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# The Emotion of Love, part 2 (final)

In our last Newsletter we began investigating into the emotion of love dealing with fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. We saw that by accepting Jesus Christ as our Saviour and then being baptized into Christ, that each one of us would thereby become part of the body of Christ. As this is true, then each of us together would make up His entire body, which shows that we are closely inter-related with each other in Jesus Christ. This means that we are all connected together as members of the same family, because now in Christ we share a strong bond that attaches us one with another.

We also learned that since the Father of Jesus Christ is the Almighty, then by accepting Jesus Christ as our Saviour by faith, then God the Father also becomes our Father, and we become His children. As this is true, then since we now have the same Father as Jesus does, then Jesus becomes our Elder Brother and we all become His brothers and sisters. This then further reveals that since we are all the children of God and are all the siblings of our Elder Brother Jesus, then we are all closely connected and attached to one another as brothers and sisters in Christ! So through Jesus Christ we are all inter-related to each other, because we are all the children of the Most High and members of His royal family, and thus fellow heirs of glory and everlasting life.

As this is true, then there is a great need for all fellow brothers and sisters of the faith to clearly recognize this close family attachment existing between them in Christ, and to then learn how to live as true family members with one another.

Our Elder Brother Jesus Christ clearly recognized this great need among His followers and siblings to truly live as real brothers and sisters to each other, and then He did not simply recommend that we love one another, but He commanded each of His followers to love one another.

"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." John 13:34-35.

So our Elder Brother Jesus Christ who is also our King and Lord has commanded all of His followers and fellow siblings to love each other as He has loved us! This means that we are not to love one another as little or as greatly as we may feel like, but are to love one another in the same full and complete unselfish way as Christ loves us! And may God fully forgive each and every one of us for failing to truly love one another as Christ has loved us! We also discovered that if we indeed show true unselfish Christ-like love for each other member of Christ's body, then by doing so we are actually showing our love for Christ. And in addition to this we are also showing our love for God as our mutual Father, and by continuing in this Godly and Christ-like love we will be saved. Yet we also learned that if we refuse to love one or more of our fellow brothers and sisters in the faith as Christ loves us, then we are directly breaking the explicit command of Jesus, and are also revealing that we really do not love our Lord! And if we do not love our Lord by not loving one or more of our fellow brothers, then we are actually showing that we hate them!

We then learned that if we do not repent of this hatred, but instead continue on in this unloving pathway, then our hatred for one another will continue to grow and fester until it will ultimately lead us to turn traitor and become a betrayer of the brethren. And by betraying one or more of our own brothers and sisters, then we are also betraying our Elder Brother Jesus Christ whose flesh and body we all are a part of, as well as God our Father whose children we all are, which means that we will not be saved, but will be destroyed! So the pathway to eternal life, as well as to everlasting destruction, is closely connected with this very serious issue of whether we really love all our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ or not!

Since this is truly a salvational issue, then exactly how are we to manifest and express love towards all our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus? This is what we will be investigating into now.

But let us first begin with exactly what form of love it is that we are to manifest towards one another?

#### What Form of Love?

If you were to ask various people to define for you exactly what is love, you would soon discover that there are scores of different ideas about love. Now most of these ideas of love are derived from personal experience, especially while growing up, and thus are a distinctly human form and idea of love. But since we live in a sinful world and have sinful parents and relatives, then our human understanding of love will often be far different from what God intended it should be in the beginning. So since our human ideas of love can be colored by the various personal experiences of life which fall far short of being perfect, this then reveals to each of us that we cannot trust to what someone tells us love is, and we cannot trust to even our own understanding of what love is, because it will most likely be wrong.

As this is true, then we must first have a correct definition of love so that we can know exactly the form of love that God our Father and Jesus Christ our Elder Brother would have us manifest towards one another, and there is no better place to find this true definition of love than in God's word.

"God is love". 1 John 4:8.

"The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee." Jeremiah 31:3.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

So we see that God the Father is love, and the form of love that God has manifested to each of us is not a shallow form or a hollow shell, but is a love that is rich and true and full of substance! As God is love, and Jesus Christ is the Son of God, then the kind of love that Christ is and has manifested towards each one of us is also not a shallow form or a hollow shell, but it is also a love that is rich and true and full of substance!

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends". John 15:13-14.

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?...Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us." Romans 8:35, 37.

So we can plainly see that God and Jesus Christ have manifested a Godly form of love. As this is true, then what form of love are we human beings to reveal towards our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.

"Let love be without dissimulation." Romans 12:9.

"But in all things approving ourselves...by love unfeigned". 2 Corinthians 6:4, 6.

The Greek word used in these verses for "dissimulation" as well as for "unfeigned" is "anupokritos", and it translates and means "undissembled, sincere, without hyprocrisy" (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance, word #505). So then the form of love that we are to reveal to our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ is not to be the human form, but it is to be a love like God and Jesus Christ – one that is sincere and not a put on; a love that is real and not fake. So then when we say that we love one another, we must truly mean it, because if we say we love one another, but then our actions towards them show just the opposite of love, then we are nothing more than a lying, dissembling and deceiving hypocrite!

This is why this emotion of love is so critical for God's people to understand. Because if we do not gain control of this powerful emotion in our soul and truly love one another as God would have us, then our lives will be in harmony with and under the control of Satan, and thus we will be lost along with him!

"In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother. For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another....We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him....

"If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen? And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also." 1 John 3:10-11, 14-15, 4:20-21.

So then since our salvation hinges upon how we love one another, but our human ideas of love are so far removed from what they should be, then how will it ever be possible for each of us to have and manifest this true Godly and Christ-like form of love and truly love one another as we are loved of God?

"I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart." Psalms 40:8.

"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." 2 Timothy 1:7.

"Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks." Ephesians 5:1-4.

"That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgment of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ; In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. And this I say, lest any man should beguile you with enticing words. For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, joying and beholding your order, and the stedfastness of your faith in Christ. As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power: In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ". Colossians 2:2-11.

"And the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men, even as we do toward you: To the end he may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints." 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13.

"By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments." 1 John 5:2.

"Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible." Matthew 19:26.

All these verses plainly show us that it is God who allows us to have and manifest this true Godly form of love, and not a single one of us can bring about this great change in ourselves. Yet before God can change our hearts from manifesting a corrupt human form of love into manifesting the pure Godly form of love, we must first honestly accept Jesus Christ as our only Saviour, and then also honestly choose to do the will of God in our lives. This means that in order to have this true form of love, we must honestly be continuously converted unto God!

