



Sermon
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“Passing the Faith - Cev Txujkev Ntseeg”

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Thov txuj koobmoov txujkev hlub hab txujkev humxeeb pub rua mej suavdlawg lug ntawm Vaajtswv kws yog peb Leejtxiv kws yog peb tug Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos. Asmees.

2 Timothy 3:14-15, “Continue in what you have learned and become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have know the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation thru faith in Christ Jesus. – *Koj yuavtsum ua lawv le Vaajtswv txujlug kws koj tau kawm hab ca sab rua lawm. Rua qhov koj yeej paub hastas cov tuabneeg kws qha koj paub Vaajtswv txujlug kws paab tau kuas koj muaj tswvyim rua txujkev cawmdlim kws yog txujkev ntseeg ntawm Yexus Khetos.*” (NIV) Nuav yog Vaajtswv Txujlug. (Cross Reference – 2 Timautes 1:13, Titaus 1:9, Kevcai 4:6, Nkauj Qhuas Vaajtswv 119:98, Yauhaas 5:47, Cov Dlejnum 26:24, Loos 2:27, 1 Kauleethaus 1:21, Efexaus 6:4, 1 Timautes 4:13, 2 Timautes 1:1; 1:5)

Illustration “passing”

Uantej peb yuav noog Vaajtswv txujlug, ca kuv muab lulug “Passing txhais rua mej kuas mej suavdlawg totaub thaus mej noog Vaajtswv txujlug lawm mej txhaj le totaub hastas passing yog txhais le caag. Lulug “passing – Hmoob lulug txhais tau ob peb yaam – *muab, cev, pub* – tabsis peb yuav tsis siv cov nuav. For the sake of teaching hab totaub kuv yuav siv lulug “passing – nuav yog txhais hastas “CEV” Vim txujkev ntseeg yog Vaajtswv ua tug pub rua peb – Peb maam le ua tug qha rua lwmtug xwb. Peb yuav muab, cev losyog pub tsi tau rua lwmtug. (Show picture of passing a baton)



August 27, 2004, at Olympic stadium in Athens, the U.S. women 4x100 meter relay npaaj yuav sibtw dlha. Muaj 4 tug quaspui npaaj puab lub chaw huv tuabsi hab togtsoov raabphom tua ces pib dlha. Muaj coob leej ntau tug sojntsuam hastas, Asmesliska paab yuavtsum yog cov yeej hab tejzag puab tseem yuav set ib qhov new record. Angela Williams yog tug xub pib ua tug dlha uantej. Dlhau ntawd, nwg muab tug paas cev moog rua Marion Jones. Marion Jones dlha uantej txhua leej txhuatug dleb tsawv lawm. Suadlawg pum tau hastas, puab cov quaspui nuav yuav yeej gold medal zagnuav tag tag lauj. (Show Marion Jones trying to pass the baton to Lauryn)



Tab sis thaum Marion Jones taabtom cev tug paas moog rua Lauryn Williams. Lauryn pib dlha uantej kuas Marion Jones maam le dlha caum qaab cev tug paas rua nwg. Tab sis Marion Jones dlha caum tsi cuag Lauryn le. Marion Jones qw kuas Lauryn tog los Lauryn pheej tsi tog. Yog le ntawd thaum Marion Jones cev tug paas tau rua Lauryn lawm, thaus nuav obtug dlhau tug cam kws puab tsi pub lawm. Yog le nuav cov Women U.S. Team had been disqualify. 4 tug quaspui kws suavdlawg qhuas hastas yog 4 tug kws dlha ceev tshaajplawg tsi yeej rua txujkev sibtw zagnuav vim puab tsi “pass on the baton – *cev tug paas*” lawv le txujkev cai.

