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ListenLovePray

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Many LLP Prayer Ministers Healed and Encouraged at the Annual CHM Conference in VT

This year, sixteen prayer ministers made the trip up to Vermont for the Annual CHM (Christian Healing Ministries) conference! Nine members of our team were volunteers, serving a combined total of 95 hours, to help pray for the 250 people attending the conference! LLP is making a positive impact even in the northeast USA!

The Spirit was moving in all parts of the conference from the anointed worship with singing, dancing, and flag waving, to the speakers, and prayer time. God was healing and bringing together His people in shared meals, rides, and rooms. He was working in all things for the good of those who love Him.

So many of the LLP members had amazing visions and transforming healings, that it was hard to pick the ones to put in this newsletter! God is Good. The CHM team did announce that they will not hold this conference next year; the first year without a conference from CHM since 1983. Keep them in prayer.



Hello from the Ignite Conference, Burlington, VT (June 20-22)

Attendees at the CHM Annual Conference. From Left to Right, Top: Nancy Wilson, Sarah Dorrance, Lucinda Nelson. Middle: Carolyn Bonifant, Diane Lewis, Roxie Watson, Maureen Armacost, Kristie McMullen, Dawn Mowell, Ken Nelson. Bottom: Daryl MacCrehan, Eileen Tipperman, Kelley Banfield, Jill Brice, Tandi Tucker Toni, and Judy Winfield.

A Message from the Executive Director

One of my favorite summer memories is the 4th of July on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. One year when our 3 kids were preteens and still content to hang out as a family, we lay on a blanket in a large grassy field and looked up at the sky to watch the fireworks. One after another, they shot up into the air and exploded in beautiful displays of color and form. When one of the fireworks exploded too close to the crowd, for several long seconds we all held our breaths, and then collectively breathed a sigh of relief as the sparks dissipated before reaching the ground.

As beautiful and exciting as earth's fireworks can be, they don't compare to the thrill of following Jesus. In biblical times, people saw miraculous signs and wonders as Jesus walked the earth. When He healed the sick or cast out demons, I bet each person felt as if fireworks had just gone off over their heads. Beauty and passion exploded on the scene with each word and every touch of the Savior. His presence brought the ultimate display of perfect light and pure love, in a world that desperately needed it.

Jesus still sets off dazzling fireworks in our world today. And we need Him just

as much as back in ancient times. God's word, wrapped in love, accomplishes the most amazing things as it enters into an open heart. In this edition, I hope you catch a glimpse of the breath-taking display of our Lord through the wonderful testimonies and the stories of our work at Listen Love Pray Foundation. We watch in awe as God brings His goodness through the love of Jesus and the power of Holy Spirit and wholeheartedly agree with the words of Matthew 10:7 *Heaven's kingdom realm is accessible, close enough to touch (TPT).*

Lucinda Nelson, Executive Director, LLP

LLP Testimony

A Hidden Vow Is Broken: At the Ignite conference, Judith MacNutt spoke about our blocks to healing. One block that Holy Spirit pointed out to me was “hidden vows.” I asked Holy Spirit to reveal to me if I had made any promises that were allowing the enemy to block my walk with the Lord. As Judith’s talk wrapped up and prayer ministers were headed up front to pray for people, I heard a small voice say, “trust.” I continued to pray asking Holy Spirit to come and reveal. I got the sense that I had said sometime in my life, “I will never trust again.” I stood in line waiting for prayer. I could feel His presence. When it was my turn, I said, “I think I said I would never trust again.” I asked for the curse to be broken. As they prayed for me, I felt something rise up in me. I began to cry. I felt something lift off the top of my head. I felt different inside. I felt lighter. I felt hopeful. I felt loved. — LLP Prayer Minister

Inner Healing: I have received much inner healing from Jesus. The Holy Spirit has gone into many of my memories and healed their crippling effects by revealing to me that Jesus was always with me. At Ignite 2019, God had a plan for more healing of my broken heart. As Judith spoke about inner healing, the memory of being abandoned and rejected by my father and subsequent adoption by my abusive stepfather came to mind. When the talk ended and we were given directions for receiving prayer, I asked Holy Spirit which line to go to for prayer. I got the sense that I was supposed to go to the “loss” corner and that I should wait in line for a particular couple of prayer ministers. I told them my story of abandonment and rejection. As they prayed, I could feel deep seated pain leave my body. They prayed for Holy Spirit to fill the hole in my heart. Then they asked me about forgiveness. I prayed for God’s help to be willing to forgive my dad, my step dad and my mom. I returned to my seat and continued to pray. I said, “I choose to forgive.” Another tremendous burden lifted. Praise be to God! — LLP Prayer Minister



Carolyn and Maureen get ignited



Kristie loved Ignite!

