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That which is Working

By: Richard Dean

"I was talking with a friend on the telephone a short



Jody Bennett of Unity on a Mission & Sec of the **Battlefield News on Board of Directors WBCA**

time ago, and she told me, 'I don't think I can do this anymore.' My friend, whom I will call Jill (not her real name), told me she didn't think she could work with the Whole Body of Christ Alliance any more because the people are not actually in unity; they just talk about it. (see pg 3)

Tears and Growth

By: Suzanne Johnson

Samantha Mangiafico has a testimony she has rarely shared. It is one that may bring tears to your eyes. That



Samantha Mangiafico in her testimony

is what happened with this reporter. It is one that the Battlefield News has been trying to get for some time. This reporter was finally able to get it from her, complete with some rare photographs. We present it to vou now:

A lot of people think I'm here because of my mom, Roxanne Shunk (Rock). She is just the (see pg 4)

Sandra's New Coffee House

By: Suzanne Johnson

"Hindsight is 20/20," Pastor Larry Percifield told the people at Sandra's New Coffee House on the first Saturday night of March when he gave his testimony.



Pastor Larry Percifield of Leap of Faith shares his testimony.

"You can see how God moved in certain situations and how he placed you where he wanted you to be. The Lord wants me right here, down the street at Living Hope, preaching and teaching and doing what I do there.

"In 1980, my wife was stepping out on me. So I beat the crap out of her and her boyfriend. Two police officers came to arrest me. I was so mad I (see pg 5)

Guarantors of Our Brothers

By: Suzanne Johnson

"In pursuit of unity in the body, we are like siblings,"



Rabbi David Otero of Tzur Yisrael said Rabbi David Otero of Tzur Yisrael (Rock of Israel) Messianic Congregation at (see pg 5)

Jesus is not a Bigamist

By: Jody Bennett

"When God calls you," began Pastor Willie Bryant of

Pastor Willie C Bryant of Unity CGC Unity Churches of God in Christ at the sixth night of the seven-day revival at Victory (See pg 7)

Holy Ghost Green Card

By: R. D. Hempton

"A divided house cannot stand," Bishop James Walker



Bishop James Walker of WBCA told the people of the Whole Body of Christ Alliance at the seventh day of the seven-day (see pg 9)

The Donkey in Your Life

Passover represents the death and resurrection of



Rabbanit Kim Otero of Rock of Israel

Messiah," Rabbanit Kim Otero of Tzur Yisrael on Friday the 13th at Unity on a Mission. "Hebrew is an ancient language and originally it was pictographic. Some say that 2020 is a year of vision. In the book of Habakkuk 2:2-4, the prophet writes the (see pg 10)

Sammy's Coffee House Returns

By: Suzanne Johnson

"For a year of my life I did not leave my house," shared Amy Nee at Sammy's Coffee House in March.



Amy Nee of Unity on a Mission

"I would go to the kitchen, to the bathroom, then back to hide in my bedroom. The years flowed together and I spent three years of my life doing absolutely nothing productive.

"I got a great job unexpectedly at Amazon, but I was still anxiety-ridden. There's no way I could have stood up here like this. I was afraid of (see pg 11)

Recognition and Edification

By: R. D. Hempton

When someone does a job and does it well, it was not necessarily for any sort of recognition. People who do



Suzanne Johnson received her diploma & certificate from Pastors Craig Parker & Dr Rock Shunk.

things because they must be done do not do them to be recognized. Recognition, however, is very important, as is edification. If we are willing to complain to the manager of an establishment about a substandard employee, are you just as willing to brag to the manager on an outstanding employee? One of the best books written in the 20th Century, just behind the Bible, was How to Win Friends and (see pg12)

It's Coming

By: R. D. Hempton

Almost everyone in the Whole Body of Christ Alliance knows that every January, April, July and October there is a seven-day revival at seven different churches.



Pastor Russell Page demonstrates the love of Christ that we must learn so we can imitate it.

The theme of these revivals is always unity in the body of Christ. The revivals are to revive us, all of us. There has been one such revival quarterly ever since April of 2011. This has been going on for nine years.

The seven-day revival came from a night spent in prayer by a man of God, Pastor Russell Page of Kingdom Realm Ministries. God showed him several things the alliance was to do, including the coffee houses to have a place to bring lost people who will not go to church and a revival that lasts (see pg 12)

On Prayer 83 **Touching God's Heart** (Part Two)

By: Mozelle Davis-Weeks

Having an appointment with God each morning can become mechanical. Prayers can be rote, even if we are committed to spending an hour or even a half hour with God. We can find that we are reciting a prayer or just seeing the printed pages of our Bible instead of actually being with him. We can just go through the motions until our quiet time becomes stagnant and God does not even communicate with us.

There was a man in my church who was speaking at a church meeting once. (I think he must've been having a bad day.) He said, "Ms Mozelle says that prayer is not just talking to God, but listening to what God says back, but this," he said as he held up his Bible, "says otherwise." I love this man and I was baffled because I was sure he knew better. My husband Richard, the Pastor of our church, speaks on it constantly, how prayer is supposed to be communication. I did not argue with the man. I never do in situations like that because it shows disunity at a time when unity in the body of Christ is absolutely crucial. I did, however, tell him later about Jer 33:3, "Call to me and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things that you do not know.'

There is more scripture of this kind as well, but the point is that God will communicate with us, provided we are ready. Prayer must be in a relationship with him, it must never be a formula. It is not a matter of saying something a thousand times, mechanically reciting a prayer from the Bible or one that you read or heard somewhere. It is not about shouting loud enough or confessing, "I'm healed!" Too often what we are really thinking is, "I hope I am."

Any problem can be solved by participating in a relationship with God, but if the relationship is not there, that means we've eliminated God and are praying to ourselves. The outcome of a formula or mere mechanics is that something comes into our mind that is not from the Holy Ghost. Therefore, we have an imagination instead of a revelation. And so the potential arises to have false faith that produces weird behavior instead of fruit.

I believe that all of us at one time or another have missed the mark. Our imaginations have carried us away from God. We were very sincere, and it's hard to understand how we could have missed it. How did we receive foolish leadership during intercession? We prayed and sought God. We maybe spoke in tongues for two hours. The answer is that it had become mechanical. We tried to make it work.

Garden of Life



Wade Carev

"I see. So what happened in that situation with Israel? Did their enemies win?'

"Nope. Many thousands of Israel's enemies were slaughtered for opposing God."

"That sounds pretty gruesome."

Jerry shook his head. "I'm afraid that sin and rejecting God are much more gruesome than that."

Both men finished laying the last handfuls of pine straw. Then they retired to the adjacent Back deck to sit down, catch their breath, and finish their discussion on prayer.

"So how is prayer like this pine straw?" Henry asked. So far, it seems like you're somehow holding back on me."

"Actually I am, so please stay with me. The important thing about prayer is that - just like this pine straw - it takes a lot of tending to. It also covers a large area of

your garden. Since I've been working on-and-off in this neighborhood for some time now, I know that the previous owners used to lay pine straw two or three times a year, just to keep it looking nice. If they had failed to do so, the existing pine straw would have simply faded into the dirt."

"Ah, so in the same way, are you saying that prayer has to be constantly tended to, or it will also fade?"

"Indeed I am. But I'm also saying a lot more than that. I believe that prayers to the Lord should be worship oriented, laser-focused, and broad-based. They should also be consistent, and for the most part, outwardly focused on others. Regarding this last item, you should largely be praying for the benefit of others, not just yourself. It takes dedication and perseverance to achieve what some folks refer to as being a prayer warrior, which is a worthy pursuit."

"Let's see," Henry said, thinking out loud. "I think I get the broad part, which means prayer should cover many things in life. But it should also be for specific people and things. Prayer should be consistent, which probably means it should be done with clockwork regularity. But what about the praying outwardly part? Can you zero-in on that for me a little? I want to make sure I understand what you're saying."

"Certainly. My personal thoughts on prayer tie in with a previous comment that God isn't a divine servant or a genie-in-a-bottle for each person to boss around. Sure it's good to pray for specific things in your own life. But in general, I suggest you focus your prayers on others who need them. In fact, I'd suggest you shoot for eighty percent or more of your prayers to be about the needs of your neighbor, not yourself."

Children of Tender Love

By: Jody Bennett

In Jinja, Uganda is the Tender Love Orphanage administered by Mr. Dominic Muggaga. There are precious few people in the alliance who help support these children. The Battlefield News brings you closer to some of those children and urges you to call the Battlefield News if you will do even the smallest thing to help them - (706)499-7976. There are things that may be junk to you, things you would give to the Goodwill, which, by the way, is not even a nonprofit organization any more, things you might even throw away, that would not be junk to them. There is a container at Unity on a Mission where you can bring those things that we may send to these children. It will not be there much longer, however, as we must send it. Act now, please



Mr. Dominic Muggaga director of Tender Love

Mrs. Rachael Muggaga director of Tender Love The Children's Village Project

In Eastern Uganda, the number of orphans and vulnerable children (semi-orphans and street children) is alarming and our contribution is but a drop in a ocean. The Ugandan government policy concerning orphaned children doesn't facilitate any form of foster care and relies completely on privately-run charity organizations to solve the crisis. There are many causes of the increasing number of orphans and street children, such as urbanization and industrialization, deaths due to HIV/AIDS, remarriage of women who have been deserted, divorced or widowed, an absence of love and security in families, family disputes, as well as unwanted pregnancies of girls who are victims of sexual trafficking and exploitation. These orphans

and street children are left without care and support and become involved in rag-picking, pick pocketing and participating in antisocial and criminal activities. Therefore we envisage mainstreaming these children in the national building by providing care, support and protection.

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Budget Class (from February)



Wade Carey
"Have you ever had a budget?" Wade Carey asked the
people at the budgeting class. "Have you ever had a budget and abandoned it? With every couple there is a spender and a saver. The spender will lead you bankruptcy and the saver never wants to have any fun. Right? You need to stay in the middle and use the truth in front of each other. I work on my budget constantly. All money aside, don't forget how important prayer is. Leisure activity is good, but too many people spend too much time in the leisure stuff.

