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INSIDE VIEW

Rev. Kevin Scott

As Christmas approaches, the world begins to slow down. The streets fill with twinkling lights, homes are adorned with wreaths and stockings, and families gather to celebrate the joy of the season. But for truck drivers, Christmas often means long hours on the road, miles and miles from home. The road may feel lonely at times, but it is also a reminder of the deeper journey we all are on—one of faith, hope, and love, just like the story of the birth of Jesus.

For over 2,000 years, the birth of Jesus has been celebrated—a humble child born in a manger in Bethlehem. It's a story that is familiar to many, one that carries a powerful message that resonates with those who spend their lives on the road. Jesus' family had to travel a long distance, not by their choice but because they were told they needed to. Mary and Joseph, in the final days of her pregnancy, took a long and difficult journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem. They, too, knew the hardships of the road, the unpredictability of the weather, and the uncertainty of what lay ahead.

It was during this journey that a miracle took place—the Son of God was born, not in a palace, but in a stable, a symbol of humility and hope. It reminds us that sometimes the greatest blessings come in unexpected places. And for those of us traveling long hours delivering goods and keeping the wheels of our countries turning, we can find purpose and meaning in this season. Like Mary and Joseph, we are part of something bigger than ourselves.

Every mile you drive, every delivery you make, is part of something bigger. You keep the world moving. You ensure that stores are stocked, that goods reach people in need, and that the wheels of our economies keep turning. Your hard work and dedication may often go unnoticed, but you are a vital part of the greater good, just as Jesus' birth was the beginning of a journey that would change the world forever.

Take a moment, whether it's at a truck stop or on a quiet stretch of highway, to reflect on your journey—your accomplishments, your challenges, and the people who love and support you. Think of the ways your work has helped others. And as you reflect, allow the peace of Christmas to fill your heart, knowing that what you are doing matters and you are not in this on your own. In fact, this whole season is about us not being alone, but rather God wanting to have a relationship with us, to be with us.

The Christmas season is a reminder of God's love for you—a love that came down to earth in the form of a tiny baby, born to save the world. That baby grew up, lived a perfect life, and then gave His life on the cross to pay the price for our sins. Through His death and resurrection, He made it possible for each of us to be forgiven and reconciled to God.

If you've never accepted the gift of salvation that Jesus offers, this Christmas is a perfect time to open your heart to Him. You can turn to the back of this magazine and the ABCs will walk you through this process. You can also call the DriversMatter line or talk to one of the chaplains. It's my prayer for you that this Christmas you let His love fill your heart, His peace guide you on your journey, and in Him you find true rest and peace.

About the author: Kevin has accepted the role of TFC's Executive Director. He is a second-generation TFC staff member—his parents, Murray and Audrey, founded Overseas Ministries in 1994. Kevin and his wife, Lisa, pastored for 20 years as their children were growing up, before joining the Overseas Ministries Team in 2012. He later stepped into the lead role of Overseas Ministries, with Murray continuing to work with him. He will continue this role as he takes over the lead role of TFC to make a difference in the lives of drivers everywhere. He can be reached at kevin@transportforchrist.ca .

On the cover: *A 2009 Peterbilt 386 owned by David & Ingrid Stoetzel; it has 2.3 million km (1.4 million miles) on the C-13 Cat engine. It's got a 72" studio bunk, and is used to pull 103,000 lb. peat moss five days a week.*

The Life of a Trucker's Wife

Whose Husband Put the Family First

By Beverley Robson, Ph.D.

The book of Proverbs, in the Bible, asks the question "Who can find a virtuous wife?" Surely no one needs such a wife more than a truck driver! Proverbs goes on to say that her worth is far above rubies. Her husband trusts her. She does him good and not evil all the days of her life.

Ingrid Stoetzel of Winnipeg, Manitoba, proved to be that kind of wife to her husband, Dave. During his years as a long-haul trucker, Dave made a supreme sacrifice. He put the needs of his family above truck driving, the one and only occupation he had ever wanted. He loved trucking!

