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"There are many precious truths contained in the Word of God, but it is 'PRESENT TRUTH' that the flock needs now." Early Writings, p 63.

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Can We Really Become Righteous?

Part 4 – What More Can God Do? It Is Now Up To You!

In our last Newsletter we learned that after we have become justified and clothed in the righteousness of Christ by faith alone, that we are to walk in the Spirit and not fulfill the lusts of our flesh. That we can obtain victories over all evils in our past life of sin if we walk by faith and not trust to our own human sight or understanding. We also learned that if we do our best to overcome our faults and defects of character, but still fall short of the standard of perfection, that Christ's righteousness makes up the difference because we are made complete in Him. He then presents us faultless, or perfect before the Father, and this then gives us the assurance and boldness to come before the Father at any time of need without fear of being turned away. We also learned that God and Christ do not just sit on the sidelines watching us battle against sin and the Devil alone, but are actually working in us, through the Holy Spirit, so that the weak efforts we put forth to overcome are combined with Their Divine strength, and thus together we gain the victory. All of this is only made possible through the glorious plan of our Salvation which God the Father developed, Christ carried out in our behalf, and the Holy Spirit makes effectual in our lives.

Now we also learned that before we were born again, we were clothed in what kind of garments? We were clothed in filthy and sin-stained garments of unrighteousness.

"But we are all as an unclean thing, and **all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags..and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.**" Isaiah 64:6.

We also learned that the Hebrew word for "filthy" means "menstrual flux" (Strong's #5708), and the Hebrew word for "rags" means "clothing or garment" (Strong's #899). So "filthy rags" literally means clothing or garments that have been soiled by the menstrual flux of a woman's monthly cycle, and in Leviticus it mentions that this menstrual issue of blood defiles and makes unclean everything that it comes in contact with (see Leviticus 15:19-27). This is a very descriptive picture of someone contaminated with sin, and thus any good deed of righteousness which they might do could not be accepted by God because it was done while their garments were contaminated by filth.

But once we are born again, these filthy garments are removed from us, we are then cleansed and clothed in Christ's robe of righteousness, and the seed of Jesus Christ is now planted within us. Now when a woman becomes impregnated with seed, what happens to her menstruation cycle? It ceases, and so there is no more blood to defile her garments. So in this born again condition, we become, as it were, impregnated with the seed or we have Christ living within us. Or in other words, we are united with Divinity.

Now what happens when humanity and Divinity is combined?

"Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him, and he cannot sin, because he is born of God." 1 John 3:9.

So once our weak efforts to obey God combines with the Divine strength and grace of Christ, what happens? We will not sin, but we will do the will of God! So you can see that we could then do works of righteousness that would be accepted by God since we are no longer clothed in the filthy rags experience we had while living in sin and in fulfilling the lusts of the flesh.

"Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ: Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, According as **his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness**, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these **ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.**" 2 Peter 1:1-4.

So now how many victories can we obtain through the Divine strength of the Godhead working in us? We can gain the victory over every sin, over all our lusts of the flesh, over appetite, over everything we need in order to become perfect men and women.

"Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, **Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ;** to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen." Hebrews 13:20-21.

Now the Godhead has provided all that They can in order for you to be saved. But They cannot save you by Themselves. Since you know this glorious plan of your salvation, and know all that God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit are Personally doing so that you can be saved, what are you now to do? "Strive to enter in at the straight gate", "go forth" and "walk in the spirit", "ascend" and advance up that straight and narrow pathway. But how? Just by taking one advancing and upward step at a time! And how do you take one advancing and upward step on this narrow path so you can be saved? By grace through faith, taking just one step at a time.

You know, the end of any journey all depends upon taking that first step in the right direction. So in order to reach the end of this straight and narrow path, you must take that first step of faith in obeying the will of God.

But sometimes taking that first step can be the most hardest to do, especially when to all our sight and senses it seems impossible to walk. But what does God tell us to do? Go forward in faith and do not doubt. Remember, you are to walk by faith, not by sight.

When the children of Israel came to the Jordan River after wandering 40 years in the wilderness, they saw that the promised land was just on the other side. But it was the rainy season, as well as being the time of harvest at that particular time of year, and thus the Jordan River had overflowed its banks and was swift and raging. To all human sight and understanding it was impossible to swim across the Jordan without drowning. So here, just before them, was this terrible imposing obstacle preventing them from advancing any further.

But what did God tell them to do? He told them to go forward and pass over (see Joshua 3:5-17). So the children of Israel were faced with having to choose either to put faith and trust in their eyesight and understanding and then stop advancing, or they had to put faith and trust in their God who commanded them to walk forward. And when the children of Israel decided to walk by faith and ignore their sight and understanding, putting forth the effort and actually taking that first step into the water in obedience to God's will, then the Lord came through with His Divine power. The Jordan river was parted in half, they were then able to overcome that obstacle which was preventing their advancement, and they walked into the promised land having gained the victory.

The same with us dear ones. We are to walk upward on this straight and narrow pathway one step at a time. And when we find any obstacles preventing our advancement, we are not to just give up - even though to all intents and purposes it appears impossible to overcome them. But since God tells us to go forward, then we are to forget and crucify self, putting our faith and trust in God instead, and take that first step in obeying God's will. Then God's Divine power will work in and through us allowing us to walk right past that obstacle like it was nothing more than a mirage. Thus we will allow God to work in us to accomplish His will, and we will gain the victory through Christ which strengthens us! In doing this, sin will no longer have a stranglehold upon us like it did before we accepted Christ.

"What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin...? God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus

Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life...Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that **henceforth we should not serve sin**. For he that is dead is freed from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him... Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. **For sin shall not have dominion over you**...Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?...But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. **Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness**. I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so **now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness**...**But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life**. For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:1-4, 6-8, 11-14, 16-19, 22-23.

