

BE EXCITED, BE VERY EXCITED! *The Rev. Dr. Jack Sheffield, Sharing, September 2012*

How about we talk about healing the Body of Christ? Christ's Body is broken, fragmented and weakened in so many ways. To heal the Church's spirit, soul and body is a priority for the OSL (The Order of St. Luke), and to that end we need much more than natural solutions. The most important part of our life is lived out beyond the natural world; but do we really appreciate that we have the

resources of a heavenly existence with us right now? Jesus said to the people around Him, "From here on you shall see the heavens open and angels ascending and descending on the Son of Man." (John 1.51) "From here on" means we can see an open heaven over us today, meaning that we get to live in the Spirit realm while walking as Jesus did. An "open heaven" equates to a Spirit life of utter fullness. Seated with Him, we live from heaven towards the earth, not the other way around! The Bible says we are citizens of heaven right now, but how many of us truly know this? When we live

supernaturally our life produces astonishing results. Extraordinary things happen when we encounter the "over and above" supernatural realm of the Holy Spirit. This is

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where adventures in God take place!

Recently, while holding meetings in the famous renewal center at Saint Paul's in Darien, Connecticut, we spent four hours in the Spirit during a Sunday morning service. Four hours in an Episcopal Church - that in itself is a New Testament order miracle! But seriously, Heaven opened up and consumed us with its presence. The worship was phenomenal, joy was everywhere, and as people were prayed for, healings occurred all over the room. At one point the priest, Christopher Leighton, took off and just began to run around the church, like Elijah outrunning the chariots! It was hilarious! He just could not hold it in any longer. Then, the Senior Warden took off running. And so did I! And finally the priest's grandson took off running. The extraordinary thing about this was that the young man suffered greatly from asthma. He had not taken his medicine that morning and so should have collapsed after ten yards if not for the Spirit of God. Rather than collapse he was totally healed from this debilitating disease! We had all entered the supernatural zone of God's blessings.

The next weekend, Christopher called us from Saint Paul's and asked, "How can we ever top a four-hour Eucharistic Service?" Well! The next morning at church, a woman died during the sermon (which had nothing to do with the preaching – ha-ha!). A nurse attending the service couldn't revive the woman; there was no pulse whatsoever and she was pronounced dead. All the prayer warriors gathered around her and began to pray as the ambulance rushed on its way to the church.

About the time it arrived, this woman sat up completely resurrected! God's response to the prayers was to raise her from the dead! Can you imagine the jubilation!?

Should we be surprised? Is not joy what we are promised, and are not these the kind of events we should expect? Jesus said, "... preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give." (Matthew 10.7,8) We have indeed received freely, and God is clearly calling us to share freely His gift of healing and His gift of eternal life in His Son. The Body of Christ will itself be healed, and will become all it should be, as we individually and collectively respond to His call, and step out in faith to live a truly supernatural life.

Rev. Dr. Jack Sheffield will be one of the keynote speakers at the OSL conference in New Zealand in October. Further details are on page 3.



While praying one day, a woman asked, "Who are you, Lord?" He answered, "I Am." "But who is I Am?" she inquired. And He replied, "I Am Love, I Am Peace, I Am Grace, I Am Joy, I Am the Way, the Truth and the Life, I Am the Comforter, I Am Strength, I Am Safety, I Am Shelter, I Am Power, I Am the Creator, I Am the Beginning and the End, I Am the Most High."

With tears in her eyes the woman looked toward Heaven and said, "Now I understand. But Lord, who am I?"

Then God tenderly wiped the tears from her eyes and whispered,

"You are Mine."



Hearing - Obedience

Are we called to wait upon God for direction and confirmation, or are we called to service and ministry as soon as opportunity arises? The answer of course is "Yes". And we can do both, in just the same way as we can breathe and eat at the same time. The ability for God to speak, and for us to hear, is no different if we are in a state of solitude at a retreat, or in the midst of activity, challenge or even turmoil. The receptivity of our spirit isn't affected by the busyness of our external circumstances. The problem arises when we ignore the still small voice, and consciously continue with our own designs and actions because it is more expedient to do so. "God, I can hear you, but just let me do it my way." Or, more likely, "God, is that your voice? I'm pretty sure it isn't, since it doesn't much agree with my plans.'