I. Yog peb yuav “pass on the baton – *cev tug paas*” rua tam tomnej nuav “like a relay race – *zoo nkaus le txujkev sibtw dlha.*” Txujkev nuav zoo nkaus le peb cov kws yog nam yog txiv yuav coj peb tej

mivnyuas moog ua kevcai ntxuav thaus puab tseem yog mivnyuas yaus hab coj puab moog hawm hab kawm Vaajtswv Txulug. Thaus puab kawm “confirmation - *kev ntseeg tav*” hab lug has puab tej nqai Vaajlugkub coglug ua ibtug ntseeg zoo rua ntawm Vaajtswv lawm, thaus nuav yog mej “pass on the baton – *cev tug paas*” kws yog txujkev ntseeg rua mej tej mivnyuas.”

Paulus tsaabntawv thib ob kws nwg sau moog rua Timautes yog Paulus ua Vaajtswv tsaug hab qhuas txug hastas Timautes tau kawm Vaajtswv Txujlug ntawm nwg nam hab nwg puj. (2 Timautes 1:5)
(Show faith from one to another)



Yog mej ua tuabzoo saib, txujkev nseeg Vaajtswv tau qha ibtam rua ibtam ntawm Timautes tsev tuabneeg – Timautes puj qha rua Timautes nam – Timautes nam qha rua Timautes. Peb tsi paub txug hastas Timautes lub neej zoo le caag tabsis peb yeej paub tau hastas, Timautes yuav qha txujkev ntseeg rua nwg cov mivnyuas. Timautes cov mivnyuas yuav qha txujkev ntseeg rua puab cov mivnyuas. Txujkev ntseeg Vaajtswv nuav yuav qha dlhau ibtam rua ibtam.
(Show LCMS Hmong Pastors’ Ministry)



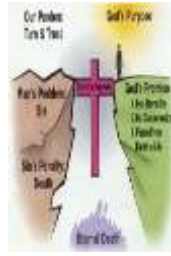
Peb cov LCMS Hmong Ministry pib tau ntev npaum le caag lug lawm? Yog muab xam lug, Hmong Ministry pib xyoo 1978 tabsis muaj kag pawgntseeg yog xyoo 1986. Pawgntseeg nyob rua Minneapolis and St. Paul lug sibkoom uake lug tsimtsaa tau Pawgntseeg Hmong Evangelical Lutheran Church – puab yog pawgntseeg thib ib kws “charter – tsim tsa ua pawgntseeg muaj ntaub ntawv rua xyoo 1987.” Yog peb suav txij xyoo 1978 lug txug xyoo 2019 nuav tub tau le 42 lub xyoo lawm. Tabsis

yog peb suav official txij thaum thaum xyoo 1981 kws xibfwb Ntxoovhuab Yaj lug coj Pawgntseeg Hmong mission nyob rua Lansing Michigan ces yog tau 30 xyoo. Yog suav Pawgntseeg Hmong Evangelical Lutheran Church xyoo 1986 lug ces LCMS Hmong Ministry pib lug tau 25 lub xyoo. Thaus nuav muaj le ob Pawgntseeg Hmong Ministry. **(Show 18 Hmong Ministries in 9 District)**



Taamsim nuav peb muaj le 18 pawgntseeg nyob rua North America, 3 pawgntseeg nyob rua Thaitbteb, hab kev cobqha taabtom nthuav moog rua Nplogteb, Nyaablaaj teb, hab Qhabmim tebhaws. Nuav yog peb qha txujkev ntseeg ibtam rua ibtam. Mej cov kws xub pib thaus ub lug taamsimnuav mej tej mivnyuas puab moog ua puab neej taag, puab twb rov coj puab tej mivnyuas rov tuaj kawm Vaajtswv txujlug vim mej qha txujkev ntseeg rua mej cov tub cov ntxhais. Taamsimnuav mej cov tub cov ntxhais ho qha txujkev ntseeg rua puab cov mivnyuas. Nuav zoo sisthoj le txujkev kws passing the baton to the next generation.

