



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.*

## The Ultimate Dread Disease



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

like to have around, because I enjoy laugh-

I am a person who loves to laugh. I laugh easily and often at the most inopportune moments. If you were a comedian, you'd love to have me in the audience. And if you are a person who loves peace and quiet, I am the last person you would

ing so much.

When I was in grade school, I had an unfortunate nervous response to being in trouble, and that was to laugh uncontrollably. I assure you this trait did not help when I was being sent to the Principal's office (probably for laughing out loud in class in the first place), to stand there, facing the imminent approach of a paddle only to respond with nervous laughter. Fortunately, I must have had sympathetic principals because I never received the paddle. And today, when I see a young person with a nervous laugh, I recognize it and have empathy immediately.

One thing that makes me laugh in private is how some people respond to Film the Bible and serving God with their personal treasure, great or small. I make no apologies that God called me to raise the money for Film the Bible, and therefore a necessary facet of my service is to ask those I come in contact with to support this incredible mission with their time, talent and treasure.

Often people will say, "No" to a request for support for Film the Bible by assuring me that it isn't Film the Bible that they are turning down support for but that they don't give to any religious charities. They say this even though they profess to be

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## Many Are the Plans in a Man's Heart



By **David Rutherford**  
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Purpose Driven Church, Rick Warren explains that every church (or ministry) is driven by something. The word drive in this context refers to the process of controlling the movement, operation, and direction of something. For instance, when you drive a car, you control the movement and direction of the car as you attempt to guide it down

*Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.*  
Proverbs 19:21

the street. When Mr. Donoho drives a golf ball, he hopes to control the direction and movement of the ball so it lands strategically in the fairway. It's easy to see that every church or ministry is undoubtedly driven by something. Successful thriving churches, on the one hand, are driven by Biblical principles. On the other hand, tradition, finances, programs, or personalities are often the dominant driving force behind faltering churches. Likewise, a successful healthy ministry is driven by a Biblical purpose rather than unhealthy distractions. Film the Bible's purpose is to raise the resources necessary to faithfully film the entire Bible and distribute it around the world thereby fulfilling the Biblical mandate known as the Great Commission in Matthew 28:19.

Since the recent editions of the Reel News have focused on programs such as

"Pursuing the Vision" church mission events as well as the creation of the Pastors' Golf Tour and the World's Largest Choir Project, I think it's useful to place these programs in the appropriate context lest anyone think Film the Bible's "purpose" has in any way changed.

To illustrate this, I want you to imagine a brand new restaurant that's just opened. They advertise delicious food, exceptional service, a delightful atmosphere and incredible prices. In other words, that's their "purpose". You decide to visit the restaurant and partake of this wonderful dining experience. The problem is, there's nothing on the menu that interests you. Regardless of your desire to support that new restaurant, you couldn't because it had nothing to offer you. You decide to visit again because you

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devout Christians or Jews. Then they hastily affirm, however, that they are strong and annual supporters of this or that dread disease. The undertone of this commentary is that it is sociable to support a dread disease such as cancer or muscular dystrophy or a variety of dread diseases but that supporting a religious charity is the equivalent of talking about sex at the dinner table while out with a group on Friday night. Some do it, but it is in poor taste.

I want to ask this question when proffered the response I've just explained. "No doubt, God approves of your support of ABC dread disease, but which do you think God thinks is more important? Finding a cure for ABC dread disease or providing the world a cure for the ultimate

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dread disease?"

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Frankly, we all fear diseases because they lead to the ultimate dread disease.

God has provided the cure for the ultimate dread disease and it is recorded in His word. Millions and possibly billions could be saved from this disease if we would only put His word in a form so that people will watch and hear the truth the Word of God has to tell them. In it they will find out how to live, not for hundreds of years but for hundreds of thousands of years.

You see, it makes me wonder if a person really believes that God has a cure for the ultimate dread disease when he or she says, "I give to this dread disease but not to religious charities." Further, that this person, being a rational person, is making a smart decision by investing in something that will help someone's kidney function for another three years or his heart function for another six months but not invest in the ultimate dread disease cure. Because if a person really thought that God's word had the cure for the ultimate dread disease, I can't imagine how anyone would pass up that opportunity.

On one hand, some of you can afford to give \$10.00 a month to help make a filmed Bible a reality while others of you could easily afford millions but simply choose to pass up the opportunity

to allow millions to join you in eternal happiness. On the other hand, I'm sure

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that God will be thrilled to share a few moments with you, in front of all those gathered in heaven, to commend you on the invaluable impact you had on toenail infection research.

Hey now, I guess that's really funny.... or maybe that's nervous laughter I hear.

