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From the desk of National President

Shalom Mitra Tuhan di marketplace,

Diawal tahun kita banyak mendengar bahwa tahun ini bukan tahun yang mudah dan kenyataannya sampai pada bulan ini memang demikian! Berbagai harga komoditi di pasar global mencapai harga terendah, ketidakpastian ekonomi dan gejolak keuangan begitu

tinggi. Banyak perusahaan besar telah merampingkan produksinya ditandai dengan merumahkan karyawan-karyawannya. Bahkan saya yakin menjual mobil pribadi kita saja begitu susahnya karena rata-rata bisnis memang masih lesu.

Bagaimana dengan kita yang mengetahui bahwa tidak ada yang kebetulan, apa yang harus kita lakukan?

Dalam menentukan langkah kita, marilah kita ingat kembali salah satu values dari TWL di ICCC yaitu "**Understanding His Time**"

Bukan sebuah kebetulan! Dari bulan September 2015 sampai September 2016 adalah tahun akhir Sabat dari siklus 7 tahun Shemitah/Sabat bagi bangsa Israel atau tahun Super Sabat, singkatnya apa yang terjadi sekarang akan menjadi puncak dari kelesuan ekonomi dunia sampai September 2016, setelah itu Firman Tuhan katakan apa yang hilang, dirampas, kerugian baik itu yang timbul dari perlakuan yang curang dari klien kita atau kelalaian anak-anakNYA sendiri maka Tuhan akan gantikan bahkan lebih melimpah!.

Amsal 22:3 katakan bahwa Orang bijak melihat kesukaran datang segera mempersiapkan diri.

Apapun yang kita alami sekarang siapkan diri kita,siapkan bisnis kita karena tahun dimana Tuhan melimpahkan kita dengan berbagai kesempatan dan peluang akan datang.

Matangkan strategi keuangan kita pada masa-masa super sabat ini menghadapi krisis dan ketidak pastian.

Singkirkan semua beban dan dosa yang begitu merintagi kita, alami persekutuan yang erat dengan Tuhan dan mohonkan hikmatNYA dan pimpinanNYA.

Rekan-rekan istimewa, dalam kesempatan ini saya ingin menyampaikan bahwa ICCC-Indonesia kembali mengadakan ajang tahunan AMG (Annual Members Gathering) pada bulan Mei 2016 tapatnya tanggal 28, dengan mengambil tema sehubungan dengan masa kelimpahan yang akan segera datang dimana kita harus mempersiapkan diri, "A NEW FUTURE IN THE MAKING" siapkan diri Anda!

Mitra Tuhan di marketplace, mewakili seluruh National Board, kami menyampaikan terimakasih untuk seluruh doa, donasi dan partisipasi anda untuk ICCC-Indonesia (International Christian Chambers of Commerce)

Sampai jumpa di edisi bulan depan ,dan Tuhan Yesus memberkati anda sekeluarga.

Umbu Pekuwali National President ICCC Indonesia www.iccc-indonesia.com

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• MEMBERSHIP FEE

Bagi anda yang ingin bergabung dan member yang akan memperpanjang kartu keanggotaan anda untuk tahun 2016 agar segera menghubung Simon Aditan – V.P. Membership Domain (HP: +62816974647 atau email: <u>simonaditan@yahoo.com</u>

Annual Membership Fee untuk tahun 2016 kategori Developing Nation menjadi Rp. 800.000 (delapan ratus ribu rupiah) dimana US\$ 50 dikirim ke Kantor Pusat di Swedia sebagai syarat dan kewajiban International Membership

Membership Fee dapat ditransfer ke rekening ICCC Indonesia atau FORUKIN dibawah ini, dan mengirimkan bukti transfernya dengan fax ke alamat yang tercantum pada halamn pertama kiri bawah dari Newsletter ini:

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Annual Members Gathering (AMG) 2016

Saturday, 28 May 2016

Theme: A NEW FUTURE IN THE MAKING (Joel 2: 25 – 26)

Please pray for this important Gathering for members and also for public participants.

Wisdom and Testimony

Why Success Will Follow Your Faithfulness

HAL SEED



Your success will depend upon your faithfulness to God. (*Lightstock*)

As a teenager, my pastor introduced me to 1 Corinthians 4:2:

"Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful."

According to Paul, faithfulness isn't an option for God's people; it's a requirement.

