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His Leading



Welcome! Welcome to the third edition of our 2021 New Life Outreach newsletter. It is our goal to produce this newsletter quarterly, aiming to keep our friends, family and supporters up-to-date as far as what God is doing through New Life Outreach. We are planning on e-mail and on-line distribution for each edition. As we continue producing this newsletter, we may play with the format and change some things up, so if you have any comments or suggestions, please let us know. In the meantime, if you or someone you know would like to be added to our e-mail list, please send us a note at info@newlifeoutreach.us or visit us at www.newlifeoutreach.us.

God's Plan Remains

The need for the United States to fulfil the purpose for which she was founded is pivotal for Mexico, as well as for other nations around the world. The Lord's intention for her has always been to fund the last day harvest, as well as to send out Christian workers throughout the world. This is still God's plan, and He will bring it to pass!

It is important to remember that God is the God of eternity and He is not confined within the limitations of time and space. Mankind makes 'time lines' in an attempt to help our mortal minds understand God's ways, but they will never explain the workings of God in the universe. This truth is very hard for us as humans to accept, but it is nevertheless true. The old 'joke' I have often told our prayer team is, "Do you know what 'time' means to God—it means absolutely nothing!" (You have to have prayed for a long time on a particular subject to understand the 'tongue-in-cheek' humor in this). In no way is this 'joke' an insult to God's heart of love, infinite knowledge, power, or authority, but it is in recognition of the fact that "our ways are not His ways" (Isaiah 55:8). We are impatient creatures with deadlines and expectations, and we want to be in control of our destinies. God, however, moves in accordance with His plan, in an infinite number of ways, in order to accomplish the purpose He desires. He does all things 'on purpose and for a purpose!'

Remember the former things long past, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is no one like Me, declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things which have not been done, saying, 'My purpose will be established, and I will accomplish all My good pleasure' —Isaiah 46:9-10

With this in mind, let's look at just a glimpse of God's plan for the day in which we live...

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Just a Glimpse

Over the last several months, the Lord has continued to share “the kind intention of His will” (Ephesians 1:5) with me concerning His plans for the future of the United States. Not only is it true that God does not operate according to our timing, or the way we would think, but He also uses types and shadows, biblical language, and pictures to help us—the created ones—understand His omnipotent heart (the heart of the Creator of all things). The Bible is clear that we only “know in part” (I Corinthians 13:12); nonetheless, I am sharing with you what He has laid on my heart; to give you hope for the future (no matter what country you are from).

- Rejoice in the future of America for what is coming forth in the near future will usher in the greatest harvest of souls the world has ever seen! This move of God will change the spiritual climate—not only in the United States—but in the whole world. The momentum of this harvest will make “disciples of all nations” (Matthew 28:19) due to the saturation of all places and things with what heaven is made of, as well as the influence of millions of new Christians in every nation around the world.
- This is not a time for destruction, but a time for the progressive reversal of the devastation the enemy has done to God’s creation—from now until the “restoration of all things” (Acts 3:19-21) is accomplished. If we could see the ‘big picture’ that God sees from His vantage point—from now to the end of time—it would look like a graph of the growth of a company in the stock exchange. There will be uptrends and downtrends, but overall the graph will continue to rise—in favor of the Bride—as the result of ‘ever-increasing glory’ in the earth.
- This is the “day of” the “vengeance of our God” (Isaiah 61:2). The army of the Lord will be on the offense and “the hills” will melt “like wax at the presence of the LORD” (Psalms 97:5, KJV). Of course—as a part of the nature of warfare—there will always be ‘attacks,’ as well as ‘counterattacks’ and there will be “wars and rumors of wars” (Matthew 24:6a), but we are not to fear. Even when the ‘pawns’ of the enemy are screaming in our ears, we cannot let our confidence be shaken! God is letting us know ahead of time that in order to walk in victory, it will be paramount for us to keep our eyes on Him and what He is doing in the earth at any given time.
- God says to glory in the days ahead for He will prevail! His Body is alive and well on the earth and His troops are in position (In my spirit, the Lord illustrated these words with a picture of a seemingly endless company of foot soldiers [with mid-evil type armor] standing shoulder to shoulder. Each held a javelin—outstretched vertically but resting on the ground). He was emphatic that His army is ready—with all His power and authority at its disposal—and the Hordes of Hell and those who are influenced by them will progressively bow before the army of the Lord.

Are You Ready for Your Part in the Days Ahead?

Our qualification for participating in God’s plan for the future of America (and the world) will depend on our level of surrender to the will of the Lord for our lives. Little surrender means little availability, and little availability means little participation.

