

## WIND OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES Newsletter

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#### To Know and Be Known

You have searched me, LORD, and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely. You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.

If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me," even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be. [Ps139:1-16]

Our God knows us intimately. He not only **created** us but he **observes us**, **knows our thoughts**, **surrounds us** and **searches us**. There is nothing about us that is hidden from him. How comforting it is to recognize the depths of the knowledge our God has of us!

One way we show love for God is by getting to know him. The more we know him, the more we will love and trust him. The Psalmist knew him and cried out, "Such knowledge is too wonderful for me..."

There are two basic levels of knowing someone:

- 1. Having intellectual knowledge or information about them is the first level. You may have read about or observed someone. We say we have "head knowledge" about them.
- 2. The second and deeper level is having developed a relationship with someone, we know their likes and dislikes, how they do things, how they think. We become familiar with that person. This level of knowing takes a conscious effort and time.

We all have some knowledge of God. But no one knows everything about him as he is infinite, and has no beginning and no end. Since we don't know everything about him, it makes sense that we all have wrong ideas about certain aspects of God's nature.

Relationship is a two-way street. If we do all of the talking when we are with our friend or spouse or child and then walk away, that is not relationship. Relationship requires exchange. Observing, talking and listening. Giving and receiving.

God made a way for us to know enough about him to receive eternal life - through the Bible, but we must spend time with the Lord *praying*, *observing* and *listening*, so that we build a relationship of trust with him. The more we know him, the more we will trust him.

Lack of knowledge about God can be a barrier to all of the blessings God has for us.

- A lack of knowledge about God can allow fear into our lives:
- 1. We may fear God's anger and wrath if we do not understand that Jesus took all of God's anger and wrath against sin in our place.
- 2. We may fear that we will have no control over our lives, but God did not make us puppets. He made us in his image to be relational beings, people who have freedom to make choices.
- 3. We may fear that we are not worthy to be blessed, worthy to hear God's voice, worthy to be loved. But our Father sees us as he sees Jesus. We often focus on our weaknesses and failures, but God sees us in reality. And in the final outcome, the

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reality is that we will be like Jesus....that is how God sees us *NOW*! He knows where our lives are broken, but that is not the final outcome.

To know God is to spend time in the Word learning who he is, how he does things, and how he thinks; learning by looking at the nature of Jesus, who is the "exact representation" of God [Hebrew 1:3]. We also learn by spending time in prayer, not only talking, but listening, and by observing God at work in the world around us.

Let's keep seeking him. It will change our lives! Tracy

## Healing Seminar 2018



## **Group Photo**

#### NOTHING IS EVER THE SAME

There is something very reassuring when we are involved with the familiar. The venue for the event is the same, the schedule is similar as before; the subject matter is one of special interest, though I've heard it before; several of the participants at previous seminars are present and I am glad to see them again; familiar choruses elicit a sense of peace, and also excitement for what lies ahead. So, it's good to be in familiar surroundings with people we know and love.

Yet, at the same time, it's different! The Healing Seminars in the past have all been great and a real blessing for which we offer praise to God. Yet, somehow, this one is different! There's an air of expectancy, a sense of Presence, an atmosphere of holiness, an eagerness to see what is in store.

The God who is the "same yesterday, today and forever" is somehow never the same when it comes to his Manifest Presence in a group that has gathered for meeting him at their point of need. Perhaps the reason is that the personality of a gathered group is never the same from one event to the next. The presence of one or two new participants can change the group's personality, and so the group's response to God changes. God has an endless variety of ways to interface with his people.

The recent Healing Seminar in Silverdale gathered together people of faith from United Methodist, Pentecostal, Assembly of God, Roman Catholic and Independent Churches from across Washington and Oregon. The common bond was the belief in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord of our lives. The names of the facilities and gathering places in which we meet each week for worship gave way to the bond of love between brothers and sisters in Christ.

Consequently, persons were renewed in their faith, because of the Presence of the Lord of their faith. Others experienced healing in their bodies because the God who heals kept his promise that "I am the God who heals."

Others experienced deliverance and freedom from brokenness in their lives and relationships because their Lord "showed up" and kept his promise that he "heals the brokenhearted, binding up their wounds." Still others experienced a brand-new touch of the Holy Spirit upon their lives, because they asked for it to happen and Jesus baptized them with his Holy Spirit, as he promised. Others were aware of the presence of angels in the room. The Manifest Presence of the Omnipresent God was palpable. Where God is, healing happens!

Praise God for those who served, taught, led and participated in the Healing Seminar. Above all, Praise God for his Awesome Presence!

## **Motivational Gifts Seminar**

Our next event will be October 25-27th at Silverdale United Methodist Church, Silverdale, Washington. We will be presenting the Motivational Gifts Seminar. This seminar is a two and one half day event on discovering and using the spiritual gifts given to Believers by the Holy Spirit. Seminar includes teachings and workshops.

Continental Breakfast is provided. Lunch and dinner are on your own.

Join Us!

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## What is Happening in the Philippines?

By Rev. David Sablan

We cannot deny the fact that we have churches that are undergoing emotional and relational crisis that affects their spiritual vitality.

I know and believe that this is the opportune time to be used by God and to provide preaching, teaching opportunities and other activities that will bring people to Christ to be saved, healed and transformed and help churches to become communities of healing, wholeness and restoration that will bring about church growth, revival and leadership transformation and development for the glory of God.

#### God's appointment continues...

In June 5, 2018 during the first South East District Council Meeting, Rev. David Sablan Jr. was appointed by Rev. DS Orly Veron as District Director on Healing & Wholeness Ministry. The whole Council unanimously approved Rev. Sablan's appointment.

#### What we offer

- ⇒ Integration of healing ministry entitled: "Celebrate Wholeness." Encourage every local church to conduct "Healing & Revival Night" (usually this is scheduled Friday night) as part of their pre-anniversary celebration.
- ⇒ Designate District Wide healing Sunday any Sunday in the month of January. Yours truly will provide sermon outline, liturgy and Sunday school lesson on healing.
- $\Rightarrow\,$  Overnight retreat for Church workers children from age 10-23 years old.
- ⇒ Provide program support to local churches in their spiritual retreats, seminars and other activities related to healing and church revival.
- ⇒ Help churches organize their own healing team through a three-hour seminar.
- $\Rightarrow\,$  Provide mentorship for church workers and laity in the area of healing ministry.
- ⇒ Consultation / Orientation with church leaders for more ministry opportunities such as Healing Academies, Seminars, etc.

Rev. David and Jomel Sablan represent Wind of the Spirit Ministries in the Philippines.

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# MINISTRY CALENDAR

#### PLEASE POST AND PRAY FOR THESE EVENTS

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

September	Pray for those in Kerala state in India who have suffered from devastating floods					
October	Motivational Gifts Seminar, Silverdale, WA					
November	Pray for God's people in Kenya. Provision Bibles and teaching materials					
December	Pray for God's people in the Philippines.  Mighty move of God  Provision					

"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