In their early years of marriage, Dave and Ingrid faced the customary challenges of a family with a truck driving husband and dad: Break-downs. Bills. Accidents. Bad weather. Ingrid managing family life at home—alone. More bills. Dave away trying to earn an income to pay those bills. There were good times too, but the time came when Dave, at the request of his wife, had to make a life-altering decision.

The children, now in their teenage years, needed the security that comes with a father's presence. Just like our Heavenly Father, an earthly truck driving father needs to be present in the lives of his children. They needed him. Ingrid impressed that strong need on Dave and, as the Christian father and man that he was, he put truck driving aside all throughout the teenage years of his children.

Dave and Ingrid's family flourished! The results were immediate. Friends even asked, "What did you do to your kids? They talk!" Dad and kids did things like play hockey TOGETHER! Mom and Dad would sit and listen TOGETHER as their kids told stories of their exploits. The kids came alive! Then they grew up, moved away and started having families of their own. That decision made by Dave and Ingrid for him to remain home was made by them TOGETHER. The rewards lasted a lifetime.

Families are the building blocks of society. Yet trucking is by its very nature an isolating occupation. Husbands and wives are often compelled to be separated while raising a family. Dave and Ingrid, governed by faith and respect for one another, demonstrated that families can grow strong and be strong. Dave's example as a spiritual leader to the family and Ingrid's strength and honor as a wife and mother served to build a strong building block, their Christ-honouring family.

Dave went back on the road to haul, but, loving his new life at home, he now only does short daily hauls. He's bought a motorcycle and TOGETHER he and Ingrid joined, and enjoy, the Christian Motorcyclists Association, where sharing the Gospel is their primary love and endeavour.

"A woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised" (Proverbs 31:31).

"He Is a God of Second Chances!"

By Chaplain David Kororo, Zimbabwe Ministry Team

Chaplain David with his long nose Fleet 192

As I sit down to write this article, I am filled with gratitude. You see, I've been given a second chance to make a difference in the lives of my fellow truckers, and I'm determined to use this opportunity to share the love of Christ.

My name is David Kororo, and I've been a driver for 42 years. My driving life started with driving local buses, then I moved to driving for a local brewery company. From there I went on to drive for other companies including several oil companies. During all those years I was living a life without Christ. I was lost, searching for meaning and purpose in all the wrong places. My praying wife kept hoping, saying that in God's time I would come around. I was a good provider—my family never lacked for anything, and my job even gave them a middle-class lifestyle including a house in the "suburbs" as we call the less populated residential areas with a bit larger yards.

But then something amazing happened eight years ago—I gave my life to Jesus, and everything changed. I began to see the world in a new light, and my priorities shifted. I realized that my work was not just about delivering goods from point A to point B, but also about sharing the good news of the Gospel with those around me.

Recently I made the decision to return to one of my old companies, and that has both its challenges and advantages. Many of my former colleagues are curious about the changes they see in me. There are also many newer, younger drivers who are still excited about life as a truck driver, and my desire is that they will not make the mistakes I made. "I've been born again," I tell them; "I've found a new life in Christ, and it's transformed everything."

Their responses vary, but I can see the curiosity in their eyes. Some ask questions and others listen intently, while a few are skeptical. Nevertheless, I'm not discouraged. I tell them how I was changed from a life of drunkenness and womanizing to a life of peace and purpose, and now I am Lead Road Chaplain with a ministry to truck drivers called ACTSA.