Mej sim saib Vaajtswv tau foom koobmoov rua peb cov LCMS Hmong Ministry ntau npaum le caag. Peb cov Hmoob tej keebkwm kws pib suavteb lug rua Southeast Asia. Peb cov kws lug nyob rua nplogteb hab thaitbteb yeej tsi tau paub txug Txujmoozoo le.
(Show shaman and the saving grace God purpose)



Txujmoozoo nthuav tuaj txug peb Hmoob nyob peg tojsab xyoo 1940. Thaus nuav peb Hmoob txhaj le paub lug ntseeg Vaajtswv vim lwmtug zoo sab hlo qha txujkev ntseeg kws yog txujkev cawmdlim rua haiv tuabneeg kws tseem coj kevcai dlaabqhua. Nuav yog peb “pass on the baton – *cev tug paas* rua peb cov Hmoob kuas peb lug paub txujkev cawmdlim. Thaus peb paub lawm, peb txhaj le qha rua peb tug txheeb tug ze tam nplogteb lug rua thaibteb tuaj txug tebhaws Asmesliskas nuav.

II. Cov kwvtij hlub hab movtshua. Vaajtswv tau foom koobmoov ntau kawg nkaus rua peb txhuatug. (Show HMS and HLWM logo)



Taamsim nuav peb tsi yog muaj 18 Pawgntseeg Hmong Ministry xwb peb tseem muaj Hmong Mission Society, LCMS Hmong Ministry Conference, Hmong Pastor Conference, Hmong Lutheran Women in Mission, hab Hmong International Mission. Tej lub committee’s le nuav

yog suavdlawg xaav qha Vaajtswv txujkev cawmdlim rua peb haiv tuabneeg Hmoob hab txhuatug tuabneeg nyob rua huv nplajteb nuav – nuav yog passing the faith rua lwmtug kuas lwmtug maam le passing on to someone else.

Qha txujkev ntseeg tsi yog qha txug peb LCMS Hmong Ministry tej keebkwm xwb, losyog tej tuamtsev nrug rua tej kev cobqha. “Passing the faith – *Cev txujkev ntseeg*” yog txhais hastas “Continue in what you have learned.... – *Koj yuavtsum ua lawv le koj tau kawm lawm...*” (2 timothy 3:14). “Passing the faith – *Cev txujkev ntseeg*” txhais hastas peb cov LCMS Hmong Ministry yuav qha txug txujkev hawm Vaajtswv hab kev ua Vaajtswv dlejnum txug peb tug Cawmseej txujkev hlub hab txujkev cawmdlim rua lwmtug kuas lwmtug tau txujkev cawmdlim hab. (Show passing the faith)



Paulus txhaj le sau hastas, “First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world. – *Untej kuv ua Vaajtswv tsaug rua ntawm Yexus Khetos rua mej txhuatug, vim thoob qaabntuj tej tuabneeg nov hastas mej yog cov ntseeg.*” (Loos 1:8) Vaajtswv siv koj hab kuv kuas peb yuavtsum mobsab ua nwg teg dlejnum. Txawm peb qha Vaajlugkub, hu nkauj, losyog ua tug togqhua. Txhuayaam kws peb ua yog ua rua ntawm Vaajtswv. (show beautiful feet)



Paulus txhaj le sau hastas, “How can they believe if they have not hear? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? As it is written, ‘How beautiful are the feet of those who bring Good News! – *Puab yuav ua le caag ntseeg tug kws puab tsi tau nov dlua?*’” Hab yog tsi muaj tug moog qha txujmoozoo rua puab, puab yuav ua le caag nov? Vaajtswv Txujlug sau hastas, “*Cov tuabneeg kws moog qha Txujmoozoo txhais kutaw zoo kawg le!*” (Loos 10:14-15). Vaajtswv Txujlug saamfwm kuas peb yuavtsum qha txujkev ntseeg rua lwmtug ibtam dlhau moog rua ibtam.

