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From Francis:

Dear friends,

As you know by now our ministry of healing centers on Jesus' own principle of discernment: "I do what I see my father doing." We learn by comparing what we think ought to happen to what actually happens. We look around with fresh eyes to see what God is actually doing. In the last Newsletter we talked about a fascinating book, Healing: Fiction, Fantasy or Fact by social anthropologist David Lewis (published in England by Hodder & Stoughton). Dr. Lewis Studies the results of 1890 questionnaires, returned after a John Wimber conference in Harrogate, England (By the way, the 1890 returns are a 76.5% response—very high). In the last Newsletter we talked about the different ways in which the "Word of Hnowledge" was working at Harrogate—which corresponded to what we, too, see in our ministry.

Now we want to share what they found out about how many people actually received physical healing, inner healing and deliverance. Instead of just giving people two choices (i.e. "healed" or "nor healed"), Dr. Lewis wisely allowed for five possibilities: 1) Total healing

2) a great deal of healing

- 3) a fair amount of healing
- 4) a little healing
- 5) no apparent healing

PHYSICAL HEALING

of the 1890 people, 621 received prayer for 867 instances of physical ailments (some of us are sick in more than one area!).

of these: 279 (32%) received either total or a great deal of healing. 222 (26%) received a fair amount of healing. 304 (42%) reported little or no healing.

Lewis did follow-up interviews with 35 of these respondents and found that for 57% the healing was sustained. (By the way, 68 reported total healing.) The questionnaires revealed several more things:

a) Young people ask less often but receive more healing than those

over 60. Also words of knowledge "focused more on younger people.

b) The less educated (the poor of the Gospel) report a higher degree of healing than the better educated, more academic group, even though a large proportion of the conference participants were drawn from the professional academic groups (doctors, teachers + clergy).

INNER HEALING

Here the percentage is higher than for physical healing (we see this, too, at our confavences). Some 748 (40%) received prayer.

of these: 50.5% received either a total healing or a great deal of healing.
28.% " a medium amount.

21.5% " " little or no improvement.

Moreover, the follow-up interviews of 61 cases indicated that 85% sustained that improvement.

DELIVERANCE (i.e. from evil spirits)

Here the percentage is highest of all , Only 104 (6%) received deliverance

ministry: of them

68% receive a total or great improvement, 17.5% received moderate improvement, 14.5% received little or no improvement.

Well, there is; I thought You would like to see it!

love Francis & Judith

EDITORS NOTE

The article from Francis this month is actually the second one he

prepared for our newsletter.

The first was his sharing with you the never before written background and reasons of his decision to marry Judith. This was done because they will celebrate 10 years of marriage on Feb. 9th, and they still get many questions regarding their decision and how they arrived at it.

The article turned out to be 7 typed pages and much too long for inclusion in the the newsletter, but much too valuable not to share.

We want to make this available to everyone. If you want a copy please send a business size stamped self addressed envelope.

We believe that you will be as blessed in the reading of this, as we have.

FISHNET Northeast upcoming conferences

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

FISHNET Northeast will host its annual Leadership Conference in Rutland, Vermont, June 24-28, 1990. Our speakers will include Francis & Judith, Ann Wilson Schaef, Matt, Dennis and Sheila Linn.

Ann Wilson Schaef, an international authority on addictions and codependence, will offer one intense day of teaching her latest insights. Schaef has written some of the clearest materials about addictions that have been published. Her latest book, Escape from Intimacy, explores the way addictions cause us to avoid the depth of real human relationships as God designed us.

Matt, Dennis and Sheila Linn, will come to us after several months of retreat, prayer and writing to prepare a new book. They will minister with Judith and Francis and explore some of the deep meaning of the Gospel for our lives.

Our leaders also will offer workshops in the afternoons, and lead us in evening healing services. Prayer teams will be available to minister to the personal needs of participants, and small groups will help people to process what we are learning. A large bookstore will provide resources to empower your life and ministry. There also will be opportunities to link up with one of the FISHNET regional groups to provide ongoing growth and support throughout the year.

This conference is NOT for beginners, who are encouraged to participate in our open conference in New Jersey. Experience and leadership in healing ministry are a prerequisite for participation.

To inquire about the conference write: Rena Larson, Registrar, R.R.#1, Box 4290, Rutland, VT 05701. You also MUST register in advance to participate in the conference!

SECOND ANNUAL HEALING CONFERENCE

From Friday, March 30 through Sunday, April 1, FISHNET Northeast will host the Second Annual Healing Conference in Newark, New Jersey, focusing on the Power to Be Set Free. We all know Francis and Judith, and remember their power-packed leadership at our first New Jersey Conference, where more than 600 people participated. Don Williams will join in the leadership. Don is an extremely a Vineyard pastor/prophet/teacher serving California, and member of CHM's national advisory All Christians interested in healing ministry are welcome to the conference, which will offer insight and inspiration to people of all levels of experience.

