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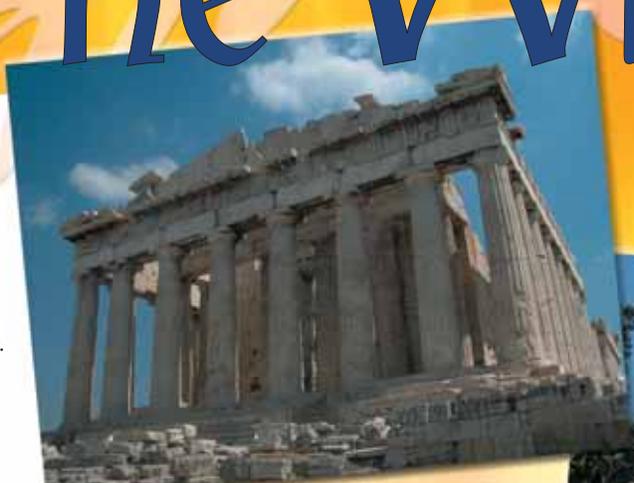
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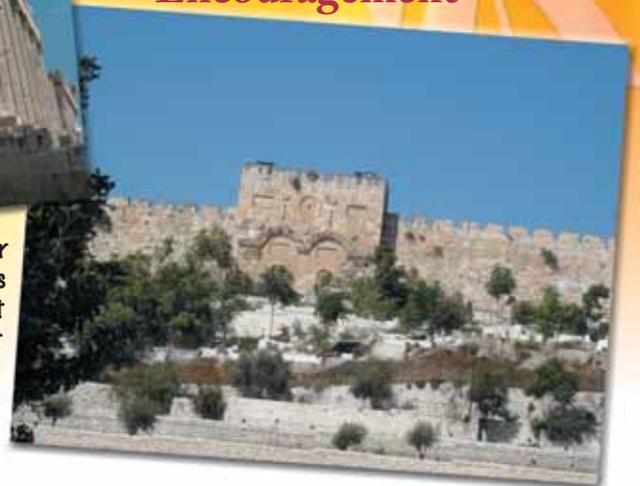
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**Come hear what Paul said
about this famous place.**

**Come hear
what Jesus
said about
these ancient
walls.**



**Spring 2006 Pilgrimage
to Greece and Israel
May 24 - June 7**

Details Inside ...

Join Winning With Encouragement on their Spring Bible Lands Pilgrimages

GREECE, AEGEAN CRUISE AND ISRAEL:

MAY 24-JUNE 7, 2006

Join Walt and Patti Wiley of Winning With Encouragement along with Bible Oriented Tours president Micha Ashkenazi for a visit to ancient Greece. In Athens we'll climb the Acropolis and view the monuments Paul viewed, including the 2500 year old Parthenon. We'll stand atop Mars Hill, shop in the famous Athens Plaka and dine on Greek cuisine in the shadow of the Acropolis. Then it's off to the blue-green waters of the Aegean Sea and an unforgettable three-day cruise with stops in Mykonos, Rhodes, Patmos and Ephesus. Off the ship we'll head to Corinth for an in-depth view of the city of Paul's time.

At dinner on May 29 we join those who have arrived from New York. Together we will fly to Tel Aviv to begin our pilgrimage in Israel.

ISRAEL (WITH SHORT TOUR OF ATHENS):

MAY 28- JUNE 7, 2006

Departing from New York, the group will fly to Athens, Greece for a half-day tour of the Acropolis and Mars Hill. There will be time for shopping and dinner with those who have been in Greece before we all depart for Israel. Our time in Israel begins in Jerusalem where we'll see all of its magnificent sites. From there we travel to Tiberias and our hotel on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. We'll see it all. You'll walk in the footsteps of Elijah, Gideon, David, Peter and Paul. And there will never be a moment you will not be reminded of our Savior. There will be pensive moments to drink in everything around you including the constant reminder of our God and what He did for us through His Son.

Our pilgrimage will end with shopping and a farewell dinner in Jerusalem.

GREECE ONLY:

MAY 24-30, 2006

For those interested in visiting only Greece, the itinerary can be viewed on the WWE website at www.wweministries.org.

View full itineraries, prices and conditions on our website: www.wweministries.org.

For information or questions please call 888-993-1997.

Space is limited. Your immediate registration is necessary!

The Wit & Wisdumb of Walt Wiley

Lately I have had a refrain cruising around my mind and it's, "What's wrong with me?" I started asking myself this when I couldn't understand why two guys I saw in a warm mall on a warm day were wearing ski caps. A few days later I was at a Christian bookstore and the guy who checked me out was wearing a blue one. This seems odd to me. Is there something wrong with me? After all, aren't ski caps to be worn when it's a blustery 20 degree day in Minnesota...or when you are skiing? Isn't that why they call it a ski cap? You aren't suppose to wear them inside, are you? Does the fact that I see this as peculiar mean there is something wrong with me?

