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**A “VOICE”  
IN HOLLYWOOD  
FOR THE  
KINGDOM  
PHIL COOKE**

*Phil “frames” a picture during one of his shoots in Israel.*







*Phil Cooke is Founder and CEO of Phil Cooke Pictures, Inc. based in Burbank, California. Phil is a successful program producer and director, and also consults with major churches, ministries and Christian television networks, helping them use the media more effectively. He may be the only producer in Hollywood with a Ph.D. in Theology, and as such, has a unique perspective on the role entertainment plays in our lives, and how today's church can take a message of hope to a culture desperately in need.*



“How can you be a Christian in Hollywood?” The question still gets asked by well meaning believers, and I’m often stopped at conferences and workshops and asked to share the experience of how I ended up in the entertainment industry. I was raised a “preacher’s kid” so early on in my life, I understood the power of great preaching, and the importance of communicating the gospel effectively - but I never had the slightest desire to be a preacher myself. In high school some friends and I took my dad’s Super 8 movie camera and made little movies, and when I got to college, I discovered they actually had film and television courses, and after the first day in class, I was hooked.

After being raised in church, my parents were a little surprised when I became a film and television major in college, but I have to say they were always remarkably supportive. My family comes from a long line of poor mill workers in North Carolina, and my dad - Bill Cooke - was the first to break out of that cycle. He joined the Marines during World War II, and was one of the first to hit the beaches during some of the bloodiest



*Phil Cooke has been on the frontlines of producing and director for many years, based in Burbank, California.*

fighting in the South Pacific. That experience changed his life, so after the war, he enrolled in college and eventually seminary, and became a pastor. Because he had broken out of his past circumstances, I think he was supportive in my doing the same thing. He proclaims the gospel through preaching, and I do it through the media - same message, different delivery systems.

When I was a kid growing up in the South of the 1950's and 60's, the church determined the moral climate of this country. Even people who never attended church respected people of faith and understood the importance of Christian principles and morality. But today, in a culture where few attend church anymore, the moral climate of this country is determined by movies and prime time television. I read recently that by the time a typical teenager is 18, he or she has seen more than 100,000 beer commercials alone, and believe me, that makes an impact.

The reality is, television programs and movie theaters are "church" for this generation - sadly, that's where young people today learn their morals, and codes of behavior. Therefore, if Christians don't have a voice in the media, I believe we'll lose this generation.

But in spite of that great need, most films and television programs produced by Christians





are poor quality, and don't make much money at the box office. That's because for most Christians, the message is everything, and we've forgotten the power of a great story. It's interesting that when you study the life of Christ, just about all he did was tell stories. He didn't give theological lectures, teach doctrine, or even do much preaching. He simply told stories - stories that changed people's lives. A great filmmaker once said that facts go straight to the head, but stories go straight to the heart. Stories are the most powerful tool on earth, and well written stories have transformed hearts, and even changed the destiny of nations. Most Christian filmmakers spend all their time trying to force a Christian message into the film, and they forget the most important thing - to tell a great story.

Some Christians have trouble with that statement, but the fact is, no matter how great the content of your message, if no one watches long enough to see or hear it, you've failed. That's why I tell preachers, teachers, writers, artists, and filmmakers - tell a great story first - a story that is compelling and powerful. I think it was old time movie mogul

Samuel Goldwyn who said: "If you want to send a message, call Western Union." Movies aren't about sending messages, they're about telling great stories. Jesus understood the power of a story, and it's something we need to be reminded of today.

Christians in other nations often have a much better understanding of the power of storytelling. I've produced programming in about 40 countries, but I'm also teaching and training their Christian media professionals. I've taught media conferences and classes as far away as Central America, the United Kingdom, Africa, and Russia and I'm seeing the Holy Spirit make a significant impact.

