

MINUTES Kingdom Builders Construction Industry Forum 14 December 2022



ATTACHMENTS

- 1) Briefing Charts
- 2) Devotion Message (enclosed below)
- 3) Meeting Video at: https://youtu.be/a-cDHIAisB0

MEETING FACILITATORS Bob Beggs, Arlan Riehl, Aaron Gregory

ATTENDANCE 13

WELCOME & PRAYER

Bob Beggs welcomed everyone and opened the Forum with prayer.

DEVOTION "Broken Jars?" 2 Corinthians 4:4-10 led by Arlan Riehl

- Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that.
- God makes His light shine in our hearts, but we ourselves are akin to jars of clay.
- In ancient times, people sought out cracked clay jars because they made the best lanterns to light their way.
- Cracks are often the product of fear, abuse, insecurity, shame, mistakes, addiction or anxiety.
- His light shining through us can light the way for us and for those still in darkness.
- "The place where light and dark touch is where miracles arise."

MEMBER PROFILES

- C2 Service Group, Keaton Keenum, VP of Pre-Construction
- Nelson Lewis, Inc., Mark Bray, Key Player and Operations Manager

PEER²**PEER SMALL GROUP SESSION: "Thriving Amidst Chaos"** moderated by Aaron Gregory

- What challenges or opportunities do you foresee in your industry and region?
- What did you do well or not do well when you met similar challenges in the past?
- How will you create margin in 2023 to be a thriving, Godly witness (a light), in what many could consider an extremely challenging time?
- Where are the toughest spots in your industry for you to live out your faith?

PEER²PEER REPORT OUTS

Refer to Meeting Video Outbrief beginning at: minute marker: 24:40

2nd ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONTEST

 No contestants submitted photos this year. Bob show some examples of God-Honoring Christmas decorations as an inspiration for next year.



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WRAP UP

- Bob reviewed the programming offered by the Kingdom Builders Construction Industry Forum in 2022:
 - March 2022 Panel Session: How can construction companies identify and capture new revenue sources?
 - o June 2022 P²P Small Group Discussion: *The Next Normal In Construction*
 - o September 2022 Panel Session: Fulfilling Your Destiny
 - o December 2022 P²P Small Group Discussion: *Thriving Amidst Chaos*

He then requested members to share feedback on the KB Forum timing (meeting days/time), format and content using the Kingdom Builders webpage at www.goodworksinc.org/c12kb

- C12 Current 23 is scheduled for 3-5 May 2023 in Denver, CO. The Kingdom Builders
 have the opportunity to book a conference room for a face to face gathering at the event
 if members are interested in doing so.
- The Steering Committee has agreed to distribute a member survey in January 2023.
- Bob concluded the Forum by sharing the Casting Crowns video: "While You Were Sleeping" and reminded everyone not to miss the true reason for the season.

CLOSING PRAYER by Mark Bray



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ATTACHMENT 2: DEVOTION Broken Jars 2 Corinthians 4:4-10

⁴The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵ For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶ For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ. ⁷ But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. ⁸ We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. ¹⁰ We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body.

Let's start at the very beginning. "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters." (Genesis 1:1-4). We all recognize that light dispels darkness. Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that.

In Paul's second letter to the Corinthians that we just read, it says God makes His light shine in our hearts, but we ourselves are akin to jars of clay. If you have ever seen a clay jar, you know that a light inside has no way to escape. That is, unless the jar has cracks in it. By its very nature, clay pottery is delicate and highly susceptible to cracking. Cracks can appear in clay vessels for a number of reasons; improper drying, too much force applied, extreme heat or cold, or being dropped. But in ancient times, people sought out cracked clay jars because they made the best lanterns to light their way. The light from a torch inside the jar would shine through the cracks.

Like cracked clay jars, God uses broken vessels. In people, cracks are often the product of fear, abuse, insecurity, shame, mistakes, addiction or anxiety. Each of us has our own unique flaws. But it's these flaws that make our lives together so very interesting and rewarding. God chooses to place within each of us His treasure, the Holy Spirit, so that people will know the light within is Him and not us. His light shining through us can light the way for us and for those still in darkness. It has been said, "The place where light and dark touch is where miracles arise." God uses broken things to put together broken things. My wounds and your wounds are not wasted, because nothing is ever wasted with God. Let God shine through the cracks in your life and bring glory to Him.