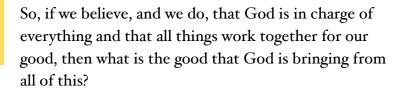
We have gone through a tough time. This time last year, we were going through the intense difficulties of COVID-19; facing the impact of separation, untimely deaths, uncertainty, and social isolation. No one thought that we would still be battling with basically the same virus. While we know that God is good and He works everything together for our good, there are times when it is very difficult to see the good.

Because of the impact of the virus, the landscape for every church around the globe has changed. Churches can no longer do ministry the way that they use to do ministry. Families don't gather together the way they used to gather. There have been nations that have been placed on lockdown.

2022 CONSECRATION

Week 1 (Jan 02 – Jan 09)

Faith Tabernacle Christian Center Pastor Earl & Denise Goings





Growth in the midst of famine.

I firmly believe that it is not a time to draw back, but it is a time to go forward. So, with this in mind, we begin this consecration with great anticipation...because I believe that God is up to something good! Something good in our personal lives. Something good in our families. Something good in our churches. Something good in our Nation. Something good around the world.

If there is ever a time when you as a person, and we as a body, need a vision, it is now! Vision is a clear and precise mental portrait of a preferable future. Vision is imparted by God in His chosen people.

Prayer will be held on Mondays @ 7PM and Fridays @730 PM Sanctuary & Parking Lot

Drink 16-20oz of 100% juice, V-8 vegetable juice, or Gatorade at lunchtime. Water is helpful. Pray! Pray! Pray!

Please eat one meal per day after 6PM and/or after services unless medical advice advises otherwise.

Vision Involves Change

Vision *always* involves change. It enables you to improve a situation. Vision focuses on the future and represents a perspective that anticipates the challenges and opportunities to come. I think a lot of Christians look to a vision of the future that will bring pleasure to themselves. Instead, if the vision is from God, it will bring pleasure to God.

I was recently teaching about the sin of Simon the Sorcerer (in Acts 8) who offered Peter money in return for the Power of The Holy Spirit. He was immediately rebuked by the Apostle for his inappropriate desire. He was disqualified from having the power he craved. Beloved, your motives must be pure and your heart willing not only to receive the assignment (vision), but also to commit yourself to seeing it come to pass.

Prayer Objectives

- 1. My #1 prayer objective is that God will give us a heart to serve.
- 2. That we will see and know our assignment.
- 3. That we will deny ourselves and take up the cross of Jesus and follow Him.

This year, I know that there are a lot of you that are taking medicine. As in every year, I request that you do not stop taking your prescribed medication. You should; however, make a decision on what you are sacrificing to God. If taking medication requires a small meal, please do so accordingly. Remember, if it means nothing to you, it will mean nothing to God. I suggest that some of you sacrifice Facebook, video games, and online activities for pleasure (with the exception of work) for the whole month. For those of you following our traditional fasting throughout the month, please refrain from sugar, sugar substitutes, coffee, tea, and sodas (diet, regular, etc.) for the remainder of Consecration.