

Stories behind the Songs

“Lord, What Would You Have Me To Do?”

Acts 9:6 – “So he (Paul), trembling and astonished, said, “Lord, What do You want me to do?.....

Before dad would make a decision on anything he would always pray and ask God to lead and guide him in the decision.

I was reading one of dad’s journals that he had written in 2004. It was around the time the church that he built and pastored for many years way out in the country had dwindled down to just a few members. They had to make a decision to try to keep the church going or to close the doors and sell the building. I found this chorus in his journal:

“Lord, what would You have me to do, today in my service for you?

I want to be faithful and true, Lord, what would You have me to do?”

Later the church decided to sell the building and donate the money to a children’s home in Tennessee. My heart was broken when I heard of the decision for I helped build the physical building and also helped to build the spiritual church as well, attending there since a teen.

But now I know that dad’s legacy and The Bible-Way Free Will Baptist Church lives on in the lives that the church reached out to while it was in operation. The legacy also lives on in the lives of the children who benefited from the donation sent by the church. Let this be our prayer today: “Lord, what would You have me to do?”