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Loosen Thy Shoe

By: Richard Dear

"There are two points I want to make," said Meschelle Milligan to the congregation at



Meschelle Milligan

Women of Destiny. "The first point is that God wants some people to get loosed. The second is that God is bringing you to your higher place. In Ex 3:5 Moses had been with the (see pg 3)

Coffee's on Me

By: R. D. Hempton

Once a month Pastor Larry Percifield of Leap of Faith Ministries holds Larr Bear's House of



Jordan Ciphers & Blind Mercy

Coffee. It is almost always on the 2nd Saturday of the month. In July one of the best bands ever to play at Larr Bear's, Blind Mercy, performed and demonstrated the work of the kingdom of the Lord. Jordan Ciphers and Blind Mercy will cause people who hate country (see pg 3)

Foot of the Cross

By: Dylan Hardigree & R. D. Hempton

"We are complete," Pastor Michael Smith told the congregation at Christ the King on the first



Pastor Michael Smith of Victory Deliverance

night of the 7-day revival. "II Cor 13:11 says, 'Be perfect.' (the Greek is katarteedzo, meaning to thoroughly complete, to repair, restore, make perfect, etc). Here perfect means complete. When you are complete, you are in unity because anything divided is separate, therefore incomplete. We have an alliance, a body that is coming together and becoming complete. We have enough in here tonight to move the enemy out of Winder. Ps 133: Brethren, this does not leave you sisters out because he sees us as sons. When we come together every 3 months, the devil starts shaking, 'Oh no, they're (see pg 5)

Don't be a Hypocrite

By: Richard Dean

"In Gal 2:11-13 Paul confronted Peter for being hypocritical," Dr. Kenneth O'Neal began at



Dr. Kenneth O'Neal Pastor of Anointed Hands

Kingdom Community Holiness Church. "The saints everywhere are to be united, but there are issues in the church that cause division in the body. Peter had been with the Goy (see pg 5)

God Encounter

By: Roxanne Shunk & R. D. Hempton

"We've all been taught about Gen 11," Pastor Joel Martin declared to the congregation at



Pastor Joel Martin of the Shield

Christ Outreach Worship Center. "We all know what unity is, now what are we gonna do with it? I'm glad you asked me that. When you get unity, there is a God encounter. (see pg 11)

Will Sing for Jesus

By: R. D. Hempton

Friday 17 July was the middle of the 7-day revival, which took place at War Hill South.



Pastor Steve Price speaks to young lady as Donese, Sean, Chad and Eric watch and play

After the service, a number of people from the revival converged on the secular event in downtown Winder to witness and sing for the Lord. A young lady going through some things was able to connect with the people from the Whole Body of Christ Alliance, especially Donese Mercaldo of Anointed Hands, who spent some hours with her. The young lady attended much of the remainder of the revival. Donese remains in touch with her (see pg 9)

Rise up in the City

By: Jody Bennett

Rise up in the City was held at the Depot Pavilion in downtown Lula on Saturday 13 June



Biker clubs Soldiers of Truth & Spoke'N For.

2015. The purpose of the gathering was to collect shoes for needy children, as well as to share the gospel through music, dance and fellowship. An abundance of food (See pg 13)

Showered

By: R.D. Hempton

The wedding between Pastors Jonny and Patsy Will be on 29 August, but the shower was at



Patsy & Johnny

1500 1 August at Anointed Hands. Several women in the WBCA attended, among them Donese Mercaldo, who engineered (see pg 14)

Glory Concert

By: R. D. Hempton

Two Christian bands performed at the concert held at the Fairview Community Center on 1



Curtis (bass player) Pirkle

August. They were Glory, Glory, Glory and Unity on a Mission. Glory, Glory, Glory is Joe Gee on guitar and vocals, Curtis Pirkle on bass, and Chris Johnson on drums. Unity on a Mission is Robert Everett on guitar and vocals, Steve Combs on bass, and Tommy Jones on drums.

"For 29 years I shot dope," Joe Gee told the audience at the concert, after the first song Glory, Glory, Glory played, "but my daughter still loved me. This song is for my daughter, Candace."

Glory, Glory, Glory was the opening band at the August 1st concert in Braselton.

"On the 14th of March 2010 I went down on my knees at 1:58 (pm), and I rose at 2:05 – seven minutes – I was saved and delivered from addiction. Seven is God's number (see pg 15)

On Prayer XXXI Intercession, the Pain (Part Two)

By: Mozelle Davis-Weeks

This love I speak of is not the "love" you felt for your high school sweetheart. It is the love you demonstrate, since love is an action, not a feeling. John G. Lake, a man used in a mighty way in Africa in the early 20th century, exemplifies this love and the pawga release of power.

Lake was asked to pray for the bedridden wife of a government official. This woman was a believer, and when Lake visited her, he gave her scriptures to activate her faith for healing from the terminal cancer. Deciding to trust God for her healing, she was also determined not to take any further medication. The doctors had been giving her pain relievers to ease her discomfort while awaiting her death. After stopping this medication, her pain became so intense that Lake and another minister stayed at her side continuously, as she would experience some relief when they prayed.

One morning, after going home briefly, Lake was two blocks away from her house when he heard her screams of pain. Without realizing what he was doing, he ran to her and took her into his arms. As he held her and wept, she was completely healed. What a powerful testimony of the compassion of Jesus, the love of God, permeating a in close fellowship with him, allowing healing to come to another.

I found myself touched recently by Christ's love for the Muslim world. I pray regularly with a group of intercessors, and while in prayer with them, the Holy Spirit began to move on us. His love for those precious people who are caught in the maze of Islamic deception was imparted to us. We interceded fervently for them, "taking the place of another."

A very dear friend of mine and my husband's, Jacinto Radfield, who is also one of our spiritual fathers, had told me for several years that he believed God would one day use me to penetrate some of the Arab nations with the gospel. I had believed and accepted this, though the "burden" of the Lord had not yet been imparted to me.

Please don't misunderstand me. I had cared about them, prayed for them, and given money to reach them. But God had not yet put into my heart what I knew would one day come – his all-consuming, passionate love that transforms a concern into a burden. Pain of heart! The kind of love Paul said constrained (made a prisoner of) him (see II Cor 5:14). I just was not yet time. This began, however, in that pawga meeting. Tears flowed, we cried out with great passion and holy love, and my life began to change. The Spirit of Christ began to penetrate my heart, as well as the hearts of those praying with me. Intercession flowed as we cried out for their salvation. The pain of intercession!

After this went on for a while, the Holy Spirit clearly spoke to my heart, telling me to have my letters on prayer published in Arabic. We took a stack of these letters, some of which I have sent for the Battlefield News, and placed the stack in front of us, and laid our hands on it as the intercession continued. Again the tears flowed and streams of intercession poured forth as this burden was "laid upon" us. I have begun to raise the necessary funds to have this done, and have

no doubt that I will be used in other ways to reach the Muslim world.

