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### Frederick Shumba in Winder

BY: Richard Dean

Pastor Frederick Shumba of Norton Zimbabwe was in Winder, Georgia on 9 & 10 Aug for an incredible revival, one of the most intense this reporter has attended. Pastor Shumba travelled to the U.S. for a tour of the East beginning in



Pastor Frederick Shumba of Zimbabwe

Winder at Miracle Deliverance House of Prayer. People from several churches in the Whole Body of Christ Alliance gathered for two nights to worship together and listen to this celebrity preacher from Zimbabwe. Pastor Shumba knows that everything that Jesus Christ is lives within him and, using him, Christ has shown some Biblical signs and wonders, including raising people from the dead, causing people to grow new limbs, and blind (Cont. on pg. 2)

### Carol's in August

By Donna Michelle Iler

Pastor Carol herself welcomed everyone to the coffee house in her opening. "Am I my brother's Keeper?" she asked. "If you have a problem, I have a problem. She announced the



Carol of the coffee house of the same name is Pastor Carol Patman of Miracle Deliverance

opening of the new church in Jefferson, Miracle Deliverance House of Refuge, with Pastor Martin Porter. Pastor Porter's wife, Stephanie Porter helped open the coffee house. "Rejoice. And again I say rejoice." She exclaimed before she read (cont. on pg. 4)

### Praise in the Atmosphere

By: Richard Dean

There were no long faces in the church. There were no faces that looked like they had been sucking lemons through a gas pipe, as one often sees in churches. **Atmosphere of Praise Ministries** is an enlightening church experience.



Pastor Michael Pope of Atmosphere of Praise

Pastor Michael Pope preaches the Kingdom of God and the message is much more centered on the teaching of God's kingdom than on impressing anyone with his charismatic style of preaching. The "sermon" was more like a Bible study than a preacher preaching. People asked questions and made contributory comments.

The service began with prayer and Tawana Williams read Psalm 24. (cont. on pg. 6)

### Women of Destiny in August

By: Claire Akins

Women of Destiny meets once monthly at the Winder Women's Club on Midland Ave. It is intended for women but men are never asked to leave. The gathering in August was excellent as always.



Pastor Nancy Haney at Women of Destiny

Karen Lewis opened the meeting in prayer and spoke about Nancy Haney and how blessed the group was to have her. Michelle Pritchett did a beautiful job of bringing all present into the deep worship with her music as always. The collection (cont. on pg. 7)

### Miraculous Healing

By: Donna Michelle Iler

Sister Irene (not her real name) is a woman of God. In March of 2012 she was diagnosed with Stage IV colon cancer. Surgery was performed but the primary tumor grew back with a vengeance. This particular tumor extends outside of her body, and so is quite visible. She has been written off by "medical science," and placed in a hospice to die.



Pastor Frederick Shumba preaching in Winder

In August Pastor Frederick Shumba of Norton, Zimbabwe visited Winder. This is a man that God has used on numerous occasions to heal the sick, restore the sight of the blind, raise people from the dead, and many other "impossible" things.

Sister Irene's brother attended the revival where Pastor Shumba was (Cont. on pg. 8)

### March for Unity

By: R. D. Hempton

Two Pastors in the Whole Body of Christ Alliance have gotten together and are planning something a little out of the ordinary.



Pastors Allen Stevens of Living Hope Christian Fellowship & Jesse Halbert of Timothy Baptist

Pastor Stevens, at a meeting of the WBCA told Pastor Halbert, "Preacher, we need to have a march of all the churches in unity." Pastor Halbert agreed, and plans for the September Unity march began. It was pointed out at the meeting that the churches of the WBCA had done things to show each other unity, but that they needed to do something (Cont. on pg. 9)

### Frederick Shumba in Winder

(from pg 1)

people to see.

The Miracle Deliverance praise team sang, and the worship was intense and sweet. Sister Linda Williams sang, and Katrina Scott spoke (preached), Joseph and Caroline Chandler gave testimonies, and Pastor Shumba was introduced. "I speak Shona," Pastor Shumba began. "I had to go to school to learn English. Five minutes with God is like the millennium. Expect God to do something.

"Who has heard that I have raised the dead? It's a lie. God alone does those things. I would have no idea how to raise someone from the dead.

"I like a God who does things. A god that does nothing is no different than a man. Why would I need him to do what I can do for myself?"



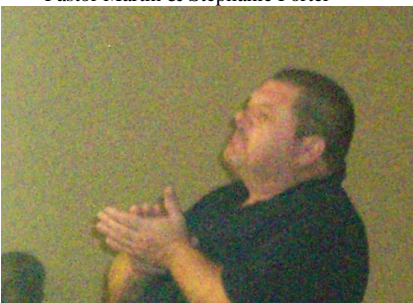
People on the first night of the revival



Bishop Clyde Patman



Pastor Martin & Stephanie Porter



Scott Bagwell, deacon from Braselton Tabernacle of Praise



Pastor Michael Smith of Victory Deliverance



Pastor Frederick Shumba



Donese Mercaldo & friend Cathy



Katrina Scott



Linda Williams

"My God takes over where men fail, therefore, when I get to the house of God, I expect something.

"In Zimbabwe unemployment is at 95%. Many look for gold to feed their families. There are those who sell brass for gold. How do you know what is real? How can I know God is real?"

Because I saw him. I was there and I saw the miracles of God with my own eyes.