As I drive, I'm prayerfully seeking opportunities to share my faith with my fellow truckers. I carry my Bible and copies of *Good News for Life's Highway* that I get from our ACTSA Chapel at Beitbridge to hand out wherever I go. Most recently, while stopped at a truck stop, I struck up a conversation with a fellow driver. We talked about a lot of things, including politics and family. Then I sensed an opening to ask about his life. He looked at me with surprise, but then began to open up about his struggles and fears. I listened attentively and then shared words of encouragement and hope with him. Before we parted ways, I handed him a copy of the Gospel of John and a tract. "This is the answer to all your questions," I told him. He smiled, and I could see the seeds of faith being planted.

This is just the beginning of my journey, and I'm excited to see what God has in store. As Christian truckers we have a unique platform to share the Gospel with those around us. I am close to reaching my retirement age and have already resolved that when that time comes, I will go into full-time ministry to truck drivers!

HISTORY OUR STORY

King Solomon, a Master Builder

Solomon, the third King of Israel, reigned during a time of peace and prosperity. The empire flourished under his rule and King Solomon accumulated immense wealth. The Bible says that "the king made silver and gold as common in Jerusalem as stones. King Solomon was greater in riches and wisdom than all the other kings of the earth" (1 Kings 10:23).

His father, King David, had wanted to build a temple for the Name of the Lord in Jerusalem, but God had said that, because he was a man of war, he should not build the House of the Lord. Instead, his son Solomon, who was a man of peace, would build the temple, so David made extensive preparations for the temple before he died. The Lord had given him the vision for the temple and based on that he prepared plans for the building. He also accumulated huge quantities of building materials, including prepared stone, more cedar logs than could be counted, more bronze and iron than could be weighed, 100,000 talents of gold and 1 million talents of silver and other precious stones. At today's spot rate of approximately $3,600 CAD, 100,000 talents of gold (7,500,000 pounds) would be worth over $434 billion.

Your life and story are important, and God has a special part of His Story to write with you specifically in mind. Throughout human history, He has chosen to interact with regular people like you and me to fulfil His plan. Each Christian, each follower of Jesus Christ, has a unique place in His Story.

Solomon assembled 70,000 laborers, 80,000 stone masons, carpenters and other craftsmen, and 3,600 foremen, and began the work on the project in the fourth year of his reign. He said, "The temple I am going to build will be great, because our God is greater than all other gods, but… who is able to build a temple for Him, since the heavens, even the highest heavens cannot contain Him?" (2 Chronicles 2: 5-6). The work was completed in about seven years, and King Solomon held a great celebration to dedicate the magnificent temple as the dwelling place of the Lord. The priests and singers raised their voices in praise to the Lord saying, "He is good, His love endures forever." After Solomon finished praying, the "glory of the Lord filled the temple."

The Lord appeared to Solomon and said: "I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself. If my people will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear … and will forgive their sin" (2 Chronicles 7:14).

Today, three thousand years after Solomon lived, Christians still have this good news to share. God's love is the same and endures forever. He still offers forgiveness of our sin if we repent and believe in Jesus, His Son, who died to give us new life.

Solomon, in his position as king of a powerful world empire, had an impact not only on the whole nation of Israel but well beyond its borders. The construction of this majestic temple was a very public declaration of his faith in God and of his decision to both follow God and encourage the nation to join him in following the God of their fathers. The temple became the focal point of worship to God and Jerusalem became the spiritual and political center for Israel. While we do not have the public platform that King Solomon did, each of us, as Christ followers, does have a sphere of influence with family, friends and work colleagues.

May we be encouraged by Solomon's example to share the love and truth of Jesus today with those in our lives, because we are God's ambassadors.

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* REPORTING FROM ZAMBIA *

The Message Was Better than a Soccer Game...

~ By Chaplain Enaritta Phiri, Zambia Ministry Team ~

There has been an alarming increase of road accidents on our highways lately involving buses and trucks, claiming many lives. One cause of these accidents can be attributed to the influx of new investors in the commercial transportation industry. This has resulted in a rapid increase of commercial vehicles on our ever-deteriorating highways.