This is the compassion of Christ, resulting in the burden of the Lord being carried and released - Pawga – intercession.

Paul experienced this for the Jews in Rom 9:1-3 when he said:

"I am telling the truth in Christ, I am not lying, my conscience bearing me witness in the Holy Spirit, that I have great sorrow and unceasing grief in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed, separated from Christ for the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh."

More than human compassion, this was the love of the great High Priest in heaven flowing through one of his representative priests on earth. Epaphras experienced it for the believers in Colossae, who were being led into deception: "Epaphras, who is one of your number, a bondslave of Jesus Christ, sends you his greetings, always laboring earnestly for you in his prayers, that you may stand perfect and fully assured in all the will of God. For I bear him witness that he has a deep concern for you." Col 4:12-13.

Again this is Christ's love flowing through a person for the purpose of intercession – "taking the place of another" – in prayer.

Jesus, while ministering in his earthly body, was overcome with compassion for El'azar (Lazarus) and his two sisters Miryam and Marta. He wept in intercession for them, until his pawga released so much divine power that resurrection life flowed into El'azar's dark tomb and filled his dead body with new life (John 11:35-44). He now wants to release that compassion and life force through us. We are his hands and feet, and the expressers of his great love. We are his representatives on earth, through whom he desires to release spiritual resurrection power.

The pain of intercession is exemplified in the story of Francis of Assisi and how his life was drastically changed.

Born into a wealthy Italian family, Francesco di Pietro Berardone seemed destined for a life of abundance. All of that changed, however, one afternoon in a transforming moment while he rode his pony around the city. Turning a corner, the pony halted abruptly, and Francesco was shocked by the sight in front of him. A leper, with his body partially eaten away by the disease, stood in the path. Sickened by the man's appearance, Francesco turned away and was about to return home.

But the Spirit of God suddenly opened Francesco's eyes to eternal realities, and as he looked again at the leper, he recognized his own spiritually depraved condition as being worse than the dying man's leprosy. He leapt from his pony, embraced the leper, and gently kissed the suffering man as he gave him his bag of gold. Francesco had been baptized with the compassion of Christ, and his life would never be the same. He surrendered to the savior outside the city of Assisi, and continued his life of compassion, becoming one of history's most remarkable spiritual warriors.

Francis of Assisi was human just like you and me. Yet he allowed the great lover of the universe to penetrate his soul. He was introduced to the pain of intercession, as the burden of this pitiful leper was laid upon him. Paul, Epaphras, Lake, and every other human who has been mightily used by God in this high

calling of intercession have allowed the same. So can you.

Millions of spiritual lepers are waiting for someone to touch them with God's Love. We must leap from our comfortable "ponies" and fall to our knees, allowing the compassion of Christ to become ours. He wants to kiss suffering humanity with healing lips.

I must warn you, this is a costly ministry. A superficial, casual attempt at caring will not be acceptable to God. He is looking for those who will truly care. He actually prefers cold indifference to half-hearted hypocrisy (Rev 3:15-16).

If you allow Christ to touch you with his passionate heart, it will make <u>you</u> a prisoner of love. Your life will change: attitudes, lifestyle, the spending of time and money, what you find yourself thinking about, goals, and plans – everything will change.

Yet the benefits far out weight the pain. You'll become a life changer and a history maker. You will partner with the greatest lover the world has ever known. He will look through your eyes, listen through your ears, touch through your hands, and love through you broken but fulfilled heart. The pain of intercession will become the pleasure of intercession.

Climb the mountain with Christ! You can make it to the top! Take up your cross and allow the burdens of others to be placed upon you, and carry them to the Father. He will meet with you (Pawga), meet with them, and the power of the cross will be released.

May be I will climb Pike's Peak after all.

Almighty God Refuses Access

By: Mickey McConnell



Mickey McConnell

I think some religious leaders see many people, who simply want to take over their work. Many of these leaders do not seem to know what to do when they run into strong leaders that truly want to help them in the work. I think they do not understand that strong leaders will challenge them, but in a good way. They will cause them to stretch far beyond what they could possibly do otherwise. They are not yes-men, but they are team players, and they are kingdom men. The wise leader will make use these great strong men. The wise leader will not be intimidated by men who are just as strong as they are. The wise leader does not mind sharing the glory with these very strong assistants. The wise leader will be extremely cautious to be on guard against wolfish leaders, who wish to devour the flock, while not throwing away the strong leaders that truly want the work to go forward.

Denominations are largely perpetuated by leaders. If leaders would lead towards the kind of unity I have written about in this book, then the people would follow them in doing just that.

The people would gladly take part in making the body of Christ one, for this is the heart of our commander-in-chief. All of our hearts would bear witness with such an effort because it is the heart of our great creator. Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. I am wearied of sectarian seminaries turning out spiritual leaders that keep the divisions going in the body of Christ. These leaders are supposed to be doing as we talked about in Eph 4, ministry that will bring about unity in Christ's body. You apostles, prophets, evangelist, pastors, and teachers, listen to this divine truth: It is the heart of Almighty God that his church become one, and it is his hearts desire that his ministers all bring us into the unity of the faith. Do not proudly dismiss your duty, and go right on promoting and rejoicing in sectarianism. You too will be judged, and you might rightly guide your people in this. Could it be that divisive Christian leadership is the key reason we cannot access the potential of the Almighty's power that is available to us? I am certain of this. Leadership causes us to soar above the clouds, or bogs us down in the mire; therefore, it does play a very important role in divisiveness. Almighty God refuses access where people proudly resist his oneness of the "body of Christ."

Loosen Thy Shoe (from pg 1)

big dogs. He had been important in Egypt, but was brought low and put on the back side of the wilderness for 40 years. He was going through the fire and the Israelites were still in captivity, but God has the whole picture. He was preparing Moses, teaching him.



Sandra Ivie & Nita Dyer greeting at the door



Karen Lewis opened the service in prayer and announced that there would be no December Women of Destiny.



The Mercy Fellowship Praise Team provided the music - Jayden Garrett on drums, Angela Sparks did vocals, singing so passionately, Trevor Garrett on the keyboard, and Mom, Patty Garrett on Bass.

"In the beginning of a trial we say, 'Why me, Lord?' We go from, 'Why?' to 'Lord, I know you'll take care of it.' He said he would make a way where there is no way. Driving through the fog, you can only see a few feet. God has told me, 'Meschelle, I will only show you the next few steps. The big picture will scare you to death.' You think he doesn't know how you feel? He showed me a scripture, 'I was rejected,

I was bruised.' I fell in love with Jesus. He is my everything. Moses got to the place where he said, 'Remove thy shoes, you are on holy ground.' The Lord will bless you through purging you. Moses was not yet ready for the mission



Women in worship



Terry Garrett, pastor of Mercy Fellowship



Guest singer, Maggie Pruitt, Meschelle's mom



Angela Sparks: "I was a 15 year-old runaway crystal Meth addict with dark circles under my eyes, who shot up and hitchhiked all over the country. At 21, God saved me and within a year nobody could tell I had ever been anything but a Christian "



Karen Lewis: "Is 43:19, a new thing! Sometimes we must know we are not meant to conquer, but to survive. If we know this, we can survive.