"The Bible has four gospels. The first three are the synoptic gospels – very similar, but the gospel of John is different.

"We were giving away Bibles and a young man told me, 'Pastor, I will be honest with you. I want a Bible so I can use the pages to smoke marijuana with.'

"I told him I appreciated his honesty, so I was going to give him a Bible if he promised that, before he smoked the pages, he would read them. He agreed, and I gave him the Bible. I saw him some time later, and he shared with me his story.

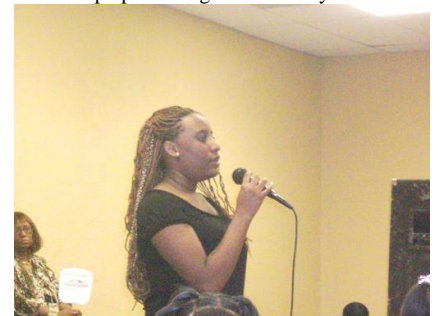
"He said, 'Pastor, I smoked all of Matthew, but I read it. I read Mark and I smoked it, and I smoke all of Luke. But, When I got to John, John smoked me. I am born again and I am a believer.'



People in worship on 9 August



Joseph presenting his testimony



Caroline Chandler's testimony in song



Neyda Hempton sharing her testimony on Thursday 9 August

“So I like to preach from John because John smokes people.” This statement was followed by intense shouting and praising God. “In the beginning was The Word and the Word was with God and the Word WAS God.”



Pastor Frederick Shumba on 9 August



Pastor Shumba prophesies over Joseph



Pastor Carol Patman at revival 9 August

“The Greek here for Word is logos. It means something said, reasoning, The Divine expression - Christ, utterance, word, a work – the ability to create. In the beginning was the ability to create. God wants to set you up in your life a situation so he can reveal himself as God. Revelation is showing what has been hidden. What you are going through is a set up for a revelation. The Lord knows what he is doing.

“When I needed, God provided. I need money or stuff. I need God because, when I have God, I have everything I need.

“God meets all my needs. I make no salary. He meets all my needs, church. Whatever you are going through, God has not abandoned you. He has designed your situation specifically. It is a set-up for your revelation.”

The second night of the revival began with Pastor Sarah Atkins of Miracle Deliverance New Beginnings in Monroe. Sister Tara read the prayer of Jabez, and the praise team began the worship music.

After the fantastic worship, Pastor Roger Williams of Miracle Deliverance House of Prayer welcomed all present, and people came to the front and gave their testimonies.

Pastor Frederick Shumba was then introduced.

“I have been married to the same woman for 22 years. Anyone can get married, but not everyone can **keep** their marriage. Where I come from there is a saying: When elephants fight, it is the grass that is damaged. In Divorce, it is the children that are devastated. I ‘m not saying this for you to feel bad if you are divorced; just keep the one you have now.



People in worship at the 2<sup>nd</sup> night of revival



Pastor Shumba and Pastor Carol Patman



Pastor Sarah Atkins of the church in Monroe



Worship at the revival night #2

“Job 14:1 tells us, ‘Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble.’ You see, if we are born of a woman we are full of trouble. Deep trouble calls for deep prayer. If you are born of a woman, your entire life will be infested with trouble. That is normal. It is a lie that when you come to Jesus you’ll have no problems. You are who you are because of God. You either in a problem, coming out of one or getting ready to go into one. Problems are like rain. You cannot stop the rain. You just need an umbrella.(Cont. on pg. 4)

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The Reverend Mickey McConnell

## Almighty God Refuses Access

By: Mickey McConnell

READER’S NOTE: There are many advantages to the body of Christ being in Unity – many things that we can do if we have it that we cannot otherwise do. We continue to lose battle after battle because we have not yet attained it. But it is not just a good idea; Almighty God commands it.

Mickey McConnell has written a book on the subject, *Almighty God Refuses Access*, available through the Battlefield News. We have permission to print from it. Mickey has been a pastor, a missionary, and worked with troubled young men. He is a speaker, an author, and a godly brother in Christ.

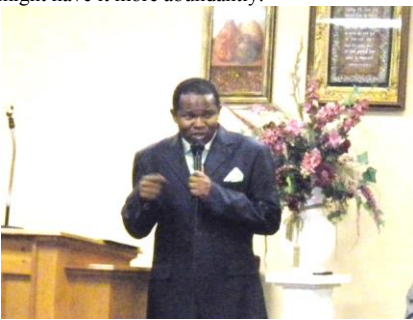
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Christians are tripped up so often by their fleshly desires, envying, and jealousies that they simply will not work together; furthermore, they often work against each other. My spirit is deeply grieved with the massive number of Christians who walk after their fallen nature. Many of these people are leaders in the church.

