# Believers Newsletter

## -Christchurch Earthquake-

- 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2011 -

Barely over the 7.1 earthquake, Christchurch was struck again with a 6.3, but this time the devastation is almost beyond human comprehension, especially in the centre of Christchurch. Our City that was built in English style by our early pioneers from England, such as the large Stone Walled buildings, which are now smashed and broken, will never be the same again. Almost everywhere there are piles of ruined materials, blocking the roads and making bridges impassable. People everywhere were homeless, looking for lost loved ones, but instead, they watched the deceased being carried out of the ruins. The Prime Minister called it 'Our darkest day'. And so it was for many in our land, for the leaders have said that we are no longer a Christian nation.

Maybe not, but there are still those who believe there is a God and find that He keeps His Word and looks after His Own. Do read with us one of the Testimonies of God's keeping:-

"When the Pastor 'phoned the eldest sister in their fellowship who is 93 years old and living alone, he was greeted by this bright, happy voice — Hullo Brother! How are you? And everybody else? Are they all safe and all right? What — me? Oh! The Lord is so good to me and is looking after me. The only thing — during the shaking, I opened my fridge door and my tea fell out. But I'm fine, Brother. My Lord is looking after me." Glory to our God!

Read Psalm ch 91 with us, Brethren – 'A thousand shall fall at thy side and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.'

For the elderly brothers and sisters living in the outlying suburbs, it has been most trying, having no electricity or water, and for a time, phone outage. To obtain water meant queuing up for three hours. As this was out of the question for our older ones, two of our young brothers – Jesse and Marcus – have been crossing the city delivering twenty litre containers of this 'liquid gold' to those in need.

One sister lost much of her china and food and was down to just one tin of sardines when the two brothers arrived as 'balls of Sunshine' armed with much needed groceries, including a bag of chocolate pineapple lumps. This met the need of the two sisters. These errands of mercy will be ongoing in the weeks ahead. To see the needs of the saints being met, brought great rejoicing and thankfulness to our Great God, our Lord Jesus Christ!

Neighbours have also been helped, supported, friendships made and we have deeply appreciated all the enquiries from the brothers and sisters who have been concerned for our welfare. Thank you dear saints. Psalm ch 91: v14 'Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: ....because he hath known my name. v15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; ....

**Brother Graeme Harnett** W.O.L.B. in Christchurch

### ~Earthquake Update~

25<sup>th</sup> February, 2011

Dear Br. Charles.

Here is the update from yesterday I've put on Facebook and sent to those people who have emailed me.

This is the start of the third day since the earthquake that has claimed 107 lives and 200 missing. Our son Jeff is a police officer and has been working 12 hour days. Yesterday he was asked to go into a less damaged building and look for dead or injured folks. I phoned him this morning and that is what his job will be again today, looking for the dead. He said the central city, CBD, was a war zone and kind of hard to believe.

Christchurch was hit as well as a little harbour city of Lyttelton. I don't think there were as many dead in Lyttelton though. Many of the stores were damaged beyond repair and will have to be rebuilt. As with Christchurch all the historic buildings are lost.

In our town, (north of the city) on the surface it seems okay, water electricity and sewage all working. We are not having to boil water. People went into panic buying yesterday and most likely today too. Very hard to get petrol or some bare basics.

We are okay, as well as all the church people. I've made contact with all of them and seen the ones living in our town. One sister had liquefaction on her drive and a brother and I went and shovelled it off and dumped it onto the street. The city council will come around and pick it all up. Being we had the last earthquake in Sept 4 things fell right back into place. What is remaining of our church building is still remaining with no apparent damage, as I had a look inside after it happened.

I've gotten a hold of the Foodbank and will go in to help deliver food to those



who don't have food or water. As it turned out all we did at the Foodbank yesterday was help a big crew to move all the food outside first then stand the shelves back up. Today they will no doubt be reloading the shelves with the food. The boss of the outfit took a big truck load of frozen food to different drop points for people to help themselves. It takes hours to get around the city with the condition of the streets and all the traffic. I guess people are just wanting to have a look at the damage.

The aftershocks are getting less frequent, as per normal, but in excess of 100 per day. We in Kaiapoi are not feeling many of them now, but the city is.

That kind of paints the picture for you. Thank you for praying for us! God bless you and your family.

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As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith. Gal.6:10

So far 148 bodies have been formally identified and more than 50 remain unaccounted for after last Tuesday's earthquake. Police have said the death toll is expected to pass 200. Details updated at 28/02/2011.

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### ~ The Treasure Map ~

Brother Owen Jorgensen

Foreword: by Bro. Jeff Jenkins

1st March 2011

The ministry in this last day, in the twentieth century, was identically the same as the ministry of Jesus Christ, 2000 years ago. Every time God raises up a major prophet, a major Gift, a major Manifestation, there was always a Voice behind that sign. A Message. It's a line that is drawn in the sand. It's always stirring - it's always mightily vindicated with infallible proofs. But the masters reject it because it doesn't coincide with the fallen human nature and mind of man. Can you say amen. And I was thinking of when the Bible says, 'during the days of the revealing of the Son of man...' And the Son of man would be revealed, having seen and enjoyed this ministry. I've had people say to me, "Well, you know what? If God sent a major prophet, I think there would have to be a certain criteria that he would have to meet. And so I thought about it. Well, what criteria would a man who said he was a prophet, who was a voice of God, who spoke for God, who had 'Thus Saith The Lord', what sort of criteria would he have to meet, before you would believe him and receive him? Let us check [✓] if all of God's criteria was met in Bro. William Branham.

### Brother William Branham



<b>✓</b>	Raise the dead	✓	Heal the sick	✓	See visions (Major prophets do)
✓	Interpret dreams	✓	Have an out-of-the-body experience	✓	The Pillar of Fire ministry
✓	He will be humble	✓	Know their address	✓	Blind eyes receive their sight
<b>✓</b>	Twisted bodies healed	✓	Paraplegics healed, bedfast healed	✓	Cancer victims released totally healed
<b>✓</b>	Open the ears of the deaf	✓	Thousands healed at one time	✓	Call nations to repentance
✓	Stand before Kings, Monarchs, Potentates	✓	Know the dream better than the dreamer	✓	He would not care for money, women or popularity
✓	He will calm the storms	✓	He will be a wilderness man	✓	A cloud may feature in his ministry
✓	He will be uneducated as most prophets were	✓	He would go down to hell—Jesus did	✓	He will be born a prophet not just a gifted man
<b>√</b>	Paul was caught up to the 3rd heaven whether in the body or out	✓	Must be an angel accompanies his ministry as an angel accompanied Moses' ministry	✓	Discern the very thoughts and intents of the heart and know what they were thinking
✓	Like most prophets he will not live to die a natural death but an un- natural one	✓	There would be something he would be fulfilling in opening the Word	✓	He would have a knowledge concerning end-time events and major events by major visions
<b>√</b>	Know what the king was thinking in his bedchamber as Elijah did				

#### Without a doubt, God sent this generation a major prophet and he made my Bible come to life.

And **Brother Owen** has taken the time to go from State to State and takes a lot of phone calls and does a lot of research to put together those blue books that you and your children read. And by the way, I asked him if he would sign some for us. So the children maybe would like that! I kinda like that too. So, tomorrow if you would like to bring your books, he said he would love to sign them! So, when God does something, He doesn't do it in a corner.

