

WIND OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES Newsletter

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Being Tried, May We Come Forth as Gold

Are you feeling any pressure in your life? Maybe circumstances have gotten out of control, beyond what you are able to handle on your own. Be encouraged! You may be in a position to unlock a blessing on your life.

God is just waiting to pour out His blessings on us. That is the kind of Heavenly Father we have. We can unlock those blessings through faith! As we progress in our faith, each challenge to it can be more difficult than the one before, as we will see in this event from the book of Matthew.

Jesus and his disciples had recently left an encounter with some Pharisees. The Pharisees were condemning Jesus and the disciples for not washing their hands before they ate. The Pharisees were big on customs and ceremonies. Jesus let them know that it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles people, but that which comes from the heart.

The Pharisees had no faith in Jesus. Their faith was in themselves and how well they followed all the rules. Because they were so filled with pride, they were offended by Jesus' statement about being defiled by what was in their heart. Their pride caused them to treat Jesus and the disciples with contempt, as though they were less worthy.

After that event, Jesus and his disciples were traveling, and a woman came to Jesus for help. Matt 15:21-28:

And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed."

But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she cries out after us."

But He answered and said, "I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, help

But He answered and said, "It is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the little dogs."

And she said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters' table."

Then Jesus answered and said to her, "O woman,

great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire." And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

I think to understand this correctly, we must recognize, by what we know about Jesus, that this is not a chance encounter. Jesus knows this woman, even though they have never met. How do I know that? Because this is what God's Word says about us.

"...all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be." Psalm 139:16

Jesus knew this woman would be there in that place, it was written in His Book before it came to be. He knew she had faith in him. This was a test, but I think it was also a lesson to the disciples.

Jesus is impressed by this woman's faith. She was willing to risk by taking actions that would cost her. When she was ignored, she was not offended, because she had a living, active faith and pride was not going to get in the way.

The disciples, like the Pharisees they had been abused by earlier, are offended and treat her with disdain saying, "Send her away, she's crying after us!" After all, she was a Gentile, people considered unclean according to Jewish standards. But this woman doesn't run.

Jesus tells her that he was sent to the house of Israel. not to the Gentiles. That didn't stop her either. Look at the humility she exhibits every time she is rebuffed. She then humbles herself in worship, falling at the feet of Jesus and crying, "Lord, help me."

And even when Jesus compares her to a dog under the Master's table, she does not waiver. She believes Jesus can and will help her. Her reply shows her humility. "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. And her faith unlocks the blessing!

She has passed the test! This may be the farthest her faith has ever been tested and it accesses the blessing – her daughter is healed! Not only that, but Jesus commends her faith!

The disciples also had a very clear picture of the difference between the "heart" they saw in the Pharisees and the "heart" that comes from real faith. Let us, being tried, come forth as gold for the glory of our Lord!

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PRAYER SEMINAR

March 4-5, 2022

Wind of the Spirit Ministries is presenting a prayer seminar, "Lord, Teach Us To Pray", on March 4-5 at Silverdale United Methodist Church. Please join us! God will do great

things while we are



<u>Topics</u> People Who Pray The God to Whom We Pray Listening Prayer Prayer and Forgiveness

To Register: Email: wosmnw@yahoo.com

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Registration fee: \$ 75 per person

\$125 per couple

No charge for pastor/spouse

Dates: March 4-5, 2022

Times: Fri 7-9pm, Saturday 8-5pm

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Mid-Year Report to the Board of Directors and Support Council The Wind of the Spirit Ministries, USA

Pastor David & Sis. Jomel Sablan Jr.

Directors, Healing and Wholeness Ministries **Philippines** January 29, 2022

INTRODUCTORY VERSES:

"It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night," - Psalm 92:1,2, ESV

We are glad to report to the Board and Council the following events both directly on Healing & Wholeness ministries and other special worship services and conferences from June 2021 to January 2022.

PROOF OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS AND POWER:

"They tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might, so that all people may know of your mighty acts and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations." - Ps. 145:11-13, NIV

Despite continuous restrictions and difficult conditions to gather and minister physically caused by the Pandemic God continues to open many doors through online ministries to advance the ministry of healing of which my wife and I are on for more than 18 years now.

The following virtual ministries that were undertaken held here in the Philippines particularly within the United Methodist Church will testify how mighty and glorious God is.

2021

- 1. June 17 Speaker at Life Growth Inc. On-line ministry. Preached on God's miracles and wonders.
- 2. July 3-4 Healing Retreat at North Fairview UMC via zoom
- 3. Juy 25 Healing Seminar at North Fairview UMC via zoom
- 4. September 26 Lecture about "Maintaining Harmonious Relationship in the Church at Sta. Rosa UMC via zoom.
- 5. October 18 Speaker for Northwest District UMC on "Spiritual Warfare" via zoom

- 6. October 20 Speaker for Church Workers Convocation Quezon City Phil. Annual Conference: "The Healing Power of Humor".
- 7. October 23 Speaker at Ablaze Conference
- 8. November 17 Speaker at Taytay UMC's Evangelistic & Healing Crusade via zoom
- 9. November 20 Speaker at Muzon UMC's Healing Service
- 10. December 2- Speaker at St. Peter UMC's Healing Crusade
- 11. December 20 Speaker at Good Seed UMC Evening Pre Christmas Service Face to Face Service
- 12. December 25 Speaker Christmas Service at Grace UMC

2022

- 1. January 15, 2022 Prayer Conference for Northwest District Quezon City Phil. Annual Conf. East. Topic: Healing in the Past and Hope for the Future.
- 2. January 26 Speaker at Prophetic Leadership Summit by Life Growth Inc. Topic: "Bind and Burn": Kingdom Keys of Authority

Other Ministry Involvement:

- 1. Involved in weekly "Healing Rooms" as one of the Prayer Leaders for healing by Life Growth Inc.
- 2. Dawn Prayer Gathering called "Day Break" at 5 am United Methodist Traditionalist Movement

Victory amidst Challenges:

Despite two big losses in our families. My father's passing in January 19 and last January 29 my Father in law. Me and Jomel and our families continue to receive the Holy Spirit's strength, comfort, and guidance. Thank you for all your prayers and love.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

Our words will never be enough to express our thanks to you and above all, our highest praise and gratitude to our almighty God for his incomparable power, protection, and provision to us all. Like the psalmist, David said in Psalm 9:1, "I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds."

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

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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

March 4-5	Lord, Teach Us To Prayer seminar in Silverdale, Washington
	Planning stages for other events
Prayer	Please continue to pray for Wind of the Spirit Ministries, the Sablan's ministry and family in the Philippines, and our brothers and sisters in Kenya as the church grows.