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**CSM  
Calendar**

June 11

Golf Marathon  
Reception  
Army Navy  
Country Club  
Fairfax, VA

July 12

LMS Leader's  
Training Workshop  
CSM Office, Fairfax, VA  
8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

September

Formation of LMS  
Classes  
Washington metro,  
Virginia Tidewater,  
Atlanta metro, Penn-  
sylvania, other areas

Sept. 19

CSM Annual Golf  
Marathon  
Fairfax National Golf  
Course, Fairfax, VA  
6:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



# Glad Tithings

*Our mission is to equip Christians worldwide to apply biblical principles of life and time management and personal organization, that they might become leaders in effecting cultural change.*

*Ken Smith's Principles in Practice*

## How to Get Everything Done... and Have Time Left Over

Would you like to be sure that you've done everything important and still have time left over? Have you ever considered actually planning to do the important things at the same time on a regular basis? Wouldn't that be boring and inflexible? No, the fact is the more routines you establish, the more freedom and flexibility you will enjoy.

### Routines are a Fact of Life

God Himself has set the example. The order in the universe is beyond our comprehension. And even on earth, can you imagine what our world would be like if nature had no rhythm or routine? A significantly different time for daylight and darkness each day? Days and weeks and months and years of vastly differing lengths?

### What are Routines?

Whether we realize it or not, we all have routines. Many of us must go to work at the same time and perhaps even do much the same things each day. We usually go to church at the same time. Our children go to school at the same time.

Establishing routines simply means deciding in advance when you will do certain things that you do repeatedly. Routines provide the basic structure of your life;

everything else fits in around them. Having routines enables you to determine how much time you have available for other commitments and helps you decide when to say "yes" or "no" to other demands on your time. You'll begin to learn how to avoid over-commitment without worrying about whether you said "no" when God wanted you to say "yes." You'll have the comfort and freedom of knowing that you're spending your time as God wants you to.

But won't routines be boring? Not at all. More likely you are suffering the pain of not having enough predictability in your life. You will never have to establish more

routines than are comfortable. But if you don't have enough routines to make you comfortable in the first place, you'll probably never get to the point of having to worry about having too many.

### The Big Picture

To establish routines in your life, you need to see the bigger picture. If you rarely look beyond today, a week will seem like a very big picture.

It's hard work to establish routines. It takes discipline. Don't let yourself rationalize. Don't plead the fear of inflexibility when the real problem is too much flexibility. Don't voice concern over rigidity when the real problem is wanting to protect old bad habits.

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In Memoriam  
**Edward T. Britton, III**  
1936-2008  
CSM ADVISORY COUNCIL PRESIDENT  
1985-2001

## How to Get Everything Done... and Have Time Left Over *(cont. from page 1)*

Instead, ask God to give you the enthusiasm and motivation to do those things you know you should do - to begin to replace old bad habits with new good habits.

Decide to seize control of your life and your habits and your routines. Change them a few at a time, and relish the change. Success will motivate you to make more changes.

### Early Mornings are Key

How you decide to spend your early morning will set the stage for the rest of your day. If you establish a routine for spending your early morning as God wants you to, you'll have made a giant step toward spending the rest of your life as God wants you to. Just adjusting your early morning routine gives you a golden opportunity to begin to live a new life-- it's by far the most critical part of the day.

Early morning routines may include grooming, showering, eating breakfast and having your quiet time. Other activities such as reading the paper and watching T.V. might be better deferred. Chores and errands can often be rescheduled to permit more effective use of early morning time. If you commute to work, you might consider leaving home earlier to decrease your travel time, and having your quiet time and personal planning time at work instead of at home.

A Christ-centered morning routine is dependent on knowing when God wants you to rise in the morning. Make this a matter of prayer, taking into consideration all the things you believe He wants you to do in the morning. Select a time you will rise Monday through Friday.

### Evenings are Foundational

The second most important part of the day is your evening. Getting to bed early enough to have sufficient rest and rising refreshed to begin your early morning routine is essential to producing the day and the life that you seek and that God has for you.

