



A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER WITH THE PURPOSE OF SHARING NEWS REGARDING THE WORK BEING DONE IN NAMIBIA, FOR THE UPLIFTING AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF FELLOW CHRISTIANS AND TO SERVE AS A PLATFORM FOR LIKE MINDED CHRISTIANS TO SHARE TESTIMONIES OF CHRIST'S WORKINGS IN THEIR LIVES. TO BE AN OBJECT OF REFLECTION, REFLECTING THE BEAMS OF LIGHT RECEIVED FROM THE TRUE LIGHT.

God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.

ACTS 3:26

"**Work** out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good-pleasure. Do all things without murmurings and disputings; that ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world." "For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth anything, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love."

In our efforts for salvation, we are accountable only to God. Forgiveness for our sins is possible only because of the atoning sacrifice of Jesus. He died for us; and this has linked us to God in continual dependence. Those who desire forgiveness must present their prayers to God, trusting in the merits of Jesus Christ, the only mediator between God and man. Their confessions must not be given through any human channel, as priest or pope; they must be presented to God, who has given Jesus as a sacrifice for the sins of the world. And if we confess our sins in humility and contrition, we receive full forgiveness. "I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning-star. And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

But the fact that we receive forgiveness through the grace of Jesus Christ, does not free us from taking a part in the struggle for immortal life. There are many false teachers in the world today who teach that belief alone is necessary for salvation. These grow in popularity because they please the people. False doctrines are received in the place of truth. A spurious faith is

shown instead of the faith that works by love and purifies the soul.

But heaven's first law is obedience in all things. By creation and by redemption we are God's property, and we are to submit to the working of his Holy Spirit, co-operating with it, but not attempting to work it ourselves. Under its guidance we are made contrite in heart. Our souls are not lifted up in vanity, but are humbled before God.

When mind and heart are yielded in perfect obedience to God, we feel a repentance that needeth not to be repented of. The stubborn heart is subdued. The change of which Christ told Nicodemus when he said, "Ye must be born again," is wrought in us. But we can learn this lesson from God only. It is not enough that the outward conduct is reformed, while sin is cherished and indulged in the heart. The change must commence in the heart, and work outward.

The repentance of those who truly seek forgiveness will lead them to work for Christ. It will be a living, working, transforming grace. Those who feel this repentance will reveal it in their lives. Every power of mind and soul and body will be brought into obedience to Christ. The sincerity of their prayers will be proved by their endeavors to serve God. This change, from unrighteousness to righteousness, is wrought by co-operation with God.

"This is life eternal," said Christ, in his prayer to his Father, "that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." But we can not gain a knowledge of God and of Jesus Christ if we neglect to study the Scriptures. The mind is God's purchased possession. This gift is to be appreciated by us, and used as a treasure house, in which to store the knowledge of God. We need to do much thinking as we work for God. The psalmist says, "I thought on my

ways, and turned my feet unto thy testimonies." God would have us store our minds with the principles of his holy word, that we may know "what saith the Lord." He would have us train our minds to wrestle with difficulties, taxing them to remember Scripture until remembering is no longer an impossibility, until the word of God is to us a harmonious whole. If the mind is habitually given difficult tasks, it acquires efficiency and power.

Train your mind to search the Scriptures. In this way you can gain a knowledge of God, and work out your own salvation. Fill it with divine truth. It will then be in perfect harmony with the heart, which, cleansed from all selfishness and moral defilement, rejoices to render homage to the law of God.

"I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day;" said Christ; "the night cometh, when no man can work." This is the example Christ has left us to follow. He was the Majesty of heaven, the King of glory, yet he came to this earth, and went about doing good. He was the greatest Teacher the world ever knew. Tender, compassionate, ever considerate for others, he represented the character of God, and was ever engaged in service for him. And as Jesus was in human flesh, so God means his followers to be.

"We are laborers together with God," declares Paul, writing by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. In the struggle against evil, we must put every muscle to the stretch, exercising every God-given qualification for the right, in order that we may resist temptation and advance step by step in the Christian life. Saved in indolence, in inactivity, we can never be. It is not possible for us to drift into heaven. No sluggard can enter there. If we do not strive to gain an entrance into that kingdom, if we do not seek earnestly to

learn what constitute its laws, we are not fitted to take part in it. Those who enter there must be loyal and faithful servants of God, yoking up with Christ, working his works, overcoming as he overcame, wrestling day after day with hereditary and cultivated tendencies to wrong, which must be oft crucified...If you would work as Christ worked, if you would overcome as he overcame, go straight to him for help needed to subdue the inclinations of the carnal mind and the passions of the natural heart. Resist every sinful indulgence, every inclination to gratify wrong desires, remembering that Christ is all and in all, and that he is able to do "exceeding abundantly, above all that we ask or think."...As God said to Moses, so he says to us, "Go forward." We are to give to others the unsearchable riches of Christ, working in faith, and realizing our responsibility as God's human agents, to whom he has given this work. In God's service we shall meet with obstacles and difficulties. But these must not be allowed to discourage us. Events belong to God, and his servants will meet with difficulties and opposition; for these are his chosen methods of discipline, and his appointed conditions of sure progress and success. In spite of trials, do your God-given work in sincerity and faith, that your character may be formed after the divine pattern. "Behold, I come quickly, said Christ; "and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be." He will render to all according to their deeds. "To them who by patient continuance in well-doing seek for glory and honor and immortality," he will render eternal life; "but unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath. . . . But glory, honor, and peace, to every man that worketh good." – Mrs. E.G. White

LIGHT IN DARKNESS started in 2011 as a personal project to get Bibles into everyone's hands. It was only after I fell in love with the words found between the pages of Holy Script that this burden grew more and more. How could one have light and not share it was the question I pondered. "...*The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up...*" "*Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.*" "*Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.*" *Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.*" "*And art confident that thou thyself art a guide of the blind, a light of them which are in darkness,*" – Matthew 7:12-17, Psalms 112:4, John 8:12, Matthew 5:14 – 16, Romans 2:19

It was clear, my duty was given by Christ Himself through His words written in the Bible. Thus started something which I pray will last till the Second Coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus the Christ.

