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Anniversary: 1st of 3

By: Richard Dean

The first of three celebrations to commemorate the 20th anniversary of Victory Deliverance Center in Winder was held on 11 May 2013.



Pastor Tony Weaver of True Vine Preaches

The other two celebrations are set for 25 May & 7, 8, 9 June. People from at least 4 churches were present to help Pastors Michael & Linda Smith celebrate. The minister Tyran Phillips served as Master of Ceremonies for the event. The deacon Mahaffey opened the service in prayer. The praise and (cont. on pg 3)

Aaron Pittman Benefit

By: R. D. Hempton

At 1800 (6pm) on Saturday 18 May a benefit concert was held at Winder Worship Center for 14-year-old Aaron Pittman. Aaron has been diagnosed with multiple serious nerve problems



14-year-old Aaron Pittman of Dacula

including Polyneuropathy, and Transverse Myelitis, an inflammation of the spinal cord that extends across the cord. These cause pain in the back, motor disturbances, spasmodic contractions, and eventually paralysis.

Aaron sees a doctor in Alabama and his treatments cost a whole lot of money. God's people are coming together to help. Pastor Kenny Simpson agreed to hold the benefit singing at the Winder Worship Center, which included The Trinity Singers, Straitway, The Shepherd's Trio, King's Hill, Bobby Allen, and Marcus Sentelle.

Saturday 25 May was Aaron Pittman Day at the Monroe Fairgrounds from 1000 (see pg 4)

To Make a Difference

By: Richard Dean

"Deborah was a prophetess," began Gloria Farmer, Pastor of Braswell Congregational Holiness Church, "a judge, a wife, and a mother.



Gloria Farmer addresses Women of Destiny

She led them morally and she led them spiritually. She was about the Father's business. In Hebrew her name means 'honey bee.' She stayed busy. You must be a Deborah. She encouraged Barak. The pastor, the choir leader need your encouragement.

"Israel was in bondage again (the theme of the whole book of Judges), this time to Jabin king of Canaan. God told her to tell Barak to take ten thousand men and defeat Sisera. Have you ever prayed, 'Oh, God, is this from you, or is it just me? God has plans for you, and gave you the gifts that you have based on (cont. on pg 5)

Like the First Time

By: R. D. Hempton

On Sunday 26 May Mr. James Mays made his preaching debut at Kingdom Community Worship Center in Winder. Mr. Mays has been involved with the Whole Body of Christ



The rev. James Mays of Kingdom Community

Alliance since 2011, has written for the Battlefield News, Started a men's ministry, helps at other churches, and a host of other things that makes him valuable to the kingdom of God. His Pastor, Kenneth Cooper believes that we need to be making disciples instead of converts, and James Mays is living proof.

The invocation was done by Pastor Theron Sharp, followed by the combination praise team of Kingdom Community and (cont. on pg 5)

Wisdom Missed

By: J. L. Applegate

At the April 7-day revival, two sermons were left unprinted due to lack of space. They were both so good, however, that they will be



Pastor Johnny Williams of Hope Fellowship

included here in this article. They were by Pastor Johnny Williams of Hope Fellowship and by the reverend Karen Lewis of Women of Destiny.

Pastor Johnny Williams

"The Lord is coming soon," began Pastor Johnny, "When? In such a time as you know not. This Bible is our constitution. He wants you to study so you won't be ignorant. God can only use you according to the amount of knowledge you have of him. If your knowledge of him is little, he can't use you as much. (see pg 7)

Ordination Address

By: R. D. Hempton

On 2 June 2013 Bob Harris gave his first sermon as an ordained minister of the gospel at Hope Fellowship in Winder. Pastor Johnny Williams opened the service in prayer.



The Reverend Bobby Harris

The music began with Ms. Stacy Harris, the wife of the man being celebrated, on the keyboard, Sister Sarah Henson read from Psalm 24, and Old Testament scripture was read by Pastor Robert Harris. Bishop Wayne Moore of Dove Crossing Church read Eph 4:23 and commented, "Brother Bob was caterpillar

travelling; before he could be transformed, he had to endure some things. Now is has become the butterfly." (cont. on pg 9)

On Prayer VII (Power of the Spirit)

By: Mozelle Davis-Weeks

Our number one weakness is not sin, but prayerlessness. We don't pray enough for our families or loved ones. The forces of darkness work overtime to keep us fussing and complaining, but God does not have any crying towels. We need to get praying.

Rom 8:26-27 says, "Likewise the Spirit also helps our infirmities. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself makes intercession for us with groaning which cannot be uttered. Now he who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because he makes intercession for the Saints according to the will of God."

The apostle Paul includes himself when he says \underline{we} do not know how to pray as we should. If you say to yourself, "I don't know how to pray," there is good news: Neither did Paul, and neither do I.

The Holy Spirit makes intercession with groaning that cannot be uttered. You see the solution is not learning how to pray, but beginning to pray. Begin to pray and the Lord will teach you. See, the Holy Spirit makes the intercession according to God's will, and the one who searches the hearts, the one who makes intercession for the Saints, Christ, Prays it to the Father

The Holy Spirit prays perfect prayers. Can you see, then, that the gift of tongues is a key to prayer? It is especially useful when followed by the gift of interpretation because the Holy Spirit inside you, praying in words you cannot understand can drop the meaning into your mind. It helps me greatly after a time of praying in tongues to remain silent before the Lord. More often than not, if I do this, I will get from the Lord the right way to pray.