Meschelle Milligan: "Remove thy shoe."

"In Josh 5:15, the captain of the host told Joshua to remove the shoes from his feet because he was standing on holy ground. Some people need to remove their shoes because he is bringing them out of the wilderness to be in his presence like never before. When you pray for people, they will be healed. Hab 3:19 says (see pg 4)

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Gospel to change their mind.



Pastor Larry opening



People in the coffee/food room getting' the grub



Pastor Dillon with a plate of food



People enjoying Larr Bear's House of Coffee



Jordan Ciphers leads Blind Mercy



Jordan flanked by his two sisters, the twins



The twins, Leah (Smith) and Lesha (Mast)



Greg Tinsley on steel guitar



Rick Stoker, the comic relief, on bass and Preston Turner on drums

"Greg Tinsley," shared Jordan, "taught me how to play guitar Chet Atkins style. I told him he could play but he couldn't be on stage."

Larry Percifield gave his testimony while the Blind Mercy Band was on break. Told the story of how the Truth Trio sang *I Can't Even Walk Without Holding Your Hand*, and a man in the

audience in a wheelchair, who had a spinal injury, asked them to play it again because he could feel something. They sang it eight times in a row, but the man got up and walked. He is still walking today.



Shannon & Nevaeh (heaven backward) became stranded in Winder and came to Larr Bear's.



Nevaeh



Neyda Hempton gave her testimony.



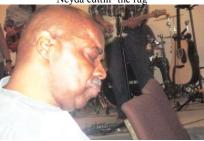
Tray Gooch sang and is becoming very good



Neyda Hempton sang to God How Great Thou



Neyda cuttin' the rug



Herman Parks grooving' with the music



Dillon and friends

"We will be on WATC on 20 August at 1900," Leah told the audience.



Ms. Ellie and Marco



Lem and Eileen



"If you don't know Jesus, right now is the time," Jordan said, as he played *Chance of a Lifetime*.

Loosen Thy Shoe (from pg 3)

He will make my feet like hinds feet, maybe to walk on <u>my</u> high place. As a teacher, I test my kids throughout the year to make sure they do better. He will test you and test you so you will do better.

"The Lord will finally settle you in your high place. <u>He</u> will; no man can do it. He will set your feet upon solid rock. II Sam 22:37 says, 'You enlarged my path so my feet would not slip.' Prov 4:12 says, 'When you walk your steps will not be hindered.'"

Meschelle began praying over folks



Women waiting for prayer as the band plays I've Got a Feelin' Everything's Gonna be Alright.



Prayer begins over Mary



Over Pastor Barbara

Even the musicians were prayed over as they played the music. Angela Sparks was prayed over and began dancing in the spirit.



Dramatic prayer



Over Phyllis Hogan



Angela dancing in the spirit



Sandra Ivie closed in prayer

Foot of the Cross (From pg 1)

doing it again - Baptist, and Methodist, and Pentecostals, and Presbyterians together they're doing it again!' The blinders he had on us a few years ago are gone. Brother Dillon said, 'One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God.' We are seeing the signs of the times, the last days. Paul spoke of men with men and women with women. If it was the last days then we must be in the last of the last days.



Pastor Joseph Essiful-Ansah of Christ the King opened the service with hymns as Robert Everett of Unity on a Mission played the guitar.



Meeting and greeting and embracing followed.



A few of the people had not seen each other since the last seven-day revival in April. Most, however, just like to embrace those they love and care about.



Rick Hempton opened the service in prayer.



Robert (Elwood) Everett with the praise music



People in worship



Pastor Michael with the tambourine



First Lady Karen Essiful-Ansah & tambourine



Eileen & Lem Minish attended every night.



Roxanne (Rock) Shunk spoke on Unity

"We are one in Christ and that is what the enemy doesn't like. We are complete (see pg 8)

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Don't be a Hypocrite

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for a while. That was the right thing to do. The Jewish church sent some men up there and Peter only hung with the Jews after that. Paul had the



Hosting Pastor James Walker welcomed all.



First Lady Theresa Walker opened in prayer.



Elwood initiated the praise and worship.



People in worship



authority as an apostle to confront Peter about this behavior. We see the same kinds of things in the church today. There was nothing wrong with all those laws; they just couldn't keep them. Jesus came and changed all that. One big issue was circumcision. The Goy (Gentiles) were not circumcised. Paul confronted the big fisherman and reminded him that we are saved through grace, not the law.



Ms. Donna Everett



Doc & Rock



Herman



Lem behind Missy



Worship



The entire congregation gathered in a circle in the front of the sanctuary to pray for Crystal Brockman, who was hospitalized.

"Actors pretend to be something they are not. Hypocrites are that also. Acts 11:1-3, sometimes we unwittingly allow things that cause division. This house belongs to God; we have no right to discriminate against anyone.

"What kinds of things cause division in the church?



Jody Bennett of Unity on a Mission spoke on unity in the body of Christ.



Missy Iler initiated the offering



Rylee Bennett while Mom is speaking



Herman Parks closed in Prayer.

-It takes only minor things usually. 'We don't believe in speaking in tongues.' Don't condemn folks; pray for them. 'We have church on Saturday, y'all have it on Sunday.' When we think bad things about people, God hears it. The Holy Ghost will deal with you.

-There are things with gender, ethnicity, race, and cliques in the church. Be careful; if god can trust you, he will send all kinds to your ministry. Feed them and thank God for them.

Paul said, 'What can separate us from the love of God?' The answer: nothing! Jesus said he wishes above all that they will be one even as he and the Father are one.

"In I Cor 9:22 Paul says 'I become all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.' This is how we should be. You don't have to be a crack head; but you can listen to them. The world is 30% Christian, 22% Muslim, 12% Hindu, and 10% Buddhist. The other 24% are other. We, the Christians, must be unified for the work of the kingdom."

When the service was opened, Pastor James commented, "Some fantastic things are going on in this alliance. God is stirring up excitement." He introduced Eileen and Lem Minish of The Bridge.

"James 2:14-17 reminds us that faith without works is dead," said Lem. "Faith without works reveals a heart that is not transformed by God. My wife and I run a homeless mission. We don't run it only on prayer; it takes work.'