The reading of the book called "*The Great Controversy*" was what introduced me to a people called the Waldenses. "...*The faith which for many centuries was held and taught by the Waldensian Christians was in marked contrast to the false doctrines put forth from Rome. Their religious belief was founded upon the written word of God, the true system of*

Christianity....The spirit of Christ is a missionary spirit. The very first impulse of the renewed heart is to bring others also to the Saviour....They felt that God required more of them than merely to preserve the truth in its purity in their own churches; that a solemn responsibility rested upon them to let their light shine forth to those who were in darkness; by the mighty power of God's Word they sought to break the bondage which Rome had imposed....There was a strange and solemn power in the words of Scripture that spoke directly to the hearts of those who were longing for the truth. It was the voice of God, and it carried conviction to those who heard....The Waldensian missionaries were invading the kingdom of Satan, and the powers of darkness aroused to greater vigilance. Every effort to advance the truth was watched by the prince of evil, and he excited the fears of his agents. ...If the light of truth were allowed to shine unobstructed, it would sweep away the heavy clouds of error that enveloped the people; it would direct the minds of men to God alone..." – Chapter 4, Great Controversy

This was the Christianity I hungered for, I respected them as true Christians and decided to continue their mission and adopt their emblem...the Bible and the Candle on a Candlestick.

"Lux Lucet In Tenebris"... "The Light Shineth in Darkness", this was now my mission. To reveal to the world the Light that shineth in darkness. "...*to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe....*" (John1:1-9)

I soon realized how true Jesus' words are in Matthew 9:37 "*The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.*"

Oh how this prayer in verse 38 was continually on my lips.

I learned that the Lord is only looking for willing people. I decided that no matter the cost, I wanted to be a worker for God. *"There are many, many souls that the Lord Jesus desires to save. And he asks for our co-operation in this work. These souls cost him an infinite price. Let the questions come home to us, "Are we willing to be workers together with God? Are we willing to go to those outside the faith, and plant in their hearts the seeds of truth?"* – Review and Herald, June 17, 1902

Today we have 6 volunteers working for Light in Darkness. I believe and know that the 7th is Christ Himself. God has truly blessed us with men and women who are devoted to God's work and who have a love for truth.

Currently we have one fulltime missionary in the field, and very soon, God willing, they will be two. *"...send them forth by two and two..."* - Mark 6:7 Without knowing where his next meal will come from he stepped out in faith to do the work God has called him to do. He mostly relied on the books he sold as his sole income. It's been more than a year ago that he left on his mission. We have not seen him since then and hope to see him somewhere in the near future when he comes to rest for a while.

Our other volunteers are currently busy with translating various works into Afrikaans, Lozi, Oshiwambo and Nama/Damara.

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose" – Romans 8:28

Ever since we started out on this path we have gained many friends all over the country and even from other countries. We have seen God work in many different ways; we have seen Him heal those who were obedient to His laws of Health. We have experienced new and wonderful things and maybe some might be willing to share their testimonies with us.

We have even made friends with other ministries and are either supporting them or working alongside them in advancing God's work.

This is our very first newsletter and we plan on sending one out every quarter, God willing. If God makes it possible for us sometime in the future, it might even become a monthly letter.

We would even like to see it grow into a newspaper of sorts where all those of like faith may send their testimonies, spiritual food or anything they feel that would either inspire, encourage or help with the spiritual growth of fellow brothers and sisters.

I would like to personally use this opportunity to thank each and every individual who have supported us in any way, whether it be words of encouragement or financially, I appreciate it immensely and know that God will bless you in the same measure that you have blessed us. May the Light shine in your heart until the day our Saviour returns to gather in his faithful followers.

"God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities." - Acts 3:26

In loving kindness,

Brother C Fourie



Health Page

Health is all about LIFESTYLE! (Part 1)

Mrs. M Van Biljon

Good health does not happen by chance or luck. It needs to be carefully and thoughtfully planned. Every choice you make today as what to take into your body affects who and how we are tomorrow. Someone once quoted *"Genetics Loads The Gun, but Lifestyle Pulls The Trigger"*. Thus from bad genetics disease can show up early in a person's life if a unhealthy lifestyle is practiced, and also good inherited genetics can again hide the effects of poor life-style choices longer for some. But sooner or later we will reap the harvest of our choices. Because it is difficult to change and plan a lifestyle when one doesn't even know where to start or how to start, we set apart this little health corner with information to assist the reader to understand the importance of a healthy lifestyle. Mostly we will be using a framework under the acronym

G O D ' S P L A N .

G – Godly Trust
O – Open Air
D – Daily Exercise
S - Sunlight
P – Proper Rest
L – Lots of Water
A – Always Temperate
N – Nutrition

This framework is based upon the Laws of Health established by our Creator! Also we will share recipes marked breakfast or Lunch for you to try out!

G – Godly Trust

Trust in God is the foundation of all health. *"Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."*
 – 3 John 1:2

A life of quality and fulfilment includes spiritual growth.

Spiritual healing has to take place for physical healing to be complete.

We are dependent on God for total restoration and health. In Exodus 15:26 we hear God say *"...If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: **for I am the LORD that healeth thee.**"*

Galatians 5:22,23 *"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law."* All these fruits of the Spirit mentioned above from the book of Galatians are health enhancing, and they bring rewards; always radiate these qualities to those around you especially your close family. If we have a sincere relationship with God, it will influence all relationships all around you, and lastly prayer should earnestly be part of our lives as it is the "breath of the soul". *"Prayer is the opening of the heart to God as to a friend. ... Prayer does not bring God down to us, but brings us up to Him."*
 {Steps to Christ 93.2}

We need to put our trust in God. You see, people are constantly trying to take care of all the problems they are facing on a daily basis – all by themselves. Proverbs 3:5 says, “*Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.*”

God is concerned about our whole being, Physical, Mental and Spiritual. 1Thessalonians 5:23 “*And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.*”

Worry, Stress, Depression = Decay, Disease and Death. Thus the most positive thing that we can do for ourselves is to TRUST IN GOD. Because ultimately there is a God, who can set up situations, He can bring convictions to your mind, He can direct your path. Let us not lean unto our own understanding but in all our ways, we should put our trust in God. Let us draw closer to God, the only one that can bring lasting peace to our lives and health to our bones.

OLD AGE MADE BEAUTIFUL.

Many persons have a great dread of growing old. But old age is not necessarily unhappy. A contemporary remarks:—

You sometimes see a woman whose old age is as exquisite as was the perfect bloom of her youth. You wonder how it is her life has been a long and happy one. Here are some of the reasons:—

She knew how to forget disagreeable things.

She kept her nerves well in hand, and inflicted them on no one.

She mastered the art of saying pleasant things.

She did not expect too much from her friends.

She made whatever work came to her congenial.