All of us have to guard over being petty and babyish, but it is very sad when leaders in one denomination will not dare allow a godly person from another denomination to minister to their flock. We each live in this body of flesh, and we are all prone to walking in the flesh. We have to decide on a regular basis, whether we are going to walk in the spirit or walk in the flesh. Did you hear the phrase “on a regular basis”? Even a preacher can preach powerfully in the spirit one Sunday, and preach in the flesh at other times. I have witnessed this phenomenon. It is especially acute when preachers start maligning other denominations. Do we not realize that these are our brothers and sisters for whom Christ also died? Do we not realize that Almighty God is no respecter of persons, and that he has entrusted the preaching of the gospel to them as well? **Why in the world did Almighty God entrust the preaching of the gospel to Baptists, Methodists, Pentecostals, Nazarenes, etc? This is a trick question , for Almighty God has not entrusted the preaching of the gospel to denominational organizations, but he has entrusted the preaching of the gospel to numerous preachers who have been ordained by him to do so. These same preachers have been pressured into choosing which denominational organization they are going to be part of.** The Almighty is accomplishing his mission in spite of the limitations denominations are placing on his chosen ones. Would to Almighty God that his ministers would shake off these sectarian chains and freely explode forth in vastly greater power. Do you understand this point? Read over this again and again until you understand the point being made. It isn't Almighty God who is making a mess of things here, but we by our traditions are making a mess of the “body of Christ.”

**Shumba in Winder (from pg 3)**

“In John 10:10 Jesus said, ‘The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.’



Pastor Shumba quoting John 10:10



People in the front for healing in their lives

“You will press yourself for trouble. Can you survive? Will you give up because you had a liver transplant, a divorce, lost your job? Problems are part of life. Do you have problems with your kids? My son is 16. I don't know how old Satan was when he rebelled against God, but I think about 16. I finally spanked him. Now he gets straight A s. No trouble. When they tell you never to spank your children, that it is against the law, don't listen. That is not what the Bible says. The Bible says the man who spares his rod hates his son. It works. Just remember not to use something hard that will leave a mark so you won't go to jail.



Anointed and prayed over



Pastor Frederick Shumba shaking up church

“When you go hunting, what do you use?” Some one shouted, “A 3030.” “Would you shoot a mosquito with a 3030? No, you must know your problem. Will a rat trap catch a crocodile? No, you must know your problem. A man said, ‘I have this problem because of my wife.’ Stop blaming others. I

have 5 degrees. My parents did not pay for them. I had to find a way. You must find a way. “For every problem there is a particular way to pray. It is all about prayer and attacking the problem with a measure of prayer needed. “There are microwave prayers. The average Christian does not even pray for 5 minutes. Then there are closet prayers. You need to cry and sweat and pray until the sweat looks like blood – just you and God. If you pray enough, you will get to know the answer. You must create time for you and God.” Pastor Shumba called only those people to the front who had a serious problem. Pastor Roger Williams anointed each one and Pastor Shumba prayed over them.

**Carol's August (from pg 1)**

the prayer of Jabez.

Pastor Carol introduced the host of the coffee house, Tony Bertsch, who addressed those present, “Give God the praise.”



First Lady Stephanie Porter reads scripture



People enjoying Carol's coffee house



Shalimar Daniels with the brass of the band

Tony introduced the Miracle Deliverance Praise Team. They provided the wonderful praise music that they always do. Afterward Tony Bertsch introduced Ms. Sarah Lindner, who read one of her poems, *My Blood Red Sea* (the blood of Jesus), such a beautiful work. Kenny Lee sang after the poem. Kenny sang a number of songs, including *He Called My Name*. It was time for testimonies and Ms. Tony Jenkins spoke. “I am a writer and I wanted to write about things that interest me, but God wants me to write about things that have

happened to me. God showed me a person in a dream and two days ago I saw her for real. She is here now and spoke here today.”



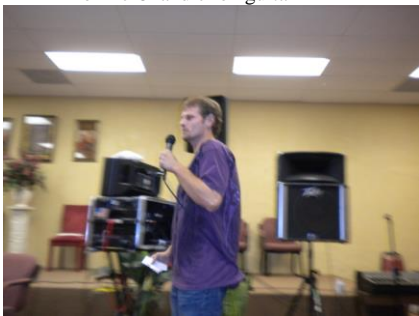
Jessica Patman on drums



Chris Patman on bass



Ronnie Chandler on guitar



Tony Bertsch, host of Carol's Coffee House



Victoria, Caroline, Veronica Chandler and Rebecca Reed the voices of the Praise Team

Tony introduced Caroline Chandler in a dance (mime) performance that was remarkable.



Sarah Lindner with *My Blood Red Sea*



Tony Lee singing *He Called My Name*



Barry Wylie giving his testimony



Ms Tony Jenkins sharing her testimony



Caroline Chandler beginning her mime

Barry Wylie gave a testimony followed by the testimony of Stephanie Porter. "I thank and praise God," shared First Lady Stephanie, "my daughter kept speaking, 'I'm in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade.' And we checked with the board of education and she is in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade. All things work together for good to them that love the Lord. Love is an action word. Not everyone qualifies

for this - 'to them that love the Lord.'



Caroline in the dance of mime at Carol's



First Lady Stephanie Porter's testimony



Pastor Martin Porter in his mime performance

Pastor Martin Porter was introduced and performed a wonderful mime performance. This was followed by another poem by Sarah Lindner entitled *Lost in the Woods*. After the poem the singer, songwriter Sondra Watkins thrilled those present with a host of songs, including *I Love to Call Your Name*.



Martin Porter in the dance of mime at Carol's



Singer, songwriter Sondra Watkins



Donese Mercaldo Sharing her testimony



Kenny Lee and his mother at Carol's

It was testimony time again and Donese Mercaldo, BFN reporter testified. "God's timing: When Abraham and Sarah decided to help God fulfill his promise, we all know what happened. When Pastor Shumba was here, he told me, 'Greater things are going to come to you. He actually went and prayed over my

cousin, who had cancer, and now the tumor is shrinking." Tony Bertsch introduced Pastor Martin Porter for another mime performance followed by the song and testimony of a lady who had never before been to a coffee house, Ms. Mary, who sang *I Want to be a Blessing*.