I, for one, do not want to miss out on a single part of what God has planned for me as He unfolds His grand plan upon the earth; and by the grace of God, I will yield myself to His purposes for my life as long as I have breath.

How about you? Every Christian alive today was “fearfully and wonderfully made” (Psalm 139:14) in their mother’s womb to fulfill the plan of God for their lives, and if you are reading this newsletter—this includes you! You are alive during the time (no matter how long or short it is) that the saints of old longed to live in, and now is not the time to disqualify yourself for any reason!

Whatever It Takes

Thirty-nine years ago, I stood in front of the traditional, white-sided church where we attended, singing the lyrics to the hymn ‘Whatever it Takes’¹ out of the old, red, hard-cover hymnbook. I remember not having trouble making it through the lyrics of the song when I practiced, but as I sang the following lyrics in front of our church, my insides trembled with fear at what the Lord might require of me:

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There's a voice calling me, from an old rugged tree
 And He whispers draw closer to Me
 Leave this world far behind, There are new heights to climb
 And a new place in Me you will find.

And whatever it takes, to draw closer to You Lord
 That's what I'd be willing to do
 And whatever it takes, to be more like You
 That's what I'd be willing to do.

Take my houses and lands, Take my dreams and my plans.
 I place my whole life in Your hands.
 And if You call me someday, To a land far away,
 Lord, I'll go and Your will obey.

And whatever it takes to draw closer to You, Lord,
 That's what I'll be willing to do.
 And whatever it takes for my will to break,
 That's what I'll be willing to do

Shortly after that day in church, the Lord began allowing that which He knew would be necessary for me to come to the end of being in control of my own life—even though I had faithfully lived a sincere Christian life of service and surrender (to the best of my knowledge at the time).

You might be wondering if the pain of severe pruning was worth it. The answer is an absolute “yes.” Although pruning can be terribly painful, it is the only way to freedom from ‘ourselves.’ John 8:36 includes freedom from everything we are bound to: “So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.” Just imagine the comparison between your ‘self-life’—that which was programmed by your old, sinful nature—to the literal life of Christ in us flowing through your mind, will, and emotions. There is no comparison.

What About You?

As I was preparing for this article, those lyrics I shared from ‘Whatever it Takes’ began going through my mind (out of nowhere). If—by divine providence—the Lord brought this song to my mind in order for you to be challenged, please hold nothing back from your full surrender to your loving, Heavenly Father. Do not miss this opportunity. Plunge into a new depth of relationship with the One Who loves you dearly.

May you be encouraged to give up total control of your life with these last words from A.B. Simpson, founder of The Christian and The Missionary Alliance and Nyack College:

“God takes a peculiar pride in revealing His love to the heart that wholly chooses Him. Heaven and earth will fade away before its trust can be disappointed.”²

¹ Whatever it Takes, Lanny Wolfe, cloversites.com

² A.B. Simpson, Days of Heaven on Earth, June 16th

Samaritan's Purse Award Ceremony A Graduation Celebration!



In January of this year, we had the pleasure of blogging about the 2021 distribution of the Samaritan Purse Shoeboxes. Churches all over the United States pack plastic shoe boxes filled with supplies, toiletries, and small gift items (a list is handed out to participating churches). The individuals who pack the shoe boxes also pay for shipping to help Samaritan's Purse ship their 'shoeboxes' around the world in shipping containers—via ship or semi-trailer.

We recently celebrated the culmination of this project—a graduation ceremony from the twelve week discipleship program local pastors commit to when they sign up to receive shoe boxes for their area. The parents of each child receiving a show box must agree to allow their child to attend twelve weekly bible studies (as a prerequisite for their child to receive a shoebox). This year—even with the Covid-19 limitations—there were close to seventy children at the celebration. Many of these children attended required amount of classes needed to receive a certificate of completion from Samaritan's Purse, which included their own Gran Adventura (Grand Adventure) New Testament (named after the discipleship program). Samaritan's Purse also supplied all of the top-notch materials, which are sent to participating pastors for each child.

This year's celebration was amazing—as usual! There were balloons and decorations everywhere, including costumes for the leaders. There was also a prize table for winners of the numerous games. Many of these children come from homes with very little income and it was such a joy to see them having so much fun! I didn't include pictures of every child who received a certificate, but if you happen to notice a couple of children that look really young, they are the children of the teachers and helpers that worked with the program. Every child and parent was extremely proud. You would think they were graduating from high school or college.