She retained her illusions, and did not believe all the world wicked and unkind.

She relieved the miserable and sympathised with the sorrowful.

She never forgot that kind words and a smile cost nothing, but are priceless treasures to the discouraged.

She did by others as she would be done by; and now that old age has come to her, and there is a halo of white hair about her head, she is loved and considered. This is the secret of a long life and a happy one – *Bible Echo*

MAKE YOUR HOME BEAUTIFUL.

Make your home beautiful—bring to it flowers;

Plant them around you to bud and to bloom;

Let them give light to your loneliest hours—

Let them bring light to enliven your gloom;

If you can do so, O make it all Eden
Of beauty and gladness, almost divine;

"twill teach you to long for that home
you are needing,—

The earth robed in beauty beyond this
dark time.

Make home a hive, where all beautiful
Feelings cluster like bees, and their
honeydew bring;

Make it a temple of holy revealings,
And love its bright angel with
"shadowing wings."

Then shall it be, when afar on life's
billows,

Wherever your tempest-tossed children
are flung,

They will long for the shades of the
home weeping willow,

And sing the sweet song which their
mother had sung. – *Bible Echo*

RECIPES



Breakfast: Yummy Granola

Ingredients:

Mix well:

8 cups rolled oats
 1 cup diced coconut
 ½ - 1 cup sunflower seeds
 1 cup chopped nuts
 ½ - 1 cup ground linseed - Optional
 1 orange - Optional

Blend in Food Processor:

1-2 ripe bananas
 1 ½ teaspoon salt – *Himalayan salt or sea salt*
 1 ½ cup chopped dates softened in 1 cup hot water
 1 teaspoon Natural vanilla
Optional: Add one whole orange
(blend up)

Method:

Stir the two mixtures together.
 Spread onto cookie sheet
 Bake at 120°C for 1 ½ hour or longer, stirring every 30 minutes until the mixture is very dry.
 Add raisins, sultanas, currants or any other dried fruit of your choice (*that are not radurized*). Serve with soya milk, nut milk or fruit juice (*fresh homemade juice*).

Tip: All cereals freeze very well, therefore one can make more than enough and freeze them in meal size amounts.

THE WORD "WIFE"

What do you think the beautiful word "wife" comes from? It is the great word in which the English and Saxon languages conquer the French and Greek. I hope the French will some day get a word for it instead of their "femme." But what do you think it comes from? The great value of the Saxon words is that they mean something. "Wife" means **weaver**. You must be either housewives or house moths, remember that. In the deep sense you must either weave men's fortunes and embroider them, or feed upon them and bring them to decay. Wherever a true wife comes, home is always around her. The stars may be overhead, the glow worm in the night's cold grass may be the fire at her feet; but home is where she is, and for a noble woman it stretches far around her better than houses ceiled with cedar or painted with vermilion; shedding its quiet light for those who are homeless. This, I believe, is the woman's true place and power.

— John Ruskin.

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 Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion,
 and righteous. – Psalms 112:4

PROJECTS

This section is just to make our friends and supporters aware of the projects we are currently working on or planning to start.

Bible Distribution:

This is the original project started and it is to get the Bible (*King James*) into every home. *“For we are not as many, which corrupt the word of God:”* - 2 Cor. 2:17 There is a work being done in the world to corrupt God’s word, so for this reason and other reasons we have chosen to distribute the King James Bible. For more information regarding this work of corruption, contact us to get an electronic copy of *“The King James Bible and Modern Versions”*. Many Christians have their Bibles gathering dust on the nightstand, while many have given their lives in order to put that beloved book into our hands. *“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.”* – Psalms 119:105. Let us place this light in every home in the country.

Great Controversy Project:

The Great Controversy was one of those books (*along with the Bible*) that completely changed my perspective on what it is to be a true Christian. No longer could I get in bed and pray the some old *prayer* *“forgive me for I have sinned again...”* while dozing off. Christianity became real, I saw the Love of Christ and the meaning of His Sacrifice as never before. I saw what His servants went through in order to stay faithful to Him. I learned what true prophecy is and how it applies to my life today. The future was laid out before me in very clear understandable words. This book truly needs to be read by every individual in this country. This book will reveal to

everyone who reads it, the evils that are about to befall us. It will help us to prepare and be ready for it. We started handing them out randomly, but from the beginning of 2015 we will be doing each town by placing one book in every postal box. We will start with Luderitz and finish the South before moving up to the North. A Group of friends in Tsumeb said they would like to join us in this project and will start with their town. I hope that there are others also willing to support us in any way with this project or even starting it in their own town.

“The Great Controversy should be very widely circulated. It contains the story of the past, the present, and the future. In its outline of the closing scenes of this earth’s history, it bears a powerful testimony in behalf of the truth. I am more anxious to see a wide circulation for this book than for any others I have written; for in The Great Controversy, the last message of warning to the world is given more distinctly than in any of my other books.” – Colporteur Ministry, Page 127

Library Project:

The purpose of this project is to donate to every library in the country, at least one of each of our books we have available. This project has also just started and only the town of Luderitz has received a donation of books thus far.

“let us be diligent in the distribution of literature that has been carefully prepared for use among those not of our faith. Let us make the most of every opportunity to arrest the attention of unbelievers. Let us put literature into every hand that will receive it. Let us

consecrate ourselves to the proclamation of the message, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God! Divine and human instrumentalities are to unite for the accomplishment of one great object. Now is the day of our responsibility. "The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." – The Publishing Ministry

Before I can talk about the other projects I should first mention some of the precious friends I made since I gave my life to Christ, one being the owners of BiblePicturePathways.com. They are a family who have committed their lives to the work of our Lord. Many times I have been helped and encouraged by them and they are very dear to me. They have made various DVDs and written some booklets on important matters for distribution. Their website is loaded with precious truths and would be a blessing to anyone seeking a deeper experience with Christ.

Light in Darkness Website:

Our website (www.liginduisternis.com) is a very basic website with limited resources, the website is in Afrikaans and is aimed at Christians looking for an understanding of the basics of true Christianity. It has Bible Studies, Video Lessons, Pdf Books and links to other sources that might be of help. At this moment we do not plan to start an English website as we feel that the one from www.biblepicturepathways.com is sufficient. We are therefore using and promoting this site as “our” English website. Feel free to share the links to these sites with friends, family or anyone that might be interested.