If you want Christmas money, save for it the rest of the



Handling unplanned revenue: put it up for mercy funds (emergencies, unplanned expenses)

Tithe on all revenue.

Does money cause pain?

Gratitude The world -- The kingdom These are the things Gratitude for I do not have what I do have

To be continued

A Pastor's Mandate (Part Two)

By: the First Lady Karen Essiful-Ansah



First Lady Karen Essiful-Ansah

Thus the pastor's duty is first to himself (Jerusalem), his congregation (Samaria) and to those outside the pen (the ends of the world).

Being a pastor, as per the word's etymology, has to do with watching over the souls the Lord has handed over to his anointed one (pastor). The number of sheep does not really matter, but he must have sheep for who he must account on the last day. He is duty-bound to protect the saved souls in his charge. As aforesaid, the Evangelist tells those outside the pen about our Lord's finished work on Calvary and once they believe and receive Jesus as Lord and Savior, a pastor tends the lambs ensuring that they ultimately make it to Heaven. Hence the pastor must pray earnestly and ceaselessly for the sheep apart from teaching them so that they will mature and be equipped for the spiritual journey that begins when they receive Christ. One cannot stress more the need for the sheep to be taught so they can daily address issues they encounter under the direction of the Holy Spirit. It is problematic if the sheep

continue to be lambs, especially after years in the Lord. It is noteworthy that Paul, at this point, had this to say of the church in Corinth, "I, my brothers, was unable to talk to you as spiritual men: I had to talk to you as unspiritual, as yet babies in the Christian life, And my practice had been to feed you, as it were, with milk and not with meat. You were unable to digest meat in those days, and I don't believe you can do it now. For you are still unspiritual; all the time that there is jealousy and squabbling among you, you show that you areyou are living just like men of the world. While one of you says, 'I am one of Paul's converts' and another says, 'I am one of Apollos',' are you not plainly unspiritual?" (I Corth.3:1-4, Philips Bible). And again in Hebrews 5:12, we see, "For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food."

The pastor must pray also. So with the help of the Holy Spirit, he can guard and counsel them when necessary, always bearing in mind that he must account for each one of them one day. When the need arises he must be emboldened by the Holy Spirit and warn a sheep from going astray. There are times he will be led by the Holy Spirit to visit members at home to ascertain whether all is well in their lives.

The pastor's job is an onerous one, pure and simple, but the reward of a crown of gold and a mansion for eternity is worth it all. It is not a mere job or a joke. This is because any lapse could lead a sheep astray and ultimately to hell. This is serious business.

To be able to pass this great test, God's word has given us a standard in Titus 1:5-9, which should be every serious-minded pastor's daily checklist. This is because a pastor cannot but be right before God to start with and to remain holy to be able to fulfill this task of taking every sheep in his care to Heaven unless he adheres to these guidelines set down by Paul the apostle for a bishop.

The truth is that when one receives Jesus as Lord by God's grace, one is made right before God as man was before Genesis 3. Being righteous is being born again, but this merely begins a spiritual journey toward Heaven. This journey is made only by God's approved way, which is the way of holiness. Hebrews 12:14 tells us that without holiness we shall not see God.

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Testimony from Florida State Prison (Part Three)

What I must share with you is this: although most of us don't know and don't understand why we fall sick or lose things like jobs, houses and cars or lose people we love or believe we need in our lives, I can share with you what I believe about it. I believe things like this happen (or do not happen) because they are God's will or are not his will



Giovanni Rosado with his nephew Julian (Juju)

I believe there is God's perfect will and his permissive will. There is what he wants to happen and what he simply allows to happen. When I was small, I might ask my Gramma if I could watch television. If it was during the day, she usually did not mind and I would watch television, but she was not insisting I watch TV. It was her permissive will. If it was 9 o'clock at night, I would not be allowed. It was her perfect will that I not watch it because it was time for me to be asleep.

When I tried to stick a bobby pin in the electrical socket, my Papa wanted me to know very quickly how dangerous that was. Therefore, he wore out my behind. That king of chastisement almost never happened. It was very traumatic, but I never did it again. In the same way, sometimes we have to hit rock bottom and completely submit ourselves mentally, emotionally,

physically and spiritually, wholeheartedly to God our Father. He is waiting for us to fall on our knees, look up and reach out to him. He will take us by those hands reaching up, pick us up, comfort us, guide us and direct us. He allows us to fall into the most painful, hurtful and difficult ways and times. Then, when we think there is nothing left, he says, "Your thoughts are not my thoughts, neither are your ways my ways. You have done things your way and had to be allowed to be in pain and physical and spiritual captivity. Pick up your cross and follow me." If we allow him, he will lead us to freedom in Christ Jesus.

Come to him. What are you waiting for? Mat 6:33 tells us to seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and he will take care of us. Prov 3:5-6 says, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct your paths.'

Whether you are happy, sad, angry, sick or healthy, rich or poor, thank him, praise him and tell him that it's about his will, not yours.

In all of this, Hip Hop Hallelujah Ministry of Redemption was born, the ministry that was given to me. If inner city youth and young gang members can be lead to Christ by someone like me, if God can change me and love me, he can change and love anyone.

Thank you, people at Battlefield news. I love to read it on my bunk in my cell after I read the word of God. My Papa and Gramma Rick & Neyda Hempton have my contact information.

I love you, Papa and Gramma. Put that in the

Fathers, Be Men, Be Strong (Stand & stop being a sissy)

By: Greg Brockman



Greg Brockman, former member of the board of directors WBCA

Warning: Offensive truth coming at ya!

I've been a father now for over 28 years. I love all my children equally, but because of who they are, I do love them differently. Each one of my kiddos brings out a different side of me, a different part because they each are different and unique.

It is the same with Father God. Each one of us brings out a different part of him. While most dabble with cookie cutter religion, God himself wants to be known by you. He wants a relationship of communication with us. While he loves all of us equally and infinitely, no two of us have the exact same relationship. Sadly, most have none at all and know only about God, but do not actually know him.

Just as Satan has done his best to deceive the world into believing that Father God is not real, is not relevant and is not a good God, he has also inspired the world to do the same thing to natural fathers. Satan hates fathers because real fathers that truly know God are guided by God's word and are not easily manipulated by the opinions of ignorant but wellmeaning individuals. Just as God warns his children about the evils and the dangers of the world, so a good father will also do his best to warn, instruct and to discipline his own children. That is where the world gets offended and has blinded the minds of so many. "Don't you dare discipline those children!"

This ideology began to gain prominence because the liberal think tanks began to publish so-called studies and such condemning corporal punishment. These studies actually began to lift the children, and many times rebellious teens at that, above the authority of their own parents, but especially the fathers. This was the tactic of Satan himself in the Garden, was it not? He went around Adam, the father of all man kind, and went to Eve and deceived her. Notice he did not deceive Adam. The Bible says that Adam was not deceived. The adversary of our souls (see pg 4)

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"I can't even count how many people in the alliance have told me they would call me and I never heard from them. There are people who said they would help me, but never did. There is one woman, who found out I had been in a bad situation, who said, 'Why didn't you say something? I would've helped. I did say something and she never helped."

"I know you are in a bad space right now, Jill," I told her, "but, don't forget the people who have helped you out, the people who did call you back. And you are right; not all are in unity. That is why we hold the seven-day revivals - so we never stop working to obtain that unity. You were not around in 2010, but if you compare where we were in 2010 to where we are now, you can see it - how far we have come. I know you are in a bad space, but speaking negative things will not help. Speaking them will make them worse, however. Instead, what if we need to look for the things that are working - the people and ministries that have been changed for good because we are doing what we are doing? There are people and ministries that work together that would not even know each other if we had not been doing this." "You're right," she said, "it's just that the things which God tells you, you have to act on. I had a plan for the ministry God directed me to. I am carrying it out. I had the vision to build what I have been doing. I put it on paper - wrote it down so I could carry it out. Habakkuk 2:2 says, 'Write the vision make it

'I'm sorry, Jill. I have to pull you back on track here. Habakkuk 2:2 is talking about a vision - a revelation, an oracle; not a plan to do something. I know a lot of people misunderstand that piece of scripture. They think it is talking about a vision statement, or a mission statement. The Hebrew word there is Khaw-zone. It means the oracle itself, not the plan you make to carry out what God has shown you. It is the vision itself. I'm not saying we should not make a plan and write it down. We should, but that is not what Hab 2:2 is saying."

"We <u>do</u> need to make a plan and write it down. Has anyone in the Whole Body of Christ Alliance ever actually done that?"

"It's in the Battlefield News, Jill, page seven. It <u>has</u> been written down."

"I've never seen that. Does it come out in every issue?"

"Yes, every issue, page 7."

"I just see so much that is wrong. There's one person that has to run outside and smoke during the revivals. They miss a lot. Then they come back in and lay hands on people smelling like smoke."

"Sweetie, you are in an uncomfortable place right now. We've all been there. It makes us look at things in a negative light. It has happened to me more than once. I cannot allow myself to stay there if I am going to continue to do the work of our Lord. I must focus on the things that <u>are</u> working." "I am a seer," she continued, "Pastor James Walker is a seer. Pastor James Loyless is a seer. I am just saying what is the truth."

"Jill, there is a Hebrew word – lashon harah. It means 'evil speech.' It is a sin. It includes gossip and false witness, but it also includes speaking negative things about people, even things about your self. It includes griping and complaining. It also includes negative things that you believe are true. It's one thing to bring it up in an attempt to help correct it, but another thing just to speak it because it happens to be true. You can bring it up to them. You can pray for them. But if there is nothing you can do to change it, you have to dwell on the good, not the things that are wrong."

"Well, I don't have to associate with people like that."

"No, you're right. You don't. But, don't forget, with all these things that you see wrong with other people. Mat 7:1 tells us not to condemn or we will be condemned. What I have to do in these situations is look at myself. I may not smoke and lay hands on people, but I know there are things about me that have to change to be more like the Lord. If I concentrate on what is wrong with everybody else, it makes it real hard to concentrate on what I can do to make myself more like my Lord. There is so much that is right – that is working - for me to be too upset about what is not." These conversations take place in the work of God anywhere. I ask you, all of you, to do good, not to do evil, not to speak evil, even if you perceive it is true. Bring these things to a member of the board of directors. If the person is not acting as they should, it will come out. But do not commit lashon harah. When you speak about some one, as Pastor Billy Angel says, you are prophesying over them.