Heb 7:25 tells us that Yeshua also lives to intercede for us. Therefore, we have an intercessor inside and an intercessor at the right hand of God. The Spirit is praying in agreement with what Jesus is praying in heaven.

We were born again to pray, and the Holy Spirit has been born inside us to pray perfect prayers. When we begin to pray in the Spirit, we will begin to realize answers to our prayers. A month or two ago I mentioned presenting our case and reminding God of his promises. Is 43:26 says, "Put me in remembrance; let us argue our case together. State your case that you may be proved right" (NASB).

It may be hard to equate prayer with arguing with God, but he encourages us to argue. Isaiah 41:21 says, "Present your case, says the Lord. Bring forward your strong arguments, the king of Jacob says." (NASB)

In Exodus the Israelites had made and worshipped the golden calf. Moses was as angry about it as God was. In Ex 33:2-3, God said, "I will send my angel before you, and drive out the Canaanite and the...(all the other ites)... I will not go up in your midst, lest I consume you on the way, for you are a stiff-necked people." Basically God was telling them, "I'm gonna send an angel with you because I'm real upset with you because of the way you are, and I'm not gonna go with you myself, because I might get so mad that I wipe you ninnies out."

Then in Ex 33:12-15 Moses prayed, "See, you say to me, Bring up this people.' But you have not let me know whom you will send with me...

...And consider that this nation is your people." And He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

Then he [Moses] said to Him, "If your presence does not go with us, do not bring us up from here."

Moses stated his case and presented his arguments. He basically said, "These are your people and you are copping out! And don't push some angel off on me. If you're not going, I'm not going."

Moses did exactly what Isaiah said: "Present your case; present your strong arguments." How would you like to lead the Israelites without the presence of God? The presence of God is everything. What is a worship service without the presence of God? Nothing but religion! What is a marriage without the presence of God? It can be hell on earth. His presence makes all the difference.

Consider God's presence in the context of Jesus' statements about the Kingdom of God. He said that of those born of women, there had been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom is greater than John (Mat 11:11).

Every believer is greater than Moses, Abraham, David, the prophets, and kings of Israel. Why? Because every believer, including you, has been born of God and has the intercessor living inside – the Holy Spirit. Moses didn't have him. Abraham didn't have him. God invites us to come, state our case, and present our strong arguments. Call on the Lord. Tell God if you think something is unfair. Get the Bible out and pray through the scriptures.

See how boldly Moses prayed. Maybe you have a wayward son, daughter, mother, or father. Why don't you take hold of the story of the prodigal son in Luke 15 and say, "God, this is what your word says, and I'm going to pray that my daughter (son, grandchild, etc) will come to the end of herself, tire of the pigpen she is living in, and return home. I want this to happen for my daughter." Present your case.

We see another example of this in Gen 18:20-22, "The Lord said, 'Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous, I will go down now and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry against it that some to me; and if not, I will know.' Then the men [angels] turned away from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the Lord."

In effect, Abraham said, "Lord, I know those are angels, but I'm not through yet. We need to talk about this. My nephew Lot lives in Sodom." He remained standing and argued his case before God while angels went to Sodom.

Will you remain standing before the Lord when everyone else says there's no hope? When we converse with God, things change.

Abraham asked the Lord, "Would you also destroy the righteous with the wicked?" He talked God into sparing the city all the way from 50 down to 10. God said he'd spare Sodom for 10 righteous. He did not find 10, so Sodom was destroyed; but first he sent angels so Lot and his family could escape. The angel was forced in Gen 19:22 to say, "Hurry, escape... I can't do anything until you arrive there."

Think about that, a mighty angel of God, saying, "Because Abraham touched God, my hand is

held." Wouldn't you love to have an Uncle Abraham? Actually most of us have an uncle, an aunt, mother, father, grandmother who interceded for our salvation.

My pastor told me a story about going to a small town in Idaho to preach. The Spirit fell and many wonderful things happened. Many people were filled with the Holy Spirit and healed. He said just when he thought he was really something, three older ladies came up and told him, "For three years we have been praying for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit." It wasn't the preacher; it was the intercessors. Prayer moves the hand of God.

Ps 119:126 says, "It's time for you to act, O

Lord, for they have regarded your law as void." I was praying some time ago about the Supreme Court. Almost daily I said, "It <u>is</u> time for you to act, Lord. They say it's okay to kill babies, so it's time for you to remove some justices." The Lord said, "You are praying about people. The problem is a demonic principality. The forces of hell are controlling the U.S. Supreme Court, and they will not move without fasting and prayer." The problem with abortion is not people, but a demonic principality: "We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world" (Eph 6:12).

The entire country has been built on lawlessness and rebellion. I am not condemning the Revolutionary War, but we must recognize that the U.S. was founded through revolution. The spirit of America cries out, "I don't have to obey anybody! I don't have to be under authority; I'll do what I want, when I want, the way I want!" If the Americans rebel against their king, they eventually will rebel against God, which is where we are now.

