

# SPIRIT BREEZE

WIND OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES Newsletter

APRIL 2015

## “I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE”

Scripture is very clear. Jesus came to “*destroy death and to bring life and immortality to light through the gospel.*” I Timothy 1:10 He came to “*destroy him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil—and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.*” Hebrews 2:14

“*For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.*” I Corinthians 15:22 “*The last enemy to be destroyed is death.*”

**Greater yet are Jesus’ own words, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live. Whoever lives and believes in me will never die.”** John 11:25

We are at that point in the Christian year when we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, from the dead. The secular world calls it Easter. Those who Believe in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, know it as the Day of Resurrection. It was on that day, the first day of the week, that the mighty power of God’s Holy Spirit, raised Jesus from the dead.

Actually, each time the Body of Christ - which is variously called “The Church,” “The Ecclesia,” or “The Gathering,” assembles for worship, it celebrates the Resurrection of Jesus. His Resurrection stands at the heart and core of the Christian Faith.

The Apostle Paul made it very clear that the focus of his teaching was on Jesus Christ and him crucified. At the same time, the Apostle never failed to emphasize the presence of the resurrected Christ. Even as he talked about baptism he talked of being “*buried with Christ and raised with him.*” Romans 6:4: Colossians 2:12

This is crucial to the Faith that we Christians have to proclaim to the world. We have a Living God, a Living Savior, a Living Spirit within us and a Living Faith that brings light and life to all who will believe.

There are other high and lofty ethical teachings that call people to their finest. There are other moral teachings that encourage humanity to live honorable

lives. There are other religious bodies that call for self-sacrifice and commitment to the service of others. There are other religions that call for holy habits that enhance relationships with deities and others.

However, there is no other Way of Life that is taught, led, encouraged or empowered by its founder, prophet, leader or god, that has been resurrected from the dead. There is no other person who is professed as the religion’s central figure, who is **alive!** All of the various “religions” of the world can go to the graves of their “leaders,” and pay homage to one who is dead.

Followers of Jesus Christ can go to the “grave” of their Leader and find it empty. It was empty on the third day after his crucifixion and it has remained empty. Jesus is alive, today!

The angel at the tomb on Resurrection Day asked a very important question of the women who came to the tomb early in the morning. “*Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, he has risen.*” Luke 24:5, 6

Following the Resurrection Jesus “showed up” in person as the disciples were gathered in the Upper Room discussing all that had happened that weekend. His presence came as a total surprise to them, but they could not deny it and went forth with zeal and the power of the Holy Spirit to proclaim the good news of the Resurrected Lord who had destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light. That was their gospel!

In light of these affirmations of Scripture, Jesus’ own words and the witness of the early Church apostles—and even the angels themselves, why is it that there are so many so called “Christian teachers,” who deny the Resurrection of Jesus? They deny the very heart and core of our Faith.

As the Apostle Paul so clearly stated to those who thought that way in the early church, “*If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And, if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified that God raised Christ from the dead.....If Christ has not been raised your faith is futile and you are still in your sins.*” I Cor. 15:12-17

We serve a Risen Savior, He’s in the World Today! That is Truth that we proclaim to the world!

**CHRIST IS RISEN! CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!**

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## **GIVE BIG DATE ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Seattle Foundation's fifth annual **Give-BIG** will take place on **Tuesday, May 5, 2015**. This annual event gives opportunity for non-profits to receive special financial support through the Seattle Foundation for their work. Wind of the Spirit Ministries is one of the nonprofits on the Seattle Foundation's network.

This is a one day, online charitable giving event to inspire people to give generously to nonprofit organizations who make our region a healthier and more vital place in which to live.

The Foundation states: "We will "stretch" all donations up to \$2,500. per donor, per organization." This means that Wind of the Spirit Ministries will participate in receiving additional funds, depending upon the amount of each donation to the Ministry and the "stretch" money that is available to the Foundation.

