



Like many of you, I have been sensing for some time that there are changes coming to the body of Christ. God is getting all of us ready for what He is about to do in the body of Christ. We could not suppose that a new move could be contained in an old wine skin.

This realization led me to initiate a review of AFCM. In the beginning of this year I asked my leadership to assist me in reviewing the health of AFCM as well as making recommendations concerning needed change. We believe we have identified some areas in which the leadership can work to improve AFCM and I believe that we have a plan that will carry AFCM into the future.

Hundreds of hours of prayer, preparation, and review have gone into this process and we are now prayerfully considering how these changes will be implemented. Please keep us in your prayers. What I can tell you is there are some very exciting things happening in AFCM that will position us for greater effectiveness and growth. Our goal is to be able to outline these changes for you at the East Coast Family Reunion in October and then provide further details before year end.

I can tell you that we are incredibly excited! This

process has resulted in a re-birth of sorts for AFCM. We are being renewed, re-fired, and retooled for the future. We feel more excited about AFCM than ever before. We believe the Holy Spirit has helped us along the way and He will continue to help us as we implement change. We believe that AFCM can and will be relevant while maintaining our core commitment to the integrity of the scripture and our obedience to the Holy Spirit.

What you need to know now is that I am and will continue to lead AFCM. We believe AFCM's best years are just ahead. Our core values are unchanged: we will not compromise the Word, we will continue to be a supernatural ministry, we will continue to be a diverse association of churches and ministers committed to seeing Christ made known around the world.

Our theme for East Coast Family Reunion in Naples, Florida, October 2-4, 2012, is "Fresh Start." We will be outlining many of the exciting changes that are being made to ready AFCM for the future. If you were unable to be with us, please download and listen to the services from our website [www.afcminternational.org](http://www.afcminternational.org).

Please join us as we begin this "Fresh Start" for AFCM.

The holiday season is before us and as we celebrate Thanksgiving and Christmas, we give thanks for all that our Lord Jesus has done and is doing to enable us to fulfill His purpose for our lives.

This has turned out to be a very historic year for AFCM as the Lord is positioning us with a FRESH START in order to maximize the harvest and discipleship of souls for His Kingdom.

We are very grateful to see how the Lord is working to utilize all the gifts and anointings in AFCM in order to fulfill the vision the Lord has given us.

We love and appreciate all of you. May you continue to be rooted and grounded in love and strengthened by the Holy Spirit daily (Ephesians 3:14-21)!!!

In Him,  
*Jim + Kathleen Korman*



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# A Healthy Fear

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The Biblical history of salvation is a record of the merciful attempts of God to draw men and women away from their sin and its destructive consequences to Himself. Deuteronomy 5:29 says, **“O, that they had such a [mind and] heart in them always, [reverently] to fear Me, and keep all My commandments, that it might go well with them, and with their children for ever!”**

Isaiah 59:2 tells us that sin separates us from God. In Exodus 20:20 we read, **“And Moses said to the people, Fear not; for God is come to prove you, so that the [reverential] fear of Him may be before you, that you may not sin.”**

A godly and reverential fear is a healthy fear that helps keep us from sinning and close to God.

### God is Holy

Godly fear is based on the conviction that God is a holy, sinless God whose very nature leads Him to judge sin. If sin were left unpunished, it would spread throughout God’s creation and totally destroy it. 1 John 4:8 tells us that God is love and because of God’s love for His creation He must punish sin in order to protect it.

### Knowledge Required

The fear of the Lord requires a knowledge of the Holy One that regards Him with holy awe and reverence, and honors Him as God because of His great glory, holiness, majesty, and power. (Proverbs 1:7; 2:1-6; 9:10; 8:13; 16:6).