Just the day before, with total sincerity in our heart, we may have prayed the words of the prophet, "O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years." (Habakkuk 3.2) However, God's response may well come in a way and in a time that isn't convenient for us. Oh dear. We may have prayed for God to move on a grand scale, as He has done before, and as He will do again. But most of God's moves, be they in the church or in our life, come without fan-fare, developing quietly and inexorably as we journey along the narrow way. Each time we respond to His still small voice and each time we affirm His Lordship over our life through an act of obedience we are being renewed, the Body of Christ is being revived, and God's kingdom is being established.

There is no substitute for obedience. If we would know God's presence and have Him work in our lives we need to meditate upon and fulfil Jesus' words, "Whoever loves me will keep my word. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them." (John 14.23) Obedience and having an attentive ear to God's voice go hand in hand, each one reinforcing the other. If we would have good success in each endeavour to which we put our hand then we need to implore God with the prayer, based on Hebrews 13.20,21, "God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make me perfect in every good work to do your will, working in me that which is wellpleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."

We are constantly faced with moments where we need to adjust to how Jesus wants to do things. This is at the core of following Jesus.

Pastor Dave Whitehead



Rev. Dr. Jack Sheffield

THIS, THEN, IS HOW YOU SHOULD PRAY

Many people can recite The Lord's Prayer, and far more have heard it. Although it is amazingly simple and surprisingly short, it illustrates all the forms of prayer: worship, praise, adoration, intercession, supplication, confession, repentance, forgiveness and deliverance. It is the perfect outline for prayer, as given by Jesus to His disciples in Matthew chapter 6. "It came about that while Jesus was praying in a certain place, after He had finished, one of His disciples said to Him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John also taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'This, then, is how you should pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, for yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

It is interesting that there is no reference anywhere in the Bible to this prayer ever having been prayed, either by Jesus or by His disciples. The reason is that Jesus was giving his disciples (us) a list of prayer points rather than a prayer itself.

Let us look at some of the words and phrases which make up this wonderful outline, to the end that we might more effectively use it as our own model.

"Our" Jesus gave this guide for prayer to His disciples as a group, for their corporate prayer times. While God is certainly "my" Father, in times of corporate prayer we are especially reminded that He is "our" Father. Jesus encouraged His disciples both to pray together and agree together in prayer. (Matt. 18,19-20)

"Father" Here Jesus shows us that in our prayers we come to the Lord as a child comes to a loving, caring, understanding Father. While it is true that He is the Lord God Almighty, creator of the whole universe, He is neither remote nor unconcerned about our needs. (Heb. 4.14-16) The Lord's Prayer thus does not begin with "Almighty, eternal and most holy God ..." (although He is!); it begins with "Our Father ..."

"in Heaven" Nevertheless, while He is our Father, and we can approach Him as such, this does not mean we can become casual or disrespectful to God. He dwells in Heaven; He rules over all; He, above everyone else, is Lord. Familiarity can breed contempt, but the balance between calling Him our Father and recognizing that He reigns in Heaven will bring both respect and awe, as well as a sense of His closeness, love and care.

"hallowed be your name" God's holy Name is to be respected, honoured and treated as holy (hallowed). There is a Name which is above every Name, and at the Name of Jesus every knee shall bow down, in Heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that "Jesus Christ is Lord" to the glory of God the Father. (Phil. 2.9-11) No wonder the third commandment forbids people taking the Name of the Lord our God in vain, for Intercessors for New Zealand, May 2012.



the Lord will not hold him guiltless who does so. (Exodus 20.7) It is the natural and the supernatural order of things that God's Name be praised, and that He be worshipped and adored. (Rev. 4.8-11, 5.8-14, 19.4-8)

"your Kingdom come" God's desire is that His Kingdom should be set up on earth, with His being fully recognized as Lord, and with everyone worshipping and serving Him. (Matt. 4.10) He is the King, and true believers are His subjects (servants), and His Kingdom is where He is acknowledged in this way. In one sense the Kingdom of God has already come, and where Christians serve, love, honour and worship Him as King, there exists a part of His Kingdom. In another sense it is yet to come. May it soon do so in all its fullness; it is for this that we are to pray.

