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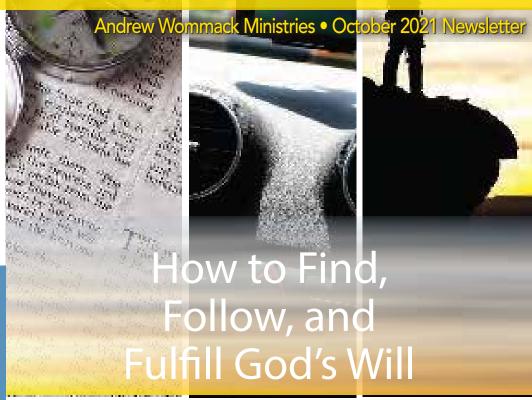
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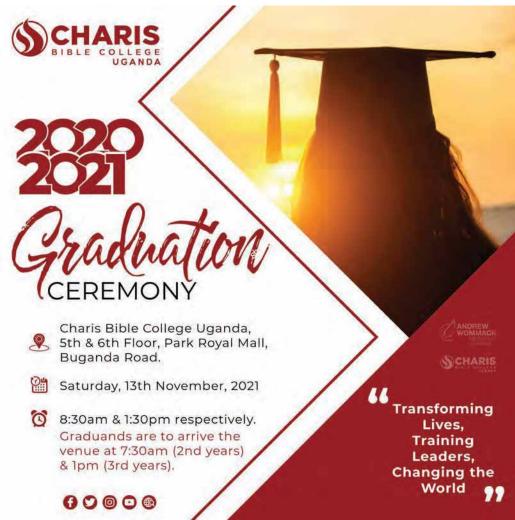
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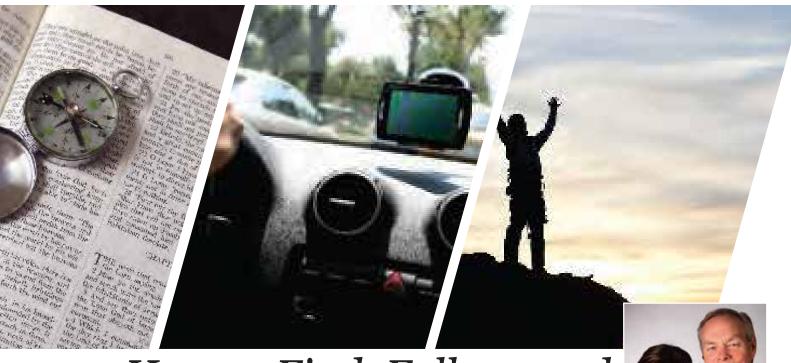
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God has a purpose for every single person, whether they realize it or not. Sad to say, most people don't live with a sense of destiny. They're doing their own thing and asking God to bless it, or they believe that God's will for their lives will just come to pass because it's fate and they don't have to do anything. That is not correct, and I'll explain why.

All my life, I've had zero doubt that God created me with a purpose. This is huge because many people think they just happened. They believe in the theory of evolution and that their existence has nothing to do with God. I tell you, it's tragic for people to have that mindset.

I remember being a kid and looking up at the stars and wondering why God created the world and what my part in it was. I had this longing to know what God's will for my life was, but I pushed it to the back burner and was a typical kid goofing off until I was ready to graduate from high school. Then people would come to my school and advertise their college or trade school, and it rekindled my desire to know God's purpose for me.

In my senior year in high school, I began to diligently seek the Lord. I read the Bible from cover to cover. I even went out and bought a Bible commentary to get inspiration. I knew that somewhere in the Bible, it had to have the formula to figure out what God's will for your life was. I asked the people in our church, and they said, "you'll just know" and "fate automatically happens." I reject that 100 percent. People like Hitler and Mussolini didn't live God's purpose for their lives. God didn't raise them up. God intended something totally different for them.

God has a purpose for every person, but it doesn't just automatically come to pass. Fate, or sovereignty, doesn't make it happen. If you believed that, you would have to credit God with all the rapes and the murders and the terrible things that happen.

