



THE WORK OF PROVISION

I'm going to do something that I hate to do...

I'm going to ask for help.



Bancroft is currently in a significant financial situation that is threatening the sustainability of the ministry. It costs the ministry around \$14,000/month to operate, and we do not bring in enough monthly support to meet those expenses. In fact, we are short \$10,000/month in order to cover our monthly operational expenses. We need **your** help.

Throughout its 100-year existence, Bancroft has been dependent on God's people to provide the necessary funds to operate the ministry. Over the years, the number of regular monthly supporters has dwindled, and we need new financial partners who believe in Bancroft and its mission, what God is doing here, and how God plans to use the ministry for the next 100 years.

Would you be willing to partner with us on a **MONTHLY** basis to help meet the needs of the ministry? Would you be willing to be our "boots on the ground," our advocates, and share with those around you how much Bancroft means to you to rally your friends to support the ministry as well?

I've been reading through the book of Exodus and I recently read Exodus 35-36.

In these chapters, Moses tells the congregation of Israel to give toward the construction of the Tabernacle, which the Lord had commanded them to build. Numerous times throughout chapter 35 you see phrases like, "*whose heart moved them*," "*whose heart stirred him*," "*whose spirit moved him*," "*who were of a willing heart*," "*whose hearts stirred them*," and "*whoever is of a generous heart*."

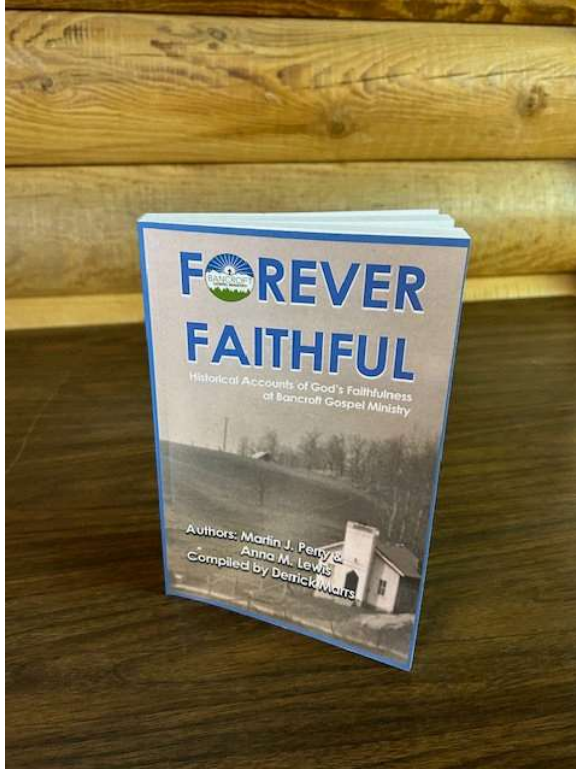
I like this because it shows the heart of generosity the people had, so much so that we see in chapter 36 the people of Israel brought in more than was needed for the work. In fact, the men who were in charge of the construction of the Tabernacle actually had to go to Moses and tell him to tell the people to stop giving!

Exodus 36:7 says, "*for the material they had was sufficient to do all the work, and more.*"

The Lord provided more than enough resources through the generosity of His people to accomplish the work He had commanded them to do.

The fact is this: ***The Lord WILL provide for His work, and He primarily does it through His people.***

In fact, Bancroft has written proof of this.



Last year, for the Centennial anniversary of the ministry, we released a book called “Forever Faithful.”

This book was a compilation of historical records of God’s faithfulness to the ministry over the years in the form of diary-style records from the ministry’s founder, Ms. Anna Lewis, and our first Executive Director, Martin J. Perry. Repeatedly throughout the book you see how the Lord not only provided for His ministry but also used His people to meet those needs. (if you’re interested, you can purchase the book on Amazon by clicking this link)

[Purchase the book!](#)

Those individuals were sensitive to the prompting voice of God. Their “hearts stirred them” like those from the congregation of Israel in Exodus 35-36, and they generously gave what was needed to accomplish the work.

We also need to have hearts sensitive to His leading and generous to meet those needs.

But in a world that’s always on the GO, do we still have the ears to STOP & Consider and hear the prompting voice of God? The Lord will speak, but do we have the ears to hear?

It’s often hard for me to hear too.

I don’t know if Moses worried about the resources being provided to accomplish this work—but I probably would have.

I’m sure many of you are faced with situations yourself where you are in need of God’s provision.

Remember: ***The Lord WILL provide for His work, and He WILL provide for His people--through His people.***

Let us trust the Lord to provide our needs but let us also have hearts willing to give to His work. If you have any questions about the state of the ministry and how you can partner with us, please feel free to reach out to me!

Derrick Marrs
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STOP & CONSIDER IS

LIVE!

Bancroft's new podcast, STOP & Consider with Derrick and JT, is officially LIVE and available for your listening and watching consumption!

We are excited to finally bring these episodes to your eyes and ears! While the whole podcast world is still new to us, we hope that these conversations are encouraging, challenging, and entertaining, but most importantly, cause you to STOP & Consider the wondrous works of God taking place in your life everyday.



Please bear with us as we perfect our audio and video mixing (because Derrick doesn't know what he's doing!). In spite of our technical ineptitude, we hope you enjoy the show!

Below are all of the links currently available for you to listen and view our new podcast:

Website:

www.bancroftgospelministry.org/stopandconsider

Apple Podcasts:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/stop-and-consider/id1843097127>

YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@STOPandConsider>

Spotify:

<https://open.spotify.com/show/5an3QuCPoO4dH9Xa4xp2uc>

Amazon Music:

<https://music.amazon.com/podcasts/41b83bb5-ef2f-4f4e-ae1f-bcd85adbc43f/stop-and-consider>

iHeartRadio:

<https://iheart.com/podcast/296982721/>

Be sure to SUBSCRIBE and LIKE each episode and share it with your friends! Feel free to leave us your comments as well!

New episodes will be available every two weeks (SPOILER: the next episode drops Friday, October 17)!



Don't forget about our \$10/month Club!

This is one of the easiest ways that you can partner with the ministry and support the work!

Thank you all so much for sacrificially giving--we can't do this without you!

Want to financially partner with Bancroft?
You can do so for only **\$10/month!**

For the price of a movie ticket or a fast-food meal, you can make a lasting impact for the kingdom of God by supporting a ministry who has served the Lord and our community for over 100 years!

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Click the button below and become part of a team of people desiring to make an eternal difference by financially supporting Bancroft! You can give **more** than \$10 if you choose and you can even make it a recurring donation for your convenience!

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