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Charis Business Summit 2017

The *Charis Business Summit* attracted people from all over the U.S. and even countries like the Congo and Holland. Attendees were encouraged not to limit God, and they received invaluable business training with a biblical foundation. Enjoy meeting a few of them and hearing about how they were blessed to be a part of the 2017 *Charis Business Summit*.



Tim Winders – Woodland Park, CO

Tell us a little about yourself.

I'm a business coach, and my wife and I are from the Atlanta area. Six years ago we felt instructed to sell everything. We became homeless nomads, and through those travels we ended up where we are. The first place we felt that we were to go was to Woodland Park to visit some friends of ours. There, in a coffee shop one day, I met someone who invited us to Charis Christian Center in the Springs. We went, and after church they said, "You know, there's a Bible college next door." The next day we went, and Barry Bennett spoke. We looked at each other and said, "We're supposed to be in Bible school."

What is your favorite teaching of Andrew's, and how has it impacted you?

I have a positive mental attitude. I trained my brain and studied. I also believe in physical fitness. I had never been able to put those together like Andrew is able to in his *Spirit, Soul & Body* teaching. Looking at things through the lens of that teaching has had the biggest impact on us.

How has Charis Bible College impacted your life?

We just finished our second year. I believe there's fertility to the soil with all the teaching and the environment where we are. It's not just the teaching, but it's also the

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people who are here. I've always had a business background. I've always been driven, always worked toward succeeding at whatever I was doing. My wife said, "I can tell that your heart is being softened in this environment."

I believe the primary reason you need to be in this environment is so that you can grow and become the person God wants you to be. I was a businessperson. Some people might have looked at me and said, "Success," but my heart needed what Charis Bible College could offer. God will put you in the position to succeed and to be in His perfect assignment for your life. You need to be at Charis Bible College.

What does partnership with Andrew Wommack Ministries mean to you?

I believe that partnership means a lot of things. I believe it actually means working together. I believe it means that you're kind of united. I believe that you're part of the organization. You are literally woven into it. Both parties are praying for each other. Both parties are pulling for each other. They want success for each other. In business, I've had good partnerships and bad partnerships. Words mean something to me. It's not a one-way relationship. I believe it's a weaving together, and that's significant.

How are you enjoying the conference? What do you like about it?

I've been to a lot of business schools: the good, the bad, and the ugly. I believe the *Charis Business Summit* is one of the best business trainings that anyone can attend. It's rare in the world we're in that someone can take the supernatural and the natural and marry those two together. I just love being in the environment where we are able to take the supernatural and the natural and bring those two together. One thing that I've learned so far in the conference is don't limit God!

People have come from all over the world, and they're seeking roughly the same thing: What's God's purpose for my life? There's energy, and there are supernatural things going on. When I leave here, I'm going down to grab lunch that they've provided for us. I believe that the Lord has someone I'm going to connect with. The Lord wants to orchestrate divine connections for us. The *Charis Business Summit* is a great place for that.

Would you like to say anything to Andrew?

I want to thank you for working through the times that were very challenging. I appreciate the environment you've created.



Darlene Jensen – Cascade, CO

What is your occupation?

My occupation is program coordinator for the Colorado Department of Local Affairs' Main Street Program for the City of Woodland Park. Under that program, we do economic development for downtown Woodland Park. Working with the Colorado Department of Transportation is one of our roles as well. Our biggest partner is the City of Woodland Park and the Woodland Park Chamber of Commerce. That's how I ended up at the *Charis Business Summit*. I've wanted to come, but we did not have it within our budget these last couple of years. I was at After Hours about a month ago for the Chamber, and I won a ticket to the business summit.

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How did you become acquainted with Andrew Wommack Ministries and Charis Bible College?

We have an internship program for students in their Practical Government School. In fact, most of their third-year schools have internship opportunities. I had two interns come to the city to ask for internships, and one of them was a government student in third year. She did an internship with the City of Woodland Park through our Main Street Program, and she was very effective. That was my initial exposure to Charis Bible College. I love the teachings of Andrew Wommack Ministries. We're glad you're here. I see future partnership with the community and definitely with the city through Charis Bible College and AWM. There's a daily impact to our community from the college and the ministry being here.

How are you enjoying the conference? What do you like about it?

They're truly teaching business principles, with some religious basis. I took the Maximum CEO class under Dr. Radtke, and having a degree in economics, I felt that he really put forth economic principles and how to maximize your role as a CEO. Our organization is a 501c3, under a government umbrella. I just attended Karen Conrad's workshop on marketing plan development, and we are currently in the throes of developing a strategic plan. I will definitely be taking back the principles and guidelines that Karen laid out to help in the development of that strategic plan.

How are you being helped by the teaching at this conference?

Simply put, the teachings are black and white. There's no gray. And for me, with a very busy life, busy with children and family, that type of simplicity in the message, and truly around the Word, is important.



Butch Hartman – Hollywood, CA

Tell us a little about yourself.