So then in order to truly love one another in sincerity, we must first become converted to God so that our old man or old woman experience will be fully crucified and not allowed to rise back up. This is because it is only when self is fully crucified, that our faulty human ideas of how to love one another will be overcome, and then we will indeed be able to truly and sincerely love one another as God and Christ loves us!

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts." Galatians 5:22-24.

Now, what was the first fruit of the Spirit showing that self with all its evil affections had been fully crucified in the heart? It was love! And since the Holy Spirit is a God, then this is the same form of love that the Almighty and Jesus Christ have manifested. So if you have and manifest this true, Godly, sincere, and fervent love for each of your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ, then this shows that you are indeed filled with God

the Holy Spirit, and not with the Devil. And if you are truly filled with the Holy Spirit, then all the other remaining fruits of the Spirit will indeed follow in your lives, and you will have faith and joy and peace because your Godly love will make you longsuffering, gentle, good, meek and temperant towards one another!

But if self is not dead and is still alive in your heart, then it will prevent you from being able to truly and sincerely love your fellow brothers and sisters as God and Christ loves you. And with self still being alive, then your heart is not pure, but it is corrupt; you are not obeying the truth of God, but the falacies of the Devil. This means that it will be impossible for you to live, walk and obey the Holy Spirit's guidance and leadership in your life, and thus you will not have and manifest all these fruits of the Spirit. But you will instead live, walk and obey the Devil's guidance and leadership, and thus you will have and manifest his evil fruits.

So I hope you can see that having and manifesting this true Godly and Christlike form of love is the key to being able to have all these other fruits of the Holy Spirit in your life and thus become purified from all selfishness and sin! But without having and manifesting this true form of Godly and Christlike love, then you will not be able to have all these other fruits of the Spirit in your life, and thus you will not become purified from all selfishness and sin!

Now, what is the key to having these holy fruits of love, joy, peace, etc. in your life? Having the Holy Spirit in you – because they are His fruits! So I hope you can see that there is no other way for you to obtain this true form of sincere love in your heart, as well as all the rest of these holy fruits, except through the Holy Spirit being in you!

"...the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us." Romans 5:5.

"That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen." Ephesians 3:16-21.

"Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently". 1 Peter 1:22.

Dear ones, we have seen that the form of love that God and Jesus Christ have manifested towards each one of us is not a shallow form or a hollow shell, but it is a love that is rich and true and full of substance! So as this is true, if we are indeed the children of God and the followers of Christ, then so must our love for each and every one of our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ be also rich and true and full of substance, and not shallow, hollow, fake or hypocritical!

"Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned." Song Of Solomon 8:7.

"Charity [true love] suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth". 1 Corinthians 13:4-8. "Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love." 1 John 4:7-8.

So then our love for one another is not to be false and hypocritical, but it is to be real, true and sincere. But with so many saying that they truly love one another, while their actions prove otherwise, then it is high time for all of us to stop speaking such empty words. Words are easy and cheap to say, but can be hard and expensive to perform. But if we are really the children of God and the followers of Jesus Christ, and are truly led and filled with the Holy Spirit, then let us each back up our words that we say to one another with corresponding actions, and thus prove that our love for one another is real and sincere – which is exactly what the Scriptures tell us to do.

"My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth." 1 John 3:18.

"Therefore, as ye abound in every thing...prove the sincerity of your love." 2 Corinthians 8:7-8.

#### How To Reveal True Godly Love for One Another

Exactly how are we to prove our love for one another? How are we to practically manifest this Godly and Christlike form of love to our fellow brothers and sisters in this Remnant faith, and thus prove that our love for them is indeed true and sincere and not fake and hypocritical?

"Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another; Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits." Romans 12:10-16.

"If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies, Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind." Philippians 2:1-2.

"Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do. And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves....

"Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophesyings. Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. Abstain from all appearance of evil. 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. Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it. Brethren, pray for us. Greet all the brethren with an holy kiss." 1 Thessalonians 5:11-26.

"But whose hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" 1 John 3:17.

"For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love....For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another....And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another." Galatians 5:6, 12-15, 24-26.

"I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace....That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love....put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.

"Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: Neither give place to the devil. Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." Ephesians 4:1-3, 14-16, 22-32.

All these verses reveal to us that God has set a very high standard for all of His people to live up to in manifesting this true form of love for one another. But in all honesty, it is not humanly possible to truly perform all these actions of love for our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ and live up to this lofty standard. Yet it is not impossible with God!

"And Jesus looking upon them saith, With men it is impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible." Mark 10:27.

"Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth." Mark 9:23

"And he said, The things which are impossible with men are possible with God." Luke 18:27

"For with God nothing shall be impossible." Luke 1:37.

So in order to truly love one another with this form of Godly love and indeed be able in His grace and strength to live up to this high standard, we must humbly and sincerely ask God to plant His love within our hearts and minds through the Holy Spirit. But if we instead allow self to live in us, then Lucifer and his wickedness would be within us, and thus it will be impossible for us to manifest this Godly form of love and reach this high standard. So we are either manifesting a Godly unselfish love to one another which reveals that God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit are living in us, or we are manifesting a Devilish selfish love that reveals we are Christ-less and agents of Lucifer to one another.

#### Must Be Born Again Daily

Since we are to love one another with the Godly form of true love at all times and without fail, and with self being the barrier towards manifesting this Godly love, then I hope you can see that the most important factor and key to loving one another as Christ loves us, is a daily moment-by-moment conversion to God. Without a daily crucifixion of self and conversion to God, it will be absolutely impossible to truly love one another, because Satan will see to it that we love self instead, and thus Godly love will die in us. So I hope you can see that a personal, daily conversion to God, and a moment-by-moment crucifixion of self, is the key factor to truly loving one another at all times and without fail. And daily crucifixion of self is also the key factor to gaining everlasting life and being saved! That is why this subject of how we love one another is indeed salvational, because without manifesting true love for God and for one another, we cannot be saved! So then being able to truly manifest this Godly love to all our brothers and sisters and becoming saved all begins with conversion to God, and then maintaining this conversion to God at all times throughout each day.

"I die daily." 1 Corinthians 15:31.

"If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me." Luke 9:23.

"For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication: That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God: That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness. He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit." 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8.