Ms. Mary's song and testimony



Katrina Scott giving her testimony



The praise team from Miracle Deliverance New Beginnings in Monroe

Ms. Mary, giving her testimony shared, "I am an orphan. I blamed God. I was kidnapped from the orphanage and the men raped us. I don't trust men."

Ms. Tony Jenkins testified a second time, "God showed me in a dream that I needed to come to Winder, and I hear Ms. Mary's story and she is telling my story."

Katrina Scott gave a testimony: "God told me to give it to him. He said, 'Your afraid to because you're afraid of the answer I will give you.' I gave it to him." Katrina wept, laid down the microphone and walked away. It was very touching. This reporter was moved to tears.

This was followed by the closing performance by the praise team from Miracle Deliverance New Beginnings in Monroe.

All-in-all, it may have been the best Carol's Coffee House yet.

If you have never attended a coffee house, you are missing such an incredible Saturday afternoon.

Carol's is at 1500 (3pm) every third Saturday at 49 Jackson Street in Winder and Missy's is the same time each 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in the same place.

### Praise in the Atmosphere

(from pg. 1)

The congregation sang a hymn and Pastor Pope called for praise reports. Tawana Williams shared that her son, Brian, had been diagnosed with aplastic anemia, a condition where the body produces no formed elements, no red cells, white cells, or platelets. She said he had needed many transfusions, sometimes two a week. She also said that he had not needed a transfusion in over a month.



Tawana Williams listening to the pastor



Those present after church

Other people gave praise reports as well and Pastor Mike began discussing the Law of Love. That's right – discussing. There was no sermon. From the beginning it was a discussion with participation from the congregation. It was very refreshing. hen someone loves us, we expect rules." Pastor Pope shared. We discussed Gal 5:13, Mat 22:34-40, and I Cor 13.

Afterward Lateria Vinson read II Cor 9:6-7, I Cor 9:11 and Mal 3:10.

Atmosphere of Praise Church is at 219 Lynn Road in Bethlehem and meets Sunday morning at 1030 and at the YMCA in Winder on Thursday evening at 1900 (7pm). They may be contacted at (216)324-8043.



Lateria Vinson reading scripture

The pastor of this body of believers has a unique approach to worship and teaching. This reporter found it extremely refreshing. He preaches the Kingdom of God. The Kingdom of God is in unity. It does not have to work to get that way.

It is there already. It is not about one church body or one denomination. It is a kingdom of believers ruled by Jesus Christ, whose religion is Love. In the kingdom we do not suspect and mistrust each other. We love each other. We leave our egos outside the gates.



Lateria Vinson, Amy Stillwell and husband Terrence Stillwell at Atmosphere of Praise relaxing reading the Battlefield News



Pastor Michael and First Lady Lauren Pope



Amy and Terrance Stillwell a young couple active in Atmosphere of Praise Ministries

Atmosphere of praise is this kind of place. I saw people who loved and cared about each other. It is not a "black church," nor a "white church." There were people there of four different races. It was a church this reporter would highly recommend to anyone looking for a church.

### Women of Destiny (from pg. 1)

Was blessed, and testimonies were heard. Sarah Tarter played the guitar and sang 3 songs she wrote. She shared in her testimony that she was burned badly several months ago. She told of her miraculous healing and how God reshaped her ears and face.



Women in prayer at Women of Destiny

Sarah introduced Pastor Nancy Haney, who spoke from Revelation chapter 3, where Jesus spoke to the churches. She spoke of how wonderful the fellowship together is, but that the

most important thing is our personal relationship with him in your heart.



Women in worship in August



Sarah Tarter playing and singing



In the deep worship with Michelle Pritchett

We are a remnant. How strong and lasting remnants are. They give God pleasure by serving him, by doing his will. He has lavished upon us with wisdom and an understanding That not one of should doubt, but believe by faith. We should compare ourselves only with what God expects. John 17:17 says that the Word is truth. The word of God is unchangeable and to live in Christ is to have more. Love the Lord with baptism and faith of the spirit.

In closing, she said we should ask the Lord to wound our hearts with the Christ that we would act for his good pleasure. Ask him to wound our hearts with compassion, with more love, more love for him than for anything else.

As Nancy Haney walked among those present, all stood. She asked each of us what we would have our heart wounded with and most answered, "compassion." She prayed over each woman and placed her hand over each heart and spoke loudly, "Lord wound this heart with compassion." No one could remain standing.

It felt like a mighty wind blew through this writer's body and left great compassion.

The door prize was three framed pictures and a gift certificate for a portrait from Joan Wilson. When the drawing was done, Neyda Hempton had won the door prize. Neyda was quite excited about winning the prizes.

Karen Lewis closed the meeting in prayer and fellowship continued among those in attendance.

## Shabach Church has had a name change. It is now Anointed Hands Ministries

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## Be Not Deceived...

By: Jeff Carr



The Reverend Jeff Carr of Cross of Christ

### Whatever a man sows is often not seen.

The verse "WHATSOEVER a man SOWS so also shall he reap" is one of our most powerful clues to help us understand the "WHATSOEVER" that we are to put to death. Such "sowings" have come to all of us from our parents, siblings, and all the other circumstances and experiences of life that have caused attitudes, expectancies, habits and wounds to

take root in our hearts and lives that were not birthed in us through Christ.