What was the key that prevented sin from having any further "dominion over you"? "Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God". And what was the key that made you "free from sin"? "For as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness." So the key was no longer yielding yourself to temptation, no longer yielding yourself to be servants of unrighteousness, but instead to yield yourself to God to become servants of righteousness and holiness! It is this yielding to God that brakes sin's dominion over you and makes you "free from sin"!

Now, the Greek word for "yield" used here is Strong's # 3936 and it actually means "to exhibit or to stand." Now how much effort does it take to stand? You have to employ and set your entire body to work in order to stand up. So to yield yourself to obey God unto righteousness is more than just choosing to serve Him, but it **IS** serving Him. It takes decision and determination to force your will to accomplish the task of overcoming, and once your will is set to work, then just like with the child learning to stand, your whole focus will be centered upon accomplishing that task, and you will not give up until you succeed and achieve righteousness.

"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: **for they shall be filled.**" Matthew 5:6.

To hunger and thirst after something means that your whole focus is centered upon obtaining that object or goal. And what is the promise if we hunger and thirst after righteousness instead of sin? "They shall be filled"!

Now what has to occur before you can yield yourself to either commit sin or do righteousness? You must first make the choice! So you actually choose for yourself whom you are going to follow - either sin or righteousness, and neither Satan nor God can force you to choose! The choice to walk upward by faith in the Spirit, or to walk downward in the lusts of the flesh, is for you to make. The Devil cannot force you to take the easy broad road, nor can God force you to take the straight and narrow path. The choice of whom you are going to yield your will to and which road you then walk in, is fully left up to you to decide.

If you should choose to follow the will of Satan, and then yield your will to obey him, then his power works in you to do of his evil pleasure, and you together fulfill the works of unrighteousness. But if you choose to follow the will of God, and then yield your will to obey Him, then His Divine power works in you to do of His good pleasure, and you together fulfill the works of righteousness which gains the victory over the flesh. And believe me dear ones, when you decide to yield your will to obey God and take that first step forward in obedience, the force of your will directs and focuses your entire body and mind towards accomplishing this task, and with God's Divine power combining with your efforts, the victory is assured over any obstacle - no matter how enormous or seemingly impossible it appears to overcome!

"...let him take hold of my strength, that he may make peace with me; **and he shall make peace with me.**" Isaiah 27:5.

"And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: **for my strength is made perfect in weakness.**" 2 Corinthians 12:9.

So no matter how enormous or seemingly impossible the habits of sin or the obstacles are that prevent you from advancing, yet when you choose to obey God and then put forth your will power and take that first step in obedience to God's will, His Divine strength and grace combines with your weak efforts and the victory is obtained.

For instance, how many times did the man with palsy try to stand up from his bed before he met Christ? I imagine hundreds and even thousands of times. But each time he tried in his own strength to arise, his body just laid there limp and useless. But when he met Christ, what did Christ tell him to do?

"Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house." Matthew 9:6.

So even though the palsied man had tried thousands of times to arise before, yet he had enough faith in Christ to try it just one more time. And as he put forth his will power and exerted effort to obey the will of Christ through faith, then what happened? God's Divine power combined with this man's efforts to obey, and he was able to gain the victory over that seemingly impossible obstacle that was hindering his advancement, and he was completely healed!

You can see the same experiences with the lepers (Luke 17:12-14), the man with the withered hand (Matthew 12:13), the blindman (John 9:6-7), etc. Each time it appeared humanly impossible for them to overcome their problems. Yet when they met Christ, decided to obey His will, and then put forth their will power in taking that first step to obey through faith, then God's Divine power combined with their weak efforts and they all obtained the victory! The same with us!

Now in this walk through faith, some will fall into sin which stains their garments once again with blood and filthiness. But does that mean that they are lost? Not at all.

"For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again..." Proverbs 24:16.

"When I fall, I will arise..." Micah 7:8.

So once you realize that you have fallen into sin, and your garments are no longer pure and spotless, then humbly confess and repent of this sin to God. And you know by faith that He will re-justify and re-cleanse you and make your garments spotless once again, so that you will be able to have His strength and grace to stand back up and continue forward in the process of sanctification and righteousness.

"My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." 1 John 2:1.

And what does Jesus then tell us, just like He told the woman who had fallen into sin?

"...go [where? Go forward], and sin no more." John 8:11.

So if you fall back into sin, then confess, repent, and stand back up in Christ and go forward - don't just remain fallen down! Learn from your mistake, and also learn to avoid repeating it - just like you did when you were first learning how to stand as a child.

What caused you to sink back into sin is the same that caused Peter to sink into the raging sea - you took your eyes off of Christ (see Matthew 14:29-31). So this time keep your eyes more firmly focused on Christ who is leading you to the city of God, and keep walking forward through faith, even through you have to step into the raging waters of affliction. You will only fall again if you take our eyes off of Christ and instead fix them upon yourself or upon your circumstances! But instead keep your eyes focused upon Christ, and in doing so you will be beholding Him, and by beholding Him you will become "changed into the same image from glory to glory [or from one stage of growth in character to another stage of growth], even as by the Spirit of the Lord" (2 Corinthians 3:18).

But please know and realize this solemn point: we learned that at conversion we have the seed of Christ as it were now impregnated or living within us, and this stopped our filthy rag

menstrual issue of blood from continuing to defile our garments. So after Christ is now living in you, if you should happen to choose to sin, your garments became stained with blood and were no longer pure. But what would cause your garments to now be stained with blood? Has your filthy rag issue started over again? No. Then where did the blood issue from that stained your garments? Well, if a pregnant woman begins to bleed, where does the blood issue from? It issues from her placenta which attaches her baby to her womb. And what does this then mean? This is a signal that her baby is in distress, and quite possibly is in the beginning stages of being aborted out!