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus...Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, 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; Holding forth the word of life". Philippians 2:5, 12-16.

"But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation." 1 Thessalonians 5:8.

"Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." Hebrews 10:22-25.

#### May God and Our Fellow Siblings Forgive Us For Failing To Manifest True Love

If any of us have failed to reveal this Godly love to all of our brothers and sisters in this Remnant faith, including those who do not yet love us as they should, then may they and God forgive us. How can God's blessings rest upon us if we are guilty of not truly loving one another as Christ as loved us?

"Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door....Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." James 5:8-9, 16.

Now the Greek word for "grudge" used here is "stenazo", and it translates and means "to make in straits, to sigh, murmur, pray with grief, groan, grudge" (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance, word #4727). This shows that we are not to grudge against one another, or in other words, we are not to bring any of our brothers or sisters into tight places, or do anything that will cause them to sigh, murmur, groan, or to be in grief which would then force them to pray to God for help to relieve their emotional pain. And dear ones, if we are guilty of causing any emotional stress and pain to one another, even the least among us, then we stand under the condemnation of God. But instead let us repent and confess our faults one to another, and pray for one another, so that any divisions or separations among us caused by our lack of true Godly love for one another, may be healed.

#### **Causes Of Emotional Problems Among Us**

By far, one of the greatest causes of emotional problems occurring among and affecting God's followers is not caused by intentional wrongs being committed, but is instead caused by imaginary wrongs! There are so many who imagine that a brother or sister has hurt them in some way, when in fact they never did, or never intended to. But once this imagined wrong begins in the mind, the Devil is right there to stir up the emotions over this supposed wrong, and then with the emotions stirred, it is almost impossible to avoid involving others in it. And now with others involved, then all kinds of greater problems arise, and the Devil is laughing all the while as dissension and division grows and extends among a once united and peaceful church body! But the truth is that all this sad division can be traced back to nothing more than one brother or sister imagining evil done against them by another, and without any factual evidence to support it.

Since our Creator knows us better than we know ourselves, then to try and prevent the Devil from so easily bringing about dissension and division among God's people – even without any plain evidence, God and Christ and the Holy Spirit have plainly admonished each and every one of their followers to:

"...let none of you imagine evil against his brother in your heart." Zechariah 7:10.

"Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven...And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye." Mark 6:37, 41-42.

These verses show us that we if we believe someone has wronged us, we first had to have imagined that they did this evil to us, and then we had to have judged them as being guilty of doing this wrong. So Christ is advising all of His followers here that before imagining evil against our fellow brother or sister which then will lead us to quickly passing judgement against them, let us first carefully examine and judge our own actions to see if we are guilty of doing the same things we believe others have done against us. And if we see that we are guilty of the same sins, then we must first repent and put away this sin from us. It is only after our repentance and putting away of this sin, that we are now cleansed from this selfishness which has obscured our vision, and we can then be able to see more clearly how to help others. In following this divine instruction we will avoid becoming a hypocrite and being an agent of Lucifer, and thus we will be in a much better position and spirit to help others overcome the same wrong because we have already overcome it through the blood of the Lamb.

But if we do not obey this divine instruction from God and instead believe that our evil imaginations against one another are factual truth, then we would not be advancing towards heaven and the promised land, but we would instead be going backwards into Egypt! And this would plainly show that we are not growing more true and honest in Christ Jesus, but are instead growing more false and deceitful in Lucifer!

"But this thing commanded I them, saying, Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people: and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you. But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear, but walked in the counsels and in the imagination of their evil heart, and went backward, and not forward." Jeremiah 7:23-24.

"Deceit is in the heart of them that imagine evil". Proverbs 12:20.

So then let us make sure that we are not wearing self as a garment to be easily ruffled up when others happen to brush against us. But instead let us make sure that we have crucified self completely to death before we believe that someone has indeed wronged us. Let us lovingly think the best of one another and not the worst, and let us always be very slow to judge them of wrongdoing.

"Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth". 1 Corinthians 13:4-8.

"Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem the other better than themselves." Philippians 2:3.

Dear ones, let each of us become more like our Master Jesus Christ in how we treat one another. Let us each become more humble, more meek, more self denying in taking up our cross of self-crucifixion, so that we can truly love one another just as Jesus Christ loves us, and have salvation! But if any of us choose instead not to crucify self, but to love self more than we do others, then this would plainly show that we are not growing more true and honest in Christ Jesus, but are instead growing more false and deceitful in Lucifer! So then please realize that unless you crucify self and love one another with true unselfish Godly love, then you are absolutely lost!

So then truly, let us all "die daily", "let this mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus", and "in lowliness of mind let each esteem the other better than themselves", and you will then be able to truly "love one another" as God loves you.

### MINISTRY NEWS

#### TRUE CHURCH WEBSITE

The Lord is continuing to bless our **TrueChurchofGod.info** website. In the month of October we had 14,528 hits, which were generated by 3,222 visitors. In these Visitor Sessions, 5,578 documents of Present Truth were viewed, and over 1.24 billion bytes of information were downloaded.

In the month of November we had 13,192 hits, which were generated by 2,996 visitors. In these Visitor Sessions, 6,216 documents of Present Truth were viewed, and over 1 billion bytes of information were downloaded.

In the month of December we had 14,976 hits, which were generated by 3,186 visitors. In these Visitor Sessions, 6,743 documents of Present Truth were viewed, and over 1.14 billion bytes of information were downloaded.

So for these past 3 months, over 3.3 billion bytes of information were downloaded from our Gospel Truth website by over 9,400 visitors!

#### LTBL MINISTRIES WEBSITE

The Lord is also abundantly blessing our LightMinistries.com website! In the month of October we had 145,212 hits, which were generated by 23,732 visitors. In these Visitor Sessions, 48,831 documents of Present Truth were viewed, and over 80 billion bytes of information were downloaded!

In the month of November we had 134,838 hits, which were generated by 23,098 visitors. In these Visitor Sessions, 45,591 documents of Present Truth were viewed, and over 73.98 billion bytes of information were downloaded.

In the month of December we had one of our best months yet. We had 150,984 hits, which were generated by 24,876 visitors. In these Visitor Sessions, 51,374 documents of Present Truth were viewed, and over 82.76 billion bytes of information were downloaded.