Fathers, Be Men, Be Strong

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seeks to go around earthly fathers and attack their children. Many times he does this through well-meaning relatives or through government agencies.

I'm not defending child abuse here. Nor am I defending truly bad men who pretend to be fathers, so straighten your drawers out. I am, however, saying that good, loving fathers can not be replaced in the lives of their children. It is required of good, loving Fathers to discipline their children (Prov 13:24). Fathers who do not discipline their children are abdicating what God has called us to do: no matter what the world says.

"If a man has a stubborn and rebellious son who will not obey the voice of his father or the voice of his mother, and, though they discipline him, will not listen to them, then his father and his mother shall take hold of him (shall lay hands on him forcefully), bring him out to the elders (drag him before the elders) of the city and then say: 'This our son is stubborn and rebellious; he will not obey our voice...' Then all the men of the city shall stone him to death with stones. So you shall purge the evil from your midst, and all Israel shall hear, and fear." Deut. 21:18-21 Stubbornness and Rebellion are called "witchcraft" in God's word. The greater part of witchcraft uses manipulation to control people and make them do what you want them to do instead of

what God's word says to do. I'm not saying we should stone our children today, but I am saying that an unruly child needs to be made to feel ashamed about their actions. Period! Prov 13:24 says, "Whoever spares the rod hates his son, but he who loves him is diligent to discipline him;" Eph 6:4, "Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord; Ex 20:12, "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you."

What is so tragic is that so many esteem their own high-minded opinions above God's word! If that offends you then good! God's word isn't meant to play patty cake with us; it is meant to train us up in the way that we should go. It is meant to make men that will stand strong in the gate and turn the battle away from the innocent ...

I'm telling you God is looking for some good men that will be fathers of sons and fathers of daughters, that will discipline their own children and raise some that will become their own children! To hell with all the pansy religion and patty cake Christianity bowing down to the world and begging forgiveness from the devil for offending him!

Fathers stand strong, be men, be diligent to love your children, to discipline them, to watch out for them and to love your wives as Christ loves those that know him. Though the world think you are nothing, you are, in fact, the keepers of the keys to the Kingdom.

1 Corinthians 16:13 Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong.

- So Be I

BFN note: Since the late 1960s the media has played a big part in this. Most every sit-com about families portrays the husband or father as a brainless dope and the mother as all-wise. Christians, demonstrate to the networks that they can no longer tell you what you like. Refuse to put that particular channel on while those shows are playing.

The existence of government assistance has made it a disincentive for fathers whose families received government assistance to stay with their families, made it so that mothers get more money if they have more children, but not if they marry the father of those children. Fathers, during the course of just a few years were shown that they were not needed and actually, not at all wanted. Clearly, this was a lie as demonstrated by the number of children growing up physically, but falling for every trick the enemy has thrown at them: drugs, homosexuality, fornication (leading to more unplanned pregnancies, abortions and fatherless children), gang violence, lack of self-respect or respect for others, etc. We may not be able to change that about the world, but we do a lot of talking about being in the world, but not of the world. Let's put our actions where our mouth is. If you need government assistance, you may have to weigh the word of God with the disincentives of the world (the enemy) to obey God. If you are struggling with this, speak to you pastor. If you don't have a real pastor, get one.

Tears & Growth

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icing on the cake. At 16, I got pregnant, and like most 16-year-olds, I thought I knew everything.



Samantha & daughter two-year-old Tabby before the diagnosis

At first I thought I'd go into the army because all my family came from a disciplined background. I was used to discipline and would travel to Japan or wherever they sent me. I had a plan. I knew what I was going to do. Some one told me, "You can't go into the army while you are still a virgin because they will all make fun of you." So the first time I was ever with a guy, I got pregnant — shocker! I knew there was nothing I could do about it and that the army was out of the question.

I was still in high school, so I went to the counselor and told her I did not feel good being pregnant in high school and asked her what I could do. She said, "Actually, you can leave right now. You have all the credits you need." Praise God. God already knew I was going to mess up and I got to graduate early.



Prior to the leukemia diagnosis

I had my baby and was always working two or three jobs, which didn't work well because my child was acting like the babysitters that took care of her because I was not there. My brother's wife was watching her and she got sick. They took her to the hospital. The doctor called me at work and told me I was a pretty sorry mom to be working while my daughter had double pneumonia and bronchitis. I had no idea she was that sick. So I went to the hospital and we were there three or four days. I started thinking really hard, "You're working too much. Your kid is acting like all the baby sitters and the doctor yelled at you like she was your mama."

Mom had been trying to get me to come to work with her at the trucking company. I would've rather jumped out the window than work at the trucking company. I really did not want to work there and be the boss' daughter. Mom laughed at me and said, "Well, this job is not going to work like that because you will be on commission; if you don't work, you don't get paid.

That is when I came to work for my mother at the trucking company and I was able to spend more time with my daughter. Suddenly, my little girl started getting unexplainable bruises. My babysitter asked one of my friends if I was beating her. I may be a lot of things, but a child beater is not one of them.



Tabby while in remission



The Make-a-Wish Foundation found out Tabby's wish was to meet Snow White and they sent her to Disney world.

My friend told me, "You may wanna look into this a little more; those bruises look kind of bad." Then, at a birthday party, one of the kids bit her on the arm and it spread all the way up her arm. I knew something was not right and called the doctor's office. I told them about Tabby's bruises. I didn't know that the enemy was plugging my friend and, at that point in time, I did

not know that her child had been taken away. I was leery of the people at the doctor's office because I didn't want them to try to take Tabby away from me. The lady at the doctor's office said, "Well, I can't promise you anything, but if they are as bad as you think they are, you should bring her in."

Instead of that, I talked to my mom and asked her to look at it. She told me I was not feeding Tabby right. I started cooking healthy and giving Tabby a Flintstone vitamin every day.



Tabby the week before she went to be with Jesus She got a fever and I thought she was getting a cold and I stayed up with her a couple of nights. The she had only one sippie cup to drink to drink all day and she threw it up. At the time, her temperature was 104.7° . She was not urinating and was dehydrated. So I grabbed her up and took her to the hospital in Gainesville.

After running some tests, the doctor told me she had leukemia. I did not know what that was, but I asked him what he was going to do and he told me that they were going to life flight her to Atlanta.

I still didn't know what leukemia was and they had been treating me so badly that the doctor just walked out before I could ask him. I went out and called my sister. Then I walked back in and cornered the doctor, asking him, "How sure are you that my daughter has leukemia?" He said about 98%.

There was a real bad wreck on I-85, so the helicopter had to go there and could not take Tabby to Atlanta. So we went in an ambulance and, upon arrival, they took her straight back When I had answered all their questions, they took me to her and the sign on the wall said Aflac Cancer Center.

I still didn't know what leukemia was and they said, "We're gonna give you a tour because this is where you will be living for the next couple years. I took the tour and was so exhausted the doctor told me to get some sleep. I slept about an hour and when I woke up, they said she was in surgery.

For a couple weeks she was still talking, but she was madder than an old wet hen. I spent the next 2 ½ years in outpatient. It was rough. One day they would say she would be up saying, "Hey, guys!" The Lord was working through her more than I realized at the time.

She had friends 18-years-old and friends five-yearsold. Every one of her friends passed away. She always met every kid that passed away and all her friends always passed away.

She did not talk at first for a couple of weeks because she was mad at me for letting them do all those things to her, but after the first ICU incident, they brought her to her room and she didn't talk for two or three days. Then I asked her, "Do you wanna go outside?" She was all about that. They unhooked her from the pole and when she went out the door, all the staff gave her a standing ovation. She was Ms Hollywood after that. She didn't like losing her hair, but she was all about coming in and greeting and talking to everybody.

We were in the hospital most of the time, so I would lose whatever house I had. God was getting me ready not to need material things. I hardly ever got any sleep because I didn't want to miss it when she left. My

daughter and I had a conversation and I told her, "Pretty soon you're gonna get to go be with Jesus and you won't have to worry about hurting. There won't be anymore pokies or medicine. You will just run and play and not worry about anything."

She said, "Okay, Mama, but when I go to be with Jesus, will you do one thing? Will you hold my hand?" I told her I would. But I fell asleep, woke up and said, "Holy smoke!" I went to check on her and she was still breathing, but she was not waking up. I didn't know it at the time, but it was the Holy Spirit that woke me up and told me what was about to happen.

I was on the couch and the nurse told me I'd better get in there and tell her it was okay to go. I held her hand and as soon as I told her, "Baby girl, it's okay t go see Jesus," that was it. So I thanked the Lord that he woke me up.

When we were kids, my mom made us get on the church bus, so I had a limited knowledge of who Jesus was. But what God did for me through all of that with Tabby was show me that I had to know that I knew. So when she was buried, the enemy came to me and said, "So do you really believe?" I could not, at the time, answer "yes." But I knew that I was going to find out. I was on a mission to do just that. I went to every church around and Bible colleges. I can say today that I wouldn't be here if all that had not happened in 2002. I can stand in front of you and tell you that Jesus is real. The enemy will always come and try to give you doubt, but you can know that you know. All glory to God.

Sandra's New Coffee House

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decided to take on the police. That doesn't usually work out because as soon as I turned on one, the other



Pastor Larry Percifield (Mr. Coffee) was MC at Sandra's New Coffee House and he opened in



The tableware at Sandra's for the great food which has always been free



Chili and Gumbo



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Guarantors of our Brothers

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the fifth installment of the seven-day revival of January 2020. "In Gen 37 to 50, we see the story of Joseph. He told his family of his dreams and his brothers hated him so much that they threw him into a pit and sold him into slavery. His father Jacob mourned and refused



Rock Shunk, hosting pastor, welcomed all the people to Friday Night of the seven-day revival and introduced Chi Efobi from Nigeria to open in



Chi Efobi opened in prayer.