To know when you should go to bed, work backwards from the time you believe the Lord wants you to arise. Allow for the amount of sleep you believe is optimum (not what you can just get by on). For example, if your rising time is 6:00 a.m., and your body desires eight hours sleep, you should be asleep by 10:00 p.m. Your bedtime should be 9:30 p.m. in order to be asleep by 10:00.



Determine what you presently do with your time between 9:30 and whenever you presently go to bed. Then decide what old habits you need to break and what new habits and routines you need to form in order to retire by 9:30. Whether the old habits include bringing work home, watching TV, working on your computer, doing housework or a multitude of other things, if you reschedule or abolish them to get to bed on time, you'll be amazed at how seamlessly other things in your life begin to fall in place.

The bottom line is that God's best for you does include certain routines. If you will take the time to discover what they are, and build them into your schedule, you will enjoy greater peace and become much more productive for His kingdom.

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## Ministry News

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Good news from our Fellowship Dinner—participants pledged \$80,000 to CSM towards a budget of \$300,000, heard an inspiring message from Janet Parshall and enjoyed a lovely meal. It was a special time of fellowship and encouragement for everyone.

Welcome to John Reyle, an ongoing CSM supporter, who has been elected to the CSM Board of Directors for a three-year term. John is vice president of Bruce W. Reyle & Company, a real estate appraisal firm.

On September 19, CSM will again hold its Golf Marathon. Can you play 50 holes of golf in half a day to raise funds for the ministry and compete for terrific prizes, including \$1 million in cash and a Toyota Highlander for holes in one? Find out more at the June 11 reception for prospective golfers. To sign up for the reception, contact the CSM office at 703-591-5000.

LMS classes meeting during the spring include: Barcroft Bible Church in Fairfax, led by Milt and Karen Clary; Bethel Temple in Hampton, led by Darrell Harris and Michelle Boyd; and CSM in Fairfax, led by Ken Smith, Craig Tenney and Vern Mann.

New Life Management Study classes will be forming in September. If you can't wait until then, you can sign up for the Internet LMS—available nonstop, 24 hours a day—at [ilms@csmin.org](mailto:ilms@csmin.org). You'll join a number of students currently studying over the web. Perhaps you've already taken LMS and are ready to share what you've learned with others. If so, CSM is offering training for leaders on July 12 at the CSM office in Fairfax, Virginia. Call 703-591-5000 to register for leaders training.

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CSM is a ministry dedicated to assisting Christian individuals, families, ministries, and Christian-owned businesses achieve their potential in the area of stewardship. CSM's National Board of Reference includes: Ron Blue; Dr. Bill Bright (1921-2003); Larry Burkett (1939-2003); Reid Carpenter, Pittsburgh Leadership Foundation; Howard Dayton, Crown Financial Ministries; Dr. Ted Engstrom (1916-2006); Roger Erickson, president, Christian Business Men's Committee International (retired); Dr. Harry Greene, president, Good News Jail & Prison Ministry; Rt. Rev. John Guernsey; Rev. Richard C. Halverson (1916-1995); the Rt. Rev. Alden M. Hathaway, Bishop of Pittsburgh (retired); the Rt. Rev. John W. Howe; Dr. Charles Hummell, Intervarsity Christian Fellowship (retired); Bishop Harry Jackson, Hope Christian Church; the Rt. Rev. David Colin Jones, Suffragan Bishop of Virginia; Dr. Beverly LaHaye, founder/chairman, Concerned Women for America; Hon. Ed Meese III, former U.S. Attorney General; the Rt. Rev. Martyn Minns, Bishop of CANA, Janet Parshall, and the Rt. Rev. Dr. John H. Rodgers, Jr. The Pastor's Board of Reference includes Pastor James Ahlemann, Pastor Larry Andes, Rev. George Beaven, Pastor Steve Brimmer, Rev. Warren Casiday; Rev. Wendel Cover; Pastor Amos Dodge, Rev. Paul Frey, Rev. David Glade, Pastor Tom Gulbranson, Rev. David Harper, Rev. Tom Herrick, Pastor John Hutchinson, Rev. Clancy Nixon, Pastor Vic Ransom, Pastor Bill Roberts, Pastor Dennis Rupert, Pastor Rob Seagears, Rev. Tom Tarrants and Rev. John Yates. Serving on CSM's Board of Directors responsible for day-to-day ministry operation are Jim Cope, Frank Lewark, Jack Maier, John Reyle, Rob Seagears and Ken Smith.