So for these past 3 months, over 236 billion bytes of information were downloaded from our Gospel Truth website by over 71,700 visitors! **MAY GOD BE PRAISED!!** 

#### WLMR INTERNET RADIO STATION

Let There Be Light Ministries is broadcasting our recorded messages over the Internet Radio 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year! Our Internet Radio Station is WLMR, which stands for Worldwide Light Ministries Radio. Please click on the following link to listen: http://www.shoutcast.com/Internet-Radio/wlmr.

As our Internet Radio Station is available to most anyone who has access to the internet, then this means that the Biblical Gospel message is being made available to millions of potential listeners from all around the world!

Please pray with us that God will bless this new avenue of outreach evangelism with an abundance of listeners so that they may come to learn more of the Gospel Truth centered in Jesus Christ, and thus find true and lasting salvation.

#### LTBL HOME CHURCH

Our Let There Be Light Ministries Online Home Church is continuing to be richly blessed by God. Precious souls are being led to understand and embrace the full present truth, prayers are being heard and answered by our Lord God, and sweet fellowship in brotherly and sisterly love and unity is continuing to be experienced! Come join with us and experience this for yourself. Church services are held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings, and every Sabbath moming.

If you are able to join with us, please click this link for easy steps on how to do so: <u>http://www.lightministries.com/id947.htm</u>. These steps are simple, and most will be quickly connected. For those who have no or limited internet capabilities, you can also join with our live Church Services over your telephone. Simply **dial 1-559-726-1200**, and then after being prompted enter the **access code 740570**. You will then be automatically connected to listen to our live Church Service.

For those who would like to listen to past church services, please visit <u>http://www.lightministries.com/id14.htm</u>.

Our Home Church Music section currently contains over 270 Scripture songs, as well as almost 200 Gospel songs. These are all recorded in mp3 format for your free listening and downloading pleasure at <a href="http://www.lightministries.com/id1873.htm">http://www.lightministries.com/id1873.htm</a>.

We thank you for your prayers and support, and we look forward to being able to fellowship and worship with you in Spirit and in truth in the near future.

"Let There Be Light" Ministries is committed to the spreading of the full present truth gospel message worldwide, and has been doing so since 1986. This Ministry has operating expenses covering the areas of: printing, publishing, and writing of present truth books, booklets, tracts, and other literature; DVD, video and audio taping, production, and distribution; supporting several ministers and workers in foreign Countries; mail order – both domestic and foreign; traveling to hold meetings – both locally, nationally, and internationally; answering correspondence and questions regarding the message of truth; offering National and International Bible studies; sending free present truth literature to contacts in many poor Countries; etc.

Your gracious prayers and support is greatly appreciated and needed. Without the Lord's guidance, blessings, and your support, this Ministry could not continue to reach out worldwide with the precious message of Revelation 14:6-12 & 18:1-5.

May our God and Saviour continue to lead and guide all those who have helped us reach souls who sit in darkness with the precious light of gospel truth. <u>May our</u> supporters remember that they share in each and every soul who has been reached by this Ministry and converted to the Lord and His present truth!

### **GENERAL FOREIGN MISSION WORK NEEDS**

We are currently supporting several workers in many different Countries on a monthly basis. We check into the economy of each area and supply a base support which is adequate depending on their situation, but not extravagant. This base support is to ensure that the monthly needs of each worker and family is met for that month so that the worker may devote full time to the ministry work. In addition to this, we are sending extra materials for evangelism, and money for printing, publishing, holding meetings, traveling, and other necessary areas in spreading the Present Truth in their Country. And as the work extends, especially will the expenses for evangelism expand. Whatever you can send to help in this necessary and vital area is greatly appreciated.

The work of spreading God's present truth is not to be limited, but must extend worldwide to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people before our Saviour can come (Matthew 24:14). What better way of spreading the Present Truth Gospel than by having workers who speak the native language, who reside in that particular Country, who can live and preach the truth, visit the interests in their homes, and spread the printed truth translated into their native language!

"Our publications should be printed in other languages, that foreign nations may be reached. Much can be done through the medium of the press, but still more can be accomplished if the influence of the living preacher goes with our publications....The Lord has moved upon men of other tongues and has brought them under the influence of the truth, that they might be qualified to labor in His cause." Testimonies, vol 3, p 204-205.

Please financially help us to continue supporting our current ministers and workers on a consistent basis, so that the spreading of the truth will not be interrupted but can quickly lighten this dark world with the glory of God.

"Every opportunity should be improved to extend the truth to other nations. This will be attended with considerable expense, but expense should in no case hinder the performance of this work. Means are of value only as they are used to advance the interest of the kingdom of God. The Lord has lent men means for this very purpose, to use in sending the truth to their fellow men." Testimonies, vol 3, p 208.

# SPECIFIC MONTHLY FOREIGN MISSION WORK NEEDS

#### **KENYA**, East Africa:

- Printing and mailing expenses for booklets and tracts to Kenya.
- Printing of booklets and tracts in Kenya.
- Projector, screen, and evangelistic film for non-SDA outreach.
- Mailing cartons of KJV Bibles and Spirit of Prophecy books.
- Purchase of printing machine to aid in publication of present truth--\$3,500.

#### PAPUA NEW GUINEA:

- Printing and mailing expenses for booklets and tracts to PNG.
- Printing of booklets and tracts in PNG.
- Mailing cartons of KJV Bibles and Spirit of Prophecy books.
- Used SOP books.
- Clothes to pass out to naked villagers.

#### **PHILIPPINE Islands:**

- Mailing cartons of KJV Bibles and Spirit of Prophecy books.
- Printing of booklets and tracts in Philippines.
- Printing and mailing expenses for booklets and tracts to Philippines.
- Printing 100,000 tracts in Philippines-\$1,450.

#### **UGANDA**, East Africa:

- Monthly operating expenses for the publication work already established there.
- Mailing cartons of KJV Bibles and Spirit of Prophecy books.

#### ZAMBIA, Central Africa:

- Monthly operating expenses for the publication work already established there.
- Start up costs to open a Health Center and Herbal Store--\$6,000.
- Donations of any amount to help with construction of a home-\$12,000 total cost.
- Mailing cartons of KJV Bibles and Spirit of Prophecy books.
- Donations of any amount to help purchase a vehicle-\$6,000 total cost.

#### ZIMBABWE, Africa:

- Printing and mailing expenses for booklets and tracts to Zimbabwe.
- Printing of booklets and tracts in Zimbabwe.
- Donations of any amount to help with construction of a home-\$12,000 total cost.
- Mailing cartons of KJV Bibles and Spirit of Prophecy books.
- Donations of any amount to help purchase a vehicle-\$6,000 total cost.

