



PERSONAL TESTIMONIES

"I thank God for the opportunity to attend the intensive prayer ministry. I can't say enough about the two women who ministered to me. They were very prayerful, patient, and unselfish with their time. They listened to my life story. It was extremely healing to share with them events that I have never spoken about to anyone else."



"I experienced a tremendous healing in the areas of hurt and needing to forgive and let go. The prayer counselors were extremely helpful people of God, skilled counselors. I am so grateful for this experience; it was life-changing."

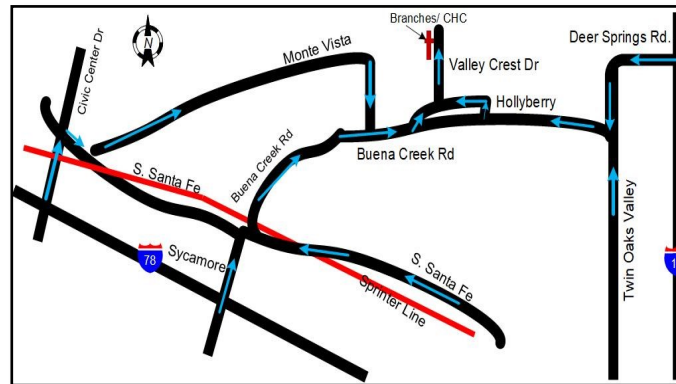
"I was able to give the Lord my disappointments and frustrations. I was so blessed to have been prayed for by my sweet couple."



HEALING PRAYER IS A KINGDOM ACTIVITY

Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. (James 5:13-15)

Be restored in body, mind, and spirit as trained and Holy Spirit-led prayer ministers listen, love, and pray for you!



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MINISTERING HEALING TO GOD'S HURTING PEOPLE

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Answering Jesus' call to "Declare that the kingdom of heaven is at hand; heal the sick, raise the dead, and cast out demons." (Matthew 10:7-8)



3-DAY INTENSIVE PRAYER MINISTRY (IPM)

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THREE DAYS OF INTENSIVE PERSONAL PRAYER



IMMERSION PERSONAL PRAYER MINISTRY (IPPM)



AN ECUMENICAL MINISTRY OF PRAYER

WHAT THE IPM IS

The IPM is a ministry of healing prayer in which prayer recipients (prayerees) come to our beautiful and quiet surroundings for three days of teaching, soaking in God's presence, and extensive personal prayer for them by highly trained prayer ministers, all under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. (The ministry is often called "the Three-Day.")

Prayerees are required to prepare a comprehensive registration packet. Two prayer ministers are assigned to each prayeree based on the prayeree's prayer needs and life history. They are trained to listen, love, and pray, and they do so in four one-hour sessions per prayeree, as well as during free times throughout the retreat as needed or requested.

There are several teaching sessions throughout the three days, with the greatest number of teachings on the first day. The purpose of the teachings is to inform, encourage, build faith for healing, and remove doubt. And, most importantly, the teachings help you bring up things in your past, such as deeply repressed unforgiveness or old hurts, so that they can be healed.

After the teachings there are times of reflection and soaking. These soaking prayer sessions are intended to provide a quiet opportunity for each prayeree to think about and pray about how the teaching might be relevant to their life, and what God wants to heal during the three days. Some people rest quietly in these times; some people choose to sit somewhere and journal their thoughts; others walk around the grounds in contemplation and prayer.

WHAT THE IPM IS NOT

While there are elements of pastoral counseling and pastoral care in the healing ministry, it is not psychotherapy. Referrals to Christian therapists are available for prayerees who feel that a more therapeutic approach would be better suited to their personal needs.

WHAT TO EXPECT

IPM retreats begin each day at 8:30 a.m. and generally conclude by 4 p.m. Breakfast (continental) and lunch are included. Morning and afternoon sessions begin with worship and prayer with everyone together. On Day One there are four teachings interspersed with prayer, soaking in the Spirit, journaling, and meeting with prayer ministers.

Day Two and Day Three have the same basic format. Morning and afternoon sessions contain a short teaching, reflection time, and an hour of prayer ministry from two prayer ministers. Day Three closes with a Holy Communion service.

Prayerees should be open to a blessed and impactful encounter with the Holy Spirit.



One of many quiet spots for reflection and prayer



One of our comfortable prayer rooms

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Anyone who is open to the ministry of the Holy Spirit would benefit from attending. Most people have experienced life's wounds and sufferings as the years go on. Maybe you're suffering now. Maybe you suffered long ago and the pain was planted underground into the deep recesses of mind and spirit. Now the residual effects come to the surface and cause distress. The distress can manifest in a number of bad ways, like physical pain, depression, unresolved anger, or a sense of being stuck.

Through intensive prayer, prayerees can experience deep healing of the heart, be released from a wide variety of inner restraints, and receive a new sense of freedom and joy and a growing awareness of God's love, mercy, and goodness.

How to Register

IPM registrants should obtain, complete, and return an application packet at least one week prior to the start of the IPM session. If needed, overnight lodging may be arranged at our comfortable Shekinah House guest lodge.

There is no cost for this ministry or the related lodging, but a donation would be greatly appreciated. Please call our office (760.295.4266) or email admin@brancheschc.org to reserve your space.