Well, Bro. Jeff, when something is so wonderfully vindicated, why do the people reject it? Because human nature doesn't like "absolutes". They like a smorgasbord religion. They like to be able to say, "Well I want to choose what kind of faith I want to embrace". And God says, "Go and choose but I'm going to send you 'the Truth'" and if you are elect, no matter what you choose along the way, you are going to come to that Truth.

Jesus said, "My sheep hear My Voice....and they follow me; And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand." He said "I've revealed to them Thy Word and I've manifested to them Thy Word and they've received it. Amen. He said, Why can't you hear My Words? Why can't you understand my speech? Even because you are not of Me. You are from beneath. I am from above."

So it's being able to, by the Grace of God, that we say 'I believe that' And if you can get these people to believe that, nothing will stand in your way. "Do you believe me to be God's prophet?" If you can get the people to believe you. It's not difficult. It's not rocket science. It is the message of the hour. Man makes it difficult. Preachers make it difficult. It's so simple. And now, Brother Owen is going to come and give his testimony.

#### **Brother Owen Jorgensens' Testimony**

My, what a good introduction! I don't know that I have ever had such a good introduction as that. I just greet you. Most of you I haven't met before. But I see in the crowd my good friend, Bro. Bill Bailey and his wife. So good to see you, Brother. I think of you so often! I'm all choked up - Excuse me. But I spent a year there in Michigan in 1977-78 and they became my dear friends. In fact, when I was making arrangements to come back here, I do have to admit that I looked at my schedule to see if there was enough time to go and see you. And so I'm so glad you came. So Glad!

Take your Bibles and turn with me to 1 Cor.3 v6-11: I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase, So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase. Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour. For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.

Now, turn to Ephesians 2:v8-9: For by grace are ye saved through faith: and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God. Not of works, lest any man should boast.

Now, why should I read these scriptures? Because we don't go by works. We go by grace. Everything I trust in is the Grace of God. I have no faith in anything I have done and therefore I have entered into the Sabbath. Jesus Christ is the Sabbath and that is where some of the churches miss it. They look at the Ten Commandments and say, 'well, you've got to keep the Sabbath' – missing the fact that Jesus Christ is the Sabbath. Sabbath means 'Rest' and we've entered into His Rest and ceased from our own labours. I am saved by Grace, through my Faith in Jesus Christ and I put no faith in anything else. Not one thing. That has been my testimony for as long as I've been a Christian, and I hold it today.

With that said, I want to give you my testimony. I would like to share with you my testimony of how I came to write the biography of **William Branham.** How did

God direct me in that direction? Let me put it this way: Some of you have perhaps heard it announced that Bro. Owen Jorgensen was going to come and speak and hopefully you were looking forward to it

So tonight I'm just going to share with you how I came to write this biography and how the Lord led me in this way and a little bit of how



Brother Owen Jorgensen

satan opposed me. If I went into detail on how satan opposed me, it would take a way way too long. So we'll just give it real, real brief to show you that this has not been an easy road. I have been looking forward to this day when I can stand in front of my Brothers and Sisters and tell you that I have finished the project I began, twenty-three years ago. And I am so happy to tell you, I am finished! Monday, my son sent off the sixth and final volume of the biography of the "Supernatural Life Story of William Branham". He sent it off to the printers and now it is behind me!



It was held up a little bit, and we were praying as things weren't coming together and it was held up for several months. My son was wondering , why then, had the Lord laid it on my heart to add one more story? I'll share that with you tomorrow.

Then tomorrow morning, Lord willing, I would like to share with you just a few of the things that the Lord did in the writing of this biography and what supernatural things God did to bring this about. And then again, some of the things I learnt. As I wrote this biography, I was careful to not make it Owen Jorgensens' preaching to my audience. This was about William Branham, and I wanted the things in there be about what he had to say—and I had things that I wanted to add into it because of the things that had blessed me. But no, I kept them out.

I am from Washington State. I was born in the very centre of the State in a small town called Coulee with about 800 people. It is not far from the Grand Coulee dam in which, for many decades was the largest hydroelectric dam in the world. Now it's been surpassed by several in the world. But it's still No.4 or something like this. It's a huge and very impressive dam and gets over two million visitors each year that come to see it.

But I live on a plateau above the dam and the Columbia River makes a great big circle around this plateau where I live and there are five hydro-electric dams that circle and go around the county where I am at. And I do believe we have the cheapest electricity in the U.S.A., if not, in the world.

It's a wonderful place to live and to grow up. The Cascade Mountain, although where I'm at is somewhat arid and I grew up on a wheat farm and it is different. This is beautiful around here as it is in Michigan. I always loved the beauty of the countryside. Ours is a different type of beauty but it is beautiful, nevertheless. You can see the Cascade Ranges on three sides of us about sixty miles away. And so it was a wonderful place to grow up. But I was isolated out on this farm. We were 15 miles from town.

When I was a boy, I got interested in reading. I had three brothers and none of them were interested in reading like me. But I had a very big imagination and a book just fired that imagination and as a boy I was always going to the library, coming back with a pile of books about Dinosaurs, Indians, History etc. and I was always reading.

Well, sometime around the sixth grade, I got to say that I wanted to be a writer. I had read so much.

I thought that I could write a book. Well, my first attempts were really feeble. But I kept at it and in High School I was a really good Student. I excelled in English and, so so, in Algebra. And I played a lot of sports, but in my spare time I wrote; always writing, writing, writing. By the time I was twenty-one years old, I had written five books and I was planning on being a writer for my career. So that's just a brief beginning.

And when I was 15 years old, my Mum took me to

church. Although I wasn't a Christian, I thought it was a great idea that Jesus Christ died for my sins.

Anyway, there was a Christian Summer Camp at Colorado Springs and my friend wanted me to go with him to it. So I went to the Christian Camp with him. There were approximately 200 young people there and most of them were just like me – out to have fun. But some of them seemed to really believe in this Jesus. And I watched these kids. They seemed to have something that was real. They seemed to have a joy in their lives; something that I didn't have.

And it really made me hungry for it.

On the last evening of the Camp, they had a preacher and I remember what he said — I had been thinking of this all week: He asked for those who wanted to give their hearts to God to stand up. And I did. I just stood up, the only one in front of these three hundred, and he came over and I'm not sure why, but he asked me if I wanted to say anything and I said that I always thought it was great that Jesus died for my sins and that He was my Saviour. I was telling this straight, but I was pretty shook up at the time.