Please be sure to mark all donated monies for any of the above Ministry or Foreign Mission needs. 100% of all donated monies will go where specified. Unspecified donations will go where needed. Thank you very much for making this evangelistic work possible, and may God's richest blessings attend you and yours.

Dearest brother Robert,

"They that trust in the Lord, shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever." Psalm 125:1.

I glad to know you.

Thank you very much for your reflexive e-mail and for your News-letter that you send me. Very important its themes.

It's for me a pity don't have Internet in the property for see and hear every Sabbath the themes that you explain into the chat with the brethren.

May God to bless your efforts and good will for all us.

Thank you for all and so much.

In the Jesus name, J.G., Colombia.

Dearest elder Robert,

1 John 3:1.

Thank you for the latest Newsletter.

The correspondence of brethren in the ministry throughout the world are full of inspiration and I do hope they know this. It might be encouraging for them to know (if they don't already) that these stories about their reaching out to their own countrymen are very moving and provoking of good works from us.

May God's grace inspire you!

Psalm 105:1, J. & L., Australia.

I received a call from a Muslim School Principal \_\_\_\_\_ who told that she has received Jesus and now has left the Islam forever. I in some time in my life has been a teacher also in her school. She urgently fleeing from the school as her life is in danger and she contacted me to baptize her, and led by Spirit I have asked her that it is good for you to keep hide somewhere until the situation is normal, because it can cause to destroy many our Christian colony if I give her baptism openly.

Please pray for her safety.

P.N. Internet.

Glory be to God!

My name is \_\_\_\_\_. I was born and raised in a Muslim family. When I was a student in the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of Rwanda, I happened to attend evangelistic meetings for two weeks. Since then the idea of becoming a Christian started haunting me but finally it faded away. Recently I came across your website and I was stirred and uplifted by your literature online. May the Lord bless you abundantly for your labor in Christ as you endeavor to win souls to Him.

In fact, I am a secondary teacher of History...I am allowed to use any resources provided I do not go away from the context. I then decided to use the Holy Bible.

However, I also am still a Bible student desiring further assistance of some printed materials or any other resources (tapes/cassettes, CDs, DVDs...) that cover a number of biblical subjects. This will enable me to conduct my lessons effectively in two ways: morally and spiritually both for me and my students and I am deadly serious.

Another thing is that I would like to be an evangelist to Muslims on a voluntary basis. So you understand that I need to be fully equipped spiritually in the matter so that people will receive the message....

May God continue to bless you as you devote yourselves to minister to us. I am looking forward to a favorable answer.

Yours faithfully, O., Internet.

Kingdom greetings in the name of Almighty God, EX 14:14.

I want to begin by thanking God Almighty for His infinite mercy and His grace opportunity to meet [with you] through this medium [intermet]. I know you will be surprise to see this letter, but I use this medium because it is the easiest and fast way to reach you....

By the grace of God [is] that I visited the Internet and was privileged to find your contact. After prayerfully reading and studying your Web Page, I was spiritually charged, moved and thrilled. My spiritual electricity went stronger to find that you have what we need for spiritual growth. Right now I

don't feel like my feet are touching the ground because of the desire that has been ignited in me by reading your web page. I humbly pray that the Holy Spirit visit your hearts and humbly spend time with us as our spiritual mentors. We hunger and thirst for your fellowship and teachings. If God provides the opportunity we beseech that brothers make a MACEDONIAN TRIP. I hope to here from you my teacher Amen. God bless you in Jesus name Amen.

M., Kenya.

#### Dear brother Sessler,

I was excited to hear from you, as I was hoping for more of an explanation. Surprising, your story is much different than what Bonnie relayed to me. Yes it has bothered me what has occurred between you and Nic but I cannot say that I'm surprised. To be frank, I have seen from the beginning that Nic's spirit was that of pride and self sufficiency, and questioned his wisdom.

He continually talks about "I do this because, or I do that because....my Christian walk is like this"....When I tithed \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ one month, all of a sudden he made me a MODERATOR. (I had received an income tax return). When the tithe went back to \$\_\_\_\_\_ he removed me as a moderator. There never was any dialogue over this....

When I questioned him about the 2<sup>nd</sup> commandment and shared with him verses about it...He did not respond to me then either. He is clearly breaking the 2<sup>nd</sup> commandment Robert, and we are told "if we break one, we break them all". The SDR in Australia or Philippines put up this study (on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Commandment) on their website, and soon after, it was taken down. This is the biggest problem I have with his ministry. He is "always right" and if anyone disagrees with him, they are "of Satan".

I have watched many others leave the fellowship and there's almost all new people on there now....He doesn't want us passing out our email information or phone numbers, and now doesn't want Scripture in the room to support the sermon or Sabbath study....and Bonnie acts like the Gestapo at times. Robert, to me, this speaks of Romanism all the way....[But]The SDR church is alive and well, they are out there, we are out there, not necessarily all those in the POGM conference room are of the Remnant....

I am sorry this is happening to you, and I pray for you and your family, it must hurt. If you weren't doing something right, it wouldn't be happening....There have been others that have gone through what you are with Nic. There was \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ from Florida, and \_\_\_\_\_ has gone....\_\_\_ and family....\_\_\_, and many others as well. \_\_\_\_\_ left...And according to Nic it's always "them" [at fault]. No, Nic does not have the authority to decide who is in the Remnant....I do not pledge my allegiance anymore to the General Conference, nor to POGM, rather to the Lamb of God only....

I will surely be praying for you Robert and the pain you must be feeling for being accused falsely, and the break from what you have been involved in for years. I also will be praying for Nic that God convicts him of his errors, and people stop giving him unsanctified sympathy.

God bless you Robert, you, your family and your ministry. Continue in prayer, study and your ministry, and the good Lord will continue to lead you and bless you.

Sincerely in Christ, S.P., WA.

[Dear brother bob].

"I then saw a company pressing through the crowd with their eyes intently fixed upon the heavenly crown. As they earnestly urged their way through the disorderly crowd, angels attended them, and made room for them to advance. As they neared the heavenly crown, the light emanating from it shone upon them and around them, dispelling their darkness, and growing clearer and brighter, until they seemed to be transformed, and resembled the angels. They cast not one lingering look upon the earthly crown. Those who were in pursuit of the earthly, mocked them, and threw black balls after them. These did them no injury while their eyes were fixed upon the heavenly crown, but those who turned their attention to the black balls were stained with them....