The competition among truck drivers for quick turnaround trips has bred a culture of careless speeding on the highways, resulting in the increase of these accidents. As a result, many truck drivers are gripped with the fear of death as they see mangled remains of trucks everywhere along the highways—they are reminded that they could be the next victims who never return home to see their loved ones.

From left to right, Chaplain David, George, Philip, Chaplain Enaritta

At one truck stop, my dad [Chaplain David Phiri] and I met three Zimbabwean truck drivers and two women who were seated under a shade tree as they prepared their late-afternoon meals. There was a baby lying on a straw mat on the ground. They all seemed happy and relaxed, having a good time. As we were about to get out of the car to approach them, I was daunted by a feeling that we would be unwelcome visitors intruding into a family's happy moment. When I told dad how I felt, he said, "When you have prayed for God's guidance, then believe that He is leading you to the people you meet, regardless of their circumstances. The test of your faith is how boldly you make your move."

We approached them and, after greetings, dad introduced us and our mission to truck drivers. The two women gave us their seats and sat on the straw mat next to the sleeping baby, but when dad started speaking they rose and went to attend to the cooking and other duties. The three drivers, who were watching a soccer game on the phone when we approached them, introduced themselves as Mugabe, Philip and George. As he usually does, dad began by expressing how much we appreciated the important work that truck drivers do in serving people with their deliveries. He told them that we prayed for them and their families because we were aware of the dangers they faced on the road. At this, Philip and George started paying attention to what dad was saying; Mugabe, however, showed no interest in what was being said and tried to distract the attention of his friends by loudly commenting on the soccer game. When the baby woke up and began to cry, Mugabe picked it up and held it in his arms, and his interruptions ceased. Meanwhile, one of the women fetched a chair from somewhere and sat next to Mugabe, relieving him of the baby (they acted like husband and wife). When we asked if we could take pictures with them, Philip and George agreed but Mugabe vehemently objected to our request, so we did not take pictures of the whole group.

At this point dad asked me if I had something to share. I was prompted in my spirit to talk about the fear of death because I had taken note of how the drivers reacted when dad mentioned praying for their safety on the road. I don't normally go to the truck stops with a pre-rehearsed message—I rely on the leading of the Holy Spirit to give me a word out of the Scriptures stored in my heart. So when dad asked me if I had something to share, I remembered something one driver had recently posted on Facebook—he praised God because, for the first time, he drove through an accident-prone hilly area called *Kapiringozi* without seeing a single truck accident in that place (he said a week never passes without a serious accident occurring there). The name *Kapiringozi* means "hill of accidents," and others have named it "the devil's altar of blood sacrifice" because of the many lives lost there.

So I said, “We understand how the loss of your colleagues in road accidents affects you when you are on the road.” Philip, George and Mugabe (who was now paying attention) nodded their heads in agreement. “The good news is that Jesus broke the power of death,” I continued, “and in the book of Hebrews in the Bible it says that Jesus Christ came in the flesh to destroy him who had the power of death (the devil), and to release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. Christ saw that people were living under the bondage of the fear of death, and He came to set us free from it. Another text in the Bible says that ‘The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, upon them a light has shined.’ This light is Jesus Christ and His Gospel. Salvation in Jesus also means safety in Him. Therefore, if you hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ and put your trust in Him, He will deliver you from the power of the darkness of sin and death and put you in His light of everlasting life and divine protection.”

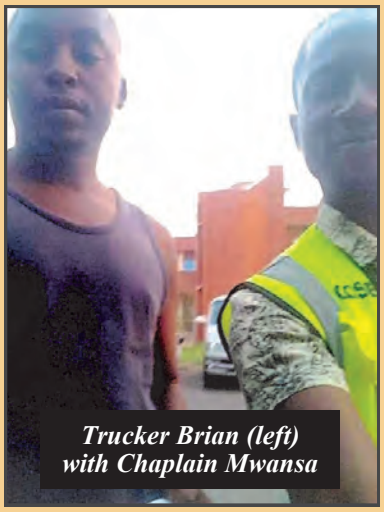
At this point I asked them to turn to the ABCs at the back of the Good News for Life’s Highway magazine, and I said, “The power of death is sin because in Romans 6:23 the Bible says, ‘For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.’ Now, a gift needs to be accepted to become yours, or you may decide to reject it. If you are willing to accept this gift of salvation in Jesus Christ, we can help you to receive Him right now in prayer.” They all said yes, and we prayed with them.