"your will be done" What a place this world would be if God's will was perfectly carried out here on earth! What a glory the Church would be if His will was completely carried out by His Body! We cannot fully comprehend or imagine what the world or the Church would be like if this was the case. We need to intercede that God's will will be done – not partially, but completely and perfectly; and not just His permissive will but His absolute, perfect will. "Lord, let it begin in me!"

"on earth as it is in Heaven" In Heaven we see the will of God perfectly fulfilled. When Satan and his angels sinned and rebelled they were cast out of Heaven because there is no place there for sin, rebellion or anything short of God's perfect will, purpose and holiness. (Rev. 21.7-8, 1 Cor. 6.9-11) We need to intercede that God's will will be done as perfectly here on earth as it is in Heaven. And this prayer needs to start being answered in our own life, and then in the life of the Church, before it will ever be answered in the whole earth. The fact that we will never see this totally fulfilled before our Lord returns does not negate the fact that Jesus told us to pray for this very thing.

"Give us today (each day) our daily bread" God has wonderfully promised to supply all our needs. (Matt. 6.25-34, Phil. 4.19) He has also told us to ask. (Luke 11.5-13) In fact God's Word tells us that one of the reasons we do not have is because we do not bother asking. (James 4.2) Thus Jesus taught His disciples to supplicate – to ask for things that they needed. God has not promised to supply all we want, but He will absolutely supply all that is needful. He has not promised to supply our needs years in advance, but He will give us our daily bread, day by day, each day's supply being sufficient for that day. (Matt. 6.33-34, Ex. 16.11-30) Remember how God provided manna and water for the Israelites in the wilderness (Ex. 16 and 17.1-7), how He sent ravens and angels to feed Elijah in the desert (1 Kings 17.1-6, 19:5-8), and how He provided day by day for Elijah, the widow and her son. (1 Kings 17.8-16) He is Jehovah-jireh, "the Lord will provide".

"Forgive us our debts (sins)" This is the prayer of confession. We cannot expect God to hear and answer our prayers if we refuse to confess and forsake our sin. In fact He has explicitly said He will not answer us if we will not first forsake our sin. (Ps. 66.18, Prov. 28.9,13, Is. 59.1-2) But if we repent and confess our sin, God is faithful and just and will forgive our sin and cleanse (wash) us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1.7-9) It is interesting to note the context in which James puts prayer for healing. (James 5.13-16) Many people pray for healing, and many are anointed with oil for healing, but how many confess their sins first so that they can be forgiven and then healed? Somehow we have forgotten (ignored) the call to repentance and confession, and focussed only on the prayer for good health!

"as we also have forgiven our debtors" Not only must we repent and confess our sins in order to be forgiven, but we must also first forgive others. (Matt. 5.23-24, 6.14-15, Mark 11.25-26) Notice that "have forgiven" is in the past tense - we forgave our debtors, so now we can come to God and ask for His forgiveness. If God has forgiven us so much, what right do we have to refuse to forgive others for the comparatively small wrongs they have done to us? (Matt. 18.23-35)

"And lead us not into temptation" This is a prayer that God will not allow us to fall into temptation. We will all be tested, and we will all be tempted - the world, the flesh and the devil make sure of that! (James 1.12-15) But we need not yield to temptation and end up in sin. Christ was tempted in all points as we are, yet He did not fall. (Heb. 4.15-16) We need to appreciate that God does not tempt us to sin; God tests us - he tests and tries our faith, our character and the quality of our life in Him. It is the devil who tempts us, luring us to sin against God. We need to pray that in the time of temptation we will be strong and not give in. God alone can give us the strength we need. (Matt. 26.41)

"but deliver us from the evil one (or from evil)" This is a prayer for deliverance, for God to rescue us from the powers of darkness and keep us from all evil and sin. In this way we will remain true to Him, and so fulfil the earlier prayer that His will be done on earth (and in our lives) as it is in Heaven.