I usually have this thought after observing people doing things or hearing them say things that don't make sense to me. Things like:

- People crowded together in a small room at the airport smoking. I wouldn't want to do that ... what's wrong with me?
- People who brag about how good lobster and prime rib are. Confession: don't care for either. Is that wrong?
- People with tattoos all over their body. What's that all about?
- People who have boa constrictors or pit bulls as pets. What's with that?
- People who make slow right turns off the highway.
- People who drive around with radio volumes that drown out airplanes taking off overhead.
- People who think TO is a model citizen and teammate, who watch and like reality tv, drive large vans, move slowly, send junk email ...

I could go on and on.

What's wrong with me when I think something is goofy that another person considers normal? Do you know what I mean? Have you ever thought about this? Am I alone here?

Since I have nothing else to do I have been thinking about this a lot, and here is what I have concluded. There is nothing wrong with me as long as what I do is not in violation of God's law and not hurting someone else. God has made me and then has shaped me through all kinds of circumstances into who I am today.

What's wrong is not allowing those around me the same latitude. I have to remember that God fearfully and wonderfully made the guy with the ski cap just as He fearfully and wonderfully made me. That said, remember, He fearfully and wonderfully made those people who might bother you like that co-worker, your mother-in-law, your neighbor, the annoying person on the committee, the obnoxious Steeler fan, the crosswalk volunteer who stops 50 cars to allow one student to cross ... and Alex Trebek.

We need to thank God for the way He made us and stop putting ourselves down. We also need to ask Him to help us see others through His eyes. It could be that we aren't wrong, but neither are they. (But I still wonder about the guy in the pickup high in the air on his 33" super swamper.)

Leaving A Legacy

By David Hodge



In June of 2001 I had a chance to live a childhood dream: a trip to Cooperstown NY for a visit to the National Baseball Hall of Fame. My brother and I spent a glorious weekend viewing the fondest of all childhood memories: the Big Red Machine, a.k.a. the Cincinnati Reds of the 1970's.

During our visit we shopped for sports memorabilia in the quaint village shops. I really wanted to purchase an autograph picture of my favorite childhood player. While I was debating whether or not I could afford the photo—or how I could hide the purchase from my wife—a profound thought occurred to me. The people who have had the most impact in my life are not my sports heroes. Instead of buying an overpriced autograph I purchased a baseball bat and had it inscribed with these words: “An influenced life.”

Since then I have invited certain individuals to autograph my bat. Each time I explain why I am asking them to do so. Are they well known people? No—but they have something in common. My life is so much fuller and better because of these individuals. They include my parents, my wife, and several special friends. It is my most treasured possession—and worthless by human standards.

The process of leaving a good and lasting legacy begins with one simple step: expressing gratitude. A thankful appreciation for favors or benefits received. People who are consistently grateful leave behind a better and more meaningful legacy.

May I encourage you—this very moment—to think of those who have positively impacted your life? If they are still living, give a call, write a note, or make a much needed visit. You will encourage them beyond description. And in doing so, you will plant the seeds for your own lasting legacy. Because leaving a good legacy begins with being grateful for what has been given to us.



Leaving A Legacy

To learn more about Leaving A Legacy, please call 877-427-1997. This live seminar reveals the steps of a lasting legacy. It is ideal for all groups.

What's Happened Recently

JANUARY



❶ Walt and Patti led a marriage seminar at Bay Leaf Baptist Church (Raleigh NC). Pictured are staff members Dr. Jeff Meyer (left), minister of education, and Dr. Ronald Rowe (right), pastor.

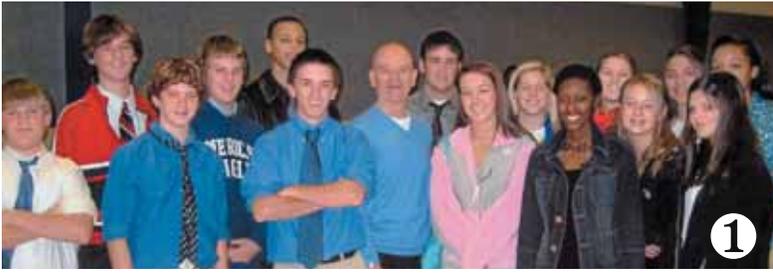
❷ David and Walt presented *The Look of the Leader* to the Oral Roberts Univ. Educational Fellowship Teacher's Conference held in El Paso TX. Pictured with them are (far left) Tom Agnew, ORU-EF director, and (far right) Cesar Ramirez, principal of the host school, Faith Christian Academy.

❸ Southwest Christian Care of Union City GA invited David to take their leadership staff through *The Encouragement Seminar* (the seminar was held at Chick-fil-A's corporate headquarters). Mike Sorrow (back row, 2nd from right) is the executive director of this ministry that includes a hospice and children's respite center.

❹ *Building A Results Oriented Team* was the seminar David led for the leadership staff of RHA Howell Care Center of New Bern NC, an organization that serves children and adults with developmental disabilities.