The Holy Spirit plays a key role in my company, and we see the miraculous occur on a regular basis. Most people know that Hollywood is rampant with ego and pride, and we constantly see celebrities who are convinced they are the center of the universe. But I believe that God goes out of His way to make sure that mindset doesn't get a foothold with our team. Since we work with numerous Christian churches and ministries, our profit margins are very small, especially since we only charge our ministry clients a



*Phil Cooke directs a music video with Kathie Lee Gifford.*

small fraction of what our counterparts in the secular world charge. In fact - it always seems like we're going deeper in debt, or maximizing our credit lines. But somehow, every month, God steps in and the money arrives just in time.

A few months ago, my accountant called to say we desperately needed \$25,000 within 24 hours. And guess what? The next day we received a check for exactly that amount. We've seen God work like that over and over, and I believe He does it just to remind us that it's not our ideas and strategies, but it's His grace that keeps us moving forward.

So you can see that we really

evaluate "success" not through financial means (since God likes to keep us on the edge), but more through "influence." The media is really all about influence, and if we can create programs that impact millions of people for the Kingdom, then we feel like we're doing exactly what God wants us to do. For instance, a number of years ago I had the opportunity to produce a TV special that generated one million phone calls for salvation worldwide. In terms of that phenomenal response, it's the most successful Christian program ever produced, and that's the kind of target we're shooting at - to create compelling programming that impacts the





culture with a message of hope.

Traditional missionaries influence hundreds and sometimes thousands of people in their entire lifetimes, but a Christian media professional can influence millions with a single program. Last year, I taught about twenty young Christian media students in Costa Rica, and today, all twenty are working fulltime in the secular media in that country. And it's amazing to see the different perspectives they have on using the media for Christ. Four years ago, I taught a television class in Russia, and they were so hungry, some of the students traveled three days by train just to be in the class.

When the sessions were over, one of the students went back to produce a Christian program in his home city, but the only time slot available was on the X-rated sex channel. So to everyone's surprise, he bought the time slot, and now, every week on the X-rated sex channel in a major Russian city, there's a Christian program. Most Christian producers in America would have never been so bold, but I can't think of an audience who needs religious programming more than those trapped by pornography!

At the close of many of the workshops and conferences where I'm speaking, I'm often asked, "What can we do to help you and other Christian professionals working in Hollywood today?" My answer is always the same. First of all, pray. Start thinking of Hollywood as one of the most important mission fields in the world, and encourage your church to begin praying for Christians in the entertainment industry. The projects Hollywood produces influence millions globally, and we need to pray that God will open doors of opportunity for Christians to have a greater voice in that arena.

Most people don't know that the first public buildings to open for business after we liberated Afghanistan from the Taliban weren't the hospitals, schools, or religious institutions - it was the movie theaters, playing American movies. Countries like Iraq may hate us, but they love our movies and television programs. Today, there are thousands of Christians working on movie sets, at network studios, executive offices, advertising agencies, and other areas on the front lines of Hollywood, and they're often working in a difficult environment

of criticism and downright hostility. They are making a difference, and we need to pray for them. Second, as business leaders, we need to support Christian media projects, because our greatest challenge is quite simply, funding.

There are Christian writers, directors, and producers working hard to develop mainstream movie and television projects that reflect Christian values, and they need to be supported. Right now, I'm creating a "development company" to find powerful stories, and then hire talented writers to develop those stories into great films. It will be a multi-million dollar effort, but when you consider the impact a single successful film or TV program can make, we have to step out in faith and make the vision happen. If we could bring experienced, well funded Christian businessmen and women to the table who have a vision for investing in these type projects, we would begin to see a dramatic difference in the spiritual and moral values coming out of Hollywood. ♦



*Phil and his wife Kathleen.*

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# A Relevance For These Times!

Fred Ladenius, Lugano, Switzerland



*Fred Ladenius says, "Our vision is trans-denominational!"*

It was in Rome in the early seventies that I first met Demos. I knew already that Pope Paul VI had been desirous to thank Demos personally for the spiritual renewal which had spread out to the Church of Rome. This renewal which had been so greatly influenced by Demos' vision.

David Duplessis, who was highly esteemed by the Pope, had been the first to bring him news

of the wonders that the Holy Spirit was operating across the ocean, and upon hearing David's words Pope Paul VI had uncharacteristically exclaimed that this was an amazing gift that God was bestowing upon the church.