So, dear ones, after you have accepted Christ as your Saviour, have confessed and repented of your sins, have been justified and clothed with Christ's righteousness, and are walking on this straight and narrow path, if you should then choose and yield to sin, instead of advancing past that obstacle through faith, then you are guilty of causing Christ distress, pain and suffering beyond what He has already suffered and endured for you, and you are also in danger of aborting Him out of your life. Now if you confess and repent of this sin, then this abortion process is stopped. But also realize that if you continue sinning and refuse to repent, being determined to give up the warfare and no longer to continue advancing upward, then this abortion process will continue until Jesus is fully and forever aborted out of your life! Thus you would be guilty of killing Him afresh, and there would be nothing you could do to remedy that situation - which means that you are eternally lost!

"For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, if they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame...that which beareth thorns and briers is rejected, and is nigh unto cursing; whose end is to be burned." Hebrews 6:4-8.

"For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins. But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?...Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry. Now the just shall live by faith: but **if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.** But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul." Hebrews 10:26-29, 35-39.

So what causes you to be lost is when you have fully understood and embraced the truth of God, have enjoyed living in it and experiencing the work of the Holy Spirit in your life and the power of God working in you to overcome your habits of sin and defects of character: if after all this you then choose to completely turn your back upon God to no longer follow in the truth, but have gone back into living your life of sin and unrighteousness, then there is no more forgiveness of your sins because you have killed or crucified Christ afresh and done despite unto the Holy Spirit of grace. This means that you are lost without any hope of obtaining a third chance for salvation. This also proves that there is no such Bible truth to the belief of once-saved-always-saved, because you can always throw away the gift which you received in the beginning!

"...when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die." Ezekiel 18:24.

So just because after you are converted and are walking on this path, you should happen to fall into sin, doesn't mean that you have fallen off the path and are now destined for destruction. But recognize that you have caused Christ distress and pain by this sin, confess and repent of it, and then stand back up in the strength and grace of God - not to repeat the same sin this time, but to advance beyond that obstacle which is hindering you from obtaining the promised land.

In doing this you will have stopped the abortion process which your sin started, thus avoiding killing Christ afresh and losing your salvation, but are again walking upward towards the city of God to that promised land and gaining eternal life!

Remember: "Ye are of God, little children, **and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.**" 1 John 4:4.

Even though at times you must exert every ounce of will power you have in order to resist and violently fight back the urges and desires of the flesh, yet know that as you put forth the effort to do so, then God's Divine power will combine with your efforts and thus the victory is assured.

"Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy? But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. **Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.**" James 4:5-8.

"And from the days of John the Baptist until now **the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.**" Matthew 11:12.

So how do you gain the victory over every sin and defect of character until you become the perfect man or woman in Christ Jesus? By submitting your will unto God, then resisting these mighty and strong urges and desires of the flesh, exerting violent efforts with determined purpose in order to gain the victory through faith combined with Divine power, and thus you will obtain the kingdom of heaven. This is all accomplished by you taking just one step at a time, keeping your eyes fixed upon Jesus and not letting them drift onto your circumstances or yourself. And all this is only made possible by the infinite sacrifice of God your Father and your Saviour Jesus Christ in providing for you and me this glorious plan of our salvation - which is Justification, then Sanctification, or Righteousness by faith and then Righteousness through faith!

"If thou, Lord, shouldst mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? But **there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared.**" Psalms 130:3-4.

"Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, **let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.**" 2 Corinthians 7:1.

So now, how much does God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit want you to be saved? Well, throughout this series, what have we learned? We learned that all of your confessed and forsaken sins are forgiven for free. You are given the precious robe of Christ's righteousness as a gift. You are freely accepted and embraced by God as being His real sons and daughters. You are provided without cost all the grace and strength in Christ necessary to successfully fight against all sin and evil. You are also freely given all the armor necessary to successfully fend off all the attacks of the enemy. God even prevents the Devil from overwhelming you with too many attacks all at once so you will not be overwhelmed and defeated. Christ even makes up for your deficiencies and defects of character with His righteousness as you do your best to deny your habits of sin and defects of the flesh while obeying the will of God. Also God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit do not abandon you to fight this warfare alone, but They all work together in you providing you with Their Divine power so that you will no longer sin, but will do the will of God in all things.

So how much does God and Christ and the Holy Spirit want you to be saved? How much do They all love you and want you to be with Them for eternity? More than just a tremendous amount; more than just a stupendous amount - it is truly an infinite amount! It is truly beyond all measure!

But if this glorious plan of salvation had not been devised by God and carried out by Jesus Christ, then all of us would not be able to stand and avoid being destroyed. Then praise God that He developed the plan of our salvation! Praise Jesus that He carried it out in our behalf! And praise the Holy Spirit for making this plan effectual in the lives of those who desire to be saved from sin and destruction! And dear ones, if you fully understood this amazing truth of your salvation, and fully realized what it means, what will you be led to say and to do?

"**My mouth shall show forth thy righteousness and thy salvation all the day;** for I know not the numbers thereof. **I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD: I will make mention of thy righteousness, even of thine only.**" Psalms 71:15-16.

"The LORD hath brought forth our righteousness: come, and **let us declare in Zion the work of the LORD our God.**" Jeremiah 51:10.

"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, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.** For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations." Isaiah 61:10-11.

"For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake **I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth.** And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD shall name....For as a young man marrieth a virgin, so shall thy sons marry thee: **and as the bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, so shall thy God rejoice over thee.**" Isaiah 62:1-2, 5.

So in this sanctification process of your righteous growth and development in your Christian life as you walk upward by and through faith on this straight and narrow pathway, not fulfilling the lusts of your flesh, but instead sacrificing your desires and taking each step one after another in using your will to obey the will of God, you will indeed continue advancing until you resemble Christ perfectly in every area of your life and character. And this advancement in character will continue until you either die in the Lord, or finally reach the point to where Christ no longer has to make up any of your deficiencies or defects. And when 144,000 people come to this place of fully representing Christ perfectly in character in all areas, then Christ ceases His ministration in heaven, throws down the censor, and He declares that all who are righteous will remain righteous, and all who are filthy will remain filthy thus closing probation upon all the world (Revelation 22:11). And after performing His priestly work for nearly 2000 years now, Christ will finally be able to state: "my bride has made herself ready, and I am coming to get her and take her home, for the marriage supper is already prepared, and all the guests have already been invited!"