"We are here to be revived in our faith in Jesus Christ. After he went to Heaven, his Talmidim gathered in the upper room in one accord, in unity. They received the Holy Spirit and the New Testament Church was born. Three thousand souls came to Christ. Therefore this is a new beginning for you all.

to be comforted. Fast forward; there was a famine in Cana-ahn (Canaan) so the sons of Jacob went to Egypt and met the second most powerful man in Egypt (Joseph), who said they were spies and demanded proof of who they were. Shim'on (Simeon) was left

there and they went to get their brother Benjamin.

"Gen 42:21, each one of the brothers was confronted with their guilt. In 42:37, Reuben guaranteed his father that he would return Benjamin if his father would allow Benjamin to go. No one should ever have to deal with the death of their child. In 43:9, Y'hudah (Judah) offered to his father himself as collateral for borrowing

Benjamin.



Daniel (D Earl) Gilstrap brought the worship music "We worship here on Friday nights and it is Shabbat."



People in worshij



Pastor Larry Percifield spoke about the importance of the coffee houses in the alliance.

"There used to be five coffee houses every month.

L've seen a lot of miracles in them."



Dr Mary Neal of One People Ministries spoke on unity in the body of Christ.



Patricia Davenport of Unity on a Mission conducted the Battlefield News offering



Pastor Craig Parker of Allegiance Ministries read Mat 6:33

"Why did Yisrael (Israel, also called Jacob) accept Judah's offer, but not Reuben's? Judah is the one that

presented Ya'akov (Jacob) with the bloody clothing of Joseph. Then Judah moved away and in Gen 38, Judah's sons were evil and God killed them. This was very heavy for Judah. Because of this, he was able to relate to the grief of his father Ya'akov over Yosef (Joseph). Many of us have gone through experiences that have become witnessing tools.



After the sermon Pastor Billy Angel conducted the love offering for the main speaker.



Rabbanit Kim Otero of Tzur Yisrael provided the closing comments.



Rabbi David Otero prayed the benediction and opened the altar for people who needed prayer.



Prayer over Nina Percifield

"In 44:32, Judah pleaded with Joseph. He offered himself as guarantor for his little brother Benjamin. He said to take him instead. No one did that for Joseph. Where do we find unity? We find it when we become guarantors for our brothers. In the first part of Genesis, there was one who opposed this concept – Cain. He asked, 'Am I my brother's keeper?' The answer to that question is yes.

"Judah made himself guarantor for his brother. You veterans, you were guarantors of those you defended. In the military, if someone is missing, you organize a search party. How much more should this be in the body of Christ? Messiah said if one was lost, he would leave the 99 to find the one. Believers can be separated on emotional or even doctrinal issues. If we cannot come together and love each other, work with one another anyway despite this, there will never be unity in the body.

"This is the ministry of reconciliation. When we become guarantors of each other, Messiah suffers on behalf of the world. The Jews know, but it has been hidden by the adversary. There was a Hasidic group in Europe in the 1800s that said Messiah would repair all the damage done throughout history. Messiah serves as a guarantor for us. John 10:16 says, 'I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must also bring them and they will hear my voice and there will be one flock and one shepherd.' John 15:13 says, 'Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.' John 10:15 says, 'I lay down my life for the sheep.' John 10:17-18 explains that no one took the life of Yeshua; he lay it down, he had the power to lay it down and to take it up again. Those who crucified him had the power to take his life, but no one had the authority to take it. He had the authority and he did. He is the model of sacrificial love. In the flesh it is impossible, but being conformed to the likeness of

Yeshua Messiah, we grow and gain the ability to display sacrificial love, to walk it out to greater and greater degrees.

greater degrees.
"This is the heart of Yosef (Joseph), of Messiah, of the Father in Heaven. My wife (Rabbanit Kim Otero) is a guarantor for her mother and writing a book on her behalf, She Who Fights from the Rear. A guarantor places the good of others before the good of themselves, whether the others are related biologically or like brothers.

"All have experienced the loss of a loved one and Messiah is able to give that peace that passes all understanding. God gives us the power to make right what we did wrong. We cannot change what is in the past, but in moving forward, we can magnify Messiah. "John 13:35 says, '...love one another as I have loved you...' This speaks volumes to nonbelievers. It is impossible in the natural, but in the Spirit of Messiah we can do all things."

Sandra's New Coffee House (from pg 5)



Yummy

The food at Sandra's is always great. There was Chili and Gumbo, cornbread, sandwiches and all sorts of deserts. People always feel at home at Sandra's.



Ms Ellie Cooper digs in



Nina Percifield helps her self while Phil Bryan chows down at the table



Sharon Bryan



Ms Betty Jackson & Kathy Crotsley



Logan Johnson ready to chow down as soon as he gets off the phone

one hit me with a black jack. When I came to, I was face down in the back of a squad car. I went to jail and my daddy let me sit there for a week so I could think things over, but it just made me madder.



Jerry Mitchell was the first performer
Jerry Mitchell was the first to perform at the new
location of Sandra's Coffee House at 8187
Pendergrass Road in Hoschton. He touched the
hearts of the people, who were praising and
worshiping as he sang.









The reverend James Mays chats with Sandra and Wanda Stevens



Pastor Allen Stevens of Living Hope and the First Lady, Wanda Stevens



Henry and Debra Light

"When I got out, I was invited to a church in Lakeland, Florida. They had an altar call and the Lord touched my heart. He led me down to the altar. I prayed the 'Sinner's Prayer' and was granted salvation. At least, that's what I thought, but not much actually changed in

my life. I tried to clean up my language and I tried to do this and clean up that.



Sandra Dixon & Christie Williamson



Debra Light & Michael Reardon of New Life Worship Center were the second performers.



Debra & Michael were joined by Sandra Dixon "I came up to Georgia and eventually, in 2002 I started with Living Hope. I knew something had to change because I had a real bad temper. One day I went down to the altar again and told the Lord, 'Here I am. Use me.' That's what he's been doing ever since."

The new location of Sandra's Coffee House worked very well and everyone appeared to have a good time. The important thing about the coffee houses, however, is that we can bring our friends and family that we could never get to come to church.

Jesus is not a Bigamist

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Deliverance Center in Winder, "he calls you by yourself. There are many things we do not understand in growing the body. We are not to be conformed to this world, but transformed by the renewing of our minds (Rom 12:2)



Pastor Elsa Moran, associate pastor of Aliento de Vida opened the service in prayer. "Brother Rick has asked me to pray in Spanish. God understands all languages."



Freed and Forgiven, Robbie Chandler, Lisa Johnson and Renee' Lewis, provided the worship music.



People in worship

"Jesus said in John 3:3 that unless we are born again, we cannot see the kingdom of God. Things in the body are contaminated by the things of (see pg 8)

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Isaiah 61:1-3

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Jesus is not a Bigamist (from pg 7) the world. How many gods are there? There are many, but there is only one true and Living God. It is unity that brings us to that oneness.



News Church) translated as First Lady Edith Reves de Ortiz spoke in Spanish.



Rick Hempton founder of the Whole Body of Christ Alliance spoke on Ms Mary's House of Hope and Unity in the body of Christ.



Jody Bennett of WBCA board of directors conducted the Battlefield News offering.

"Eph 4:13, 'Until we all come to the unity of the faith.....to a perfect (mature) man....the fullness of Christ.' There is too much world being preached instead of the word of God. A lot of the things we think we know are just junk. Until we come to realize the

things that we have wrong, we don't have it. There is so much misunderstanding of the word of God. People read and do not understand. For instance, when Jesus said, 'If I be lifted up...' one of the things he was saying was how he was going to die. He wasn't shot or stabbed. To get to real unity, we have to do it the way it is outlined - no shortcuts.



David Lyles, acting associate pastor, hosted Saturday night of the seven-day revival in the absence of Pastor Michael Smith, who was called away at the last moment. Pastor David was MC and introduced the main speaker Pastor Willie Bryant.



"We are the church. Rick said there are over 9000 denominations in this country, but when the Lord comes back, it will be for only one church. He is coming for his bride and he is not a bigamist. The worst thing is that it would make his death to be in vain. He was obedient even unto death. We let self take control: 'I don't have to take that; I'm an apostle; I'm a bishop,' etc.



Pastor Andre Johnson, manager of Freed and Forgiven & husband of Lisa Johnson.

"I had to refuse the pastorship of a church today because they wanted me to preach outside the word of God. Many people have misunderstandings of the word of God. Jesus did not die to give us another religion. We need a relationship, not a religion.



Pastor Scott Bagwell of Braselton Tabernacle of Praise conducted the love offering for the speaker. "What Rick had to deal with in the beginning was not very pleasant. I think I was one of those. I asked him, 'How many times can you preach on unity and it not be boring? How many times do we preach on unity?' He said, 'until they get it.' Gen 11 and Acts 2 are the other side of it. Thank all of you for all you do. Thank you Rick, Jody, Herman. Every time I Herman is there. Thank

"When God says something, because he said it, he will stand by it. I told God, 'Whatever you want me to do I'll do it. If we'd come together and do what God said, there would be no diabetes, heart disease or Corona Virus. It is time to get the real word and be real with Christians. We talk like God is gonna give us the unity he told us to achieve. He gave us an assignment and we wanna turn around and give it back to him. You will never be able to see Jesus until you are able to see me,

to see your brothers. Mat 25, 'if you have done it to the least of these my brethren, you have done it to me.

"If somebody is in a bad situation and I told them not to do it, am I supposed to refuse to help them because they put themselves there? Almost every one of us, when we are in a bad situation, we put ourselves there. God put that person there so we could help them. Gal 6:1 tells us if a man is found to be in a trespass, 'you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted.' God demonstrated his love for us when he gave his son.



Pastor James Loyless, apostle of Aliento de Vida read Eph 4:1-6.



The reverend James Mays of Sons of Light provided the closing comments and opened the altar for prayer.