But now he said, 'He can't be your Saviour unless He's also your Lord'. And I said, 'I want to make Him my Lord and my Saviour'.

Well, when that was done, I went out into the hills out there in Colorado and prayed. And I meant it.

But what really changed my life was when I went back and started reading the New Testament. And what I did, I fell in love with Jesus Christ. I read about Jesus Christ, and I said, "This is Wonderful! I just love everything about this man". And then I came to the Book of Acts, and I started reading about this man named Saul. Later he became Paul. And he met Jesus — and I read about how he fell in love with Jesus Christ! And I said, 'That is exactly what happened to me! I fell in love with Jesus!' And from that point on, all I wanted was to be a Christian.

[I also started getting better grades in school, because I quit cheating and started studying.]

So now I'll come to where I'm seventeen. It is Spring and I'm not sure what triggered that, but some thing had troubled me and I came home from school. I was concerned about the different churches in town and which one was right? And I said, 'Well, my mother raised me in a Lutheran Church but that doesn't mean that the Lutheran was right. And now I go to an Assembly of God church but that doesn't mean that's right and so, the Holy Ghost prompted me to kneel in my bedroom. I prayed, 'Heavenly Father, would you lead me into all truth?' What a prayer for a young man to pray.

And the next week my older brother said, 'Hey, why don't you come down and visit me.' He was going to College in Pascoe, Washington, 130 miles south from here. So I asked my Mum and Dad. I'd never driven anywhere before away from my little locale. My parents gave me permission and I drove down to meet my brother.

My brother had just met a girl who had become his new girlfriend. Her mother was dying of cancer and had just been prayed for by Brother Branham and was healed of cancer. Now she listened to Bro. Branham's Tapes and to make a long story short, that's after I prayed that prayer, God brought me into line with someone who knew about Bro. Branham. Well, the first book I got was, 'The Revelation of the Seven Seals'. I actually asked for it. Because I loved mystery stories, and the mystery of the Seven Seals was revealed? Wow! Eh, I love mysteries. Let me read this book. So here I am, 17 yrs old and it took me all summer to read this book and granted, 98% of it went over my head, but believe it or not, 2% of the truth is enough. The truth is so powerful, 2% will do it, - probably 1% will do it, but we'll go for 2!

But I got so excited about the baptism in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ. I remember running outside and running around in circles. Of course we were way out in the country. Standing on top of the roof – Hallelujah! On the top of my lungs. I was just so excited. And so I go in and all my young friends at the church, I would tell them this! And they didn't get excited about it. In fact they didn't like it and suddenly I was confused. So again, to shorten the story, I'm going to say that...I had a girlfriend who I had been going with for a number of years. You know how kids are – 'This is the one I'm going to marry'. Alright. And she turned against what I was believing, or I was looking at. And so I said, 'Well, I don't want this man to be a prophet. I'm going to prove that William Branham is not a prophet. And I set myself a two way criteria:

- 1. I'm going to have to be honest with myself.
- 2. I'm going to prove it by the Word.

Now, what is it in a boy who says, 'I've got to prove this by the Word', I'm only eighteen years old and I said,

'I'm going to prove this by the Bible. Well I was the seed of God. That's what it was. And so I took my Bible. I didn't know Greek and so what I did, I got every translation that I could and looked up all he's already come.' In every translation I looked at, it split those two up and I said, 'Well you know, it can't prove that it's NOT scriptural so I'll just leave it alone for a little while.

The Lord brought me back to it and what I actually did, I went to College and I started visiting churches. I was in Seattle at this time and I went to a different church every Sunday. — I went to the Negro Spiritual church; the giant Pentecostal churches; the little community Baptist church and the little un-named offshoot church of this and that. Every Sunday a different church.

My dear brother called me up and said, 'There's a man who is preaching Brother Branham's Message. He's about thirty miles from where you are. I'd go check it out.' Well, that 's what I was doing in College, 'checking out' churches. And so I said, 'Yeah, I'll check it out.'

I went to this address. It was a small church. There were about thirty people there. It was in a little community hall but it wasn't impressive at all; just a small box building and the sister who was playing the piano was kind of stiff with the piano playing. There were no young people there. There was nothing there to impress me. Nothing physical to impress me. And then Brother Reichmann got up and started preaching the Word of God. And I said: -

This is Where I Belong – I've found myself

– This is the Word of God.

So I got Excited about the

Message of the hour.

[To be continued]

### ~Character examined~

Here is a little thought I thought I would share with you based on some study of the statement of Brother Branham that "it is only our character that God is interested in" and that is all we take with us from here.

The one thing we take with us from this life is our character. This bears some consideration. The word 'character' derives from the idea of an engraved mark, formed from a prototype to represent its meaning. Like an abstract for language, formed from words, in turn formed from individual letters or characters.

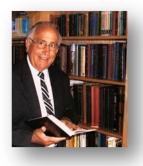


A character identifies and shows conformance to that which is originally inscribed, or to the original prototype. What we have therefore, are two expressions of character: the original character (prototype) and our character that forms from it.

The prototype is the primary representation and identification – it is a basis for all comparisons. When we speak of character in this context, we are not referring to a virtue nor to a collection of virtues; rather we are looking at the representation of all these virtues in an original and true expression: the prototypical Word. This original expression serves as a basis for identity for all else with its likeness or a claim to it.

The process of character building is a superimposition of the former onto the latter, a process of inscription/ engraving by the original architect of the prototype, the accurate transfer of its meaning and intent. This kind of character is not a gift, it is a victory, one won for us before the foundation of the world, manifestly shown to the world and given by grace to us through an ability to overcome the restrictions and restraints of self, to surrender and yield to this process. It is the grace notes of omnipotence at work in silence and surrender, not the results of effort born of zeal, passion or desire; it is not our own works but the sovereign work of omniscience.

#### From the Editor's desk



May God bless you all, Saints. We are trusting the Lord that each issue of the Believers Newsletter will enrich us all in the revelation of what our Lord desires His Bride to obtain. And we see the signs of the endtimes being fulfilled all around us, ac-

cording to prophecy in the Scriptures and even though we are saddened by the details, we feel so secure that our God keeps His Word. There is never a let down, or a slip up, for He is God. "He's the same yesterday, today and forever".

Don't we all love to read testimonies! Those from individuals who in faith 'only believed' God's Word when He promised to deliver them, and He did! - from our brothers who have launched out in to the deep and let down their nets in foreign fields and come home laden with a huge draft of fish and they tell us of what the Lord has done! Hallelujah! Be encouraged brethren and send in your testimony. It will bless you and others.

Our committee members, Brothers Adrian, Bruce, and Malcolm join me in wishing you all God's blessing and Christian love.