When the Bible says that the Antichrist is the son of iniquity, the Greek literally says that he is the "son of lawlessness."

Do you see how lawlessness is connected with humanism? If man is the measure of all things, the center of all things, we don't need God. Those assumptions are steeped in rebellion. Humanism is only a symptom of a spirit of lawlessness, and that spirit is in the church as well

God will speak to him if we go to him for direction. If we state our case and listen for his answer, he will show us how to pray according to his knowledge and will. We can fast against the principality of lawlessness because God has shown us that it is at the root of the abortion issue, or we could continue to pray ineffectively against people.

If Moses and Abraham could get God talking – and if we are under a better covenant than they, with better promises and the indwelling Holy Spirit – how much more can we do the same?

State your case before God. Get a word from his scripture and present it to him. You must get him to speak, and you must listen. Then you will be able to pray effectively.

Consider one final point on intercession. In the 12th chapter of Numbers Miriam and Aaron criticized Moses because he married a black woman – an Ethiopian – a non-Jew. Basically, they said, "You think you are the only spiritual one. God speaks to us just as much as he speaks to you." God answered that he spoke to Moses face-to-face, and he struck Miriam with leprosy. Leprosy is symbolic of gossip. Leprosy is terminal, and anyone who gossips has a terminal disease. Leprosy is also contagious, and so is

gossip. Leprosy isolates its victims. Lepers were forced to live apart from the rest of the community and wear a lip covering. Everywhere they went they were instructed by God to cry, "Unclean! Unclean!" In addition leprosy attacks the sensory nerves so that lepers are unable to feel the consequences of the disease after a while. Leprosy is the perfect natural metaphor for sin because of this last thing, because those steeped in sin and in having their own way are also unable to feel it after a while.

Like the lepers, every negative, critical, slandering person should also have to wear a cloth over her lips. Everywhere she goes, she should have to cry, "Unclean! Watch out or you will contract a terminal disease."

Gossips are always on their way out of a church. When someone becomes a slanderer, she may not have **decided** to leave, but she is still one her way to cutting herself off from the assembly.

In Miriam's case, Moses cried out to God for his sister. He prayed. He stated his case and tried to temper God's judgment. Miriam was spared, but Israel had to wait an entire week for her to be healed.

That story is a picture of righteous leadership. One of the hardest people to pray for is the one who criticizes. We are all bound to receive criticism, but the righteous response is to pray for the leper. Luke 6:28 says, Bless those who curse you, and pray for those who spitefully use you." If you are wondering what has hindered your prayers, the Lord may remind you that you have some enemies that you must love with the love of God. Their criticism may be unjust, and they may say all kinds of evil things about you. Nevertheless, one of the most important keys to prayer is the love of God.

If a family battle occurs and you are I the right, it is still your job to intercede. Let the Holy Spirit inside you pray, and place yourself back in the love of God. Then you can free your family from leprosy.

A funeral director once told me that major conflicts occur in 80% of the funerals he conducts. I said, "It couldn't be that high."

He responded, "You should hear them come in and argue; they're already fighting over the goodies before they get the body in the grave." This reminds me how important this message is: Are you willing to pray for the Miriam in your house this week? Are you willing to pray for the Supreme Court? Are you willing to put this principle into practice when you present your case to the Lord?

You may very well find that God does not answer your prayer because he wants to talk to you first. Once you let him tell you where you are praying and looking at things incorrectly, and where you need to begin to pray, you will see your prayers answered.

In all our binding and loosing, the first thing we need to concern ourselves with is what needs to bound and loosed in **our own lives**. If we can remove the evil spirits from ourselves and loose the right attitudes into ourselves, then we will be able to effect changes in other people's lives.

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worship began with two singers from True Vine Holiness Church with Brother Williams on the keyboard. The Master of Ceremonies introduced Santora Phillips, who welcomed everyone. Bishop Watson spoke first, "Pastor Smith is like Nehemiah – he won't come down from the

wall." He introduced Pastor Tony Weaver of True Vine Holiness Church, who took up the offering.



Master of Ceremonies Tyran Phillips



Deacon Mahaffey opening in prayer



The singers from True Vine Holiness Church



Brother Williams on the keyboard



God's People in worship



MC Tyran Phillips introduced First Lady Sandra Weaver, who introduced her husband, Pastor Tony Weaver. "Here we are on the other side of 20 years," he began, "You can't worry when

folks don't give money. You just have to obey God. If you go under, He can raise (see pg 4)

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The reverend Mickey McConnell

Almighty God Refuses Access

By: Mickey McConnell

READER'S NOTE: There are many advantages to the body being in unity – many things we cannot do unless we have it. We continue to lose battle after battle because we have not yet attained it. But it is not just a good idea; Almighty God commands it.

Mickey McConnell has written a book on the subject, Almighty God Refuses Access, which is presently being used as a textbook. BFN has permission to print from it. It is recommended reading, as is his newly released end-time novel, Twilight Triumph. Both are available through BFN.

Mickey has been a pastor, a missionary, and worked with troubled teens. He is a teacher, a speaker, an author, and a godly brother in Christ.