I'm an executive producer. I work at a major animation studio, and I create, write, and direct cartoons for kids. I direct live-action things for my own network, which is an app on the iPhone store. I am a writer; I'm a producer; I'm a director; I'm a father; I'm a husband of twenty-five years and a father of two daughters. For our twenty-fifth anniversary, we walked twenty-five miles. That was our celebration. One mile per year. And we made it.

What is your favorite teaching of Andrew's, and how has it impacted you?

My favorite teaching is *You've Already Got It!*, which shows you that all these things we strive, work, hope, and pray for—healing, salvation, wisdom, knowledge, freedom—we already have because God gave them to us through Jesus Christ. When you realize that Jesus took all the pain and suffering of the world on Him, you don't have to worry about those things anymore. You don't have to ever again worry about being healed or being set free or having enough money or being happy or being prosperous, because Jesus told us we could do all those things. The Bible is like an instruction manual on how to get all of those things. So, to say you've already got it is so true, and I think a lot of people have never really heard that before. A lot of ministries say that you have to do this or you have to do that to earn God's favor and God's love. But you don't really have to, because He's already given. He's going to love you more than you



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could ever possibly imagine no matter what you do or where you are. He is the one who provides all those things for you.

How are you enjoying the conference? What do you like about it?

The *Charis Business Summit* is a one-of-a-kind event. To have a Bible college like Charis, which is not only a college about the Bible but also one that provides business knowledge, allows people to take what they've learned in God's Word and apply it to their businesses. A lot of Christians are even afraid to mention that they want to make money. They think that's a sin. It's not a sin. We have to learn, through our prosperity and what we receive at this business summit, to take the finances and the blessings that we acquire and implement that and put that into the world to make the world a better place. What I've really learned here is about my purpose. What is my purpose? Is it to buy a Ferrari? Is it to buy another home? Those things are all nice, and those things are wonderful, but that's not what life's for. The business summit teaches you how to take those blessings and help other people with them. How do I bless others? That's what this whole thing is for. We've only got a short time here. The Bible says your life is but a vapor [James 4:14]. How do I take what I love, what my passions are, and turn them into finances so I can bless other people? That's what the *Charis Business Summit* is all about.

Is there anything else you would like to say?

I would like to just say a big thank-you to Andrew, first and foremost, for having the boldness all those years ago, for stepping out and preaching a message that nobody else was preaching. You stood up to the fiery darts and persecution. Thank you for sticking to your guns and being bold about what you knew about the truth of God's Word. Thank you for establishing this ministry, this Bible college, and this business summit. I want to say a big thank-you also to Paul Milligan, who is just Andrew's armor bearer, who holds up Andrew's arms, who lifts Andrew up, and who runs this Bible college perfectly. And thank you to all the teachers here, Lance Wallnau, Karen Conrad, Dean Radtke, and everybody who came here and gave of their time just to be here to impart to us.



Terri Wheeler – Colorado Springs, CO

What is your occupation?

I'm from Colorado Springs. I was previously a banker and an owner of a mortgage company. I have also been a house provider for disabled people who lived in my home.

How did you become acquainted with Andrew Wommack?

I met Andrew over twenty-five years ago when I was in Manitou Springs, and I have been able to follow his ministry on TV.

What is your favorite teaching of Andrew's, and how has it impacted you?

Particularly during the time when I was raising my children as a single mom, his teachings on stewardship were very helpful. It was hard to give away the milk money as a single mom. I didn't have support from the father, so I had to trust and walk in faith. Andrew's teaching was very influential and encouraging, and it worked. I love that Andrew's so honest and pure and gets right to the heart of the matter. It's been a

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journey of emotional healing. I appreciate that he embraces that type of philosophy to reach higher than ourselves and keep on the journey. *Living in God's Best* is actually one of the CDs that I picked up here at the business summit. It's awesome, and this portion of it that I am actually going through right now talks about the fact that we don't know that we want God's best, so we settle for second choice. Wanting God's best is something that I don't think most of us consider in our thoughts, in our prayers, or in our walk every day.

How are you enjoying the conference? What do you like about it?

It's been awesome. It's very informative, with so many different experts in fields from all walks of life. There are many different people here and so many different countries represented. I couldn't have even imagined that it would be so impactful, and it's just beginning! The workshops have been amazing. I did Billy's workshop yesterday on business models. It was very informative, very simple, and very up-to-date.

What does partnership with Andrew Wommack Ministries mean to you?

Partnership means that you're basically part of an entity. When you join together as partners, you see that there's a large impact that is covered by a board of directors who are managing the ministry well. I feel that being a partner is a very special part of Andrew Wommack Ministries.

Is there anything else you would like to say to Andrew?

Andrew, I really want to sincerely thank you for the impact that you've had in the U.S. and internationally. I love that you're a visionary, and you're shooting for the stars. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of that.



Verbal testimonies have been transcribed and edited for length and clarity.