WIND OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES Newsletter

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WHEN ALL HEAVEN JUMPS TO ITS FEET

Jesus always 'told it like it was.' One time, when he finished telling the parable of the lost sheep, he said, "Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance." [Luke 15:7] That's a lot of joy when all heaven jumps to its feet! Jesus tells us in that one statement how all heaven responds when a person repents and desires to live a new life in the Kingdom of God.

I can't think of anything more exciting here on earth than to be with that one sinner when he or she repents and asks Jesus into their heart. Wouldn't it be great if all earth—or even all the church, like all heaven, would jump to its feet and celebrate the life that has been born again into the family of God?

It does happen! One Sunday this past month we finished the service of worship and gave an invitation for those who desired to live their life coram Deo, to come to the altar. To live one's life coram Deo is to live our entire life in the presence of God, under the authority of God, to the glory of God. In other words, it is to be totally sold out to Jesus, laying aside our own issues and allowing him to live his life in us.

A young woman, Abigail, who attended the second service, left during the sermon to wander in the halls. We later learned that she was wrestling with her own life issues and at the same time feeling a strong need to turn her life entirely over to Jesus.

The head of the ushers, Marion, had attended the first service and gone home, only to feel the strong urge to return for the second service. As she came into the hallway, she met up with Abigail, pacing back and forth, and asked if she could be of help.

Abigail told her that she was wrestling with the decision to give her life to Jesus.

Marion brought Abigail to Audrey and as they shared together Abigail's desire, it was at the exact moment when the invitation was given for those who

wanted to live their lives coram Deo, to come to the altar for a personal time with Jesus.

The three women came down the center aisle to the altar. It was my privilege to help Abigail through the process of seeking forgiveness for her sins, knowing God's forgiveness, asking Jesus to come into her heart and life and asking Him to fill her with his Holy Spirit.

In that very instant Abigail knew she was forgiven of all her sins. It was witnessed as the Holy Spirit brought perfect peace and joy in her heart, to which she testified. She also believed God's word that "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." She believed that and received it.

One of the first things that she declared was that she had to go tell all her friends what Jesus had done for her. The congregation rejoiced with her and welcomed her as a sister into the family of God.

AND, All Heaven Jumped to Its Feet! We were quickly reminded of what Jesus said, that there is more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine people who are right with God and who need no repentance.

Scripture reminds us also that the Adversary is overcome in two ways: "They have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony." Revelation 12:11.

We know that the blood of the Lamb has served to redeem us from the devil, death and hell. Our privilege is to tell about the One who has redeemed us, and our testimony to others serves the purpose of letting the Adversary know that our lives no longer belong to him, but to our Lord, Jesus.

Abigail is a living example of victory over sin and death, birth into a new life in the presence of God, and the reason for causing all of heaven to jump to its feet and rejoice that another loved one can enjoy abundant and eternal life walking with Jesus. Praise the Lord! lle

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OFFICE GIFTS IN SCRIPTURE Ephesians 4:11, 12

"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 trut ing

All of us are called to the ministry of sharing the good news of God's love for all people and the grace that is offered through Jesus Christ.

The Ministry Gifts have to do with those who are called by God to be leaders in the church. They are called to equip the saints for the work of ministry.

It is good to recognize these who are called for such a leadership responsibility and to understand the purpose of their calling.

APOSTLE: An Apostle is a Messenger. An Apostle is a person who has been sent out for specific Christian service. That service may be to establish new congregations or to encourage those who are already established.

The Twelve Disciples of Jesus were his disciples until his Ascension and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon them. Then they became the Twelve Apostles who went out preaching, teaching and healing in the Name of Jesus.

The Apostle helps to prepare God's people for works of ministry.

PROPHET: A Prophet proclaims the inspired word of God. The Prophet warns people of the dangers and consequences of sin. They provide moral guidance for the people of God and call people into a right relationship with God. The Prophet helps to prepare God's people for works of ministry.

EVANGELIST: An Evangelist is one who preaches the good news of God's Kingdom with the express purpose of winning persons to Jesus Christ. With the passion of Jesus Christ, they are called to seek and save the lost.

The Evangelist helps to prepare God's people for works of ministry.

PASTOR: A pastor is a person who is given responsibility for a local fellowship of Christian Believers. It is the Pastor's responsibility to attend to the spiritual and temporal needs of that

Body. Pastors preach the Kingdom of God and heal the sick, following Jesus' instructions to his disciples.

