John Newlin Ministries, Inc.

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LOOKING BACK - WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE

For years we have been focusing on what is coming. Now for just a minute I thought it would be good to look at all the Lord has done thus far through this ministry. I think this would be encouraging to all of you - to all who have worked in various roles with the ministry, who have been financial supporters, who have prayed for the ministry and for Cathy and me, who have come to the events, requested the CDs, watched the television programs, used the web site, been healed through the ministry, read the newsletter, and more. So many have been touched and healed by the ministry, so many have encountered the Holy Spirit and realized that God is real, that Jesus is alive, and the Bible is true. So many. It is good to look over these activities of the past years to realize what has been going on.

It was way back in 1990 that God so dramatically stepped into my life and my life began changing forever. You may remember at that time I was an international business executive traveling throughout the world and involved with business and government leaders in many places. You can read about that in the testimony on the web site. Numerous things happened in the following years, including much study and prayer and guidance by the Holy Spirit, travels here and there meeting various ministers of God that the Lord obviously arranged for us to encounter, writing a great deal, gradually moving into ministry and healing. It was just 2004 when the formal ministry organization was incorporated. It was about then that we found people were being healed when we prayed for them. The activities since then have been amazing, with God of course leading the way as we moved from one season to another at his guidance.

Here are some of the high points:

- Spend an Evening with Jesus a weekly program held for more than seventy weeks in Wilmington, NC. The Holy Spirit was always there, often in a great anointing presence, and we went forward with wonderful praise and worship and teaching/preaching of the full power gospel, teaching all about Jesus and his return (as the Lord specifically guided), all about the Holy Spirit and the gifts of the spirit, with great healings and other manifestations of the Spirit. This was one joyous series of meetings. It was a thrill to preach and show that Jesus indeed is alive right now, that indeed he has done all that is necessary for people to be healed, that the gospel is a gospel not just of words but of power.
- **Television** First as a guest on several programs in 2005/2006, then with our own weekly program called **DARE TO BELIEVE!** from 2007-2012. The program was broadcast in various places from Boston all the way to Atlanta, from a short period to several years depending on the location. We taped a total of 66 programs and covered what I believe and understand the Lord had given me to cover. Many contacted us from near and far, with wonderful stories about watching the program and their impact. The programs can today be viewed over our web site or on YOUTUBE. One time a young man called from far away. After some discussion, he said, "Your television programs are wonderful---saved my life."

- CDs We produced 27 total CDs covering the subjects the Lord had given me. Such wonderful subjects as What Jesus Did, Healing in many aspects, the Holy Spirit, the Kingdom of God, Fighting Evil, the return of Jesus, and much more. When I completed the last CD, just as when we completed the last television program, I had the inescapable sense that we had recorded and covered all that the Lord wished us to, and that was that. These are available over the web site or by contacting the ministry. These CDs have been distributed throughout the world. Some persons have used our CDs for their own ministry efforts to others. Thousands of these CDs are in circulation.
- Day of Healing One of my favorite programs, involving a morning seminar on aspects of divine healing and an evening healing service. These have been conducted in general public venues as well as in churches. Many have been healed in these and other programs, as well as coming in contact with the Holy Spirit for the first time, hearing God speak to them for the first time, and more. One unforgettable comment by an elderly gentleman after one such program ended was "I have been in this church for 57 years, and after tonight I realize all that was a waste." He had met God for the first time in the program and had seen and realized that God is indeed real and active in our world right now. God is not just a figure in a book.
- **Healing services** Conducted in various locations, these are always a highlight. Not only are people healed, but they encounter God, encounter the Holy Spirit! One really memorable service in an inner city location brought Cathy and me a realization that people were coming up to be healed who had not been in the meeting. We found out later that while we were ministering a woman in the last row was calling people in the area and telling them to get down to the church to be healed, to be prayed for! We need more people like that!
- **Healings in individual meetings** From time to time people have called to come to be healed. And indeed we have seen amazing healings this way as in the services. Sometimes a person is healed over the telephone or even while someone is standing in for them. Hearts healed, brain tumors vanish, backs, ankles, prostate, on and on. No limit to God of course! You can read some of the wonderful healing testimonies by going to the healing page on the web site.
- **Teaching programs** For several years we held a weekly teaching program on all the areas the Lord has brought me to. In addition we have held seminars of several weeks duration on healing and on the return of the Lord. Those programs are still offered.
- Web site A great tool of the ministry is this site, designed by one talented person the Lord brought our way and maintained and modified and updated by another he also brought to us. Many throughout the world have been touched by the programs and materials on this site. We have received telephone calls and emails from faraway places, such as India, Alberta Canada, Germany, the United Kingdom, various African countries, Pakistan, and many more places. And reports are amazing. For example, a lady reported her life was changed after she watched the *Breaking Curses* television program on the web site. Each day hundreds of hits are made on the site, and from our site reports we see that many come from such places as Brazil, Russia, New Zealand, Pakistan, several African countries, and more as well as of course from the US. This is a non-ending, 24/7 ministry.