Physical Healing

Does God want us to pray for physical healing or are we meant to suffer? A teaching excerpt from the Spring HP2 Workshop:



Francis MacNutt says in Healing Prayer Level 2, “In Jesus (His teaching and actions), we have a new teaching (about suffering). As we see him, Messiah, He shows us that God is, as it were, on our side. He regards suffering and sickness, as a father or mother would, as an evil (not a blessing sent by God). He ardently desires to free his children from sickness and evil. He passed on his healing power and authority to us, his followers, so that we might, even now, bring the kingdom of heaven to this earth.”

Catherine Marshall in her book, Something More, writes about reading the gospels carefully to make a comparative study of how Jesus dealt with sickness and the afflicted. She comes to this conclusion, “Jesus came to earth to reveal His Father’s nature and His will for mankind. Jesus saw sickness and disease as intruders in His father’s world, part of Satan’s work, therefore evil all the way. Consistently, He fought disease just as any dedicated physician fights it.”

One of my favorite bible verses is Luke 10:8-9. Jesus is telling the 72 disciples that he is sending them out in pairs to all the towns and villages that he plans to visit. He says, 1) Eat whatever is set before you and 2) Heal the sick; and as you heal them say, “The Kingdom of God is very near you now.” I believe Jesus wants us to follow His instruc-

tions today! Following the lead of the Holy Spirit, I have witnessed many physical healings.

How shall we pray for physical healing?

Agnes Sanford who wrote The Healing Light said, one appeals to the love of Christ for healing. The Holy Spirit brings the healing power of Jesus to believers. When we are open to this flow and follow the instructions that are given, amazing things happen. He uses us to heal others if we listen to Him and trust Him. His light and His power flows through us when we are in His word and repenting and trusting and growing closer to Him each day.

When praying for physical healing, I usually ask the person about the ailment- how long? How much pain? On a scale of 1 to 10 what number are you at right now? Then sometimes I will walk them through these steps to bring them into God’s healing presence. Step 1: Clear your mind of everything. Step 2: Think about God and all He has made. Think about how much He loves us. Step 3: Ask for His healing light to flow into that area of concern. Step 4: Thank Him for what He is doing right now and for what He will continue to do for this person.

We can pray for physical healing on a daily basis. I believe that because the Holy Spirit dwells in us, we can ask for the healing power of Jesus anytime. I think it should just be second nature to ask for healing when a family member is sick or injured. We can all do this with one another. We can even pray for our own physical healing. Praying for healing is just a natural part of being a follower of Christ.

Roxie Watson

Jesus – LLP – Faith House

Earlier this year, Carolyn and Lucinda met with Faith House Director, Terri Gray and Case Manager, Dawn Bay. Terri, Dawn, and co-worker Sarah, are passionate about working with the women and children who live at this beautiful place in Frederick that opened in 2016 to help women in crisis overcome obstacles and get back on their feet. Faith House is a vital program of the Frederick Rescue Mission, offering shelter and case management. The women and children enjoy a safe place to live as they develop the community connections needed to live stable lives.

This summer, a team from LLP is providing training to help their leadership learn the

model of Celebrate Recovery so they can offer it to their residents. Please join us as we pray that Jesus will use this new ministry to help the women do exactly what is described on the CR bible’s back cover, “The Celebrate Recovery bible lifts you up and shows you how to walk, step by attainable step, on a path of healing and liberty.”

Faith House



The Ranch Ministry

20 men from *The Ranch* participated last month as LLP's Kristin Nelson led a 3-step lesson filled with activities. "Tonight, the topic is about stepping out of denial and moving forward in your recovery. I learned that I couldn't set a goal and expect myself to be successful unless I identified specific, workable steps that were personal to me. When I work on goals, I have to be real about what had worked for me in the past and what had not... sometimes we want to keep trying to same thing over and over, hoping that it will eventually work.