Prayer over Pastor Mary Tate of House of Hope



Prayer over Herman Parks the Bible teacher from Alternative View



Prayer over little Rylee Bennett and her 13-year-old brother, the young man of God and chaplain of **Future Farmers of America, Bryce Bennett**

"Jesus said it was the little foxes that spoil the vine. It's not only the big things you do that will send you to Hell; it's all those little things. We've gotta get it right. This is a good place to start looking at what we need to do for unity in the body. Everything we need, God is gonna give us. We are the body; just don't try to be the head

"It all started in the Garden of Eden. We have not even come to realize how great a fall Adam fell. But we have an opportunity to overcome all that. We might be able to get ourselves right. We cannot get others right. "Jesus said we are one. It could be like the day of Pentecost in Acts chapter two tonight. We just have to take the initiative to allow him to work through us. If we could do it all by ourselves, then his death was for nothing. When Jesus carried that cross, he fell and Shim'on (Simon) of Cyrene helped him. If Jesus

needed help, so do I.

"I am learning to please God. The main thing we deal with is being obedient. Study the word of God to find those things that help to overcome that disobedience. Naaman thought it was stupid to dip in the Jordan River, but he did it and it worked. It is not the act itself that is so important, but the obedience. Even when he was on the cross, we would have missed the whole thing if he had not forgiven those who crucified him. He refused the gall in vinegar so he could say that he felt all the pain. Most people don't understand all that he really took for us. Now that you know him, you can say what you can do for him.

"I pray that this alliance continue on. God is in it and there are many things in it that show you that God is in it. For instance, why am I here right now? God will put people in your life. God will line you up and if you do not succeed, it will be because you don't want to.

"A prophetess once told me, 'Because you are not doing what you are supposed to be doing, a lot of lives have been lost.' It is important that we come together because I am your strength and you are my strength. This vision that God gave one man could become a world-wide thing."

Holy Ghost Green Card

(from pg 1)

revival. "Sometimes we look at each other and say, 'They are not up to my standards.' We have to become one. It is vital. It is for the life of the Kingdom of Heaven. We are still not there



Pastor Allen Stevens was MC and hosting pastor & greeted everyone at the beginning of the service. We are kingdom people. The Lord God Almighty is still our king. It is time we stood up and made a difference in this world together."



The reverend James Mays of Sons of Light opened in prayer.



Promised Land provided the worship music

"I have enjoyed unity today with Pastor Allen and the First Lady, Ms Wanda. This morning I was here at church. Then I went and had a meal, a nap, a movie and now I'm back here at church. Let's stop making our differences be our focus.

"In Mat 12:22 to 28 a demoniac blind and mute man was brought to Jesus. He healed him and cast out the demon. The crowd was amazed and asked, 'Could this be the son of David (meaning the Messiah)?' The P'rushim (Pharisees) said he cast out demons with the

help of the ruler of demons. Jesus said 'Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and every city or house divided against itself will not stand... ... If I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you.'



David Coile & Missy Victory: Promised Land



Pastor Billy Angel of Kingdom Life Refuge spoke on unity in the body of Christ.



The thirteen-year-old chaplain of the Future Farmers of America, Bryce Bennett holds the Battlefield News as he conducts the offering for it.



Scott Lance, the evangelist from Hoschton Baptist



Many people came forward to pray at the altar after Scott spoke.



Bishop James Walker, president board of directors WBCA was the primary speaker.

"There is an ingredient missing, something we're not getting. If someone came here blind, mute and full of demons, how would he leave here? How can someone have authority over Democrats if he is a Republican? How can he have authority over blacks if he is white, unless he is slipping around hanging with the devil? How stupid is that?

"Jesus would tell demons to get out and they did. The key is there was unity. Here if they don't get out we are supposed to cast them out. Houston, we've got a

"They told me I could no longer be the pastor of that church in Gainesville, but I still had keys. A lady called me at 10pm and said, 'My daughter has demons. If you can help her right now, I can get her there, but not tomorrow.' I told her to bring the girl now and I cast out the demons. She got rid of all kinds of witchcraft books, pentagrams and drug paraphernalia.



Rabbi Rick Sipe of Ruakh Adonai Alai blew the shofar.



Rabbi Rick of the WBCA board of directors conducted the love offering for the keynote speaker. "Acts 4:32, all in one heart and soul, everyone shared everything. If you asked one of the brothers for his coat, he would give it to you. That is exactly how Bishop James Walker is. People's lives change for the better every day because of what this family does. So I ask you to give. It's not yours anyway; it's God's"



Rabbi Rick prayed.

"You citizens of the kingdom of Heaven, you command righteousness in the White House; it is not the White House that is to command righteousness in the church. Democracy is <u>not</u> of God. It is the **kingdom** of God. People in the church are always trying to vote on everything. It is the **kingdom** of God. The king decides. People in general are too full sin to run things or decide things for the kingdom. It is the king that rules.

"You are not just a citizen of the US; you are a citizen of the Kingdom of God. Whose Father? Ours! Our Father who is in the White House? No! In Heaven! When a kingdom is set up, they set up a house: the governor's mansion, the White House, etc. Jesus set up a house. What is it? The church! We are too busy planting some body else's field. That's not your field. If you try to take the government's standards to replace the standards of God, you have given away your power and authority just like Adam. Are you a Democrat? Are you a Republican? The power of God is the power to change things. You may be a citizen of the US, but to be able to work for the Kingdom of God, you have to be a citizen of the Kingdom of Heaven. You may be a worker in the church, but you don't have your Holy Ghost green card. What language do the citizens of the kingdom speak? Holy Ghost! Some people say you cannot speak in tongues in public. Tongues: even the Baptists and the Nazarenes speak in tongues more than those people do. If we are gonna connect in the

those people do. If we are gonna connect in the kingdom, we have to be able to speak the language.

Get your Holy Ghost green card.

Statistically speaking, people in church live a average of three years longer than people who are not and they have lower blood pressure. And Jesus said the gates of Hell will not withstand it.

"We gotta become a kop: keep on plowing. Here we don't 'fake it 'til you make it.' In the Whole Body of Christ Alliance, we have the real thing., this unity of people.

"We need you, Lord, to show up at these WBCA revivals. Father, I am hungrier for you than ever before.

"I don't wanna tell you how many degrees I have or how well I preach. If there is a hell-on-earth, it is in <u>my</u> back yard. I have seen the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth. I know what it is like for somebody to burn my house to the ground because I am living for the Lord.



Pastor Russell Page of Kingdom Realm provided the closing remarks.



When Pastor Russell removed his jacket, what was on the inside could be seen.



David Coile resumed worship music while Pastor Russell called all who would to come to the altar.



Prayer over Pastor Mary

Prayer over T'Wayne Hills

Prayer over Troy Fletcher



Prayer over Ms Ellie Cooper

"Citizens of Heaven, God made Earth like Heaven, not like Hell. You are not defeated. No uncircumcised Philistine in Congress is gonna tell you who to worship or how to worship. God said in II Chron 7:14, 'If my people who are called by my name will humble them selves and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from Heaven, forgive them of that wickedness and heal their land.'

People, come to this altar and pray in tongues for this land."

The Donkey in your Life

(from pg 1)

Lord's answer to him. He says, 'Write the vision and make it plain.' We have all heard it and most of us have heard some pretty far out explanations of it. But the Hebrew word that is translated 'vision' is Khawzone. It means the actual revelation or oracle from God, not some great idea someone had and not a vision or mission statement. Habakkuk had some insight for biblical vision of Messiah. Messiah tarries, but we wait for him.



The reverend Dr Rock Shunk (Doc Rock) introduced Rabbanit Kim.



Doc Rock lovingly refers to Rabbanit Kim as "Babushka," because she always wears a scarf (Babushka)

"In Rev 19:10, Yochanan (John) fell at the feet of a man, or possibly an angel, to worship him. The man said, 'Don't do that; I am your fellow servant with you and your brothers who have the testimony of Yeshua. Worship God! For the testimony of Yeshua is the spirit of prophecy.' A real prophet will always point to Messiah. All real prophets have this in common: a call to repentance. Both the revelation of Messiah and the call to repentance are seen in Prov 29:18, 'Where there is no revelation the people cast off restraint, but happy is he who keeps the law.' In other words, people are unrestrained. In Hebrew this word is Paw-rah, It also means to expose or be naked, to live in sin and be without the covering of the Lord. With Adam and Khawvah (Eve), it was the first thing they noticed: that they were naked. If you have no vision of who the Messiah is, you are uncovered



Rabbanit Kim Otero of Tzur Yisrael

"The Corona virus is spherical with little nodules around it that resemble crowns, many crowns, hence the name 'Corona.' Realize this, however: there is only one king.

"You cannot come to Jesus without realizing that sin separates you from him and you cannot see through the filthy lens of sin. Correction and repentance are the way to the Father. We don't want correction. No one likes it. God disciplines those he loves because you cannot see the Messiah through dirty lenses. Prov15:10 says. 'He who hates correction will die.'

"Is 53:5 says, 'He was wounded for <u>our</u> transgressions, he was bruised for <u>our</u> iniquities; the chastisement of <u>our</u> peace was upon him, and by his stripes <u>we</u> are healed.' To receive correction is an act of worship. Imbedded in our understanding of Jesus is that some wounds hurt and there are some that heal. Correction hurts at first. But godly correction <u>always</u> heals. The devil has used people in authority to say things to us that are hurtful and even wrong (ungodly or untrue) to cause us to be reluctant to receive correction. For some

of us, our identity is wrapped up in them and it seems impossible to function without them.

"Balaam struck the donkey for refusing to take him further down the road toward the angel waiting to kill him. He struck the donkey and then it spoke to him. You have donkeys in your life. Stop striking them. Stop hitting that donkey in your life. Heb 12:6 tells us that the Lord disciplines those he loves. You cannot walk with him without correction.

"The kingdom of God is not a kingdom of anarchy, but of organization. But God can use the hurts in you to heal you and others."

Sammy's Coffee House Returns

(from pg 1)

everything. The first time I walked into Unity on a Mission, I was coated with anxiety. My friend Peter walked me inside. Once I was here, my anxiety went out the door. God took it immediately and it was awesome because he is awesome. I kept coming back and I kept reading my Bible.



Amy in worship



Sammy Mangiafico opened the coffee house in



Ronnie Weeks read Psalm 145



Trinity Mangiafico joined Ronnie and sang Jesus Loves Me



Ronnie Weeks sang.

