

# FILM THE BIBLE

## reel news

Our Mission: To translate the Bible from the written word to film and to disseminate it throughout the world so that every person can experience the power of the Word of God.

## A CONVERGENCE OF INTERESTS

4:45 a.m. (Tim Donoho's room)

*Why does my body do this to me? I don't want to get up at 4:45. I'll just go back to sleep until about 7. I've got to take my car in for service today. I need to make sure I remember to take my paperwork to my meeting with David. The service light is on on the dashboard of my car. I need to remember to take that in.*

*Oh, come on. I've got to go back to sleep. If I keep thinking about what I've got to do today, I'll never get back to sleep. Oh, well, I give up. Might as well go work out and get it over with.*

4:45 a.m. (Drew Donoho's room)

*It's almost 5 a.m. and I'm not even tired yet. I hate it when the sun comes up before I go down. Why does my body hold me to these vampire-like standards? I should be able to go to sleep like other respectable 21-year-olds at 3 a.m.*

*Oh, well, I might as well go work out. That might make me more tired*

Drew thinks if a band spent over a hundred dollars producing its last album and sold more than a thousand copies that they couldn't be worth listening to. I think if a band spent less than a million dollars producing their last album that it's



**By Tim Donoho**  
**CHAIRMAN**

undoubtedly technically flawed and unworthy of being listened to. Drew thinks his ideal mate will have the anorexia wing at Holy Cross Hospital named after her. I think my ideal mate sleeps next to me every night at 1075 Hillsboro Mile. Drew thinks that old men who wear long ponytails are simply try-

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This is how it went one recent day with my son, Drew, and me connecting in the gym at Odark: 30. My son and I exist in separate universes separated by about 50 feet.

To the casual onlooker, it would appear that we have nothing in common except for our genetic heritage. I am more than twice Drew's age. I wear my hair long; he wears his hair short. He is in college; you couldn't drag me back to college. When I was his age, I wanted to conquer the world; Drew wants to write about conquering worlds. Drew loves paintball guns; I love golf. He thinks golf is for geezers; I think paintball guns are for six-year-olds.

## SAVED BY FAITH ALONE

Public surveys indicate that most people believe they are going to heaven! The fact that most Americans believe they are going to heaven caught the curiosity of a reporter from WMBI in Chicago. Walter Carlson decided to hit the streets with his roving microphone and ask people the next logical question, "How does a person go to heaven?" For over half an hour in the city's Union Station he posed this question to a steady stream of travelers. They responded with such answers as, "Obey the Golden Rule", "Be good to your neighbor", "Go to church", "Do good", and "Pay your bills".

Jay Leno circulated through his audience one night, asking people to name one of the Ten Commandments. The number one response to his question was, "God helps those

who help themselves".

While we are apt to find these humorous responses rather entertaining, they also point to the gap that exists between people's beliefs and their knowledge of the actual truth...we are saved by Grace through Faith (Ephesians 2:8).

As you know, Film the Bible is about to embark on the production of a 30-minute weekly television production, "Filmemos la Biblia" which is Spanish for "Let's film the Bible". The program will feature music, guest interviews, and a lighthearted "man on the street" segment designed to emphasize the need for a filmed Bible in a humorous way.

Next month, I will have the opportunity to bring you all the latest information

regarding the launch of this major initiative. Until then, please pray for the ongoing pre-production efforts so that many more around the world will know about the love of God and His saving Grace.



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## A CONVERGENCE OF INTERESTS - *Continued from page 1*

ing to relive their lost youth. I think kids that keep their hair cut that short ought to join the Marines.

So to the casual onlooker we have very little, if anything, in common. But that would be an illusion.

### **Do we have the ability to say this is something we will benefit from ten years from now but far more importantly the whole world will benefit from and, in particular, the young of the world?**

In fact, if people looked a little deeper they would find that Drew and I have an enormous amount in common. First and foremost, we both love the Lord and that is the priority of our lives. We both go out of our way to watch Formula 1 racing and University of Miami and Dolphins football, with my attending Dolphins games and Drew attending UM games and sometimes the two of us attending games together. Every year we have a standing date to go to Detroit together to see the North American International Auto Show.

