



# SPIRIT BREEZE

WIND OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES Newsletter

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## WE ARE A WORK IN PROGRESS

This summer there has been a lot of road construction in our area. It has been underway for months and still is not completely finished, but the road I normally take began to look very different right away.

First, pipes were installed along the side of the road. Traffic could still get through, but it was slow with several stops along the way. The roadside was torn up and walls were built to shore up some of the steep parts, trees were removed, other areas were leveled out and heavy equipment was everywhere. It became very frustrating trying to find a route to get me where I needed to go.

I was running out of patience, so for a while I took another route and didn't see the changes that had been happening on that familiar road. When I did return to that road it looked very good. Not completed, but well on its way.

Isn't that the way it is for us who have placed our trust in Jesus. Changes happen, sometimes very slowly. God is at work in us and, because we are always in this body of ours, it is difficult to see the improvements in our lives. The work God does in us after we come to faith is the work of sanctification and it is a process. The Merriam Webster Dictionary tells us that "sanctify" means:

- 1. : to set apart to a sacred purpose: consecrate
- 2 : to free from sin: purify

I don't know about you, but I struggle with the "old sinful nature" within me that is being purified. Sometimes all I can see are the places in me that are still broken, rebellious, and missing the mark.

God doesn't see us that way. He sees the finished work, much in the way a civil engineer sees what a road that he or she is designing will be like at completion. That engineer sees the finished work - his design - as it will be when completed.

The design God has in mind for us is that we be remade into the image of Jesus Christ. He sees the completed work. We are in Christ through faith.

The Apostle Paul struggled with the "old sinful nature" that was still in him after coming to trust Jesus. He says this:

*"I don't really understand myself, for I want to do what is right, but I don't do it. Instead, I do what I hate. But if I know that what I am doing is wrong, this shows that I agree that the law is good. So I am not the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it.*

*And I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. I want to do what is right, but I can't.*

*I want to do what is good, but I don't. I don't want to do what is wrong, but I do it anyway. But if I do what I don't want to do, I am not really the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it.*

*I have discovered this principle of life—that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong. I love God's law with all my heart. But there is another power within me that is at war with my mind. This power makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me. Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death?*

*Thank God! The answer is in Jesus Christ our Lord. So you see how it is: In my mind I really want to obey God's law, but because of my sinful nature I am a slave to sin.*

*So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death.*

(Romans 7:15-8:1 NLT)

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## “The Journey Within”

“What a ride!” Have you heard that saying? To me it means, “*Wow, that was far more than I expected!*” And that is just what happened at “The Journey Within”. This was our first in-person seminar since the end of 2019, and it was so very good to gather with the people of God and really fellowship, listen and pray for one another. The Holy Spirit’s presence was palpable. We came with eager hearts, ready to receive what the Lord had for each of us.

This seminar was a journey through our past to examine places where we had missed road signs along the way; a chance to recognize the signs God had placed before us to “STOP”, “EXIT”, “YIELD” or where we were to turn and missed it; places where our emotions were skewed and have since brought about negative consequences.

The Lord knows how to heal every problem. Each participant had multiple opportunities to give and receive prayer ministry in a small group setting and everyone was filled with the joy of the Lord!

*If your church wants to host a seminar, please contact us at [wosmnw@yahoo.com](mailto:wosmnw@yahoo.com) for more information.*



### *El Roi*

“The God Who Sees Me”

Recall a time in your life  
when you felt invisible to  
the world.

Abandoned. Alone.

Isolated.

Know that you have not  
escaped God's notice. He  
sees you-right where you  
are.

## The God Who Sees Me

by Tracy A Andrews © 2021

Abba, You love me, You see me,  
You know me so intimately.  
You know my heart, my will, my ways,  
Yet, You promise to love me all of my days.

Abba, You love us and want our love,  
You come close to us like a dove.  
Abba, You want us to know You care,  
And no matter what we're going through,  
You are there.

You gave me beauty for ashes,  
You gave me healing for Your lashes.  
The oil of joy for mourning,  
For heaviness, the garment of praise adorns  
me.

You love me more than I can know,  
Now burden-free, my heart's aglow.  
Free from pain so I can proclaim,  
There's freedom and healing in Your won-  
derful name!

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# I've Known You Forever

By Robert Hawkins © 2004

I've known you forever -- before you were made.  
Before the foundations of earth had been laid;  
before any oceans or lands were defined,  
I numbered the beats of your heart I designed.

I made you in secret -- in your mother's womb;  
I formed you in love by the light of the moon.  
Before you inhaled the first breath that you took,  
I numbered the days of your life in my book.

All nations -- all peoples -- I've made every one;  
I know every footstep and deed that's been done.  
I want you to want me whoever you are.  
Endeavor to find me -- I'm not very far.

You've been in my arms since the day of your birth;  
I'll carry you home when you leave from this earth.  
I am your creator -- your purpose is mine.  
I've known you forever and loved you since time.



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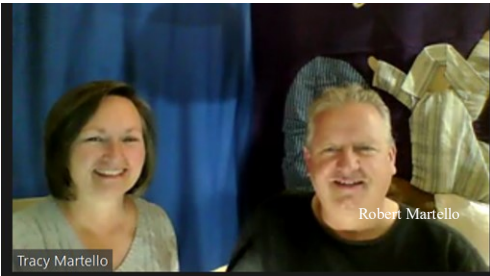
# MINISTRY CALENDAR

*“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  
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October	Planning is underway for another Zoom seminar
November	Pray for our brothers and sisters who minister in other countries
December	Preparations for Wind of the Spirit Ministries’ mid-year meeting.  Celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!



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