"for yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen." The Lord's Prayer ends on a note of praise and worship, giving glory to the only One to Whom it is due. Each time we pray let us be aware, no matter what we are praying for, that we are speaking to the Lord of the whole earth - to the One who hears us and to the One who will answer us. Amen indeed!

The value of consistent prayer is not that He will hear us, but that we will hear Him. Whitiora Bible Church Newsletter, Hamilton, NZ

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Jesus said: "My prayer is not that you take them out of the world, but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of it." (John 17.15,16)

The scene here is in the Upper Room, where Jesus was with his disciples after having set the example of servant-hood in washing their feet and having shared with them in the Last Supper. He knew that he was about to be taken into custody and put to death, thus meeting his destiny. In chapters 14 to 17 he had done his best to prepare his friends, making his farewell speech a mixture of encouragement, reassurance and teaching. It was an emotional time for him, fully knowing what they did not, that their master would be taken from them and their world would be turned upside down.

As I write this it is ten days before Easter, prior to Holy Week and all that it contains, including Maundy Thursday with its ritual symbolism in the re-enactment of the washing of the feet. What message do we find in these two verses? "My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not." We are in the world, but we are also a part of the spiritual realm where God reigns. We interact with things of the natural, but from a different perspective to the rest of the world. It is easy to think in terms of life being a battle, and there being no light at the end of the tunnel (to mix metaphors). Unless we remember that we are not alone, but have God with us, then depression can



Rev. Brian Flower

easily follow, and the "evil one" can succeed in further separating us from God. We can lose our focus and then forget that we have a source that is greater than Satan. Jesus prayed that the disciples would be protected from the evil one, and his prayer for us is the same.

John, in chapter 4 of his first letter, counsels his readers not to believe every spirit, but to test them to see whether they are from God. He points out that they (the readers) are from God and have overcome the spirit of antichrist, because the one who is in them (the readers) is greater than the one who is in the world. My prayer for you, the reader of this Newsletter, is that when life gets you down, whether through sickness, financial problems, family disharmony, work difficulties, unemployment, grief, loneliness, or whatever else, that you will open yourself to the healing power of Jesus through the ministrations of the Holy Spirit. As Jesus prayed for the disciples, so he intercedes for us. Malachi, writing in chapter 4 verse 2, some 400 years before Christ was born, prophesied concerning the coming of the Messiah. He wrote that for those who revered the name of the Lord, the sun of righteousness would rise with healing in His wings. Jesus is the Son of righteousness and he indeed heals and empowers us.

May God bless you and enable you to more than deal with all that the world throws at you.

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Conference - Christ's Healing in the Third Millenium

The Order of St Luke in New Zealand is hosting a unique event in October of this year. This will be the 5th International Conference of the Order, and the first in this country. The gathering is open to all those involved in or interested in Christian healing ministry.



We are bringing together keynote speakers from the northern and southern hemispheres. The Rev. Dr. Jack Sheffield is the Director of the United States OSL, Dr. Colin Campbell is on the Board of the Canadian OSL, Dr. Annette Rice is National Chaplain from Australia and the Right Rev. Dr. Kelvin Wright is Bishop of Dunedin. In addition there will be workshops led by folk from the UK, India and Australia as well as New Zealand. This Conference will be the first with a speaker from the Third World, in that we have invited Bishop Probal Dutta of the Durgapal Diocese in India to speak and lead a workshop.

Other firsts are the offering of two ecoworkshops in acknowledgment of the increasing awareness of the need for the healing and care of creation, and also cross-cultural expression of healing ministry. There will be a choice to attend two of sixteen workshops, with the details being on the OSL New Zealand website given below.

The Conference will be held in Matamata, and begins on the morning of Tuesday 15 October and concludes with lunch on Friday 18 October. For those coming from including overseas. members arriving from the African continent, we are arranging a shuttle

bus from the Auckland Airport on the morning of 15 October. The registration process and other details of the programme are on the website at http://www.oslnz.org/NZIntConference.htm. For further enquiries you may also email the Planning Convenor: dereklightbourne@xtra.co.nz or the National Chaplain, Rev Brian Flower: natchap@ oslnz.org or 1 Monterey Key, Papamoa 3118, New Zealand.

