



# Update

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## Making Changes

We're making a change! In September, our monthly e-letter will come to you by MailChimp and will look different. You will also be able to link to our new blog that's under construction. We are presently uploading back issues of the Update onto it for easy reference.

Our goal is to send you nuggets of encouragement at different times, occasional devotionals, and eventually access to more in-depth material for those who enjoy teaching. It is the Truth of the Word that sets us free and breathes life into us. Above all, we want to encourage and inspire.

If you are not on our email list and would like to have access to the expanded materials we will be adding, email us your Name and your Address.

More content will be on our website than in regular newsletters, but we will continue to send printed copies of the monthly Update for now to those who prefer hard copy.

The temporary closing of regular church services has been difficult but has opened unexpected opportunities. In talking with pastors who offer online services, they are seeing far more people tuning in than who come to regular meetings. There is no substitute for Believers getting together to worship and fellowship, but the Gospel is getting out despite the restrictions. Hope is offered to

many who would never enter a church building.

Vernon's stroke has stopped his travel to other countries and his ability to personally teach seminars and regular classes, but it hasn't eliminated the volumes of Bible materials he has developed. We are in a different season of ministry. But the practical application of the Word of God is for all seasons.

Truth doesn't change, but how we present it may.

We as people tend to make our plans and consider anything that interrupts those plans as distractions. But life is not a distraction. *The mind of man plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps* (Prov 16:9 NASB). No one expected the world to be turned upside down by a pandemic. Or by a car wreck or a lost job or a stroke. So where should our focus be, and how can we deal with so much uncertainty?

Jesus said, *Give your entire attention to what God is doing right now, and don't get worked up about what may or may not happen tomorrow.*

*God will help you deal with whatever hard things come up when the time comes* (Matt 6:34 MSG).

Stay the course. God is not surprised or caught off-guard by anything that happens in our world or in our lives. When everything else changes, He does not. ✨



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## Thank You

Thank you for your continued prayer and financial support. Both are appreciated and encouraging.

We will be adding a new address for contributions once we go online, but for those of you who support, the address you have been using will still be good.

A reminder: Please make all checks to "Calvary Commission," not to us personally. We do receive 100% of what you send.

Be blessed! And thank you! ✨