At Quizno's they don't even ask us what we want to eat when we walk in together. They know what we both want without asking. We are both fanatical readers. We both love movies, boxing and making fun of his mother and my wife for trying to be as funny as Drew and I naturally are. We both terribly miss his little sister, but both are excited for her on the great adventure she is on.

And lastly, we both get it on what an impact a filmed Bible will have on the world, and how it has the opportunity to bring a convergence of interests amongst diverse people, people who on the surface appear to have nothing in common but, in fact, who are like all people on earth and have an enormous need to know and have a relationship with the Savior of the world.

The younger generation may have completely different reasons than the older generation as to why they need a filmed Bible. On whole, the younger generation reads very little and spends an enormous amount of time in front of a movie screen, TV screen or video game screen.

The older generation's time has been now so compressed through responsibilities and obligations that setting aside the traditional half-hour a day to study God's Word is seemingly impossible. So to be able to watch the Bible on film as you join your spouse in bed at the day's end while you try to unwind from all the stress and problems of the world would be an invaluable asset.

Unfortunately, there is one other difference between my son and myself and the older generation and the younger one. I've accumulated assets over the years, and Drew has not had the time or the income to be able to do the same. Accordingly, he and the younger generation don't have the money to invest in a filmed Bible, but they would definitely have the desire to view it.

We, the older generation, have those assets. The question is, are we mature enough to invest in something that won't appear next Friday. Do we have the ability to say this is something we will benefit from ten years from now but far more importantly the whole world will benefit from and, in particular, the young of the world? Those youngsters may be your children or maybe your grandchildren, but it will certainly be your great-grandchildren and your great, great-grandchildren should God tarry.

Is it a worthy investment to create something that will last for millennia, something that will change lives for thousands of years? If not, amuse me and write to me and tell me why. Because in all of the years that we have pursued this mission, I have never had someone tell me that, and I would genuinely be interested in the logic that you would put forth.

If the answer is yes, then we are only debating about what your investment would be. You can't afford a million dollars? I understand that. Can you afford one dollar? Yes, you can afford one dollar? Well, then can you afford a hundred dollars a month? If you can't afford a hundred dollars a month, can you afford ten dollars a month?

If you could see the future and you knew that your inaction would cause great turmoil or even condemnation of your own children or grandchildren, you wouldn't hesitate for a moment to be a part of this. But even if it won't have any effect on your own children or grandchildren, you know it would have an effect on the children and grandchildren of others that live in your neighborhood or live in your country or live in countries where they haven't been blessed with being able to hear the pure,

unadulterated Word of God.

If you've ever given money to a missionary, think about how many heard their voice share the Word of God in a lifetime. And now think about how a filmed Bible will speak to millions and tens of millions every year and not stop speaking to those tens of millions each year and add tens of millions of new people each year. Sit down and say right now, "That's not worth ten dollars a month, God."

Is it being too forward to speak to you like that? Well, let me explain my position to you. In November I wrote to you about how great it will be to stand before God and for you to be able to acknowledge your participation in the greatest missionary event of history, the filming of the Bible word for word. Now, this month think of the inverse. What if I have to stand before God and explain to Him that while He specifically called me to take this message out, to bring this incredibly large mission to fruition, I wasn't willing to take a chance to offend you or anyone, and as a result no one searched their soul and set aside a tiny piece of fruit from the basket that God has given to each of us?

And so it is my obligation to encourage, confront and to share. It is your obligation to decide what you are going to do about it. And while on the surface you and I may have little in common, just as it appeared that my son and I did not, in fact the one thing we do have in common is a belief and love of our Almighty God and with that joyfully comes obligations to serve Him. So I encourage you today to sit down with a piece of paper and pencil and

### **...think about how a filmed Bible will speak to millions and tens of millions every year...**

ask yourself how filming the Bible stacks up in terms of the opportunities you have to serve God. I think that if you approach it prayerfully you will find a wonderful revelation waiting for you, one that will bring dividends and rewards every week even though a filmed Bible may or may not appear for ten years.

