



SPIRIT BREEZE

WIND OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES Newsletter

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WORSHIPPING IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH

When Jesus was having a conversation with the woman at the well near the town of Sychar, Samaria, she was quick to engage him in a discussion about the proper place to worship, and Jesus was quick to remind her, ***“Believe me woman, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.....A time is coming when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is Spirit and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth.”*** John 4:21-24

What a great and awesome blessing it is to gather with other people of Faith to worship Him who is the Lord of Life and the Savior of our Souls. Even upon entering the place that has been designated for worship – whether in a cathedral or sanctuary, a simple room or under a tree beside the lake, there is a sense of divine Presence. Hearts become attuned to the heart of God in preparation for a time of lifting up our voices as we sing praises, offer our tithes and gifts, kneel at his holy altar and hear the life-transforming Word proclaimed.

Little wonder that the Word of God instructs us: ***“Let us not give up meeting together as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”*** Hebrews 10:25

Worship revitalizes our faith, feeds our spirits, strengthens our resolve and serves to encourage us as we face the various issues of life around us beyond the confines of the venue in which we gather.

Sometimes people can be heard to say, upon leaving a time of worship, “Wasn’t that a great worship service this morning?” Others join in, “Yes, couldn’t you just feel the Spirit?” Still others, “And the worship songs, weren’t they beautiful? The worship team did an outstanding job.” And others, “Yes, and Pastor preached a powerful message.” Occasionally, one is heard to say, “Well, I wasn’t fed this morning. I didn’t get anything out of it!”

Over all, though, the worshippers are pleased with

the service and are glad that they came, for it made them feel so good and gave them some direction for the new week. A video of the service is then posted on Face Book or Instagram, “what a great service of worship we had at Church of the Happy Hour this morning,” with a backdrop of changing light colors and occasional wisps of artificial fog to add to the visual tantalization. Apparently it serves to add to the mystical, ethereal and supernatural atmosphere of the event, called “worship.”

Ultimately, however, the question must be asked, “Was God pleased with the worship this morning? Was God impressed with the program? Was the focus of the worship on the “Great and Glorious” God of Creation, or upon the “Looking for Something to Make Me Feel Good” Human Heart.

Did God sense that the hearts of the people were in tune with his heart? Did the singing and the sharing and the speaking bring honor and praise and glory and joy to the Heart of the One who was being worshipped? Did we worship God “in spirit and in truth?” After all, isn’t worship all about God?

When the hosts of heaven worship, they break forth with full attention on the One who is worthy of all worship: ***“They fell down on their faces before the throne, saying “Amen! Praise and Glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!”*** Revelation 7:11, 12

Perhaps when we gather for worship and realize that we stand in the very presence of **THAT** God, we may imitate the heavenly hosts and fall down on our faces with repentant and contrite hearts, realizing in whose Presence we are privileged to be and the condition of the lives that we bring into worship!

“Lord God, teach us how to worship. Jesus said that you are seeking people who will worship you in Spirit and in Truth. Show us how to do that so that it will bring joy to your heart here, and prepare us to then join with the hosts of heaven to worship you in Spirit and in truth forever. Amen.” lle

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INVITATION TO NAIROBI, KENYA

The Rev. Nicolas Onyango has invited Wind of the Spirit Ministry team to conduct a Healing Seminar in his local church in Nairobi, Kenya. We were contacted as a result of him seeing our website and desiring to have happen in his church those things about which he read there.

This invitation was taken to the Board and Council for prayer at our Mid-Year Business meeting on January 6. There was a very positive consensus that all felt that God would have us answer that invitation, contact Nicolas and agree to come, believing that God will provide the resources for the trip to happen.

Therefore, the dates of May 22-29 have been set aside for this mission trip. We will be taking a team of five to teach, preach and provide prayer ministry for Nicolas and his church.

Team members are: Larry Eddings, Bob and Tracy Martello, Donna Kirkpatrick and Taylor Gallman. Related costs will include air travel and room and board while there. Members of the team are seeking financial help from all who would be interested in answering this opportunity for helping our brothers and sisters in Kenya. Wind of the Spirit Ministries and Team members will need to bear the costs related to the event.

We have endeavored to keep the team numbers small so as not to be a burden on the hosts, who have limited resources.

Healing Academy Feb 20-24

We are so excited to be presenting another Healing Academy in Silverdale, Washington on February 20-24. Enclosed you will find a brochure with more information and a registration form. Feel free to share it with someone you know. Our website has a brochure that can be printed. You can find it from the home page. Go to the tab "Events" then "Current Events" and at the bottom of the page there is a link titled "Healing Academy Brochure". Hope to see you there!

