



Biblical Foundations for Freedom

Releasing God's Life-changing Truth to a New Generation

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Thank you for all your past support! It means so much to us.

Wow, what a year! Though subdued by the crown virus, God continued to bring BFF and Paul through some significant changes. Check out our [family letter](#) to get a broader perspective of all this year's changes!

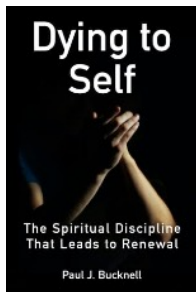
God has amazingly watched over BFF for twenty years. I'm in awe. Time has flown by due to our activity in the Pittsburgh Chinese Church Oakland and the raising of our children—often with four teens. Last June, when our youngest two children told us they were moving out, we anticipated God's marvelous opening of a door. Our house's quick sale (1 week) and an open door to stay at the [Christian Leadership Renewal Center](#) until the end of the year confirmed it.

We were unable to host a BFF 20-year Celebration banquet but did produce a [video](#) that summarizes BFF's staggering progress through these two decades. Thank you for playing such a key role in this work through your prayers, advice, and giving. (Click above to view.)



BFF 20 YEARS CELEBRATION

Though unable to travel overseas, I have maintained good contact with overseas pastors that I have formerly worked with. One Cameroon African pastor took BFF's free online class on [Overcoming Anxiety: Finding Peace, Discovering God](#), watched and taught it. They were so blessed—despite their civil war, scarce food supply, and coping with the virus. God can keep their hearts in peace! That serves as a beautiful encouragement to us.



Each year, our Christian training resources grow in number, better equipping God's people around the world. In 2020 we reached 5.5 million page views. One book that I published, "[Dying to Self: The Spiritual Discipline that Leads to Renewal](#)" has helped me find the right spiritual posture daily. I also expanded [Reaching Beyond Mediocrity: Faith's Triumph Over Temptation](#) (now over 750 pages), which is ready to form into an online course.

Our Big Move

We took a step of faith to move out this year, but now we can better see what the Lord is working out. I have been asked to be the Executive Director of the CLRC. Until now, we have had the software (the Biblical training resources) but no training center. They seem to have come together in this new appointment. This enables us to work with individuals—be there for those who need it. If we can raise \$50,000 and show that we can wisely manage





CLRC by sponsoring training events and securing enough income to function, then I will continue to lead CLRC.

Perhaps you are wondering what CLRC is. For over 15 years, I have been on the Christian Leadership Renewal Center's board. Our vision is the same, training godly leaders. CLRC has three very nice buildings overseeing Lake Gaston on the border of North Carolina and Virginia. The fantastic library is adjacent to a classroom seating thirty-five with desks in the main house where we stay. Although designed initially to strengthen the

Chinese church leaders, we will expand its reach into American churches and other cross-cultural groups. Already I have spoken several times at a Chinese church. A local pastor has expressed interest in assisting me gathering local pastors together for a prayer/training breakfast. Yes, we have many challenges ahead, not to mention Covid hindrances, but the Lord has specifically led us so far, and we trust Him for all that we need.

\$50,000 is not a sale price but a starting fund, which shows our sincerity in adequately caring for this place. We can use this same amount for the center's expenses. Linda and I are working as volunteers with the hope of using the facilities in the longterm. Meanwhile, our regular BFF needs continue. We can help sharpen church leaders, Chinese speaking, and others by providing specific plans using our resources. You can get a better feel of our resources by checking out the [books](#) and [seminars](#) we now offer.



[3 BUILDINGS IN THE BLOCK](#)

There are so many broken, wounded, wayward pastors and leaders having nowhere to turn. We hope to bring renewal, vision and hope to their personal lives, marriages, and ministries. They can come on personal retreats, use their training resources, or ask us to mentor or teach. Fortunately, we already have \$15,000 towards the immediate expenses. Consider if the Lord would have you support us this way. Please donate to BFF but note in the memo "CLRC" (or let me know).

We are open to bookings! This includes a house for a church leadership function or a family reunion. A new brochure will be out soon.

We are so grateful for your help over these years. Writing and resources are excellent, but these facilities help us meet personally with leaders; we hope to provide a refreshed place and someone to speak with if desired.

You can now use our address, the same as the center:

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In Christ's Majestic Service,

Paul



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There are several ways to give to BFF:

- Send a check to BFF in the mail or via Bank bill paying. You decide on the amount and frequency.
- Credit card—Square: <https://squareup.com/market/bucknell> (Look for the donation box.)
- Credit card—BFF store: www.foundationsforfreedom.net/Help/Store/Shop_BFF.html

Our BFF Mission

BFF exists by God's grace and for His glory to empower God's people around the world by providing media-enriched biblical training resources, stimulating the worldwide church to grow in passion, perspicuity, and purpose. We hope to develop strong spiritual growth and effective service so that God's people might complete His mission and prepare for Christ's return.