Pastor James introduced Jody Bennett. "For us to spread the word," began Jody, "we must show by our actions that we are in unity with each other. Eph 4:11-13, his intention was to equip the saints until we all attain oneness in the faith. The three Ss: Salvation, sanctification and service, to do this we must be in unity. In Gen 11, God said this is only the beginning of what they can do. Phil 2:2 says, 'Fulfill my joy by

being like minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.' When we work together, we win.'

Revival Friday

"I just got back from a revival in New Jersey," said Pastor James Loyless at War Hill South, "31 people gave their lives to Christ.



Pastor James Loyless of Aliento de Vida



Pastor Steve Price welcomed everyone and the music began.



Pastor Johnny Hicks, associate pastor of War Hill South & member of the praise team



Eric Johnson of the praise team



Chad Ouzts on bass



Seth McKee on Drums



People of God in worship



"I Cor 1:10-13, we must obey authority, must be submissive. People come to church but are not submissive anymore.

"How can we achieve a true unity in the body? How do we view ourselves and others in the body? Phil 2:3. Why are these contentions among you? Worldliness, not godliness, is the mark of a divided church. We need to put the needs of others before our own. People described in Eph 4:2 can't help but be in unity.



Worship fills the sanctuary



The folks from Aliento de Vida worship



Pastor James, Ms. Rosa (below) Ms. Else & Ms Erica (above)



Pastor John Paul Ruth of Bush Chapel



Rock Shunk spoke briefly on unity



Mary Tate spoke on Ms. Mary's House of Hope

"If you are looking for perfection, you will find some thing wrong with any church you go to. We need to pray, 'God, hide me behind the cross that this flesh not be seen, not be glorified.' When we look at somebody, we need to see the foot of the cross.

"I am still growing in my faith. Any one who can say they are not still growing must be a genius.



Pastor Dillon Hardigree spoke on unity in the body of Christ.



Rick Hempton spoke about the battles that have been fought in unity by the alliance.



Pastor Steve: In Genesis, God created and saw that it was good. The only thing that was not good was that man was alone.



Missy Iler of United Front

"There is so much denominational prejudice going on in the body. How many palm readers tell people that other palm readers gave them a false reading? Churches do that, 'That pastor gave you a false prophecy.' I was raised in the Baptist church but they were not ready for Holy Ghost, so I went to a Pentecostal church, but I didn't fit there either. Churches have their own doctrine. Often it comes down to the traditions of men. We can be trained to only see the scriptures that back what we are taught. This happens when we take one verse alone and not the one before it or after it. We need to be studying the word for ourselves.

The Lord never said he was coming back for the Catholics. He did not say he was coming for the Baptists. He never mentioned a denomination. Rom 14:4 asks us, 'Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To their own master, servants stand or fall. And they will stand for the Lord is able to make them stand.' When we disagree, we are to do it as mature Christians. If someone insists on being divided from you, that is what the altar is for.

There are 4 reasons unity is important (see p 11)

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Foot of the Cross (From pg 5) in him "

This is where Pastor Michael formed a train with Pastor Joseph, Herman Parks and Pastor Dillon. "We are undivided. You can't hardly



The undivided train

stop a train – it is undivided. The devil is not divided. He knows he can't fight against God by himself. I feel the spirit here at Christ the King."



Youth Pastor at Living Hope, Dillon Hardigree spoke on Unity.



The Bible teacher from Christ Outreach,
Herman Parks initiated the offering for BFN,
"The part of the service that is in one language
that reminds us of the capture of the families of
David and his men. Not all the men could make
the attack.



Ms. Karen Essiful-Ansah prayed over the offering.



Pastor Johnny Hicks of War Hill South closed the service in prayer.

Revival Tuesday

"In I Cor 12:1," began Pastor Clyvette Driskell of Miracle Deliverance House of Prayer, "the Lord doesn't want any of us to be ignorant. We all have gifts and none of us can work alone.



Pastor Clyvette

"To function correctly, each member has his own job.



Pastor Jewel Leige opened the service at Grace Deliverance in Athens



The praise and worship erupted when Eric Johnson and James Walker began.



Eric and James Walker singing



Eric Johnson plays & sings

"I Cor 12:11-14, we still have to work together, even if in separate areas. I have to be honest: we have a tendency not to want to fellowship with people in other churches. 'There are spirits in other churches,' some say. It's like we are playing God. It's so bad that it's like we can't just meet a person off the street. It's not us who draw them, but God. We have to come together, and if we have to do it our way, then that means it's all about us, not God.



Pastor James singing with Eric



Ms. Jewell began praying over people, like Debra



Prayer over Dillon



Prayer over Ms. Theresa Walker



Over Pastor Joseph



Over Lem & Eileen

"I've looked at the alliance, and I can't talk about anyone unless I talk about myself. I should not be going to just one church. It's not 'church hopping,' it's called fellowship.

"In I Cor 12:31 Paul says, 'And now I show you a more excellent way' (just before he talks about love). The members of the board of directors must be exhausted. We need to be helping them: deliver the Battlefield News, go talk to new pastors and churches, make the programs for the revival. If we don't do these things to help them, we are selfish. Learn to be more loving and do more to help one another."



Prayer over Herman Parks



Rick spoke briefly: If I won't go to other churches because there are "spirits" there, I am no use to the kingdom of God. I do not fear those "spirits;" I serve the Living God, those spirits had better be afraid of me!"



Lem Minish of the Bridge

"Gen 18:23, would the Lord destroy the righteous along with the wicked?" Lem Minish asked the congregation. "How unrighteous are there that you could influence every day? Will this world have more Christians because of us when we go? That is our mission."



The Bible teacher Herman Parks initiated the offering



Dillon collected the offering



More praise and worship began. "Some say we worship God," Herman Parks shared, "because it gives us a get-out-of-jail-free card." (see pg 10)

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Sing For Jesus (from pg 1) and seems to have made a difference in her life



Pastor Steve and the people from the revival



People at the secular event listening to the Jesus music being played



Little girl dancing to the music In the middle of a place where the smell of beer filled the air, Followers of Jesus Christ brought

a bit of Jesus to a dying world. It takes some courage to go out into a dying world that doesn't know it is dying when you know many of those people hate you and everything you stand for.



Donese Mercaldo



Prayer over the young lady Ashley



Ashley



The beginning of encouragement

"I am so glad Donese took time with her (Ashley)," said Sean McKee of War Hill. "She needs somebody godly to influence her. I drove by there about 1 am and Donese was still there talking to her."

Foot of the Cross (from pg 9)



Angela Leige: There is a new anointing in here.

Revival Wednesday



The Living Hope Praise Team: Eileen Minish, Alicia Guereco, and Dillon Hardigree

Pastor William Pirkle, associate pastor of Living Hope Christian Fellowship, the hosting church, introduced the Bible teacher from Christ Outreach Worship Center, Herman Parks to open the service in prayer.