Because sin is passed from one generation to the next, "WHATSOEVER" also refers to the sins that my forefathers and parents never overcame in their own lives through Christ, which I then inherited upon conception. What I experienced life to be from the time I was in my mother's womb, and throughout my infancy (heard, saw, sensed), even though I cannot possibly remember it, was sowed into me.

Consider this: we don't have to remember planting a seed in order for the tree to grow, where we planted it, and exactly of the variety we planted. We are never more like a seed than when we are in our mother's womb, inherited sin and other traits from our parents and forefathers.

Furthermore, the hidden sins of our parents and forefathers are unfortunately just as powerful an influence over us as those sins they sowed by their more visible example. I can't tell you how many times I have prayed with someone to uproot the cause of some bad fruit in their life, only to have an older relative reveal to them, the very next day, some long hidden family secret that would have been a direct cause of that bad fruit in the family.

Sin is not only what I do, and not only what I consciously think or speak. Sin has substance, and it is passed from one generation to another. This should not be difficult for Christians to grasp who (1) know that **"By the sin of one man sin came upon all men,"** and (2) who believe that **"righteousness also comes to many through the obedience of one man."** (Rom 5:19)

Furthermore, sin defiles. Hebrews 12:15 tells us to **"Beware lest any root of bitterness springing up in you causes trouble and defile many."** Our bitter roots, from life's painful experiences, affect everyone around us; negatively if we allow them to remain in us, and positively if we rid ourselves of them by the Cross as soon as God reveals them.

#### BE CAREFUL HOW YOU JUDGE

As we hear of more and more people publicly exposing the abuse that they suffered in childhood, we might be tempted to get sick of hearing about it. As violent crime comes nearer to our own doors, it is also easy to understand why people are sick of hearing how parents or Society are "to blame" for a criminal's violent deeds.

But we cannot let our contempt for the weak and pathetic, or our fear and hatred of vile criminals, tempt us to deny the FACT of sowing and reaping. If we do, our own bitterness and fear will blind us to the sowing and reaping that is at work in our lives and in the lives of our children. We will become like the Pharisee that was glad that he was "not like other men."

#### Miraculous Healing (from pg 1)

He had a rare opportunity to speak to the man of God alone briefly and explained about his sister. Pastor Shumba agreed to go to Athens where Sister Irene was in a nursing home and pray over her.

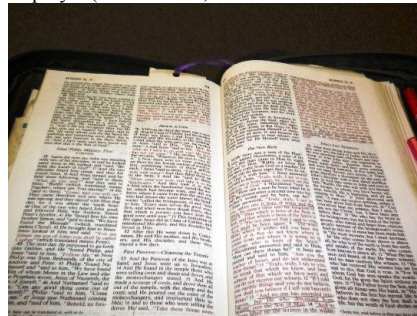
The day after the revival Pastor Shumba, who was secretly still in Winder, rode with the brother to Athens, where he did pray over Sister Irene for her healing.

A week later the sister called her brother excitedly to tell him that photographs had been taken of the tumor because it was shrinking. For those of you who are not aware, tumors do not shrink without treatment. They only grow. This one, however, is shrinking. Praise God. Prayer works, saints.

## On Prayer (Why Pray?)

By: Mozelle Davis-Weeks

If I love someone, I want to spend time with them. How can I say that I love my children or my husband if I hardly ever spend time with them? How can I say that I love the Lord if I hardly ever spend time with him? If the only time I ever pray is when I'm in church or in trouble, I don't even **have** much of a relationship with God. Statistically, where do most "Christians" do most of their praying? The answer is: in church. I want to know Jesus and, more importantly, I want him to know me. When Jesus stated that not everyone who called him "Lord, Lord" would enter the kingdom of heaven, He said he would say to them, "I never knew you. Depart from me you workers of iniquity." (Mat 7:21-23)



Do you like to pray? Do you enjoy your prayer time, or do you find it dull and boring? Do you believe that things happen because you pray, or do you just go through the motions because you are supposed to? We need to ask ourselves questions like these if we are going to learn to take prayer seriously.

Prayer should be enjoyable and it should be effective if we are going to be devoted to prayer as the believers in the first century were. This is why some pointers on prayer are needed to inspire people to pray more confidently and fervently. The purpose of this series of articles is to create a desire to reach out and touch the heart of God. The purpose is not to merely teach people about prayer, but to generate prayer. It is much more important, rather than have people simply learn about prayer, to have them actually pray.

There are 3 statements of faith about prayer that, when things are understood, will inspire people to believe and will help prayer become a vital and also an enjoyable part of Christian life.

1: **Things will be different because I pray.** If you pray for your spouse, your children, your best friend, or your parents, things will be different than they would've been. I mean that – things **will** be different. Because I prayed for my daughter this morning, I know that her day will be different than it would have been. I prayed for the United States of America last night, and I know that things will be different in the U.S. because I prayed. Prayer has an effect. It is more than worthwhile.

2: **The throne of grace is wide open to me.**

This is so very important. The throne of grace is open – wide open – to you, and anything on God's heart is available to **you** if you pray. Prayer is centered around the throne of grace.

