

BLOG SITE PURPOSE, COMMENTS ETIQUETTE AND POLICIES RULES

Thanks to everyone who read my blog and/or blog me. I appreciate your comments and I am looking forward to hearing more from you and other people. **This blog does not reflect the views and opinions of Mississippi Boulevard Christian Church (The BLVD). The personal comments on this blog site are mine and other bloggers.**

My blogs are an extension of my daily life. They are intended to be mostly educational, informative, news and entertaining from time to time. I plan to blog a range of personal interests (my passions, thoughts, feelings, sermons, hobbies, relationships, daily issues, trips, successes and failures and topics about other people). Blog readers can easily share comments/replies to my and other bloggers comments.

Blog comments are meant to foster communication, discussion, and insight among the family members of The BLVD and the larger community on various biblical, social, political, and economic topics. My core values reflect my desire to maintain a Christian witness in all of my thoughts, comments, and postings and I would like for my bloggers to be like-minded. We reserve the right to remove any comments and users from our blog site. When comments are not posted, it's likely they violate one or more of my blogging site house rules. To ensure that we maintain a Christian witness, all bloggers must observe the following house rules:

Specific Blog Site Comments Etiquette and Policies Rules:

1. Personal attacks on people of The BLVD or other churches are not permitted.
2. We do not allow obscene, racist or sexually explicit language nor any abusive, hateful, threatening, harassing comments, that defame or insult.
3. No solicitations or advertisements are allowed. This includes advertisements for your business, your own online endeavors or the latest get-rich-quick scheme.
4. Choose a username carefully. You may not use names that are offensive, that suggest illegal activities or meant to imitate other users. Any such names will be blocked from commenting on my blog.

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5. We do not debate internal church politics, including policies, decisions, or church business.
6. We reserve the right to delete all anonymous comments. We prefer that you use a username on your comments; it assures that we are responsible for what we say.
7. You must have copyright ownership of all material that you post on my blog. No articles, recipes, song lyrics, art or graphics may be posted without the express written consent of the copyright holder. If you'd like to refer to an article from another site, please post no more than a few lines summarizing the article and include a link to it.
8. You may not suggest or encourage illegal activity. We will assist law enforcement officials in any investigation of such activities.
9. Good manners online means that you don't post the same comment more than once. The online word for posting many times on one topic is spamming. We don't allow it.
10. You participate at your own risk on the blogs, on message boards, in chat rooms and in e-mail. You take responsibility for comments under your username and use the information provided here at your own risk. We take no responsibility for the comments or opinions posted here.
11. You must respect the privacy of individuals. This means no posting of phone numbers, addresses, social security numbers or any other private information. We discourage users from posting such information even about themselves, as we cannot control how that information may be used beyond my blog.
12. You may link to other informational Web sites when relevant to the discussion, but links to commercial sites are generally not allowed. We may make exceptions when the sites in question are pertinent to conversation topic.

Please keep these rules in mind as you use our blog. Thanks for participating.

With a Servant's heart,

Pastor Frank A. Thomas