Pastor William Pirkle



Herman Parks

"It is a blessing for us to be in the house of the Lord. There are many places you **could**'ve been; one of them is dead. He is worthy to be praised. This is **your** service, **your** time to clap, sing, dance to the Lord.



Cathy and Jenny joined the praise team for more praise and worship.



Savannah & Ed



Gene Carlson the teacher of Revelation, Ms. Karen and Pastor Joseph Essiful-Ansah



Rock Shunk of Unity on a Mission



Samantha Mangiafico and Trinity

"I did not come to **feel** the spirit;" said Pastor William Pirkle, "I came to **stir** the spirit." He

introduced Tommy Jones of Unity on a Mission.



Tommy opened and closed in prayer

"Normally I am having a Bible study on Wednesday with a group of 20-year-olds. So I brought them with me tonight to speak on *Practical Unity*."



Mary Tate of House of Hope



Samantha Mangiafico of unity on a Mission initiated the offering.

"I Cor 9:13 says," began Samantha, "Do you not know that those who minister the holy things eat of the things of the temple, and those who serve at the altar partake of the offerings of the altar?' The Battlefield News goes to people that don't come to church. We don't have time to talk about all the things the Battlefield News is doing. It is something really good to sow into."



Pastor Joseph: In Ghana we must dance when we bring the offering.



Pastor Patsy Garrett of Jefferson gospel Tabernacle brought the word. Her sermon was far too good to be edited down. It will be included in the September issue in its entirety.

Pastor Joseph closed the service, "Heb 5:7, when we cry out to God ,we are doing what the Lord did. If you are saved, you have moved to the next level, the level of good works because our works will be tested by fire. We are called to make disciples. So many have succeeded in

creating a god that is not the God of the Bible, a 'nice' God, who forgives automatically. People are doing evil and we are justifying it because we are trying to be 'nice,' and our churches are closing down.

"Let us come together and pray over Brother Rick, that what began in Winder will spread across the USA."



All the people together praying

Hypocrite (from pg 7)

- "1: Because Jesus prayed for it. People don't believe because we look too much like the world. How will the world know that God sent him if we don't look like Christ?
- "2: Because we are **commanded** to make unity a top priority Eph 4:3.
- "3: Because it is a witness to the world. Read John 13:34-35. First-timers will want to be there.
- "4: Because God blesses a unified church. Look in Acts chapter 4. You can't stop a unified church.

"It's about what I can do for the unified church, for the kingdom of God."



Pastor John Paul Ruth of Bush Chapel closed the service in prayer.

God Encounter (from pg 1)

At Babel they were building in unity in a way God did not want. God showed up and the history of the world was changed because of unity. God even said, 'Nothing shall be impossible for them.' Look at the technology just in the last 50 years – there was no Google when I was a kid.



Hosting Pastor Willie Harris of Christ Outreach greets all present with welcome



Some of those present

"In Judges Gideon had 10,000 show up, but not in unity. They got down to 300 men with some pots, torches, and a horn. God fought for them. You want God to fight for you? In unity he will. "The 4 lepers at the gates of Jerusalem got into unity when the Syrians were laying siege to the

city. They said,' who cares if they kill us; we're gonna die anyway.' God showed up (it was a God encounter) and caused the Syrians to be frightened away. The lepers got an attitude. Get into unity and there will be a God encounter. It's time for us to get an attitude with Satan. Jesus said that the gates of hell will not stand against his community (church).



Lem and Eileen Minish of the Bridge attended every single night of revival.



Unity on a Mission provided the praise and worship music.



Michael and Jody Bennett of Unity on a Mission



Donna Everett of Unity on a Mission



Pastor Allen Stevens of Living Hope & Pastor Oliver Fitten of House of Prayer



Robert (Elwood) Everett in the worship



Pastor Oliver: We grow in faith Is 43:1-6, Ps 67, read these at your leisure.



Mary Tate of House of Hope: Naomi was bitter. She met Ruth, who made her better. Ruth was from Moab, where they sacrificed children. How many times does God send us Moabites, but we don't want to deal with them? We don't want to give food to someone with tracks on their arm.



First Lady Wanda Stevens of Living Hope: At choir practice we tried out this new song. I thought I've got to show this to Rick. This is unity. Shortly after that he called me and asked me to speak on unity. The song is *They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love*. We are the only gospel some people will ever see. In certain situations, I hold my anger, but my aggravation is obvious. Was I a good witness for Christ? We might not have the answers, but we can find them together.



Herman Parks and Donna Everett collected the offering and prayed over it.



Donese Mercaldo announced the Glory concert and the wedding shower for Pastor Patsy, both on 1 August.



Pastor Joel Martin



More praise and worship

"When we get an attitude with Satan, we will stop fussing about the music and the preacher and the rest and a God encounter will take place. In Acts they got unified, filled with the Holy Ghost, and John and Peter went down to the gate called beautiful. They found a man who had been begging there since 10 years before Jesus was born and healed him. It was a God

encounter.

"In Mark 5:35, at the house of Ya'ir (Jairus), Jesus had to kick people out. Do you think we won't have to kick people out? Have you ever gone to a church and people carry on, but you know it's not the Spirit? You must kick them out because their presence is working against you. We cannot unify the body if we are not unified ourselves.

"A town in Florida had the largest sex industry in the US. Murder and rape were the highest in the country. Sex crimes went on all through the night. The police were afraid of the gangs. The people of New Destiny Christian Center started feeding the poor, taking teens to therapy, getting homes for the homeless. Today the strip joints are closing down one by one. All the bars closed. The entire porn industry shut down. It was a God encounter. Today, when there is to be a trial, the city goes to the church for advice. If all the churches in this place actually come together, there will be a God encounter and history will be changed."



Elwood made the closing comments closing prayer.



The service was dismissed but the praise and worship continued.

Revival Sunday

"Rick has a gift for writing," Pastor Allen Stevens began at the Shield Worship Center, "but we all have gifts God has given us, and too many of them are not being used.



Pastor Allen Stevens of Living Hope



Hosting Pastor Joel Martin welcomed everyone.



Donna Everett of Unity on a Mission quoted John 10:10 & Eph 6:10-20 in opening prayer

"We need to be willing to get out of our comfort zones. When we are going to pray something, we need to pray it **right then**. We're not used to that. We are used to staying in our comfort zones. That is why organized prayer was taken out of schools. We have to fight – stand up and be recognized.



Robert (Elwood) Everett in the worship



First Lady Shelly Martin running the camera so that the service may be broadcast over the internet



Pastor Larry Pruett of Emmanuel Worship Center



Ashley



Greg Brockman: The Lord laid it on my heart to open a satellite of North Carolina College of Theology in Commerce. The school opens on 3

August. Look at NCCTonline. com.



Pastor Oliver Fitten initiated the offering.