"By the time I got to Revelation, I had read enough to see that sex was a problem for me. The world says it's okay to have sex with who ever you want to, but it is not!

Finally, I got to the point, at 37-years-old, that I knew what it meant to repent. I wept. I realized that I had led some astray. I cried. I don't want to lead anyone down that path. I cried and prayed and prayed and cried. I asked my lord for forgiveness and he forgave me. I laid it at his feet and he took it.



Sammy had a game for all the people: Bible Trivia. There were 7 prizes, 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th: Mary Tate & Wanda Johnson were the 1st place winners, Rock Shunk & Tyler Weeks were the 2nd place, Michael Bennett & Amy Nee shared 3rd place and Daniel (D Earl) was the 4th place winner



Ronnie Weeks sang



D Earl & Ronnie in music



D Earl brings the music



Wanda Johnson began a dance train with the praise



Carol Joiner, the chef of Unity on a Mission & Sammy's Coffee House - thanks Carol

"Drugs were also a problem for me. I am clean right now and I pray to remain that way. Some times drugs make their way right into my path. It is not cool. As long as I stay away from them, I'm good. I don't go looking for them; they just show up.

"Sex was always worse. I got turned down by somebody. I said, 'That's okay; I'm gonna wait for marriage.' That's what the Lord said to do. Yet it was an addiction. I didn't think it was wrong. I mean, that's what the world said, that it was okay. It is not. Sex is to be between a man and a woman - husband and wife

only. There is no other acceptable way to the Lord. I knew this in my heart before, but the world kept saying it was okay. But now I know that we're supposed to walk in this world, not be of this world.



Desserts



Food

Coffee



Some folks at Sammy's



Doc Rock spoke briefly



Doc Rock



Hope Weeks (Ronnie's better half) gave her testimony (not featured).

"My last relationship was a doozie. I should've known from the gitgo. We stayed at a hotel for a week with drugs and with each other. We barely slept and at the

end of the week I was driving my car home and I fell asleep behind the wheel. At about a foot over the



Hope Weeks



Jimmy Reed



Troy Fletcher



Callie Joiner



Fico



Tyler Weeks, Chad Miller & Logan Johnson yellow line, I passed back out. I ran off the road and was thrown to the right, but my seat belt caught me. It is only by the grace of God that I am still walking on this earth. My car was completely totaled



Pastor Mary Tate gave her testimony "People ask me when I was saved. I was saved in my mother's womb. She was in labor for 14 days and I died. My God raised me from the dead. In 2005 I was in a wreck; I hit an 18-wheeler. When someone asks me why I limp, I tell them I was wrestling with an angel. I don't know what all you've been



Ms Mary

through, but your story is God's glory. I was homeless, so now I help the homeless. My husband died of a drug overdose, so I help those in recovery. Until you find your place, you will always be out of place. Ask God to show you what he wants you to do. What ever you have been through, use it for your ministry. Your story is God's glory.



Amv Nee

"I was clean for about a week after that and that's all. But I knew even then that the Lord was the reason I was still alive. I did not stay clean long enough. I stayed in the relationship with this same man. We lasted two years and then the relationship ended. When it ended. I was crushed. That's when the crippling anxiety hit me. I was only a shadow of myself for the longest time. My sin had built up until I could no longer tolerate it. My Lord was there for me at that point. Hallelujah."

Recognition and Edification

(from pg 1)

Influence People. In his book, Mr. Carnegie explains that it is far more important to any business or relationship to recognize the positive things a person has done than to dwell on where she failed. "Be lavish in your praise," he says, and magnanimous in your approbation. There is actually no such thing as "constructive criticism." All criticism is destructive.



Pastor Craig Parker of Allegiance Ministries

"Suzanne earned something," Pastor Craig Parker of Allegiance Ministries told the people at Unity on a Mission on Friday, March the 13th 2020, "that Rock and I want to award her with.



The reverend Dr Rock Shunk

"Suzanne has put a lot of hard work into this degree. She has studied hard and earned it.' All of that being said, it is important to recognize anyone who goes above and beyond the line of duty,

especially in service to the Lord. Suzanne Johnson

earned an Associate of Theology degree through Unity on a Mission and from the University of North Carolina School of Theology. We want to recognize her for this accomplishment as well as for being the most prolific reporter to ever serve on the staff of the Battlefield News. Thank you, Suzanne, for all you do for the kingdom of God.

Wanda Suzanne has earned an associate degree in theology and biblical studies. We all know that a degree, in and of itself, will not help any of us serve God better; a degree is to show people that we actually do have some useful knowledge recognized by others. Just the degree, by itself, is really not worth much and does't even impress some people. "Thermometers have degrees," they say, "and you know what some people do with them." What Suzanne Johnson is after is better service to the kingdom of God.



Wanda Suzanne Johnson, recipient of the associate degree and reporter for the Battlefield News



Pastor Craig and Suzanne Johnson with Rock



Wanda Suzanne's plaque



Suzanne praises God for his hand in her education and in her life.

"Thank you, Pastor Rock and Pastor Craig; thank you, My Lord and my God; thank you, people of Unity on a Mission, for supporting me through my studies. I wanted my mama to be here, but she passed in December. I believe she is watching from heaven and, if it rains right now, it will be her tears of joy. Daddy has always told me to stay in church. He is going to be so pleased with me. Hallelujah! God made a way.

It's Coming (from pg)

seven days to be held at seven different churches. Pastor Joseph Essiful-Ansah, member of the board of



Dr Joseph Essiful-Ansah, pastor of Christ the King

directors of the alliance and pastor of Christ the King, Ghana Methodist Church, was insistent that the schedule for the seven-day revival begin on the front page of the Battlefield News. Pastor Joseph was right and the Battlefield News began that practice.

The corona virus is walking all over the people and economic systems of the whole world. It has temporarily closed down some churches and ministries. We do not want people to get sick. Therefore, for now, we must remain a bit isolated, but we can remain in touch with our brothers and sisters. Unfortunately, the seven-day revival for April has been cancelled. We plan to be back in July: 20th through the 26th. Keep praying. Keep reading the word of God. Keep calling your brothers and sisters.

The revival in July is scheduled as follows:

Monday 20 July is scheduled at Bethel Church of the Nazarene, 1900 Garden Drive, Gainesville, Georgia 30507. Pastor Sean Gray hosts.

Tuesday 21 July is to be hosted by Pastor Joseph Essiful-Ansah at Christ the King Ghana Methodist Church, 208C North Broad Street, Winder 30680.

Wednesday 22 July is to be hosted by Pastor Roger Williams at Inner Fountain Church at 137 East Midland Ave, Winder 30680

Thursday 23 July is scheduled at Humble Beginnings and hosted by Pastors Donna Rice and Thomas Bennett at 30 Wren's Nest Lane, Pendergrass 30567.

Friday 24 July will be hosted by Doc Rock Shunk and D Earl at Unity on a Mission at 1205 Hwy 60, Hoschton 30548.

Saturday 25 July is to be hosted by Pastor James Loyless and Aliento de Vida at 208C N. Broad Street. Sunday 26 July is to be hosted by Pastor Allen Stevens and Living Hope Christian Fellowship at 99 Jefferson Street, Hoschton 30548.

Hypocrite Meter

By: Greg Brockman

Greg Brockman, author and former WBCA board member

Many years ago the church-in-error sent a pastor to my home where my dad, an alcoholic, was. He invited us to come to church, but didn't want us to come unless we dressed the right way and looked the right look. That is the church-in-error. It is not a false church or a false prophet; it is a church that is surely blood-bought, but has its eyes on the world, the flesh. My Dad was delivered years after the invitation given by the churchin-error, but it was on his own, calling on Christ in a time of crisis. Yes sir, the true church-in- error has hurt so many, and wounded so many. The church-in-error helps those who look worthy, who conform to its finite doctrine, but it hurls condemnation on those who do not fit its primitive paradigm. It is not that they are false, its that they are simply taught to be judgmental, arrogant and carnal. It runs through all denominations that name the name of Christ. He has much to forgive us for. Thank you Lord for your great mercy!

One of the worst things the church-in-error has done, and it runs through all denominations, is that it has created the house-of-God mentality. That means that we are taught and we teach our children to act differently, to dress differently, to look differently, to say certain things at the "house of God" that are different than what we do in our daily lives. If you notice at the end of Acts chapter 2, they were meeting daily from house to house. They gathered in each others homes and they ate together and they knew one another. The American church-in-error barely resembles this at all!

What we have because of this is what I call the hypocrite meter, and we all have one. The difference in how we behave at a building called "church" or "the house of God" and how we behave at work and at home and in other places is our hypocrite meter. It is likely the primary reason church is in decline across

America. The kids see how differently the parents behave at what they call "the house of God" and how they behave the rest of the time so they just don't want to play pretend and dress up any more.

Think of the hippies during the 70s. The Holy Ghost has produced fruit from what we now know as "the Jesus Movement." These long-haired hippies were drawn into the "house of God" only to be rejected because they did not look the right look. It's truly incredible because we are told plainly not to judge by outward appearance but instead to judge righteously. How many of these people were hurt by the church-inerror? Only God knows, but there are certainly plenty of testimonies to read or to hear. I don't know if God even wants to revive this thing we call "the Church". I'm sure he wants to revive and refresh the people, but when he does, the agents (also known as pastors, deacons etc.) of the "house of God" will likely attack what he is doing. It is what they have always done. From the Pharisees, to those who burned Jan Haus at the stake for translating scripture, to those who preached against William Tyndale, to those who preached against William Seymour, to those who preached against Steve Hill. The agents of the old wine skin do not want to be disturbed and they do not want their people to leave their "house of God" because then it would affect their true god, in most cases, money. -So be it

Flashback

As has been done on previous occasions, the Battlefield News goes back to old issues and reprints some things that were classic. The Battlefield News has been around since 2010, so there are things that, in our opinion, are worth looking at again.

Until a few years ago something appeared in every issue of the Battlefield News. Due to time and space constraints, it was ultimately left out. We show you this old regular now.

