

## **A Great Day in the Kingdom – June 17, 2022**

This week I attended Annual Conference in Fort Worth. I do not like Annual Conference, as I believe I have been very clear. I walked in annoyed, exasperated, full of mistrust and resentment. I had this all figured out. As the proceedings began, the power of the Holy Spirit descended upon the gathering. Pastors and Laity alike were being respectful of one another. People on opposite ends of the social spectrum were kind to one another.

The power of Almighty God had overwhelmed the negative. We worked together, prayed together, laughed together and I believe a glimpse of Heaven was seen. It reminds me of the movie, 'Tender Mercies'. Bethel Methodist Church (Where Christie once served) was used in that particular film. At the end of the film enemies, friends, a murderer and his victim and all of God's people are sharing Holy Communion. They are serving one another in Love.

Yes, this really happened in what I had previously believed was a despicable waste of time. After 48 of these Conferences, I had it all figured out. What did I know? Nothing! Never tell God how things are going to be.

**Matthew 19:26, But Jesus looked at them and said, “With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”**

At the end of conference my wife Christie and I prayed that a few churches, hopefully 15, would meet with us about how to improve a system so many had given up on. Well, 83 Church Pastors showed up. We want to work together and respect one another. We want our Laity (YOU) to know that they are God's Treasure. We want every Church to stand on its own, within a community of Churches. We will protect our people from rumor and internet gossip, or anyone who wishes harm through control.

We have a wonderful present and even better future, as what I believe is best Church in Aledo! Yes, the “Root Canal” was a soulful healing experience for all who attended.

*PRAYER: Heavenly Father, Thank You for forgiving us, when we forget about Your Will and Your Ways. Thank You for the encouragement of the Holy Spirit. Remind us Lord, that all things are possible, through Jesus Christ, our Savior, we pray! AMEN!!!*