Dear ones, I believe that now you can clearly see that Christ has done everything He can do to help make you - His bride - ready so He can come and take you home. I believe you can also see that the Godhead has provided everything necessary for you to be saved and can do no more. Now it is up to you! I also believe that you can now clearly see the pathway that leads to heaven, you can also see the mighty sins and strong obstacles that are preventing you from obtaining that promised land, and now you understand exactly what you must do!

"Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, **let us go on unto perfection;** not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works..." Hebrews 6:1.

"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but **Christ liveth in me:** and the life which I now live in the flesh, **I live by the faith of the Son of God,** who loved me, and gave himself for me." Galatians 2:20.

"Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you." Hosea 10:12.

"Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain; so the Lord shall make bright clouds, and send them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field." Zechariah 10:1.

This is my sincere prayer for you all, that in this rainy season of the latter rain, in this time of harvest, that you will walk by faith and not by sight and take that step into the water in obeying the will of God. Then God can work in you to fulfill all that the glorious plan of salvation provides, dividing any obstacles in half, so that you may continue walking forward in gaining that promised land one step at a time.

Everything has already been prepared and provided so you can be saved. It is now up to you! "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." Revelation 22:17.

MINISTRY NEWS

The Lord is continuing to bless our TrueChurchofGod.info Web Site. In the month of September we had 7,053 hits, which were generated by 721 visitors. In these Visitor Sessions, 2,344 documents of Present Truth were viewed, and over 208 million bytes of information were downloaded.

In the month of October we had 8,392 hits, which were generated by 797 visitors. In these Visitor Sessions, 2,599 documents of Present Truth were viewed, and over 289 million bytes of information were downloaded.

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In the past few issues of our Newsletter, we have been studying into the Bible subject of Christ and His Righteousness. We decided to combine all of this material together into a booklet called "The Precious Covering of Christ". This booklet brings before the reader this glorious and amazing gospel subject of what Christ went through to provide sinners with His precious robe of righteousness and thus save them from sin and death. It is all written strictly from the Bible and thus would be an excellent evangelistic tool in reaching out to the world. If you would like to have a complementary copy of this booklet, please write us.

We would also like to encourage our readers to check out a website that is dedicated to providing a "voice" to the people who have joined the separation movement out of the SDA church, as well as out of all the other churches of Babylon. The website is www.SDRVoice.org. This site also publishes an excellent Magazine called "The SDR Voice", and on the site you can view past articles of interest, and can also request to be added to their mailing list to receive future copies for free.

For those who are not able to have a home church to attend and who miss the benefit of fellowshiping together with others of like faith, there is an on-line Home Church which meets every Sabbath at 12:00 noon Central Time. This is a live broadcast of one of our separated Home Churches in Indiana which is pastored by brother Nicholas Patula. Please feel free to come and fellowship with others of like faith and enjoy the spiritual uplifting experience. You can also stay after the church service and be able to chat with brothers and sisters, as well as visitors, from around the world. Many come away with their questions answered, their hearts uplifted and filled with gratefulness for all that God has and is doing for His people! If you would like to fellowship with us, go to www.RemnantofGod.org/pogmchat.htm.

TO OUR SUPPORTERS: Please know that "Let There Be Light" Ministries is not using your support to build itself up into a kingdom, nor are we trying to acquire expensive video, TV or shortwave facilities. But we are trying to spread the truth as quickly and economically as possible. Please also know that you have played an important part in helping spread the Present Truth into various parts of this world, including through the printed page, through the living full-time workers and ministers we sponsor, and also through our Web Sites on the internet. This is how the Loud Cry of the third angel will be spread, and is now being spread! If the Lord impresses you to help in these endeavors, your donations and prayers will be greatly appreciated, and not just by this Ministry. **MAY GOD RICHLY BLESS YOU!**

MINISTRY NEEDS

"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. May our 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

FIJI Islands:

- Printing and mailing expenses for booklets and tracts to Fiji.
- Printing of booklets and tracts in Fiji.
- Cartons of KJV Bibles and Spirit of Prophecy books.

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.
- Cartons of KJV Bibles and Spirit of Prophecy books.
- Computer to help with the printing work— \$600.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA:

- Printing and mailing expenses for booklets and tracts to PNG.
- Printing of booklets and tracts in PNG.
- A small portable speaker system for street preaching.
- Cartons of KJV Bibles and Spirit of Prophecy books.
- Used SOP books.
- Clothes to pass out to naked villagers.

PHILIPPINE Islands:

- 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:

- Printing and mailing expenses for booklets to Uganda.
- Printing of booklets and tracts in Uganda.
- Printing 100,000 tracts in Uganda--\$1,600.
- Cartons of KJV Bibles and Spirit of Prophecy books.
- Copier machine for quick production of tracts and booklets--\$2000.

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.
- 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.
- 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.

LETTERS to "LET THERE BE LIGHT" Ministries

Dear Robert Sessler,

Many Christian greetings from Tanzania. I take this opportunity to write. I am too busy with the preparation of the meeting. We do not have enough money but we are still pushing on to do it. All my body is tired because of editing the manuscripts for printing. Besides, I had to prepare handbills, tracts, advertisements and letters to the government authorities to let them know and secure permission. We hope to pick the permission next week. The meeting will begin next week (Sunday 13, 2009). One of us has already gone to keep on preparing the meeting. Pray for that meeting. It is the first meeting that we shall be having as a group since we separated from the SDA Church.

