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- realizing the power of a life in Christ-

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Dear Partners and Friends,

LIVING IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD

We are living in dramatic, exciting, and frightening times. The frightening part really is for those who don't know what is going on. All of us who know Jesus and live in his Kingdom have no reason to be frightened. If you are, perhaps you don't know the fullness of what Jesus has done for you. Likely also you don't understand the Kingdom of God.

Do you know that Jesus in his own words said preaching the Kingdom of God was why he was sent (Luke 4:43). The very first words out of his mouth in Mark and Matthew when he began preaching were all about telling us to repent, that the Kingdom of God was near. Repent means to change from the way they were going. They were on the wrong path. The Kingdom is the government of God. It was near because Jesus was there.

The Kingdom of God had been on earth back when Adam lived in the Garden of Eden, before the fall from grace, before he ate the forbidden fruit and disobeyed God. During that short time in Genesis 1 and 2, he had close communication with God. He had been created and then given an assignment to have dominion over the whole earth. He was to replenish the earth. He clearly had great abilities.

From the fall of man in Genesis 3 until Jesus appeared, the Kingdom of God was not on earth. Even while Jesus was walking the earth, he was the only one in the kingdom. But then he left. And sent the Holy Spirit. And to everyone who believed in him, who accepted him as Lord, everyone who was born again, or born of the spirit, or born from above, to them came citizenship in the Kingdom of God.

That is where we are today. Two kingdoms are operating on earth. One is the kingdom of darkness. In that are all those ignorant of God, ignorant of the truth, living in sin. That is the great majority of people on earth. Whole areas of the world are almost entirely in this kingdom of darkness, under the leadership of the evil one. 1 John 5:19b makes this very clear.

But wherever a believer is, there is the Kingdom of God. It is inside us. And being in the Kingdom, we have full access to rights of citizenship in the Kingdom. We have been reconciled to God by Jesus, who came to earth to bring that Kingdom back and to earn our right to be in it, which he did by going to and through the cross. As more and more people come to know Jesus and join the Kingdom of God, that Kingdom grows on earth.

Those of us living in the Kingdom of God have the same blessings that Adam had before his fall, the same blessings God gave to Abraham (Gal 3:13-14). We in fact are co-heirs with Christ of those blessings. He is the first born of many in this Kingdom, and we believers are the others born into that Kingdom (Gal 3:29; 4:7; Ro 8:17, 29).

Unfortunately, many who believe in Jesus do not know and have never heard about all they are in Jesus. In our May newsletter we listed many things we believers are in Jesus. You need to know and believe those deep in your heart if you are to walk in power and victory in life.

That's where spiritual forgiveness comes from, and divine healing, and God's supply of all our needs, and so much more. There's a decade of wonderful messages possible on that subject! As citizens of the Kingdom, if we fully understand and receive what that means, we really have no wants. That's why Jesus says in the Sermon on the Mount that we should not worry about what to eat or what to wear or what to drink. Rather, "seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you (Mt 6:33)." Really. That is really true.

You are never going to receive the benefits of being a citizen of the Kingdom of God until you know what they are and until you truly deep inside believe what Jesus has said, believe the promises of God, and realize deep inside the fullness of the amazing covenant God has established with each of us believers through the blood of his son, which we today weakly refer to as the "New Testament."

God wants to bless you. Over and over the Bible tells us what is ours. But we have to believe, we have to be open to receive, we have to know.

We're teaching a lot about all this on Tuesday nights at McAnderson's in Wilmington and also are in the process of producing a multiple CD set on the Kingdom of God.

There is so much to be said but not enough space in a newsletter. As a citizen in the Kingdom you are God's ambassador to the world (II Co 5:20). That means you represent his government in this dark world. You in essence are operating in a foreign land when you walk about this world, and you carry the Kingdom with you. Of course, you are also a soldier of the government of the King and as such will and do meet opposition from the kingdom of darkness. You need to know how to protect yourself and how to fight. Jesus has already earned the right for you to be healed and whole and forgiven and so much more. You need to know all this.

Don't miss what God is revealing in these last days. Truth. That's the word. There is precious little of that in TV news, the newspaper, the entertainment community, the earthly governments, and the general world in which you live. Confusion reigns there.

But not with God. Jesus is truth. Pilate didn't know what that meant. But you should, if you are a believer.

HEALING – WINGS OF HEALING SERVICE IN WILMINGTON

Pastor JoeAnn Johnson of Wings of Healing asked us to lead a healing service in her church in Wilmington, and we did so on July 30. This is a wonderful street church in the inner city which is and should have a great impact in the area.

It was a wonderful spirit filled service. One woman who has had great difficulty walking, with nerve and other physical damage to her legs, after ministry walked across the church and then back. Then she ran there and back. Later she reported after going home that she ran around the block! God's hand was on the people – wonderful healings and also freeing from evil.

Another highlight of the service was a man who had been unable to use his legs as a result of polio as a child. Twice he walked - once several steps to a friend, then even more steps to the first row of seats. Now he needs to build up his leg muscles.

And on and on. It was an evening of highlights. As we got to the end of the program - about three and a half hours after it began, suddenly people were coming up for healing who had not been there. Evidently they were coming in from the street. Someone was going and getting people or else calling on cell phones to get them.

I describe some of this just so you will know what is going on today when people are open to receive the touch of God.

Believers, it is time to drive back the darkness from our land, wherever you live, time to retake the land for Jesus, time to free people from sickness and disease and addiction and evil. Jesus has already done that yet so many are still captive, due to the lies of the devil and the fact that many have never really heard and believed.

SCHEDULE

We are working on our schedule for fall and can include your church or community in our schedule if you wish - for seminars, for healing/miracle services, for teaching/preaching on the Kingdom or on end times or other subjects. God has blessed this ministry greatly and we must share what he is revealing. Don't miss out.

For all of you near Wilmington, we'll see you Tuesdays at 7PM at McAnderson's, 101 North Kerr Avenue.

PARTNERSHIP AND MINISTRY SUPPORT

We are stepping out more and more to bring the truths God has shown us to more people. All this requires support. Some have chosen to become regular monthly contributors. I ask that all of you pray about this and see what God would have you do. The receipts now are covering the basic ministry operation but do not for growth or for needed equipment. Serious equipment needs are a van for travel, amplification equipment, and CD reproduction equipment.

If you are being blessed by the ministry, I ask you consider these lines from Galatians 6:6 – “Anyone who receives instruction in the word must share all good things with his instructor.” The very next verse says “Do not be deceived; God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.” As we teach many times in programs, the blessings that pour back to sowing into God’s work are enormous, as promised in 2 Co 9:8-11 and Malachi 3:10 and many other places.

May you live in the fullness of the Kingdom of God.

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