

Insight, foresight: Chosen generation

By Dr. W.G. Romine, II
The hope of this generation is clearly placed upon the shoulders of today's youth. Can we turn them before they loose interest and give upon God, Family and Nation?



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INSIGHT:
What have we done! A little smile, a little wink, and 40 years passed before anyone was ready. Society is not ready for Generation X.

We are facing a future without hope, because we are forced to leave our young people in charge without ever giving them a charge! Soon the baby-boomers will be back in Depends and most adults of the working class have failed to secure their own future because we never thought we would get old.

Now the children we couldn't trust out of our sight are controlling the world. Many mistakes, followed by broken promises are depleting the resources of this planet, while most people are punishing themselves in search of more...more money, more fame, more pleasure. Who will right the wrongs of society?

History shows, if a people will not learn from their mistakes, they are certain to repeat them. When self took center stage family values fell to the ground. The youth at the close of the Twentieth Century became the offspring of the Latchkey Generation. Most felt rejected and neglected and lost the motivation to succeed. The few who made a difference, were so few and far between that the spotlight never stopped on them.

When a generation forgets, the next generation has nothing to remember!

The Latchkeys are the parents of the Laptops.

It is said, "Invention is the mother of necessity."

No wonder success finds those who are able to stand in the middle of the road. The super-genius of today are the leaders of a grading curve designed to rescue the failing masses unable or unwilling to study to show themselves approved. Why make the grade when it will be given to you anyway?

The youth leaders of this generation will move the world forward, but what will follow them? There is more blood letting today then any other time in history. Is war the answer to mans problems? When will the true peacemakers come into position to fix

the broken cogs of this ticking time bomb we call earth?

You say, "It's not that bad." Hum...you don't have to take my word for it. Today-the most valuable people in society, in the civilized countries, are medical and legal professionals.

Most in the upper levels have annual incomes greater than many heads of state. Imagine a world where/when the person responsible for your protection as a citizen is paid less then your doctor. Something is wrong with this picture. People pray more for their doctor than the man responsible for the nation!

Soon the list of annual holidays will allow more celebration time than actual work productivity time, depending on your particular faith, ethnic, or social needs. Think of all the NEW holidays, celebrating everything under the sun, including the sun itself. Ask yourself...is a holiday a day of worship? What's wrong with the people of today? You do the math.

Remember, Rome was not conquered by an external enemy. They destroyed themselves. It didn't have to happen to them and it don't have to happen to US.

We need a generation that will not be satisfied with the status quo! No more excuses...not me, no way, I don't know. It's time to get involved and find out what happens when you do care. The problems in society are my fault. I did it through neglect, not ignorance.

FORESIGHT:

The end of "no fear" mentality.

- The Year of 2007 will be hall-marked as the year of involvement.

- Youth Leaders will demand more of their followers as greater risks will be implemented to create positive changes.

- Law Enforcement will purge their ranks of corruption.

- Supernatural Favor will come upon the church as many people will become discouraged with deception and seek truth.

- Old wounds will be reopened to promote greater healing.

Colby church to tune in speaker

By John Van Nostrand
Colby Free Press Publisher

Colby's Wesleyan Church is one of many churches across the country participating in a high-tech presentation.

The church will broadcast Beth Moore's presentation live via simulcast Feb. 24 at the church. Moore is a Christian author and speaker. Moore's work caters more toward women.

Moore's work is not new to the Wesleyan Church.

"The first Beth Moore study we offered was "Breaking Free" in the fall of 2004. The study had been recommended to me by several people in my former church, and by my daughter Wende who had just completed the study," said Joy Rothfuss.

Rothfuss is the wife of Wesleyan Church pastor Gene.

"Since this was our first experience with a video study with

Beth, I wasn't sure what to expect. However, her enthusiasm, her charismatic speaking style, and the depth of digging into God's Word really hooked us," she said.

In the spring 2005 the church offered Beth Moore's "Jesus, the one and Only", a study on the life of Jesus based from the Gospels filmed in Israel.

"Once again we were challenged to think about what God's Word teaches and who Jesus is," she said.

Last spring the church had "Living Beyond Yourself" a study on the fruit of the Holy Spirit. And last fall "Daniel, Lives of Integrity - Words of Prophecy" was studied.

"Each time we offer a Beth Moore study we have experienced personal growth and numerical growth," she said.

Studies are open to all women in the community. This spring the church will have Moore's study "A Woman's Heart, God's Dwelling Place," which is a study of the Old

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Testament Tabernacle and a practical study of our worship.

This study will be held on 9-11 a.m. Wednesdays at Colby Wesleyan, beginning Wednesday. Interested persons may contact Angie Gaede at 460-6618. The church will also be offering a study on "Covenant" on Wednesdays at two separate times 9-11 a.m. and at 6:30-8:30 p.m.

"While this is not a study by Beth Moore, it is an excellent Bible study by Kay Arthur," Rothfuss said.

"As for how we got involved in

the simulcast, we are always looking for opportunities to bring the teaching of God's word to Colby and western Kansas.

Christian Communications Network periodically offers simulcast events of well-known Bible teachers and speakers. They are sponsoring the simulcast.

