as much as one can find. This does not make me right, but more apt to be right. I have found that interpreters very often do not include sufficient doctrines in the founding of their views as presented in their publications - so they make terrible errors.) The Church will go through the Tribulation because she is responsible for its coming. For a good short summary, see my March 2009 website newsletter report.

The Scriptures that many interpreters leave out are those for why we are on the earth, what must happen before the Tribulation and Rapture can come, and what the Cross accomplished in addition to salvation. The Tribulation comes in the endtimes sequence as the church falls away. The Rapture cannot occur until all people who are to live, have lived and made formal decisions to accept or deny the Gospel in the endtimes Great Tribulation. The Cross broke down the barrier of the dividing wall between the Jew and Gentile so that these as believers are one in Christ as the Church and Body of Christ without ethnic division.

The reason we are on the earth is to become mature in Christ. This is so we can relate to and know our only God toward His fulness. As stated many times, apart from this relationship, there is nothing. It does not matter where we live on earth. All believers, both Jews and Gentiles, are the Church and single Body of Christ. Christ does not have two bodies such as Israel and the Church. All believers (no exceptions) have been called out of the Dominion of Satan into the Kingdom of God. As such, they all are the Church.

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The Cross caused the situation that God **WILL NEVER EVER** bring back animal sacrifices and physical temples. ***Doing so would deny the efficaciousness of the Cross.*** The Church is now the sanctuary of God and is to be a living sacrifice. Christ is now marrying the Church and thus, has divorced Israel as a covenant nation. He cannot have two wives at the same time. These doctrines taken together show clearly that Dispensational Theology with a Pre-Tribulation Rapture, a Jewish Tribulation (the Tribulation is actually all nations in characteristic), and a Jewish 1000 years will never happen. This theology is not taught in Scripture and neither are any views that state there is no endtimes Tribulation.

Understanding prophecy is a situation that is a bit complex for it has many facets. But reading my referenced and other web site reports under Prophecy and my prophecy books will fill in the needed background. It takes time to see the many facets, but I have presented them in my web site reports.

Our churches appear to be operating as if the current times will continue long term. They do not know or recognize the signs that signal the calamity bringing the endtimes Tribulation can come soon. This is a most major and terrible mistake. We must now urgently warn, brief, and prepare our people (train them to gain maturity and put in some provisions for say 3 months) now while we still can in freedom. If we do not, our people will be (can be) caught blind-sided and totally unprepared to go through the endtimes and for eternity when the calamity comes suddenly without warning in a whirlwind except from the existing prevalent signs and the message from the watchmen. This note, as stated, brings a watchman warning.

When the endtimes calamity comes, in my view, the government in time, using the military, will arrest and martyr many pastors, and church and patriot leaders. At this time, church pastors and leaders need to go to places of secret refuge or their ministry will be over. In this Tribulation period over time, the government will make war with the Church (bring great persecution and martyrdom) and satanically educate our children without Christ and the Bible, and without our permission. The government will establish its own religion and make war to destroy Christianity, Judaism, and Islam. Then we will have a most immature church, with but few alive who know the Bible. ***Our churches are now fueling this situation.*** It most likely martyr those who do not or cannot work. Food and water will be at a premium. The times will be most terrible. Again, see our referenced reports.

Please understand, the times are no longer normal. We are now in the endtimes sequence. As church leaders, not to warn and to brief our people, in my view, is being most irresponsible. I am willing to help with seminars. We must realize that the coming endtimes are going to be much-much worse than most think. Our freedoms and free enterprise will be gone. We will be in socialistic world government control in all areas, including control of all property, banks, and businesses.

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The reports on my web site teach clearly without ambiguity the Rapture of the Church will be Post-Tribulation. A Pre-Tribulation Rapture is not possible and will not and can not happen. The Rapture cannot happen until the heavenly court declares Christ is the winner of the spiritual warfare over Satan at the seventh trumpet, occurring after the endtimes Tribulation. The Rapture occurs at the last trumpet, occurring after the seventh trumpet. The Rapture cannot happen, as stated, until **AFTER** all people who are to live have lived and have made formal decisions to accept or deny the Gospel - the wheat cannot be separate from the tares (in Rapture) until after all the tares are bundled for the fire. **No one is born or saved after the Rapture.** And there definitely is an endtimes Tribulation. Christ casts **the persons** of the beast and false prophet into the Lake of Fire at His Second Coming. Once you understand the endtimes pattern sequence in my reports you will be thoroughly convinced of these truths.

Very few today appear to know Bible prophecy in any detail. There are many aspects to learn and most today will not read more than a paragraph. And many assign the present times to be just another period in history with the endtimes Tribulation still a long time away. And Dispensationalists (Pre-Trib Rapture, Jewish Tribulation, and Jewish 1000 years), very often appearing being paranoid, do not want to read new materials. Most reformed theologians believe the Rapture comes at Christ's Second Coming after the Tribulation at the marriage of the Lamb. Thus, reformed theologians also believe in an endtimes Tribulation. Thus, many believe in a Post-Tribulation Rapture at Christ's Second Coming. (Some believe wrongly there is no endtimes Tribulation.)

