

Christian Clubs Change Night Life Persona

As she throws a spin on Joshua 24:15, web-evangelist Ty Adams declares in a video blog, “But as for me and my house, we shall party!”

Christian nightclubs are springing up all across the country, many in some of America’s largest cities. God is placing desires on the hearts of His people—desires to transform the lives of the unsaved through yet another transformation, that of a traditional club. The alcohol, smoke and racy lyrics are eliminated from the scene of these new clubs.

Ex-offender Nicholas Taylor answered a call from the Lord as he opened Chrisitan’s Delight, a Christian-friendly nightclub in Forest Park, Ohio, on Friday.

But as with many agendas that attach a Christian label, Christians have mixed feelings regarding the fruits produced in these clubs.

A majority of *Charisma* Facebook followers are filled with enthusiasm as they hear of this growing trend of clean fun with Christian principles.

“What a awesome place to fellowship and also to bring unsaved friends so they can enjoy the Lord and the company of the believers and also see they can still have fun and not have to party to get high,” comments Danielle Hall. “The best high is the Lord’s presence after all ... this is much needed to reach the younger generation. [The] Holy Spirit will move and flow and it could become a house of fire where God moves freely and Jesus is lifted up! Yes I’m in agreement with this all the way!”

Yet, *Charisma* Facebook follower David Kaap, among others, is

against the idea, believing there is no need. "Get a church filled with the Holy Spirit and you don't need a nightclub. We are to be light! Ask the 1,000 Christians in China dying for their faith if they need a Christian nightclub. We have to get serious about serving the Lord Holy God Almighty!"

The label or tag "nightclub" may be the component keeping people from hitching a ride on the bandwagon. Many take one look at the term, digest its connotation and develop a queasiness for something that mirrors the world.

Teresa Frick Sorensen of Channahon, Ill., offers an alternative to some who say the Christian nightclub is an oxymoron. "A nice place to meet fellow Christians or a place for friends to gather in a nice environment. If 'nightclub' was changed to say 'Christian social center' would people feel better about it?"

Stating her pet peeve of Christianity, Adams shares why people are so quick to deny the Christian nightclub phenomenon. "It's because we believe that if we're having some level of fun, if we're having some level of pleasure, it's sin." She continues, "As Christians, we have to find a measure or levels of having fun without coming out of the boundaries or walking into sin."

Adams says she is reminded of David in 2 Samuel 6, where he was having an undignified praise party, ripping off clothes and celebrating.

"Sometimes we limit ourselves as our own cultures, or sometimes limit ourselves of our own pasts and of some things that we were caught up in and what we are in bondage to. But I'm going to say this to you: If that is a sin for you, do not go to a club, do not listen to hip-hop music if it pulls you further away from God."

But many find liberation in music, dance and celebration. This is how they worship.