This alliance seeks talented individuals to help in this mission. We are in need of resources, especially the most valuable resources – people. You don't need a degree. What is required is a true desire to serve Jesus Christ without dogmatic constraints, and that you either are now or are willing to become completely sold out to Jesus (not to this alliance, nor to your denomination).

If you have the desire to glorify the name of Jesus, one of the things you were created for, and your talents are not being fully used, contact us using the information provided above. If you wish to have an article published in the **Battlefield News** or have a comment on anything you read in this publication, contact us. Your article may be published. Be sure to keep a copy since your article will not be returned to you, nor will you receive any financial compensation for it.

The following is reprinted from October 2012

What is it that the WBCA Believes?

Many have asked for a mission statement of the WBCA. "It's in the Battlefield News. Read it." has been the answer. What Churches are in the WBCA? "It's in BFN. Read it." Some have asked what the WBCA believes. The answer is that **The Whole Body of Christ Alliance is not** a **denomination.** We are of many denominations and <u>no</u> denomination. Our beliefs vary, but there are some that we all share and we do not compromise them.

We in the Whole Body of Christ Alliance believe that humans are born with a sin nature, that we have all sinned, and we are all worthy of eternal damnations without

Christ and we are unfit for heaven.

We believe that Yeshua (Jesus) is the messiah, the spotless Lamb of God, the son of God, and, in fact <u>is</u> God.

We believe that Jesus Christ was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the young woman called Miryam (Mary), a virgin, and that he is sinless.

We believe that Messiah (Christ) died on the cross for our sins and that God the Father raised him from the dead on the third day.

We believe that Christ will return for us, his bride, the church (the community of Messiah) at the appointed time of the Heavenly Father.

We believe that the Holy Bible is completely trustworthy, and is inspired by the Holy Spirit himself.

We also believe that blatant sin is intolerable, and the church must never tolerate it from their own.

There are other basic beliefs that we share as well, but these are the beliefs that bind us together and we do not compromise.

We also believe that in areas of scripture where there are multiple interpretations, we can be in error, but, that if we err on the side of love, we will not ultimately be in error.

If I refuse to associate with, fellowship with, or work with any Christian brothers or sisters because they do not see the scripture the same way I do in some places, I am missing the love of Christ. If I claim to love God, whom I have not seen, and hate or reject my brother, whom I have seen, the love of Christ is not in me. If I let petty doctrinal differences keep me from being on the same team as my Christian brothers and sisters, I am nothing but a legalistic prig, a hypocrite, and I deserve the fate that we will all see if we do not start working together.

In the 1960s organized prayer was outlawed in schools by the Supreme Court. In the 1970s the Supreme Court decided that murdering babies was perfectly acceptable and the murder of unborn children became a big business. In the 1980s the Black Plague of AIDS began to ravage our land because of sin. In the 1990s the homosexual activists began their quest to unravel marriage and the family. (in 2014 homosexual marriage became legal nationwide.) During the entire last part of the 20th century and up until and including now, marriage and the family has been turned into a joke in western civilization by adultery and divorce.

During all of this, where has the church been? We have been squabbling and fighting over petty, trivial doctrinal issues, so unwilling to work with each other, to be strong, to be together, of one mind, that our enemies are defeating us easily. We are losing battle after battle.

We are stricken with a pessimistic paranoia of each other, terrified that someone in some other "denomination" will tell our people something we didn't tell them, as if our people had no brains, and as if everyone outside our denomination was evil.

Brothers and sisters, this must stop yesterday!

Jesus, had a heart for those that were nobodies. He never got angry at sinners for being sinners. Those he got angry at were those that claimed they never sinned – the religiose. He spoke to the Pharisees and the scribes about not having love. If I refuse to be on the same team with somebody because their denomination (or lack of one) speaks in "tongues" while mine does not; if I will not associate with other Christians,

who have the same values as I do, and are valuable allies and in the same army because I believe in baptism by immersion and they do sprinkling; if I refuse to work in the work of God with Christians who believe everything that is listed above as I do because they have a woman pastor, I am being legalistic at the expense of our common purpose. I have preserved the law but totally forgotten the love. I have strained out a gnat and swallowed a camel.

Love is more important, brothers and sisters. You are more important than all of these secondary issues. It does not matter what scripture I remember and observe if I have not the love for my brothers and sisters.

BFN note March 2020:

Some one made the statement, "We'll just let the Bible be the final authority."

That is what we had **all** better be doing. That statement was made, however, with some false assumptions. The first false assumption is that any dissention regarding scripture is because one or both parties did not actually look in the Bible about it. Although that does happen far too often, it is not the source of most denominational disagreement and isolation.

The second false assumption is that there is denominational sectarianism because some of those denominations are not adhering to the scripture or are disagreeing with it. Unfortunately, that does also happen. I say this as evidenced by the number of people who say things like "I believe the Bible, but I just can't believe all of it." There are also those who do not adhere to the scripture. Neither of these things. however, is the source of the real problem. Therefore, saying that we will let the Bible be the final authority may sound great in theory, but that will not solve much. The truth is that no real Christians are going to argue with the Bible. What they will argue with is what \underline{vou} say it means, what \underline{I} say it means or what some other denomination says that it means. Armed with that bit of knowledge, it is easy to see why letting "the Bible be the final authority" is looking in the wrong place for a solution to the disunity in the body of Christ. This disunity is a little more complicated than

For this reason, we at the WBCA have adopted eight tenets of Christendom that we all agree on (see above). They are posted on the website **Battlefieldnews.net**. We agree on these, all of us, even if we don't all agree on everything else.

Children, we must stop the squabbling, take each other's hands, march together and fight the common enemy together or we are <u>all</u> going to lose. Everything you do, do it in love.

Mozelle

Mozelle Davis-Weeks has been writing on prayer for the Battlefield News and other publications for quite some time. BFN has published other things she's written as well over the years. She is probably known to Battlefield News readers for her article *On Prayer*. The first installment of this series of articles appeared in the September 2012 issue and we have it here for those of you that appreciate her writing on the subject of prayer.

Little is known about Mozelle (at least to folks around here). She is rather mysterious and wants to remain that way. The few things we are able to say are from things she has written about. She is the wife of a pastor, Richard; she has children and grand children; she has not named the place where she writes from, but it seems to be somewhere in the Midwest. She is a good writer and that about all we know. Here is the very first article from September 2012.

On Prayer (Why Pray?)

By: Mozelle Davis-Weeks

If I love someone, I want to spend time with them. How can I say that I love my children or my husband if I hardly ever spend time with them? How can I say that I love the Lord if I hardly ever spend time with him? If the only time I ever pray is when I'm in church or in trouble, I don't even have much of a relationship with God. Statistically, where do most "Christians" do most of their praying? The answer is: in church. I want to know Jesus and, more importantly, I want him to know me. When Jesus stated that not everyone who called him "Lord, Lord" would enter the kingdom of heaven, He said he would say to them, "I never knew you. Depart from me you workers of iniquity." (Mat 7:21-23)



Do you like to pray? Do you enjoy your prayer time, or do you find it dull and boring? Do you believe that things happen because you pray, or do you just go through the motions because you are supposed to? We need to ask ourselves questions like these if we are going to learn to take prayer seriously.

Prayer should be enjoyable and it should be effective if we are going to be devoted to prayer as the believers in the first century were. This is why some pointers on prayer are needed to inspire people to pray more confidently and fervently. The purpose of this series of articles is to create a desire to reach out and touch the heart of God. The purpose is not to merely teach people about prayer, but to generate prayer. It is much more important, rather than have people simply learn about prayer, to have them actually pray.

There are 3 statements of faith about prayer that, when things are understood, will inspire people to believe and will help prayer become a vital and also an enjoyable part of Christian life.

1: Things will be different because I pray. If you pray for your spouse, your children, your best friend, or you parents, things will be different than they would've been. I mean that — things will be different. Because I prayed for my daughter this morning, I know that her day will be different than it would have been. I prayed for the United States of America last night, and I know that things will be different in the U.S. because I prayed. Prayer has an effect. It is more than worthwhile.

$2{:}$ The throne of grace is wide open to me.

This is so very important. The throne of grace is open—wide open—to you, and anything on God's heart is available to \underline{you} if you pray. Prayer is centered around the throne of grace.

3: Nothing is born without conception. Conception doesn't just happen. In the natural world, there must be a physical union. The same thing is true with the spiritual realm. There must be union for conception and there must be conception for anything to be birthed. This is true for puppies, calves, babies, or answers to prayer. Answers to prayer do not just happen. Prayer is not hit-or-miss. There must be union with God. God operates on the basis of principles found in scripture. If we line up with what is on God's heart and what is in God's scripture, our spirit is put in union with his spirit, and conception takes place. Only when conception takes place is an answer to prayer born.

Do these statements inspire more faith in you? They inspire me and make me more eager to pray because I know they are true.

Let's take a look now at James 5:16, "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." What James is saying is: the earnest, continual, heartfelt, fervent prayer of a godly man or woman releases mighty power and effects. The word "fervent" in the KJV implies intensity and continuation. Therefore, I believe that the prayer James is talking about is earnest, continual, and heartfelt.

Notice that the second part of the verse says that the prayer of a godly person releases mighty power and effects. Something will happen when a godly person begins and continues to pray with all her heart. When we pray, mighty effects are released. Prayer causes things to happen in your marriage, your church, or your pastor's sermon.

When you pray, "My Lord, my God, speak to our pastor this Sunday. Anoint him, and flow through him. Give him a word of wisdom and a word of knowledge. Give him food for us, Father," your pastor will preach better. Things will be different on Sunday morning than they would have been because you prayed a continual, heartfelt, fervent prayer. That kind of prayer will release mighty miracles.

If you came to me with a problem, and I told you to pray about it, what would you think? You would probably think I had nothing to offer and just put you off with a cliché – "Pray about it."

Somehow, when we hear the word, "prayer," we think boredom and ineffectiveness. Why do you think that is? It isn't God's fault. The forces of darkness try to discourage us from realizing that the mighty power of prayer releases effects and miracles. That "ho hum, she told me to pray" feeling is from the enemy. The idea that prayer is a boring and ineffective task for times when nothing else can be said or done is completely false. James says that the effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails — It accomplishes something!

