



## Do You Have A Testimony?

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You probably have heard people say, “I heard a fantastic testimony” or “This person’s testimony is so powerful!” There seems to be the notion “the more sensational the story the greater the testimony.” Is this really so? If we take a closer look at *testimonies*, will we not find out that God works in many meaningful ways, whether great or small, especially in the daily testings of life? Isn’t it interesting that in the word testimony we find the word “test”?

As Christians, we most often understand that a testimony is the story of how a person has found Christ. However, our testimony is not just about our initially coming to faith in Christ, it is a demonstration and witness of God’s ongoing work in us while we are being tested out in the world. James tells us that our being tested is God’s way of completing our maturity: “*Count it all joy when you encounter all kinds of trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance, and let it have its full effect...that you may be complete lacking in nothing.*” (James 1:2-4)

A great testimony is not about how well a person tells a story, but it is about how God intervenes and works in our lives. As Christians, we go to church where we are instructed and trained in essential beliefs and spiritual disciplines, as well as how to walk by faith. However, these truths only become testimonies through our lives, as our faith in the Lord is tested in real life situations.

Peter tells us that through the various trials of life, as we rely on Christ’s sufficiency, we will give proof (a testimony) of God’s power and faithfulness in our lives. Peter put great value on the testimony of Christians: “...*Even though now for a little while, if necessary, you*

*have been distressed by various trials, so that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.*” (1 Peter 1:6-7)

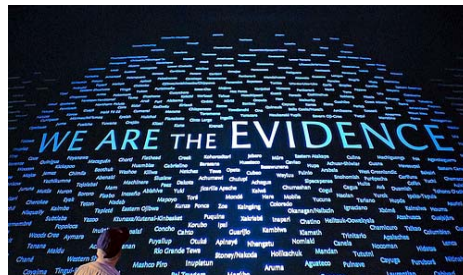
Are you aware of the huge amount of time you spend at the workplace and how many opportunities God provides to develop testimonies through your experiences there? A mature Christian with a testimony is one whose knowledge and faith in the Lord and His Word is being tested and tried out in the world and workplace regularly. These trials and

adverse conditions provide us an opportunity to demonstrate God’s great power and ability in our life. When God is working through us in our workplace, we will have a testimony there.

At our recent FCAP International Convention, people shared many testimonies both publically and personally of how God has worked in their airline workplaces. Do you realize how often God provides opportunities for you to bring about a testimony of His faithfulness in your life? If not, why not ask Him to help you recognize them, and if you do, why not look for other believers at work with whom to share your testimonies for encouragement and to bring glory to God. (PMC)

*“Your testimonies are my heritage forever,  
for they are the joy of my heart.”* ( Psalm 119:111)

Testifying of His faithfulness,  
The FCAP Staff



# THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN AIRLINE PERSONNEL

## History:

The ministry of FCAP began in 1971 and was incorporated in 1973 when 50 people from eight different airlines in the United States and Canada met to consider how God wanted them to serve Christ in and through the airline industry. Since that time, the ministry of FCAP has spread in over 90 areas of the world. We do not have a membership or dues; rather we are a fellowship among Christians in the airline industry worldwide that share a common commitment and focus.



## Perspective & Focus:

Most people look at work primarily as a source of income. Some even view it as a curse imposed on them as punishment from God. *The Fellowship of Christian Airline Personnel* believes that God places a high value on work and is deeply interested in our work, our performance on the job and our relationships with our co-workers. We recognize that both our work and the way we relate to people in the workplace are of great importance to God. So it is our mission: *“To represent Christ in the airlines through meaningful relationships and quality work.”*

FCAP’s two-fold purpose encourages people *to know and experience God’s presence with them at work* and *to trust Him for the enabling strength in the responsibilities and challenges of work*. We see authentic ministry in the workplace as a result of our displaying this relationship to our Lord within the sphere of our influence at work, without being coercive or self-serving.

## Values:

- We value doing our work wholeheartedly as unto the Lord, knowing we represent Christ by the quality of our performance while on the job (Ephesians 6:6).
- We value intentionally engaging our faith in the workplace by expressing it in both deeds and words (1 Timothy 6:17-19).
- We value influencing the people around us by creatively building relationship with them and looking out for their interest just as we do our own.
- We value connecting the church in the workplace by seeking out other Christians, to mutually show our love for one another and our care for the people God has placed around us (John 13:35).

## Making Your Connection:

Like the airline industry is all about making connections, so FCAP is all about Christians making their connection in the workplace in three basic ways:

- Connecting God’s purposes in the details of your work.
- Connecting ministry to God working through you to influence the people and circumstances of work.
- Connecting the church in the workplace in unique and creative ways, in order to extend and strengthen its influence.

- WE OFFER:**
- Training that helps Christians integrate the Christian faith into the everyday details of our work and its challenges.
  - Free publications and weekly thoughts that offer encouragement, gives focus, and provides information.
  - Support and fellowship through local groups, prayer network, training sessions, special events and conferences.



## The Fellowship of Christian Airline Personnel

The ministry of FCAP is carried on by everyday ordinary people throughout the airline workplaces of the world who go to work with an extraordinary calling. The FCAP ministry does not focus on specialized people, nor are we a special interest group focusing on certain issues. We do not have a membership nor are we a club with dues. Rather, FCAP is a fellowship of Christians who identify with one another through a common focus and purpose. And we desire to demonstrate how our faith in Jesus Christ can influence the people and circumstances of our workplace. We are blessed to have both airline and non-airline people who encourage and support this ministry.

**OVER TWO MILLION AIRLINE EMPLOYEES IN THE WORLD**

## Your Next Step:

Check on the FCAP website to see if there is a group in your area, or seek out and connect with other Christians at your workplace. Contact us at the international office for further assistance or click on [“Connect With Us”](#) on the website.



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