Small Tracts Project:

“...we are not doing our duty in the gratuitous circulation of small publications. There are many honest souls who might be brought to embrace the truth by this means alone... These small tracts of four, eight, or sixteen pages can be furnished for a trifle from a fund raised by the donations of those who have the cause at heart. When you write to a friend you can enclose one or more without increasing postage. When you meet persons in the cars, on the boat, or in the stage who seem to have an ear to hear, you can hand them a tract.”

*“There should be more earnest efforts made to enlighten the people upon the great subject of health reform. Tracts of four, eight, twelve, sixteen, and more pages, containing pointed, well-written articles on this great question, should be scattered like the leaves of autumn. Small tracts on the different points of Bible truth applicable to the present time should be printed in different languages and scattered where there is any probability that they would be read. **God has placed at the command of his people advantages in the press, which, combined with other agencies, will be successful in extending the knowledge of the truth.** Tracts, papers, and books, as the case demands, should be circulated in all the cities and villages in the land. Here is missionary work for all.” – Review and Herald, Nov 4, 1875*

Bible Picture Pathways has committed themselves to the writing of small tracts on both the subjects of “Health Reform” and “Bible Truths”. We have joined them in writing on the required subjects and have already translated some of them to Afrikaans, Lozi and

Oshiwambo. We are currently even in the progress of getting them translated to Chinese and Nama/Damara.

These tracts can be found on their website and it gives clear instructions on how to print and assemble it in your own home. Unfortunately not everyone has access to a PC or printer, therefore we have tried to find a printing press that could print them for us at the lowest cost possible. We still feel that it can be done even cheaper and we have an earnest desire to start our very own printing press.

Printing Press Project:

*“The canvassing work, properly conducted, is missionary work of the highest order, and it is as good and successful a method as can be employed for placing before the people the important truths for this time. The importance of the work of the ministry is unmistakable; this is one of God's means for enlightening the world. But He has other means also. **He uses the power of the press in printing papers and books containing the messages of truth. These are essential in the carrying forward of the gospel. Many who are hungry for the bread of life have not the privilege of hearing the word from God's delegated preachers. For this reason it is essential that our publications be widely circulated. The sheets that come from the groaning press to be prepared as tracts and bound up as books are to go forth to all parts of the earth. Thus the message will go where the living preacher can not go, and the attention of many will be called to the important events connected with the closing scenes of this world's history.**”* - Manual for Canvassers

With the guidance of God we believe that this will be the start of something great. One of our friends and sisters in

Christ from Tsumeb, upon hearing our plans to start a printing press felt convicted to donate money to this cause, money which she had saved for something very dear to her. We appreciate this gift highly and accepted it as a word to go forward.

This project will start out small and simple and will grow accordingly as the work requires it. The Primary work for now will be the printing of the booklets that can be found on the Bible Picture Pathways website.

Those who are interested in any specific title will be able to order them from us.

Media and Resource Project:

Another of our primary objectives, is that of duplicating and sending out DVD's with our messages on them. Here we would like to thank Sanctified Life Ministries from South Africa for donating a duplicator and printer to help us in this work.

Then a friend from Sharing Resource Ministry has compiled files consisting of an abundance of resources on prophecy, pioneer writings, Spirit of Prophecy etc.

We will be working alongside them in creating memory sticks with all the resources on them to share with those in Namibia.

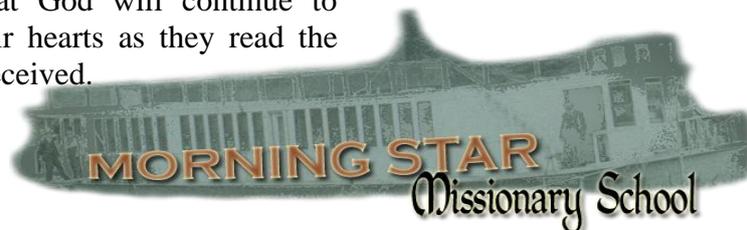
Both Media and Literature would be advertised in local newspapers and other national media outlets to make people aware of what is available from us.

Spirit of Prophecy pieces in the Newspapers

In the month of May 2014 we placed an article from the book “Ministry of Healing” in one of our national

newspapers. The article was a shortened version of the 12th Chapter “Help for the Unemployed and Homeless”. People who responded to the article were sent a copy of the books “Ministry of Healing” and “Great Controversy” This would not have been possible without the help of those who have the cause of God at heart. We appreciate each and every one immensely and pray that God would bless you.

Unfortunately the adverts’ print was very small and made it difficult to read. We plan to either reprint the advert in a larger format or to add it as an extra flyer. Even with the small print and all, we did have more than 10 respondents and pray that God will continue to work on their hearts as they read the books they received.



Morning Star Medical Missionary School

This project is probably the biggest and most important of all projects. This school will be built upon the blueprints given by God. We ask that anyone interested to support us in this project to please read “Broken Blueprint”. The school should be located on a plot or farm outside of urban areas.

Our aim will be to equip and train young men and women to be medical missionaries for the Lord that can work all over Namibia. The school will also be open for those from other African countries, the idea is not just to teach them and send them back to practice what they have learned but to actually help them to go and start their own medical missionary schools.

The school’s income will mostly be derived from what is grown and

produced on the farm, where the students alongside the teachers will be the labourers.

This project was laid on my heart by God the same time God convinced the Bible Pictures Pathways family that they needed to come to Africa as a missionary family. Since then they have been preparing to come to Namibia and help us with the managing and running of the school.

We know that it is God’s will to establish a school in Namibia and we believe that He will, in His time, provide us with the place to start the school.

Looking at a school which was built on the blueprint we read the following encouraging words:

“The school at Madison not only educates in a knowledge of the Scriptures, but it gives a practical training that fits the student to go forth as a self-supporting missionary to the field to which he is called. In his student days he is taught how to build simply and substantially, how to cultivate the land, and to care for the stock. To this is added the knowledge of how to treat the sick and care for the injured. This training for medical-missionary work is one of the grandest objects for which any school can be established....My brethren, let no hindrance be placed in the way of men and women who are seeking to gain such an education as those at the Madison School are receiving. If many more in other schools were receiving a

similar training, we as a people would become a spectacle to the world, to angels, and to men. The message would quickly be carried to every country, and souls now in darkness would be brought to the light.” – Manuscript Releases Volume 11, Pg 192-193

Feel free to contact us regarding this project. *Please keep it in prayer.*

Brother Cobus

Salvation is going to Jesus for what He can give us—adoption, forgiveness, strength—and then *going* into the world with what He gives, to live His life and do His work.