Brother Charles Editor

#### **EARTHQUAKE CHRISTCHURCH**

#### Dear Brethren

Just a short note to let you all know that we are unharmed, I have contacted saints in the fellowships here and have reports that all are well, we appreciate your thoughts and prayers for all the saints here in Christchurch at this difficult time, and pass on our love and blessing from all the saints here also.

Your brother in Christ Malcolm Ferris

"And whether one member suffers all the members suffer with it..." 1 Cor 12:26

#### ~Abandoned unto Him~

Utterly abandoned to the Holy Ghost! Seeking all His fullness at whatever cost; Cutting all the shorelines, launching in the deep, Of His mighty power - strong to save and keep.

Utterly abandoned to the Holy Ghost!
Oh! the sinking, sinking, until self is lost!
Until the empty vessel lies broken at His feet;
Waiting till His filling shall make the work complete.

Utterly abandoned to the will of God; Seeking for no other path than my Master trod; Leaving ease and pleasure, making Him my choice, Waiting for His guidance, listening for His voice.

Utterly abandoned, no will of my own;
For time and for eternity, His and His alone;
All my plans and purposes lost in His sweet will,
Having nothing, yet in Him - all things possessing still.

Utterly abandoned 'tis so sweet to be Captive in His bonds of love, yet so wondrous free; Free from sin's entanglements, free from doubt and fear, Free from every worry, burden, grief or care.

Utterly abandoned! oh the rest is sweet, As I tarry, waiting, at His blessed feet; Waiting for the coming of the Guest divine, Who my inmost being shall perfectly refine.

Lo! He comes and fills me, Holy Spirit sweet!

I, in Him, am satisfied! I, in Him, complete!

And the light within my soul shall never more grow dim,

While I keep my covenant - abandoned unto Him.

Author unknown

[Sister Barbara has kept this beautiful poem among her keep-sakes from when she was a teenager.]

Sent in by Sister Barbara Leov Nelson

Brother Kees van Klink phoned us to assure us that all the saints in his fellowship are well, although they have the same problems as the others around Christchurch – Very little water, no electricity, Food is getting easier to get.

Thank you and God bless all of you, both local, and overseas, who have made inquiry and prayed for the people here.

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### ~The Mission Fields and Whereto from Here~

**Bro Adrian Gray** 

MATTHEW 9:36 -38

36 But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

- 37 Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly [is] plenteous, but the labourers [are] few;
- 38 Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, "that he will send forth labourers into his harvest".

God bless you all Saints.

After over 5 years in the mission fields of Vanuatu, my time has come to slowly wind down my operations there as the message is fully set up in that country and the local ministry is functioning well enough to carry on the work themselves. I will return to Vanuatu now and then to encourage them when needed.

It has been my vision for the brethren in Vanuatu to be fully responsible to bring the furtherance of the message to their own people and that is largely happening now. It has been a very rewarding time to plough through the obstacles the devil has put in front of us and equally entertaining to watch the devil defeated. If a man is called to the ministry of missionary work, his whole motive must be to get the people to recognize their day and its message and then focus the Saints into a close relationship to the Lord as a wife to her heavenly husband. Anything different to that borders on nicolaitanism of which the Lord will not honour.

In April I will be visiting Papua New Guinea with Bro Derrick Donaldson to see what can be done to further enhance the work that has already been done there by faithful brothers. Bro Ben Gloyne who has been with me in Vanuatu is also doing a work in PNG and I wish to assist Bro Derrick and Bro Ben with whatever the needs are for the Saints in PNG.



Sister Mary works with her husband, Brother Adrian, sorting and packing the DVD Messages and they have now been sorted, packed and the boxes taped securely, ready for the crate that they will be put into for their destination in Papua New Guinea.

And to the precious Brethren who gave the items needed for the Bride who the Lord wants to reveal His Love to, "**thank you!**" for being a part of God's Plan from the beginning before we ever knew there was a land called Papua New Guinea! Hallelujah!

And we pray, 'Dear Lord, bless and keep our Brothers who will be going over to Minister Your glorious last day Message, ready for Your Coming. Protect them from the enemy's attacks, in Jesus' Name. Amen.'

Missionary work is very expensive, logistically complicated, and dangerous, depending on the nation one works in. A missionary is literally walking into enemy territory all the time with the risks that go with it. But the great thing about it is that he is an ambassador of heaven and all heaven backs him up.

Vanuatu has brought a return on the investment to those who have supported the work there financially and materially and in their prayers and from that I wish to put a "proposition" to any reader of this article. Sometimes brethren feel left out and unfulfilled in their spiritual walks especially when they see others in the front line labouring away. Read this quote from Brother Branham:-

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E-53 Look at Dwight Moody's conversion and many of those. You see? Just one little old woman. ~ A <u>little</u> old wash woman with a message on her heart to do something for God ~ and she'd rented an old livery stable and got a minister to come down and preach. And nobody but a little old boy with his hair hanging down his neck, and--and his daddy's suspenders on, went down there and knelt down at the altar that night: Dwight\_Moody that sent half a million souls to Jesus Christ. See? That woman had something to do. She... It was for a purpose. She was made a wash woman for a purpose. Don't despise where God's got you, but serve your purpose. There's coming a great victory day one of these days, when the battle is over.

The question can now be raised. Who is going to be rewarded for sending a million souls to Jesus Christ??? Dwight Moody or the washer woman? Both of them!! She will stand before the Lord and be rewarded for her work in bringing a million souls to Christ even though she wasn't in the frontline like Dwight Moody was. Praise the Lord.

My proposition is to ask if any BNL readers would like to become constant sponsors of further missionary work in the South Pacific. Our integrity will be guaranteed and our books open to scrutiny at any time. We know that the body change will not happen until the last seed of God is brought into the presence of the "Rising of the Son", AND the harvest is ripe for it to happen. Feel free to contact me at any time. I am a BNL Committee member and my address is provided below. God bless you.

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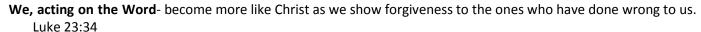
### **FORGIVENESS -** By Brother Charles.

"I was so "blessed" after reading Bro Beckett's new year greeting (Jan BNL) that I felt to do my own little study on the topic of Forgiveness. What I found blessed me so much that I felt to share it with our readers. Forgiveness—A real attribute conforming to Christ's demand – To forgive those who have apposed you – in order that you be forgiven.

Forgiveness seems to offer so many benefits and blessing and is a protection to one-self against someone who would want to cause you some grief. It can also open up the cause of you obtaining forgiveness yourself, as no-one is perfect.

#### **Spiritual Advantages of Forgiveness:**

We are being obedient to the Word: 'Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who..Luke6v37



In so doing, we can partner with the Lord and have a leading direct to what our leading is in our own personal lives, retrospective to what man says!