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# The Financial Architect - Matt. 25:14

## The Guaranteed Lifetime Income Program

In last month's column, we talked about many different ways you can design a financial strategy to enhance your financial situation. We call it "win-win financial solutions for lose-lose financial situations".

This month, we will focus on one specific solution called the **Guaranteed Lifetime Income Program (GLIP)**. It is an excellent win-win solution for people over age 65 living on a fixed income and it helps solve the dilemma: *How can I guarantee that I will never run out of money, no matter how long I live? And...How can I, at the same time, afford to give to the Lord's work?*

The GLIP is a tax-preferred way to provide a guaranteed lifetime income with no investment risks. The Program is an excellent way to assure that your income will not run out. Unlike living off your savings, you can receive guaranteed income for the rest of your life, no matter how long you live.

Here's how it works: You make a single deposit. The amount of your income payment is based on a Rate Table established by a national organization of charities throughout the United States. Once the plan is in effect, your payments are fully guaranteed.

Income payments received from this program are partially non-taxable. The non-taxable amount is a level percentage that represents the return of principal over your lifetime.

The percentage varies for each age. We will advise you of your taxable exemption before you make your deposit.

Investment decisions have become much harder today. Many people's situations call for a return they can count on. With GLIP, you have a flexible way to set up a guaranteed life income with no investment risks.

There are also tax benefits to this program. First, there is a one-time income tax deduction for a portion of your deposit. Secondly, a portion of the income you receive each year is non-taxable.

The size of the payments you receive is determined by your age and the amount of your deposit. Since life expectancy changes with age, the older you are, the higher the rate of return. For example, at age 65 your income payment is 7.3% while at age 75 it is 7.5%, and at age 85 it is 10.3%.

Your payments remain the same from then on and are guaranteed not to fluctuate. They cannot be lowered, canceled, delayed or suspended, regardless of the condition of the stock market or the economy.

Other strategies that can be utilized with this program are designating someone in addition to you, or instead of yourself, to receive the payments.

Another benefit to GLIP is that the funds will not be a part of your estate and there will be no probate costs or estate taxes on that money.

Some sources of funds that could be used to deposit into the GLIP are cash settlements from a retirement plan, CD's, IRA's or personal savings; proceeds from life insurance; an inheritance; and income from property sales.

Who Should Consider the Plan? Retirees, beneficiaries of life insurance, persons in need of a fixed income for a dependent parent or child...anyone who wants a guaranteed income for life.

To get specific information regarding the benefits to you of the Guaranteed Lifetime Income Program, mail or fax the enclosed information to either:

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### Guaranteed Lifetime Income Program

Please complete the following information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in receiving income of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per year.

I want to receive payments

\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly \_\_\_\_\_ For my lifetime

\_\_\_\_\_ Quarterly \_\_\_\_\_ Plus my spouse's lifetime

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## HOW CHURCHES CAN LEAVE A LEGACY

The churches highlighted to the left are those who partnered with Film the Bible during 2003 by inviting us to participate in their worship services and introduce our ministry to their congregations. These churches will be listed in the credits of the filmed Bible when it is produced.

Your church can be among them as well. With your assistance, one of our Regional Church Liaisons will speak with your pastor and schedule a time for us to visit. Wouldn't you like to see your church leave the kind of legacy that a filmed Bible will leave to the world?

Become part of this great vision.  
 Contact us today at 954-721-8121.