Donations to Wind of the Spirit Ministries may be made in two ways, both by credit card:

1. On **May 5**, midnight to midnight, go to our website, <http://www.wosm-nw.org>, click on May 5, 2015 **Give-BIG, OR**

2. Go directly to <http://www.Seattlefoundation.org>, search for and click on **Wind of the Spirit Ministries** link and make your donation.

This is a great opportunity to see our donations stretched and in some cases doubled during this **GiveBIG** day.

Be sure to mark it on your calendar. **NOT** May 4 or May 6, **BUT ONLY MAY 5**, midnight to midnight.

Thank you for participating in this **GiveBIG** event and helping to make our ministry dollars

**STRETCH** in order to accomplish more in the work of our Lord's Kingdom.

The ongoing work of Wind of the Spirit Ministries is supported through the financial gifts of persons who desire to be involved in helping to equip the people of God for works of ministry. This is done through workshops, seminars, classes and healing academies.

We give thanks to God for all of you who continue to uphold this ministry with your prayers, financial contributions and personal contacts with words of encouragement.

We endeavor to be faithful in our prayers for you, the practice of good stewardship in the use of your gifts and our desire to be mutually encouraging to you in God's Kingdom work.

Donations to eligible organizations\* made by credit card through our website on May 5 Pacific Time (24-hour period) will be proportionally matched by a "stretch pool" of funds. We'll be working on raising funds up until the last minute to try to maximize the amount of the stretch pool, so we won't know the exact amount until closer to the event.

Our online donations processor, Click & Pledge, has agreed to keep the per-transaction processing fee at a flat rate of 2.85% for most credit cards. (Please note that some credit cards, usually rewards or business credit cards, carry an additional non-qualified fee of 1%). American Express fees may vary.

## **What's new for GiveBIG 2015?**

Cap on Donations: We have made a change to help the "stretch pool" go even further: we will "stretch" all donations up to \$2,500 per donor, per organization. So, for example, if a **GiveBIG** donor makes one \$10,000 gift to one organization, then we will only stretch the first \$2,500 of that gift. But, if a **GiveBIG** donor makes five \$2,500 gifts to five different organizations, all of those gifts will be fully stretched. To clarify: this \$2,500 cap applies to individual donations. It does NOT mean that we will only stretch the first \$2,500 that your organization receives on **GiveBIG** day!

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## **GIFTOCRACY**

I invite you to get to know my grand son-in-law, Michael Tetteh and through his soon-to-be released book, Giftocracy. His is an amazing story and testimony to the guidance of God's Holy Spirit in one man's life. This is part of his story:

"23 years ago, in a tiny village of Ghana with poverty staring him in the face, Michael had a dream as a little boy to become a professional soccer player and compete against European powerhouse Manchester United. Soccer took over his life. He ate soccer, and slept soccer. Despite being told that he wasn't good enough to make it as a professional soccer player, that dream was realized in 2011 after being drafted by Seattle Sounders FC and competing against his childhood dream team, Manchester United, in front of 70,000 fans. He was 23 years old then and excited to kick start his career when he had an encounter that caused him to give up the single thing that defined him. In one moment, he let go of everything he had dedicated and worked his whole life to achieve. Many have asked him what it was like to let go of soccer to stepping into the unknown—the fears, loneliness, sense of loss, uncertainty, setbacks, persistence, inspiration, victories and what advice he has for others who are in a transition or someone experiencing a similar thing in their career, business or life in general.

**Giftocracy** however, is not some nebulous, metaphysical, or philosophical ideology that works only in the distant future. Instead, it is people ready, and practical. It's not a religious dogma, or some narrow philosophy that separates, and segregates. And it's not just reserved for a special group of people. **Giftocracy** is first a pursuit of self. It is about discovering something that you must do, becoming passionate about what you were born to do.

It addresses the needs, visions, dreams, questions, and longings in the human experience, while exposing the defects, weaknesses, phonicness, and inferiority complexes inherent in our own versions of the truth. It is an idea for the rich, poor, child, adult, and every living soul.

**Giftocracy** births your greatness, enlarges your leadership capacity, and even gives life to others. If we are to become who God created us to be and live a purposeful life, we urgently need to embrace and change our perception of human potential—and we need to unwrap our gifts. This belief is part of my DNA and my life is a testimony to it; this book a hymn to the irrevocable power of our God-given abilities. May these pages help us capture that truth.

