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Any Church, Any Sunday . . .

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June Notes

It's hard to believe 2009 is halfway through, isn't it? After an unexpected weekend off to start the month, I got things back in gear and hit the road again.

June 14th I rejoined the good folks at Memorial Drive Christian Church in Houston, pastored ably by old friend Dr. Tom Lyda. Memorial Drive is an active, bustling congregation, so good to see in a day when so many churches are struggling.



The Lord's Table
Memorial Drive Christian
Church, Houston

On the 21st, the family and I were at First Christian Church in Stephenville, Texas, pastored by another old friend, Paul Ganther. Paul is off training with the Army National Guard as a chaplain. He anticipates being deployed either to Iraq or Afghanistan in the next year. In Paul's absence, his wife Rachel has handled things capably. Both were

seminary classmates of mine. I had the added pleasure of meeting Tony Salisbury, Disciples' Central Area Minister, who contributed a piece on "How to Pray the Psalms" to The Audacity of Prayer: A Fresh Translation of the Book of Psalms.



Kings Highway Christian
Church,
Shreveport, Louisiana

Finally, I spent the 28th with the folks at Kings Highway Christian Church in Shreveport. Rev. David Brice was on vacation, somehow preferring to spend midsummer in the mountains in Colorado instead on the bayous of Louisiana. In his absence, Rev. Ely Bulnes was carrying on capably.

Travelogue

June 2009

14th - Memorial Drive Christian Church, Houston, Texas.

21st - First Christian, Stephenville, TX, morning.

Central Christian, Weatherford, TX, afternoon.

28th - King's Highway Christian, Shreveport, LA.

July 2009

5th – First Christian Church, Woodson, Texas

12th – Oaks Christian, Houston.

19th – Northway Christian, Dallas.

26th – First Christian, Carrollton, Texas.

August 2nd – Central Christian, Dallas.

**I'd love to come to your
Sunday School class!**

For information on the programs I do, please see my website, www.JohnCunyus.com.

Reviewers' Comments

"I welcome the translation of the Vulgate . . . The Latin language and particularly the Vulgate have had an enormous impact on the Christian Church and our liturgical and theological formation."

– **Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston**

Frequently Asked Questions (About This Ministry)

Who: John Cunyus, an ordained Disciples of Christ minister, is translating the Old Testament from *Biblia Sacra Iuxta Vulgatam*



Rev. Ely Bulnes
Kings Highway CC

Versionem, The Vulgate, the Latin-language Bible, into contemporary English. John, a graduate of Rice, Texas Christian, and Pacific Western Universities, is the author of several books. He publishes the website, www.JohnCunyus.com

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What: The Way of Wisdom: Job, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, the Song of Solomon is a

translation of the wisdom literature from the Bible, shared in common by Jews, Protestants, Catholics, and Orthodox.

When: Saint Jerome translated the Bible into Latin from the original languages, Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek, between 382 and 405 of the Common Era.

Where: Jerome's translation, done in Jerusalem, became The Bible of Western Christianity for over 1,000 years.

Outreach Notes

Since this project began last November, I've visited 24 different congregations in Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana. I say this honestly: there is a world of ministerial talent out there. I've heard excellent preaching and been with genuinely good ministers. I hope our congregations appreciate what our ministers bring them.

Current Needs

This ministry, sponsored by Central Christian Church of Dallas, must be self-sufficient. My goal is to go to "Any Church, Any Sunday," regardless of the congregation's size or ability to pay. To support this work, please make a check payable to "Central Christian Church, Ministry at large," and send it to:

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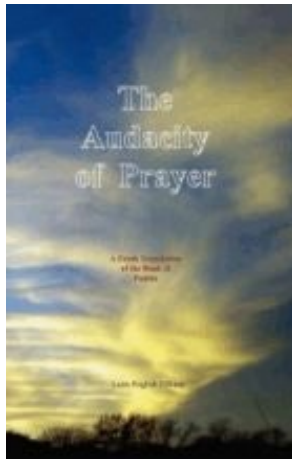
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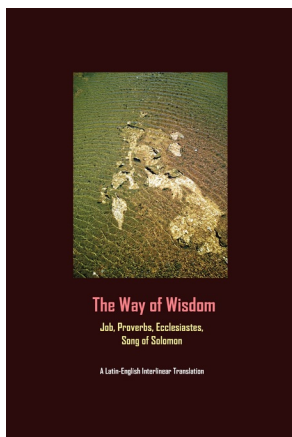
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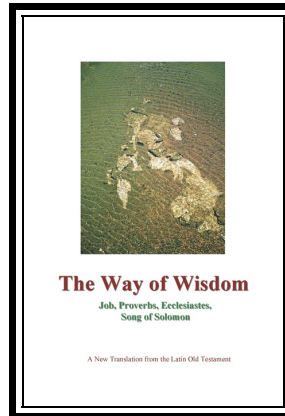
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**Beginnings: A Fresh
Translation of Genesis,**
Latin-English Edition.
Scheduled for Advent
2009.

**Currently Translating
Exodus**

**Weekday Bible Study
Needed!**

I'm looking for a
congregation in the DFW
area needing a weekday
Bible study . I want to
teach through the Old
Testament in detail, and the
best way to do that is with
a group. Call me!



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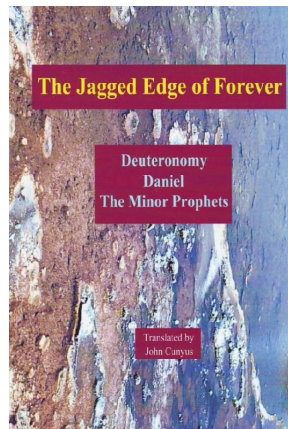
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How to Pray the Psalms

Out loud. At the top of
my voice. In a remote location.

My most memorable time
praying the psalms was on
a camping trip in the
Apache Kid National
Wilderness. I arrived
early, and knew I would
be the only person around
for hours. I climbed up
onto the top of a big rock
and prayed psalms out
loud, at the top of my



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Prayer is sleeping, waking,
walking, jumping, running,
dancing, imagining,
listening with God. The
Book of Psalms is full of
this type of prayer. Psalms
are to be read before going
to sleep in order to relax
the soul. There are psalms
to pray at the waking of
the day for strength.
Psalms make us want to
jump and dance at the
delight of God. Psalms
meet our needs in how we
either walk or run through
the activities of daily
living. Psalms assist us in
how to imagine the
powerful Spirit of God
functioning in our lives. The
Psalms open us up to
listening to God in holy
silence. The Book of
Psalms is not only words
but a constellation of
experiences and emotions
that move us to prayer.

Rev. Tony L. Salisbury
Abilene, Texas
February 4, 2009

Joseph Answers His Brothers

Genesis 50:19-21

50:19 *quibus ille respondit nolite timere
num Dei possumus rennuere voluntatem*

He answered them, "Don't be afraid. Can we disapprove God's will?"

50:20 *vos cogitastis de me malum et Deus
vertit illud in bonum ut exaltaret me sicut
inpraesentiarum cernitis et salvos faceret
multos populos*

"You plotted harm for me and God turned it into good, so He could lift me up like you presently see, and make many peoples secure.

50:21 *nolite metuere ego pascam vos et
parvulos vestros consolatusque est eos et
blande ac leniter est locutus*

"Don't fear. I will feed you and your little ones. And he consoled them and spoke gently and leniently.

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