Most important – 'Special Peace'- When we forgive, we will experience the Peace of God which transcends all our understanding. Phil. 4:7...and in so doing we will become concise. He wants is to bring healing and that's the reason He sent Jesus. Luke 4:8

**Forget about** - working things out and setting up yourself as a 'judge', who you think should be forgiven and that means throwing away that list of wrongs you feel has been done. If not, you have not got <u>complete forgiveness</u>.

**Problem?** - You may think or even say, I forgive, but I will never ever forget their wrong and hurtful actions and may never feel like showing forgiveness, let alone actually forgiving them. But just remember, like many things in the Message, it's not a feeling, it is a decision. i.e. I don't want myself to grieve anymore. The Word says to pray for one another and in so doing, what better opportunity for you to go to the one you feel has caused you hurt and ask them to pray for you, as you are having trouble with forgiveness towards them. What an opportunity in so doing as you may well find that you may have hurt them and need to ask for forgiveness. You may not be aware of all the offences that you have committed until they are pointed out to you.

**Resisting Forgiveness:** One's pride will always be the chief cause of us resisting and then just look at the side effects of unforgiveness, physically and even emotionally. Not wanting to look weak, can result in unforgiveness.

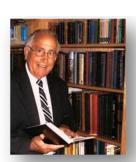
**Natural Advantages of Forgiveness:-** Can reduce high blood pressure, relieve depression, minimizes anxieties and can even contribute to reducing heart disease etc.

**Set Free:** Forgiveness is a mighty weapon that will destroy bondage. Forgiveness to a brother will set him free and release him from bondage. Stop and consider, the real prisoner in bondage – Was it really yourself?

**Endeavouring to Resurrect Forgiveness:** Well of course, we are convinced that we are 100% right and certainly not at fault in the slightest in this case that has hurt us and offended so much, but, surprise, surprise, the fact of the truth is, you have committed offences and should ask for forgiveness. You may not be convinced or may not remember how you may have aggravated or caused the other stress – and right now, still may be unaware. So, what then?

**Ask God to Show You What you should ask forgiveness for:** And when you are sorry for anything you may have done, then and only then, you will be fully aware that you are in the correct mode to approach your brother/ sister with confidence. The Lord will go before and undertake.

**To conclude:-** Healing cannot come without full forgiveness, and therefore the injury and pain may continue. The amazing note is the 'Grace' of our Lord and Saviour Who grants us forgiveness when we forgive.



### Jesus moves a cyclone.

#### Jim Carman reports on his recent visit to the Solomon Islands

My second trip to Solomon Islands during Jan. – Feb. this year, was an amazing display of God's grace and leader-ship. Having lost my wallet on the first day, many changes to my original schedule had to be made. I normally don't bring Australian money with me, but bank it in Brisbane before leaving. This time I had an offering from Brisbane in my main suitcase, so when my wallet with my ATM card went missing, I had funds to keep me going.

During the second week when I arrived back from an outer Island, the brother with whom I had been staying, suddenly had family arrive, and I was no longer able to stay there.

However, I had met a brother Brian in the northern part of Honiara on the third day of this trip, and he wanted me to stay with him next time I came to Solomons. So I completed the rest of this trip, using his house as a base. This proved to be a perfect spot. His neighbour I had met briefly during last trip, but now we had much fellowship and he has become my main contact in Honiara.

When I first met Bro. Brian, the Lord Jesus worked mightily with his family. His brother-in-law, who was a rebellious young man, gave all his heart to Jesus. When he went back to Malaita, his wife wanted to know what had happened to him. He wanted a family Bible reading, and prayer every day, and rang to Brian for more sermons of William Branham. Brian's wife was healed from various sicknesses, his baby was healed from malaria and flu, and his teenage daughter healed from a severe flu.



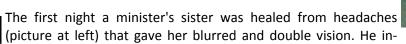
Bro Brian and his wife and child

Later during my stay, Brian's wife asked for prayer for her womb. She had had a large growth, which they could not cut out because of the

baby she had been carrying. Now that the child had been born, they wanted to operate, but after prayer, Jesus operated first, the growth disappeared. Brian's daughter also had a very short concentration span, but after prayer, she was different.

Makira Island (at right) became very special, I went there intending to see a politician who had written to me and requested sermons of William Branham. During 4 days I had no contact with him; but our Lord Jesus led me to others, who are very open to the message.

God also wrought miracles among the people, confirming His Word.



vited me back 3 nights later, intending for me to speak to his relatives from his village. Because of heavy rain they were unable to come, this gave me an opportunity to speak to him and his sister for 2 hours on Water Baptism and Godhead. There was a power cut after an hour, but we continued with candlelight. Both he and his sister said they believed.

I stayed in a motel for locals, and the owner had not had any feeling in his feet for 5 years. After giving all his heart to Jesus, God healed his feet. His daughter-in-law came for prayer, she was about to give birth and the baby was sitting the wrong way. After giving all her heart to Jesus, the baby turned the right way. In all, 11 of his relatives gave all their heart to

Jesus, they had been Anglican. The 3 other guests at the motel, (2 from Isabel Island and 1 from Malaita) also gave all their hearts to Jesus. They brought a sick friend for prayer. She came with her mother and sister, they all accepted Jesus, and God healed them all.

I was intending to see the other part of town across the river, but before I could leave, a man came from across the river for prayer for his sick son. They left rejoicing.

Immediately after, a minister arrived to speak to me. He (pictured at right) had set out the day before in an open boat, but then a cyclone coming straight toward me, caused him to take refuge. I did not know he was coming, but when told that a cyclone was coming, I asked the Lord Jesus to send it somewhere else. It changed direction went to Honiara, Malaita and back to Honiara. The next morning, seeing the cyclone had disappeared, he continued his trip. We spent about 3 hours in the Word of God,



**Bro Jude** 





Brother Johnson and family after church on the last morning on Malaita

after which he exclaimed that he had never seen these things before, and would have been baptised immediately, if not for the boat waiting to take him home. He had spent equivalent to an average week's wage to come. He went back rejoicing.

Early next morning I was taken to the hospital to pray for someone. The person taking me there accepted Christ, then after praying, another person wanted me to pray for their relative in another room. They also accepted Christ. I was then taken to another house where they were all ready for a meeting. I had to catch a plane in 2 hours. But I was told not to worry, as the minister was taking me to the airport after the meeting. More accepted Jesus and more healed.

This is just a little of what our Lord Jesus did during this trip.

Thank you all for your prayers

Your brother in Christ Jesus,
Jim Carman.

#### **Prayer Requests**

For the people of Christchurch, New Zealand, as they come to terms with the devastation and loss of loved ones in their earthquake stricken city.

Youth Camp – that the blessings which flowed in the recent Youth Camp will fan the flames of their fellowships when the young people return

For the NZ National conventions —for the arrangements and ministry and that it will be a time of encouragement for the saints who attend.