PRAYER NEEDS

- 1. Travel mercies for Jeremy and Joy**
- 2. Healing Academy participants and Staff**
- 3. Holy Spirit guidance for Teaching staff**
- 4. God's healing touch for participants**
- 5. Blessings upon the Silverdale UMC for providing space for the Healing Academy to be held**
- 6. Fresh outpouring of God's Holy Spirit**
- 7. The planned trip to Nairobi, Kenya**

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Excerpt from our Mid-year Board and Council Meeting

Our mid-year meeting on Saturday, January 6, was a living demonstration of what happens when the people of God intentionally seek His guidance for the work He desires to have done.

We experienced the Lord's manifest presence that blessed, encouraged, inspired and united all those in attendance.

Invitations have come once again for ministry in the Philippines and also in Nairobi, Kenya. Everyone praised God for the doors that are opening for continuing the work of his Kingdom wherever he calls.

Below are things that we experienced together at the meeting and also to which we look forward in the future. Enjoy:

- Reports of where the Lord led us to be in ministry
- Ministry Invitations: Philippines, Kenya
- Intentional prayers to God, regarding those invitations
- The unity in the body as we shared the answer we received!
- **And this exciting development!** The Board of Directors voted to approve the recommendation, that was brought by Larry Eddings, that Tracy Martello come on as Assistant Executive Director with the intention that at our Annual Meeting on June 23, 2018, she will become Executive Director of Wind of the Spirit Ministries.
- The meeting closed with Holy Communion, served by Brother Brian Clark.

We have truly been blessed in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms. Praise God's Holy Name.

Love in Christ, With a Joyful and Grateful Heart,
Larry Eddings

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Who is she?

That may be a question in your mind as you read the newsletter this month. My name is Tracy Martello. I have had the honor of meeting some of you and I hope to meet many others of you who have faithfully partnered with Wind of the Spirit Ministries, and Larry and Audrey, throughout the years.

I am have been married to Bob Martello for 38 years. We have three daughters, two sons-in-law and six grandchildren. We have served with WOSM in many places, including the Philippines, Paraguay, and Estonia.

If I remember correctly, the first Wind of the Spirit event I attended was in 2002. It had such a powerful impact on my life that I went again; and then started showing up to help out at other events. My husband and I were asked to be on the support council and we said, "Yes!" Then we were asked to be on the Board and we said, "Yes!" Eventually, I was asked to teach a session during a Healing Academy; then asked to become a staff teacher. The love of Jesus was so present whenever we came together for an event or a Board and Council meeting that I couldn't get enough of it! I could only say, "Yes!" It is still that way.

There was one day, when I had first become involved with Wind of the Spirit, I sitting on my bed and reading the history and vision statement of the ministry. I literally jumped off the bed! Their vision spoke to my spirit. In the history, Larry and Audrey talked about the little roadside chapel near Sultan, Washington, where they and the others who were with them had stopped to pray about starting the ministry. I had been in that very chapel over a decade later. The only thing I remember praying about while I was there was for God to bless all those who had visited that chapel in the past.



Through their ministry, Larry and Audrey mentored me and Larry is still mentoring me today. Their faithfulness to the Lord makes me grateful.

I am stepping into leadership with **full** confidence in our loving heavenly Father, empowered by the gracious Holy Spirit through faith in Jesus Christ our Savior. My confidence does not rest on me or any other person. Only God can bring fruit from this ministry and direct us as He sees fit. I ask that you continue praying for the team here and those in the Philippines and India; for the work God leads us to do as we move forward, and for God to be glorified in all we think, say and do.

"May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all". 2 Corinthians 13:14

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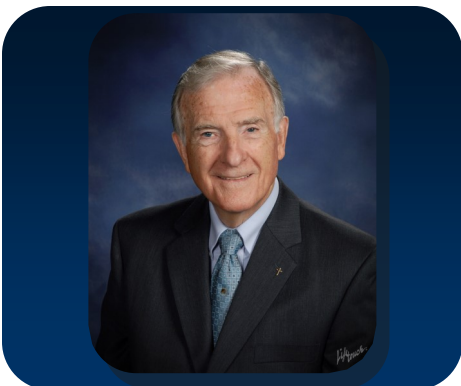
MINISTRY CALENDAR

PLEASE POST AND PRAY FOR THESE EVENTS

OTHER MINISTRY EVENTS ARE IN THE PLANNING STAGES

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“The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ.” Ephesians 4:11,12



February 8	Jeremy and Joy Ellington arrive from India
February 15-17	Leadership Team-Building Retreat
February 20-24	Healing Academy at The United Methodist Church, Silverdale, WA
May 22-29	Healing Seminar and Preaching mission in Nairobi, Kenya with Pastor Nicolas Onyango.
July	Davao City, Philippines