3: **Nothing is born without conception.** Conception doesn't just happen. In the natural world, there must be a physical union. The same thing is true with the spiritual realm. There must be union for conception and there must be conception for anything to be birthed. This is true for puppies, calves, babies, or answers to prayer. Answers to prayer do not just happen. Prayer is not hit-or-miss. There must be union with God. God operates on the basis of principles found in scripture. If we line up with what is on God's heart and what is in God's scripture, our spirit is put in union with his spirit, and conception takes place. Only when conception takes place is an answer to prayer born.

Do these statements inspire more faith in you? They inspire me and make me more eager to pray because I know they are true.

Let's take a look now at James 5:16, "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." What James is saying is: the earnest, continual, heartfelt, fervent prayer of a godly man or woman releases mighty power and effects. The word "fervent" in the KJV implies intensity and continuation. Therefore, I believe that the prayer James is talking about is earnest, continual, and heartfelt.

Notice that the second part of the verse says that the prayer of a godly person releases mighty power and effects. Something will happen when a godly person begins and continues to pray with all her heart. When we pray, mighty effects are released. Prayer causes things to happen in your marriage, your church, or your pastor's sermon.

When you pray, "My Lord, my God, speak to our pastor this Sunday. Anoint him, and flow through him. Give him a word of wisdom and a word of knowledge. Give him food for us, Father," your pastor will preach better. Things will be different on Sunday morning than they would have been because you prayed a continual, heartfelt, fervent prayer. That kind of prayer will release mighty miracles.

If you came to me with a problem, and I told you to pray about it, what would you think? You would probably think I had nothing to offer and just put you off with a cliché – "Pray about it." Somehow, when we hear the word, "prayer," we think boredom and ineffectiveness. Why do you think that is? It isn't God's fault. The forces of darkness try to discourage us from realizing that the mighty power of prayer releases effects and miracles. That "ho hum, she told me to pray" feeling is from the enemy. The idea that prayer is a boring and ineffective task for times when nothing else can be said or done is completely false. James says that the effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails – **It accomplishes something!**

Do you like to pray? Prayer should be one of your greatest sources of enjoyment. Although prayer is work, it can be your most delightful labor and your most important occupation.

I Col 4:12-13 we see, "Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God. For I bear him record, that he hath a great zeal for you, and them that are in Laodicea, and them in Hierapolis."



Have you ever heard of Epaphras? He is no where near as well known as Paul, Apollos, or Timothy. But still, Epaphras is mentioned in holy scripture because he was an intercessor, and his chief delight was prayer. Paul mentioned his zeal because Epaphras prayed continually that believers would stand "perfect and complete in all the will of God."

You might say, "Well, I'm just a nobody. I just go to church. No one even knows who I am. I'm just one of the people in the next to the last row. I feel too inadequate." If you are an intercessor, you are one of the most important people in that congregation. Every pastor needs a whole crew praying for him and for his family, the church, the elder board. Every church needs several Epaphrases.

Devotion to prayer is loving to pray. Acts 1:14 says, "These all with one mind were continually devoting themselves to prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers." (Cont this pg column 3)

### March for Unity (from pg 1)

to show Winder that the churches are in unity, and, more importantly, show the powers of darkness that we are in unity.

People from every church will meet at Holly Hill Shopping Center in Winder at 0900 on Saturday morning, 29 September 2012. The people of God will then march from there, down Athens Street to the pavilion in Winder, where there will be free food, door prizes, speakers and Christian entertainers until 1800 (6pm) Saturday evening.

Any questions about the unity march should be directed to Pastor Jesse Halbert at (706)254-1389, or Pastor Allen Stevens at (404)996-5047.

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### This alliance seeks talented individuals

to help in this mission. We are in need of resources, especially the most valuable resources – people. You don't need a degree. What is required is a true desire to serve Jesus Christ without dogmatic constraints, and that you either are now or are willing to become

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If the Whole Body of Christ Alliance has not contacted your church or pastor, and your body of believers would be included, we will get to your church eventually, but don't wait until next year. The Lord may come for his bride before that. Contact us.

### Churches

Due to reduced space service times are not printed. Please call each church for service times.

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Pastor Michael Pope

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Pastor Maurice Graham

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Pastor Jon Jackson

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#### Bread of Life Worship Center – Statham

Pastor Charlie Powell

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Pastor Lynn Hill

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Pastor Marquis Robbins

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Pastor Ina Givens

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#### Faith Baptist Church – Winder

Pastor Matt Calvert

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#### Hope Fellowship – Winder

Pastor Johnny Williams

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#### House of Refuge – Winder

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**Isaiah 63:1-3**

### Why Pray? (from column 1)

The last mention of Mary the mother of Jesus in the Bible finds her praying. She was at a prayer meeting – **devoted** to prayer. These people "prayed in" the first Pentecost. There came "a sound... ..as of a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the whole house." (Acts 2:2)

Tongues of fire came and sat on their heads, and they were all "filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the spirit gave them utterance." (Acts 2:4)

Do you know why we don't have more fullness in the Holy Spirit? We do not have people devoted to prayer. It is important to note that it was a prayer meeting that established the first Pentecost. When we pray we prepare ourselves for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Also in Acts 2:42 we see, "And they were continually devoting themselves to the apostle's teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer."