We are truly excited about this unique event, and are so looking forward to the Spirit's working among those attending, and to His ongoing revival of the healing ministry in and through the church in the third millennium. Do pray earnestly if you are called to be a part of this special gathering, for truly, "From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of Heaven has been taken by storm and eager men [and women] are forcing their way into it." (Matthew 11.12 Phillips)

(Rev) B. Flower, National Chaplain OSL NZ

WHY NOT ME?!

John Ryland, Connections, February 2013

I sometimes wonder if we make heavy weather out of the whole issue of healing. We surround it with conditions and rules, telling ourselves or even worse, telling others - that healing will not happen unless this or that qualification is met. I don't believe Jesus saw it that way at all. The following story from Matthew 12 gives us a message about healing that is so very challenging in its simplicity.

Jesus was in the synagogue on the Sabbath when he noticed two things: a man with a disability, and a group of leaders intent on catching him (Jesus) doing anything that contravened the law. He probably knew that the leaders were longing to see him heal the unfortunate man, but not out of any sense of wonder or expectation. For their part they expected that he probably would heal, despite their interpretation of the law being that he shouldn't. Sensing the tension, Jesus posed a very simple question along these lines: if you had a sheep, and it fell into a hole in the ground on the Sabbath, what would you do?



The answer is obvious; of course you would lift the animal out. Jesus then encouraged them to think further - if that is what they would do for a sheep, what did they think God wanted to do for a person? After all, Jesus said, aren't people more valuable than sheep? When we are faced with this statement it actually changes everything. Rather than being left questioning whether God would ever want to heal me, I am left with a different question why not me?

Back to the sheep, it is notable that Jesus placed no judgment on how it came to be in the pit. It doesn't seem to matter how the sheep got there - whether it wandered too near the edge, was pushed in, or happily climbed in. The sheep was in the pit and it needed rescuing, and so do people. For Jesus, healing was as natural as pulling someone out of a pit. Dare we really believe this? If we saw someone fall over in the street wouldn't we help them up and check they were OK? Praying for healing should become an equally natural event in our own lives.

In the days and weeks ahead, let's take this seriously. Instead of sympathising with someone suffering with a headache, let's offer to pray. Rather than telling a needy friend you'll think of them, tell them you'll pray for them. It might seem challenging at first, but it could, and indeed should, become totally natural for us. If we all play our part and step out in faith just think of the limitless opportunities for us to be partners with Jesus in bringing glory to his name.

WHAT OF THE YEARS?

Based on the writings of John Borman, Faith for Daily Living.

"The king asked, 'How old are you?' Jacob answered, 'My life of wandering has lasted a hundred and thirty years. Those years have been few and difficult, unlike the long years of my ancestors in their wanderings. (Gen 47.8,9 GNB)

vicar met an elderly А parishioner in the street of an English village and asked, "Have you lived here all your life?" The old man replied, "Not yet, sir." The vicar persisted, "You're a great age. What's your secret?" "Just keep breathing, sir." Jacob's more somber answer indicated that he hadn't lived nearly as long as his father and grandfather before him. Furthermore, the life of nomadic shepherding would not have been easy, and presumably the drought that had led his family to seek

refuge in Egypt had made the more recent years even harder.

And so to us: later in life it is well to revisit our earlier years and recall the good and even the trying times. Do not be too harsh on yourself in doing this. Cherish the good and positive things - everyone has some of them.

God's Promise

that counts.

Revd. D. Pryde, The Exciting Spiritual Toolkit

young woman, married Α and well-off, had dabbled in the She had been to tarot occult. card readings and Ouija board sessions. Recently she had been having a recurring dream, in which she was told that her time on earth was up, and that on a certain day, today, she must die. She felt compelled to go and take her life, but on her way to a high cliff where she was going to throw herself off

she passed a signboard which read, "Jesus Heals Today." She turned in, and sat in the back of an empty church. Was it a coincidence that at that moment I came into the church with my wife? No, it was the hand of God.