At the time I was a foreign correspondent for various newspapers and televisions and as a member of the Vatican Press Corp, I was in daily contact with the highest political and religious



authorities. Just a few years earlier a friend and colleague at the Vatican Father Gaudet, a Canadian priest, one Saturday afternoon had invited me to come with him to an English speaking Catholic charismatic prayer meeting at the Rome Jesuit University. For the first time in my life I saw people, mostly nuns and priests actually, lifting their hands and praising God in strange languages. That same evening Father Gaudet took me to a Pentecostal Church, which had been built by an American pastor, John McTernan. Again, I saw people praising God in this same and totally new way. I was baptized in the Holy Spirit that very night and soon after started the first Italian speaking Catholic Charismatic prayer group in Italy. Soon I was being invited by Catholic Churches all over the country to speak of this incredible renewal: the Holy Spirit's outpouring all over the world. It was an amazing time.

John McTernan, who by that time had become a dear friend, told me of the FGBMFI airlift to Rome. He told me that I should meet the founder of the Fellowship, an American Armenian business man who had received a powerful vision from

God, Demos Shakarian. The Vatican is a unique observatory where you can meet the most extraordinary people. I had met John Kennedy, Adenauer, Charles de Gaulle, Lyndon Johnson and so many more. Anyone who was anyone would sooner or later come to those ancient halls. Upon meeting Demos I was struck both by his simplicity and his wisdom and by his complete dedication to the vision he had received so many years before. This dedication which has proved to be so contagious, inspiring hundreds of thousands of men to join the Fellowship and reach out to the outermost corners of the earth. Right away Demos invited me to speak at the meeting the Fellowship had organized at the Rome Conference Centre that weekend. It was the beginning of my involvement in the Fellowship and the start of a friendship with a kind and courageous man.

The following summer it was my privilege to be a main speaker at the World Convention in Anaheim. I was soon asked to move to Brussels as the editor of the various European editions of Voice magazine at the new European HQ. I traveled all over the world to speak in chapters and



*Fred Ladenius greets Pope John Paul.*

conventions: Africa, Australia, Latin America, behind the iron curtain and in every European nation. I would often repeat or emphasize what Demos had said so many times, in accordance with the Apostle Paul, "It is not our mandate to build new churches on foundations laid by others. Our vision is trans-denominational!"

I now live in Lugano, in the Italian speaking part of Switzerland. My ministry is mostly focused on Italy through television and radio and evangelization and teaching, meeting throughout the country. I am Director at large of the FGBMFI, President of the Lugano Chapter and very much involved

with the Fellowship in Italy. We now have chapters in Milan, Venice, Rome, Turin, Bari, Verona and Mantova.

Presently, our dynamic and inspired International President, Richard Shakarian, leads the Fellowship into the third millennium. He has not veered off course from his father's original vision, but has given it a renewed energy and relevance for these times. And it is only the beginning. ♦

*Fred Ladenius, former press secretary for Pope Paul and Pope John Paul. He will be our special guest at the Grand Jubilee Banquet at the 50th World Convention.*



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**Doug Woolley,  
Tampa, Florida**

Growing up outside New York City, I enjoyed playing in the snow and sliding down the hills. My parents faithfully took me to Sunday School each week, even though I didn't always enjoy getting dressed and going. In all my endeavors, both my parents were very supportive of me, whether it be Sunday School, math, or sports.

In the fourth grade, I played baseball in the city's minor league. One night I was given the opportunity to pitch in the game. Since it was the first time for me



pitching, I was very excited and wanted my parents to watch me. After we won the game, I was upset to find out that my mother had been watching my little brother at the nearby playground. She did not get a chance to see me pitch. Also, my mother had to attend a teacher/parent meeting for my brother and thus my parents broke a promise to me by not taking the family out to celebrate at our favorite pizza restaurant, which had become a tradition whenever my team won a game.