"The black balls which were thrown after the saints, were the reproachful falsehoods put in circulation concerning God's people, by those who love and make a lie. We should take the greatest care to live a blameless life, and abstain from all appearance of evil, and then it is our duty to move boldly forward, and pay no regard to the reproachful falsehoods of the wicked. While the eyes of the righteous are fixed upon the heavenly, priceless treasure, they will become more and more like Christ, and thus they will be transformed and fitted for translation." Christian Experience and Teachings of Ellen G. White, p 167.

Stay strong, we are praying for you!

## CORRESPONDENCE FROM FOREIGN WORKERS

#### FROM KENYA, EAST AFRICA

Hello brother,

1 John. 3:1.

I hope this finds you fine. We are well here, except that we did not have our usual camp meeting at \_\_\_\_\_ this year. There were a few hitches that could not let plans work as early arranged. However, we had a high Sabbath in \_\_\_\_ Kenya. Previous to that we had a successful evangelistic meeting at \_\_\_\_\_. This weekend we shall have a representative meeting on Order, on Sunday, 15....I hope it is all fine. Thank you.

B.I., Kenya.

#### FROM PAPUA NEW GUINEA

(Combination of 4 letters) Dear Bob & Michele Sessler,

1 John 1:3,

Warm & Christian greetings from PNG, we hope you all are doing well for the Lord Jesus Christ. Our national camp meeting preparation is going well here in the nation's \_\_\_\_\_. Folks are started moving in from other provinces. Accommodation is fully paid and other expenses are still needed.

We are continuing doing the street preaching promoting our camp meeting for next week.

Please prayer for the camp and for the new souls those will attend the program. We are praying for your ministry....

Óur national camp meeting held in \_\_\_\_\_ ended last week with many blessings. Satan came very hard on us during the preparation period and causing inconvenience. Financially we were very disappointed to get things done on time before the program kick started. We claimed God's promise and asked Him kindly in prayer for strength and providence. Through our humble and since re prayers, God has intervened and our camp meeting end-up with great blessing.

Street preaching was taught by lay workers and preachers in main centres and markets. Singing ministries also performed very well in camp programs and even on the public streets assisting the preachers. God used humble as they sharing wonderful message to people [of] all classes.

21 souls give their life to Jesus and baptized and joining the family of God. 57 souls join the rank and promised to baptize in next camp meeting. Dozens of our missionaries receiving the prayer of dedication to serve God in far mountain fields of the vineyards. Our medical missionaries have committed their lives in doing full time medical work and we've seen the great result. All their patients and converts did full time attend the meeting and giving their lives to the Lord.

During this difficult times when life goes very hard, our field workers are still rising for the Lord despite being need of materials and funds for pushing them forward. They really love the Lord Jesus from their hearts to stand faithful and doing His marvelous work. Numbers of missionaries are sent out with their families into the remote fields for yearly basis. New areas are discovered and home churches are growing. Some workers are moving out for quarterly & monthly basis. We have a communication problem with some fields so we can't know what is happening there. Persecution is still going on in some areas; Satan is using SDA conference folks and persecuting our church folks.

Most of the churches are building out in the country. Majority of the poor classes are quick in grasping this present truth, that's why we are building more churches in the mountain villages. We have team of local carpenters ready to travel out wherever call comes for them to construct the building. God blessed their building ministry. They are composed of elderly people and the leaders of the church.

I'm start doing DVD show in villages every Saturday & Sunday night, please I ask you for DVD sermons if any sermon DVDs available. [Also] Power Point Projector is suitable instrument for the native people.

"Moses told them to go forward into the waters of the Red Sea. It was according to God's command that Moses bade them go forward, and they went until they stepped into the waters, and by a rod in the hand of Moses, the Lord parted the Red Sea, and the children of Israel went through on dry land. We should have faith in God, and obey the command, "Go forward." We should not wait to see what the Lord will do for us first, but go forward and believe that he will do just what he has promised. It may seem that our way is hedged up on every side, but we are to move forward. Our Heavenly Father would have us believe that He has ways and means that we cannot see, and going forward does not mean to stand still." {RH, July 8, 1890 par. 2}...

Many thanks for your News letter. During our camp meeting many folks asked for the copies of this News letter so right now Im running 400 copies of this News letter. Tomorrow will post this news to them that request for....

The year 2013 is a fruitful year for the SDR folks hear in PNG. The total of 187 souls baptized at 8 different occasions in 5 provinces. Praise the Lord for these wonderful work. These great results are from the 37 fultime workers around the various provinces. So far we have dedicated 9 churches and 14 new churches are under construction.

I & my team made a recent trip to \_\_\_\_\_ camp meeting, \_\_\_\_\_ Province. SDR folks were inviting us to their camp meeting. I took main studies through power point presentation & daily sessions. On Friday we dedicate a church & on the Sabbath I baptized 36 souls. Every one came out from United Church backgrounds. God's work is now moving & the present truth is reaching out people of all classes.

On Tuesday my computer shut down with unexpected error and immediately I took it to the technician & discover the problem. The whole internal board was affected & the cause is by a older generator we've using at the camp. After running few minutes it goes off for several times every night which causing damage, also some cell phones & chargers too....This yesterday the Asian technician call me & he said, the whole board is affected so you will pay much money to replace the board. The money he charged me for reparing the old laptop is just similar to buy a new one so I went & took it back [home].

I decide to raise funds for computer project, so please elder Bob help me raise some funds for this project.

Keep looking up with faith. B.K, PNG.

#### FROM THE PHILIPPINES

(Combination of 2 letters) Dear bro Bob,

3 John 2.

Hi! bro Bob.How are you? About us and our work here, we're doing fine through the guidance and leading of our Lord. We still continue our work here. We still doing house-to-house work, visitation, giving Bible studies, giving out tracts and doing our music ministry. With some of our youth here, we went from house-to-house, at first, we sing them some songs as an opening wedge, and if their hearts were soften by the songs through the Holy Spirit, we ask them if they want us to read Bibles with them. And as we observe, people are more easily open to hear Bible studies if you sing first to them. We now have regular hearers which we visited weekly, and some are joining us to spend Sabbath.

