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Talking Grace with an LDS Apostle

On July 10th, I was asked to officiate the funeral of famed artist, Arnold Frieberg who died at the age of 96. Have you ever seen the incredible portrait of George Washington kneeling in prayer at Valley Forge next to his horse? Well, that painting was painted to Arnold Frieberg. The funeral was on Temple Square in the Assembly Hall and I was asked to officiate because of family concerns that Arnold would be described as a devote Mormon at his funeral when he had not been active in the LDS Church for decades. Robert Hayles, member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles for the LDS Church, spoke during the service and we of course we met and got acquainted. After the service we discussed staying in touch and having lunch sometime in August, which we did on the 25th of the month. Our meeting and lunch was amazing. The best part of our time together was a lengthy discussion of biblical grace and the relationship between grace and works. We were joined by a member of the 70, Elder Bruce Porter, who has been very involved on the LDS side of the Evangelical/Mormon dialogue in recent years. By the end of the conversation Elder Hayles said that he had never had an Evangelical explain the doctrine of grace to him the way I did and that he actually agreed with me. Well, one conversation is just a starting point, but I thank the Lord for his continued divine appointments to share God's love with LDS leaders, thinkers, and scholars. Your support and contributions to this ministry allow me to serve Jesus in Utah, and I cannot thank all of you enough for your confidence in our ministry of unity and transformation here in Utah.



PLEASE PRAY for me as I attend Cape Town 2010 in South Africa Oct. 16-25.

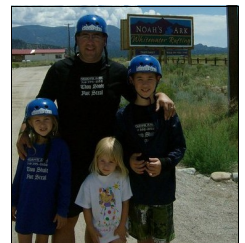
Only 400 leaders from the US were invited to attend, and I

will be the only one from Utah. It was a huge honor to be selected for this historic gathering. Check out Lausanne.org for more info on how to pray!

A Personal Note from Greg...



This past summer was quite a whirl wind for our family. In mid June we sent Indiana and Cali to visit family in Delaware to celebrate the wedding of Uncle Ryan. The girls were back east for almost three weeks and just had a ball with cousins, uncles, aunts, and grandparents. Jill was able to join them for about a week to attend the ceremony and spend some special time with our Matthew's family. Prior to visiting Delaware, Jill and I celebrated our 12th wedding anniversary in Camano Island, WA. Our dear friend Pastor Brian Boone from Edmonds, WA invited me to come out and preach two Sundays for him at his church, Community Christian Fellowship. While we were there, the church provided us an incredible beach house to stay at right on the Puget Sound, talk about beautiful! The blue water, the Bald Eagles in flight, and the green mountains were just breathtaking! All we can say is thank you Brian for your kindness, and Jesus thanks for your incredible creation! During the month of July, I returned to Regent College in Vancouver BC with my friend Dr. Bob Millet of BYU to study the History of Evangelicalism and 18th Century Revivalists like Whitefield, the Wesley's, and Edwards. Bob and I had one of our best study leaves ever and the experience was absolutely enriching. While we were up in the Northwest, Jill and the kids spent two weeks visiting Grandma and Grandpa Westover in Sacramento. Our kids are truly blessed to have several sets of wonderful grandparents. Jill's parents not only love and delight over our kids, but they provide an incredible Christian heritage for our children for which we are so thankful. We finished off the summer with a one week family trip to Colorado where we stayed with dear friends from Denver and Buena Vista. We got to raft the Arkansas River, and we enjoyed Glenwood Springs where we had an unforgettable family moment at Doc Holladay's grave site. The summer of 2010 was one our family will always remember!





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Advancing Biblical Unity and Spiritual Transformation in Utah!

Fall 2010: Volume 1

Pastor Jim Cymbala Refreshes Utah Leaders

Ministry Highlights:

- Some 40 Pastors attend 6th annual *Standing Firm One Day Ministry Conference* held at Liberty Park Adventure April 22nd.
- Taught 6 week adult Sunday School class on "Understanding Our Mormon Neighbors," for 1st Presbyterian SLC in Feb. and Mar.
- Hosted Evangelical students from Wheaton College, Azusa Pacific University, and Biola as they engaged LDS students here in Utah over Spring Break
- Provided leadership over Utah National Day of Prayer events and hosted our Capitol event and our NDP Governor's breakfast with Governor Gary Herbert
- 5th annual Pastor's Golf Gathering held in June; North Pastors win again!
- Worship 2010 draws 1,000 + at our State Capitol
- 220 leaders attend Refresh with Jim Cymbala and Daniel Henderson in late Aug.

On Thursday August 26th, Standing Together was privileged to host **Re-Fresh Pastors** with pastors Jim Cymbala of the Brooklyn Tabernacle Church and Daniel Henderson of Strategic Renewal International. **ReFresh** is a day designed to encourage Pastors, pastoral staff members, spouses of pastors, and key lay leaders with inspiring teaching from Pastor Jim and Pastor Daniel. In addition we experienced incredible worship led by a soloist from the famed Brooklyn Tabernacle Church Choir and times of corporate prayer and seeking after the heart of God for our community. Salt Lake City was honored to be one of the first five pilot cities to host these one day experiences along with Phoenix, Little Rock,

Houston, and Atlanta. About 220 leaders from 49 different congregations representing 17 different denominations and two Para-Church ministries from four different states made up our crowd. One of our partner ministries, Mountain View Christian Assembly of God in Sandy served as our location host and did a fantastic job blessing all those who attended.

The responses we received from pastors have been extremely positive. Pastor Jim challenged the leaders of Utah and surrounding states to regain the mantle of "prophetic preaching," and by this he did not mean predicting the future, but rather exhorting believers to follow Jesus Christ with radical devotion

and obedience. He told us that preachers need to preach "burning words," that have supernatural effect. Pastor Jim said that too many American pastors allow their



Jill and I with Daniel Henderson on the left and Jim Cymbala on the right.

preaching motivation to be, "how do I get the people to return next week," when what they really need to hear is a Word from the Lord. Likewise, Pastor Daniel challenged our audience to understand what it means to pray agonizing prayers from a teaching in Romans 15. Pastor Jim told us that he left Utah with a new burden for our state and offered to return to Utah next year with the Brooklyn Tabernacle Singers, a select group made up of members of the Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir. On top of that, I am thrilled to announce that Pastor Jim has invited me to fly back to Brooklyn Nov. 10-12 to teach his congregation how to build loving relationships with LDS people! Our God is truly amazing as he continues to allow our small ministry to have an influence that goes far beyond what we could ever possibly create for ourselves! All glory to Him!

Utah National Day of Prayer Unites Evangelicals

Once again, ST served as the statewide coordinator for the National Day of Prayer across Utah. It was one of the best NDP's we have ever observed in our state, with over ten events state wide. ST hosted two major NDP events last May 6th, including our annual State Capitol observance which drew over 300 believers and our NDP Community Leadership breakfast which was attended by our Governor and First Lady. Last April, the NDP was declared

unconstitutional, just weeks before our annual observance, so this year's NDP was particularly important. As we await the decision of the higher court, I assure you, Christians will continue to pray for our nation on the first Thursday of May!



Greg and Gov. and Mrs. Herbert