At the time, I was really mad and hurt. I decided to run away. To me "run away" meant sleeping in the nearby club house at the playground. I went one-half mile to the two-story wooden house that I played on during some days. When my mother came home from a meeting at 11 p.m., my father told her that I had gone out and had not yet returned. She immediately began to worry. She started smoking and pacing the kitchen floor while praying frantically to God. By midnight, my parents notified the police. As two police cars drove by my house, my mother impatiently decided to look for me herself.

Would you believe that my

mother's prayers were answered directly? By no coincidence, my mother was driving on the street in the direction of the playground. I had been asleep for hours with no intentions of returning home. However, the next thing I realized was that I was running barefoot down the middle of the street in my pajamas towards home. By no will of my own, I ran into my mother who did not know whether to hug me or hit me. She drove me back to the clubhouse to pick up my sleeping bag before we drove home. I was in a daze from the moment that I was running home to the time that I gladly laid in my own bed. I did not know what I was doing, and I did not remember consciously getting out of my sleeping bag, going down the steps and running out of the park. Through my experience I am convinced that I had interacted with God's mysterious powers through my mother's devoted prayers.

After moving to Florida, I set my mind to concentrate on sports and math. By the eighth grade, I became the fastest long distance runner in my school. The end of the year awards ceremony was approaching and I heard that I had been nominated for the

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distinguished honor that I had been working towards. I had done everything that I could; now it was in God's hands. So I prayed and asked God for favor. He graciously allowed me to be named as Coral Springs Middle School's Outstanding Athlete of the Year, out of 2,000 students. God had answered my prayer and I was forever grateful.

Up to this point, I had gone through the first of two years of confirmation class in the Lutheran church. I learned a lot about God intellectually; and about Jesus and what Lutherans believe. But I did not have a real relationship with Jesus. I would offer up a prayer every now and then, but I did not know God in a personal way. Then on June 3, 1980, out of gratitude for being named the Most Outstanding Athlete of the Year, I committed my life to Jesus Christ. I realized that I was a sinner and that Jesus died on the cross for my sins. I received His forgiveness by faith. At that moment I entered into a real relationship with Jesus by faith. No longer was it just an intellectual understanding, but there was a substantial personal reality to it. No longer did I just "have" to go to church, but I

"wanted" to go to church. I am forever thankful that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

God has blessed me with wonderful scholastic opportunities and He has helped me to be a success. I enjoyed math and computers, competing in several state and national competitions. Here is a math formula that has helped me to succeed: VISION – PLAN – ACTION = DREAM, but a VISION + PLAN + ACTION = REALITY! Some people have a VISION to do great things but they don't have a PLAN or they don't take ACTION and thus their VISION becomes only a DREAM. As a freshman I had a VISION to be number one in Florida in mathematics. I had a PLAN of working out every algebra, geometry, trigonometry, and calculus problem that had ever been given on statewide or nationwide test. But then I had to take ACTION and spend countless hours solving these math problems and learning from them. As a result, when I was a senior in high school in 1984, I placed first in Florida on the prestigious American High School Mathematics Exam and my VISION became a REALITY!





*Doug Woolley on a job in Portugal.*

Additionally, I was ranked number one in the state in computer science and was team captain of the state championship computer programming team. With God's help, I excelled in my academic pursuits in high school.

For my science fair project in 1981, I decided to write a computer program to graphically solve the Rubik's Cube. After many hours of thinking how to do it, I believe that it was God that woke me up early one morning with the key idea that enabled me to code the solution. By my senior year, I had written programs to graphically solve six

other mathematical puzzles also. This cumulative project, along with pages of answers to questions, was entered into the prestigious Westinghouse Science Talent Search, and I was then named as one of the top 300 high school scientists in the United States. At the age of 20, I was a co-author of a college textbook that taught teachers how to utilize computers in the classroom. I owe all my success to my devotion to God, even at an early age.

