

WIND OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES Newsletter

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KINGDOMS

What do you think about when you hear the world "kingdom"? The first thing that comes to my mind when I hear the word kingdom is the idea of a nation ruled over by a sovereign, a king or queen for instance. But there are other types of kingdoms as well.

Biology, the study of living organisms, includes a system for ordering insects, animals, plants, etc. That system is called "taxonomy". Taxonomy is a method of arranging the natural world so we are able to see how one organism "fits" into the created order. Taxonomy divides natural things into kingdom, phylum, class, order and family, etc. So there are kingdoms other than those consisting of human beings.

Taxonomy is also a "ranking" of organisms within a specific group. We often hear that one organism is of a "higher order" than another organism, whether insect, plant or animal.

It's a little like that in the secular realm of work. Often our **work becomes our identity**. We usually can tell where we "fit" within our work environment. There is even a classifying system we humans use to keep everyone in their rank, even though it is often not spoken aloud!

Christians can also fall into the same patterns as the secular world. We need to be aware of our thinking in regard to our job or the area of ministry we are engaged in within the church. Our fallen human nature longs to be the 'king' or 'queen' of our own little kingdom.

I can know I have strayed off course when I begin to:

• Feel like I am indispensable

- Become unwilling to allow others to know what I do, or share in what I am doing, for fear of losing 'my kingdom'
- Rank my position and that of others
- Get my identity from my ministry or work
- Become frustrated when things don't go my way

We have just celebrated the Resurrection of the King of Kings, Jesus Christ! The Living One who is the ONLY KING of the ONE KINGDOM that will supersede all others. We are to serve that one King. There is no place for the little kingdoms which we set up.

Our identity is only found in Jesus Christ. We are who He says we are. There is no need to look for our identity in our work or ministry, because those things do not define us. As Christians, we must remain free of that kind of thinking so that we may do what the Lord calls us to do, *and* so that we may move to a different task or specific ministry or job when the Lord tells us to. We cannot be free to follow Jesus if we are holding on to a kingdom that is of our own making.

"And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever." Revelation 11:15

What a comfort and joy to know that Jesus is the only King we need. And what great peace in knowing my identity is in Jesus, not in the work I do. What freedom our Lord has given us to follow Him wherever He leads.

-Tracy

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Just for Fun!

Here are some jokes that are rated "E" for everyone! Children love a good joke, so share them with the little ones you know.

Q: What did the zero (0) say to the eight (8)?

A: Nice belt!

O: What does a cloud wear under his raincoat?

A: Thunderwear.

Q: What did the traffic light say to the car?

A: Don't look. I'm about to change.

Q: What did the fisherman say to the magician?

A: Pick a cod, any cod.

Q: What did the snowman say to the other snowman?

A: Do you smell carrots?

A Healing Academy

Wind of the Spirit Ministries is presenting: "A Healing Academy" in Silverdale, Washington, August 6-10. Please join us as we cover topics such

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Healing of the Human Spirit
The Holy Spirit, God's Promised Gift
Word of Knowledge
The Power of Spoken Words
God's Plan for Human Sexuality
Deliverance
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"New Horizon"

(Approaching My Retirement Life)

By

Rev. David Sablan Jr.

Co-Director Healing Ministry—Philippines

An unknown author once wrote, "Retirement is not the end of the road. It is the beginning of the open highway."

Come June of this year I will be on a retired status as an Elder of the United Methodist Church in the Philippines. I served the Methodist church for 33 years and 26 years of it as an Administrative Pastor. All glory and honor is to our God who in many ways and situations He never ceases to guide, protect and provide for me and my family. His words in Deut. 31:6b, "Your God, the Lord himself, will be with you. He will not fail you or abandon you" NIV. The 33 years was full of trials but more triumphs. I praise and thank God for the many opportunities has provided, people reached with the Gospel of salvation and places, even far flung cities and provinces, our feet have trod. Words of gratitude to God almighty are not enough to express.

But is it really over? Is there really retirement for a Minister? The answer is a big no! The only retirement I know is spelled "Re-Tire-ment" I just mounted my new set of tires; large, and all terrain tires so we can go farther where God wants us to go. Places and people who are scarce from hearing the Gospel of salvation and hope and assurance that miracles and healing still do happen!

I retired from the service (from the confines of a local church) but not in the ministry which is the ministry of healing and wholeness; the ministry we love so much, we love doing and continue to do it as long as God allows it. It's in our DNA and nothing and no one can take it our of us. Catherine Pulsifer once said, "Retirement, a time to do what you want to do, when you want to do it, where you want to do it and how you want to do it," I believe you cannot retire from the ministry you really love and continue to love.

Sixteen years ago in 2003, Revs. Larry and Audrey Eddings passed on to us the mantle of leadership to carry on this very significant ministry in the Philippines and beyond so that more and more people, churches and countries be blessed by the ministry of healing.

I read somewhere that "Retirement does not mean stopping work. I think it only means doing what we "really" (my addition) love to do."

This new horizon that my wife and I are about to embark on is really a big leap of faith in all aspect. I have no church appointment and both of my pensions from the Social Security and Church Pension Plan can be received only when I reach the age of 60 (I still have two more years). We hold on to the prayer Jesus taught us, "Give us this day our daily bread."

But the biggest leap for us is more than tangible things, but the greater faith that God almighty will use and send us to many places and people local and abroad. As far as our feet, including as far as our God—given Van, can navigate to far-flung churches who cannot afford to invite speakers and receive materials due to financial difficulty, if needed subsidize seminars, retreats to small churches so that more people can attend. This is where our hearts are. A scripture that I read inspired me a lot, "Do not withhold good from those who deserve it, when it is in your power to act" (Proverbs 3:27 NIV).

So with this new horizon God is opening for us, we would like to solicit your prayers and supports for the following:

- We have an ongoing discussion and planning for a healing event to be held in Qatar this year. Hopefully this August or September.
- We are moving to our new place to live and have my office in Bulacan (one of the provinces or state in the North.) Strength and provision.
- An offer to materialize to lead weekly Devotion for workers and staff in a company (About 50 people) so we can share the Gospel of Jesus and at the same time receive some compensation to meet our needs.
- And of course for good health to meet the demands for ministry, family and self.

The glory and honor is to our God, who alone is all-wise, be glory through Jesus Christ forever! Amen. – Romans 16:11, TEV

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MINISTRY CALENDAR

"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



PLEASE POST AND PRAY FOR THESE EVENTS

OTHER MINISTRY EVENTS ARE IN THE PLANNING STAGES Martello's email address: martello52000@yahoo.com

May	All gifts to Wind of the Spirit Ministries will be doubled during the month of May.		
July 13	Wind of the Spirit Annual Board and Council Meeting		
17-21	Larry will be speaking at the Clergy/ Spouse Breakfast at Aldersgate Renewal Conference in Springfield, IL		
August 6-10	A Healing Academy in Silverdale, Washington		
October	KENYA CALLING: A Healing Academy for Pastors in the Western Region of Kenya		