"The church is at a cross road. It is the power of
Jesus that is missing in most of our

contemporary churches today. People in many churches are hungry. They want more than they are getting. I was raised in a traditional church. I had never heard of this power, never heard anything of the millennial reign. I learned that, if you are good, you go to heaven, if you are bad, you go to hell.

"Jesus was taken and beaten, then he went before Pilate. He was stepping on the toes of the religious leaders. It is the same today.

"The ministry of Jesus is about the power to do things like prophesy. He is the power and we are that beam of light.



Shelly Martin led more worship



People in the worship



Worship in the people



Rock Shunk of Unity on a Mission

"Some one was asking people on the radio what the 4th of July was celebrating. Almost no one knew. One person said we gained our freedom from California.

"What makes a flashlight work? The power source, the battery. Why? Because it was made that way!

"When the preacher, the musicians, and the singers get together, God puts them into unity. The Battlefield News has changed over the past 5 years, its like a church – over time things (and people get weeded out). It is like that with this alliance. We have been divided, like with denominations, but God is putting us back together. We hear of the former and the latter rain. The former rain was when Jesus came, and the latter rain is right now.

"It is time we took this world back from the devil, but the only way to do it is like Jesus said, in unity. If the 1st day was the first thousand years (AD 0-1000) and the 2nd day was the second 1000 years (1000 to 2000AD), we are now in the 3rd day, the day Jesus was resurrected. At the end of the 2nd day we return to the Lord. We have been lost sheep and we're coming to our senses and returning to Jesus, and coming together with each other. He is putting us all back together at the end of the 2nd day. The walls came down in Russia and they probably have more religious freedom than we

do. It's real hard to reach the world when the church needed a physician.

"We need to plan more things like the walk we had through Winder in 2012. If all these churches come together, we can do it again. How many of us know we can't live our lives without God? How many have come over Fool's Hill?

"You can tell a glove to get up and do something, but it won't. But if you place your hand in it, you can do things with it. When God puts his hand in something, things happen."



Rick Hempton: Pastor Russell Page spent hours in prayer, and God showed him things like the 7-day revival at 7 different churches, the coffee houses, and many other things.



Rick introducing Pastor Russell Page of Kingdom Realm



Mary Tate with Elwood, Donna & Carol



Pastor Russell, with the closing comments and prayer, closed out not only the service, but the 7-day revival. He prayed over many.



Pastor Russell and Rock with Mary Tate



Wanda Stevens & Donese Mercaldo with Mary's daughter Alicia as Russell prophesies and prays over her



Pastor Joel Martin: The reason we need to be in unity is to expand the kingdom of God.

Rise up in the City

(from pg 1)

was prepared for the event. There was an awesome crowd that joined outside with over 20 motorcycles from the biker clubs Soldiers of Truth and Spoke'N 4. Many others cooled off inside with ice cold drinks, spaghetti and garlic bread prepared by The Alley Church in Gainesville, GA. The Unity on A Mission Band performed on stage along with "D-Earl" who closed the even with an altar call.



Rock Shunk of Unity on a Mission & friend



The food preparation



D-Earls



Colors

There was some amazing dancing performed by the youth from "The Alley Church" as well as

Hannah Huff, who danced beautifully to Christian songs. Hannah Huff and her boyfriend Garrett Howser gave there testimonies. Hannah Huff is a young lady who has known since she was very young that God had a purpose for her life. She spoke about attending The Ramp Alabama School of Ministry and how it has changed her life. She said she was originally a performing arts major because of her love of dance, but that she changed her major to missions after her mission trip to Guatemala. She described her trip and how important her calling was when it came to telling the kids about Jesus. She said a wind came through the school and she told the kids that "God called her to come there and tell them that He loves each one of them.'



Garrett Howser & Hannah Huff





Club



Table talkin'

The youth

She remarked about how sometimes we say, "God hug me & cradle me", in her case God said, "I need you to tell them about me – people are dying – I'm not going to coddle you".

Hannah says, "Everyone has a purpose and I'm gonna love people and help make more disciples."



The Unity Band

Next, she introduced her boyfriend Garrett who gave his testimony. He read from Matthew 16: 13-19. D-Earl performed a couple songs and got the crowd dancing. He introduced his lovely wife Mandy and even brought her on stage for a special dance. D-Earl also gave his testimony. He said the turning point in his life was when he asked his children, "Who are the top 3 preachers in the world?", and they did not know the answer. Then he asked them, "Who are the top 3 rappers?" and they immediately answered, "Lil Wayne, JayZ...etc." Then it dawned on him, "who's preaching to our kids? Does this child know what they are listening to?" So, 37 years old he began rapping with B-Shoc and trying to dance, and that was 5 years ago. He says, "Who knows maybe the next Billy Graham or TD Jakes will be on a rap track". Fellow rapper B-Shoc is also nearing 6000 souls saved in his quest to give our youth positive inspiration through rapping for The King! D-Earl continued to express that he loved Jesus Christ and that he is the best thing that has ever happened to him. He cited John 3:16 and gave the crowd an opportunity to receive Christ, he reminded everyone of the beauty of heaven with streets of gold and no more pain, a brand new body, no more fears or stress and that this day could be the best day of your life, better than anything! 4 people raised their hands, 2 people publicly announced their commitment.



Godly bikers and bikes



Chillin'

Everyone praised the Lord and applauded the 2 new creatures in Christ. D-Earl closed by reminded everyone that is was all worth the hard work for those 2 young souls. After a brief talk with Pastor "D" Dustin Ledford of The Alley Church in Gainesville, he expressed interest in joining The Whole Body of Christ Alliance and he agrees with what it stands for. He commented, "That's what I have been preaching to my church about, coming together

as one body." Other pastors showed interest in The Whole Body of Christ Alliance, they also want to receive copies of the Battlefield News. The Lord is working to help us connect in other areas. Gainesville is a very large territory. Pastor Jerry Deyton, and Pastor Harry Caughman spoke to us about their homeless ministry located on Bradford Street in Gainesville. They supply meals for the homeless throughout the week. They also have a computer lab where the homeless can be educated and eventually get jobs. Pastor Deyton commented, "Most homeless people have about a 3rd grade education, that's why we offer them a way to learn". Hats off to all the hard work that each person puts into their calling for Jesus. As we unite in One Body, we will receive true Unity. Much Thanks to the many supporters who helped make this event possible. Chip Huff, Sherry Huff, Hannah Huff, Pastor "D" Ledford, The Youth of The Alley Church in Gainesville, GA, Robert Everett, Rock Shunk with The Unity on a Mission Band & it's members, Pastor Harry Caughman, Pastor Jerry Deyton, D-Earl Ministries, Spoke'N for Ministries, Soldiers of Truth Ministries, and many more.

Showered (from pg 1)

the event, even though it was on her birthday. Dr. Lorrie Richard-O'Neal hosted the shower in the Anointed Hands Church sanctuary.