Rick

Consider Ephesians chapter four, and verse eleven, "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 of Christ: till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ." There are three stated purposes for which Almighty God gave apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers, and it will be this way until we all come in the unity of the faith and knowledge of Christ. We have a very long way to go to attain this unity in the church today; and personally, I don't think we will arrive at this destination, without great suffering and persecution. During oppressive times, people have a tendency to forget smaller matters. When things get extremely hard, Christians will learn to lean on each other, and appreciate each other. It is during times when we can worship openly, and we have prosperity, so that we can drive long distances to church, that we can be selfish and choosy about where we go. We can take the attitude of "Well fine, if they don't do at this church the way I want them to, I will just find me a different church." It is the express duty of these five types of ministers, to teach the brethren to love each other: all the brethren, and all the time. The passage states clearly, that Christ is not going to return, until we all come into unity. Think about it. Will there be any need for apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers in heaven? I think not. You can even hear some of these five-fold ministers make the brash statement, "If you don't like how we do it here, you need to find somewhere else to go." Can you imagine that? Some of the very ministers, who are supposed to bring in unity, are at the core of the problem. Now I know, that there are some people who are straight-out trouble makers, and they must be dealt with decisively, in order to protect the flock; however, there are some true brothers-in-Christ, who simply are functioning in their fivefold-ministry office, trying to do the job Almighty God gave them, and they should be listened to. Why do you think the Almighty placed prophets among us? Each denomination seems to have their scholars and prophet-like people, who approach the Holy Bible strictly from the framework of their denominational indoctrination. It is virtually impossible to alter denominations' pet doctrines, even though they are wrong. Each denomination generally seeks after the counsel of their scholars, and prophets as it were. This actually a scary though because The Almighty uses prophets to bring attention to error. When our God sends a prophet on a mission, He does not necessarily check to see if he is from the proper denomination. The creator's thoughts are higher than our thoughts, and his ways are higher than our ways. If a called preacher/prophet seeks to purify and make a denomination's doctrine more accurate, and they are not members of that denomination, they will be maligned, branded as troublemakers and cast out. The people who are running these

godly men off, think they are doing Almighty God a service. Many mistakenly believe that truth is exclusively entrusted to their organization.

I just recently talked to a preacher friend of mine about unity across denominational lines, and he basically said that oneness of the body of Christ would not take place until heaven. How very sad! The man did not understand the heart of Almighty God in this matter. I am here to tell you, that God Almighty desires that you and I be one now. We cannot overestimate the importance of this passage of scripture in Ephesians, chapter four. Our God is almost shouting to us that he wants us in unity. Just think how many apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers Almighty God has called. This should impress upon us the emphasis he has placed on unity. This five-fold ministry will continue until we all come into the unity of the faith.

Anniversary (from pg 3)

you back up. It's a different kind of faith if you are a pastor. Acts 4:13 says, "Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and ignorant men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus." We have been with Jesus. Moses spent 40 days and nights with



Santora Phillips welcomes all present



Pastors Michael & Brenda Smith. The look on this man's face tells out loud the love he has.



Bishop Watson speaks at VDC

God and his countenance reflected having been in his presence, kind of like the moon because the moon doesn't have its own light. God made the sun to rule the day and the moon to rule the night, even without its own light. In Acts 3:6, Peter got this from Jesus. In verse 7 we see that the man was healed **Immediately**. And in verse 8, we see the man walking, leaping, and praising God.



Co-pastor Sandra Weaver with the introduction



Pastor Tony Weaver

"Mary and Joseph went to Jerusalem with Jesus as a boy and the rest of their family. On the journey back they noticed he was not with them after 3 days. Some folks have been a lot longer than 3 days without him. His parents kept on searching until they found him. Search for the Lord. You will find him. When you lose your keys, you retrace your steps to where you were before – 'We know we had him in Jerusalem'-you look for Jesus and you find him."

Aaron Pittman (from pg 1)

to 1700 (5pm). It was a day of barbeque, hot dogs, kid's jumping booths, tons of raffles, gospel singing, and karaoke.



The Trinity Singers



The gospel singing at Winder Worship Center was tremendously successful inasmuch as many people who were there were touched by the Lord.

This reporter had the rare opportunity to actually meet Aaron, and his family in an interview sometime after the benefit concert and the day at the Monroe Fairgrounds.



Pastor Kenny Simpson playing bass with the Trinity Singers





The Shepherd's Trio



Aaron takes all the problems in stride. He is otherwise a typical fourteen-year-old boy (Oops, Young man). His interests are pretty much the same as any other Georgia teenager. To look at him, aside from the fact that he cannot walk far,

one would never know there are such serious health problems.

Kelly, Aaron's mom



Stacy, Aaron and Mom Kelly

Anyone who can help this family, who is going through one of the worst times in their lives, they can contact Aaron's mom, Kelly at (770)601-1445.

