

The Monthly Beacon

"When Jesus spoke to the people again, He said, I am the light of the world.

Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

- John 8:12

On the Subject of Abortion

Okay so let's have the conversation...

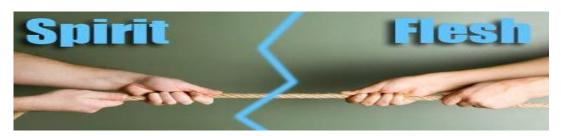
Recently nine states (Utah, Missouri, Kentucky, Ohio, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Georgia) have passed the Abortion bill that prohibits any abortions after a fetal heartbeat is detected. There are specifics state to state but the bottom line is this bill takes away the rights for a woman to choose what she does with her body relative to pregnancy.

Arguments can be made on both sides on whether it is right or not however let us address this topic from the biblical perspective. Is it right to have an abortion? One would have to ask, "does this align with God's word"? Well, the bible gives us free will, but it also commands us, "thou shalt not kill". So how can practicing Christians wrap their heads around such a hot button subject?

One must first begin this discussion by looking at what causes pregnancy. If there were no premarital sex, that would all but eliminate the subject of an unwanted pregnancy as it applies to a single woman. In the case of incest or rape, because of its violent nature, the decision to not become pregnant is outside of one's will. And then there are those who engage in relationships outside of their marriage and they become impregnated. Then there are the women who have (recommended) genetic tests taken and find that the fetus has a birth defect etc. As you can see, there are many things to be considered when the subject of abortion is raised. However, if we are truly following biblical teaching, we understand that fornication outside of marriage is a sin. Yes, God gives us free will but when you look at the subject holistically you will find that one word is at the center of it all and that is "sin".

Only God has the right to judge our actions but keep in mind that if you have the mind of Christ, your decisions are going to be based on His will and His desire.

"The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God." Romans 8:7-8





June 8, 2019 "Reaching Your Destiny"

A Mamie Johnson Ministries Seminar

"For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay." Habakkuk 2:3

You've made plans, believed God's message for you and yet you continue to experience set back after set back. You've been told to seek God through prayer, fasting, and other forms of connecting with Him and still nothing. God does have a plan for you and it is not as complicated as you might think. He can teach you how to wait while continuing to move forward.

8:30 am Registration & Continental breakfast 9:00am-11:00am Seminar Fee: \$25.00 paid at door at Jubilee Community Church 11285 N Springboro Pike, Miamisburg, OH 45342

September 14, 2019 "Releasing the Ties that Bind"

A Mamie Johnson Ministries Seminar

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith." Hebrews 12:1

Our families, our shared beliefs, our occupations etc. link us together but they are not always healthy. Some are toxic and prevent advancement. God wants to show you how to let go of unhealthy thinking and unions so that you can live a full life in Christ. Location: TBA

8:30 am registration and continental breakfast Seminar: 9:00 am - Noon Fee: \$25.00 paid at door

October 19, 2019 "Heart and Soul Brunch Friend-raiser"

A fun brunch, silent auction and networking event. Location: TBA

November 9, 2019 "How to Walk in the Spirit"

A Mamie Johnson Ministries Seminar

"Therefore, we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: (For we walk by faith, not by sight:)" 2 Corinthians 5:6-7

Walking in the Spirit means living in the world but not following worldly principles. This can only be accomplished when you understand the nature and purpose of the Triune God. Walking in the Spirit will teach you how to escape negative influences so that you might walk confidently and boldly with Him.

8:30 am registration and continental breakfast

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