Also, every Saturday afternoon, our youth have a music ministry in the hospital, we visited those who are sick in the hospital and sing songs with them, giving hope and encouragement through reading of God's promises. You know, they are very happy, some sings with our youth, some cried and some ask to pray for them. Before leaving them, we gave them tracts. These are our work here. Also, I am visiting some of our churches who needs an encouragement.

Last May, me and a young sister went to \_\_\_\_\_ and also in the island of \_\_\_\_\_. We visited our brethren there. We spend few days there and spend Sabbath with our brethren there. And our brethren there told us to stay there because they want us to help them in their work there. But since we didn't bring enough [of our] clothes with us, and also have not budget for staying there, so we told them that we will just come back in God's will. Also last month of June, we held our monthly fellowship in \_\_\_\_\_ with all our brethren here in \_\_\_\_\_...

We were just so busy from the past months. Two of our brothers here died already. One brother, when we met was suffering many years because of a big tumor in his kidney, and through the many days of visitation and sharing and through the conviction of the Holy Spirit [he finally] accepted the truth, a newly converted just a few years past, a 48 years old guy died peacefully in the hands of the Lord. And the other one is a 24 year old guy, one of our youth from \_\_\_\_\_\_, who undergo missionary trainings here and dedicated himself to the work of the Lord, but we didn't know that he is suffering from multiple and complicated health conditions. He suffered from liver enlargement, kidney problem and tuberculosis. We found out about his condition when it was malignant already. Although we still try to help him to recover through faith and prayers and through the help of natural remedies, but his body was so weak already that his health decline very fast. Though he still wanted to live but at the

end he committed and lay his soul to the One who knows best. Although we feel sad for their lost but we are hoping that when Jesus comes, God will raise them and will give them eternal life and will be with them again if we will strive to be faithful too till the end.

Also this past months we've been helping, working and sharing to one family here until God convinced and convicted them to received the truth. And now we are establishing them in the truth through the help of God. They are now attending church every Sabbath. I am praying that they will continue on in walking in God's light and truth.

As part of our work we also continue in visiting churches and encouraging those that are weak and still babes in the faith to continue in traveling the narrow way. We also do helping the sick, taking care and receiving in our homes those that are homeless (as of now we have 4 youths who stays with us, and others who come and go). We also do house to house visitation, and tracts distribution. Although we don't have the means but we have the faith that God will not allow us to suffer want. It will not hinder us to do the work that God has committed in our hands. God is so great and faithful and worthy to be praise for working miraculously for us in times of need.

This coming last week of October until November we will be doing a house to house work in the island of \_\_\_\_\_\_. All our youth here, those who undergo training before will be with this work, and also those students who are in semestral vacation. We will do this by faith, just like what Jesus promise to His disciples that although we haven't any purse in our pocket but God will provide us our needs in His work. We hope and pray that many souls will be awaken and receive of the truth. And please continue to include our work and also all our plans in God's cause and work in your prayers too. We are also praying for you and your work there. Include also in your prayers our desire to have a projector here, that God will grant this to us if He sees that we can use it for His work more effectively.

Till here for now bro bob. May God help us to surrender ourselves to Him and commit our ways and work for Him. Jesus is coming soon and may He find us ready to meet Him. GOD BLESS.

In Christ, s.b., Philippines.

#### FROM UGANDA, EAST AFRICA

Dear Elder Sessler,

Christian greetings from this way: "Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and were forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word in Asia." Acts 16:6. "And after he had spent some time [there], he departed, and went over [all] the country of Galatia and Phrygia in order, strengthening all the disciples." Acts 18:23.

It has been long since I last wrote that side, despite the unseen restrictions even to write and join the Church on line, I can praise the Lord we are still safe in His hands to whom we have our being. Even we when pass through the valley of the shadow of death, we are called upon not [to] murmur....

Two months ago/back I visited \_\_\_\_\_ a few miles passed \_\_\_\_\_ did tract evangelism, though people wanted tracts in their native language Lumasaba, I had nothing to offer, [but] promised [to] offer that in the future.

Meanwhile Brother and Sisters of \_\_\_\_\_\_ District, \_\_\_\_; home Church had organized a camp meeting from the 26<sup>th</sup> August 2013, to 1<sup>st</sup> of Sept 2013. The very day I was set to move, I lost a paternal aunt. And the funeral was to be organized by us: that was done, shortly I joined the others who had camped in very lush climate, but by the grace of God we able to go through to end, save the last day it rained with heavy winds which up rooted some of make-shift tents. Thanks to God for no one was hurt.

This was one of the most blessed camp meeting. The Church was packed, over 50 people were camping, [and] on the last day the number increased to almost 70 souls. Five souls were baptized. I took enough tracts, one was a translated which they gladly received, they promised to help in translating others. Brother \_\_\_\_\_\_ handled the Sanctuary Message; mine was to strengthen them in Christ Jesus. Zachariah 10:12 "And I will strengthen them in the LORD; and they shall walk up and down in his name, saith the LORD".

On Sunday we had meeting on Issue of Registration and the name of the church. For one brother has offered a sizable portion of his land where the Church has been built. He wanted to write us an agreement, but in which names? We promised get back in October and make way forward.

Our Home Church that is \_\_\_\_\_ contributed in buying 20 reams of paper for tract evangelism, save the master roll is running out and ink too. It is our earnest prayer that God of our Fathers touchs some hearts to come to the help of the of Lord. Judges 5:23: "Curse ye Meroz, said the angel of the LORD,

curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they came not to the help of the LORD, to the help of the LORD against the mighty."

My health still stands in my way. I still need your earnest prayers so that I can move very fast. Thanks for all the support given to the help of the Lord's work. May He who slumbers not earnestly bless those who have stood in the gap for us financially.

I remain yours faithfully, B.K., Uganda.

#### FROM ZAMBIA, EAST AFRICA

Dearest Elder Bob,

Elder bob, firstly kindly forgive me for not sending the reports for so many months. This has been so due to some circumstances beyond my control. The devil wanted this work to go down completely, and I have been crying day and night that I can go back to these same duties of missionary updates reports. Thank you Lord, and thank you for your prayers that the spirit has been rekindled. But continue praying hard for me as am in great battle with the devil over the great work I started with you for the past 15 years now.