But if it keeps producing the same undesired result, then we are really wasting our time. We have to step out of denial and try something new in order to move forward in our recovery."

The men wrote down two areas that were out of control in their life. Most of them stayed after the teaching time to talk with prayer ministers about their struggles. Each one received individual prayer, asking the Lord to help with their specific goals. We also had the joy of giving out blessing bags!



From top left in clockwise: Frank praying; Kristin handing out blessing bags; Carolyn praying; Kathy listening with love (all at The Ranch on June 2)

Beacon House

LLP's education night and prayer ministry at the Frederick Rescue Mission (Beacon House) is going strong with 24 men attending.



Ed Taylor
teaching
24 men at
Beacon
House
(June 30)

A Glimpse of Glory

During worship at Ignite 2019, we were singing, "There is One seated on the throne, even now seated on the throne, He's the King of kings, the Lord of lords, and He reigns forever." I have sung that song many times before. It is joyful, hopeful, and powerful but I didn't expect what happened next. Suddenly, I saw a space, that I think represented heaven, break open. Jesus appeared as a full figure of a man and came forward with blazing brilliance. A pure, clear light came from within His "body" and was all around him as if a million diamonds were sparkling. It was a "live", in-motion vision and I became more aware of that realm than my physical realm. I think I said, "Wow, Jesus" as tears of awe and wonder rolled down my face. I could see no clear features like eyes, hands, or feet because the blazing light dominated the scene. Then I saw a multitude of people in back of Jesus, all blazing with that pure crystal-like color. After a few moments, a huge angel came in from the side. The angel was not as large as Jesus and seemed opaque; more of a white color. The angel moved closer to me and I could no longer see Jesus. As the vision faded, I once again became aware of the room, myself and the other participants and thanked God for a glimpse of His Glory. — LLP Prayer Minister



Kelley and Diane at Ignite

Healing Prayer Services

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm

First Tuesday
Calvary UMC
Mt. Airy, MD
No childcare available

Second Tuesday
New Beginning NC
Mt. Airy, MD
Childcare available upon request

Third Tuesday
New Beginning NC
Mt. Airy, MD
Childcare available upon request

ListenLovePray Events

July

- July 2** **Healing Prayer Service**
Calvary UMC • 7:00 pm
- July 9** **Faith House Ministry**
- July 9** **Healing Prayer Service**
New Beginning • 7:00 pm
- July 11** **Healing Prayer Level 1**
New Beginning • Thu. 6:45–8:45 pm
- July 14** **The Ranch Ministry**
- July 16** **Healing Prayer Service**
New Beginning • 7:00 pm
- July 18** **Healing Prayer Level 1**
New Beginning • Thu. 6:45–8:45 pm
- July 20** **Beacon House Ministry**
- July 23** **Faith House Ministry**
- July 25** **Healing Prayer Level 1**
New Beginning • Thu. 6:45–8:45 pm
- July 28** **Beacon House Ministry**

August

- August 2** **The Ranch Ministry**
- August 6** **Faith House Ministry**
- August 6** **Healing Prayer Service**
Calvary UMC • 7:00 pm
- August 13** **Healing Prayer Service**
New Beginning • 7:00 pm
- August 20** **Healing Prayer Service**
New Beginning • 7:00 pm
- August 30** **Beacon House Ministry**

Keep in Prayer

- 25 students in Summer Healing Prayer 1 class
- 20 women and children in Faith House
- 70 men in *The Ranch* and Beacon House
- New program development:
Self Care Works—a codependency support group
- LLP Foundation

Key Updates

Deliverance 101 Class for 32 students



Ken and Lucinda teach on deliverance at Church 3.0 (June 7)

LLP Meeting Locations

New Beginning Church
12350 Jesse Smith Rd
Mount Airy, MD 21771
www.newbeginningnazarenechurch.org

Beacon House
Frederick Rescue Mission
419 W. South Street
Frederick, MD 21701
www.therescuemission.org

Calvary United Methodist Church
403 South Main Street
Mount Airy, MD 21771
www.calvary-mtairy.org

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