BIBLE READINGS

Location and Finance of the School

- **1 Sam. 19:19, 20.** The first school was in Ramah with Samuel as the leading teacher.
- **1 Sam. 7:1, 2.** Kirjath-jearim is thought to be the seat of an important school, as the ark remained there twenty years. *Ev 46; PP 593.*
- **2 Kings 2:3.** One school was established in Bethel, no doubt to counteract the worship of the calf that Jeroboam placed in that city.
- **2 Kings 2:5.** Jericho was the seat of another school.
- **2 Kings 4:38, 43.** A school of one hundred students was situated at Gilgal.
- **2 Kings 6:1-7.** Wickedness increased and the last school of the prophets mentioned was removed from the cities and placed in the woods on the banks of the Jordan, where the students would be brought in touch with the elevating scenes of nature rather than the vices of cities.
- **2 Kings 6:1-4.** The houses were built with student labor.
- **2 Kings 6:5.** Their finances were so low they borrowed tools.
- **2 Kings 6:6, 7.** A miracle restored the borrowed ax. *PK 260, 261.*
- **2 Kings 4:42.** Food donated by the people.
- **2 Kings 4:43, 44.** When the amount of food was not sufficient, the Lord increased it by a miracle. *PK 241, 242.*
- **2 Kings 4:38, 39.** When they lacked food, instead of complaining or begging, the students gathered wild food.
- **2 Kings 4:40, 41.** By mistake they gathered poison. The Lord cooperated with them in their efforts to sustain themselves and removed the poison from the food. *PK 240, 241.*
- **2 Kings 4:1-7.** One of the students with a family became in debt, and the Lord performed a miracle to pay the debt.

Teachers and Students

- **1 Sam. 19:20.** A leader was appointed to have charge of the schools.
- **2 Kings 2:3; 1 Sam. 10:12.** The leaders were called masters or

fathers, and the students were called sons.

· **1 Kings 18:4; 2 Kings 4:43.** The schools were sometimes large.

· **1 Kings 18:4.** The students of the schools of the prophets endured persecution and death rather than compromise the cause of God. *PK 126.*

· **1 Kings 22:6-14.** When the whole company was swayed by the king, there was yet one prophet true to principle. *PK 195, 196.*

· **1 Kings 20:35-42; 2 Kings 9:1-10.** The students that were true were sent to transact important business.

· **2 Kings 6:1.** The teacher, or leader, lived with the students. *PK 260.*

· **2 Kings 6:2, 3.** The teachers engaged in manual labor with the students. *PP 601.*

· **2 Kings 2:16.** Manual labor in the schools was conducive to health and vigor. The students were strong men. *PP 593.*

· **Ps. 74:5.** A man's fame consisted in his ability to perform active labor.

· **2 Kings 4:38-43.** The simple vegetarian diet was another interesting feature connected with the schools.

· **1 Kings 18:4.** This simple diet prepared them to face persecution, when they were hidden in the cave, and sustained on bread and water.

· **Isa. 33:14-17.** Before the coming of the Lord, some will be prepared in the same way to pass through a similar experience.

· **2 Kings. 2:3-5.** The students were in such close touch with the Lord that they knew when Elijah would be translated. *PK 225, 226.*

· **2 Kings 2:15.** They recognized the presence of the spirit of God, and paid respect to the one guided by the Spirit.

· **2 Kings 2:23, 24.** Surrounded by those who openly ridiculed the

good, these young men developed Christian characters.

· **1 Sam. 10:5.** Sacred music was taught; the students were instructed to use various musical instruments. *PP 593-602.*

- *Bible Handbook, Stephen Haskell*

(*PK – Prophets & Kings, PP – Patriarchs & Prophets, Ev – Evangelsim*)

Good Work Begun

A MOTHER of a ten-year-old boy in, New York City, concluded she would act upon the instruction given in the August number of this paper, and began holding Bible readings with her own child. After reading and explaining a few simple texts upon the subject of the Sabbath, she gave him the following texts : Luke 4:16; Ex. 20:8-11; Mark 2:27,28 and Rev. 1: 10. and requested him to arrange them in the form of a Bible reading. He returned the following Bible reading.

THE SABBATH

Rev. 1:10. Tells us that the Lord has a day.
Ex. 20: 8-11. Tells us when the Lord's day is.
Mark 2:27, 28. Tells us it is for every body...
Luke 4:16. Tells us we must go to Sabbath school.

We hope many mothers have begun, holding Bible readings with their own children. There is no better missionary field. Every home should be a Bible training school, where the inmates are daily instructed in the Word of God. – *Bible Training School, Sept, 1902*

Articles

A Linen Message

The Roberts Family (BiblePicturePathways)

Jim was a good boy when he was little, but as he grew up he got into bad company. He lied; he stole, and got into all kinds of trouble. Again and again his parents pleaded with him to change his life around and turn toward the right.

But the more they pleaded, the worse things got until finally, in a fit of anger, he yelled *“I’ve had enough! I’ll never darken your door or come into your house as long as I live!”* With that, he packed his suitcase and ran off. But life in the world wasn’t as fun as he thought it would be. It wasn’t easy for a dishonest boy to keep a job, and it wasn’t very long until he was down and out.

The still, small voice in his head said, *“Go back home, tell them you’re sorry.”*

“I’m too ashamed to go back”, he argued, *“Mother and Father could never forgive me, I’ve lied, I’ve stolen and dishonored them.”*

“Go back, Go back,” said the little voice.

After a great struggle, he finally came up with a plan. He wrote a letter to his parents.

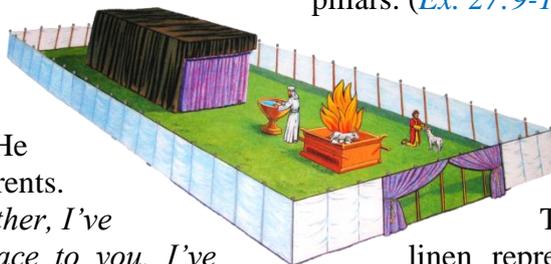
“Dear Father and Mother, I’ve been a terrible disgrace to you. I’ve lied and stolen and spoken so rudely to you that I am afraid you can never forgive me. I would like to come back home and say that I am sorry, but I am afraid that I have sinned against you so much that you would never let me in the house again. I’ll be on the train,

on the first day of next month; if you can forgive me, put a white blanket on the clothesline, and as the train goes by I’ll see it and know I can come home and tell you how sorry I am.”