This is immediately following the Pentecostal sermon. In fact, Acts 2:41 says that 3000 people were born again and baptized in water. This early church established itself in 4 areas. The members devoted themselves to:

- 1: The apostle's doctrine (the New Testament)
- 2:Fellowship – so very important and something the church today often overlooks.
- 3: The breaking of bread – either communion or eating with each other house to house.
- 4: and Prayer

The early church was based upon, among other things, a devotion to prayer. Prayer was a delight. Acts 4:23-24, 31 describes what happened at one of those (cont. on pg 10)



a emotion for so long it becomes a safe place for us. It becomes what we turn to when something rises up against us. As I have said before, anger is my comfortable emotion. When something rises up against me, my instinct is to fight. There are times when we all just have to sit back and allow the seasons to season us. We have to surrender our fight-or-flight mode and let God work things out in his time. This does not mean to cower down and let the storm overwhelm you, but to praise him through the storm and trust that your rock will hold. Just because we have to sway, and sometimes adapt, does not mean we have to break. If we are willing to surrender, we can allow God to prepare us for the next storm.

Surrendering is the key to our emotional and spiritual healing. We have to surrender all our hurts and emotions in order to grow. If we hold on to these hurts, we just place a victim mentality around ourselves, and eventually allow our hearts to become hardened. Victim mentality will destroy a person. It allows the circumstance or person to defeat you on a daily basis. In most circumstances, the person who hurt you has not wasted their time in feeling sorry for themselves, but has moved on. If you have not surrendered your hurts, you have allowed them all the power to your life. You have painted a bull's eye on your back and said, "Please continue to hurt me on a daily basis." You are giving them power.

We must make surrendering a daily thing. Life will continue to happen and people will continue to be people. If we get hurt, we must recognize the hurt for what it is, and make an effort to start our healing. First we must forgive, then we have to forgive ourselves.

Once this is in place, we can start moving forward, and allowing this season to prepare us for the next. If we can work toward making this a habit, we can mature in the Lord and in ourselves.

I never thought I would say this, but take the example from the trees and make it a point to tell the enemy that you are going to grow right where you are. God will supply the means for you to grow. We must surrender our conditions. Please take the time today to see if there is something standing in your way that you have not surrendered. If there is, please take time to allow God to start the healing process so that you can grow. Have a blessed day.

## One Accord

By: Missy Iler

As we walk along our journey,  
We know we are not alone,  
For you say you will never leave us  
And one day we will all go home.

The problem I am seeing  
Is so easily resolved.  
Why have God's people  
Chosen not to stay involved?

They bicker and they quarrel.  
Some putting gossip in the mix  
Just for their glory,  
Which nothing they can fix.

You say that as one people  
Nothing will be restrained.  
Lord, let me be the light  
For you children need retrained.

Confusion and chaos reign  
Father, that is not you.  
It's caused by your children  
Not knowing what to do.

They argue and they fuss  
Over the little things  
When we should all unite  
And your praises sing.

Without one accord  
Nothing will be gained-  
Only broken hearts  
And your children will be maimed

We are a family  
A Father we all share.  
Let them all go forward in love,  
Showing each other we care,

Lifting up and edifying  
As we go along,  
For, if we love each other,  
That can never be wrong.

Can we put the differences aside  
To see God's glory shine?  
Can we unite in battle  
And take back the front line?

Can the world see us help each other  
As we come together in this cause?  
Can we move a member forward  
When the enemy has caused a pause?

Can we encourage one another,  
Especially when one fell?  
Can we love and pray for our brother  
And not talk him straight into hell?

When one member is weak,  
Can we help hold him up?  
If he is thirsty,  
Can we give him the holy cup?

I beg you please  
To listen to my plea.  
Let's take the enemy by surprise  
And steal a few victories.

He has placed division  
In every possible way.  
Joy comes in the morning.  
Can we make it a brand new day?

Can we gather all the troops  
And bring a united force?  
Can we destroy the roots,  
And kill it at the source?

For we make the choice  
To be divided or unite.  
Until it's one accord  
We are smothering Jesus' light.

## October Seven day Revival at Seven different Churches

By: R. D. Hempton

To be able to be part of the quarterly 7-days at 7 churches, one must know where and when they are. Any additional information, such as who

will preaching, who will be providing the music, or any other questions may be obtained by calling the Battlefield News at (678)887-1042.

**MONDAY 15 OCTOBER 2012** will be hosted by Pastors Kenneth O'Neal MD & Lorrie Richardson-O'Neal MD at Anointed Hands Ministries at 1215 Tuscany Drive, Braselton, 30517. (770)307-1880. The service begins at 1900 (7pm).

**TUESDAY 16 Oct 2012** will be hosted by Pastors Michael & Brenda Smith at Victory Deliverance Center at 223 Georgia Ave. in Winder at 1900 (7pm) (770)868-7416

**WEDNESDAY 17 Oct** will be hosted by Pastor Jon Jackson and First Lady Trency Jackson at Braselton Tabernacle of Praise at 2260 Davenport Rd. Braselton 30517 at 1900 (7pm). (678)658-2668

**THURSDAY 18 Oct** is being hosted by Pastor Linda Smith at Love of God Mission on 64 E. Athens St. in Winder at 1900 (7pm) (770)867-8897

**FRIDAY 19 Oct** is being hosted by Pastor Patsy Garrett at Jefferson Gospel Tabernacle at 321 Fields Rd. (Old Swimming Pool Rd.) in Jefferson at 1900 (7pm) (706)654-8060