Kuv nug mej hastas, leejtwg yog tug tseemcee kws yuav cev tau txujkev ntseeg rua lwmtug? Mej saib Yauj muab tsaj tua theejtxhoj rua nwg cov mivnyuas. Hanas muab nwg tug tub Xamuyees rov rua Vaajtswv moog ua Vaajtswv tug tubkhaiv. St. Augustine ua nwg nam tsaug vim yog muaj nwg nam qha nwg txug txujkev ntseeg. (Show commandments upon your heart)



Vaajtswv txujlug sau ntawm Kevcai 6:6-7 sau hastas, “These commandments are to be upon your hearts. Teach them diligently to your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up – *Mej yuavtsum ncu ntsoov tej kevcai tswjfw m rua huv mej lub sab. Mobsab qha rua mej tej mivnyuas. Najnub has txug tej lug ntawd thaus mej nyob huv tsev thaus mej taug kev ntawd tej kev, thaus mej pws hab thaus mej sawv.*” Paulus sau rua cov Efexus hastas, “.....Fathers, bring up your children in the training and instruction of the Lord – ... *Txhuatug txivtsev mej yuavtsum*

qhuab ntuag mej tej mivnyuas lawv le tug Tswv txujlug qha.” (Efexus 6:4) Txujkev kws peb yuav cev tau txujkev ntseeg rua lwmtug yuavtsum pib ntawm peb tsev tuabneeg uantej.

Leejnam losyog leejtxiv “passing the faith – *cev txujkev ntseeg*” rua nwg cov mivnyuas txug Yexus tseemceeb dluas le tug xwbfbw losyog lwmtug cev. Mej cov hluas yuavtsum cev rua mej tug little brothers and sisters txug txujkev ntseeg Yexus tseemceeb dluas le lwmtug cev. **(Show drop baton)**



Xwbfbw tsua muaj sijhawm mivntsiv rua nub tuaj hawm Vaajtswv xwb. Ntawm txujkev “Passing the faith – *Cev txujkev ntseeg*” Vaajtswv yog cev lug ntawm tug mivnyuas lub vaajtsev kws tug mivnyuas nyob. Tabsis ntau zag peb cov mivnyuas tsi paub txug Vaajtswv vim peb cov ua nam ua txiv muab tug “baton – *paas*” ua poob lawm. Ntau khub namtxiv hastas, coj moog rua xwbfbw “pass on the baton – *cev tug paas*”. Xwbfbw yeej cev tag, tabsis kev cev tag yog pib ntawm leejnam hab leejtxiv thaus tug mivnyuas tseem yaus. Paulus txhaj le has rua Timautes tas, “From infancy you have learned the Holy Scripture – *Thaus koj tseem yau koj*

kawm Vaajtswv Txujlug Dlawbhuv lawm.” Leejtwg yog tug “Passing the faith – *Cev txujkev ntseeg*” rua Timautes? Nwg yog Timautes nam hab nwg puj. Dr. Martin Luther ua nwg nam tsaug rua txujkev ntseeg kws nam tau “Passing the faith – *Cev txujkev ntseeg*” rua nwg. Dr. Martin Luther nam hab txiv tau “Passing the faith – *Cev txujkev ntseeg*” rua Dr. Martin Luther. Dlhau ntawv Dr. Martin Luther cev rua nwg cov mivnyuas hab rua lwmtug.

III. Thaus kuv pib, kuv has txug 4 tug quaspwj kws sibtw dlha 4X100 meter relay. Rua nub Friday. Puab paab nuav swb vim puab “disqualified – tsi raug kevcai.” Tabsis thaus sawvntxuv yog nub Saturday muaj dluas ib paab quaspwj sibtw dlha hab yeej rua 4X400 meter relay. Paab USA women yeej the gold medal in Athens yog ua povthawj rua tebchaws Asmesliskas. Lauryn Williams has rua Sanya Richards Saturday morning hastas, “Bring home the gold – *coj lub kub lug tsev.*” **(Show US Women)**



The U.S. 4x400 Relay Gold Medal team, from left: Monique Hennagan; Dee Dee Trotter; Sanya Richards and Monique Henderson (By Robert Deutsch, USA TODAY). The United States swept the 4x400 relays later in the evening, making up for the disappointment of the 4x100 relay teams. Richards led her 4x400 team to victory in 3 minutes, 19.01 seconds.