Do you like to pray? Prayer should be one of your greatest sources of enjoyment. Although prayer is work, it can be your most delightful labor and your most important occupation.

I Col 4:12-13 we see, "Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God. For I bear him record, that he hath a great zeal for you, and them that are in Laodicea, and them in Hierapolis."

Have you ever heard of Epaphras? He is no where near as well known as Paul, Apollos, or Timothy. But still, Epaphras is mentioned in holy scripture because he was an intercessor, and his chief delight was prayer. Paul mentioned his zeal because Epaphras prayed continually that believers would stand "perfect and complete in all the will of God."

You might say, "Well, I'm just a nobody. I just go to church. No one even knows who I am. I'm just one of the people in the next to the last row. I feel too inadequate." If you are an intercessor, you are on of the most important people in that congregation. Every pastor needs a whole crew praying for him and for his family, the church, the elder board. Every church needs several Epaphrases.

Devotion to prayer is loving to pray. Acts 1:14

says, "These all with one mind were continually devoting themselves to prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers."

The last mention of Mary the mother of Jesus in the Bible finds her praying. She was at a prayer meeting — devoted to prayer. These people "prayed in" the first Pentecost. There came "a sound... ... as of a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the whole house." (Acts 2:2) Tongues of fire came and sat on their heads, and they were all "filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the spirit gave them utterance." (Acts 2:4)

Do you know why we don't have more fullness in the Holy Spirit? We do not have people devoted to prayer. It is important to note that it was a prayer meeting that established the first Pentecost. When we pray we prepare ourselves for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Also in Acts 2:42 we see, "And they were continually devoting themselves to the apostle's teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer."

This is immediately following the Pentecostal sermon. In fact, Acts 2:41 says that 3000 people were born again and baptized in water. This early church established itself in 4 areas. The members devoted themselves to:

1: The apostle's doctrine (the New Testament)

2:Fellowship – so very important and something the church today often overlooks.

3: The breaking of bread – either communion or eating with each other house to house.

4: and Prayer

The early church was based upon, among other things, a devotion to prayer. Prayer was a delight. Acts 4:23-24, 31 describes what happened at one of those Prayer meetings. "And when they had been released, they

went to their own companions, and reported all that the chief priests and the elders had said to them. And when they heard this, they lifted their voices to God with one accord... ...And when they had prayed, the place where they had gathered together was shaken and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak the word of God with boldness."

Sometimes we want the power of God but without seeking Him. The book of Acts says that the place where the disciples were gathered was shaken. They prayed with such zeal and power that they could actually feel the building shake. It was not an earthquake. It was the power of God. The Bible says they were filled with the Holy Ghost. They had all been baptized with the Holy Ghost once, but now they were filled again.

One of our problems is that we do not get on our faces before God to get refilled. Prayer leads to being refilled. After these believers were refilled, they went out and spoke the word of God with boldness. We will not have the power, the miracles, the boldness or the souls saved unless we first pray.

Those in the early church were devoted to prayer and every time they prayed the spirit moved. Their prayers were continual, heartfelt, and fervent prayers that released mighty effects and power. Ours can be the same.

Love in Christ Mozelle

Reprinted from March 2012

It was the intention of BFN and Dr Lorrie for her to write a column monthly. For various unavoidable reasons, it was not to be, but here is how it started.

Ask Dr. Lorrie

By: Lorrie Richardson-O'Neal MD

READER"S NOTE: Dr. Lorrie Richardson-O'Neal is a practicing physician, a church co-pastor, a wife, a mother, a writer, a speaker, a strong supporter and member of the Whole Body of Christ Alliance, a compassionate philanthropist and a godly sister in Christ.

Rick

Life is a journey and many of us are seeking the path of least resistance. We are living in a time when facts and information are readily available and obtainable with just the click of a mouse. If you have a problem, "There's an app for that." We all have the capability of becoming walking encyclopedias chock full of facts, "golden nuggets" and "pearls of wisdom." Reality TV has opened the door to all sorts of information gurus, especially in health and wellness, who believe they know how to "fix us."



Dr. Lorrie Richardson-O'Neal

One man says fat is good for you and the other says it is one of the leading causes of death. Who do I believe? What is the truth?

Well, this is where Dr. Lorie comes in. I will help debunk the myths; separate reality from fiction.

You may ask, "Why are <u>vou</u> so qualified for this assignment? What is wrong with Jane Doe MD?"

I am glad you asked. I know that the sum total of all my life experiences has uniquely qualified me for this task at this time. I have studied biology all my life: undergraduate at Hamilton College in New York, graduate at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, IL, and medical at University of Illinois College of Medicine in Chicago, IL. Now, my formal training is great and necessary. That alone, however, does not make me special. The difference between me and Dr. Jane (not an actual medical doctor) is that I have an inside track with the creator of these bodies and. as I

seek him, he promised to reveal the mysteries of creation to me (us).

Therefore, this column will not just be facts and information, but also the truth as revealed by the creator – Jehovah God.

So, ask me anything and together we will seek the **truth.**

Send your questions for "Ask Dr. Lorrie" via regular mail to: 1215 Tuscany Drive, Braselton, Ga. 30517 or via e-mail to: servantlorrie @ gmail.com.

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In Addition, the people at Christ the King are gathering clothes. The need there is very great. Please drop off any clothing at Christ the King, beside Quality Food in Winder. "I was naked and you clothed me."

Food and Clothing Abba's House

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

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

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New Harvest

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If you or your church or ministry stand with the Whole Body of Christ Alliance, your activities and events may be published in the Battlefield News One Army to go all over the country and all over the world. This service is free. But we don't know unless you tell us.

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Maggie Gilstrap and Craig Parker have opened a brand new Christian gift store at 32 North Sage Street in Toccoa 30577. Proceeds go to help Allegiance Ministries. Signs and Wonders is open Wednesday to Saturday 1000 to 1700 (5pm). Call (706)282-9833.

Show and Tell by Dr Mary Neal

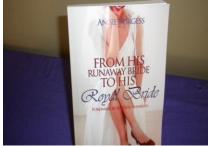
Dr Mary Neal's newly released *Show and Tell: Reveal the Unknown* is an effectual book of Biblical truths that promote enlightenment to readers. It is available through the Battlefield News (706)499-7976 or from Dr Neal (254)379-3728.

Ten Year Celebration

The Whole Body of Christ Alliance will be celebrating Ten years of body building

on

1 Aug through 7 Aug 2020 Watch the Battlefield News for details



A great read written by our own Angie Burgess, available through the Battlefield News

Ms Mary's House of Hope



Laquisha Harris spoke about Ms Mary's House of Hope in tears, "She opened her house and gave us a second chance. I have a family that loves me now. I'm not a great speaker, but I wanted to say, 'Ms Mary, I love you.'"

Ms Mary <u>does</u> need our help. She refuses to allow the government to fund her because she knows that they would mandate that Jesus be discluded from every thing just like they do in the schools and everything else they fund. Please, call Ms Mary and volunteer your times and/or funds. That number to call is (678)235-1361. Ms Mary's House of Hope is a 501(c) 3 organization and all donations are <u>completely</u> tax deductible.

Coffee House Performers

<u>Wanted:</u> Musicians, poets, singers, actors, dancers, and other talented Christian people to perform in a coffee house environment. Call Rick (678)887-1042, Larry (706)768-3129, or Rabbi Rick at (404)4027137

Help Wanted: Writer/ reporter/ investigator to write and report for the Battlefield News. Must be able to go on assignment with a team or alone. Must work well with others and be able to meet deadlines. Must have a heart for people with no denominational prejudice. Must be at least 16 years old and absolutely sold out to Jesus. Call BFN (678)887-1042.

Biblical Knowledge

By: Mateo Raza

It's great that we have room sometimes to go back to some of the things written in the Battlefield News years ago. I for one have wanted to do a *Flashback* for quite some time.

Now for the answers to the February questions:

A Bevy of Priests

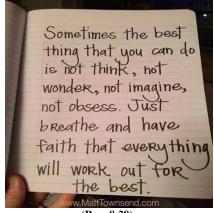
- 1: Sceva. Acts 19:14-16
- 2: Khananyah (Ananias). Acts 23:2-3
- 3: Yeshua (Jesus). Heb 3:1



4: Malki-tze-dek (Melchizidek). Heb 5:6

5: Jethro (also called Reuel) was the father-inlaw of Moshe (Moses). Ex 3:1

6: El Azar (Eliazer) son of Aharon (Aaron). Num 26:1-2



(Rom 8:28)

7: Hebrews

8: Levi. Ex 4:14

9: True

10: I Peter. (I Pet 2:9)

Note: The book of Revelation (Rev 1:6 & 5:10) says that we are a kingdom of priests (some translations say "kings and priests"), but Revelation is not an epistle. Rev 1:6, "who has caused us to be a kingdom, that is, cohanim for God..." (JNT). Rev 5:10, "You made them into a kingdom for God to rule, cohanim to serve him, and they will rule over the earth." (JNT).



Now for the March questions:

Baptisms

- 1: What worker of the magic arts came to be baptized by Philip the apostle?
- 2: Sha'ul (Paul). I Cor 10:1-2
- 3: What dealer in purple cloth was baptized by Sha'ul (Paul) and Sila (Silas)?
- 4: How many people were baptized on the day of Pentecost?
- 5: Who baptized Sha'ul (Paul)?
- 6: What Roman official did Kefa (Peter) order

the baptism of?



- 7: What kind of baptism did Yochanan the immerser (John the Baptist) promise that Messiah would administer?
- 8: What foreign dignitary was baptized by the apostle Philip?



- 9: In what city did Crispus, the president (ruler) of the synagogue, and all his household come to believe in Yeshua as the Messiah, and with many others in the city become baptized?
- 10: In what Greek city did Paul find 12 believing men, who had received the baptism of Yochanan the Immerser, but not the baptism in the Ruakh HaKodesh, and he laid hands on them and they were baptized in the Holy Spirit, spoke in other tongues and prophesied?

Goze estos hasta la proxima vez (enjoy until next time).

Amor en Cristo (Love in Christ)

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