Dear Sessler, thank you for the support for last month. I expect to spend that for the journey to the western parts of Tanzania where we shall be conducting a meeting. A generator and other evangelistic equipment were provided by two supporters of these messages last week. They will be carried there on Wednesday.

Yours in the Blessed Hope. T.P., Tanzania.

Dear big bros (and) sisters in Christ.

With all this Halloween stuff going on, there is a TV show on the Disney Channel throughout the year and even worse on Halloween promoting witchcraft. The show is called "Wizards of Waverly Place." It's about a family of wizards and witches practicing magic.

The popularity of this show is growing like an oil fire in a drilling field and it's geared towards children and teens. The hype and popularity in this show is gaining an occult following among the young and old people I see and talk to like you wouldn't believe. While I have never seen the show, I have seen commercials for it and it's getting worse and worse....Last night I saw a commercial for an upcoming episode and it was so bad, I felt defiled. I have decided. "THAT IS IT... CAN'T TAKE ANYMORE." I used to be of the opinion that just seeing the commercials was harmless, but it's not harmless. I think the mind is more powerful than I realize in memorization, influence, and hypnotic effects. I'm thankful the Lord kept alive that little piece of my frontal lobe that actually did some thinking.

Other channels are actually promoting the show. So it's like I can't escape when I flip. I hear it talked about a lot in the media and other places. Because they use children in the show parents are praising it as safe and wholesome television. But there is witchcraft, vampires, creatures, and evil surmising all in it. When I look through the guide on the TV I see this show being repeated over and over again in reruns and marathons all day and weekend long and all year long....

It's kinda like the Harry Potter in the television world. I think it's geared towards trapping people who don't necessarily watch Harry Potter. I believe the idea is to so inundate people with this show, that they would get used to it mentally, desensitize, and eventually think it's not so bad and start watching it. (Just) Like violence....

I'm actually thinking of getting rid of mine now. I was up all night long because of this tossing and turning. I believe the Lord is telling me to stop watching so much TV. Maybe the commercial was what I needed to see to finally convince me. I found verses that has convicted me to finally stop watching so much TV if ANY at all.... It's like a drug. I would probably have to wean myself off of it. SO I HAVE TO FLEE TO MERCY SEAT ON THIS ONE!!!

Romans 1:28 - 32 -- I paid most attention to Verse 32 and it weighed heavily on my mind: "And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, Without understanding, covenant breakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them."

2 Corinthians 3:18 -- "But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord."

(Editor's Note: Or even this one found in Isaiah 33:14-17, declaring only to those "that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil" will be able to "dwell on high").

For this one, I think it's saying, what we see from which master we choose is what we become.

C.G., Internet.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM FOREIGN WORKERS

FROM FIJI ISLANDS

1 John 3:1.

Dear Bro Bob,

I greet you once again in His wonderful name and may His peace, love and joy be with you always.

Firstly I want to apologize for the delay in sending in my reports and not been able to get in touch so soon, but I hope you will understand the situation we are facing here in Fiji. But I praise the Lord that it doesn't affect the forwarding of His work here.

_____ has called at last! Praise the Lord! He has been visiting this guy (____) sharing with him the Present Truth, but one thing he [____] mentioned to me was that all he can see was his heart is hardened, and I told him yes I know because I have been sharing too with some members of the SDA Church (and) I see the same. But I told _____ that its better to focus on other people who really wants to know the truth "cause when you explain the message to them they except it", and they want to know more.

The big groups who have been baptized by this guy [____] they splitted, some of them are not satisfied with the message and that's where the message of the Present Truth is going through. We are giving out the booklets and tracts and they are searching for more, so we are distributing out the DVD's and making more copies of booklets. The guy who own this photocopy shop whom we always photocopy the booklets, told us that some guy from _____, in _____ and also a guy in _____ and _____ came to photocopy the same booklets which we always bring to photocopy, and I can say that the work is moving forward, Praise God Almighty! (Editor's Note: Praise God indeed!)

We have been faced with all sorts of difficulties in life, financially, and even in changing of weather. In this time of month usually its always a hot season in Fiji, but now its cold and rainy with strong wind (and) we have been warned with Tsunami warnings.

I have been visiting families, neighbours, (and) this guy was a member of SDA Church. But he told me that he will never enter that church again, and so I have been sharing with them the True Church of God and also helping them in their daily needs, like his not working with his wife and 3 children's to look after. What little things I can help them with, but especially their spiritual life. And also a lady -- her husband passed away few months ago (and) she (now) lives alone with her son. I always encouraging her, sharing with her the goodness of the Lord and she is interested in the message, (been) giving booklets to her and we are praying for these poor souls.

There are little groups around Fiji who believe the last message which is the present Truth, and so _____ was thinking of why don't we get together and to invite you as our special guest, that I am mentioning it again, and we pray that let it be God's will.

I thank you once again Bro Bob for your prayers and words of encouragement and your support.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY WITH SHOWERS OF BLESSINGS FROM ABOVE.

S.K., Fiji.

FROM KENYA, EAST AFRICA

My dear workers in the Lord's vineyard.

General Christian greetings in Jesus' name. May the peace of God beyond measure be multiplied to you that through His grace His purposes may be fulfilled through our instrumentality.

First and foremost I am thanking the Lord for the support of the work which is helping reach our people easily with the gospel of peace far and near. For example, last week we were in _____, this week as from tomorrow we shall be in _____, then Eastern Province _____, then Western Kenya, all the way long encouraging the churches for the revival of the spirit of prayer and service 7T 9-10.

"The missionary spirit needs to be revived in our churches. Every member of the church should study how to help forward the work of God both in home and foreign countries....And ministering angels will cooperate with every member of the church who will labour unselfishly for the Master." 6T 29-30....

God bless you. B.N., Kenya.

Dear Brother Bob,

Blessed be the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who provides for all our needs. Too grateful for His goodness.