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hear they have expanded their menu. Sure enough, the menu has greatly expanded enabling you to enjoy the purpose for

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which that restaurant opened...delicious food, exceptional service, delightful atmosphere, and incredible prices. The expanded menu didn't alter the purpose of the restaurant. It merely enhanced your opportunity

to participate.

Likewise, Film the Bible is presenting an expanded number of programs, not because our purpose has changed but to enhance your opportunity to participate in this world-changing project. Remember our purpose is to raise the resources necessary to faithfully film and distribute the Bible. "Pursuing the Vision" programs enable congregations to catch the vision and provide support through monthly giving. For some this is a great way to lend support while others have a difficult time sustaining support even for a godly vision.

The Pastors' Golf Tour is not about golf...it is a vehicle for a pastor and his congregation to support Film the Bible's purpose outside the context of the church's regular worship services. It's an opportunity for individuals and businesses

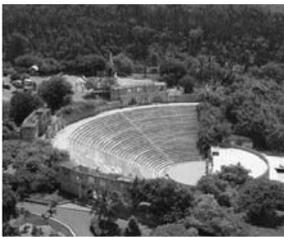
to come together for a single event filled with enjoyment and fellowship for the entire community.

The World's Largest Choir Project is a vehicle for those who love to sing to lend their support for Film the Bible's purpose. It's a unique and exciting way to assemble a massive choir from churches throughout the community and showcase their passion and talent in performing the music of our faith. At the same time, the people of God will gather together for an unforgettable evening of inspiration and entertainment...all in support of Film the Bible's sole purpose.

Many are the plans of Film the Bible's heart, but (with your participation) it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.

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# Caribbean Island Adventure III



The **June 30<sup>th</sup> registration deadline** for our trip to the Dominican Republic and the Casa de Campo Resort is rapidly approaching. Don't miss out on a trip you will treasure for years to come while supporting the Film the Bible project at the same time. Enjoy the Caribbean's most complete resort along with other ministry minded friends from September 30 to October 3, 2004. For additional information, please call (954) 721-8121 or email us at [info@filmthebible.org](mailto:info@filmthebible.org).



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WAY-FM 88.1 Christian hit radio in West Palm Beach, Florida, is partnering with the Pastors Golf Tour for the inaugural golf event this Fall. Space is still available to sign up your church leadership to play and spectator tickets will be on sale soon. Come on out and enjoy a fun-filled day and support Film the Bible. Call us at (954) 726-4551 or visit our website at [www.pastorsgolftour.org](http://www.pastorsgolftour.org) for more information. Listen to WAY-FM for tournament announcements as well as great music and great programming.



## BEHIND THE SCENES AT FILM THE BIBLE

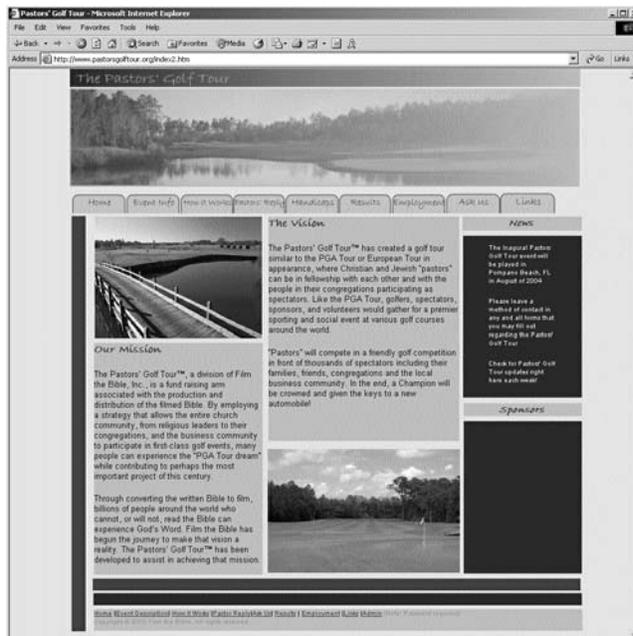
From newsletter layout to building websites to manning the cameras and running sound equipment, **Travis Barber** works so quietly behind the scenes that often the staff call out his name to make sure he is doing okay. Always willing to lend a helping hand no matter the project, Travis was named Employee of the Year in 2003, the same year he and the lovely Christina Amos were wed. Film the Bible is blessed to have such a skilled young man in its ranks.



# Pastors' Golf Tour Website

Check out the website we have for our Pastors' Golf Tour. You can find out when a tournament is coming to your area. You can also register to volunteer at events, as well as help sponsor an event. If you are a pastor, you can also register for an event. Or if you are just curious as to what it's all about, you can find more information on the site as well. Drop by and let us know what you think.

[www.pastorsgolftour.org](http://www.pastorsgolftour.org)



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