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"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."
- Jesus Christ

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Greetings Family and Friends. The half way point of 2005 is already past so we wanted to get a newsletter out. Our prayer is that you will be blessed by the contents as we share some of what God is doing in our life and those around us. I am excited as our good friend Kudzie Chasosa wrote an article for us. For those curious, the picture above is taken on the way up a roller coaster hill at Cedar Point.

Steps of a Righteous Man Are Ordered by God

By: Kudzie Chasosa

My life is a full testimony of what God can do in peoples lives. Isaiah 61 declares that this is the year of the Lord's favor. I am highly favored in Jesus Christ. Favor is defined as a gracious, friendly or obliging act that is freely granted. I believe that I am highly favored since Christ died for me on the cross. He did not deserve to die but He paid the price for my sins. This is the highest form of favor any one can think of.



In Luke 4 v 16 – 21 Jesus Christ proclaimed that the spirit of the Lord was on him, he was anointed to preach the good news to the poor. He was sent to proclaim freedom to the prisoners. When I was not saved I was a prisoner of sin but when I received Jesus Christ as my personal Lord and savior I was set free. The good thing about God's favor is that it shows up when you hang out with the right people. I am so glad and highly favored in that I have accountability partners in Scott and Courtney Himes. Ever since the first day when I got connected with these people of God my life has never been the same again.

God's favor opens and closes doors. When one is in Christ doors or windows of opportunities are opened for you. In the same way doors which do not bring forth fruit are closed for you. It is God's favor
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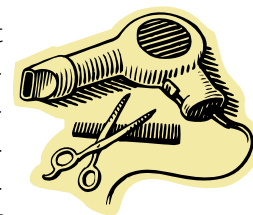
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Himes Hotel

Over the last several months we have had the privilege of hosting family and friends in our home as they need a place to stay. Our joke has been that we will rename our house the "Himes Hotel." We are excited also because Shelley is moving in with us while she attends IUPUI this next school year. We view our home as a gift from God and desire to share it with others. This August marks the one year anniversary of us in our house, and over the last year we have attempted to build our lives and this home with God as the focus. Psalm 127:1 is our guide: "Unless the Lord builds this house, its builders labor in vain." Weekly we pray for God's presence in our home and that others would see it as a place of love, safety and comfort. Please know that you are always welcome at the Himes Hotel.

Courtney's New Salon

For the last year Courtney worked at a salon called Hairquest in Westfield. Hairquest provided a wonderful opportunity for Courtney to establish her client base and get experience. Late May after a year of prayer and waiting on God's timing, He opened a unexpected door at Secret's Nail and Hair Design in Carmel, IN. This has been a great move for Courtney as she now rents a booth and runs her own business. If you are on the north side and need you hair cut, highlighted or colored call Courtney on her cell at 317-363-1513. I know she would love to see you and it would be a blessing to her as she establishes herself in this new position.





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that has made me blossom even in a desert. I have learned that God does things which we think are impossible. Even when everything seems to be going the other way round, God has a special way of turning situations around. He will make every situation turn to our good. Romans 8:28 confirms this. All things work together for good to those who are called according to His purpose. God turns every opposition to a new position. Whenever I face opposition or challenges I know that God's favor is on its way to me.

If one is in Jesus Christ, one day of favor is worth more than a whole year of labor. When it comes to God's unmerited favor I am inspired by the life of Ruth (Ruth 2 v 10 and 13), Joseph in Genesis 40:14 and

the story of Mary who was highly favored (Luke 1 v 28 and verse 30).

Favor works through a person who has a rejoicing spirit. I have a spirit which is always rejoicing in knowing Jesus Christ. I am so grate-

ful to my church Every Nation Church, my brother and sister in Christ, Scott and Courtney for they have always been there for me.



Kudzie and Scott in Terre Haute playing golf. This was Kudzie's first time on a golf course!