He mailed the letter, and on the first day of the next month, he took the train that went past his home. As he came closer, his heart beat faster and faster with nervous anticipation. At last the train rounded the last bend. And there on the clothesline were hanging not one, but seven white blankets.

We are all wayward children who have sinned against our heavenly Father and yet, if we will say we are sorry and ask forgiveness, He has a reconciliation and atonement plan already laid out. It too, is surrounded with white linen. The wilderness sanctuary was erected to teach us the path back to God. It is all about God wanting to be with us. For God directed, *“And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them.”* Exodus 25:8

The wilderness sanctuary was surrounded by a wall made of “fine” or white linen that was hung on brass pillars. (Ex. 27:9-18).



This wall of white linen represents Christ’s robe of righteousness that He gives as a free gift to each faithful person that comes to Him in faith and repents of his sins. When we do this, God takes away our “filthy rags” of “self-righteousness” and clothes us with Christ’s beautiful and clean robe of righteousness.

1 John 1:9 says, “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

The Bible says He take away our filthy rags of self-righteousness and give us His spotless robe of righteousness.

Zec. 3:4 “And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.”

Isaiah 61:10 “I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness...”

This is what God’s true church will be wearing.

Rev. 19:8 “And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.”

This is made possible not because of their own inherent goodness, but because they “*have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.*” Rev. 7:14

This coming to Christ and confessing our sins, is the first step in the “sanctuary path” back to the throne of God.

“All who have a sense of their deep soul poverty, who feel that they have nothing good in themselves, may find righteousness and strength by looking unto Jesus. . . . He bids you exchange your poverty for the riches of His grace. We are not worthy of God's love, but Christ, our surety, is worthy, and is abundantly able to save all who

shall come unto Him. Whatever may have been your past experience, however discouraging your present circumstances, if you will come to Jesus just as you are, weak, helpless, and despairing, our compassionate Saviour will meet you a great way off, and will throw about you His arms of love and His robe of righteousness.”
Amazing Grace p.9

With an invitation like this our immediate response should be to, “Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise.” Psalm 100:4

SEVEN WAYS OF GIVING.

First, the **careless way**: To give something to every cause presented, without inquiring into its merits.

Second, the **impulsive way**: To give from impulse—as much and as often as love and piety and sensibility prompt.

Third, the **lazy way**: To make a special effort to earn money for benevolent objects by fairs, festivals, etc.

Fourth, the **self-denying way**: To save the cost of luxuries and apply them to purposes of religion and charity. This may lead to asceticism and self-complacency.

Fifth, the **systematic way**: To lay aside as an offering to God a definite portion of our gains— one tenth, one fifth, one third, or one half. This is adapted to all, whether rich or poor, and gifts would be largely increased if it were generally practiced.

Sixth, the **equal way**: To give God and the needy as much as we spend on ourselves, balancing our personal expenditures by our gifts.

Seventh, the **heroic way**: To limit our own expenditures to a certain sum, and give away all the rest of our income. This was John Wesley's way.—Dr . A. T. Pierson.

THE INTERPRETATION OF PROPHECY.

Robert Hare

While there are many who either utterly reject the prophetic portions of the Bible or else regard them as of little importance, there are also many who, on the other hand, cast discredit upon the word of God by their wild, inconsistent, and unscriptural exposition of its prophetic divisions. No doubt Satan is well pleased, in either case, with the methods here mentioned.

Many of the prophecies found in the Bible are placed in figurative or symbolic language. Jehovah had a wise purpose in adopting this method. That purpose was that the wise might understand, but to the wicked, the thoughtless, and the foolish, the statements would remain unintelligible.

In His teaching Christ largely taught in parables, and the purpose in mind was the same as that behind the dictation of prophecy. When asked by the disciples as to why He taught the people in parables, Christ answered, "Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given." Matt. 13:11,12. In a further explanation He said, "Therefore spake I unto them in parables; because they seeing see not, and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand." This course of action was not taken by Christ in any arbitrary way, for we read again, "With many such parables spake He the word unto them, as they were able to hear it." Mark 4: 33. Then He afterward gave the explanation that the world could not bear, to His disciples. In harmony with this method we find it stated concerning the prophecies, "None of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand." Dan. 12:10. God has hid these things from the worldly wise and the worldly prudent, and He has chosen to reveal them unto babes.

Jehovah has planned that in the interpretation of prophecy His people shall find the key in the Scripture itself. He who earnestly and prayerfully seeks to know shall understand God's purpose in these matters. We read, "Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the Scripture is of any private interpretation." 2 Pet. 1: 20. The Syriac translation of this passage reads, "No prophecy is an exposition of its own text." This supplies the thought more clearly—he who would understand must search, and so find the exposition or interpretation of one passage of Scripture in some other passage of Scripture.

Take an instance: Daniel speaks of the winds striving upon the "great sea." Dan. 7: 2. What is to be understood by this "great sea" upon

which the winds of war and political strife rage so furiously? No text in the Book of Daniel gives the answer, but when the Patmos Seer was at work writing out the Book of Revelation, more than 500 years after Daniel's time, the Lord gave him the answer—"The waters which thou sawest . . . are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues." Rev. 17: 15. So it is throughout the whole field of the Prophetic Scriptures—the answer to both figurative expression and symbolic representation is to be found in some other passage. By this means God places the necessity of searching the word upon His people, and thus the wise shall understand.

All human speculation as to the interpretation of prophecy is utter folly. But somewhere in the Book of God will be found the very key that will unlock the most profound prophetic problems. It is not a matter of human wisdom ; it is rather a question of "comparing spiritual things with spiritual."

In Rev. 12:17 John speaks of those who have the "testimony of Jesus." No hint is given as to what that expression means, but over in Rev. 19 :10 we are told that the "testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy." Soon after Nebuchadnezzar, the first great world-king, was driven out to eat grass with the oxen, and to be a companion to the beasts of the field because of his disobedience and rebellion, God placed a symbolic prophecy of the ages before men in which beasts were made to act the part of kings. See Dan. 7:17, 23.

In Rev. 12:6 we read of a woman fleeing into the wilderness for "a thousand two hundred and three score days." This unexplained measurement might have remained forever hidden had not God stated soon after in connection with another prophetic symbol, "I have appointed thee each day for a year." Eze. 4:6. So the unexplained number of days immediately becomes 1260 years—just the time given for the Papacy to rule, from 538 A.D. to 1798 A.D.