What's Happening Next

NOVEMBER



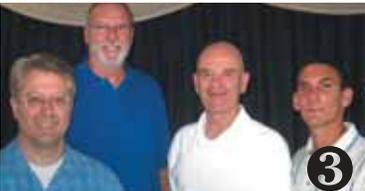
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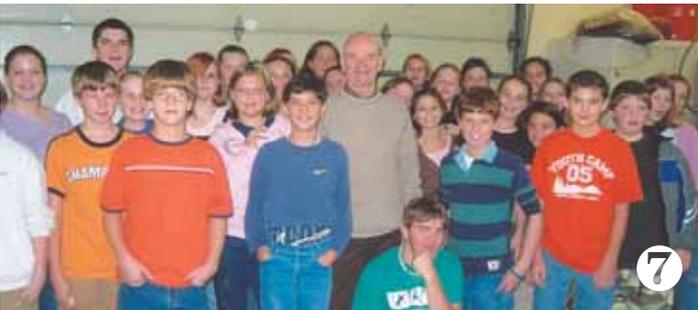
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1 Walt shared at a Charlotte Christian School (NC) chapel meeting. He is pictured here with some of the students. 2 Walt poses with Eric Bradley, assistant principal of spiritual life and faculty development at the school.

3 At the invitation of Sid Stansell (2nd from left), president of Issa International and WWVE board member, Walt and David had the privilege of traveling to Cuba again and presenting *The Encouragement Seminar*. They are pictured here with Sid along with host pastor and interpreter Ivan Suarez.

4 A friend from Charlotte, Geoff MacDermott, gave WWVE some baseball gloves to give to the children of Cuba. Here is Sid with Ivan and his son, Abraham, the delighted recipient of one of those gloves.

5 Walt and David are pictured with some of those who attended the Cuban conference.

6 *The Look of the Leader* was presented at The Salvation Army Officers' Council in Indianapolis IN. After dinner, many in the group participated in a fun evening of bowling. David is pictured with his fancy pink bowling ball along with some of the officers. David bowled a 205—leaving many stunned and speechless, considering that it was his total score over three games!

7 Walt spoke at a chapel at the Christian Learning Center in Corning NY and poses with some of their students. 8 While in Corning Walt taught *The Look of the Leader* seminar coupled with an instructor training session. Pictured with Walt (l-r) are trainer-participants: Dean Everhart, Mark Cornfield, and Tony Clarke.

9 "When Life Tumbles In, What Then?" was David's theme for a three week Sunday morning series at New Hope Baptist Church in Fayetteville GA.

10 Pictured with David are John Houchens and Phil McKinney who attended the instructor training of *The Look of the Leader* at North Atlanta Community Church in Roswell GA.

DATE	ORGANIZATION	EVT	SPK
Feb 15-17	Christian Financial Professionals Network Dallas TX	GEN	WW
Feb 16	Robert Harris Homes Marietta GA	LoFL	DH
Feb 18	Bethany UMC Marriage Banquet Allentown PA	MAR	W/P
Feb 23-24	Evans Service Co. Elmira NY	CON	DH
Feb 24	Fernando Christian Academy Brooksville FL	GEN	WW
Mar 3-5	Warm Beach Camp Men's Advance Stanwood WA	STW	WW
Mar 6	Salvation Army Ashland OH	LG	DH
Mar 9-10	ACSI Administrators Conf. Mt. Sterling OH	HTE	WW
Mar 10-11	Bethlehem First Baptist Bethlehem GA	LoFL S/T	DH
Mar 15	World Relief Baltimore MD	BROT	DH
Mar 17-19	Park Avenue Christian Academy / Baptist Church Titusville FL	MAR HTE	W/P WW
Mar 24-25	LeTourneau University Spring Leadership Conf. Longview TX	GEN	WW
Apr 7-9	Grandview Park Baptist School/Church Des Moines IA	HTE GEN	WW
Apr 21-23	"Faith @Work" Luncheon & Church of the Harvest Alexandria MN	GEN ENC	WW
*Apr 26-27	Salvation Army Officers Council Lake Tahoe CA	ENC	DH
Apr 28-30	John Bramlett Ministries/Retreat Pickwick State Park TN	GEN	WW
May 1-4	Salvation Army Rancho Palos Verdes CA	ENC	DH
May 2-3	Bill Gothard Advanced Training Institute Big Sandy TX	GEN	WW
May 6-7	Trinity E.C. Church Boyertown PA	MAR GEN	W/P WW
May 12-13	Ocean City Tabernacle Ocean City NJ	MAR	W/P
May 16-18	Tuscarora Christian Conf. Mt. Bethel PA	LG	DH
May 24-Jun 7	Greece/Israel Pilgrimage		W/P
July 8-15	Tuscarora Christian Conf. Mt. Bethel PA	GEN	WW
Jul 21-23	Pro Athletes Outreach - Coaches Time Out Detroit MI	GEN	WW
*Jul 26-27	Sandy Cove Conf. Center Northeast MD	GEN	WW

EVENTS KEY:

BROT = Building a Results Oriented Team
CON = Consulting
ENC = The Encouragement Seminar
GEN = General
HTE = How to Encourage
LG = Leaving a Legacy
LoFL = The Look of the Leader
MAR = Marriage Seminar
S/T = Seminar and Instructor Training
STW = The Steward

SPEAKERS:

DH = David Hodge
W/D = Walt & David
WW = Walt Wiley
W/P = Walt & Patti

*means dates are tentative