Please understand, many churches have not taught any significant prophecy in any depth for many years. Our young people do not know prophecy and will not know what is happening now and when the Tribulation comes with world government. ***This will cause many to fall away because they do not realize their maturity in Christ is fixed at death and their standing strong without falling away will increase their maturity.***

MUSIC IN OUR CHURCH AND CHURCHES

ENHANCEMENT: Maintain a church service with only the great hymns that describe the greatness of God so that people can worship God in spirit and in truth with all their hearts. (Such worship, in my view and experience, is not possible to this greatness under Rock type music and poor choouses.) **We have this wonderful worship with great music in our CEF international conferences where people, highly committed to Christ, sing from their hearts. One can hear the hearts of the people singing to the Lord and God that they love, know, and serve. It is simply awesome.**

DISCUSSION: I fully realize the subject of music is most controversial. We all have our opinions. Many churches have two services (One with rock music and one with the great hymns) that have produced two churches without unity for worship. The Bible teaches we should have unity in all things. So this split is a type of sin. Many churches use only contemporary music and many others use only the hymns or even Gospel

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or spirituals. People who reject rock music do so because they strongly believe it is not of God - it is not a matter of personal choice.

Psalm 133:1 - Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity!

John 17:23 - I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected in unity, so that the world may know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You have loved Me.

Colossians 3:14 - Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity.

That which follows is my view based upon observation and research. One should pray about God's view.

Rock music is now going to most of our churches country-wide (except in the reformed churches and Gospel chapels) and is a sign of a major falling away. (Reports show that this kind of music came from Voodooism and has been used to call up evil spirits and demons.) With this music, our churches are training now with mostly pabulum to reach the youth. Satan is using the system to transform our churches from orthodoxy to become the immature church with a loss of biblical intellect and with a very low plateau of biblical knowledge. **Fully realize that mature people in Christ do not want the rock music because they believe it is not of God (can bring worship to Satan) and does not bring Him worship - it is not just one of only a personal choice.** Please pray about this.

In my experience in various places, including in CEF international meetings, as stated above, when people get together who are: (1) in the ministry; (2) are greatly committed to Christ; and (3) have led tens of people to Christ, they sing the great hymns most greatly from their hearts to the living God they love and serve when singing such as: **To God Be the Glory. Listening to the people sing from their hearts is just awesome. As stated, we had such music in many of our national and international CEF meetings. Such devotion cannot be expressed under rock music and poor choruses - my view.**

In other words, we should choose music that brings maximum worship to God, particularly as He sees it, as the first priority in our choice. Second priority, can be what we like. We should like what gives maximum worship to God. Going in this direction, in my view, one will never use rock music.

I pray every Sunday morning before going to Church that I can worship God in spirit and in truth with the hymns from my heart and that the worship service will bring Him maximum worship. And can there be something special there for me. One Sunday, He answered my prayer and we sang: *The Lord's Prayer* - a most favorite of mine - the tears were in my eyes.

MY OBSERVATION: Where there may (can) be some exceptions, those who use this rock loud repetitive beat music, in my view, generally are immature Christians, do not have doctrinal discernment, many are not in ministry and will not attend special training sessions, and, although not meaning to, give worship to the creature, not to the creator. Their Christian lives have plateaued. Those who sit regularly under rock-type music most likely will not gain much

additional maturity. (I realize some disagree with me.)

Leaders allowing and promoting rock music have not researched the source of loud repetitive beat music. The literature states, as presented above, it has been used in Voodooism to call up evil spirits and demons. The use of rock type music, in my view, is an abomination before God. What is most terrible, our churches are bringing their youth up under such music and use the music because it draws the youth into the church.

We must appreciate that trained musicians tell us that good music must have the melody dominate, then the harmony, and the rhythm under control. Would not our God use good music characteristics? This is what I believe. Having drums etc is not wrong as long as they are played properly. Rhythm brings fun and life to the music - such as a full orchestra does.)

The trends signal that over time when the older people die or are incarcerated, the great hymns will die away. We will sing mostly rock and other contemporary music and few will know the Bible. The great worship of God will diminish We will have a most immature church with much fewer in ministry. Going this way is satanic strategy and gives him more power to reign. The great praise to God for who and what He is will have greatly diminished. It, in my view, is greatly diminishing now as most of our churches are going to pablum teaching and using rock-type music. (I fully realize that people who use rock music can and will differ with me.)

(Although I do not approve, under the existing circumstances of operating under rock music, we may do well to continue to draw the youth into church and into salvation. This can be good, even though they will not gain much spiritual maturity. Louis Palau uses such music in his crusades to reach thousands of youth. It is better to be saved and go to heaven, rather than not be saved. But such music does (can) not bring honor to God.)

HOW I CAN AND AM MOST WILLING TO HELP

Under the direction of church elders, I can give a seminar(s) in the three-fold approach: (1) Christian-Life Relationship Principles to help mature our people, including our youth (see above curriculum); (2) How the entire Bible goes together over history using spiritual warfare to implement God's Plan to bring people to maturity in Christ (so we can know and relate to God at the maximum in eternity); and (3) how and why the events of endtimes prophecy unfold and how we should and must now prepare with urgency. These three topics gives one

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a most needed foundation. The seminars can be given without talking about music. ***All of our church people should be trained with these topics. God has led me over the years, taking info from many sources, to major in detail in these three topics. I summarize these in my web site March 2009 Newsletter-Report.***