In the beginning of the Bible we read of the heaven and the earth created; at the end, of the heaven and the earth made new. At the beginning we read of Satan entering to destroy; at the end, of Satan himself being destroyed. In the beginning we read of an angel standing with a flaming sword to guard the way of the tree of life; at the end, of angels standing by the gates of the city to welcome those who have right to the tree of life.

So it is all through the Sacred Book—one part answers to another, "for no prophecy is an exposition of its own text." The wicked and the unbelieving know not of its treasures and its inspirations, "but the wise shall understand."

NATURE

Namibian Birds

Mrs. C Kuehl

“Therefore I say unto you, take no thought for your life, what you shall eat, or what you shall drink...*Behold the fowls of the air*, for they sow not neither do they reap, nor gather into barns, yet *your heavenly Father feedeth them.*” Matt 6: 25-26



African Paradise Flycatcher.

Once a mate is chosen and accepted, African Paradise Flycatchers are monogamous, pairing for life. The nest is a wonderfully crafted, tiny neat eggcup-shaped construction of both fine and coarse material. Branches or bark are used for the framework and once that is done the nest will be lined and camouflaged with soft grass, lichen, leaves of even animal hair, uniquely held together by spider web. The female lays a clutch of two or three white eggs that hatch after an incubation period of 15 days. African Paradise Flycatchers are co-operative breeders. New-born chicks are fed at least a week after they leave the nest.



Woodland Kingfisher tends to nest in burrows in riverbanks.



African Jacana are waders in the family Jacanidae, identifiable by long toes and long claws that enable them to walk on floating vegetation in shallow lakes, their preferred habitat. They breed in wetlands.



“*Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself.*” Matt 6:34

“**Only trust in our Lord Jesus can make these verses possible**”

MISSIONARY REPORT

My name is Admiral Tatalife, I'm 25 years old. I work for Light in Darkness Ministry. I'm into Bible work, literature evangelism and medical missionary work. I have been working in the field for nearly two years and would like to share my experience with you.

Upon leaving Luderitz I went to Windhoek where I met a few brothers and sisters that I had the privilege of having Bible Studies with. Due to accommodation problems, the longest I could stay in Windhoek was two weeks. As the lessons continued for a week, conviction was settling into the brethren and they asked me why I was in such a hurry to leave. I could see that they were hungry for more and that two weeks was not enough time. After taking it to the Lord in prayer, the two weeks turned into two months. Though still not long enough, it was enough time for us to cover as many lessons as possible to arouse the brethren and awaken in them a whole new and deeper interest to search the Scriptures as never before. At the end of the lessons, I left them with some resources for them to study further on their own and after some time of studying, they began sharing with people in Windhoek.

One Monday morning in Windhoek, I received an invitation to go with a family in Rundu and that paved the way for me to go to Rundu. Upon arriving in Rundu, I met the family and then realized that it was only the husband who was interested in studying the Bible. The lessons with him went on for weeks and we would always pray for his wife and son. After a month of doing Bible studies and raising earnest prayers for the rest of

the family members; the son who had no interest at all in religion started asking questions related to the Bible. I would always point him to the Scriptures for answers. This went on for about 2-3 days and it eventually turned into a daily Bible study. Faith in God and in His Word was kindled in this young man's life and he also started making lifestyle changes that caught the attention of friends, family, and even that of his own mother. This was what brought conviction to his mother and led her to join us in studying the Scriptures. By simply presenting the wonderful truths for this time to the family, it awakened in them such a great revival and living faith in God and Jesus Christ whom He sent, that as a believing couple, they both started witnessing for their Lord in the neighbourhood. It was for two months that I got to share with this family.

In December 2013, I left Rundu and went to Katima Mulilo to visit a family and while in Katima Mulilo I got invited to go back to Rundu by the family I had previously shared with. Upon returning to Rundu, I got to share for one month. Then I went to Otavi where I had been previously invited to go and share with a few brothers and sisters.

In Otavi I was received with a warm welcome by the brethren. The experience of the brethren in Otavi was similar to that of those I had shared with before. As the lessons went on, I could see from their countenances that conviction was settling in. The Spirit of the Lord was always present to impress the truth upon their hearts. They were always on time for every lesson and tried as much as possible not to miss a single lesson. Questions were asked for clarity whenever in doubt. At the end of the Bible studies

in Otavi, resources were requested for further study so they could share with others. While in Otavi the brother who invited me for the Bible studies asked me to go share with some friends of his in Opuwo and that told me that I needed not to worry about accommodation there for it was already arranged.

The lessons in Opuwo went on for 3 months. As the gospel was presented to them, hearts were moved as never before. They were so convicted by the messages that active living faith in God and His word was kindled among the brethren. They were led to see their individual accountability towards God and that we all have a part to play in spreading the everlasting gospel “*to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people.*” - Rev 14:6. I left them with some resources for further study on their own so they would start witnessing for their Lord. During the 2nd month of sharing in Opuwo I received another invitation to go share in Katima Mulilo.

In Katima Mulilo I had the privilege of witnessing to university students. Though the time to share with them was very short, the power of the gospel was felt verily as in the previous towns. The lessons had to be cut short because school had closed for them. They all had to go home for holiday.

During the month of December 2014, brothers and sisters from previous Bible study sessions requested more lessons for the month of December. The lessons started, and after a few days of doing Bible studies with them, we noticed some unusual pimple like wounds one of the brethren’s daughter (1 year and 11 months old). These wounds were very painful and itchy. After a few days of applying activated charcoal and eucalyptus oil, we discovered that these wounds were actually worms (maggots). Believing that God is the

greatest physician and that through the use of natural remedies like activated charcoal and faith in Him to heal her, we went to work. Vaseline helped to force the maggots to the surface of the skin and in order to extract them we used tweezers. The maggots were alive when we extracted them.

A few days after that we received a call reporting of a 6 year old that got burned on the upper and lower parts of her leg by boiling water. Upon seeing the burn, it was discovered to be a 2nd degree burn and on some parts of the wound it looked like 3rd degree burns. In treating her we used Aloe Vera leaves, honey and activated charcoal. We placed the child on a simple low-fat diet consisting mainly of fruits and vegetables and also increased her vitamin C intake. Now the wounds have recovered about 95% with close to minimal scars.



In dealing with the two cases, we were equipped with information and resources that we received from two Christian ministries, namely Bible Picture Pathways and Sharing Resource Ministry. We will ever be grateful for their support and encouragement. May the good Lord richly bless them for this and I’m looking forward in having them here

on time for the official opening of “Morning Star Medical Missionary School.”