## PURSUING THE VISION

### LEGACY OF CHURCHES 2001

Second Christian Church, Bronx, NY  
 Park Slope Christian Center, Brooklyn, NY

## PURSUING THE VISION

### LEGACY OF CHURCHES 2002

Dillman Road Free Methodist, WPBeach  
 Gloria Dei Lutheran, Davie  
 Christ the King Lutheran, Sunrise  
 First United Methodist, Moore Haven  
 Redeemer Lutheran, Ft Lauderdale  
 Holy Cross Lutheran, WPBeach  
 First Baptist, Sunrise  
 St. Paul Lutheran, Boca Raton  
 Grace Lutheran, Delray Beach  
 Salem Haitian Evang Lutheran, Lantana  
 First Church Open Bible, Ft Lauderdale  
 First Alliance, Ft Lauderdale  
 Calvary Bible Alliance, Delray Beach  
 Fort Lauderdale Int'l, Ft Lauderdale  
 River Café at Spanish River, Boca Raton  
 Mt. Horeb Haitian Evang, Ft Lauderdale  
 Advent Lutheran, Boca Raton  
 New Macedonia Missionary Bapt, WPBch  
 Faith Church of Nazarene, Ft Lauderdale  
 Redeemer Lutheran, Vero Beach  
 Miracle Revival Deliverance, St. Croix  
 Greater Highway, Ft Lauderdale  
 Mt. Zion A.M.E., Belle Glade  
 Friendship Missionary Bapt, Boca Raton  
 First Lutheran, Clearwater  
 The Crossing, Ft Pierce

## PURSUING THE VISION LEGACY OF CHURCHES 2003

Unidos por Fe, Miami  
 Westland Spanish Baptist, Hialeah  
 Nueva Vida, Miami  
 Bethel Christian, Miami  
 La Gloria de Dios, Hialeah  
 Cathedral Church of God, Deerfield  
 Peace Lutheran, Ft Lauderdale  
 Renovacion Bautista, Miami  
 Living Word Lutheran, Lantana  
 Trinity Lutheran, Fort Lauderdale  
 Iglesia Bautista, Miami  
 St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Pompano  
 Redeemer Lutheran, Ft Lauderdale  
 Ancla de Salvacion, Miami  
 Primera Bautista, Hialeah  
 Iglesia Evangelica Agape, Hialeah Gdns  
 Bautista Nazaret, Miami  
 First Christian, W Palm Beach  
 Memorial Presbyterian, W Palm Bch  
 Holy Spirit Episcopal, W Palm Bch  
 Bestesda Christian, Opa Locka  
 Sweetwater Baptist, Miami  
 Dillman Free Methodist, W Palm Bch  
 Arbol de Vida, Miami  
 Immanuel Baptist, Fort Lauderdale  
 Iglesia Victory, Hialeah  
 Emanuel Pentecostal Mission, Hialeah  
 St. Francis of Assisi, Miami Lakes  
 Good Shepherd, Ft Lauderdale  
 Congregational Pentecostal, Miami  
 St. Matthew's Episcopal, Delray Bch  
 Puerta de Esperanza, Miami  
 Friends of the King, Key Biscayne  
 Light of the World  
 Calvary Chapel, Boca Raton

Sierra Norwood Baptist, Miami  
 Elim Church, Miami  
 Jesus the Way, Miami  
 Ephesians Baptist, Miami  
 United Christians  
 Christ the King Lutheran, Sunrise  
 St. James Lutheran, Coral Gables  
 Genizim Christian, Miami  
 First Baptist of Davie/Cooper City  
 Betania Bautista, Leisure City  
 Emanuel Bautista, Plantation  
 Canaan Baptist, Miami  
 Comunidad Cristiana, Miami  
 Templo Calvario, Miami  
 Bethel Romanian Baptist, Hollywood  
 Palm Beach Baptist, Lake Worth  
 Centro Cristiano Internacional, Melroy  
 La Gloria de Dios, Miami  
 Cristiana Elohim, Hollywood  
 Berea Christian, Miami  
 Metodista Libre, Hialeah  
 El Buen Pastor, Hialeah  
 Shalom Agape, Miami  
 West Kendall Baptist, Miami  
 Jesus El Camino, Miami  
 Lirios de la Valles, Opa Locka  
 Restoration Bautista, Miami  
 Iglesia Bautista Hispana, Coral Gables  
 Nazaret Bautista, Miami  
 Salem Haitian Lutheran, Lake Worth  
 Church of Christ Omnipotent, N. Miami  
 Restoration Ministries, Margate  
 Centro Pentecostal, Miami  
 Iglesia Bautista, Pompano  
 St. Patrick's Episcopal, West Palm Beach

