

Andrew Philip Kulp's Attic

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Unless the Lord builds a house, the work of the builder is useless. Unless the Lord protects a city, guarding it with sentries will do no good. It is useless for you to work so hard from early in the morning until late at night, anxiously working for food to eat; for God gives rest to His loved ones.

Psalm 127:1-2 (NLT)



Trinkets: *That Trunk in the Corner of the Attic*

With new carpet and a new front deck, I feel like I'm living in a new house. A special thank you to my parents for such a gift!

It's been a very busy month, thus the slightly later-than-usual edition of APK's Attic. After a week-long blitz on Missiology, and a trip to Louisville for classes and other stuff, I'm finally finding time to catch a breath . . . just one breath. . .

Gone Mental: *Seminary Course Work*

New Testament 2 is now complete.

We crammed the entire 40 hours of Missiology into 4 days, with only a research paper remaining. Despite the incredible pace, with such high-quality teaching, we were incredibly blessed.

Old Testament 1 is now about half done, and again, we are blessed to have great men of God teaching us.

We received 1 hour of credit in Great Commission Studies for our trip to Louisville. We also had a team meeting in preparation for our trip to Ghana in June/July. I'm really excited, as this is the beginning of a 6-year partnership between STBS and the Ghana Baptist Convention. Hopefully our efforts will culminate in the first meeting of a new church on the last Sunday of our stay in Ghana.

Brother Al continues to challenge us with reading and classes for the Church Dynamics course on Wednesday afternoons.

I will receive one hour of class credit the week of June 11 for attending the Southern Baptist Convention in Orlando, FL.

Ephesians 1:16: *Thanksgiving and Prayer*

I decided to replace the "Your Part" portion of my newsletter with a section dedicated to you, my ministry supporters . . . a chance to share my thanksgiving and prayers for you.

Thank you:

College student who continues to increase your giving, each gift brings tears to my eyes, as I know you're making great sacrifices. "Auburn Parents" for constantly doing so much for me. "Auburn Grandparents" for your encouragements, wisdom, and gifts. Family, for home renovations. Pizza Man, PFB, and ZB for challenging questions and encouraging conversations. Lakeviewers, for many meals and so much more. Florida Friends, for news, tapes, gifts, and continued prayer. PA Pals, for prayers and special gifts.

Prayers:

College Student recovering from appendix removal. College students dealing with a call to ministry. Family with struggles related to changing jobs and an upcoming wedding. Friends with difficult family situations.

Heartwork: *Pastoral Internship Responsibilities*

Other than a few technical difficulties, the order of worship I developed for my internship under David went very well.

I am now interning under Patty Chance, but due to the busy schedule of the interns the past couple of weeks, I haven't been able to really get involved in her ministries. Now that things have slowed down a little bit, I look forward to interning under her incredible leadership of Lakeview's ministry to children.



Patty Chance

Et Moi: *Personal Comments*

March was not quite as fruitful in financial gifts as February was, but God still provided. I am continually grateful to my supporters, many of which are making great sacrifices to help me. I have a few small needs that will need to be met in the near future, so please continue to keep my support as a matter of prayer. Also, continue to pray for diligence as I study for classes and minister to those around me.

This is the season of the Passion of Jesus Christ. This very week is the week in which we celebrate his death and resurrection. Easter Sunday is one of the two times of the year when unsaved people are most likely to visit a church . . . take advantage of the opportunity to invite unsaved friends and look for those who are unsaved in our midst!

Perhaps the following list from my New Testament notes will help your witness in this glorious season of Christian life:

Seven Evidences of the Reality of the Resurrection of Jesus:

1. The Empty Tomb.
2. Numerous Post-resurrection appearances.
3. The sudden and incredible transformation of the Disciples.
4. The conversion and testimony of Saul of Tarsus (Paul).
5. The absence of contemporary denial in the historical record.
6. The history, survival, and growth of the Christian church.
7. The Lord's Day—worship on Sunday.

We are not sinners because we sin, rather our nature as sinners causes us to sin. God's nature is holiness, therefore He cannot allow sin in His presence. That is why He sent His Son, Jesus. It's not about happiness. It's not about physical health. Although God has the power to deal with such things, it's about repentance from sin and acceptance by faith that Jesus Christ paid the penalty for our sin when He died on that cross 2000 years ago, and in so doing, freed us from our sin nature.

He is risen!

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