



**2020 December 1**

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**LAST CALL**

Thanks to those of you who already completed our PCCE survey. For the rest of you, you have until this Friday, **December 4.**

**Teacher Survey Link:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Teachers-ES>

**School Leader Survey Link:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ADMINISTRATION-ES>

**School Board Survey Link:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BOARD-ES>

**LIVING**

**A Prayer for Hope**

Help me Oh Lord to put my hope in Your word  
Not the empty promises of the world.  
Only You can quiet a storm with Your voice.  
Only You can conquer the grave and death itself.  
Only You can heal wounds and broken relationships.  
Only You can push back darkness with Your light.  
Only You, God.  
In a world that feels hopeless and beyond repair  
You are my hope.  
I can trust Your promises and steadfastness.  
Amen

(from the Advent Conspiracy)

**Biblical Hope**



As we begin the season of Advent and focus this week on Hope, you may find this [video](#) interesting and helpful as it dives into the concept of biblical hope.

## LEARNING

### Advent Resources

You may be looking for some resources to use in your classroom or assemblies/chapels. Have a look here for a wide variety of [resources](#) (videos, activities, books, devotions), with a couple of highlights:

- A [Jesse Tree](#) could be used in class or for a whole school and the link comes with all the resources.
- If you're looking to include a FLEx or giving project with your Advent celebrations, this [resource](#) has some good ideas for a Reverse Advent Calendar.

### Podcast Club

We would love to hear your podcast episode suggestion for our next Podcast Club which will connect on Tuesday, December 15 at 3:45pm. Ideally the episode should touch on faith and learning. Some podcasts that you can check out are: Faith in Teaching, The Curious Christian Teacher Podcast, The Evolving Faith Podcast and Digical Education.

### #TakeMeBackTuesday

#### [Grade 9 - Social Studies: Economics](#)

**Unit Summary** - The link above brings you to a folder of resources and ideas related to a powerful unit that really challenges and convicts both learner and teacher. When we apply the gospel to our economics, it changes everything:

- Where does God fit into our budgets? becomes Where do our budgets fit into our lives with God?
- How much do I have to 'get' to be happy? becomes What is the true source of happiness?
- How rich can I be? becomes How can I enrich the lives of others?
- How should we handle OUR wealth? becomes How shall we handle GOD'S wealth, with which we have been entrusted?
- How much do I have to give? becomes How much do I dare keep?

With renewed thinking around these questions, Christians can be Christ-followers in His story.

**Covid-conscious FLEx idea** - Explore the world of micro-loans and have students consider donating to Kiva.org in your name, rather than buying teacher Christmas gifts.

**Thank you** - Brian Doornenbal and Brady Van Ry

Here is a link to the entire library of [units](#) if you want to explore on your own and/or nominate a unit to be highlighted that's been a blessing to you by sending us an email with the name of the unit and grade.

## LEADING

### Converge 2022

Save the date for the [Converge 2022](#) conference (formerly known as The Global Christian School Leadership Summit). It will be held in San Diego from March 8-10, 2022. The theme is: Leading Courageously, Renewing Hope.

### Board Secretaries

This [article](#) provides direction on how to write effective minutes (purpose/importance, what to include and not include, best practices, samples).

### Rod Wilson Video

Maybe in the busyness of last year's tasks, you may have missed this link, but it is probably even more applicable now. This [episode](#) on Self-Care would be a worthwhile one to reflect on with your whole staff. At our teachers' convention, workshops to do with teacher well-being were the most popular and using this video to reflect as a staff on self-care would allow you to continue the conversation.

### Christian Deeper Learning Conference

This year the Christian Deeper Learning Conference has shifted to a "[Professional Development Package and Virtual Gathering](#)." Here's a teaser for this PD opportunity: [What the World Needs Now](#). Jeremy is on the planning committee and can provide more insight if you are interested.



### UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>December 1 or 3</b>	TfT 101
<b>December 4</b>	Surveys Due
<b>February 2</b>	TfT 101
<b>February 11-12</b>	CSI Bible Symposium
<b>February 19</b>	Christian Deeper Learning Gathering
<b>March 2</b>	TfT 101



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