Make a Difference (from pg 1) what he has called you to do. In Luke 1:38 Mary

said, 'Let it be to me according to your word.' This is where we gotta be. So often we find



President of Women of Destiny Karen Lewis



Lady Green opened the service in prayer

ourselves in a community and think, 'This is too sinful for me to make a difference,' but we can, one man, one woman, one child at a time. You will find your blessing wherever your calling is. Say this: God has called me here to make a difference. Is 1:19 says, 'If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the good of the land.' In Deut 28 tells of all the blessings God has for us if we obey his commands. He says the blessings

will overtake us - we will get them automatically if we obey. (see pg 6)

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The First Time (from pg 1)



Pastor Theron Sharp with the invocation



KCWC Music Minister Brutus Brooks

Senior Pastor of Kingdom Community Kenneth Cooper spoke, "I work at a funeral home; if some of you act like you're dead, we have a place for you." Pastor Carol Patman of MD House of Prayer read from Joshua 1:8, and Bishop Clyde Patman read John 10:1. Pastor

Crystal Brown opened in prayer. This was followed by the Praise singers from (see pg 6) Remember Is 54:17. Come forward for prayer if you know you are called to make a difference."



Michelle Pritchett and her son Tannis provide the praise and worship music.



Women in worship at women of Destiny



Annette Herndon



Donese Mercaldo



Youth Director of Faith Temple Benjamin Jones

Several people came forward for prayer when Pastor Farmer called for them. Pastor Gloria prayed over each of them.



Greeters at the door Annette & Lynn Adams



Donese Mercaldo speaking on the offering



Annette Herndon singing



Praying over Edna Chapman



Praying over Sandi Roberts

Pastor Gloria also prayed over Annette Herndon, Lynn Adams, Michelle Pritchett, Tannis Pritchett, Karen Lewis, and Marquita Jones, the Youth Director from Faith Temple. This praying was followed by almost fifteen minutes of silence. Lynn Adams prayed to close the service.

The First Time (from pg 5)

MD House of Prayer, who sang, and filed back into their seats to the music, an extraordinary thing to see.



The KCWC Singers



Pastor Kenneth Cooper



Pastor Cooper announces the ordination of Bob Harris to come the next Sunday.



Pastor Carol Patman and Joshua 1:18



Bishop Clyde Patman and John 10:1-4

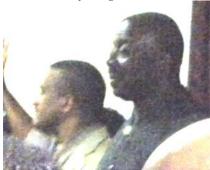
Ms. Racine Momon issued the formal greeting, and Pastor Cooper sang *Flood Gates of Heaven*. Ronnie King from Birmingham Alabama sang *Whatever it is*, and Wilbert Williams read an original poem, *Part of the Plan*.



Pastor Crystal Brown



MD House of Prayer Singers



Pastor Roger Williams and the minister Tony Nevins of MD House of Prayer



Ms. Racine Momon with Formal Greeting



Mr. Ronnie King Whatever it Takes

Pastor Cooper introduced James Mays, "Mays founded Sons of Light. He suggested that, when it rains, the men go outside with umbrellas to



Mr. Wilbert Williams Part of the Plan



The rev. James Mays, eyes closed in worship

help the ladies in from the parking lot. Only one man did it – Mays. He was in the hospital all week, but when Sunday came, he was here anyway. God spoke of James and said, "He will only say what I tell him to say."

"If a shark stops swimming," began Mr. Mays, "he drowns. A boxer has to keep moving – stick and move. Don't hate me; help me. I got moves to make. Some are in dead-end jobs, but they stay there for years anyway. Look at James 2:1-4. People look down on and even hate people in lack, people in a lower economic status,

especially if they are not educated. Some of those who are down there can be full of hate too. Some of those who don't have resent those who have.

"Don't be arrogant if you have. What you get here you can't take with you. Be humble. If you're fortunate enough to make it over the top, turn and help another up. It can't get better if you don't appreciate what you have. When you look down on somebody, remember God is looking down on you.

"Keep moving. It's hard to hit a moving target. What is the worst big nation? Procrastination. Keep it moving. Don't stop. Once you move toward Him, He will move toward you. Jesus could've lived high, but he chose to live low. If he can put me back together, think what he can do for you."

James Mays received his license and ordination and the ceremony was closed with the benediction by Pastor Kenneth Cooper.

Wisdom Missed (from pg 1)

Like the spiritual gifts, everything he gives you is so you can be a blessing to others. Like when God told Abram that He would bless him so he could be a blessing to others. You were born again so you could get someone else born into the kingdom. The devil works the (see pg 8)

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Isaiah 61:1-3

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Wisdom Missed (from Pg 7)

the same way. This book," said Pastor Johnny, as he held up the Bible, "is about a king and his kingdom. Get a **kingdom** mindset. The lack of it is why there is so much division in the church. The church was birthed in unity. They had very little revelation, but they did have great power. Today we have great revelation and very little power. Seek the kingdom first.

"Psalm 133 speaks of unity with harmony. God did not pronounce his blessing on a bunch that won't even get along with each other, a bunch in disunity. So, what does the devil do? He does his best to keep us in disunity.

"What you know now you did not know before. This should tell you that there is a lot you don't know right now. You don't have it all. You do not have the whole truth no matter how many years you spent in seminary.

"Acts 2:42-45 shows us what unity looks like. So does Acts 4:32.

"So many people today go to church ready to leave when they first get there. God is not mad at you. The only ones mad at you are a bunch of religious folks. God does not do background checks. Only people do that. God never consults your past to determine your future. Once again, its only people that do that.

"Because I was born from the womb of a woman, I am here legally. The devil is here illegally.

