

Christian Business Men's Connection

Letter from the Director

At CBMC/OKC, we've been "on the move" spiritually and physically. We moved our offices into the beautiful new JASCO international headquarters at 10 E. Memorial Road. We are very appreciative of the generosity of JASCO/Steve Trice for continuing to provide a great environment for our local ministry.

CBMC International asked us to host two men from CBMC/India. The objectives were to have a group of Indian leaders (10 in all) come to the US to begin to cultivate & deepen relationships with like minded professionals; to begin to learn how we can serve one another as we seek to glorify Christ; and to share best practices to effectively evangelize and disciple business professionals.

A 2009 Strategic Plan for the 7 areas of the ministry was developed and submitted to our Board of Directors. A time line for achieving objectives was established and is being monitored.

I met with a single dad, who was interested in spiritual matters; shared my testimony and the Gospel; was able to present Steps to Peace; and after an extended time he

prayed to receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

I am meeting with a bright young man who has expressed a desire to know more about what it means to receive Christ. We are currently doing a study on the book of John.

In March we held a *Follow Up Training Dinner* for those involved with making contacts following the Metro Prayer Breakfast. This is good time for training as well as encouragement. Doug Dowler is doing a great job as coordinator.

The 26th Annual Metro Prayer Breakfast was reported to be the best ever with 1,200 in attendance. Speaker Tim Philpot delivered a message that was extremely well received. Prior to the breakfast, it was bathed in much prayer. And, while we try not to focus on numbers, we pray that many lives were and are being changed for now and eternity as the result of attending and responding to the gospel message presented.

I continue to meet monthly with our two CBMC FORUM'S. During these uncertain and turbulent financial circumstances, several of the men are dealing with some very important and sensitive issues which they feel comfortable in discussing in these confidential meetings.

I am still meeting One-On-One with several men weekly and/or biweekly and some of them are in turn meeting with other men as our goal of generational spiritual reproduction is achieved.

Please know how very much Linda and I appreciate your continued and faithful prayers and financial support of our marketplace ministry in the various providential appointments and opportunities the Lord provides.

Also, please let us know how we may pray for you,



your family and/or any other concerns that you may have, during our early morning quiet times.

In His service and yours,

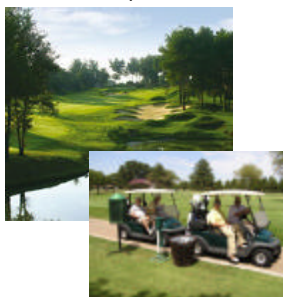
Harold and Linda

MARK THE DATE— Monday, August 31

Mike O'Keefe and his golf committee have announced plans for the 6th Annual CBMC Invitational Golf Tournament with speaker Randy Wolf, Links Players Int. It will return to the beautiful Oak Tree Country Club on Monday, August 31. This has become a very popular sporting opportunity for lifestyle evangelism.

As in the past, there is an opportunity for Team, Hole

and Event Sponsorship. For more information, please contact Mike O'Keefe at mokeefe@tmpsok.com.



CBMC/OKC welcomed CBMC India visitors Jaya Pradeep and Ebenezer Jesudason. They enjoyed KMI, meeting with CBMC FORUM'S, home stay visits, local sites, and a fellowship dinner at the Dr. Jim & Beth Hammack's.

Men's Spring Prayer Retreat— May 1-2

One of the hallmarks of the CBMC marketplace ministry is the emphasis that is placed on helping men experience a meaningful prayer life. We know that you don't *find* time to pray, nor merely *take* time for prayer. To grow in spiritual maturity, you must *make* time to pray.

In addition to encouraging daily time in God's word and prayer we set aside a time twice a year to spend extended time alone with God with Spring and Fall Prayer retreats.



CBMC Offers *Business By the Book* Workshop

In response to requests from several individuals indicating a desire to grow and learn about how to operate their businesses by biblical principals, CBMC offered a 6-week workshop. This is a video format based on Larry Burkett's best selling book, *Business by the Book*.

The workshop teaches business people from all walks of life how to

conduct business according to proven biblical principals and includes six main topics:

Having Purpose in Business

The Importance of Servant-Based Leadership

Making Good Financial Decisions

Finding and Effectively Managing

Employees and Staff

The Role of Organization and Marketing

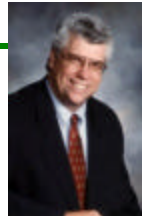
Business Planning

Marty Hepp, President of Cobb Engineering and Harold Armstrong facilitated the workshop. Additional ***Business by the Book*** Workshops will be offered in the future.

2009 Salt & Light Honoree—Kent Humphreys

Blessed with a wonderful legacy, it was only natural for Kent to follow in his father's footsteps! And indeed he has! He has not only excelled as a businessman, but a spiritual leader, mentor, and disciple maker. Kent is still involved in a manufacturing business while finding time to travel the world for Fellowship of Companies for Christ.

Join us in hearing Kent's passion, failures, and dreams while honoring and celebrating the paths that he has chosen on Tuesday, October 13, National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum, 6:00 p.m. Tickets for the reception and dinner can be ordered through okc@cbmc.com or calling 405.749.9418



Our guest speaker and Lexington, Kentucky native Tim Philpot was a true inspiration on "how God has used an ordinary man with average talents" to be a great messenger for our Savior. He wrapped a serious message in a humorous package that gave us all encouragement to be all we can with our individual God-given gifts & talents - thus *Experiencing True Prosperity*.

2009 Metro Prayer Breakfast

Several individuals had indicated that they would enjoy being in a small group Bible Study. Responding to that request CBMC offered two 4 -week studies:

FIRST STEPS— A bible study dealing with 1) Is the Bible credible? 2) Who is Jesus Christ? 3) What did Jesus do? And 4) How

we have eternal life? The group was led by Dr. Herman Reece, Len Crawford, and Dustin Anderson.

FINANCIAL FIRST STEPS— Focused on major issues which compete with God for mastery in our lives. Our attitudes and actions toward money and marriage

reflect our true relationship to God. This brief study examined different issues on money and what the Bible teaches. It was designed to stir our thinking and the hope that it may change our lives. Craig & Sherry Stetson facilitated this study.