

MINISTRIES

Empowering Christian Leaders for
Lasting Impact

*“But we have this treasure in
earthen vessels, that the
excellency of the power may
be of God, and not of us.”*

2 Corinthians 4:7

Charles Clemons

2024 Year in Review: Empowering Christians for Lasting Impact

Thank you, Community Bible Church (CBC)! What an incredible year the LORD has blessed us with, and we are deeply grateful for your partnership and commitment to seeking Christ. Inspire Ministries owes its beginnings, in part, to your faithfulness and support. This year has been marked by tremendous growth, both at CBC and through our collaboration with VINIA (The Missionary Church, Inc.) and Inspire Ministries.

At CBC, our church leaders—elders, deaconesses, and deacons—sought the LORD for a renewed vision and mission, culminating in our inspiring new mission statement: “Following Jesus, Making Disciples, Impacting the World!” This vision has guided us through an enriching year of spiritual growth, including powerful sermon series such as Jonah, The Covenants of God, Advent, Esther, Ruth, Philippians, Luke, Psalms, Judges, Mark, and The Parables. We also hosted two transformative Bible conferences, diving deep into Bible interpretation, church history, and apologetics.

The LORD has moved mightily in our midst, as we celebrated baptisms of individuals who received Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Beyond our local church, we participated in church revivals, men’s conferences, and ministry events in Tacoma, Washington; Tampa, Florida; Sacramento, CA; and San Diego, CA. Additionally, through coaching and counseling, we provided free support to 5-10 individuals, helping them grow in their calling or overcome significant life challenges.

As we reflect on 2024, we are filled with gratitude and anticipation for what the LORD will do next. Thank you for being a vital part of this journey. Together, we are empowering Christians for lasting impact, and we look forward to continuing this mission in the years to come. To God be the glory!



Let Justice Roll Down: A Story of Resilience and Hope

At Inspire Ministries, one of our core missions is to provide free coaching and counseling to individuals seeking clarity in their calling or healing from life's traumatic experiences. This past year, I was reminded of the profound impact of this ministry through the story of a remarkable young man—a story that echoes the words of the prophet Amos: “Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream” (Amos 5:24).

I was contacted by a fellow pastor about a 13-year-old boy who had endured a horrific attack on his junior high school campus. This young man, who is both Black and Mexican, was assaulted by an adult who hurled racial slurs at him, all while claiming to be a “patriot” of the United States. The incident was not only a violent act of racism but also a painful reminder of the brokenness in our world.

Yet, in the midst of this darkness, God's light shone brightly. This brave young man is a devoted Christian, active in his youth group, and despite the trauma, he chose to rise above the hatred. Over the past year, I've had the privilege of meeting with him weekly for prayer and trauma counseling. His resilience and faith have been nothing short of inspiring.

Today, he is not only surviving but thriving. Recently, he stood before his entire school at an assembly, sharing his story and calling for peace and unity. His courage was met with cheers and overwhelming support from his peers, teachers, and community leaders. What was meant for evil, God is using for good—to inspire others to see one another as precious creations made in the image of God.

His parents and I couldn't be prouder of the young man he is becoming. His story is a testament to the power of faith, healing, and the pursuit of justice. It reminds us that, even in the face of hatred, love and righteousness can prevail.

As we continue our work at Inspire Ministries, we are committed to being vessels of God's justice and healing in a broken world. Let us all strive to be like that ever-flowing stream, bringing hope, restoration, and the transformative love of Christ to those in need. May this story inspire us to pursue justice, champion righteousness, and see every individual as a reflection of God's divine image.

“What was meant for evil, God used for good.” – Genesis 50:20



Final Flight: Honoring the Legacy of Tuskegee Airman Jerry Hodges, Sr.

This January, I was deeply humbled to officiate the burial of a true American hero, the late Jerry Hodges, Sr. Over the years, I've had the honor of serving our brave men and women who have selflessly dedicated their lives to our nation. Mr. Hodges' life and legacy left an indelible mark on countless lives he touched.

Mr. Hodges was a distinguished member of the Tuskegee Airmen, the legendary group of African American pilots and support personnel who served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. Their courage and excellence not only shattered racial barriers but also paved the way for a more inclusive military and society. Though I only had the privilege of meeting him briefly, I remember him as a man of kindness, generosity, and unwavering dedication to the betterment of society for all people.

His funeral was a poignant celebration of his life and service. Surrounded by his loving daughters, grandchildren, and a host of community leaders, Mr. Hodges was honored with full military rites—a fitting tribute to a man who gave so much to his country. Yet, what moved me most was the assurance of his faith. Mr. Hodges acknowledged Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior, making his passing not just a farewell, but a triumphant "final flight" into the eternal presence of God.

As we reflect on the life of Jerry Hodges, Sr., let us remember his courage, his commitment to justice, and his faith. His legacy reminds us that our lives, when rooted in service and faith, can soar to heights that inspire generations to come. May his life continue to inspire us to serve with courage, live with faith, and strive for a better world.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." – 2 Timothy 4:7



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