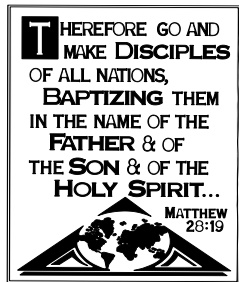
Miss. Richards stated - teb hastas, “Before we came out here, our coaches told us the running would be the easiest part, to focus on the small things like getting the stick around, staying in the zone, not running out of our lanes early,” Richards said. “Everybody was focused on it and it worked out really well for us. – *Uantej peb yuav tawm tuaj, peb tug coaches qha rua peb hastas thaus peb dlha lawm yuav yoojyim tabsis peb yuavtsum sojntsuam hab saib kuas zoo rua tej yaam miv mv le kws cev tug paas, nyob rua txuj kaab hab tsi txhob rhuav txujcai. Peb suavdlawg puavleej ua le peb tug coache has.*” Puab paab quaspwj nuav puab “focused and succeed – *saib ntsoov hab ua tau lawm.*” Puab “pass on the baton and won – *cev tug paas hab yeej.*” **(Show passing the baton)**



Cov kwvtij hlub hab movtshua, peb txujkev ntseeg kws peb yuav “Passing the faith – *Cev txujkev ntseeg*” rua peb cov mivnyuas tau ces yog peb yuavtsum saib ntsoov rua ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos. Vaajntsujplig Dlawvhuv yuav paab kuas peb ua tau. Txij xyoo 1978-1986 thawj Pawgntseeg LCMS Hmong Ministry lug zwm uake. Xyoo nuav peb muaj 18 lub Hmong Ministry hab 25 tug Moob ua xwbfbw. **(Show living legacy)**



Ca peb suavdlawg sib koomteg cev Vaajtswv Txujmoozoo kuas txujkev cawmdlim ntawd nthuav moog thoob nplajteb kuas lwmtug lug tau txujkev cawmdlim ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos. Lug ntawm Vaajtswv txuj koobmoov, peb cov pujkoob yawgkoob cev Vaajtswv txujkev cawmdlim rua peb tim nblogteb tuaj rua thaibteb tuaj rua tebchaws Asmesliskas hab tseem najnub “Passing the faith – *Cev txujkev ntseeg*” rua peb hab rua lwmtug. Puab tub muab tug “baton pass – *paas cev*” rua koj hab rua kuv lawm. **(Show go and make disciples)**



Yexus lug “Passing the faith – *Cev txujkev ntseeg*” rua nwg cov thwjtim. Nwg saamfwm rua nwg cov thwjtim kuas puab yuavtsum “Passing the faith – *Cev txujkev ntseeg*” rua lwmtug. Yexus txhaj le hastas, “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age – *Yog le ntawd, ca le moog koj txhua haiv tuabneeg lug ua thwjtim, muab puab ua kevcai ntxuav rua ntawm Vaajleejtxiv hab Vaajleejtub hab Vaajntsujplig Dlawbhuv lub npe.*”

Hab qha kuas puab noog txhuayaam kuv tau qha rua mej lawm. Hab tseeb tag kuv yuav nrug mej nyob moog txug thaus lub sijhawm kawg. (Mathais 28.19-20) Nuav yog Yexus “Passing the faith – *Cev txujkev ntseeg*” rua koj kuas koj yuavtsum “Passing the faith – *Cev txujkev ntseeg*” kws yog nwg tug “baton – *paas*” rua lwmtug. **(Show victory lane and Jesus hugging)**



Ca peb “Passing the baton – *Cev tug paas*” kws yog txujkev ntseeg moog rua lwmtug ibtam dlhau rua ibtam kuas lwmtug moog txug “the victory lane - *txujkev yeej ntawm tug cam*” kws tau txujsa moog ibtxhis hab ibtxhis rua ntawm peb tug Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos obtxhais npaab. Yexus yuav has rua koj hastas, “well done good and faithful servant – *zoo kawg nkaus tug tubkhaiv kws mobsab ua dlejnum*” (Mathais 25:23) “for

you passing the faith to others – *vim koj cev txujkev ntseeg rua lwmtug.* Asmees.

Thov kuas Vaajtswv Txujlug pub rua peb suavdlawg totaub hab tau nyob kaajsab lug rua ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos lub npe. Peb txhuatug kws yog Vaajtswv cov mivnyuas peb suavdlawg has: Asmees.