A table of ladies supporting and honoring Pastor Patsy Garrett at the wedding shower



Picky eaters deciding what to eat



Preparing to eat



Ms. Cathy ready to chow down



Finally eating



Dr. Lorrie & Donese



Playing the first game

In the first game, Pastor Patsy wrote one line of how she and Pastor Johnny met. The next lady wrote the next line, and the 3rd lady the 3rd line without being able to read the first line. Each woman wrote a line, only being able to see the line written before them. At the end, the whole hilarious story was read by Patsy.



The board for the 2nd game

The second game was like Jeopardy in that there were several trivia questions in categories. It was a great success. It was conducted by





Some of the presents

For those women who came to the shower, it was a wonderful event. For all of those who did not know about it, we are sorry you missed it. Reading the Battlefield News is not for nothing.

Glory Concert (from pg 1)

of completion. My Lord can do it all." Joe then sang *Glory, Glory, Glory* and introduced the Unity on a Mission Band.



Rock, Rick and Sam at the concert



Joe Johnson began the event.



Glory, Glory, Glory: Joe Gee, Chris Johnson & Curtis Pirkle



Enjoying the concert and the food



Good, godly music, good food



Unity on a Mission

"We who follow Christ," said Robert Everett, "have not to worry about eternity, but there are those in the world who will spend eternity in torment. The day is soon where we will all stand before a just God and answer for all we have done, and also for all we have not done." Robert sang *Jesus is Coming Soon*.

"Sometimes people try to find a reason not to serve the Lord. The world says, 'You can't judge me,' but the Bible says there is a time for righteous judgment. Before you call out a brother or a sister because of their sin, make sure you can show it to them in the word with love. It's not me that will judge you, but this righteous God. You tell these people, 'If you saw a child about to touch a hot stove, wouldn't you do all you could to keep them from it?' The

condemnation is from hell, but the conviction is from the Holy Spirit.

Wuddup

Food & Clothing

Abba's House

Every Sunday morning at Church of God of Prophecy Winder, 333 Wright Street, food is given to the needy after morning service, which begins at 1100. Call Pastor Debra Williams with questions: (404)960-9515

Angel's Attic

Every Thursday from 1500 to 1600 (3-4pm) at Braselton Tabernacle of Praise, 2260 Davenport Rd, food is given to the needy. Call Pastor Jon Jackson with questions: (706)658-2668

Living Hope

Every Sunday Morning at 1100 and Wednesday evening at 1900 (7pm), those who need food, and are ready to attend a church service, will be given food afterward. Call Pastor Stevens with questions: (404)996-5047

New Harvest

The first Wednesday of each month at New Harvest Ministries, at 176 A West Athens Street in Winder, from 1100 to 1230 food will be given to the needy. For questions, call Pastor B. L. Arnold: (404)513-3538

War Hill South

One Sunday each month at 1600 (4pm), after attending a sharing of the word of God, those who need food and clothing will receive them. All recipients must be in the building by 1600. They are located at 17 N. Broad Street in Winder.

News

Benefit Concert

A benefit concert will be held for Ms. Mary's House of Hope on 13 September at The Shield Worship Center, at 1500 (3pm). An item of nonperishable food is the price of admission.

Books Needed

Christ the King needs Christian books. For those of you who have Christian books that you've read or that you are willing to donate. Please call the Battlefield News, call Pastor Joseph at (706)254-5531, or take them by Christ the King at 208 C N. Broad Street in Winder on Sundays.

Servants Planning

The quarterly Servants planning will be held at Living Hope Christian Fellowship at 62 Pearl Industrial on Saturday 12 September at 1300 (1pm). All those who actually love the king and are willing to build his kingdom for real, and not just talk, need to be there. You don't have to be a pastor, prophet, apostle etc. You just have to bring your ideas and actually show up.

March

The WBCA had a march through winder in 2012. We are planning a similar march through the Hoschton/Braselton area on 3 October. Keep an eye on the Battlefield News for more details. Or Call the Battle field News.

Right/Permits

By: Greg Brockman

Just over a year ago I was told by an official in Jackson County that I could not have a few people over to my home to play guitar and sing about Jesus. The way the ordinance was written, there could be no "religious assembly" on private property without government permission. Of course, as many know, the WBCA and some others came together and we were able to go before the board of commissioners and have that ordinance

changed. Now, at least in Jackson County, we do not gather by government permission (via permit) on private property; we have the **right** to do so.

Our rights, according to founding documents, do not come from the government. Our constitution was framed to guarantee and protect those rights. But the rights, according to those founding documents, come from God – the God of the Bible. The Declaration of Independence says, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their **creator** with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

Unknown to most today, the very first founding document of this nation, the Mayflower Compact, written and signed in 1620, states the following, "Having undertaken, by the glory of God, the advancement of the **Christian Faith**, and in honor of our king and country, a voyage to plant the first colony in the northern parts of Virginia."

In January 1781, Robert Aitkin presented a "memorial" (a petition) to Congress offering to print a "neat edition of the holy scriptures for the use of schools." Until this time, any English Bible in the US was imported, but Congress made the following statement: "Being ourselves witnesses of the demand of this invaluable book, we rejoice in the present prospect of a supply, hoping that it will prove as advantageous as it is honorable to the gentleman who has exerted himself to furnish it."

Even liberal strongholds like Princeton and Harvard were originally founded as godly institutions. Jonathan Edwards, the president of Princeton University, preached probably the most famous sermon of all time outside of those in the Bible, Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God. It is said that Edwards, whose demeanor was very calm and orthodox, seemed to merely read the sermon from his notes. By the end of that great sermon, the people were falling to the ground wailing and crying out to God for forgiveness. The first great awakening spread across the land with no TV preaching, no radio, no internet, just neighbors telling neighbors about the reality of a Living God.

The United States, because of its founding, and because it was from the very beginning, a "city on a hill," a friend of God, a nation who linked its destiny to the God of the Bible, has experienced great revivals. When sin would increase in the land and people would lose the reality of God, God would send men like John and Charles Wesley, Charles Finney, or D. L. Moody. Then in the late 1800s, as the nation once again drifted, it was the Methodists and the Ana-Baptists that took to interceding for the nation, and asking God for another great revival. As that century turned, God poured out his spirit on a coal miner named Evan Roberts. It is said of Roberts that he didn't miss a single prayer meeting at any church near where he lived for 13 years. Roberts, with no formal training, but empowered by the Holy Spirit of God, felt called to go to his homeland of Wales. God used him to spark a revival in Wales that saw 1000,000 salvations in just a couple of years with no mass media. The fire spread through the

Encouraged by these reports of revival (faith surely comes by hearing), prayer meetings sprang up all over the US. Then, jus 41 years after the end the bloodiest war in American history, God raised up a one-eyed black man named William Seymour. Seymour had attended a Bible college founded by Charles Parham. In that day and time, blacks and whites did not mix at all. Upon hearing from Parham, Seymour respectfully asked if he could just sit outside in the hall and would they leave the door open so he could hear. God honored his humility.