# Lessons in Giving: Nehemiah, Responding to the Need

By Jim Dempsey

While David gave sacrificially and led by example, Nehemiah, another great leader, gave in response to tremendous need. His giving, chronicled in Nehemiah 1 and 2, rests on five key principles that all of us should learn.

1) Nehemiah responded to an urgent need (Nehemiah 1:3). Nehemiah learned that the Jews who had returned to Jerusalem were “in great trouble and disgrace” because “the wall of Jerusalem had broken down and its gates had been burned with fire.” Visibly moved, he wanted to find a way to solve this problem.

2) Nehemiah’s plan was covered with prayer (Nehemiah 1:5-11). After hearing of the need, Nehemiah’s first response was to go to God to seek a solution. In prayer, he repented for the sins of his nation in not keeping the commandments, regulations and judicial decisions that God gave Moses, and he sought God’s guidance on how he could be used to solve the problems.

3) Nehemiah prepared a detailed plan in advance (Nehemiah 2:1-10). With God’s help, Nehemiah developed a detailed plan to

rebuild the gate and walls around the city. His plan covered both natural and physical resources as well as human resources.

4) Nehemiah took direct action (Nehemiah 2). Nehemiah didn’t just cry and complain about this problem. He was moved to find a solution himself. He sought God’s counsel, developed a plan and then acted on it.

5) Nehemiah used government, or secular, resources (Nehemiah 2:8). As cupbearer to the king, Nehemiah was able to present his plan to the king and ask him to send him to Judah to rebuild Jerusalem. The king was also moved by the need and granted him time and resources to complete the task, including military leaders to provide protection.

Like Nehemiah, we hear of great needs in our church, in the community or in the world. When that occurs, we must first seek God’s direction as to whether we should be part of that solution and if so, what direct action we should take. We should formulate a plan to invest our labor, influence, finances and expertise. Our action, as part of God’s plan, will undoubtedly make a difference for eternity.

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## Ministry News *(cont. from page 2)*

Perfect Way, our South American affiliate, is continuing to upgrade its website. In addition, Gustavo Alayza is searching for a new assistant to help with the ministry.

Also available from CSM—guidance in forming boards of accountability and personal life coaching—offered on a sliding fee scale, in person, by telephone and by email. Please contact us for more information on these services.

More information on CSM and upcoming events, back issues of Glad Tithings as well as resources you can purchase can be found on CSM’s website. Visit us at [www.csmin.org](http://www.csmin.org). If you would like to receive an electronic version of this newsletter, please let us know by emailing [Sheryl@csmin.org](mailto:Sheryl@csmin.org).

## Joyful Dividends

*From CSM ministry recipients*

“I have had the pleasure of reading the book *It’s About Time!* and the background of Ken Smith. I must say thank you for your vision to write this book. My church and my family will be continuing to pray for this ministry.”

Bishop Lawrence Kadewele, Malawi, Africa

“Thanks very much for following through on the vision the Lord has given you for challenging Christians to good stewardship of time and money. You have been of great help to many in our congregation.”

McLean Presbyterian Church, McLean, Virginia

*From a recent LMS Grad*

“The accountability to other believers in tackling areas of procrastination has been great. Very motivational to get things done. Also He has shown me the value of each of my family members and the importance of investing time in them.”

## Hole in One Nets \$1 Million At CSM Golf Marathon



Will you be the lucky golfer at CSM’s September 19th Golf Marathon who walks away with \$1 million in cash for sinking a hole in one? Find out how you can play 50 holes in one day to benefit CSM and have a lot of fun with fellow ministry supporters—and maybe win the big one! Let us fill you in on the details at a reception for prospective golfers on June 11 at 6:30 p.m. at the Army Navy Country Club in Fairfax. We’ll provide heavy hors d’oeuvres and door prizes, plus an opportunity to compete with other prospective golfers in a putting contest that features a Ping Putter as a prize for the winner.