On the other hand, while there's never a command for us to be successful, Jesus does expect us to produce results. He doesn't say, "Go and TRY to make disciples." He says, "Go and MAKE disciples."

So how will faithfulness lead you to success?

1. Without faithfulness, I wouldn't be in the game. I don't know any pastor who hasn't thought about quitting at least every few months. One of the things that keeps me in the game is Psalm 37:4:

"Delight yourself in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart" (MEV).

Pastor, when you quit, you eliminate the possibility of success.

2. Without faithfulness, I wouldn't be qualified for the game.

I know two pastors who have been unfaithful to the point of having a child out of wedlock. One has tried to continue in ministry. The fruit of his ministry has vastly diminished since his marital unfaithfulness. The other one is currently out of ministry and at odds with the church he once pastored.

3. The Master praises the successful servant for his faithfulness.

In the Parable of the Talents (Matt. 25), two out of three of the servants are incredibly successful. They double their master's holdings. The Master's response is not, "Well done good and *successful* servant," but "well done good and *faithful* servant."

Apparently, in Jesus' mind, our success is determined by our faithfulness.

Could it be that Jesus applauds faithfulness because faithfulness *leads* to success?

Many pastors want to quit almost every Monday. Even "successful" ones. Spurgeon fought depression every Monday.

Lots of pastors want to quit post-Easter. After all, the big day is behind us. So, what's here to look forward to now?

Something like 85 percent of pastors quit (or at least want to) after completing a building program. Same reason: what's there to look forward to now?

Pastor, there is so much to look forward to.

Long term, there's the "well done" words of the Master. Short term, most of what you get to do is a privilege beyond description. You get to handle the Word of God, shepherd the people of God, serve the living God, experience the anointing of the Holy Spirit of God.

Don't give up. If you remain faithful, God can achieve success through you.

God is an expert at taking little and making much out of it.

He took the little boy's five loaves and two fish and fed the masses with it. He took Gideon's 300 and defeated the hordes with it. He took David's stone and dropped a nine-foot tall giant with it.

Stay in the game, pastor. Don't disqualify yourself through sin or poor behavior. The Master you serve loves your faithfulness and will reward you for it both here and in the life to come! (Matt. 19:29)

If you want to be successful, you should choose to be faithful. \geqq

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God's Plan of Supernatural Provision

by Patrick Bastien

The time has come for God's people to break free from financial bondage. Our Father enables us to be free of every financial problem. He wants us to remove the challenges of making ends meet, a lack of steady employment, and excessive debt. God wants us to enjoy a purpose-filled life (Deut 28:1-8, 11). God's Word is filled cover-to-cover with promises of blessings and supernatural provisions that He has planned for us to enjoy.



God doesn't want us to be limited by our current financial circumstances. You may be deep in debt, not knowing whether you will ever be completely debt free. You may also be struggling with some longstanding financial problems and not know what to do. Or you may be free of debt but not understand God's Master Plan for you to prosper. He does desire that we be successful and prosper both physically and spiritually (3 John 1:2).

The purpose of this article is to enable you to understand the relationship we should have with God and our money. From here, you can develop a financial plan for you and your family, based upon fulfilling God's purpose for you. What we do with our money can reflect our level of obedience towards God.

In the very beginning of His dealings with His chosen people, God entered into a covenant with Israel, and promised to bless and prosper them above all other nations.

Today, we who are in the Christian Church are *spiritual* Israel, and these same promises belong to us. As the seed of Abraham, we have inherited these promises and they are part of our covenant with God.

In Deuteronomy 28, we see that God's purpose for blessing and prospering His people is clearly revealed. Verse one states that God desires to set His people above all other people. He promises to pour out His blessings to such a degree for our obedience that through our example the world will see how good life can be when we obey Him and acknowledge that He is the only true and living God.

In verses 3-7, God's blessings are outlined, covering many areas of our lives. The listing illustrates that He intends for His blessings to be upon us wherever we go, for our children and grandchildren and even blessings on the job. Everything we set our hands to do will be blessed, if only we obey Him. He promises that all these blessing will overtake us (verse 2). In other words, we can expect them to come running after us. In verse 11, again we see God's promise of prosperity. God did not plan for us to barely survive, or to worry about how we will pay the bills barely making it from one paycheque to the next. He did not plan for us and our families to suffer from the lack of necessities of life. Quite the contrary, He wants us to live an abundant life.

