

# CHIEF MINISTRIES

April 2009

Greetings from the land of the Living!

What an incredible month of being able to worship freely and pour into the lives of both sinful and saved men! I hope and pray you too have found the unmerited favor of the Lord pouring over you more and more every day!

In this region we were blessed once again to have a Kairos weekend which is the second one in the history of this unit. The result was 42 men touched by the love of God, with several rededications, 5 first time commitments and on the following Saturday we had 18 men be baptized!

God is moving, and the only thing that can move God to move men, is prayer! I feel that if we spent the time in prayer that we usually spend whining about what we don't like behind these walls, we'd see such a drastic change for the better that our jaws would hit the floor!

I challenge you to allow the Holy Spirit to direct your thought pattern.... every time you have a complaint in the flesh, ask the Spirit to help you commit that matter to prayer. It could be the food, your medical service, the boss man or lady that won't leave you alone, the inability to get recreation, missing commissary, going to a class you don't think is necessary, dealing with your "cellie" or when we haven't heard from home or our loved ones. Have I touched a nerve yet?

Jude 20 says

*But you beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy (undeserved forgiveness) that leads to eternal life.*

So..... how do you build up yourselves in faith? What is your faith? It's the known and received body of truth about Jesus and salvation through Him!

I Tim 6:12 says;

*Fight the good fight of faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.*

11 Tim 4:7 says;

*I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.*

Go for the crown! Be the best Christian you can be! Get out of the "mully grubs"! Let the world see your light! You are an overcomer! How is this possible? Only by the blood of the Lamb and the word of our testimony which our faith is built on.

What is your testimony before others? Don't let it be a testi-phony!

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Romans 8: 26-28 says;

*Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.*

*And He who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.*

*And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.*

That means praying in harmony with the leading of the Holy Spirit, rather than according to your own agenda.

Eph. 6:18 tells us, after letting us know about putting on the armor of God, that the weapons for warfare are spiritual because they are rooted in prayer which is our most powerful resource. Prayer should permeate every fiber of our being and lay out the course for our lives, not to get what we want but that His will would be done at all times, with all prayer, with all perseverance, for all the saints.

This prayer is worship because it's in the Spirit, not in the flesh. It's enabled by the Spirit of God within you. By worshipping, you are walking in the Spirit and abiding in His mercies.

Col 3:15-17 says;

*And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body, and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom singing hymns, and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.*

Sounds like worship to me, and praise, thanksgiving and prayer. These are all signs of the Christ-centered life. They all go hand-in-hand. So be persistent in prayer men of God. Be a prayer addict and kick the devil in the mouth. Remember Jesus' own words in Mark 14:38;

*Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."*

I'm pulling for you to rise up and be overcoming, powerful leaders for the Kingdom of God, not some "namby pamby", phony whiny unusable vessel. Find your place in the kingdom of warriors! Be bold! Be strong! For the Lord, your God is with you!

Continue to fight the good fight with me my fellow history makers and world changers. The battle is the Lords and He's looking to use us. Be ready! Be usable! Who is on the Lord's side? WE are my brothers! Come!

I'm praying for you!

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