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Good vs. Bad

One thing I think God is: He is in charge of everything. Does this mean God makes bad things happen? How can he let them happen if he is a perfect, sinless God with no wrong in him?

One story in my life was my best friend who died on my kitchen table after a pig hunting accident. I felt so helpless. There was nothing I could do to save him. He died without knowing Christ, and I couldn't understand how God could let that happen.

I still remember the day I found out I had cancer and that it was advanced and I wouldn't be able to go to Hoskins. I remember thinking I might have to say goodbye to my family in a way that I wasn't prepared to. I had my plans to serve God and instead I might be dying. At this point I believed God was working but I was still afraid of what he was doing.

In the bible we are told about Joseph being sold into slavery. That story seemed pretty dismal at the beginning, when Joseph was sold into slavery, but God had a purpose in that; to allow him to be the one who would orchestrate the world's saving from famine.

He later told his brothers that, "What you meant for evil God meant for good." The only thing I would ask is do you think you can believe that when the end of the story isn't known, and the hope of it in you isn't seen? Remember, he is doing something and it will work for good even if you never see it this side of heaven.

I love what Proverbs 16:33 says. 'The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from the LORD.'

I think that we can be sure in the middle of pain, hurt, anger, frustration, that as we go through it, God will take care of us.

Ryan Carpenter



A Captain's Influence

Interview with Mr. Todd Gerst by Meredith Whitman

Mr. Gerst, when you were young, who made an impact in your life and gave you direction?

Who was your role model?

T.G- Russell Timmerman, a captain of the tow boat I worked on when I was first out of high school.

In what specific way did he influence you?

T.G- After I accepted the Lord at sixteen, I transferred to the Christian school where his son Mitchell attended. Our families were good friends. Upon my high school graduation, Russell asked me if I wanted a job. I said, "Yes, I was looking for work." Three hours later I was working on his tow boat heading down the Mississippi river. Russell challenged me to study the Word, devote myself to prayer and memorize scripture. He also lived before me and all the other sailors a life of love, service, and devotion to his first love, the Lord Jesus. Captain Russell was gracious and demonstrated respect to me, a very young Christian just beginning to walk with the Lord. Although he was supportive of my job on the tow boat he would continuously say, "God has a bigger plan for your life."

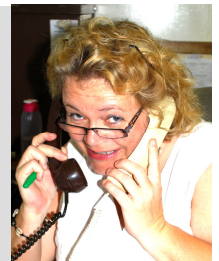
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Todd continued his following of the Lord and was led by Him to Papua New Guinea. He has had the opportunity to learn the Maleu language and share the gospel with many people in PNG. Todd's active role in church planting has indeed been a big part of God's plan for his life.



From the Front

(TdJ)



Right now I am working on organizing parent teacher meetings and sorting through old bills from a year ago. At the moment that is one of the hardest things about my job, it seems like there is always some more old paper work to go through. It will be really nice when we are done with that, then I will have more time for other things.

One of my favorite things about my job is the team work aspect I like working with others and getting to know the students, teachers and parents. I also really enjoy it when people come in and say 'Hello!'

Birthdays in February!

17th Keren Taganny
19th Beulah Sehorn
23rd Jemimah Taganny
24th Carla Whitman
27th Tristan Diepenbrock

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Importance of Being Earnest

February 26th and 27th!

Ter Maat's have their first grandson!

Teacher Work day
on Friday 19th!
Inservice Day!



If you plan to fail and you fail, did you fail?

Interesting Facts

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Every Valentine's Day there are about 1 billion cards sent to people.



Richard Cadbury introduced the first box of chocolate in 1868.

Next to Christmas, Valentine's day is the most celebrated Holiday.

The red rose is the 'Flower of Love' because it stands for strong romantic feelings.



KID'S CORNER



I feel loved when...

- Someone offers to do my jobs (Katelyn Hess)
- When my mom makes my favorite cake (Kathleen Robe)
- When my sister does the dishes for me (Palemon Saile)
- When my mom buys chicken for me to eat (Hilde S.)
- When I get to be with my mom (Emilee Hess)
- When me and my mom bake cookies (Aida Maiu)
- When my mom reads me a story (Isaac Jordan-Som)
- When my whole family is together (Shimona Matthies)
- When my mom gives me my medicine so I can get better (Mitchell Whitman)