God's process of supernatural provision looks like this:

You give to God as best as you can through tithes and offerings, then you will receive more blessings (or increase) from God's supernatural provision. You *then* give tithes and offerings to God *from the increase* and you will receive even more blessings from God (Mal 3:10-12). God does not lie. If He promises increase in your life, you will receive it.

In the cycle of giving and receiving God will meet both your spiritual and physical needs. He will give you an increase in what you have given so there will be additional funds to spend for both you and your family. This will also help you to contribute more to do the work of God which will result in allowing the work to "freely give" to those seeking the Truth of God. This cycle is set in motion when we have God involved in our finances.

It's difficult to live a life free of financial woes. It sometimes feels like every step we make in the right direction, Satan the devil pulls us in the opposite direction. To experience financial deliverance and increase in God's blessings during times of financial crisis, here are six major steps you can incorporate into your life:

- 1. Remove the spirit of fear, worry and unbelief from your heart and mind.
- 2. Take your eyes off your financial problems and focus on God.
- 3. Stop depending upon yourself and rely on God as your source of total supply.
- Do not hold from God your tithes and offerings; give liberally, expecting God to multiply it back into your life. (Mal 3:8)
- Walk in faith. We must realign our thinking and walk in obedience to God. (Phil 4:13)
- 6. Ask in faith without doubting God (Hab 2:4; Heb 11:6).

God's promise to you today is that in the midst of your financial need you can come to Him and draw whatever you need from His storehouse. God promises that in times of famine you will be satisfied. The Lord will bless you abundantly (Prov 3:9-10).

Satan will try to attack our circumstances; therefore, it is very important for us to understand that our warfare is not with natural forces—it is a *spiritual* warfare. Satan attempts to discourage us in many ways. He is going to attack us with negative emotions such as stress, fear, worry, doubt, weariness, discouragement, depression, and so on. Let us not be ignorant of his devices because our battle is against spiritual forces in high places (Eph 6:12-13).

Satan can be violent, so we have to prepare for him. We must have the faith to tell the devil to get his hands out of our finances. Draw near to God and the devil will flee from you (James 4:7-8).

The worst thing we can do when in financial difficulty is to dwell on our circumstances and stop paying our tithes. Satan's strategy is to try to get us to forget God's tithes and offerings. But God is always there to help us break the cycle of financial defeat. One of the strategies we should use to defeat the devil and our own fears and doubt is to remember the promises and actions of God (Deut 8:18). To maintain continuous financial prosperity, we must continue holding on to Jesus Christ and never let go of Him. When things are not going well, He is our ultimate strength in times of difficulty. We must turn to Him for continuous support and guidance.

The Bible says,

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." (Phil 4:13)

In order to prosper, we must realign our thinking to God because everything that God has given to us is a resource. We just have to come to the Father and ask Him how to utilize such resources.

But remember the LORD your God is the one who makes you wealthy. He's confirming the promise which he swore to your ancestors. It's still in effect today." (Deut 8:18)

Let us hear this word today. Let us heed it for as long as we live. We should always remember it is the Lord who gives the knowledge, wisdom, and understanding to attain wealth. Sometimes we interchange the term wealth with *prosperity*. Prosperity is not limited to monetary blessings (Deut 28:1-14). Clearly, our Lord reminds us to seek the Kingdom first, and then all those things will be added to us (Matthew 6:33-34). This perspective will help us to live balanced lives centered on God and His priorities in our lives; that's what real prosperity is all about!

Sometimes Christians will use unethical means to achieve material riches, but we must remember that the *love* of money will lead us down an evil pathway (1 Tim 6:10). Prosperity does not just mean money. Do not limit God! When we limit the term, "God's prosperity" to our financial blessings, we are limiting God (Deut 28:13).

When people do their financial planning, they often plan according to their current financial conditions. But God wants to take us beyond these limitations to a new spiritual dimension whereby we believe Him for those things that may seem impossible to us. He wants to open our spiritual eyes to see His unlimited resources that He has in store for us. As God's plan of supernatural provision is revealed to you through His Word, you will have a better understanding of the new relationship with God. You will no longer depend upon your own skills, abilities, limitations, or personal resources; instead you will begin to see God's provisions for you.