Rothfuss hopes to have 150 plus women in attendance. Tickets may be reserved by calling the church, 462-8391, or e-mailing at wesleyan@st-tel.net



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Schedule of church services

ASCENSION-ON-THE-PRAIRIE EPISCOPAL, Rev. Don Martin, College Drive & Wheatridge Rd., 462-3041, Holy Eucharist, 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Evening Prayer, 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, September through May. Christian Education for Youth, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, September through May

COLLEGE DRIVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD, Pastor, Jeremy Gundling, 245 W. College Dr. - 462-8234, Early Service - 8:00 a.m.; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.

BEREAN CHURCH, 1000 S. Franklin, 460-2763, www.colbyborean.com; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. Awana Clubs, Wednesday, 7 p.m., Middle & High School, Wednesday, 7 p.m. @ the Heartland Christian School Gym

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Rev. Carroll H. Morony, Grant & Webster Street, 462-2867. Sunday School 9:15 a.m., Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

COLLEGE VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH (SBC), Pastor Tom Huffman, 1185 Wheatridge Rd. at College Drive, 460-7144, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship services, 10:45 a.m.

MINGO BIBLE CHURCH, 420 Main Mingo, 785-462-2992: An independent community church served by Village Missions Pastor Chris Shubert. Sunday School: 9:30AM - all ages. Sunday Services: 10:45AM. Sunday Nights: 1st Sunday of the month: potluck following morning service - no evening service; 2nd Sunday: services at 6:30 PM; 3rd Sunday: informal fellowship - bring a snack to share!; 4th and 5th Sunday: services at 6:30 p.m.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, 462-2179, Father Dana Clark, Pastor, Saturday Eve. Mass 5:30 p.m., Sunday Masses 8:00 & 10:00 a.m., Confessions will be heard Saturday 4:30-5:05 p.m. and from 7:30-7:45 a.m. and 9:25-9:40 a.m. on Sunday.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Rev. Carol Rahn, 515 W. 4th, 462-6342, Worship, 11:00 a.m.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, 320 W. Pine - 462-8391, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:40 a.m., Sunday Evening Cell groups at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Youth Ministries, Kids Clubhouse 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS, 1145 S. Franklin - 460-6605, President Gary Slavens, 460-2656; Rocky Robbins, 1st counselor, 460-1101; Tim Wilson, 2nd counselor, 785-846-7796. Sacrament meeting 10 a.m., Sunday School and Primary 11:20 a.m., Priesthood, Relief Society, YM/YW, 12:10 p.m.; Family History Center open to public, 7-9 p.m. Thursdays or by appointment. Call 462-3571.

COLBY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Rev. James Mardock, pastor, 950 S. Franklin, 462-6521, Sunday Worship Services at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m., 6:30 p.m., Fellowship coffee 9:30 a.m., Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., KXXX broadcasts 11:00 worship. <http://www.gbgm-umc.org/colby-umc/>

REDEEMING LOVE MINISTRIES, INC., 345 N. Franklin, Dr. W.G. and Rev. Orvella Romine, Saturday Evening 7p.m. Worship, Equipping Class, Sunday, 10a.m., Sunday worship, 11a.m., Wednesday, R.L.M Training Centers (Bible School), 7p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 510 E. 4th, Jay Kelley, minister, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m., Sunday Eve. Worship 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

COLBY EVANGELISM CENTER, Rev. Robert Cooper, 815 West 3rd - 462-2062, Sunday School 9:45; Sunday service 10:00 and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.; Friday Youth Power Hour at 7:00 p.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, (Disciples of Christ), Pastor Bradley L. Herndon, 385 W. 3rd - 460-2718, Sunday Morning Worship at 9:00 a.m.; Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. E-mail: fccolby@st-tel.net

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OUR SAVIORS LUTHERAN CHURCH, Brewster, Sunday worship 9:00 a.m.; 2nd Sunday of the month at 8:00 a.m.

PLEASANT HOME CHURCH, Pastor, Charlie Busch, 694-2242, 3190 Road 70, Edson, Worship, 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Evening service, 6:00 p.m.

LEVANT COMMUNITY CHURCH, 205 1st St., Pastor Jerry Vincent, 586-2376, Sunday School (classes for 3 years & up and 3 adult classes) 9:30 a.m., Morning worship 10:30 a.m.

WINONA METHODIST CHURCH, Rev. Sheryl Johnson, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Morning Worship 9:15 a.m. (CDT)

BREWSTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, PO Box 250, Brewster. Pastor Dorine Chambers, 785-462-6044, Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.

THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF, REXFORD, Joan Dingwerth, Director, 687-2565

REXFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH, Rexford, Pastor Lane Purcell, 687-3305, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

BREWSTER COMMUNITY CHURCH, Mike Pinkelman, Pastor, Brewster - 694-2720, Sunday School (all ages) 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Wed. mornings 6:30 a.m. - Men's Bible Study, Wed. 7:00 p.m. - Children's Ministries (Royal Rangers/Missionettes), Wed. 7:15 p.m. - Intercessory & Prayer, Thurs. 4:00 p.m. - Women's Bible Study

Judge rules for club

KANSAS CITY (AP) — A southeast Kansas school district must give a Christian club the same access to school facilities that other groups receive, a federal judge has ruled.

The Pleasanton School District has been allowing the Fellowship of Christian Athletes club to meet at Pleasanton High School before and

after classes and to post signs announcing its meetings.

Kristie McKee, a mother of three students in the district, filed suit claiming the district was denying the club the rights and privileges that had been granted to other noncurriculum clubs.

U.S. District Judge Carlos Murguia agreed.

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