...and Better than a Magazine About Trucks!

By Chaplain Mwansa, Zambia Ministry Team

Driver Brian was sitting outside his truck when I approached him and greeted him. After introductions, I offered him a copy of the *Good News for Life’s Highway* magazine. He took it thinking it was about trucks, but when he looked inside and saw that it had Christian stories, he asked me what the magazine was really about.

I explained that our mission was to preach the Gospel to truck drivers. Our work and the testimonies of some drivers we meet are also included in the magazine to encourage other drivers. Brian then shared his own amazing story concerning an incident that happened to him not long ago. “I was driving on a six-lane highway in South Africa, delivering goods to the Port. Vehicles travel at very high speed on that highway; I was also travelling as fast as my loaded truck could go, when suddenly a relatively new tire on my truck burst. I lost control of my truck and started veering all over the six lanes until I was able to come to a complete stop. Needless to say, I was badly shaken!



Trucker Brian (left) with Chaplain Mwansa

“To this day,” he continued, “I cannot tell why there were no other vehicles travelling in either direction of the highway at that stretch of the road at that particular time; yet when I came to a full stop, the road was once again buzzing with traffic speeding past my truck. I can only attribute it to the grace of God and that a miracle had happened to avert what would have been a catastrophic accident had there been oncoming traffic. This incident made me realize how life can come to an end in an instant. As truck drivers we wake up every morning thinking all will go well as always, but an experience such as I had changes how one perceives life.”

I told Brian that I agreed with him—it really was a miracle that he escaped death “by a whisker.” I said, “God saved your life for one of two reasons—either you are His son under His divine protection, or His grace allowed you time to repent of your sins and get saved. Which one do you think applies to your life?” He replied that he needed salvation, and I was able to lead him in prayer as he committed his life to Jesus Christ.

The Collective

Dwayne Johnson

Joy in Serving

What comes to mind when you hear the word "serve"? One of my thoughts would be serving in the military. I served in the US Army during the late '80s into the early '90s. You commit your life to serving the country. The military breaks you down of who you once were and rebuilds and retrains you to be a soldier.

Maybe you or someone you know served time in jail or prison. Some decision made along the way was wrong and you ended up serving time in consequence of your actions. Maybe you grew up wealthy and had servants at home—people who took care of you, your family and your household. Whatever it is, we all have an idea of what the word "serve" means.

I'd like to share with you the idea of the word "servant" that comes from the Bible. This word is used 767 times in the Bible (give or take a few depending on what version you read). Please let me share a couple of those from the New Testament. Matthew 20:26 says, "It is not this way among you, but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant." Mark 10:43 says the same thing: "But it is not this way among you, but whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant." And Matthew 23:11 says, "But the greatest among you shall be your servant." Get the idea?

Philippians chapter two gives us a little better understanding of the word. The Apostle Paul starts right out in verse one using the word "encouragement." Then he follows it up with the words "love", "fellowship", "affection" and "compassion." These are great characteristics that accompany the word "serve." He continues in verse two saying that his joy will be complete all the while maintaining love, unity and one purpose. These are things we just don't hear much today but would love to see more of.

Verse three gives us some things that a servant is not. It says, "Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit." There are too many people today that only think of themselves. Verse four says, "Do not merely look out for your own personal interest." Once again, too many today have that attitude.