Like anything else in our Christian life, we must be willing to manage our finances effectively. We must also allow God to bless and guide us in controlling our resources. When we are in control of our finances we can use God's blessings for His glory. Do not let anything have control over you (Psa 119:133). We should involve God in all aspects of our life. Anything that has dominion over us will limit us from doing God's work. Yet sadly, many of us have allowed our debt to bleed off revenues, tithes, and offerings from God's Work (Deut 28:44; Prov 11:15, 22:26).

We cannot prosper without God (Deut 8:18; John 10:10). Make use of God's management system and techniques. Don't be afraid to use them (Joshua 1:7-9). Fear is a barrier to being prosperous. We should not be afraid of prosperity. Just stay in the Word. Think it, read it, say it. Finally it is God's will for us to prosper in every area of life (3 John 1:2). That's something we should never forget, especially when we are faced with financial difficulties.

VISI DAN TUJUAN ICCC

International Christian Chamber of Commerce (ICCC) lahir dari kepatuhan terhadap visi yang diberikan selama kurun waktu enam tahun kepada seorang usahawan Swedia J. Gunnar Olson, yang diteguhkan dengan nubuatan dan terbukanya pintu kesempatan disekitarnya yang sebelumnya tertutup.



ICCC merupakan panggilan yang serius dan menantang bagi pengusaha Kristen untuk mengenali jaman yang sedang kita masuki dan dengan terang dari pengenalan itu memasuki dimensi iman yang baru yang disediakan bagi mereka yang ..." takut akan TUHAN ... berbicara satu sama lain ... dan menghormati namaNya." (Maleakhi 3: 16)

Visi ini memanggil para pengusaha dan kaum profesi di seluruh dunia yang terbeban untuk saling berhubungan, bertukar pendapat, memperdagang-kan barang dan menyediakan jasa, saling mendukung dan menguatkan secara rohani dan materi. Berdasarkan eksistensi dari visi itu sendiri memproklamirkan otoritas Kristus yang mutlak diseluruh dunia.

Pada intinya ICCC adalah kehendak TUHAN untuk memperluas tali kasih-Nya, melalui gereja-Nya, didalam dunia usaha. Hal ini menuntut para pelaku bisnis mencari terlebih dahulu Kerajaan-Nya dan segala Kebenaran-Nya.

Urapan tersedia bagi mereka yang dengan mata melihat dan telinga mendengar panggilan jaman.

Sebagaimana halnya Raja Daud yang menerima urapan untuk menjadi raja, jauh sebelum dia menjadi Raja, yang keadaan pada saat urapan diberikan sama sekali tidak mungkin bagi Daud untuk menjadi Raja, demikianlah ICCC memanggil para pengusaha Kristen sebelum peristiwanya terjadi untuk mengalami kebebasan masuk ke dalam dimensi baru, dimana sasaran, strategi dan perencanaan bersama-sma diwujud-nyatakan sesuai dengan iman di dalam Kristus.

ICCC mencanangkan panggilan itu sejalan dengan rencana TUHAN bagi jaman ini sebagai kunci memperoleh berkat dan pertumbuhan dan agar dapat bangkit berkemenangan diatas gelombang ombak yang mengancam.

Panggilan ICCC: "Mereka akan menjadi milik kesayanganKu sendiri, firman TUHAN semesta Alam pada hari yang Kusiapkan. Aku akan mengasihi mereka sama seperti seseorang menyayangi anaknya yang melayani dia. Maka kamu akan melihat kembali perbedaan antara orang benar dan orang fasik, antara orang yang beribadah kepada TUHAN dan orang yang tidak beribadah kepada-Nya." (Maleakhi 3: 17-18)

KEYAKINAN IMAN ICCC:

- Satu-satunya TUHAN pencipta segala sesuatu dalam kesatuan Trinitas: Bapa, Anak, dan Roh Kudus.
- Keilahian TUHAN Yesus Kristus. Kelahiran-Nya dari rahim seorang Perawan. Karya penebusan dosa manusia melalui kematian-Nya diatas kayu salib. Kebangkitan-Nya. Hak otoriatas diri-Nya atas dunia dan Kedatangan-Nya yang kedua kali dalam Kuasa dan Kemuliaan-Nya.
- Alkitab, sepenuhnya sebagai Firman TUHAN yang mem8berikan inspirasi dan berbagai peraturan bagi kehidupan yang dilandasi iman.
- Keselamatan pribadi orang berdosa dan kebutuhannya untuk mengalami proses regenerasi melalui8 karya Roh Kudus dalam menuju menjadikannya sebagai manusia yang dikehendaki oleh TUHAN, seutuhnya.