Join me on a journey of thought as we uncover, unwrap, and unleash the gifts within us.

**Are you ready?"**

## **WEB-PAGE**

**Wind of the Spirit Web Page address is**  
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# Wind of the Spirit Ministries

My Prayer Request Is:

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Please return this slip with your next gift. Checks payable to "Wind of the Spirit Ministries" are tax deductible. **THANK YOU!**

## MINISTRY REPORT UPDATE

Jesus told his disciples on one occasion, "Watch!"

When I read that and recently repeated it in a message I shared at The Gathering in Goodlettsville, TN, the Lord brought to my mind something that he had told me almost 45 years ago in the ministry that began after I was baptized with the Holy Spirit.

At that time, the Spirit of the Lord spoke very plainly to my spirit. After eighteen years of endeavoring to do ministry in my own power and, in the process, experienced burnout, He said, "Larry, I have been watching you for eighteen years, now you watch me for awhile."

I have been watching the Lord work healing and wholeness in the lives of people with whom I have had the privilege of praying in these past few weeks. I continue to stand in awe of the move of the hand of God upon men, women and children, bringing them into a closer walk with him and, in the process, releasing healing in their bodies, minds and spirits.

It was such a privilege to share the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ with the gathered body of the Church of God in White House, TN. The invitation came only a day or so before. When we met with Pastor Teresa Coombs just prior to the service, we shared in a very anointed prayer time in which the Lord moved upon us all.

In that time together the Spirit of God touched her physical body, aligning her shoulders and releasing some pinched nerves in her back. She witnessed to his healing touch. She later led the congregation in a beautiful time of worship, honoring Jesus in word and song, and did so without pain as she played the keyboard. She also sang an anointed solo just prior to the message. I was privileged to watch the Lord do that!

At that same service several came forward for prayer. The Holy Spirit moved in power, at different times, to release two individuals from the grip of an un-forgiving spirit that had each of their lives in bondage. As each spoke aloud the words of forgiveness related to the issues in their own lives, the Holy Spirit of the Resurrected Lord set them free. I just watched as the Lord did his work and joined with each of them in giving praise to God.

How important it is for those who have leadership responsibility—as well as for the rest of us in the Body of Christ, to watch and find out where the Spirit of the Risen Christ is moving and then go there and be ready to do as he directs.

This is far more rewarding and productive than for us to get involved in doing something, even good ministry, and then asking God to come and bless what we are doing!

## SPECIAL WORDS OF THANKSGIVING

I had the privilege of staying in the homes of Mau and Alberta Ly while in Goodlettsville, TN. Mau then took me to Irondale, AL where I stayed in the home of Taylor and Jenny Gallman.

What a blessing to be able to be in ministry with these blessed families who love the Lord and are willing to share their homes with others who are involved in ministry.

May God truly pour out his Spirit and Grace upon them!

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In addition to my prayer and moral support of Wind of the Spirit Ministries, I wish to contribute the following:

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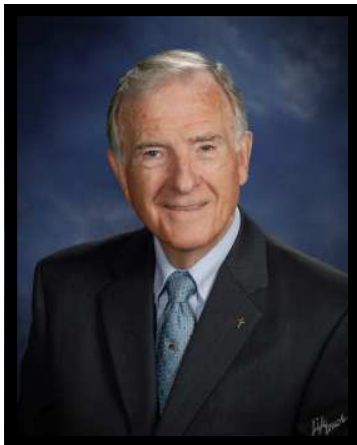


## **MINISTRY CALENDAR**

**PLEASE POST AND PRAY FOR THIS EVENT**

**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*



***GIVE BIG DAY*** is a great opportunity to contribute financial gifts to Wind of the Spirit Ministries. On ***Tuesday, May 5***, a matching fund gift of \$25,000 has been made available to this ministry. Your gift will be **doubled** on that day for the ministry.

***REMEMBER, TUESDAY, MAY 5***