The opposite is to be humble and think of others first, to look out for others' interests before your own. These are great things that we as believers should display on a continual basis in our lives. In fact, it says in verse five to "have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus." We can make a difference in our sphere of influence when we display Christ-like characteristics. (If you're not sure if you are a believer, please call the number on the cover of this magazine - don't wait another minute.)

We can be joyful as we serve others because Jesus first served us. Verse seven says He "emptied himself, taking the form of a servant." Verse eight says that "He humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on the cross." He gave up His life for ours and also gave us the best model of being a servant. Let's do the same. The world could use more servants like this.

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Looking for Shelter in the Scorching Heat, They Found the Refreshing Message of the Gospel

By Chaplains Caleb and Dally

Can you imagine yourself being on the road for hours on end, looking forward to your next stop where you will be able to fuel up, have a shower and a good meal, and then head to your truck for a good rest before hitting the road again—only to find yourself at a location without any facilities of any kind—no shower, no meals, nothing—and be stuck there for hours, if not days? And on top of this, the heat is scorching but you can't use the AC because there is no gas station available and you need to save fuel?

Of course, this is just absurd fiction—unless you are approaching the border between the DRC and Zambia, where you will find that many of the truck stops lack facilities of any kind. Recently Chaplains Caleb and Dally were visiting the Gommes truck stop on the DRC side of the Kasumbalesa border, an area where they minister regularly. This is a report of a recent encounter they had with two truckers who were stuck at that border.

The Bible tells us in 2 Timothy 4:2 to preach the Word and to be ready both in season and out of season. To us chaplains, this means creating opportunities for preaching the Gospel to truck drivers where conditions seem improbable for such to happen. This is currently the case at one of our regular preaching places—a huge custom's border truck stop called "Gommes". After the recent reshuffle of the truck stop management team, access to it is restricted to truckers and certain border staff until further notice.

Unfortunately, the truck stop has no facilities for truck drivers to refresh or shelter themselves from the seasonal hot climate. This means that in the three to four days of waiting for customs clearance, the truck drivers are subjected to the agonizing options of either exposing themselves in the scorching heat of the sun or sitting in their air-conditioned trucks. If the air-conditioning system in the cabin is not working, it is almost impossible for a driver to stay in his cab during the heat peak hours (between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.). Even with the AC, drivers cannot keep it running as the truck would run low on fuel. These hellish conditions force them to frequently leave their trucks to go find some makeshift shelter outside the truck stop, and that is where we interact with them.

Such was the case when we met drivers Abdulla and Morisho. We shared the Gospel with them, basing our message on Colossians 1:20 and explaining that, although God's wrath was against the sinner, He has made it possible for sinful men to be reconciled to God and to be cleansed of their sins through Jesus Christ, by the blood that He shed on the cross for us. We had the joy of praying with Abdulla as he accepted Jesus as his Saviour, then with Morisho as he rededicated his life to Him.

Nouvelles en Français du Québec

Par Jacques Poirier, Aumônier - Saint-Liboire, Québec

Voici venir le temp des fêtes comme nous le disons dans notre belle province. Ces temps sont très particuliers pour ceux qui font partie de la communauté Chrétienne. De nos jours le sens de cette fête à pris un tournant qui déçoit les plus fervents. De toute façon ce sont pour la plupart des moments de recueillement.

Ce dont j'aimerais vous parler maintenant à un faible lien avec le recueillement et l'introspection. En effet, pendant les fêtes de fin d'années nous faisons un bilan personnel tout en essayant d'évacuer toutes les erreurs commises.

Vous est-il déjà arrivé de prendre sur vous le fardeau de tout votre entourage? Eh bien figurez-vous donc que ça m'est arrivé aussi. J'aimerais vous parler d'un personnage de la Bible, la Parole de Dieu qui se sentait le soutien de l'univers. Compte tenu des antécédents du personnage en question, pour nous il est possible de comprendre un peu mieux son comportement car il avait tendance comme tous ceux qui ont eu un poste de direction ou qui sont des grandes sœurs ou encore des grands frères à vouloir tout savoir sur tout le monde.