Transformed Working Life (TWL) adalah Pelatihan resmi dari Kantor Internasional bagi anggota ICCC dalam memperlengkapi anggota dengan pengetahuan dan pemahaman latar belakang, tujuan dan penerapan prinsip-prinsip Kerajaan TUHAN bagi dunia bisnis dan profesi.

TWL diperuntukkan bagi anggota dan dapat diikuti secara Cuma-Cuma, namun terbuka juga bagi siap2a saja yang berminat untuk mengikutinya. TWL diselenggarakan dalam bahasa Indonesia dan dilengkapi dengan buku panduannya, yang telah diterjemahkan kedalam Bahasa Indonesia juga, sehingga para peserta betul-betul akan memperoleh manfa'at yang besar dan mengalami transformasi dalam kehidupan pribadi maupun bisnisnya.

TWL difasilitasi oleh anggota National Board yang terlatih dan dikoordinir oleh V.P. Teaching: Benjamin B. Juwono bersama dengan Teaching Team: Johanis S. Najoan dan Eliezer H. Hardjo

Transformed Working Life (TWL) akan ditayangkan dalam salah satu channel di Indonesia agar dapat dimanfaatkan oleh para pebisnis & profesional Kristiani di Indonesia bagaimana menerapkan prinsip-prinsip Kerajaan Tuhan dalam kehidupan berbisnis dan bekerja mereka.

TWL bagi members secara rutin diadakan pada hari Sabtu ke 2 setiap bulan dan terbuka dan dianjurkan bagi semua member untuk mengikutinya sebagai pembekalan wajib.



How To Be Sure God Listens To Your Prayers

by K. J. Kehler

There are certain requirements we must fulfill before God will listen to our prayers.

We Must Belong to God.

"There is one God and one mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus" (1Timothy 2:5). Because Jesus is the mediator between us and God, we must give Him our total allegiance. Before I yielded the control of my life to Jesus Christ, I would pray, but I was never sure if God was listening or would answer. After I asked Him to be the Lord of my life, I had confidence that God was hearing and answering my prayers.

We Must Pray to God the Father in the Name of His Son Jesus Christ.

Only the name of Jesus Christ gives us credibility with the Father — not our education, our wealth or poverty, our church, our background or our position — only Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "If you ask anything in my name, I will do it" (John 14:14).

Sometimes I use my husband's name, or my church, or my work to gain credibility with people I meet. But only Jesus' name gives us credibility with the Father.

We Must have a Clean Heart.

Psalm 66:18 says, "If I had known of any sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened to me."

It is very important to keep a clean heart before God. Someone said, "I 'fess them as I does them, I don't bunch them." Don't wait until you go to church or a crisis arises in your life to confess your sins to God. As soon as you become aware of an attitude or action that is displeasing to God, admit that it is wrong and thank God for His forgiveness. 1 John 1:9 tells us that if we confess our sins, God is faithful to forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

We Must have a Forgiving Spirit.

In Mark 11:25, Jesus says, "Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father also who is in heaven my forgive your transgressions." Jesus makes it very clear that we can't carry anger, hatred, or bitterness in our hearts toward anyone if we expect God to forgive us and/or hear our prayers.

We must Pray in Faith.

Jesus said in Matthew 21:22, "And everything you shall ask in prayer, believing, you shall receive."

The very fact that you are asking God for your needs demonstrates your faith.

There are many times when God has answered my prayer as soon as I prayed. Other times I have had to wait for them to be answered. Some of the requests have been on my prayer list for years. I am still waiting, and I know that God will answer.

If you want to be sure God is listening to your prayers, consider if you have ever asked Jesus Christ into your life, you can do so right now by submitting to him with a simple but powerful prayer.

"Lord Jesus, I want you to listen and answer my prayers, I need You. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and receive You as my Savior and Lord. Thank You for forgiving my sins and giving me eternal life. Take control of the throne of my life. Make me the kind of person You want me to be."

If you prayed this prayer, we would love to hear from you . Perhaps we could connect you with a mentor or provide resourceful links that could help you in your journey to know God in a deeper way.

Terimakasih atas waktu dan minat Anda membaca Berita ICCC Indonesia

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