My "spiritual journey" continued in March of 1985 when I was baptized in the Holy Spirit and

spoke in tongues. I was empowered for effective witness and service, as in Acts 1:8. I started to learn how to reach out. For the next four years I spent at least one hour every day in prayer and another hour in Bible study. I had 15 different college roommates, five of which became Christians. I had the compelling urge and desire to share my faith with others, and still do, even today.

After graduation from the University of South Florida with an Engineering Degree in Computer Science in 1989, I entertained five job offers. I chose to work for the bank NCNB. Two years after working with NCNB, God led me to join GTE (later to become Verizon).

After I spoke at a church seminar in New York, a young man prophesied to me, "You will be going through trials at your job ... but choose the best from the good." Amazingly, within two weeks, upper management at NCNB announced that our entire computer department would be relocated to North Carolina and we had one month to decide if we would go. "What should I do?" I asked myself. If I stayed, there was the uncertainty of not

having a job in the weak economy. I then remembered the prophecy and realized that God knew that I would go through this difficult time and He also indicated where I should go. The best place to work was GTE, but they had a hiring freeze. Suffice it to say, as I trusted God, He made a way and I was hired by GTE. God knows the difficulties that we go through and He is there to help us through them.

God opened many new doors. The Lord placed it on my heart and enabled me to start a weekly Bible Study for interested co-workers during the lunch hour. Even the President of GTE Data Services attended on occasions. Working for GTE (now Verizon) has given me opportunities to travel to other countries to install and implement a new computer software system that produces phone bills for these countries. In my spare time abroad, I have had the opportunity to share my faith, teach and preach the Word of God, and start FGBMFI chapters. When in the U.S., I have led a weekly study of the Bible that has been a great source of encouragement for all who attend! The many adventures of my work-related travels have helped to knit



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our family together.

On June 3, 2000, I married my lovely wife Marsha. I spent most of my life studying and excelling in academics while Marsha spent that time in the principal's office for talking. But she now speaks seven languages and is a popular speaker at women's conventions throughout the United States and other countries. My expertise is still computers, while Marsha's is in music.

My heart is to share the good news to others who need to hear it.

I appreciate the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International because of the wonderful examples that I have of other mature business men loving and serving God and leading godly families.

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*Doug and Marsha Woolley.*



**“I Prayed  
For Another  
Firefighter  
To Come  
Help Me!”**

*James Baker, Anderson, Indiana*



Seeing the horrible terrorist attacks on television on 9-11, my heart went out to everyone, especially the firefighters. After being in the fire department for 33 years, I can truly relate to them. I remember back to many times that God saw me through many fire situations.

One time I was inside a home fire, trapped inside a bathroom with no windows. It was so very smoky. I couldn't see my hand in front of my face. I prayed that God would send another firefighter to help me. My two buddies showed up just in time. I got out okay. God will fight your battles for you. He answered prayer in the Fire Department time after time after time.

I didn't merit that rescue at all, because I had not served God all my life like I should. As a child, I was the youngest of three sons of divorced parents. I felt my life was just a happenstance. I didn't have very much love at home, with never any hugging. I ended up getting into gangs as a young man.

As part of a gang activity, I was dared to disrupt a church service. They dared me to go to the window of a church on a Wednesday night. There was a cement block that I stood up on

to look into the church. They were playing guitars and accordions. About the time I was getting further inside the window, a woman came to me and said, "Hi sonny!" I ran, but I never forgot what I saw through that window. They were the happiest people I ever saw. That was planted in my life; and I still remember it to this day.

I was forced to move from one family member to another, even living a few years in Puerto Rico. As I approached my second Christmas there, I met a nice-looking, young lady. She ended up inviting me to come to their home later, to eat and participate in sports with her relatives. I stayed there the whole day. I didn't know they were going to go to a church service at the end of the day. Guess where I ended up? In church...on the front row. When I was about 14, an American missionary man led me to the Lord Jesus. I didn't know what happened, but I felt brand new. However, I had no one to nurture me in the things of God, and the good experience eventually turned into only that.

I had to come back to the United States to live at the age of 16. I lived with every one of my

family members, being “passed around” in the family. I began to think, “Who am I?” This thought was planted deep within me.