Participating golfers will receive an attractive, high quality leather duffle bag emblazoned with the Christian Stewardship Ministries insignia, valued at \$100, or CSM golf shirts. Those who play on September 19 will be eligible to win additional prizes such as a Toyota Highlander, a golf vacation, golf equipment, free rounds of golf and more.

The CSM Annual Golf Marathon at the Fairfax National Golf Course gives duffers and pros alike a day of fun while raising funds for Christian Stewardship Ministries. The race is on beginning at 6:30 a.m. for golfers to finish 50 holes by 1:00 p.m. with two balls per hole. CSM provides free food and drinks plus complimentary golf carts to keep everyone moving forward toward that 50<sup>th</sup> hole. Sound like fun? Then gather up a foursome or a twosome or just come by your lonesome to the June 11 reception to learn more. Call 703-591-5000 to reserve your place at the reception.

## Fellowship Dinner Produces \$80,000 in Pledges!

CSM supporters pledged \$80,000 to support the ministry's \$300,000 budget at our April 24 Fellowship Dinner. The ministry and its guests were wonderfully encouraged and blessed by an evening filled with fellowship and inspirational messages.

We particularly appreciate Spencer Brand for serving as emcee; Pastor Rob Seagears and Diane Bell for sharing their testimonies; and Carl Meyer for offering his remarks and presentation. We also thank Rev. Tory Baucum for giving the invocation and Pastor Vic Ransom for the benediction along with the Sounds of Liberty from Liberty University for their gift in song. Thanks, too, to keynote speaker Janet Parshall for her uplifting message.

Special thanks to our dinner sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Hazel, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cope, Mr. and Mrs. James McIlvaine, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Craven, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Gillespie, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Maher, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hartman, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Templeton, Col. and Mrs. Ernest Wakeham, Mr. and Mrs. Munford Yates, Ms. Layla Dillow, Col. and Mrs. James Fields, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Groux, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lewark, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Maier, Mr. and Mrs. John Reyle,

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Finally, many thanks to those who served on the Fellowship Dinner Committee and as volunteers, handling all the behind-the-scenes details to make the evening a special time for CSM supporters and guests. We appreciate all of you and everything you've done! Thank you, Lang Atwater, Diane Bell, Nancy Blissett, Whitney Campbell, Richard Chenette, Charlie Cossairt, Jim Dempsey, Gerry Edwards, Janice Fields, Jim Fields, Patti Gillespie, Steve Gillespie, Ed Glancy, Betty Graves, Jocelyn Hamilton, Barbara Kelley, Mike Kelley, Sheryl Kenoyer, Frank Lewark, Carole Maier, Jack Maier, Vernon Mann, Sharon Meisel, Jean Moore, Bill Pile, Pam Priester, John Reyle, Jill Sanders, Linda Seagears, Diane Sellers, John Sellers, Pat Smith, Hugh Talman, Dan Thompson, Lynda Thompson, Herb Watson, Roycea Watson, Constance Willingham and Ron Zabel. If we have missed anyone, please forgive us and let us know.



### Lang Atwater: Making CSM Shine on Video

Over the past 18 months, media expert Lang Atwater has produced six videos for Christian Stewardship Ministries and has another under development. Although he has not yet completed the Life Study Management class, he's sat in on a number of sessions to develop promotional videos, an LMS orientation video and a video to train LMS leaders.

Lang finds applying the principles of LMS a challenge. "I love how the LMS offers practical tools to prioritize daily tasks and better ways to manage one's time. I've made a commitment to find time every day to seek the Lord on how He wants me to be spending my time."

Lang has a background in business communication, and his company LanComMedia produces videos and other materials for organizations involved in higher education, news and business, as well as some Christian ministries. He describes the CSM videos as "collaborative efforts" involving other staff and volunteers also.

Lang and his wife Cynthia are members of Reston Bible Church where he plays guitar and bass in the praise band. They have three sons and live in Reston, Virginia.

## Needs & Blessings

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