Puerta del Cielo, Miami  
 Sheridan Hills Spanish Bautista  
 Grace Evangelical Baptist, N Miami Beach  
 Bethesda Evangelic, Miami  
 King of Kings, Miami  
 Genizem Christian, Miami  
 Door of Salvation, Miami  
 Door of Heaven, Miami  
 Rain of Grace, Miami  
 Orange Ave Baptist, Ft. Pierce  
 First United Methodist, Williamston, NC  
 United Christians Pentecostal, Miami  
 Bethel Christian, Miami Shores  
 First Spanish Baptist, Miami  
 Victory Outreach Ministry, Miami  
 Nazarene, Miami  
 United Methodist, Robersonville, NC  
 The Way Presbyterian, Miami  
 Poder de Dios, Miami  
 First United Methodist, Williamston, NC  
 El Faro de Quail Roust, Miami  
 Westover United Methodist, Raleigh, NC  
 Congregacional, Miami  
 Melrose Park AOG, Ft Lauderdale  
 Richland United Methodist, Richland, NC  
 Crossroads Baptist, Hillsborough, NC  
 First Assembly of God, Hollywood  
 L'Eglise Baptiste Emmaus, Miami  
 Absalom Jones Ministries, Delray Beach  
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 COG of Prophecy, West Palm Beach  
 La Nueva Jerusalem AOG, Pompano Bch  
 La Biblia Abierta, Hialeah  
 Edgewood Baptist, Durham NC  
 Josué Christian Center, Sunrise

Faith & Deliverance, Ft Pierce  
 Bethany Baptist, Miami  
 Hickory Grove UM, Liberty, NC  
 United Methodist, Piney Grove, NC  
 Calvary Bible Alliance, Delray Beach  
 Sweetwater Bautista, Miami  
 Cristo Omnipotente, Miami  
 Pentecostal COG, West Palm Beach  
 Christian Outreach Center, Ft Pierce  
 Hispanic Baptist, Hollywood  
 Camino de Dios, Coral Springs  
 Primero Bautista, Plantation  
 Jehovah Yireh, Miami  
 Bethany Baptist, Ft Lauderdale  
 Nueva Cosechia, Pembroke Pines  
 County Line, Pembroke Pines  
 Canaan Hispanic Bapt, Ft Laud  
 Le Salut Pour Tout, Miami  
 Faith Nazarene, Ft Laud  
 New Harvest, Pembroke Pines  
 Palabra de Fe, Miami  
 Bethel Hermanos en Cristo, Miami  
 Holy Cross Lutheran, N Miami  
 Christ Alive Baptist, Miami  
 NewLife, Miami  
 Cristo La Unica Esperanza, Margate  
 Palabra de Fe, Miami  
 Hope Lutheran, Pompano  
 Canaan Baptist, Miami  
 Primero Juan 4:8, Deerfield Bch  
 Pentecostal Lifeline, Tamarac

## PURSUING THE VISION LEGACY OF CHURCHES 2004

New Dawn Baptist, Hialeah  
 New Life Pentecostal, Hollywood  
 The Rock, Naples  
 St Paul Lutheran, Boca Raton

## PURSUING THE VISION PROGRAMS SCHEDULED FOR 2004

1/25 King of Kings, Miami  
 1/30 Door of Salvation, Fort Lauderdale  
 2/22 United Christians Pentecostal, Miami  
 2/28 COG of Prophecy, W Palm Beach  
 3/14 Good News Baptist, Miami  
 3/21 Renovation Baptist, Miami  
 3/21 Love and Peace, Miami  
 3/28 Calvary Church, Miami  
 3/28 Friends of the King, Key Biscayne  
 4/4 CLL Getsemani, Gainesville  
 4/4 New Jerusalem, Kissimmee  
 4/25 Gerizim Christian, Miami



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