One of the men in the church I attended was a firefighter. He was going to retire, so he urged me to come to work. So I joined the fire department in 1967. These firefighters turned out to be men who drank, partied and carried on. One thing led to another, as I joined part of their lifestyle.

I eventually went through two divorces. I shifted into a state of depression that I had never, ever known. I could not function. While going through this divorce, I started watching Christian television. Somehow, I was beginning to see how real God was. One day I heard a voice call me, “James.” I went to see who had gotten in the basement. The voice continued, “You go upstairs and put that record on.” It was Andrae Crouch and the Disciples singing, “It Won’t Be Long”. I remember exactly the words to the song. I got these words deep within me.

Then I turned the 700 Club on. Pat Robertson asked Ben Kinchlow if he had a word of knowledge for someone out there? “There is father in the

Midwest on the west side of Anderson, Indiana...” When I “recovered” from what was said, I envisioned an old-time movie projector, running a film about my life, from my childhood on up. It showed all the pain and agony I had caused everyone else and myself.

In desperation, I called on the Name of Jesus. His glowing hand came out from the clear blue sky. I saw the nail print in the hands. He laid His hand down on that movie projector, and the film came out blank on the other side. He was giving me another chance at life. I felt washed and brand new.

The next day I went to my appointment with my divorce counselor. When the counselor arrived late, he looked at me and exclaimed, “You seem to be glowing. You don’t have to come back here anymore!”

I heard a voice say, “Jim, I’ve got you in the palm of My hand. All things have passed away; and behold, all things have become new.”

A retired firefighter with the FGBMFI kept inviting me to the Fellowship meetings. In 1987, I finally got involved. I became Chapter president in 1990. While my wife read the scripture, and I prayed, I suddenly began to speak



in an unknown tongue, receiving the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit changed me from the "old walk" I was in, to a new walk with Him. He has rescued me out of trouble. He's been with me in the fire department. When I received the Holy Spirit, I felt that guys would not accept me as I was. They looked at me like I was strange. But God fought my battles, just like He did for King David.

When I saw what was happening in New York City at the World Trade Center, all I could do was weep. I weep for the firefighters and the police officers. I know why the police officers were there. Due to the terrorists, they were protecting the

firefighters. When the buildings came down, so many were taken away. I thought, "God, you put us on earth to fight the fires of the devil." Here are all these men who lost their lives. All I could do was cry. I have sorrow for them. God will honor them. But I feel that God is getting ready to do something. I feel that good is going to come out of 9-11.

Maybe we will see many of the firefighters in heaven. It is my prayer that some cried out to our Father at the end, "Oh God, help me!"

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*James Baker, and his wife Marilyn.*

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Men still cry, "What must I do to be saved?" The Bible provides a clear answer.

# 6 Steps to Salvation

## 1. ACKNOWLEDGE

*"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." – Romans 3:23*

*"God be merciful to me a sinner." – Luke 18:13*

## 2. REPENT

*"Except ye repent, you shall all likewise perish." – Luke 13:3*

*"Repent therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out." – Acts 3:19*

## 3. CONFESS

*"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." – 1 John 1:9*

*"If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus, and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved." – Romans 10:9*

## 4. FORSAKE

*"Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return unto the LORD...for He will abundantly pardon." – Isaiah 55:7*

## 5. BELIEVE

*"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." – John 3:16*

*"He that believes and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believes not shall be damned." – Mark 16:16*

## 6. RECEIVE

*"He came unto His own, and His own received Him not. But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name." – John 1:11-12*

## WHY NOT MAKE YOUR ETERNAL DECISION NOW?

*"Lord Jesus, I believe You died for my sins and I ask for Your forgiveness. I receive You now as my personal Savior and invite You to manage my life from this day forward. Amen."*

*Write us to tell of your decision. We'll send you a booklet, "Now That You've Received Christ."*

**YES! I have made my eternal decision. I have read the Six Steps to Salvation and have asked Jesus to be my personal Savior. Please send me the booklet "Now That You've Received Christ."**

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# Los 6 Pasos Para La Salvación