Pastors help to prepare God's people for works of ministry.

TEACHER: The Teacher searches out and clarifies the truth of God's Word. The teacher is responsible for training persons in Christian discipleship and helping them mature in their faith and commitment to Jesus.

The Teacher helps to prepare God's people for works of ministry.

THESE FIVE-FOLD MINISTRY GIFTS ARE GIVEN FOR THE PURPOSE of "equipping the saints for works of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ." [4: 12, 13]

MINISTRY GIFTS IN SCRIPTURE Romans 12:6-8

"We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to our faith; serving, in ministry; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in encouragement; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; compassion, in cheerfulness."

THE PROPHET will spend much time in prayerful preparation in order to *proclaim the Word of God*.

THE SERVER focuses on the practical aspects of ministry and loves to *demonstrate the Word of God*.

THE TEACHER will spend time in Biblical research to help the Body be *trained in the Word of God*.

THE EXHORTER helps people to grow in their faith because they motivate people to grow in the Word of God

THE LEADER helps others to find their place in ministry by *facilitating the Word of God*.

THE GIVER gladly receives the Word of Truth and desires to support the ministry by giving to *support the Word of God*.

THE COMPASSION OR MERCY PERSON helps others to know the nature of God and of God's love. They sensitize the Body of Christ to the Word of God.

These are the gifts that motivate us to be involved in the kind of ministry to which God call us. "We, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members of one another." [12:5]

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A TESTIMONY OF GOD'S GOODNESS AND GRACE

Note: The Rev. Dr. Roberta [Bobby] Cabbot, while a student at Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, KY, was instrumental in helping us come to that campus to conduct our first of six Healing Academies for the students there. Since then she has become an ordained pastor, serving churches in Michigan and a much sought after speaker at various conferences on the Holy Spirit. In addition to her pastoral duties, Bobby has a healing ministry called Kingdom Life Healing Ministries.

The following is a testimony from her that shows the mighty work of God in the Body of Christ. It is written here with her permission. To God be the glory!

"I was disappointed not to see you both at the ARM conference last week! I always tell of you both as I teach and preach because you made such an enormous impact in my life. I think back to all the Healing Academies I attended with you and all I learned, and especially the night in Little Rock when you delivered me from that panic demon and other dark spirits!

I use your teachings a lot as I seek to bring others to freedom in Christ—especially your experiential teaching about hearing God before you pray and your excellent teaching on forgiveness. You both are also mentioned in the introduction of my book as people who I praise and thank God for!

You are two of the most loving people I have ever met. Your love for and faith in Christ not only models holiness, but gives us a glimpse of the kingdom in our midst. Your Healing Academy instructs and equips regular folks like me how to live a healed, victorious life.

I first attended an Academy in 1999. I experienced deep healing and freedom. My encounter with Christ was so profound that I began to take others to you so they could experience the joy I found. I believe I attended five Academies over the years. To say that my life was changed is an understatement. A person cannot go through the Academy without being profoundly touched by God.

The setting of the Academy is intimate and Sprit-filled. Participants will both learn cognitively and encounter Christ experientially. They will have opportunity to hang out with the two of you because you make yourselves fully present to your students. Lives are changed."

We are blessed abundantly as we see men and women like Bobby assume positions of leadership in the church and minister in the power of God's Holy Spirit. We know that the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ is in good hands. We are glad and humbled to be a part of this great ministry of Jesus Christ. May He receive all the glory. Let His Name be praised.

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"The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear the sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit." John 3:8



MINISTRY CALENDAR

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OTHER MINISTRY EVENTS ARE IN THE PLANNING STAGES Eddings Email address: woseddings@msn.com

AUGUST 5-11	Tent Revival at Silverdale United Methodist with The Rev. Scott Kelso, preaching. Prayer Team WOSM provides Prayer/Healing Teams
AUGUST 31- SEPTEMBER 1, 2	Retreat with the Silverdale United Methodist Church at Fort Worden, Pt. Townsend, WA
SEPTEMBER 16-?	Philippine Mission Trip to Conduct Healing Retreat for Pastors with Bishop Rudy Juan. Other ministry events in the Manila area.
OCTOBER 21-26	"The Journey Within" Seminar on Healing of Emotional Hurts, Silverdale United Methodist Church, Silverdale, WA
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