- Materials The ministry has produced many reading/study materials. Of especial note and distributed widely are the handouts regarding healing and also who we are in Christ. They too are available over the web site and can be printed out.
- Newsletter The monthly newsletter is a highlight for many. It really is a teaching letter of about four pages, covering some issue the Lord has led me to write on. Sometimes it looks at current events and relates that to scripture and prophecy. The newsletter is sent out by email and also by paper copy. At the current time probably three-fourths of the recipients get the newsletter by email. All our newsletters are posted on the web site in the newsletter archives, and you can read them all. The newsletter goes out to a distribution list that includes people in the US from Maine to Florida, from California to North Carolina, and in Uganda, Kenya, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Tanzania, Ghana, the United Kingdom, Germany, Canada, India, and of course elsewhere to all who read it on the web site.
- Sign of the Times and A Watchman Warning These are two publications that are distributed by email only. They have become more frequent as the time of the Lord's return has neared. The subjects of the most recent three are listed in a box on the home page of the web site. Clicking on one brings the full article. All of these are available on "John's blog" as noted below.
- **John's blog** This blog contains all the *Sign of the Times* and *A Watchman Warning* writings as well as some others. You can reach the site by clicking on this blog in the menu column on the web site or by just going to the blog directly at the address given at the bottom of this page. If you want to see all the writings on a subject, just type the subject in the search block at the top of the blog and hit enter. They will all come up, such as writings on the return of the Lord, or healing, or the kingdom of God.
- **Articles on web site** in addition to all this, there are also some articles written in the past that are contained in the Articles section of the web site. Going there will bring you to an index and you can select the subject you are after.
- **Twitter** a relatively new addition to ministry activities, this has been particularly effective in attracting persons from other nations to the ministry and drawing them to the web site.
- International Missions While the ministry has been US based and all in-person activities have occurred here, the web site, the blog, and the email publications have brought us to many around the world.
 - A few years back several younger people in Ghana became interested in some of our teachings, and we sent CDs and Bibles to many of middle school age.
 - o In recent years we have become actively involved with a ministry in rural Kenya. It is led by a couple and is an evangelistic ministry. They also lead a church and care for orphans. We have supplied them with all our CDs and some Bibles, as well as helping out financially to enable them to have needed clothes and food for the orphans, and in a couple cases needed medical care. One time we supplied the funds for them to purchase Bibles in their Ekegusi language for the church members. Recently we gave funds for a laptop, and we do hope soon to begin SKYPE connections

- over that laptop so that we can talk face to face in addition to by telephone, and so we can speak/preach to their church.
- o In recent years, we have become actively involved also with a ministry in Pakistan. This ministry operates a church primarily for widows and orphans, and a school, and cares for many orphans and also others. I have preached to the church by SKYPE a few times and expect to do so soon again. It is a difficult environment there, and recently our ministry provided the funds for the construction of a security wall around the school/church. We have also in the past provided funds for orphan support and other needs.
- It is interesting to note in our international efforts how so much is focused on widows and children, especially orphans! Right out of the book of James!

THE RETURN MESSAGE AND WHERE WE ARE NOW

In the midst of so much ministry activity back in 2005-2006, the Lord suddenly spoke to me directly to "tell them who I am and that I'm coming soon." And so I have. About two years ago through a dramatic dream/vision, he made the point that the message is the return. In other words, that is my message for now. That explains all the writings and emails on the return, and the CDs. And certainly so. The return of the Lord is imminent. It is soon. It is no joke. When he comes things will be different. He is coming for his CHURCH. His CHURCH is not a brick building. His CHURCH is not choirs and fine robes. His CHURCH is that collection of people who truly know and believe in him. The key verses to remember are Jesus words to Nicodemus in John 3 and Paul's words in Romans 10:9.

Nothing has to happen now before the Lord's return to gather up his church. Nothing. And I do expect we might see that pretty soon. His advice to us on the subject is to watch! Luke 21:36 is the key verse here.

Today we continue on with the ministry as the Lord leads! Writing occupies a great deal of time. We do conduct and lead programs and services as we are invited by churches and others to do so and where it is open and free for us to do so. And of course we always heal the sick in Jesus' name whenever anyone seeks that.

Always remember to stay alert! The Lord really is coming soon. May you live in the blessings of God always.

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