To know God's purpose for my life, I had to seek to find. I had to ask to receive. I had to knock before it would be opened unto me (Matt. 7:7).

After I graduated from high school, I went to college. I still didn't know my purpose, but I was really seeking the Lord and studying the Word. I was at a church function over the Christmas holidays in 1967, and during his devotion, a man read Romans 12:1–2:

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that [you] present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

The last part of that second verse jumped out at me. This is what I had been seeking, praying, and searching the Word for. God is there to reveal His will to you, but you have to approach Him and initiate the process. You have to become a living sacrifice and be transformed by the renewing of your mind to manifest to your physical senses the good, the acceptable, and the perfect will of God.

For the next four months, I studied these verses in Romans. On March 23, 1968, I was in a prayer meeting, and God showed up and revolutionized my life; he knocked self-righteousness out of me. My life changed radically after this experience as I began to understand grace. And it all goes back to the fact that, for a year and a half, I had been praying and seeking to know God's will. And for four months prior to that, I had been focused on Romans 12:1-2 and trying to fulfill the requirements listed there.

This powerful encounter I had with the Lord happened because I wanted to know God's will for my life. Many of you are in the same situation I was in—you know there's got to be more to life than what you're experiencing. You have to initiate seeking God's will, and you have to persevere past any obstacles. Jeremiah 29:11 says:

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

This passage is familiar to many people, but seldom do we put it in context. The next verses, Jeremiah 29:12-13 say:

Then shall [you] call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. And [you] shall seek me, and find me, when [you] shall search for me with all your heart.

To know God's purpose for you, you've got to get to a place where you say, God, I'm not moving. I'm not doing anything else. I'm not wasting any more time until I find out what Your will is. You've got to be intent on it, because as long as you can live without knowing God's will for your life, you will. You have to reach this place where you search with all your heart, and that's when God reveals Himself unto you.

These experiences I've shared happened when I was young, but I guarantee it's never too late for you to seek God's will for your life.

This month, we're offering an awesome package deal that includes my book How to Find, Follow, and Fulfill God's Will, three study guides, a CD or DVD album, and My Appointment with God, a booklet in which I share my testimony and more details about how I came to know God's will for my life. If you just want the booklet, we're giving it away for free!

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AWM Helpline: Thirty Years and Growing!

This year, Andrew Wommack Ministries celebrated thirty years of providing prayer, encouragement, and resources to believers all around the world. From its humble beginnings in 1991, with one manager and only fifteen volunteers (of which Andrew was one), the AWM Helpline has experienced tremendous growth over the last thirty years, culminating in our projected launch to 24/7 ministry by October!

To commemorate this milestone and honor those who have served along the way, Andrew and Jamie hosted a banquet to rejoice in what the Lord has done. This special evening was filled with warm memories as former and current ministers had the chance to reconnect with one another and share historical highlights and humorous stories.

Previous Helpline manager, David McClure, recalled how so much of what Andrew and Jamie have done has been on a shoestring budget. "As I was thinking about that," he said, "I heard the Lord say, 'Yes, but My shoestrings don't break!'"

This truth has been evident over the years as God has not only provided abundantly for every need, but also supplied anointed ministers to bless our callers every step of the way.

Some of our current leaders at AWM began their journeys as phone ministers on our Helpline, including Barry Bennett, now a beloved Charis Bible College instructor; Andrew Wertz, now senior vice president of AWM & Charis; Rick McFarland, now dean of faculty; and Karen Conrad, now an entrepreneur and special guest at many of Andrew's conferences.

Just look what God has done with our Helpline since 1991:

- 9200% growth over thirty years
- 5,677,000 calls answered so far (and counting!)
- Expanded to 24 hours per day M-F, and 10 hours per day on weekends in 2020
- Projected expansion to 24 hours per day, 7 days per week by October 2021

Today, our Helpline is one of the strongest arms of our outreach, enabling us to touch more lives with God's love and healing than ever before. Ministering to every caller through prayer, encouragement, and lifechanging resources has been the guiding force behind every call. We get amazing testimonies daily from people like Vern, who knows the power of prayer. She says,

"I called your helpline for someone to agree with me in prayer for my healing, and [the minister who answered] was so kind and gracious. She prayed the Word over me and taught me about healing as well. To say my understanding has been enlightened is an understatement. I **know** that by His stripes I was healed. Thank you!" — Vern S.