We received it (support money) as we were preparing for _____ camp. We enjoyed fellowshiping with our brethren from various places. We had _____ and _____ from _____ (he is doing a good job there); brethren from Western Kenya; brother _____ (who for some time had gone back to church, but he has proved it unbearable)

from ____ among others. It was an inspiring camp. Three souls were buried and risen with Jesus at the end of the exercise.

The three of us went for a three day fast and studies thereafter, from which we came energized to visit and encourage centers to hold up the faith and press forward as we look forward to the greatest time of trial. We have since visited three centers. In fact we left ____ on Monday where we enjoyed fellowship on Sabbath. We are set for Western on Friday. Remember us in your prayers that God might bless us all in this work.

In my last communication, I made an appeal to you for a PC or laptop to assist me in ministry. In my research on the internet it is sometimes very inconveniencing on the cybers, especially in research, preparation, and storage. To crown it all, I think you also know how convenient it is to work on such in a more private environment than the public cybers. Place it in your prayers with me, if the Lord might see it good to secure one for us.

In the meantime, tell me how to do my research by topics from the articles on Lightmin web, without having to go through each doc by pages. (Editor's Note: Near the bottom of the opening page of the website you will find a search button that allows you to search the entire site for specific words). In this regard also, consider sending us an EG White CD-ROM. (Editor's Note: God was good enough to allow special funds to come in and these CDs are already purchase and in the mail to you and other workers.) Trusting all into the hands of our heavenly Father.

Thank you and greet all.

Num. 6:24, B.I., Kenya.

FROM PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Dear elder Bob, Christian greetings from PNG.

1 John 3:1.

____ has left the SDA conference church since 2003 after going through much persecution from the church leaders within when (they) suspect on him that he was cooperate with the Independent Ministries. They allow him not to take part in any of the church programs and even put their faces away from him on the Sabbath day. They treat him as (a) stranger and an enemy in the church; he couldn't feel (at) home and comfort in church any longer. So he left the conf. Church and uphold the Present Truth and begin worship with his wife and a son at his home every weekly Sabbath.

After 7 months privately worship at home, we (SDR) included his little home church in our District Preaching list. Local preachers faithfully attend the every Sabbath service. ____ started moving from village to village doing branch Sabbath School and Market Preaching, distribution (of) Pidgin and English pamphlets. After many months, the first convert to join him was his own father, a pioneer Adventist leaving the apostate Conference Church and accept the Present Truth with his son. Gradually people realizing that bro ____ was on the right side comparing (with) SDA conference and other denominations in their areas. As a result, today ____ was a happiest man as he saw some family and relatives started fellowship with him every Sabbath under a mini shelter. I recommend him as one of the self sacrifice and self supportive worker in our rank today....

Spiritual blessings they deserved were during 7 nights of prophetic slide evangelism studies I took. The pulpit was set up just 7 meters away from the main Highlands highway. It was a second time for such program that goes into the heart of the Evangelical Brotherhood Church (EBC) dominated area through one person's willingness and prayerfulness. To turn the whole village, one families or one single sinner to Christ is Holy Spirit's work. He knows well (better) than human who are they will surrender whole to Him. "The sinner is represented as a lost sheep, and a lost sheep never returns to the fold unless he is sought after and brought back to the fold by the shepherd. No man of himself can repent, and make himself worthy of the blessing of justification. The Lord Jesus is constantly seeking to impress the sinner's mind and attract him to behold Himself, the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sins of the world" 1SM 390.

Physical blessings they experiencing is like a night dream; ____ has just sat down and watching while ____ SDR church youths construct the church building with a bush materials and just about to complete only within the 3 days.

Some of the bush materials ____ SDR church youths collected from their own area is; bamboos for walling and roofing posts, and we transport it down to the construction site. Evangelistic meeting started as soon as we arrived at evening hours, and on the next day we started on the building job.

All the prepared materials for building come to an end on the fourth day, so we left the building incomplete. The youths plan to complete the building early next year 2010....

____ home church is situated on the bank of the wide ____ River outside ____ Province. Those areas were said to be back page (remote) part of the Province. ____, mother of seven children and five grand children left the Lutheran church and accept the present truth in 2004, when she lived in ____ town, while her husband serving in the Medical Department as Dentist. But unfortunately her husband left her with children and went away with a new young wife. Situation gets so hard for her with children to live in town so they decide to retreat (back) home. Deprived mother returned back to her village but she walked away with something special more than anything and that is a Present Truth message. She remains faithful with two of her daughters for more than 4 years worship in their home every Sabbath.

Seven people are namely Pr _____, Br _____, _____, _____, Sis _____ and _____, I (elder _____) plus our faithful sons and daughter namely _____ 14, _____ 13, and _____ 9. We all left _____ town for a two hours journey by truck to _____, Middle _____ pick-up point. Spend a night there at the sight and in the morning of Wednesday 17th /11 /09, we traveled down for another ten hours on the dug out motor canoe to our destination, _____ village in the Middle _____ District.

We arrived at 4:30pm and the pulpit was already erected, so the same night we started our slide evangelism program and continue till Tuesday 26th /11 /09. "Knowing The Time" is our theme for that seven night meetings. Slide program catch the attention of the quite number of villages and its denomination. The highlight of the program is; five souls are with us now ready to attend the Loud Cry Camp (which) will be held on the 13th – 19th December 2009 at _____. Some interested members have requested a church building, and one newly interested family offered their small piece of vacant land to Sister _____ to build the church. Pr _____ and his team from _____ SDR church will erect their church building in near future.

On the 26th November, we left _____ bound for _____. This return trip was a challenging one. It took us a full day and one-half to returned, spend a night on our way. More challenges back, when you are on God's purpose, a day and a half sitting, no good rest, limited food, bad weather (rain) ect... you had to encounter.