- He is all powerful (Jeremiah 32:17)
- He knows everything (Isaiah 46:9-10; 48:5)
- He is present everywhere at the same time (Jeremiah 23:23-24; Psalm 139:7-10)
- He is different and independent from His creation (Isaiah 66:1-2; Acts 17:24-25; 1 Timothy 6:16)
- He is eternal (Revelation 21:6; Isaiah 43:10; 44:6)

- He is unchangeable (Hebrews 13:8)
- He is perfect and holy (1 Peter 1:16)
- He is true (Isaiah 48:16; Matthew 28:18-20)
- He is good, love, merciful, gracious, compassionate, patient, and faithful (Galatians 5:22-23)
- He is truth (John 14:6)
- He is just (Isaiah 30:18; 1 John 1:9)

### Only One Savior

True fear of the Lord causes believers to place their faith in Him alone for salvation (Isaiah 43:10-11; 45:21-22; John 14:6).

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Jesus Christ is the only One who laid His life down and shed His blood for me so that I could be redeemed. There are literally thousands of counterfeits of Jesus Christ and His church. To even suggest or entertain the thought that Christianity and other religions serve the same God is nothing short of blasphemy. There is only One way whereby man can be saved (John 14:6; Matthew 7:13-14).

### Love and Judgment

The Bible has as much to say about God’s love as it does of His judgment. To fear God involves recognizing that sin has consequences and that in time and eternity God has the power to punish those who break His Word. To disobey God’s Word is sin. Sin is rebellion against God (John 14:23-24; Proverbs 8:36; Numbers 32:23).

It is our duty to “guard our hearts for out of it flow the forces of life” (Proverbs 4:20-23). We must hate sin as God does (Proverbs 3:7; 8:13; 16:6; Psalm 97:10).

Galatians 5:16-21 tells us to walk in the Spirit and we will not fulfill the lusts of the flesh. James 1:14-16 in the Amplified Bible says, “But every person is tempted when he is drawn away, enticed and baited by his own evil desire (lust, passions). Then the evil desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully matured brings forth death (separation from God).” As believers, we must remain faithful to God and His Word. Hebrews 3:12 warns, “Beware brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God.”

### Conclusion

Thankfully, we don’t have to do this in our own strength. According to Philippians 4:13, we can do all things through Christ!

Philippians 2:12b-13 in the Amplified Bible sums it up, “Work out - cultivate, carry out to the goal and fully complete - your own salvation with reverence and awe and trembling [self-distrust, that is, with serious caution, tenderness of conscience, watchfulness against temptation, timidly shrinking from whatever might offend God and discredit the name of Christ]. [NOT IN YOUR OWN STRENGTH] for it is God Who is all the while effectively at work in you - energizing and creating in you the power and desire - both to will and to work for His good pleasure and satisfaction and delight.”

Let’s have a reverent and obedient fear of God and LIVE! (Prov. 19:23; Isaiah 11:1-3)

**REVERENTIAL FEAR OF GOD**

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## Jim's Itinerary

October 2-4 Naples, FL Living Word Family Church AFCM FAMILY REUNION - FRESH START!	October 7 AM Tampa, FL Faith Life Church	October 7 PM Tampa, FL Olive Leaf Christian Center	October 14 Lake Worth, FL Believer's Victory Church	October 17 North Myrtle Beach, SC Today's Harvest Church	October 18 North Myrtle Beach, SC AFCM Minister's Meeting	October 25-26 Drummondville, QC AFCM Canada Overnighter	October 26-27 Drummondville, QC Rhema Quebec	October 28 AM Drummondville, QC Eglise Chretienne la Vie Complee	October 28 PM Sherbrooke, QC Eglise Sur le Roc	October 29 Quebec City, QC Eglise de la Foi Triomphante	NOVEMBER	November 2 Mississauga, Ontario Dominion In Christ International Ministries	November 4 Toronto, Ontario Bible Faith Church	November 25 Tulsa, OK World Outreach Church	JANUARY 2013	January 20 Tampa, FL Anointed Word Church	January 27 Titusville, FL Victorious Living Christian Center
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