Youcef Nadarkhani remains in prison in Lakan province in northern Iran. His status has not changed. He continues to be under the death sentence for apostasy. He is waiting for the supreme court to either strike down or certify the sentencing. Continue to pray for him and his family.

Pray the seeds sown and watered in the Solomon Islands will produce a bountiful crop to the glory of God

Give thanks for the love shown by so many both in NZ and overseas who have inquired about the welfare of the saints in Christchurch after the recent catastrophic earthquake. Truly when one part of the body suffers, the whole body suffers. To know the saints are showing their care and concern is encouraging to those affected.

# I will set no evil thing before mine eyes Psalm 101:3

The television is my shepherd,
my spiritual life doth want
It maketh me to sit down and do nothing
It leadeth me beside men of no faith
It restoreth my desire for worldly pleasures
It requireth all my spare time and keepeth me from
doing the will of God, because it presenteth so much
foolishness which I must see
It increaseth my knowledge of nonsense and
keepeth me from the study of the Word of God
Yea, though I live to be an hundred, yet the viewing
of my Television shall have first place in my life as
long as it doth operate,

for it is my closest companion
Its sound and its picture they comfort me
It presenteth foolishness and folly before me
continually, And keepeth me from surrendering my
whole life to god

It anoints my mind with seeds of corruption and fills my head with vanity, which profiteth me nothing, my cup remains empty

Surely no good thing will come of my life, because I am devoted to my television, which leaveth me no time to serve God acceptably.

Thus will I dwell in the House of confusion forever.

By Joseph Bakke The 23<sup>rd</sup> Channel

### ~ Jull Redemption~ Brother Tim Pruitt

Part 6—Final

This is the Bride Age – full maturing. This is not some lit-

tle girl trying to get married and maturing 3,4,5 year olds. This is an elect, mature lady who has come to strength and power. Now watch now. It says, 'According, as His Divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and Godliness through Him who called us to life and virtue' – But verse 4, 'Whereby are given to us great and precious promises that by these ye might be partakers of the Heavenly calling by the Divine nature; having escaped the corruption that is in the world, through lust.'

Now look, Enoch had to escape the corruption that was in the world through lust.

Abraham had to escape the corruption that was in the world, down in Sodom, through lust. Right? Amen. He had to escape that pull, that lust, that drive, that pressure that I'm preaching about.

Listen again - He says, You want to pray that you'll escape those things that are coming on the earth. Now, how are you going to escape Sodom? By getting here to Hebron. How are you going to escape the wrath that's coming? Get by here where your name is changed, your body is changed, the Son comes. 'So here are given to us exceeding great and precious promises that you may be partakers of the Divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world through lust.' And beside this, giving all diligence! Here's your part - you have to be more sincere, you have to become like Caleb was. He wholly followed the Lord. He said in his heart – he spoke from his heart, he was not a hypocrite. There was no pretence. He said - "We are more than able to take this! We should do it." He looked around to the rest of the church and he said, 'Church, you can do it. We can face these giants. We can scale this mountain. We can come to the statue of a perfect man. We can reach maturity. We can have the resurrection. We can have the rapture.' Amen! This is what Caleb preached about. We can have it ALL! He wasn't willing to stay at Jericho where the key was given to the land and seven times they marched and the walls were broken down.

They received the opening of the seven seals. He wouldn't stay right there. He wanted THIS mountain. The Bible said, 'If these things be in you and abound, it shall make you where you are neither barren nor unfruitful'. Yet if we lack these things, we are like Laodicea. We are blind and can't see afar off and have forgotten what redemption is about, and that we were purged from our old sins — completely, totally.

Eh, Church, it's more than being cleaned and you breathe clean air, instead of that smoked up something, where you are true to your wife, and all those are good things. But God wants to bring us full total redemption. Look again. So He tells us, 'Give all diligence'. So now,

'having given all, add to your faith, virtue and to virtue,

knowledge, and to knowledge, temperance and to temperance, patience and to patience, godliness and to godliness, brotherly kindness and to brotherly kindness, charity. And if these be in you and abound, they will make you that you shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But he that lacketh these things is blind and cannot see afar off. He has forgotten that he is purged from his old sin.'

Therefore and rather, Brother, give all diligence [here's diligence again] make your calling and election sure. [What is your calling? What have you been elected to?] Amen!

Oh my! Listen Church. 'If you do these things you shall never fall'. And I believe that is what God is bringing forth is a Bride who will not fall.

When satan now, with all his lies and with all his hell and where Eve couldn't keep just one word and fell. But here's a people that will keep every Word and overcome. Do you see what we are talking about? And if you do these things you shall never fall, 'for so an entrance..' Rev 4:1 An entrance – a door – opened into heaven. It is here that we can see the Lamb's work. Amen. And so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Because it is there, where an entrance has been made in the presence of the Lamb. You've become the recipient of the Book, the title.

See the God of the ages, church? No wonder Caleb said, 'Give me this mountain'. No wonder we look at it here as Brother Branham preached the 'Statue of a Perfect Man' and we would say, Lord, let me possess that — not in an infant way because when you are born again, by believing, being born again is by receiving the Holy Ghost. But by believing you start with faith potentially and all these things lay within you.

But it's got to be more than the potential, for you've got to come through the mature form. You are called to maturity. Other ages have exemplified certain portions of faith, virtue, knowledge and temperance but we have to exemplify it in it's full form. Amen. This is a mountain that Caleb said, 'Give me this'. Now, if we would look here Peter was saying, if you would enjoy the renown grace of the full assurance of faith, under the Holy Spirit's influence, then do what the Scripture says. 'Give all diligence. You must be more sincere. Give diligence.' Make sure that every one of these things are operating within you in mature form. Make sure your faith is the right kind, not just a doctrine or belief of doctrine. But it's got to be a true faith, one that gives God the proper place of Lordship in your life, while the Word has preeminence above all others. Amen. Where the faith becomes your faith. Amen.

Oh my! Faith is the key to open up all the rest of it. You see, faith is the key, the key of all scripture. It's always the Word and Christ is the Door! And faith takes the little ridges of the Scripture that unlocks the glories and the goodness of God and opens them up to the people. You know, within the lock are little levers that have got to be turned. It's got to fit exactly. And there has to be a people who fit their lives to fit that door - Christ! - until all the blessings are opened up to them and this is what you have got to diligently seek after. It's not being a church member, not just being true to your wife or your husband. More than that. But that your life exactly matches Christ, so that when it's turned, whatever is in there, turns and an entrance is made. There's a rapture in this day and there will be a people that fit it! So therefore He's taking a people that's a living Tabernacle for the living God to dwell in.