We are so thankful for the ministers who have served on the Helpline over these last thirty years. And we couldn't be more grateful to our partners and friends who have so faithfully supported and championed this ministry. Without the amazing people who are a part of Andrew Wommack Ministries in all its forms, we wouldn't be able to reach as far and as deep with the love of God as we do now and will continue to do for many years to come! GT

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Would you like to sow into the kingdom of God with funds that have never been taxed? That is exactly what you can do if you have a traditional IRA and are age seventy and a half or older. This is a benefit offered by the IRS that every believer should consider taking advantage of. You can make gifts directly from your traditional IRA to Andrew Wommack Ministries without paying income tax on the withdrawal!

An IRA is generally comprised of "tax-deferred" funds. This means that while you were working and contributing to your IRA, you were setting aside funds for your retirement. At the time, these funds were not taxed, and hopefully, this had the effect of keeping you in a lower tax bracket. The exchange for this benefit is that these funds are generally taxable when they are withdrawn from the IRA. However, when you turn seventy and a half, the IRS allows you to give from these funds directly to a charity without ever paying tax on the distribution!

Gifts from your IRA to charity are called qualified charitable distributions (QCDs). An awesome benefit of QCDs is that they can count toward your annual required minimum distribution. A required minimum distribution is the minimum amount that a person who is age seventy and a half or over must withdraw from their account each year (see irs.gov/Retirement-Plans). A QCD is an excellent tax-free donation!

Here are a few guidelines on how QCDs work:

- You must be age seventy and a half or older at the time the gift is made from your traditional IRA.
- A QCD counts toward your required minimum distribution for the year.
- You can give once or multiple times per year from your traditional IRA, up to a total of \$100,000 annually.
- You must call or send a request to your IRA plan custodian to transfer funds (usually a check) from your IRA directly to AWM.
- When instructing your IRA plan custodian to make a gift, please request that your name and address be included with the check so that we can properly post your donation.

Given the potential tax benefits of QCDs, it is no surprise that they are a favorite way for our partners who are seventy and a half and older to sow into the kingdom! As one of our partners Carole F. says,

"My financial advisor suggested the money [from my IRA] go to charities, rather than the IRS. Yes, I would much rather have the money go to the kingdom than the IRS. I wouldn't have known to do this if he hadn't told me about it."

If you would like more information about how to give to AWM from your traditional IRA, please call us at 719-635-1111 and select option 5 for "partnership." You can also email us at noncash@awmi.net.

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God created humans as social creatures, with a desire to be in community with each other. But in a world where we can maintain relationships over the internet rather than in person, it's easy to forget that God desires relationship with us, too.

That's why Charis Bible College holds the Women Arise Conference every year! From October 28–30, come with your friends, mothers, sisters, and daughters to cultivate your relationships with one another and with God.

It's difficult to be still when we have to keep up with a fast-paced world, but it's when we are still and open to hearing His voice that we can start cultivating intimacy with our Father. If you crave stillness, rest, and deeper intimacy with God, this three-day retreat in the Rocky Mountains will refresh your spirit and teach you about God's nature.

With a focus on **1 John 4:17**, you will discover that you don't have to wait to be like the Lord someday. It is right now that we are like Him—as He is, so are we in this world. Your flesh may not be perfect, but in your born-again spirit, you are perfectly whole and complete in Christ. Your spirit is in direct communion with God, and when you align your soul and your flesh with it, your thoughts and actions will begin to reflect Jesus. God can freely fellowship with you and grow in intimacy with you because your spirit is exactly like Him!