Unity is a state of being a single entity. The early church was in unity. They were totally dependant on the Holy Ghost. But today we've got democracy. Instead of praying we vote. A new preacher comes and we run a background check on him. In Acts they prayed and sought the Holy Ghost. They had the anointing to destroy yokes, heal the sick, raise the dead, cast out devils. They allowed God to complete work in their lives. But we depend on computers, television, satellites, telephones – technology, when Satan is the prince of the powers of the air. I wonder why we have no power.

"There are 5 reasons why the early church operated in power:

1: **Unity**, which was evident on the day of Pentecost. The blood – they were determined to stay in the upper room until they got power. For the church to obtain this power, they must be in unity. He will not come back for a church in disunity, but only for a bride whose heart is fixed and in one accord, waiting on the return of the bridegroom.

2: **Boldness**. Acts 4:20. God honored it. It came as a result of the presence of the Holy Ghost. Greater is he who is in you than... Who is in you? Jesus Christ. Who's that? The messiah, the anointed one. Regardless of the persecution they faced, they did not have a spirit of fear, but of a sound mind. You do not have a sound mind if you are in fear.

3: Love. In John13:35 Jesus said, "By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." Love is the true mark of discipleship. You can love and forgive anybody with his spirit on the inside of you. You ain't got to pray about it. If you can lay hands on someone else, you can lay hands on you. Satan does not want the preachers to come together, and before the churches can effectively come together, the preachers have to. We need the kingdom mentality and principles. Jesus made a very powerful statement in Mat 6:25, "do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink, or what you will wear. Is not life more than food and clothing... ... seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things will be added to you."

4: Steadfastness. We see in Acts 2:46 they centered their lives around the church. How many besides pastors do that today? James 4:7 says, 'Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.' The reason people do not resist the devil is that they do not submit to God. You have to stay in his word. A pastor ought to be like a drill sergeant, being there to drill the word of God into you, so that out there on the battlefield you know how to use your weapon. You need to pray for yourself,

encourage your self so that we are extensions of the church to others, including unbelievers.

5: **Yieldingness.** Is there anything small about God? Yes, his voice. Before making any decisions, the early church fasted and prayed, and listened to hear from God. We must be willing to lay aside all man-made doctrine.

"I see Jesus in you, and you, and you, but I also see the devil. 2013 is the year the curse is broken."

The Reverend Karen Lewis

"We can't conquer what we don't confront," began Karen Lewis. "Let's be real tonight. He's gotta be God everywhere, all the time. We can



President and founder of Women of Destiny, the Reverend Karen Lewis, as she addressed the churches of the alliance in April

change the body of Christ. If we've been doing something for 20 years or more and it ain't working, we have to throw it out. We <u>are</u> in the last days. Are we really walking in the word of God? How can we come together and work in unity?

1: **Prayer.** Simply speaking out the word of God from the mouth of the believer. We need to call a prayer meeting for the WBCA to pray together. When we want to see unity – to see the churches full, come together. Mat 18:18-19. Is it God's will to save, heal the broken hearted, to have us walk in unity? Yes, yes, yes!

We would break the back of the enemy if we could come together. One will chase 1000, two will chase 10,000, three would chase 100,000.

We are living in the days Joel wrote about – the pouring out of his spirit on all flesh. We are going to have to walk with God with a pure heart. I can't gossip and talk about the pastor across from me and expect that God is going to answer my prayers. Love covers a multitude of sins.

When I say, "I don't have time to work for unity," what I'm really saying is, "I don't have enough love." We need to link up arm-and-arm with our brothers and sisters. I need to focus on <u>mv</u> issues and **your** needs, but it seems it is usually <u>mv</u> needs and **your** issues.

- 2: **Coat Drive.** Read Mat 25:35, when you did it to the least of these, my brethren, you did it unto me. We could have it at one place. If we put all our resources **together**, we will reach out better. We could do this 3 or 4 times a year. We could feed them. We could let them see all the churches working together for it. The lost see us scattered and separated, so they want nothing to do with us.
- 3: **Festival.** At the next festival the City of Winder has, we could give out water like we did in 2011, and we could have scripture written on it like John 4:13-14. We don't even have to wait for the next festival. We could plan our own festival. We are too often too churchy, thinking we can do nothing if we are not inside a church building. When we become mature, we don't wait for the pastor to feed us. We need to take

the church – that's us by the way – outside the four walls. Just how hungry are you? How badly do you want to see the lost saved, the blind see, sick healed? How badly do you want to save this community?

- 4: Door-to-door. For years we've been saying that the Jehovah's Witnesses and the Mormons have been going door-to-door. Why aren't we doing it? Then, last summer, the Whole Body of Christ Alliance started doing it. Several Churches agreed to send people to help, but Brother Rick, Pastor Michael Smith, Pastor Linda Smith, Pastor Larry Percifield and a very few others were the only ones that showed up every time. We need to start taking the kingdom of God seriously and do what we say we're gonna do, and stop no-showing God. The students at Jesus Christ School of Discipling are doing it; not once a month but every Saturday. We need to get up off our pews and join them, and start acting like the body of Christ.
- 5: **Visit Other Churches.** In I Cor 1:10-11, Paul pleads with us to speak the same things, and that we do not let there be divisions among us. If you cannot submit to authority, you have not earned to be in a **place** of authority. We pray that, if it is fear, jealousy, competition, God will deal with it because whatever is on the head flows down to the sheep from the pastor to the people.