Inspiration says – "Those who work for God will meet with discouragement, but the promise is always theirs: 'Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.' Matthew 28:20. God will give a most wonderful experience to those who will say: 'I believe Thy promise; I will not fail nor become discouraged.'" 6T 335.

Yours fellow servant in Christ, E.S., for P.K., Papua New Guinea.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES

(Combination of 2 letters) Dear Bro Bob,
3 John 2.

Hi! Bro Bob, how are you? First of all I really wanted to thank and praise God for all His blessing and protection and for all His goodness and love. I also want to thank you brother Bob for all your prayers and support. I am praying that our great God will continue to bless you, your family and your ministry.

Your support really help us so much in our work. Through this means, we were able to help several families who really need help especially our brethren in the faith. We were able to extend help in cash to our sister who was separated from her husband and were force to provide and support the needs of their four children by her own. I was able to send shoes for her kids. Last Thursday, I visited our brethren in _____, _____ especially those families who are very poor. Before going there, I bought foods that they need and gave it out to them. I also gave cash money to a family who's head of the family is sick and were not able to work because of his condition and which I also told you in my last letter that I also helped out. I also visited an old-widowed lady who is also sick. I also gave her the food that I bought and cash money also. They were very thankful for all this help.

After visiting our brethren there, I went straight to our brethren in _____ and extended help to nine families there which I gave extra help to our sister there who is also a widow and is sick of TB. I am planning Bro Bob to buy some herbs in _____ to be given out to those of our brethren who are sick. Also through the means that you've sent I was able to provide to every home church here materials for our children that they need for every Sabbath so that they will have something to do every Sabbath. (Editor's Note: Praise God.)

Me and my husband are planning to go to _____ this coming days to visit our brethren there and also to open the work there and establish new churches there as God really wanted us to work for the big cities. May God help us in all our effort to work for His cause and may our service be acceptable to Him as precious fragrant and may His name be glorify in all of this. Please continue to pray for the work here in our place and in all the world. May God use us as His instrument in this closing work....

We just came back from _____. We thank God that He bring us home safe, and were not affected by the tragedy that fell there. It was Sabbath day that the great flood happened in the whole Metro _____. During that Sabbath day, we were in _____, a city province near _____, spending Sabbath with our brethren from _____ and _____ and also with some other observant. We decided to had a fellowship that Sabbath day away from _____, and thank God that it was happened that way. Usually our brothers and sisters from _____ gathered every Sabbath just in one of the park in the city and thank God that the flood happened when they were not there. But sad to say that one of our sister, who was not able to come with us that Sabbath because of unavoidable circumstances got affected by the flood. Their house was flooded by waters up to the second floor of their house, so they needed to transfer from much higher and safer place with her father and two niece. Thank God that this sister and her family is safe. That flood cause great destruction of life and property. The enemy is really gathering his harvest. Signs of the times are thickening around us telling us that the time is really short and Jesus will soon come. This also tells us that we need to accomplish the work in warning our cities as fast as we can by the help of God, so that people will have time and opportunity to know the truth.

Anyway, about our work there, about two families who were with the group of Grover before decided to separate from them and be united with us again. God opened their eyes and helped to see the errors of their

former group especially on the side of health reform. Because Grover and their ministers are not teaching health reform or vegetarianism both by precept and example, so they decided to separate from them and from their error and join back with us and with the truth.

Also, we were able to share and gave studies to some SDA's in _____ on the following days after that Sabbath. We were able to study with them the history and present condition of the church specially about Babylon issue, Sabbath and Health Reform, the Latter Rain and some other important topics. They are really open and are willing to hear more of the message and they are inviting us to share these truths also to their co-church member. We have a schedule of studies with them again this coming week. Please continue to pray for this work Bro Bob that God will provide our needs for His work, for you know that it is really so expensive to travel and without the guidance, help and support of God, we cannot accomplish His work.

Also, before we went in _____, we also visited our brethren in _____, and also extended help to our brethren there. We buy food for them and gave them some amount. After visiting them, we (with my husband and other brethren there) also visited one family who were also with Grovers group. And we talked with them and asked them to sit down and share and talked (out) our differences. They said that they are willing, just give them time for that to decide when will it be.

Till here for now. May God continue to bless you and your family. Thank you so much for your continued support and prayers. May God continue to use us as His agents in spreading the truth.

In Christ, s.b., Philippines.

FROM UGANDA, EAST AFRICA

(Combination of 2 letters) Dear Elder Sessler,

I can say the Lord has once again opened up my ability to move. From the camp new strength was gathered, (and) a day hardly passes without moving out for the Master to help those who may need His loving care.

From _____ (I) visited the _____, talked to two young men about the possibilities in our God in areas of keeping our health if we hearken to His commandments. The next day visited _____, talked much about our Saviour. Stayed at their place over night, got a taxi in wee hours of the morning to (go) home which I rested for one day. The next (day) visited brother _____ of _____ Home. They have a problem which I discovered after a disclosure by the wife that the brother is trying to get another lady or 2nd wife. It was good (that) the brother confessed and asked for time to make right that which has gone wrong. I pleading with the brother to stand for truth which he already knows and preaches the same to many. We are prayerfully putting this family in serious prayer, we kindly ask you do the same.

Visited _____ to try and find out _____ who has almost left us and now fellowships with Calvary Chapel, and stayed the whole day, but waited in vain. I hope to visit shortly (again). I had brief visit to _____ for funeral. Yesterday 8th visited _____ to give some help to the mother of my step dad who is almost breathing his last. Took some food there (as it) is hit with draught and peoples lives are so hard. From thence visited my step sister in _____, she is also having a family problem (where) the husband is fast becoming unfaithful. The enemy is tearing families in pieces! Stopped over to _____ (who) also (is) going through the same trauma (where) the wife run away without any query whatever. The party that is hurt I encouraged them to play the part faithfully as per Scriptures of promise. He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the almighty, surely He shall deliver you from the snare of fowler and from the perilous pestilence (virus), the Lord will keep them even from Aids which is death sentence when contracted.

