

2017

So teach us to number our days,
that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.
(Psalm 90:12)

2017: A YEAR OF CLEAR FOCUS & GODLY VISION

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A PRAYER OF MOSES, THE MAN OF GOD

Moses was a remarkable man. Born in days of danger, and yet early in life secured—even cocooned—in luxury, he might have lived a life of opulence and hedonism. And yet God so worked in his life and circumstances that he became aware of his calling not to be indulged in the privileged position of a son of the palace in Egypt, and with the very likely opportunities that would come his way from that, but to choose mistreatment along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the short-term pleasures of sin. His words are recorded in Psalm 90 (“A Prayer of Moses, the Man of God”) in which he sketched and summarized the brevity of life on this earth.

Only as we are in a reconciled and saving relationship with God through the person and work of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, can we truly learn to number our days aright and so apply our hearts to wisdom. It was in the fulness of time that God sent forth His Son to be the redeemer of sinners such as we are, and to bring us into His family in a relationship of adoption and privilege. May this be wonderfully true for us all as we move into 2018 and as we endeavor to live well for Him who lived, died, and rose again for us whose faith and only hope is in Him.

PUBLISHING REFLECTIONS FROM 2017

The work of publishing to a global audience has continued largely through the imprint of Great Writing Publications and we are thankful to record several projects completed, including

○ A major work on Samuel Davies (*Samuel Davies: Apostle to Virginia*) by Dewey Roberts (more info at www.solafidepublications.org). Geoff Thomas contributed the foreword to this major book.

○ Introduction of four books by Roger Ellsworth in the My Coffee-Cup Meditations series. These are must-read books to use and share with others. More info at www.mycoffeecupmeditations.com

○ A beautiful book of memoirs by my cousin, Frith Robb, *Unexpected Grace: A Life in Two Worlds*

○ A new edition of the major commentary on Galatians by Prof. Edgar Andrews, *Free in Christ*

○ A newly conceived book, *UNIVERSE*, by Nigel Faithfull, illustrated throughout, and also with a foreword by Geoff Thomas

2018 is to kick off with the release of a new series by Reggie Weems, *Ten Things About...*, to include titles on pornography, unanswered prayer, revival, establishing a godly marriage, and many more.

More information on these and others at www.buyreadgrow.com!

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The year 2017 is now over and done with. Here are some key points from what we have been doing these last twelve months...

- **Jim:** Working on several new projects in a professional editing and book production service including Shepherd Press, and building a global network through social media portals as well as developing key relationships with influential individuals and publishers worldwide.
- **Sue** continues to serve at Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary as fulltime administrative assistant to the President, Dr Joey Pipa, and enjoys her work.
- **Matthew** has caught up Jim and Sue in height and enjoys the lifestyle of South Carolina as well as being a freshman in high school at Bob Jones.
- **Key events in 2017** included a visit from our cousins James and Frith Robb in April, a visit to Ohio to attend the annual ICRS trade show in June where we also watched a ball-game in Cincinnati, and, on the way back, spent time at the Ark Encounter. At Thanksgiving, we spent a relaxing time at home with a friend who visited for the day.

About the pictures:

In casual pose and enjoying getting ready in our den for the clock to strike midnight on January 1, 2018!