## 1. RECONOCE

"por cuanto todos pecaron, y estan destituidos de la gloria de Dios" - Romanos 3:23

"Dios ten misericordia de mí, un pecador" - Lucas 18:13

## 2. ARREPIENTETE

"Os digo: No; antes si no os arrepentis, todos perecereis igualmente" - Lucas 13:3

"Asi que, arrepentios y convertios, para que sean borrados vuestros pecados" - Hechos 3:19

## 3. CONFIESA

"Si confesamos nuestros pecados, El es fiel y justo para perdonar nuestros pecados, y limpiarnos de toda maldad" - 1 Juan 1:9

"que si confesares con tu boca que Jesus es el Senor, y creyeres en tu corazon que Dios le levanto de los muertos, seras salvo" - Romanos 10:9

## 4. DEJE

"Deje el impio su camino, y el hombre inicuo sus pensamientos, y vuelvase al SENOR... El cual sera amplio en perdonar" - Isaías 55:7

## 5. CREA

"Porque de tal manera amo Dios al mundo, que ha dado a su Hijo unigenito, para que todo aquel que en El cree, no se pierda, mas tenga vida eterna" - Juan 3:16

"El que creyere y fuere bautizado, sera salvo; mas el que no creyere, sera condenado" - Marcos 16:16

## 6. RECIBA

"A lo suyos vino, y los suyos no le recibieron. Mas a todos los que le recibieron, a los que creen en su nombre, les dio potestad de ser hechos hijos de Dios" - Juan 1:11-12

## **PORQUE NO HACE UNA DECISION PARA SU ETERNIDAD HOY?**

"Senor Jesus. Yo creo que moristes por mis pecados y te pido me perdones. Yo te recibo ahora como mi Salvador personal y te pido que guies mi vida de ahora en adelante. Amen".

Escribanos y cuéntenos de su decision. Nosotros le enviaremos un pequeño libro, "Ahora Que Ud Ha Recibido a Cristo".

**SI! Hice mi decision para la eternidad. He leído los Seis Pasos para la Salvación y he aceptado a Jesús como mi Salvador Personal. Por favor envíenme el pequeño libro "Ahora Que Ud Ha Recibido a Cristo".**

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## YOUR 3-STEP DIAGNOSIS FOR ETERNITY

(Check appropriate boxes)

### STEP 1:

**When I breathe my last, the next thing is:**

- go to hell
- go to heaven.
- stay buried in the grave
- I have no idea.

### STEP 2:

**Here is what will probably happen:**

- I'll spend eternity in hell.
- I'll spend eternity with Jesus in heaven.
- I'll be reincarnated as a "higher being"
- My relatives can visit my grave; I'll be there.
- I don't really know what will happen.

### STEP 3: I'm sure because:

- I've led a sinful life
- I've trusted Jesus as my personal Savior
- I've gone to church all my life
- I support charities, even church
- I'm a good person.

**Turn the page to learn how YOU can follow through on these three steps and KNOW your future!**

## TRES PASOS PARA DIAGNOSTICAR SU ETERNIDAD

(Marque el espacio apropiado)

### 1er PASO:

**Cuando yo de mi ultimo aliento, lo que me acontecerá proxicamente es:**

- ire al infierno
- ire al cielo
- seguire enterrado en la tumba
- no tengo idea.

### 2do PASO:

**Esto es lo que probablemente sucedera:**

- pasare la eternidad en el infierno.
- pasare la eternidad con Jesus en el cielo.
- me re-encarnare como un ser "mas elevado".
- mis parientes podran visitarme en mi tumba; ahi estare.
- no se exactamente que sucedera.

### 3er PASO:

**Estoy seguro porque:**

- lleve una vida pecaminosa
- yo he confiado en Jesus como mi salvador personal
- he asistido a la iglesia toda mi vida
- apoye a caridades y a la iglesia
- yo ayude a mi comunidad
- soy una buena persona

**Cambie la pagina para que sepa como UD puede seguir estos seis pasos y SABER su futuro!**

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