This year's featured speakers are godly women who will speak timely words to help you understand God's love for His daughters. Learn how to quiet your heart so you can hear God's voice from Carrie Pickett, Audrey Mack, and other inspired Charis speakers. You and the women around you will be edified by engaging talks, workshops, and a question-and-answer panel with our speakers. You'll also encounter Jesus through passionate praise and worship.

This event is **free**! An **optional meal ticket** covering two lunches is available for purchase during the online registration process; there will also be food vendors onsite. You can enjoy restaurants and attractions in Woodland Park as well. Need accommodations? Go to **awmi.net/lodging**. Make lasting memories while you're here: go to **VisitCOS.com** to check out all the fun things to do while you're in the Pikes Peak region.

Intimacy with God is life-giving and should be the basis for every other relationship in our lives. It's time to dive into the Word, discover the love He has for you, and grow in intimacy with your loving Father. Find out more about the Women Arise Conference and register today at WomenAriseConference.com. We'll see you there!



Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the LORD from the heavens: praise him in the heights.

- Psalm 148:1

What's your worship like? Are you being transformed into the image of God, or conformed to the ways of this world? Psalm 148 reveals that God created us for worship, and it's no wonder when we consider the powerful impact. Not only does it drive away anxiety, depression, and stress, it also brings excruciating pain to the devil and wreaks havoc on his lies. Most importantly though, worship helps us connect with and focus on our heavenly Father!

Whether you are with us in person or through our live stream events, Andrew Wommack Ministries and Charis Bible College offer multiple ways for you to join in worship, including:

- Free Conferences throughout the year
- Charis Worship and Gospel Truth Conference Band CDs
- Charis Worship on GospelTruth.TV, Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 a.m.
- Healing School with Daniel Amstutz on GospelTruth.TV Thursdays at 1 p.m.

A great way to worship on the go is with our new live worship albums! Visit awmi.net/store to purchase your copies today! You'll love Every Praise from the Gospel Truth Conference Band, led by Charlie & Jill LeBlanc, with special vocals by Jamie Wommack. And Standing,

from Charis Worship led by Daniel Amstutz, will help you renew your mind to the truth of God's Word.

This is just what happened to Charis Bible College graduate, Johnny Rhodes, who had a life-changing experience with God during worship on his first day at Charis. "As I raised my hands, the love of God just washed over me," he said, "and thirty years of abuse, anger, and rage that had been choking me began to fall off."

Worship is so powerful, and thanks to you, our partners, we are able to provide worship experiences that are setting people free! Visit awmi.net/JohnnyRhodes on our website for the rest of Johnny's story.

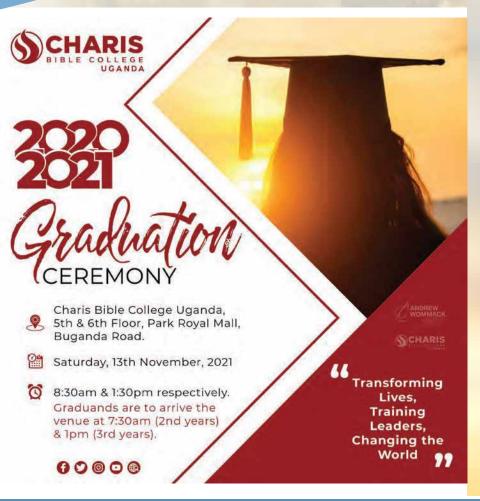
At the end of the day, it all comes back to your relationship with God. As you explore the different worship opportunities that AWM and Charis have made available to you, we encourage you to share them with others. In doing so, you will be sharing the love of God and helping Andrew take the Gospel as far and as deep as possible! GT

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Grace & Faith India Live Stream
November 6 • AWMIndia.net
Dallas Gospel Truth Conference
Special Guests • Mike & Carrie Pickett
November 11–13 • Addison, TX
The Shepherd's House Church
November 14 • Lewisville, TX

JANUARY

Phoenix Gospel Truth Conference
Special Guest • Bishop E.W. Jackson
January 6–8, 2022 • Phoenix, AZ

FEBRUARY

Orlando Gospel Truth Conference Special Guest • Barry Bennett February 10 –12, 2022 • Orlando, FL

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