As Satan is winding up destroying homes and marriages in different societies across the earth. This sin which brought the flood in Noah's day is hovering over us (and) the Holy Spirit is fast being withdrawn from several homes, and angels are looking with sadness upon the experience of many. They (are) heart sick that even the homes (of) those who presume to be Remnant are infected.

I have two requests to make: 1. I have an orphan by the name of _____ that have (been) helped and still needs help. He finished his senior six, supposed to go the University, but at present and even in the future I can not raise the fees and other requirements. We have opted that he goes for Diploma program for the degree is double expensive. The need 720,000= (about \$500 USD) as the degree it would be required of him to pay 1.5 million (about \$1000 USD) for a start. I pray the Lord touches some one for him to get started....

2. There is Land we are buying for Nursery purpose and a place for our worship, we have so far paid 1.5 Million (and) we need 3.5 million (more) Uganda shillings (about \$2300 USD). Whatever the good Lord directs hearts to give we shall be grateful. We have been given deadline which was just extended after pleading with the owners, for 1st deadline ended in July 2009....I know there is a financial crisis world over, but the Lord willing, we need to do the possibilities. Awaiting your positive response (and) God bless you....

The Lord has been good, much as we have to come to terms with the realities of life like death and other afflictions that apprehends those around us -- even relatives....

The group I wrote about some time back as fanatical were arrested and charged under the section of unlawful assembly and other torts.... _____ came up with draft constitution for registration purpose (of our SDR churches). God willing we shall discuss it as (we) gather for a camp meeting at _____ Home Church slated for December...

Thanks are to God for the support and Bible and Spirit of Prophecy funds. It is my prayer that the Lord extends His loving kindness and mercies to all who have made it subject of prayer and sacrifice for this work to spin on.

God Bless the Church. H.K., Uganda.

FROM ZIMBABWE, SOUTH AFRICA

Dear Elder Bob.

“Grace be unto you, and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.” 1 Corinthians 1:3. I salute you my brother in the name of our Lord and them that are of your household and may you all be edified by these words: 1 Corinthians 1:4-9; Ephesians 6:21.

I count it a privilege to have a part also in the completion of this great work of the gospel. I hardly had any breathing space for the past two months. I have devoted myself entirely to the noble work of translation which I am very eager to see completed. I wish to pay a special tribute to the support my wife has continually been extending to me for the success of this work. She has even spent some long hours during the night doing some proof reading and some corrections for the right words to use despite nursing a child. As a result, I have managed to complete 10 tracts this time namely: GOD’S LOVE FOR YOU AND ME; SUNDAY HOLINESS; THE BEAST; The FINAL JUDGMENT; GOD’S LAST MESSAGE OF MERCY TO THE WORLD; THESE LAWS RESTORE HEALTH; HOW DID SIN ORIGINATE?; THE PROMISED GIFT OF TONGUES; THE RISE and FALL of WORLD EMPIRES; and finally THE SECRET RAPTURE AND THE RETURN OF CHRIST.

Mean while, I have also tried by the grace of God to address my brethren on the name issue by responding to a booklet entitled, “GOD’S DENOMINATED PEOPLE” which, I suppose, some of the sentiments it has brought forth have stood in the way against the adoption of the name Seventh-day Remnant on the part of some of our brethren. And to some extent, I thank God for the help this article which I have written, has posed to them. If I had enough space I would send it to you. I did not manage, however, to go to South Africa for the scheduled camp meeting, (but) some of our brethren did.

I think there is much which we are supposed to do here in Zimbabwe to give the third angel’s message with great power, but since we received this message in 2004, most of us have remained conservative in the way we should present this same message to the world. By conservative, I mean the generally held view by most of our brethren as to how we should spread this message is only by holding Bible Studies and not organizing evangelistic meetings, thus engaging into this work on a larger scale. The idea of preaching has emphatically been objected. But I believe, with the short time that is remaining, our people need to take note of this quotation very seriously: “In every effort, such as you are now making, much more good would result from your labors if you had appropriate reading matter ready for circulation. Tracts upon the important points of truth for the present time should be handed out freely to all who will accept them, without money and without price, which might eventually result in a hundred fold returns to the treasury. You are to sow beside all waters....”

“You are not as a people doing one-twentieth part of what might be done in spreading the knowledge of the truth. Very much more can be accomplished by the living preacher with the circulation of papers and tracts than by the preaching of the word alone without the publications. The press is a powerful instrumentality which God has ordained to be combined with the energies of the living preacher to bring the truth before all nations, kindreds, tongues and peoples.

“Many minds can be reached in no other way. Here is true missionary work in which labor and means can be invested with the best results. There has been too great fear of running risks, and moving out by faith, and sowing beside all waters. Opportunities have been presented which have not been grasped and made the most of. There has been too great fear of venturing. True faith is not presumption, but it ventures much. Precious light and powerful truth need to be brought out in publications without delay. There is much lost in waiting to originate matter while there is already in print that which is valuable and appropriate for this time...” Review and Herald, November 4, 1875.

As this is true, it is cause for concern to me, and therefore I am looking forward to see this work finished. I am now remaining with 9 tracts which I am supposed to deal with and immediately I wish, by the grace of God, to begin translating booklets. If perhaps there are some remaining tracts which I do not have here, make your utmost diligence to send them to me that I may finish them before the end of the year....

Moreover, during this period I have held quite a number of Bible Studies with 2 SDA pastors, 1 Jehovah’s Witness leader and several other ordinary people. Some of these studies are still underway especially with the SDA pastors....

In conclusion, I wish to highlight the importance of one mind, one judgement and one faith and that there be no more divisions among us for a healthy progress in our unity. My brother do not forget us also in your prayers and the on-going work in Zimbabwe.

Yours fellow labourer in Christ, B.K., Zimbabwe.