

John Newlin Ministries, Inc.

- realizing the power of a life in Christ-

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Dear Partners and Friends,

The Day of Healing on March 25 in Wilmington was a wonderful time, a glorious time. So many things came together as the date approached. God's hand clearly was in the events, and I thought you would appreciate some of the highlights. In these as is often the case, God also has lessons and insights for us.

- **People came from a wide area of Southeastern NC, some for surprising reasons.** Many of course came seeking healing. As the day approached, we received more and more calls at the office, especially regarding the seminar.
 - One person had just heard the radio interview done the last week before March 25. It was as if God were calling her to come, she related. Others too were also drawn by that interview.
 - Several called to say they had seen the announcement on television.
 - Another called to say he had just been healed himself, and he wanted to come.
 - But there were more desperate calls from people seeking help, having found no place to go. So many people you pass every day are hurting greatly from all sorts of terrible difficulties. This Day of Healing was a point of contact for some in those straits.
 - And still others came for other amazing reasons, as noted in the next two points.

- **Some at the seminar said they felt they had been called by God into the ministry.** They didn't know what their next steps should be. You've heard or read me saying God is calling out His church today. That's been a theme in many of our programs. Well, He is. This was more evidence - ordinary people suddenly experiencing a call and then, I believe, extraordinary internal drive, pressure, and anguish to move into ministry for God. But they don't know where. I can testify it takes time and effort to follow God and to discern more and more his plan and direction. Even when you know something about where you are going and even perhaps some specifics, all the details are not usually laid out like a blueprint. You have to step out in the knowledge you have, but not step beyond that knowledge. Waiting on God is a big theme in the Bible and life, but that is active waiting, stepping and moving as far as we can wisely go while waiting for God for further direction.

- **Some at the seminar had been involved in ministry in the past.** This seminar was bringing them back. Yes, God is calling. Who out there is listening? Remember Isaiah 6: "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Isaiah answered "Here I am; send me." How many people do you suppose are receiving the call today? Several at the seminar had heard it and had tried to answer; now, they were seeking to try again after stumbling or getting ahead of God in the past. One thing I believe is certain - God will honor their efforts.

- At the **evening miracle healing service**, people began arriving a few minutes before the seven o'clock start time. True to form, most seemed to come in between 7 and 7:15. It was a wonderful anointed time of praise and worship, teaching/preaching about Jesus and healing, and then healing ministry. The anointing of the spirit was strong, and many were visibly touched. At one point, the entire audience rose enthusiastically to stand and praise God and pray and shout while a particular person was being ministered to.
- **Volunteers** – About twelve ministry volunteers helped with the day, working to coordinate the seminar and the service, working in advance on preparing newsletters and CD's, and working on new signs. Cathy and I are so grateful and so blessed by your efforts.

MINISTRY IMPLICATIONS FROM THE DAY OF HEALING:

During the day several asked for our other programs and meetings. Some came to the weekly Tuesday meeting following March 25, including a few who heard about the day but could not attend.

We also discussed with others our plans to hold similar healing programs in other communities and also our willingness to do the same at churches willing to host. I have heard some churches are being asked to do that. I would ask all of you to consider asking your churches to host a healing seminar and service, or perhaps a program on another subject. Most people, especially those who attend traditional denominational churches, have never seen God move right in front of their face (or they have not recognized it when He did), have never seen anything like a healing service, and do not know what Jesus did for us in this area. Many have never been in the very visible, very obvious presence of God and His power. A healing service provides the opportunity to talk more about who Jesus truly is and what he did for us in all areas. It provides an opportunity to demonstrate that Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever (Hebrews 13:8).

The morning seminar in particular seemed to have a strong impact. One man said he went to a Benny Hinn service four years before. "I should have had this seminar first," he noted. That was the idea – for people who don't know or have never heard or been taught to receive a base to build on, a base for receiving. Previously I had taught a seminar about healing in about 16 hours. This was an effort to put key points into a 3 hour program. We can adapt the seminar as appropriate to the situation (3 hours, perhaps two or three sessions over two days, or even longer).

Those attending the morning seminar were much moved. Even though it was a seminar and not a service, the presence of the Holy Spirit was of course there, and the anointing was strong. I think I should share this with you: One seminar attendee remarked she had been in several healing programs of well known healers whom she named but never had she been in the presence of such an anointing. She said she wanted to stand and shout Hallelujah! My reply – go ahead!

YOUR ROLE

As we've said before, those of you who participate in this ministry by volunteering your time and effort, by contributing financially, by attending ministry events, by praying for the ministry and for Cathy and me, are very much a part of the ministry. You should feel encouraged by this Day of Healing and all those touched. Cathy and I did not know 80% of those attending the seminar or 90% of those who came to the evening service. This was a new audience!

That said, let's recognize again these are the last days of the current church age, the time between Jesus' resurrection and his return. Events prophesied for thousands of years are now fulfilled or being fulfilled. Right before our eyes we see end time events playing out, even if most of the world does not. Just this week the morning network television talk shows devoted significant coverage to the fact that Jesus may not have walked on water but on ice and that Judas may have done a good thing, not a bad thing. The deception and false prophecy we are warned about in the Bible at the end times is in full swing! And how many people do you think are taken in by all that?

It is time for us all to move forward in telling others who Jesus really is, in honoring what he has done for each of us. I ask each of you to think about how you can act in this area. I also ask each of you how you can help our ministry reach more and more people. It takes funds, it takes opportunities, it takes volunteers, and it takes prayer. Just like some of those people who came to the seminar, God has called me to carry the message of who Jesus is, who we are in Christ, and all the related areas – such as healing, signs of the times, and more. Jesus is real, God is real, the Holy Spirit is real, God wants you well, end times prophecy is being fulfilled - all that and most people are still in the dark. They don't know.

But you know. Unlike most activities and efforts in our busy lives, what we are talking about here really is the truth and really is important. As Jesus said so many times, I'm telling you the truth.

As a last note, I understand the Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship International is publishing my testimony (the one on the orange sheets many of you have) in their VOICE magazine this month. Let's pray that God will draw many to Christ through that story.

And always, always, keep your eyes on Jesus.

In Christian love,

John Newlin

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