The Azusa Street Revival began at an old warehouse in L.A. All around churches were praying and asking God to send an awakening. When it came, the mixture of black and white folks together praising God, and singing together created quite a scandal, but God would not be stopped. That outpouring went around the world, crossing denominational lines, igniting missionary work, church plants, and Bible colleges. That great revival ended somewhere around 1914, when the Church of God in Christ and the Assemblies of God were formed, primarily to separate the blacks from the whites. Since that time, there have been healing revivals, the great soul winner Billy Graham came along, there have been sparks of revival here and there, then in the 1970s, the "Jesus movement" or "charismatic renewal" began. This may be the first time in our nations history people began to "come as you are." The hippies and flower children of the 70s were wooed by the Spirit of God. Keith Green began to challenge the status quo with his singing, and an old country preacher from Pennsylvania, David Wilkerson, heard the call of God to go reach the gangs of New York City. Wilkerson's account of that endeavor can be read in his book, The Cross and the Switch Blade, which was also made into a movie.

In the late 1980s, big named preachers fell, and the band Poison lifted up the cry of a betrayed generation when they recorded the hit Something to Believe In, "He tells me believe in Jesus then steals the money from my hand." In 1994, about 5 years after the "fall," the Spirit of god began to visit a small vineyard church close to the airport in Toronto, Canada, Toronto Airport Christian Fellowship (TACF) began to experience a presence of God that would keep people in service until the wee hours of the morning. Lines began to form outside as people came from all over the world to visit. The message of the Father's love was preached. Many verified healings, salvations and deliverances took place. God was present.

In 1995 a church near Pennsicola, Florida would begin to see revival fire. Evangelist Stephen Hill had spent much time ministering in Argentina during the great Argentine revival. Carlos Anacondia had made a huge impact on him, as did Leonard Ravenhill. On Fathers day 1995, Steve preached an acceptable message to the seemingly unenthusiastic crowd, but when the altar call was given, in the church of about 2000 people, about 1000 came to the altar for prayer. The Pastor, John Kirkpatrick testified that it felt like a river of electric current running through the sanctuary.

The great revival focused on repentance and getting your life right with God. Services had to be held daily and sometimes they would continue until the following day. Lines formed around the building as people came from all over the world. The presence of god was manifesting power, changing hearts and lives.

Other smaller revivals have come and gone since, but here we are in 2015, 101 years after Azusa Street ended, 40 years after the

Charismatic Renewal, 20 years Brownsville, the laws of our nation now reflect that there is no fear of the Living God in our land. You know, that isn't what bothers me so bad, the heathens and the lost, the so-called atheists, the high-minded liberals, they are blinded. The gospel is foolishness to them, as it is to all who are perishing. What bothers me is the church folks and those who profess to be ministers, people brought up in church, hearing the Bible preached. What is the point of going to church if you are going to celebrate sin with the world? Why even call yourself a Christian if God's opinion on the matter makes no difference? Do you really know God, the alpha & omega, the one who spoke and all things began, the one about whom the Bible says the mountains tremble at his presence, the one who is the king of kings and the lord of lords, whose eyes are a flame of fire, the one who destroys his enemies with the sword of his mouth? Is it even possible to know him and have his opinion not matter?

I don't know if, in my lifetime, there has ever been a time when we needed the manifest presence of God more. There is no fear of God even in our churches among those professing to be saints. Across the nation there is a hostile intolerant attitude toward those who believe that book, the Bible. The United States of America. founded as a nation on the very word of God, naming the creator in our documents, as the giver of our rights, our 1st congress authorizing the printing of Bibles to be put in our schools, having "In God we trust" on our currency, "One nation under God" in our pledge of allegiance, has now snubbed its nose at that very same God. The Justices of the Supreme Court, the President, and the federal officials in Washington, who have supported the normalization of sin, all swore an oath on that very book that calls it sin. They swore an oath on that book that warns in Jeremiah, "What I have built, I will tear down." Even Christ warned, "Not all who say to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter into the kingdom of heaven. I will say, 'I never knew you, you workers of iniquity." Jesus warned again that "Broad is the way that leads to destruction and many there be that go in thereat, but narrow is the way that leads to life and few there be that find it." Peter warns us, "And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and sinner appear?" Again we are warned, "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the Living God."

Yesterday, God gave this nation over. He did not cause it, but neither did he intervene – in allowing people to have ungodly desires with no thought for what God thinks on the matter, he allowed us to take another dreadful step away from his provision, away from his blessing, away from his wisdom, and almost assuredly away from his protection.

We, as a nation, and we, as the church of the Living God, are about to learn some valuable lessons. As persecution rises, the true church will become apparent. As we hold firm to God's word, he will hold firm to us. As we proclaim his truth, he will honor his word. As we humble ourselves and pray, he will hear... It could be that this is what it took to wake God's people from their slumber.

I will end this lengthy discussion with this story: Last week I was talking to two ladies, sisters, both in their 70s. One asked me, "Greg, do you really believe that Jesus is coming back to earth?"

"Yes, ma'am," I answered, "I do." She wanted to know why I believed that. I told her, and will tell anyone, "He has never lied to me or deceived me. He has never told a lie. He even said of his word, 'Heaven and earth shall pass away, but his word will last forever.' He said what he was going to do and he did what he said, and he sealed what he said with his own blood. I believe it because he said it."

Bible Knowledge

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We begin with the answers to the July Questions:

- 1: Tahpenes. I King 11:19
- 2: Tamar. II Sam 13
- 3: Romans. Rom 16:12
- 4: Zeresh. Est 5:10
- 5: Zilah and Adah, wives of Lamech. Gen 4:19, 23
- 6: Zilpah, mother of Asher & Gad Gen 30:11-12
- 7: Trick question; they are not named in the Bible
- 8: Lot's. Gen 19:30-38
- 9: Jethro, or Reul. Ex 2:16-21
- 10: Zipporah

Now for the August questions:

- 1: What judge of Israel offered his daughter up as a burnt offering?
- 2: What was the name of Melchizedek's mother?
- 3: To what little girl did Yeshua say, "Talita Kumi (Talitha cumi)?
- 4: What two Hebrew servant women risked their lives by disobeying the command of the pharaoh?
- 5: What harlot left a burning city, taking her family with her?
- 6: Whose 10 concubines were forced to engage in public lewdness with the king's son?
- 7: Who had an Israelite servant girl who told him about a cure for leprosy?
- 8: Whose wife told him to curse God and die?
- 9: What apostle had a sister whose son made a murderous plot known to soldiers?
- 10: What prophet was forbidden to mourn the death of his wife?

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