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Director's Report

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Our summer classes are coming to an end this week. Tuesday evening will be our last Introductory Greek audit class and Thursday brings our philosophy online class to a conclusion. I have enjoyed both of these studies with students.

Norma and I will be taking a break between Summer and Fall classes. We will travel to MS between July 29 and August 9. I will be speaking at Christian Chapel church of Christ, my former congregation (1985-1993), on Sunday, August 7, and teaching a combined adult class. The elders asked me to address students and teachers returning to school. Their custom is to gather them after the message and pray for them. This is a wonderful country church just outside Amory, MS.

We have paid initial fees and costs associated with the design of our new building and permits by the city planners. Hopefully, we are in the final steps of the submission and approval process. We trust that work can begin during the Fall. Pray for the success of this effort.



Image of New Facility for Amarillo Bible Chair

CALENDAR

August 22 – Fall I Classes Begin
Sept. 5 – Labor Day Holiday
October 10-14 – Fall I Final Exams
October 17-23 – Fall Break
October 24 – Fall II Classes Begin
November 24-27 – Thanksgiving Holiday
December 12-16 – Final Exams

CLASSES FOR FALL 2022

RELG 2303-001

Romans

August 22 – October 14

M/T/W/Th 9:00-10:15 AM

PHIL 1304-003

Intro to World Religions

August 22 – October 14

M/T/W/Th 12:30-1:45 PM

PHIL 1301-004

Intro to Philosophy

August 22 – October 14

Mon - Sat Online (Web)

RELG 1302-001

New Testament

October 24 – December 16

M/T/W/Th 9:00-10:15 AM

INCOME & EXPENSE FOR JUNE 2022

Income		Expense	
Adrian	500	Payroll Expense (plus PR taxes)	6,731
Anna Street	300	Postage	50
Bell Avenue	2,200	Utilities	<u>413</u>
Borger	300		
Bushland	50		
Clarendon	25		
Claude	200		
Clovis	1,000		
Colonies	400		
Dalhart	150		
Fritch	50		
San Jacinto	750		
Sunray	1,000		
Texline	200		
Individuals	75		
Memorials	<u>50</u>		
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 7,250	TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 7,194

Positive Cash Flow for June : \$ 56

IT IS FINISHED

"When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, It is finished, and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit." (John 19:30)

We have an interesting Greek word in this text. We have three words in English to express the meaning of one Greek word, *tetelestai*. According to John, this was Jesus' last word before He died while hanging on the cross. He recorded this as Christ's last word to highlight its tremendous significance. The word means, It is finished, it is accomplished, it is fulfilled, or it is brought to an end. It carries the idea that a final step has been taken. Therefore, *tetelestai* was often used on receipts in times of antiquity. It would literally mean "this is paid," the final payment was given, or the billing has ended.

Tetelestai is in the perfect tense, which describes a completed event, the results of which carry on into the future. A debtor would be relieved to see the word *tetelestai*. It was no different than seeing "Paid in full" stamped in big, red block letters. It was proof that the payment process was complete and from here on out, they would never receive that bill again. Their liberty, from that point forward, was guaranteed.

The use of the word, *tetelestai*, is telling us that when Jesus hung upon the cross and died, He was paying off the largest debt the world has ever known: the debt caused by sin. God's Word is telling us that the only way the debt of sin could be paid off is through the shedding of blood. (Lev. 17:11, Heb. 9:22)

(Greek Word Study, Chris Palmer, 145-146)