Ordination (from pg 1)

Brother Louis Huley opened the service in prayer, and Second Chance, a Gospel Group



The minister Stacy Harris



People in corporate worship



Sara Henson with Psalm 24



Pastor Robert Harris Old Testament



Bishop Wayne Moore of Dove Crossing Church with Eph 4:23

from Winder was introduced. Kenneth Price sang *I'm gonna Run* (while the blood is still runnin' in m veins), Robert Johnson sang



Brother Louis Huley prayed



Kenneth Price & Second Chance in song



Robert Johnson & Second Chance



Charles Swinton with Second Chance



Reasie Wright of Christ Outreach

God is Still in Charge, Charles Swinton sang Reap What You Sow.



Lonnie Harrington with Second Chance



The Minister Stacy Harris introduces her husband, The Reverend Bob Harris



The Reverend Bob Harris in sermon



Pastor Johnny Williams charging Bob Harris



The laying on hands of all the ministers in the congregation to Bob Harris

Stacy Harris, the minister introduced her husband, Bob Harris. He loves the Lord," she said of Bob, "He studies every morning. He is faithful. He takes care of his children and his grandchildren. He has all kinds of gifts that God wants to use, not just physical, but spiritual. He can fix anything. You can change no man; only God can change him. Bobby Louis Harris"

"I thank every one of you for being here," began Bob Harris. "I know that, if this was my funeral, these are the same folks that would be there.

"When I was out in the world, going to the clubs, my mamma told me one night, 'If you go out there, I hope the Lord speaks to you.' I went anyway. The people there began dancing 'The Hustle.' The Lord gave me a vision of all of them dancing in fire. It lasted about 45 seconds. It really messed me up for a while.

"In the book of Jonah we see that God will not take 'No' for an answer. The book of Jonah revealed, first the mercy of God, or in this case, the micro-mercy when he dealt with Jonah's rebellion, when he dealt with wicked Nineveh. It revealed second, the sovereignty of God. He gave us free will, but we err on it. We must not overemphasize the choice because we are free to decide what we do, but we are not free to choose the consequences. God has the last word in every situation.

"People say that God had to prepare a fish for Jonah, but that's not true. If he would have obeyed, no fish would have been needed. Are we gonna do it like Jonah, or get it right the first time. When you read Jonah chapters 1, 2 and 3, you see that in 1, he ran from God; in 2, he ran to God, and in 3, he ran for God. I thank God that I am in my right mind. A lot of folks are not in their right mind."

"God never consults a man's past," Pastor Johnny Williams, "to determine his future. Bob came here searching." Pastor Johnny turned to Bob, "You are not <u>for</u> everybody, but you <u>are</u> for somebody. This was the time for the presentation of the license and the charge.

"Everything God created is the solution to a problem – even you," Pastor Johnny continued.

"Your assignment involves looking at yourself as a problem solver. You are to receive a reward for it. Whatever you tolerate, you will not change. If your assignment is not recognized, you are not pursuing it. Bobby is a student. I hate ignorance. All ignorance is of the devil. Your assignment is always to a person or a people. It determines the attacks against you.



Hands on the newly ordained minister

What you have a heart for or love the most contains the greatest gift you contain. You succeed only where it becomes an obsession to you. People in your own family will not understand you, but that's okay; they did not understand Jesus either. Your assignment requires season's of preparation. You will



The Reverend Bob Harris with his certificate



Markita Sims in song

receive training, and then you will become a mentor for awhile. Everybody is not called to be a pastor. Your assignment will always have an enemy. Your assignment is the only place that your financial provision is guaranteed.

"Preachers nowadays are referred to as 'life coaches.' I am not a life coach. I am one of those people hell hates, and I hate hell."

All the ministers were called up front to lay hands on Bob Harris. Most of them responded. Markita Sims closed the service with the song *Because of Who You Are.*

Keep Marching

By: Donese Mercaldo

"In Joshua 6:1-5, 20, the Israelites were told to march around the wall of the impenetrable city of Jericho until it was time to blow the trumpets and shout," began Karen Lewis, president and



Karen Lewis opening the service in prayer

founder of Women of Destiny. "They did what God told them to do and, as the song says, 'The wall came tumbling down.' Keep marching around that wall; it is coming down. What the enemy fights the most is what he fears the most. If you have a prodigal son, daughter, or spouse, the powers of darkness are fighting them because they fear what God would do with them."

The song *God of the City* was played and everyone listened to this most appropriate song. "Greater things are yet to be done in this city," Karen continued. "We need to be watchmen on the wall for what comes into our city and into our homes. Do not let things through our gates, into our homes, or into our spirits. We must be holy as he is holy. Because greater things are to be done in our city. In the first chapter of I Samuel Hannah had a wall of low self-worth. In Genesis ch 4 Cain had a wall of anger and impending sin that God warned him about. He never dealt with his wall and murdered his brother. Cain's wall destroyed him.



Karen Lewis opening in prayer



First Lady of Braselton Tabernacle of Praise, Trency Jackson, and her son Jarvis did the praise and worship Music.