Let's talk about it for a minute. I'm almost out of time and I'm almost started. Let's just look at this part of faith. But again, faith is a revelation and faith is something you must seek for. Amen? Again, it is something you must seek for. Purge yourself of other things. You must purge yourself of the world. Remember, Jesus talked to them about the levels of faith and He talked about this one who cast himself in to the fire and He

said, In order to do this, these won't come out without prayer and fasting. And that

But that your life exactly matches Christ

fasting is 'Prayer and purging yourself'. Purging – in other words, not remaining the same. People want to be a Christian and stay the same as they always were. They want to call themselves a message believer and still have the same old dirty lustful spirits and the same old ugly temper. Listen, faith is a revelation. To get this, requires purging. Remember when they came to the feast and purged out the old leaven? That's the thing. All these steps that Abraham made and he was purging out unbelief. It took him twenty-five years to get there because there was so much unbelief that he got over in Babylon that he had to get rid of and God, step by step, brought him forward by revelation, the same way. You've got things in your life that's got to be purged.

You cannot be Bride and take these things over with you. You want a rapture? You want to walk before God? If you want to climb this mountain and you want to possess it, you've got to have diligence – giving all diligence. Put your whole heart in to it. Amen. Deciding with everything you have. I'm going to defeat sin. I'm going to deal with issues in my life. I'm going to become subject to the Word of God. Whatever the Word said, that's what I'm going to do. However the Word says, I'm going to dress. However the Word says to behave, I'm going to behave, and if my faith don't lift me there, I'm going to keep praying until I get there. It's more than missing a few meals, although that may not be a bad idea. Look at me. And maybe some of you might need to do it. I'll leave that part there – the rest of it.

There has to be a purging of the leaven. Purging the unbelief so that you can take His faith. I wish I had

the time this morning. I'd try and show you the faith that we're aspiring to. I already said it in a nutshell when I said that Sarah received the faith that Abraham had. And what a faith that we are aspiring to. It's the same faith that Jesus had. Our faith matches His faith. That He is Mr. Jesus and we are Mrs. Jesus. That whatever He wants is who we are. That our faith matches His. You say, that's impossible, Bro. Tim.

There I'm going to close on this Scripture. I can see I'm going to have to close somewhere, and I can see I'm way deep into this. But let me just go to a Scripture right quick and bring this to you because you want the Bible on this and I don't blame you. But the Bible is very clear about this . Let's just go to **Ephesians 4** and I'll get it from there. I thought I had it laying right before me but apparently I don't. I'm overlooking it. So, Eph 4v1, a good place.

V11 And He gave some apostles and some prophets and some evangelists and some pastors and teachers

For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body in Christ.

Perfecting: Now the Blood perfects us, so it's not that kind of perfection. This is maturing. The Word comes through the ministry to bring you to maturing. That's His goal. Alright?

Edifying: This word is building up the body of Christ. And this is what Peter said. *Add to your* 

faith, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness. It's building up the body.

Alright, for the edifying of the body of Christ - till all? How long are we going to do this?

Can I have this desire to see us all come to the unity? 'Why are you on the internet? Why are your messages reaching out to the world?' Because we have a desire, amen, to see us ALL come to the Unity and we just want to do our little part to encourage somebody somewhere in the world to lay aside sin. Lay aside this unbelief and unite with faith and the knowledge. The Knowledge! Think like God thinks. The same thinking that Jesus had. You come to that. Jesus said, 'What gives Me strength is to do the will of Him that sent me.

That's My meat. That's what I live for. That's My diet. Oh church! We've got so many other things beside diet. God bless you.

I know some of it's difficult and I know it's hard. Many of you in the morning have got to go and make bricks for Pharaoh. Many of you are having to do it without straw and working overtime and some of the women go to help too. But in all of this, somebody is going to take an exodus! God didn't send the Messenger in vain. Are you with me, church? We'll welcome this prophecy. We welcome the unity of the faith unto the knowledge of the Son of God unto a mature man. Oh hallelujah! We'll all come. We'll not leave anything behind. We'll not leave our young people behind. We're not leaving anybody behind. We're all going. 'till we all come to the unity of the faith through the knowledge of the Son of God.' The mature man! ..How mature, God? How mature?

'Until we all come to the measure, to the statue of the fullness of Christ'. Full redemption! Full restoration! Hallelujah! Till we all come – we shall all come through the unity of the faith. I will come! You will come! Give all diligence. Don't go down to Sodom with Lot. Give all diligence. Separate yourself from the world, from sin, from unbelief! And add to your faith, knowledge. We will all come to the unity of the faith, to the knowledge of the Son of God unto a perfect man, a mature man. How mature? How perfect? To what measure? Here's how tall; here's how wide; here's the dominion; here's the expectations - 'to the measure of the statue of the fullness of Christ'. He didn't tell us we could do it until Someone fulfilled that. And He comes down with the Open Book, the covenant, having sworn by Him that liveth forever and ever.

Time is no more. It is now time – Oh my! Time is now over with. Amen. It is now time to bring forth that Elect Lady who comes to the unity of the faith, who comes to Hebron, where God the redeemer takes the Book, comes down with the Covenant. He changes your name and your identity. Changes the body. Brings the promised Son and we anoint Him King. He's already King of the Saints, but He's also going to be King of the Millennial reign. The Son of David. Aren't you ready for that, church? I remember Bro. Gary said it a little while ago. Let's take it, church. It's not so far away. We go home today, it's only a mere three and a half years. That's how close the millennial reign is. Hallelujah! How wonderful is this truth, is this Word. How great it is. Oh my, what does He say?

V14 'That we henceforth [from now on] would be no more children tossed to and fro and carried about by every wind of doctrine like the other ages were and build one denomination to the next and so on like that, when the day, 'carried about by every wind of doctrine of every sleight of man and cunning craftiness where they wait to deceive'.

But what? 'Speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the head, even Christ!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah Jesus! How wonderful you are, Lord. How great is Thy faithfulness! Oh, how great is Thy Promise, oh Lord! Oh how we appreciate You today. Our soul does magnify the Lord. We lift up His Name forever, for He is the mighty God. The Almighty. And I saw another mighty Angel come down from Heaven with a Book in His hand to bring it to covenanted people. Oh God, You are wonderful. How wonderful, Lord. Blessed is the name of the Lord Jesus. Lord, I pray for every man, woman, boy and girl, Lord, no matter where they are in their walk. Maybe some of them have come to Shechem where they start giving diligence, start paying attention to this. It's the beginnings of faith. Lord, some of them may come down to the place where they recognise You as God and come to Bethel. Lord, it was at Bethel that even Jacob and his tribe came back, oh God, to the promised Land and dwelt there for a while. It's there they began to put away their strange gods and worshipped the One and true living God. They buried their idols under the oak tree there at Bethel. But Lord, he exited the land at Hebron and that's where we've got to come back to - to where Abraham dwelt and You came down and walked. You took on kinsman form when You took human form, became a man, sat down, had a meal with Abraham, discerned the heart, called Sarah by name and said 'where is she?' It is here, Lord, in Hebron, we are hearing our name called. It is here that we are identified with the promise. It is here that every true Caleb comes back and says "Give me this mountain" Let these things be in me and be fruitful and abound. I pray Lord, as we look into this one more time in another service, that You would just so illuminate it so real to us, Lord. Let us come to that perfection that is spoken of in the Bible. It's in Jesus' Name we ask it. Amen and Amen.

