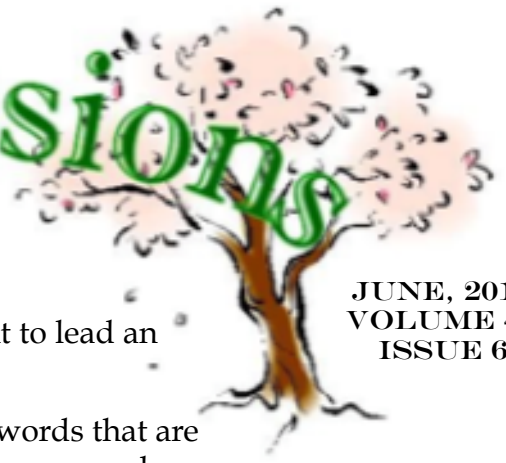


Emra Expressions



Our Mission

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One of the times that I enjoy, when I am training people who want to lead an after school program, is helping them create a Mission Statement.

A Mission Statement needs to be short and concise. It should use words that are understood by the community as opposed to using words that are commonly used only within the church.

They need to memorize it so if they get on an elevator at the third floor and are asked "What do you do?" - you can tell them your Mission Statement before you get to the ground floor.

A Mission Statement is a plan. It may not be everything you do, but it should give the person enough information so that they can choose if they want to know more about your organization.

The Mission Statement of Life Is Full Of Choices is: *to help empower others to use the forgotten skills necessary to equip children, youth and adults to become responsible.*

As I read this, the phrase "forgotten skills" jumps out at me.

The skills we teach are as old as time. Adam blamed Eve, Eve blamed the snake - they both made choices and God held them accountable. In that way God started the process of teaching them to be responsible.

Our current culture teaches us to blame others for what is happening in our lives. We respond as a victim. "The devil made me do it," "It is not my fault, the light just changed," and "I had to hit him. He called my sister a...". These are examples of the victimization mindset.

This mindset is the opposite of what the Gospel teaches. There will be a day of judgement and I will be held responsible for my choices. Jesus is my only answer on that judgement day. Only His presence in my heart can make me acceptable to God - but I need to choose Him as my Savior.

Sheryl and I wrote this Mission Statement because it plainly reminds us that all we can do is help people understand what God taught Adam and Eve and is still teaching us.

It is about the choices we make - because, Life Is Full Of Choices.

In His grip,

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Answered Prayer

These past three months have been full of activity.

We are recovering.
Thank you for your prayers for our health.

The website is coming together.

Prayer Requests

We continue the process of writing the Student Manual and the Teachers Manual for our Seminar, Raising Responsible Adults.

We continue to work with others on the website, and adding blogs and Facebook content.

Please pray for Bethlehem Family Camp in Bonifay, Florida. We will be there June 21-28.

Every person scheduled to be on the camp program has canceled within the last few months - except us.

We see spiritual warfare!

Please pray for the camp and especially us, as we present our Seminar two times, once on the weekend and again from Monday - Thursday.