"Your wall may be your past. You don't have to be a captive to your past. Your wall may be financial, or it may be broken relationships. Keep marching around that wall. In Jericho it was it called for complete obedience. Obedience: Naaman was told to dip 7 times in the Jordan River; he dipped 7, not 5 times. Noah saved his family through obedience. Obedience is required for walls to come down.

Jericho was shut down because of the Israelites. Those in the city heard that the Israelites had plundered Egypt, parted the Red Sea & the Jordan, and defeated the Amorites.



Rick Hempton founder of the Whole Body of Christ Alliance on his knees in worship



Lynn Adams & Karen worshiping



Lynn Adams praying over the offering



The wall



Karen Lewis marches around the wall

"In I Pet 2:9 tells us, "But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, (see nxt colm)

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Keep Marching (from prev colm)

a holy nation, his own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." We are the ones that are supposed to making a difference. No wall can withstand the power of God. Satan always has a fortified wall for us. If we look at 1 Chron 7:14, we see that we always have a part.



The people join Karen in symbolically marching around the wall.

"The ark of the covenant was significant. It was right in the middle of the temple. We must keep God right in the middle. In Josh 6:16, the wall fell. We thank him before the wall falls – Thank you, Lord, that I have more than enough, that my family is saved. I thank you, Lord that my wall is falling down, my marriage is strong, that we are all in unity in this city."

As Karen marched around and around the wall, She was joined by Lynn Adams, then Anthony Bertsch, then many others. The moment was emotionally charged, and the song *God of the City* played again.

"Close your eyes," said Karen Lewis. "Is anyone here honest? You struggling with your past? You struggling with forgiveness? Be honest and come up for prayer."



Prayer over Annette Green



Prayer over Anthony Bertsch



Prayer over a tearful Sabrina Adkins



Annette Adams shares her experience



Sandra Ivie closed in prayer

Bible Knowledge

By: Mateo Raza
Answers to May questions:

They Did it First

- 1: Jeremiah's scroll, sent to King Jehoiakim, was burned piece by piece as it was being read to the king. Jer 36:21-23
- 2: Absalom led an attempt to overthrow his father, David. II Sam 15-18
- 3: Esther; her real name was Hadassah. Est 2:7
- 4: Cain; he named it after his son, Enoch. Gen Gen 4:17
- 5: Nimrod. Gen 10:9
- 6: Cain. Gen 4:8
- 7: At Cana of Galilee. John 2:1-11
- 8: The water in the river turned to blood. Ex

7:17-21

- 9: Saul. I Sam 9:27-10:1
- 10: Cain. Gen 4:11-12
- 11: Othniel. Judg 3:9
- 12: Simon Barjona (Peter). John 1:42
- 13: Rebekah. Gen 24:65
- 14: "You will not surely die." The serpent. Gen 3:4
- 15: Melchizedek. Gen 14:18
- 16: Pharaoh. Gen 41:42
- 17: The Raven. Gen 8:7

Are you ready for the June questions? Ready or not, here they come.

They Did it First

- 1: Where were the disciples first called Christians?
- 2: Who took the first census of the Hebrews?
- 3: Who was the first shepherd mentioned in the Bible?
- 4: Who were the first exiles in the Bible?
- 5: Who were the first twins mentioned in the Bible?
- 6: Who built the first altar?
- 7: Who built the first temple in Jerusalem?
- 8: Who planted the first garden?
- 9: Who was the first craftsman in metal mentioned in the Bible?
- 10: Who was the first farmer mentioned in the Bible?
- 11: Who was the first polygamist mentioned in the Bible?
- 12: What is the first of the Ten Commandments with a promise attached to it?
- 13: Who was the first Apostle martyred?
- 14: Who was the first child mentioned in the Rible?
- 15: What is the first color mentioned in the Bible?
- 16: Who planted the first vineyard in the Bible? Second in Line
- 1: At 969 years, Methuselah was the longest lived man in the Bible, who was second at 962 years?
- 2: Saul was the first king of Israel. Who was the second?
- 3: The first covenant God made with man was his covenant with Noah. With whom did he make the second covenant?
- 4: Paul's first travelling companion was Barnabas. Who was his second?
- 5: The first plague in Egypt was turning the waters of the river to blood. What was the second?

- 6: Othniel was the first judge of Israel. Who was the second?
- 7: Jacob's firstborn was Reuben. Who was his second son?
- 8: David's first capital was Hebron. What was his second, much more famous capital?
- 9: The serpent in Eden was the first talking animal in the Bible. What was the second?
- 10: Esther is the first book in the Bible that does not mention the name of God. What is the second?

Kings, Pharaohs, and Other Rulers

- 1: What king hosted a banquet where a phantom hand left a message on the palace wall?
- 2: What king of Israel was murdered while he was drunk?
- 3: What king of Salem was also a priest of the Most High God?
- 4: What king of Gerar took Sarah from Abraham?
- 5: What Hebrew captive interpreted the dreams of the Pharaoh of Egypt?
- 6: What king attacked the Israelites on their way into Canaan, only to be completely destroyed later?
- 7: What king of Sidon gave his daughter in marriage to Ahab king of Israel? Note: her real name was Iyzebaal, which means priestess of Baal. The Israelites, however, called Jezebel (or Jezebaal), which means whore of Baal.

Have fun with these questions. They're a little different.

As always, love in Christ,

Matt