

Baja Christian Ministries Prayer Letter 10/3/03

Dear Prayer Partners,

Last week a passionate, highly committed team from Grace Presbyterian Church of Plano, Texas built a beautiful Church building in a community on the outskirts of La Gloria and Rosarito in a community that some call "the moon". Also some of the team and myself went out to do house-to-house evangelism and visitation. The Lord's Presence was with us as we saw a number of people touched and a number give their lives to Jesus. A photo of the church build will be on our website soon at www.bajachristian.org under "Houses Built 2003".

There is an Australian Film which is one of the favorites of Janet, my wife and I, called "Strictly Ballroom". It's an allegorical comedy, yet somewhat serious movie about the pursuit of dreams, our inner heart song, melody and destiny that must often face off with status quo, tradition, mediocrity and those fears that seem to lock us in. In it the featured actor and actress quote a Spanish proverb that is the theme of the movie which is, "a life lived in fear is a life half-lived!" As we pursue our God-Given Dreams in our own personal Canaan's we also face those enemies of fear, guilt, accusation, and doubts along the way. But then the Revelation of Jesus as our Jubilee exposes these enemies for what they are. I wrote and enclosed a poetic prayer entitled "Jesus My Jubilee" which follows the prayer requests. I hope it's an encouragement to you.

Please lift the following requests in prayer:

- 1) This weekend Oct 3-5 in Vista De Valle, Don Klein is leading a team from Grace Church of Seal Beach. They will be building a house and also working with Pastor Salim, Pastor Chuy, myself and others to do house to house evangelism, community feeding and some ministry in the local churches there. Pray that many hearts are deeply touched and that many will give their lives to Jesus through divine arrangements. Pray God's blessing, protection, joy and strong encouragement on all who minister and are being ministered to.

- 2) Next weekend Oct 10-11 Michael Coelho and Steve Thorne and a number of his friends and associates from his business are building a house for the Galvan Ramirez family that tragically lost their two year old little girl when the auto backed over her. This group will be building their house and pouring out God's love on them and on the Morales family. Please pray God's heart preparation and deep compassion on all who share in this sensitive ministry time.

Also that same weekend Pastor David Ricketts of Solana Beach Presbyterian Church and his team is building 1 house and a house-size church building for Pastor Salim and Isabel in Vista De Valle. Please pray God's rich blessing on this undertaking.

Also that same weekend Steve and Teri Skolos, Erik Yourshaw and team from Vineyard Community Church of Laguna Niguel are building a house-size church building for Pastor Martin and Yolanda and also another house in that community of Terraza. Also an extensive evangelism outreach with worship, preaching, open air and house to house ministry (Acts 20:20), food boxes, and Bible distribution etc. is being orchestrated by this group. Pray that many will be saved and built up in the Lord as the Lord adds daily to His church (Acts 2:47) as His disciples multiply (Acts 6:11) Your prayers are much appreciated!

With Gratitude, Bob Sanders---poetic prayer follows-->

Jesus, My Jubilee

(Isa 61:1-11, Lev 25:9-54, Col 2: 12-15, 2Cor 2:9-10, 2Cor 3:10-18)

Father, into Your Boundless Oceans of Love I draw near
Together we drive out the eroding spirit of fear
Together we bind up that horrible thief of unbelief
We force that ugly monster out
We exodus those sinking waters of down-spiraling doubt
I pass through that parted sea of condemnation that would otherwise crush me
I take a firm hold of Your Grip
Your Faithful, Strong, Everlasting Arms won't let me slip
For You are Absolutely for me--- Who then, can be against me!
Your Hand pulls me from the shifting sand unto the Solid Rock
I believe, I cleave, and therefore I receive
I'm Free...
In Jesus' Strong Tower of Jubilee
God's Restorative and Redemptive Reward
Interweaved into the Acceptable Year of the Lord
Firmly Anchored to the Rock of Christ's Security
Now Truly free from temporal and eternal captivity
Your Heavenly Rest is for me
Your Rest envelops and fills the lack in me
Oh so needy, yet so very rich in Canaan liberty
Waiting to permeate me
For Your Heart is for me
Your Cross has set me free
From debt and regret
Severe ordinances against me are forever nailed to the cross
My wound once incurable has been lanced to drain out the cross
Yes, now in Your Precious Rest, but also in Conversion Process
Present suffering in me can't compare to the glory to be
Father into the Boundless Treasures of Your Spirit of Faith...
hone me to unreservedly trust and wholeheartedly invest

...to opulently believe and richly receive...
Connecting to those veins of gold that we confess and profess
Grafting into that liberating relief of unwavering childlike belief.
That I may not regress-- empower and inspire me to diligently press---
further and deeper into Your Haven of Rest,
Which absorbs and clears yokes, burdens, blockages, and undue stress,
Allowing me to spiritually, mentally, emotionally and physically decongest,
Which clears the way to profusely drink and bathe in Your Sweet Presence Manifest.
Precious Holy Spirit, may Your Love within be continuously renewed--
to bring forth in me progressive and substantial breakthrough...
From faith to faith, from strength to strength, from glory to glory
Author and Finisher, First and Last—You are my Jubilee
Fully turn Your Holy Spirit Key inside of me
Continuously recharge my spiritual batteries
Fire up the spiritual engine in me
And drive me upon that Holy Highway into Zion's Glory
To be forever unveiled before You my King
Where I don't see right, open my eyes to correctly see Your Radiant Light
Fully remove even the shadow of that restricting temporal veil...
So that Your Love in me shall fully prevail!
Jesus my Jubilee...
Not only do you unlock our chains of captivity
And set us free
You are also priming and deepening in us unfailing springs of ecstasy
beyond what man has heard, seen, or could possibly conceive
From Glory to Glory...
Fully Transform me Sweet Spirit of Liberty!

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