Greetings to you and the family of God with you. The great Lord is still keeping us well. Last month the Lord blessed me with an opportunity to visit a different district called \_\_\_\_\_\_ about 300km away from \_\_\_\_\_\_ district where I had a chance to be with [visit] the SDA church and chance was give to me to present a Bible study for more than two hours. I praise the Almighty God to avail me that great opportunity which is not possible in the SDA churches in town. But in this rural area this was done after they heard from my sister that I was one of the elders in Adventism.

The Lord is good, a lot of truths came out about the current apostasy in SDA church organization. I really praised God because when I was mention some of the unscriptural things taking place amongst them, some of the elders seconds and even gave a lot of evidence. Many people were shocked as I quoted from the SOP the truths about this church in the last days. They need me again, and am praying that when the Lord gives means for transport, I will be going back with one of the elders in our home churches. I wondered that there was no lessons on dress, health, etc. reforms [among them]. But the Lord is good as His people are ready to learn the truth and are ready to hear from the word of God.

I pray that the Lord will speak to some of our brethren who will read this news and be ready to support this work here with a transport of \$150 for two people. May the great Lord be with you all. Amen....

B.W, Zambia.

#### FROM ZIMBABWE, AFRICA

(Combination of 4 letters) Dear Elder Bob,

I wish to give you my short update as to the activities that the Lord has enabled me to do here in Zimbabwe. First and foremost, I would like to inform you that finally I started or in fact I launched the free Bible Correspondence School. I have been facing some difficulties to do it all alone, but I praise God that although started very low, I am hopeful that this will go a long way in winning souls to Christ. I am however requesting your assistance in making this program work efficiently.

In this regard, I have up to 24 lessons to introduce to candidates and promising them to give Bibles in the event that a candidate has completed all the lessons. This work has entered in the second month now and currently have since enrolled five candidates so far and the number will continue to grow and also will keep me very busy every day. So please, I am appealing for some donations of Bibles in order to fulfil my promises.

As I am reporting, I am coming from Namibia where I had gone to deliver the church of Namibia some Redemption Bibles and Adventist Hymnals. They sent me their money to purchase the materials for them as well as to deliver them. Also I have been invited to attend the Zambian Campmeeting this coming August. I wish if you could help me in one way or the other.

Well brother, sometimes my faith grows weak and I wish if you could pray for me also. Otherwise the work in Zimbabwe is steadily moving forward but I am really lamenting the lack of organization in our movement. I would like to believe that the Lord will help us unite some day....

I took time to visit our brethren in \_\_\_\_\_\_ to forge our way forward in regard to the work of soul winning. Instead I managed to see Br \_\_\_\_\_'s family only, due to much rains and the limited time that I had. We talked over how we can unite our efforts together. I had night there and the family was very encouraged and recommitted themselves to the Lord. This was the beginning of January. And I went back home.

By the end of January, I once again visited \_\_\_\_\_, for to see the other households to spearhead the same agenda. This time I managed to meet the whole church and we came up with a plan to evangelize the city. This time, after getting my support, instead of starting to print and photocopy materials for the school, much of my resources were diverted to the trip to Namibia as brethren in Namibia had also remembered me to give of that which pertains to the welfare and support of my family. Please note that I do not have printer and photocopier of my own to do the intended work. If you have other means and ways to help purchase these items, I will appreciate the more.

The journey to \_\_\_\_\_ and back home took me about five days. I managed to meet wth br \_\_\_\_\_ and family, even though I searched for other brethren but without success. After Sabbath I gave to the church my intentions to visit our brethren, who since the organization of the church of Namibia are outside the perimeters of the church. It was arranged that I should call them to secure appointments with them. Out of the three families I only managed to visit br \_\_\_\_\_'s household and talked over their problems with the church....Other families, are br \_\_\_\_\_'s family and br \_\_\_\_\_'s family. These families were held by commitments, though at least I managed to talk over the phone with each member of family.

On my way back home I had a stopover in \_\_\_\_\_, where I intended to see a brother in the faith, br who is a blind man who also is at the \_\_\_\_\_ Training center. This brother was very pleased with this visit, and as soon as I arrived, he immediately arranged with the principals of the Institution that I should deliver a message. Opportunity was granted and soon the whole institution was gathered in a hall. I gave a word of hope to more than 100 handicapped people in only 15 minutes. I then received invitations to return back to the Institution for more.

On the 23rd of February, I had another remarkable presentation, this time I gave the truth for this time-Rev 18:1-6, to another breakaway Adventist group. They had invited me to attend their all night prayer meeting. I was given up to 2 hours and what a time it was! They were close to 70 members and suffice me to say that it was their first time to hear such a message. However, before I concluded, the pastor of that group protested aloud to the whole congregation that I was preaching a delusion. He was backed by one other member out of the whole group. His concern was that it is not true that Babylon consist of all churches and that they are not supposed to come out of the church since they are the "Little flock"...

I wish to express my gratitude once again for the support that you sent to me. It has helped me so much in many areas....Let me quickly inform you that because of the support, I managed to attend the Zambian camp meeting which was uplifting and a blessing to me. The Zambian church saw fit to appoint me as their main speaker at this campmeeting. As a result of the marvelous working of the Lord, 14 managed to be baptized and several more are still to be taught before going through baptism also....I am currently in Namibia now where I am supposed to attend the minister's meeting scheduled for the 25th of August 2013....I hope to give you the full report after my return back home within two week's time....

I went together with brother \_\_\_\_\_ and arrived on a Friday morning. We had a good time meeting with the brethren and we were accommodated at br \_\_\_\_\_'s home. It was my honor to be among the brethren and I felt very privileged to help the church in the most crucial decisions which the church needed to adopt. The trip took me three whole weeks to reach my family once again.

On my arrival [back home], I continued to work on the Bible School which to date has since enrolled 12 students. I have not forgotten on the offer that you promised me, concerning Bibles. My biggest challenge has been on the postal address to use which is reliable. This has also negatively impacted the smooth running of the school. I have [to] find one as soon as possible in order for me to be easily accessed. My duties have always been devolving on delivering lessons to students, collecting them for marking, revisiting candidates for revisions which in most cases these end up being Bible studies. To tell the truth, by the completion of the 24 lessons that I prepared, I am hopeful to gather up souls to Christ....

My brother, may the Lord continue to bless you in your work. Remember me in your prayers and if the Lord blesses you with enough resources, please send me that I may try to establish a structure at my country place. The church that gathers at my home sends you greetings.

Brother in Christ, B.N., Zimbabwe.