I sat in the back row, my wife sat towards the front. I encouraged the young woman to talk and to tell me her story. Then I asked the Lord to give me the Spirit of knowledge, and I then knew that she was controlled by the evil spirits of Satan. I claimed the right to expel them in Jesus' Name, under the authority Jesus had given when he commissioned all Christians in Mark 16.17. There we read that believers are given the power to perform miracles, to drive out demons in Jesus' Name, and to place their hands on the sick, who will get well. I explained to the woman how the evil spirits had gained entrance through her taking part in those occult practices, and I shared how those spirits are against God, and how

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they seek to destroy people through sickness and death. Accompanied by my wife I laid my hands on the young woman and I commanded in Jesus' Name that the evil spirits of reason and rebellion come out of her, never to return. Then she repented of her sins, and asked the Lord Jesus to be her Saviour, promising Him not to be involved in occultism again. We laid our hands on her for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

In particular, the legacy we will

leave behind will be in the number

and quality of the relationships

we have formed and maintained.

At funeral orations no one ever

mentions the amount of wealth

one has or hasn't acquired. While

the length of our life may be quoted

at our time of passing, it will be the

quality of the love we have shared

that will be remembered with any

significance. The people we have

influenced with our love through

the character and quality of our

journey will be our testimony at the

end of this life, and at the beginning of the next.

be defined by how we have walked with Christ

- by the faith by which we have lived and have

passed on to others. That is the only heritage

Ultimately, the measure of our stature will

What a wonderful change came upon the young woman's life after Jesus came into her heart. From that moment on she became one of the most committed of church members and the most diligent of workers, a woman full of love and gifted in understanding. We can only marvel at the eternal truth, "... if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed." (John 8.36)

It Starts with God's Initiative

The Daily Bible Verse, Dave Whitehead, Senior Pastor, GraceNYC.org

"... God chose you as firstfruits to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth." (2 Thessalonians 2.13)

Notice the order of this passage. The Apostle Paul starts with God's initiative, then the work of the Holy Spirit, then an understanding of truth. We didn't find Jesus, He found us! Appreciating this progression can help us as we interact with people who need to know God. Don't start with doctrine, but pray for God's initiative in a person's life, then look for moments when you know that God's Spirit is challenging theirs before presenting the truth of the Scripture. This gives people the space they need to respond to God, and it frees us from trying to make something happen that only God can do.

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Saying the Same

An idea wellexpressed is like a design of gold, set in silver. (Proverbs 25.11 GNT)

A blind boy sat on the steps of a building with a hat by his feet. He held up a sign which said: "I am blind, please help." As a man walked by he saw there were

only a few coins in the hat. He added some of his own, and then took the sign, turned it over, and wrote something on it. He put the sign back so that everyone who walked by would see the new words.

That afternoon the man returned to find that the hat was almost full. The boy recognized his voice and asked, "Aren't you the one who changed my sign this morning?" and then he asked, "What did you write?"

The man said, "I only wrote the truth. I said what you said but in a different way."

What he had written was: "Today is a beautiful day, and I cannot see it."

Of course both signs told people the boy was blind. But the first one simply stated a fact, while the second reminded people that they were blessed to be able to see. We so need to think positively and to be thankful for what we have.

When life gives us a hundred reasons to cry we must show life that we have a thousand reasons to smile. And what better way to be positive than to use the creativity God has given us to bless those around us. We are called to be sensitive to others' needs, and to actually 'be as Jesus' to every life we touch. Then, along with showing people Jesus, we may have opportunity to tell them who He is, bringing the eternal hope that every heart is wanting to hear. Truly, "A word fitly spoken and in due season is like apples of gold in settings of silver." (Proverbs 25.11 AMP)

Wholeness Financial Update

Join with us in praising God for providing for our need through the faithfulness of so many of His saints. The difference in our income over expenditure for the past 3 years has been respectively: minus \$7508, minus \$4404 and plus \$7869. In other words, we are no longer going backwards! However, if we had printed our regular number of 4 editions last year, instead of 3, then our finances would not be quite as rosy. Therefore please continue to pray for donations to be adequate for our normal publishing schedule to be followed. Editor

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