

SPIRIT BREEZE

WIND OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES Newsletter

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“AND HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT US”

What possible good can come out of suffering? How can persecution result in praise? You have only to visit our brothers and sisters in Christ who live in Estonia to find answers to these and a multitude of similar questions that may be asked of those who have “gone through the fires of persecution.”

Estonia is a young nation politically, but generations old in spirit. It was conquered in World War II and occupied by foreign powers up until the dissolution of the Soviet Socialist Republic in the late 1980s and early 1990s. It became an independent nation in 1991—the youngest nation on planet earth.

When we travelled there in October to conduct a seminar on Healing and Wholeness, we went at the invitation of Thea Kant, wife of Rev. Kaupo Kant, an ordained Elder in the United Methodist Church. We had also received invitation from District Superintendent, Taavi Hollman.

We encountered a people who had suffered persecution, denial of basic human rights and shortage of survival needs as well as denial of basic freedoms that we take for granted: assembly, speech, movement and protest. Families and groups were often infiltrated by persons who spied on them and reported them to the appropriate controlling offices. Even after 25 years of independence, there was a residual level of caution in sharing a person’s thoughts.

However, in the midst of all that, we encountered a people with strong faith and deep love for the Lord Jesus Christ. Their church buildings may have been bombed and bulldozed into obliteration, their houses and lands may have been confiscated and their families scattered, but no power on earth could rob them of their faith in Jesus and their love for God.

The United Methodist Church in Tartu was bombed during the war and the remains of the buildings were bulldozed and the land cleared of any evidence that a church once stood there. However! A small white, iron fence marked the lower edge of the property that acted as a barrier between the higher and lower levels of the property. The fence was left standing. A se-

ries of small iron crosses were a part of the fence design, crosses that let the people know where their church once stood, but also as a reminder that the presence of the resurrected Christ could not be bulldozed away.

Though reserved at first in verbally sharing their faith with others, once given permission to do so in a safe place, the stories began to come to the surface. Those stories always embodied the word “hope.” Though they—especially the older generation, had gone through the years of foreign occupation and horrible mistreatment by the German and Russian powers, they never lost hope—and their hope did not disappoint them.

They experienced what the Apostle Paul wrote about in his letter to the church in Rome: *“We rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance, perseverance character, and character hope. And hope does not disappoint us because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.”* Romans 5:4,,5

Our church family there was eager for us to tell and remind them about the healing power of God. As a result, many experienced healing of the hurts that were directly related to the years of occupation. Others experienced healing of their weariness and burdened down spirits. Others were delivered of their bitterness and resentments that had developed toward other people—especially of the Russian people who were now living with them as citizens of Estonia.

We witnessed the dynamic healing, restoring, loving and reconciling work of God’s Holy Spirit as many were released from these invisible prisons into a new freedom in their walk with Jesus. Praise his Name! lle

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Pastor Kaupo Kant ministering to two women during one of our workshops at the Healing Seminar in Tallin.



The Participants in the Healing Seminar at the Tallin United Methodist Church. There were forty two persons who attended the full seminar with others there part time.



Pastor Kaupo and Thea Kant with Larry Eddings who led our team of ten for the Healing Seminar

The Tallin United Methodist Church where the Estonia Healing Seminar was held on the dates of October 13-16, 2016. Pastor Toomas Pajusoo was the host pastor for the event. Eight pastors from around the city and district attended and expressed a desire that a future seminar be held for pastors of the conference who are then equipped to return to their local churches to train their laity in healing ministry. They have a heart for bringing healing to the people of their country.



The U.S. Team that traveled to Estonia to conduct the Healing Seminar consisted [from L to R] of: Bob and Tracy Martello, Larry Eddings, Brian Clark, Joleen and Gary Wright, Jane Petter, Donna Kirkpatrick, Kathleen Hylkema and Beth Clark. What an anointed team!

The Holy Spirit worked through each team member's gifts to help bring healing and wholeness to our brothers and sisters in Estonia.

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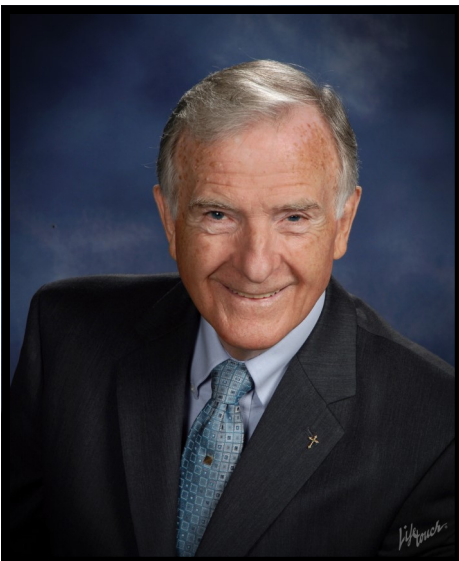
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OTHER MINISTRY EVENTS ARE IN THE PLANNING STAGES

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“He gave some to be apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers, to equip God’s people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up....attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.”

Ephesians.4:11



NOVEMBER 5	Teach and Lead Workshop on Hearing God’s Voice, Katie Fortune Seminars, Kingston, WA
NOVEMBER 11,12	SEMINAR ON HOLY SPIRIT AND SPIRITUAL GIFTS Meridian, ID
14,16	Speak at GRACE Chapel Services, Meridian ID
DECEMBER 2-4	PRAYER SEMINAR, Ft. Payne, AL Pastor Taylor Gallman, Asbury UMC
FEBRUARY 22-25	MOTIVATIONAL GIFTS SEMINAR Silverdale United Methodist, Silverdale, WA
JUNE 22-24	HEALING SEMINAR, Silverdale, WA Rev. David Sablan, Jeremy and Joy Ellington, teachers.