**SATURDAY 20 Oct** is being hosted by Pastor Johnny Williams at Hope Fellowship at 49 Piedmont Dr. Suites 2 & 3 at 1900 (7pm) (770)867-5339

**SUNDAY 21 Oct** will be hosted by Pastor Lynn Hill at Bush Chapel AME Zion Church at 181 Horton St. in Winder at 1900 (7pm) (706)224-0192

The 7-day revival at 7 different churches happens every quarter. It is once every three months, always in the middle of January, April, July and October, always at 1900 (7pm) with very few exceptions. It is at & O'clock, **Not at 7:30.**

## *I Pray*

I bend my knees and I bow my head to the Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that he would grant me, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in my heart through faith; that I, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height – to know the love of Christ which passes all knowledge; that I may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to him be the glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever,

Amen

# Bible Knowledge

By: Mateo Raza

People have commented that the questions from last time were too easy. We begin with the answers to all those easy questions.

## Level 1

- 1: Genesis. Gen 50:26
- 2: Jesus. Mark 5:30
- 3: I John. I John 4:8
- 4: A light unto my path. Ps 119:105
- 5: But few are chosen. Mat 22:14

## Level 2

- 1: Father. Mat 4:21
- 2: Matthew. Mat 5:5
- 3: Exodus. Ex 20:3-17
- 4: Isaiah. Is 53:7

## Level 3

- 1: Ahab. I Kings 21:2-4
- 2: Jedidiah. II Sam 12:24-25
- 3: a – Cain, b – Enoch. Gen 4:17
- 4: Rebekah. Gen 27:15-16

## Level 4

- 1: Jezebel. II Kings 9:30-33
- 2: a – Jubal, b – the harp & flute. Gen 4:21
- 3: Absalom. II Sam 14:25-26
- 4: Ahasueres. Est 2:16-17

## Level 5

- 1: 4 brothers & at least 2 sisters. Mark 6:3
- 2: Shamgar. Judg 3:31
- 3: Nebuchadnezzar. Dam 4:33
- 4: The king of Babylon. Ez 21:21
- 5: 50 gold taches (clasps). Ex 26:6



Now ready yourself because the level 1 questions are closer to being level 2, the level 2 closer to level 3 and so forth. No one should think these questions are too easy. Here we go.

## Level 1

- 1: What is the shortest verse in the Bible?
- 2: Complete the quote. O death, where is thy sting? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3: How did Judas Iscariot indicate to the mob with him who Jesus was?
- 4: To whom were the following words spoken? "Because thou has done this, thou art cursed."
- 5: Complete the quote. "And ye shall know the truth \_\_\_\_\_"
- 6: What is greater than faith and hope according to the apostle Paul?
- 7: What happens when the blind lead the blind according to Jesus?
- 8: John 3:16 is the most quoted piece of Bible scripture. A) who said it? B) Who was it said to?
- 9: Complete the quote. "For where two or three are gathered in my name, \_\_\_\_\_"
- 10: In what book in the Bible do we find the words, "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord"?

## Level 2

- 1: Who was born first – Jacob or Esau?
- 2: The spies who spied out the country of Canaan said that it flowed with \_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_.
- 3: It is easier for a \_\_\_\_ to go through the eye of a \_\_\_\_, than for a \_\_\_\_ to enter into the kingdom of heaven.
- 4: In the parable of the ten virgins, what did the foolish ones forget that made them foolish?
- 5: Who were the two apostles whose mother requested that they sit on the right and left hand of Jesus?
- 6: Who witnessed the conversation between Moses and Elijah and Jesus?
- 7: On what day of creation were the sun, moon, and stars created?
- 8: Paul and Barnabas had a disagreement over a man traveling with them. What was the man's name?
- 9: Twelve spies were sent by Moses to spy out Canaan. The report of ten was unfavorable. The report of the other two was favorable. What were the name of the two men?

## Level 3

- 1: In whose tomb was Jesus buried?

- 2: What was the name of the woman who placed her young son in the bushes to die?
- 3: What was the name of the mother who hid her son in the bulrushes?
- 4: Jesus cursed three cities. Which three?
- 5: How many loaves of bread did Jesus use in feeding the 4000?
- 6: God told Abram to leave his home country. What was it?
- 7: When Philip met the Ethiopian Eunuch, what book was he reading?
- 8: Paul preached on Mars Hill. In what city?

## Level 4

- 1: "Because thou hast mocked me: I would that there were a sword in mine hand, for now I would kill thee." A) who said it? B) to whom?
- 2: Ruth's mother-in-law was Naomi. Who was her father-in-law?
- 3: A man was seduced by his daughter-in-law. A) his name B) her name
- 4: How many times did Balaam hit his donkey before she spoke to him?
- 5: How many years were added to Hezekiah's life?
- 6: Joash was told to shoot an arrow from a window. What was the arrow called?
- 7: God gave Hezekiah a sign that he would live longer. What?

## Level 5

- 1: An 8-year-old boy became king of Judah and reigned in Jerusalem for 100 days. His name?
  - 2: Who tore his clothes and tore out his hair over interracial marriage?
  - 3: Who tore out other men's hair over interracial marriage?
  - 4: Who was the first bigamist mentioned in the Bible?
  - 5: Who was the judge of Israel who was a polygamist?
  - 6: What event caused a donkey's head to be sold for 80 pieces of silver?
- There you are. Better get busy. Hope you enjoy these easy questions.

Love in Christ

Matt