Just worship with me as we sing. Now it's time to water the Word with prayer and thanksgiving. Worship God and just mirror back to Him as we sing the songs of Zion. Amen. Just realize we've been called to FULL REDEMPTION to PERFECT REVELATION. Amen. Not part of the Word, FULLNESS! Every part of it manifested in its completion. Amen.

Lord, I come to You, Let my heart be changed, renewed-Flowing from the grace that I've found in You.

Lord, I've come to know the weaknesses I see in me Will be swept away, by the Power of Your Love.

Holy Ghost, Let Your Word surround me
Bring me near, draw me to your side.
And as I wait, I'll rise up like the eagle
And I will soar with you – Your Spirit leads me on,
In the Power of Your Love.

Amen! Are you ready to soar like an eagle? Are you tired of being earthbound? Amen. You can soar. Amen. You can reach to the heights of the promises of God and see it manifested in your life and as I told you. It's been a year or two ago. I don't remember the date now. I preached a whole series on things that the Holy Spirit had spoken to me, when He said, 'The way it was – the way it will be'. I heard His Voice speaking to me in the middle of the night, those words. We talked about it today, we looked in the types, we looked the way it was, to know the way it will be. These are the days of fulfilment and let me tell you there is NO God like Jehovah. Amen. There is no other one in my life. Amen. There is no other God. He's my all.

Hallelujah! Blessed be the Name of the Lord. Glory to God. There's no God like Jehovah. There is no other God than Jehovah. He is my God, He is my Rock, He is my strength. He is my covenant. He is my all in all. Blessed be the Name of the Lord. Glory to His Name. Oh hallelujah!

Blessed be His name— Hallelujah! Behold He comes, a rainbow over His head, shining like the sun. Amen. The Word in its full strength. Amen. Full redemption!

Hallelujah! Full restoration.

Oh yes, there's NO GOD LIKE JEHOVAH!

### Middle East Update - In the Eye of the Storm

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ;

With all eyes and attention turned once again to the Middle East we wish to thank all those who have written and called and especially to thank all of you who are remembering us in prayer during these trying times. The love and concern shown is greatly appreciated – and needed.

We are indeed viewing these latest developments with awe and wonder – pondering what it all means in light of the great plan of redemption for these last days. Parallels can certainly be drawn to those tumultuous days of the late 1980's when communism was in its death throes – though with some distinct differences. Then, as now, millions of voices are being heard crying out for liberty and freedom as people dare to defy the brutal regimes. But what part will "extremist religion" play in it all?

How does one understand these major world events in light of scripture? We can certainly see where these last bastions of "iron-fisted" dictators and Kings must give way to the Laodicean spirit of "people's rights". Though an exact timeline cannot be determined, we are also well aware of Paul's counsel for the last days. How that in the midst of turmoil, when to the world an era of peace and safety seems just around the corner...sudden destruction shall come. Is that where this is headed?

For those who are far removed from the Middle East, the events that are unfolding with such awe are incomprehensible. From afar, it was difficult to see the telltale signs of discontentment, of the mounting pressure for change. Living and moving in the region though, provided a perspective by which one could detect the heart and longing for freedom of a majority of "moderates" in the Islamic world. As one journalist commented; "The Egyptian revolution was a democratic revolution and not an Islamist revolution..." So as shocking as it was to see Mubarak's Dynasty of nearly 30 years fall in a mere 18 days and now to see how the demonstrations are rapidly spreading to other nations in the region – this is the unmistakeable season for change.

As the initiated or those privileged to have been provided the "eye salve" of the Message, we also understand the "plan of things" and can reckon these tremendous, world shaking events in light of the Message and biblical prophecy. Though humble, and as feeble as our efforts here in the Middle East may be, the truth of God's Word is being proclaimed in this very region. When truth is proclaimed, the Prophet declared a "spiritual war" with "plagues" of judgement and political disturbances following. Though tribulations will come the like of which the earth has never seen before, neither are we ignorant of how the antichrist will rise in power during a time of "peace" and establish his rule with "flatteries".

For this reason we can see how supernatural these events are. We must not be awestruck, but rather ask; "What should our forward vision be?" Fear? Uncertainty of war? What oil prices and economic conditions will prevail? Will the terrorists gain the upper hand? No! With the eyes of faith we must anticipate and prepare for an open door by which the Word can be ministered with greater liberty much like what happened after the fall of Communism and

the Berlin wall. May the Lord help us to be ready.

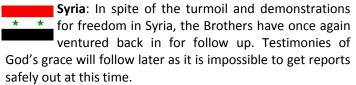
Understanding these recent events and how rapidly things in the Middle East are unfolding – has only served to confirm the leadership of the Holy Spirit which we obeyed and moved out under. As dangerous and as great a step of faith as it was in leaving the comforts of North America, we are seeing now how critically important our relocating to this strategic, forward position has been.

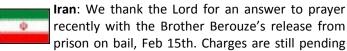
Since many are interested in our well being, we want you to know that relocating to Cyprus has been good. Though we are still battling through getting re-established, we are far enough away from the turmoil of Egypt and Lebanon to be safe, and yet close enough to move in on a moments notice. Brief update to events in the various countries.



**Lebanon**: Tensions are running high. With no government, terrorist and political forces are jockeying for power. Those with guns seem to be the "power

brokers" – which equals Hizbollah. Consequently, the Lebanese military forces and Sunni Muslims are preparing for a showdown. In the midst of this, the believers are pressing on in translating the Exposition of the Church Age book and witnessing and sharing the Message as the Holy Spirit leads.





against him though, for which he is awaiting the outcome. Thus we continue in prayer for the complete absolution from all charges.

We also thank the Lord that the charges of apostasy against five other believers in Iran were also dropped – though other charges of "crimes against the Islamic Order" are still pending. These believers too need our prayers as they await the court's decision. The recent protest in Iran, the largest in more than a year, indicates the population's great discontent with the cruel Islamic regime. May this result in even more freedom for the believers and for the name of our Lord Jesus to be widely proclaimed throughout Iran.

Given the current conditions, these are very trying times here in the Middle East. We request your fervent prayers as we need to move with the greatest of care. It appears that for now, we have just entered the eye of the storm. This is just the beginning to the end of an era which is affecting virtually every nation we have ministered in.

For this we earnestly pray and seek the leadership of the Holy Spirit. Then, like Esther, we must rise to the occasion and recognize that we are here now, for such a time as this for our part in the plan of redemption to be fulfilled in these last days.

Please keep us in your prayers as we seek to move stealthily in these regions to bring the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Your Brother and Sister in Christ, **Brother Tony & Sister Rebekah**