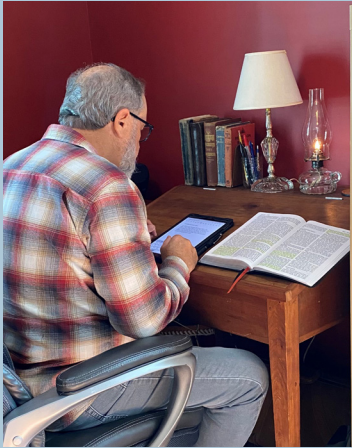


Spiritual Legacy of Faith

I'm sitting at my Grandpa Stutzman's desk in my office. I love sitting at this old desk that still has some of the black ink stains from him dipping his fountain pen in the ink bottle. Grandpa was a man of prayer, a student of the Bible and a prolific writer. He authored a number of booklets and books.



In the revised version of Grandpa's book, "The Language of the Deathbed", my brother Paul wrote this excerpt.

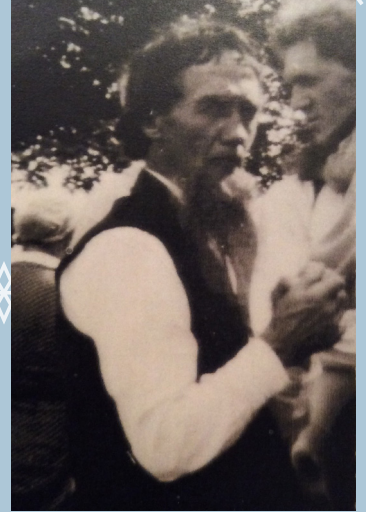
"At 19 years of age, on August 5, 1899, he had an intense, spiritual experience. God seemed especially near to him. The experience became a major turning point in his life. The spiritual ecstasy defied description, but he referred to it as waves of liquid love from God, flowing down over

him. From this point onward to the end of his life, he turned his goal primarily toward the building of the kingdom of God here and around the world by spreading the gospel message of salvation from sin."

Grandpa later described this experience to my dad, Andrew as a very sacred experience and referred to it as having received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. His prayer life became more powerful and many answered prayers followed this experience. An example of answered prayer that my dad shared was how his sister Sarah as a little girl became deathly sick with diphtheria. Grandpa started to pray for her and after a time felt "a click in his heart" that Jesus was healing her so he started to sing. When grandma heard him sing she went to bed and had a restful night of

sleep. The next morning grandpa asked her, how could you go to bed and sleep when Sarah was dying? She replied, when I heard you sing I knew you had received your answer from God that Sarah was going to be healed. Sarah became well and lived a long and fruitful life.

My Grandfather passed that legacy on to his children and my parents passed it on to me. I remember reading a quote from my Grandpa, "Revival rests somewhere in or among my family." That quote has touched me personally and have felt a responsibility to preach the Gospel.

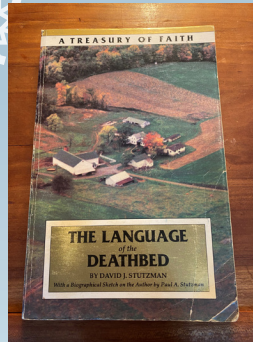


Phil's grandpa,
DJ Stutzman

Here is a letter grandpa wrote to his children. It doesn't have a date attached.

"My dear sons and daughters, may God bless you and fill you with His Holy Spirit to enable you to be servants of Jesus Christ, to hear His Word, and to constantly and firmly stand for the Truth, all the days of your lives, and endeavor to flee from sin, and strive to separate yourselves from worldly pleasures and wicked living.

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The Language of the Deathbed

Merry Christmas!



Phil & Elsie

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Always be kind and unselfish, read your Bibles daily, pray to God often and from the heart. Regard the will of your parents at all times, and in all things. Love and serve your mother, as long as she lives, provide for her and see that she wants nothing, and when God calls her home, bury her besides your father. Then will God bless you and grant you a long and prosperous life upon earth.

According to your means, love and cherish God's worthy poor, and always make it your chief aim to become rich in alms, and thereby lay up treasures in heaven. This will prove to be your greatest consolation in the hour of death, and at the appearing before the judgment bar of God.

Then shall you meet the approval of the Omnipotent Lord of heaven, and hear the words of the King of Kings, "Whatsoever thou hast done unto the least of these, ye did it for Me." And the victory's crown will await you at the end of the race.

I must see you all soundly converted, and to this end, I will pray through, according to George Müller's book, Answers to Prayer, page 73, before I can be ripe for heaven.

And peace will follow you to the end of your days."

Your loving Father,

D.J. Stutzman

My Father and Mother, Andrew and Esther Stutzman had those same kinds of words and prayers for their children. I'm so grateful for my heritage and the Biblical teaching I grew up with. The month of November is synonymous with Thanksgiving. Be thankful for the heritage you have even though you may think it was less than ideal. Be committed to passing on a spiritual heritage rooted deeply in the Bible rather than human traditions.

Phil Stutzman



Philip's son Greg, his wife Kristen and their son, Theo Stutzman. The youngest grandchild.

Merry Christmas!

We have a brand new grandson to celebrate Christmas with this year! Theodore Steven Stutzman, born June 8, 2023. Proud parents, Greg and Kristen Stutzman. That makes 9 grandchildren!

Christmas. Family. Meals. Gifts. Christmas is always a special time when families can gather and enjoy each other's company and reminisce of things in the past as well as hopes and dreams for the future.

This Christmas May also be hard for some who have lost a loved one in the past year or two and Christmas will just not be the same without them. Perhaps that's how the mother of Jesus felt. She watched her Son, Jesus, die on the cross and every year it was a reminder of the death of her Son. But then I also had to think Mary also was a witness that her Son Jesus was raised from the dead! And all of us that have relatives or friends that have passed on, having known Jesus as their Lord and Savior, will be resurrected from the dead with a new body, free of pain and never to suffer again, just like Jesus!

So, Christmas is more than gifts under the Christmas tree and family dinners. It's the celebration of the Virgin Birth of Jesus Christ!

"She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." Matthew 1:21 NIV

Because of Jesus' birth, death and resurrection, we too can live a new life in Christ! Be thankful and celebrate the true meaning of Christmas! Jesus the Messiah!

We have a prison crusade in North Florida in December, then back home for Christmas and then we plan to spend some time with our daughter Gail and her family in Florida in January.

Philip Stutzman

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