Experience

As I would travel from place to place sharing the gospel, I came across certain experiences that were different from my expectations before I started sharing. What I came across, from my experience in the field, was that what people desired and needed was more of personal ministry. People’s hearts can be reached more easily through personal ministry because the worker is acquainted with needs and challenges of the people and can sympathise with them. This would help the worker to minister to the people more effectively.

Some of the things I got to learn in the field is that “*People are not interested in how much you know, but rather how much you care.*” One more thing I got to experience was that more power attends the gospel as people behold the truth wrought out in the life. More labourers are needed that can minister to the families on a more personal level. I emphasize more on families because the church is made up of many different families; so if the families can experience a great revival, as I had seen in the lives of those I had been sharing with, a great work would be done by these missionary families.

In one of the towns I had been to, I was invited by one of the brethren to go share some lessons with some of his school mates in the hostel. As I went back home that day, though I was very happy and excited to see so many young people hungry for the truth, my heart was filled with compassion for them because of the following verse that was impressed upon my heart with deep conviction. “*therefore said he unto them, **The harvest truly is great,***

but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.” – Luke 10:2 Labourers are few indeed.

Often times, I would be asked the name of the school I had attended to study these truths so they too could enrol themselves. My answer to their question was “*in the highest school of all time that is the School of Christ.*” I would often encourage them to enrol in this school with the following words of Scripture: “***O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.***” – Psalm 34:8 They were not to remain content with me always telling them how good the Lord tastes, but they were to go taste and see for themselves. Notice the words of Christ:

*“In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, **If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.**”* – John 7:37-38

*“**And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.**”* – Luke 9:23

The invitation is to “*any man.*”

As I saw more and more people, especially young people, getting more interested in becoming missionaries and also looking at the lack of labourers out in the field, I saw that a school is needed locally that can train people in the lines of medical missionary work, and as Bible workers and literature evangelists that can be sent to all the towns across the country. WORKERS ARE NEEDED, that can minister to people at all times. This is one of the reasons why Light in Darkness Ministry along with Bible

Picture Pathways is planning to start a medical missionary school in the country to attend to this need. At this moment we still need a plot and finances, and God will provide.

Challenges

Though I have witnessed a practical experience of the power of the gospel in the lives of those I was sharing with and in my own, I was also faced with some challenges that at times made it difficult in spreading the gospel. In some places, accommodation was a problem for me and as a result I could not stay there for long. There, I was forced to present lessons for almost every day so we could cover more in a short period of time. In one place, I faced a situation where I had to present 5 days per week. Labouring alone, it made it difficult to at times to operate as a Bible worker and literature evangelist at the same time.

In some places that I could not stay for long to minister to the people, as I left they started facing some challenges. This can hopefully be avoided when the school starts running because more workers would be trained and sent to each town where they can minister to the people locally.

Transport is also a challenge I'm always faced with due to the fact that I always have to travel with boxes full of books and this would add to the transport costs. At times, I'm forced to leave behind some books, which people in the next town request, and it is not easy to get them on time. In some places I was faced with a situation where of the people would miss some of the lessons because they lived very far away in areas where taxi drivers were unwilling to drive to. So they would be forced to miss some lessons.

Another challenge I encountered was the language barrier. In one place I was with a case where I had a Bible study with a group of 4 people. As I would present the lesson in English, one would have to translate to the next person and in some places that person would also have to translate to the other one and in another different language. At times I could see that the last person would not get the entire message.

Encouragement

Often times I would get disappointed in my expectations, but when I got to see how the Lord was working with my efforts, and saw how souls were being drawn to Christ, all the disappointments, trials and privations would be forgotten. I would feel honoured of God that He would permit me to have part in the great work of spreading the gospel.

Here are some Scriptures that have been very encouraging to me:

“There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.” – Joshua 1:5

“Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.” – Joshua 1:9

“He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.” – Isaiah 40:29-31

“They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.” – Psalms 126:5-6

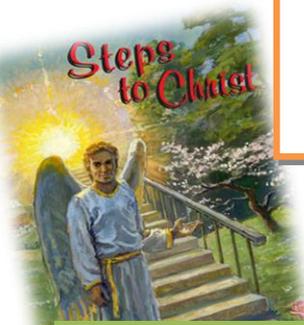
My greatest reward and encouragement is seeing souls converted to God and seeing them developing great interest in spreading the light to others. For those that are thinking of becoming labourers in the field, I would like to share the following quotations with you:

*“There are many whose hearts are aching under a load of care because they seek to reach the world's standard. They have chosen its service, accepted its perplexities, adopted its customs. Thus their character is marred, and their life made a weariness. In order to gratify ambition and worldly desires, they wound the conscience, and bring upon themselves an additional burden of remorse. The continual worry is wearing out the life forces. Our Lord desires them to lay aside this yoke of bondage. He invites them to accept His yoke; He says, "My yoke is easy, and My burden is light." He bids them seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and His promise is that all things needful to them for this life shall be added. Worry is blind, and cannot discern the future; but Jesus sees the end from the beginning. In every difficulty He has His way prepared to bring relief. **Our heavenly Father has a thousand ways to provide for us, of which we know nothing. Those who accept the one principle of making the service and honour of God supreme will find perplexities vanish, and a plain path before their feet.**” - Desire of Ages 330*

*“The faithful discharge of today's duties is the best preparation for tomorrow's trials. Do not gather together all tomorrow's liabilities and cares and add them to the burden of today. "Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." Matthew 6:34. **Let us be hopeful and courageous. Despondency in God's service is sinful and unreasonable. He knows our every necessity. To the omnipotence of the King of kings our covenant-keeping God unites the gentleness and care of the tender shepherd. His power is absolute, and it is the pledge of the sure fulfilment of His promises to all who trust in Him. He has means for the removal of every difficulty, that those who serve Him and respect the means He employs may be sustained. His love is as far above all other love as the heavens are above the earth. He watches over His children with a love that is measureless and everlasting** In the darkest days, when appearances seem most forbidding, have faith in God. He is working out His will, doing all things well in behalf of His people. **The strength of those who love and serve Him will be renewed day by day.** He is able and willing to bestow upon His servants all the help they need. He will give them the wisdom which their varied necessities demand. Said the tried apostle Paul: "He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for My strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong." 2 Corinthians 12:9,10” - Ministry of Healing 481-482*

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