Please pray for the families and children who were introduced to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ as a result of this year's Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Program. This experience was the beginning of a different way of life for several of the families reached in this year's outreach! It is truly so much more than just a shoebox!

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“Never let the dread of another day ruin the delight of the moment.” *–journaling with the Father*

Samaritan's Purse Award Ceremony, continued...



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Prophetic Prayer & Impartation for Children and Teens Sam & Karen Knapp with Their YWAM team



Earlier this spring, our dear friends Sam and Karen Knapp let us know that at the end of April they would be returning to Cabo with a team of three, highly trained and gifted young ladies working with YWAM. They asked us if we thought Pastor Carlos would like to take advantage of their ministry, and of course, the answer was yes.

These young ladies (Anna, Danielle, and Rachel) were teamed together by YWAM because of their prophetic gifting—the gifts of the Holy Spirit that allow them to sense and hear how the Lord would have them minister to people in prayer (including physical or emotional healing); or what the Lord would want spoken over specific individuals. This particular team was trained to minister especially to children and teens.

When we talked with Pastor Carlos about this event at the end of March, he thought he would like the event to be targeted at thirty children and youth who already showed the proclivity for this type of ministry. We're assuming this idea was hard to implement, however, because when we arrived, there were already seventy plus children and youth present; along with their mothers and the faithful staff of servants at Tierra y Libertad.

Many of you may not know that Richard is one of the cleverest puppeteers I have ever heard. He was asked almost two years ago by Karen Knapp to help entertain the children at Linda's kitchen. Richard has always loved using puppets for ministry, and that day he produced a puppet show with little notice and not much to work with. It was a hit. Because of that day, Karen told Richard she'd love to see him in action again at this event. I even bought him an 'owl' puppet (that we have loved over the years but never purchased) for an early Father's Day present—just for this occasion.

For testimony sake, I need to go back to several days before the event. Sam and Karen had asked us over to meet the YWAM team. During this time, they also asked us to pray over the three young

ladies. As we were praying, I was led to place my hand on a specific area of Anna's head. I prayed in the Spirit for some time but the Lord did not share with me what He was doing. I did tell Anna that if she looked up a chart of the functions of different parts of the brain, she might have an understanding of what the Lord had been doing, and she did. On the day of the event, Anna told me that she had struggled with dyslexia her whole life. In fact, she had to overcome "panic attacks" in order to minister in front of people on several occasions—never knowing if what

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she wanted to say would come out right. Since praying over her, all of the symptoms of dyslexia had left and there has been no more fear as far as what would come out of her mouth! What a God we serve!

The ministry event was scheduled from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and it was phenomenal. Sam, Karen, the YWAM team, along with Richard and I (and three translators) prayed over every single one of the children and youth. When we finished at 7:30 p.m., we were really tired; but I was so excited by what the Lord had been doing. I now have a vision for similar events for children and young adults in the future. This type of ministry can change the lives of those who received ministry forever!

Several adults also slipped in for different needs. This leads us to our second major miracle. Marcos is a young man that has had a ministry of helps to the family of Cristo es el Camino Church for several years. Apparently, he had been unable to hear out of his right ear for six years. When Sam prayed over Marcos' ear, it immediately opened. With great joy, he gladly went around sharing his testimony of his ability to now hear from his right ear.

So much wonderful ministry happened, I can't possible relate it all to you, but I hope you know I don't exaggerate. Please continue to pray for Sam and Karen Knapp (Sam is in his late eighties and still going— from his Spirit-filled beginnings in the Latter Rain Movement of the 1940's). Also, please pray for Anna, Danielle, and Rachel as they are sent to various mission fields with YWAM. Finally, please pray for the future of every child and youth that received ministry during this event.

May the Lord continue to bless you! You know we are only here in Los Cabos administering events such as this because of all of you!

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“Proclaiming truth over that which seems to be ‘hopeless’ is the beginning of ‘hope.’ –journaling with the Father

**Our Passion - Jesus Christ!
Our Mission - Bringing the Body of Christ together
for the transformation of Los Cabos, MX!**



New Life Outreach is a Christian, non-profit organization based out of Holton, MI (USA), with current operations in Los Cabos, MX. Co-directors Richard and Rhonda Mead are ordained ministers with Bethany Bible Training Center (formerly Pinecrest Bible Training Center of Salisbury Center, N.Y.). You may know Rhonda from the TCT Network, where she has appeared on “Ask the Pastor” for more than 19 years. Along with being seasoned ministers and Bible teachers, Richard and Rhonda have great confidence in the power of God for healing, deliverance and total transformation in the lives of believers.

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