Je vous parle de l'apôtre Pierre qui en plus d'avoir un tempérament fougueux, était un peu fouineur. Nous pouvons lire dans l'évangile de l'apôtre Jean au chapitre 21 et aux versets 20 et 21 que notre ami Pierre après avoir appris de quelle mort il allait quitter cette terre, voulait savoir de quelle manière le disciple que Jésus aimait allait partir. (Le disciple que Jésus aimait était l'apôtre Jean.) Aujourd'hui nous dirions son (Buddy). Allons un peu plus loin dans le chapitre. Au versets 22 et 23, le Seigneur donne à notre ami Pierre une leçon de conduite. Jésus lui dit : Si je veux qu'il demeure jusqu'à ce que je vienne, que t'importe? Toi suis-moi!

C'est à cause de cette intervention que plusieurs avaient lancé la rumeur que Jean ne mourrait point.

Il y a un dicton qui s'exprime ainsi : Si le chapeau te fait met-le donc. Personnellement j'en ai pris conseil et je crois que plusieurs d'entre nous avons à réviser notre attitude devant nos frères, nos sœurs ou nos amis. Jésus ici, en terme québécois dit à Pierre : Occupes-toi de ce qui te regarde. Les mots que Jésus a prononcés à l'intention de Pierre n'avaient rien de méchant, mais Jésus sait très bien que Pierre en avait assez de sa charge sans prendre celle de l'autre. L'exhortation ici est de ne pas prendre des fardeaux qui ne nous appartient pas de porter et de faire confiance à Dieu pour la suite des choses.

Joyeux Noel et n'oubliez pas d'être bienveillant avec tous.

Sur ces mots je vous souhaite d'avoir une vie remplie et heureuse!

Que la paix de Dieu vous accompagne!

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Do you know where you will spend eternity? You can – it's as easy as ABC...

A **Admit that you have sinned.**
"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).
"For the wages of sin is death…" (Romans 6:23a).
God loves us and wants a relationship with us; but He is holy and perfect and our sin separates us from Him.

B **Believe that Jesus paid God's price for our sin when He died on the cross.**
"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).
"…but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 6:23b).
God sent Jesus Christ to take the punishment for our sins on Himself, dying on the cross. When He rose from the dead on Easter morning, He broke the power of sin over those who choose to accept Him as their Saviour and Lord.

C **Choose to accept Jesus' sacrifice for you and receive the free gift of forgiveness He offers.**
"If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved…For 'whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved'" (Romans 10:9,13).
"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

You CAN know where you will spend eternity. If you want to begin a relationship with God and allow Him to become your Forgiver and Saviour, pray this prayer and believe it in your heart: "*God, I know that I have sinned and need forgiveness. Thank You for sending Jesus to pay the price for my sin so I can have a relationship with You. Today I put my trust in You. Become the leader of my life and help me to follow You from today forward. Amen*."

If you prayed this prayer, we would like to help you begin your exciting new journey. Please send us an email to transportforchrist@outlook.com and let us know, so we can help you along this road.

Need to talk to someone? Need prayer? Or just some 'down' time? Stop by a TFC Chapel! We're there to serve you.

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Calgary—Roadking Travel Centre, 4949 Barlow Trail, Chaplain Sam 403-369-1407
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Puerto Falcón—Chaplain Favio & Ministry Team
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Moscow Ring Road—Chaplains Alexander and Vladimir
DRC: Gospel Servants Ministries
Kasumbalesa Border Crossing—Chaplains Peter, Caleb & Dally
TANZANIA: Norbert & Friends
Arusha Mobile Ministry—Chaplains Peter & Jeremiah
ZAMBIA: Gospel Servants Ministries
Chirundu Border Crossing—Chaplain David and Team
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