The weekend will include large healing services, opportunities for personal prayer by prayer teams, workshops about numerous aspects of healing and spirituality, and a large bookstore of resources to empower your life and ministry.

The conference also will allow people to explore participation in one of the network of FISHNET regional groups located around the northeast. Regional Groups meet every month to make healing prayer, spiritual growth and mutual support an ongoing part of our lives and ministries, rather than an occasional uplift. We believe that the Holy Spirit is leading us into a deeper, more lasting relationship of community through these regional groups. This conference offers a great way to explore this depth of fellowship.

For more information or to register, write to: Marie Bremser, Registrar, 237 Skukesbury Road, Amherst, MA, 01002. You MUST register in advance to participate in the conference!

ANNUAL CHM CONFERENCE "HEALING OF RELATIONSHIPS"

Our annual conference will be held from Thursday evening, Feb. 15 through Monday noon Feb. 19, 1990 at the Airport Plaza Hotel in Jacksonville.

Healing of relationships is the theme of this conference

with special emphasis being placed on the family.

The speakers will be Francis & Judith MacNutt, The Rev. Tommy Tyson, and the Rev. David Seamands. Drs. Don & Joan Woods will hold afternoon workshops.

Tommy Tyson is a member of our National Advisory Board. He is a well-known and widely respected Methodist preacher and evangelist.

David Seamands is a best-selling author of several acclaimed books that have sold more than a million copies and have been translated into over a dozen languages. He is now professor of pastoral ministries at Asbury Theological Seminary.

Don and Joan Woods are both psychologists with PHD's, Don is currently Director of Christian Psychological Services and Joan is a counsellor at the Christian Counseling Center. Don is presently writing a book on conflict resolution.

Please prayerfully consider joining us in Jacksonville in Feb. at this conference.

ADVANCED TRAINING IN HEALING PRAYER

CHM is offering a class for those desiring in-depth training in the ministry of healing. This class will be taught annually and is a prerequisite to becoming a prayer minister for CHM. It includes teaching in human development, spiritual gifts, qualities of the effective minister, codependency, interviewing and referral skills, spirituality and accountability in ministry. It includes an opportunity to share your questions and get feedback on the people for whom you pray. The class will begin on Tuesday Feb. 27, 1990 and meet on Tuesdays for 10 weeks, from 7:30 to 9:00 PM. The cost is \$120.00. If you are interested in attending please fill out the information below and return to CHM Advanced Training in Healing Prayer:

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Resources to Help Your Ministry and Life:

LOVE IS A CHOICE

Unlike so many books about codependence, Drs. Robert Hemfelt, Frank Minirith, and Paul Meier have prepared a thoroughly Christian description of the problem and the process of healing in their book, Love Is A Choice: Recovery for Codependent Relationships. These three medical doctors, who also have earned degrees in psychology and theology, explore the causes and destructive thought-patterns that underlie codependence.

Then they lead the reader through the roller-coaster ride of recovery: down into deep pain, and up into health. They describe ten stages which include: exploration and discovery, relationship history, addiction control, goodbyes, grief, new perceptions, new experiences, reparenting, accountability and maintenance. Only with the realization that God alone can fill our need for love, and the recognition that we are meant to live interdependently, does health come. But health does come! By establishing a relationship with Christ, we are set free to develop healthy relationships with others.

Reviewed by Elizabeth Lowell, cochairperson of the FISHNET Northeast Healing Conference (to be held in Rutland Vermont, June, 1990 #B184..........\$14.95

THE POWER BEYOND

Sometimes it is very easy to believe in healing. At other times the disappointments and questions shake our certainty and send us searching. Grazier's book, The Power Beyond: In Search of Miraculous Healing, provides a truly unique and indispensable resource for the questions of the inquisitive beginner to the seasoned person of prayer. Jack explores a wide range of contemporary and historic prayer ministries while examining a spectrum of issues from infertility to inner healing, from amazing miracles to devastating disappointments, from the workings of evil to the work of God. Traveling this journey with Jack provides a delightful and intriguing adventure because of his playful humor, his marvelous story-telling, his reporter-style inquisitiveness, his fearless exploration of doubt and belief, his creative weaving of what we know and don't know, and his honest disclosures about his own search.

Francis writes about the book, "I found <u>The Power Beyond</u> hard to put down...I do think <u>The Power Beyond</u> deserves to be a best-seller."

Reviewed by Marsh Hudson-Knapp, pastor of the First Congregational Church UCC in Fair Haven, Vermont. #B107......\$17.95

BOOK AND TAPE RESOURCES

HEALING This is the original book on healing by Francis MacNutt. It describes the four kinds of healing. HEALING has sold more than a million copies in the U.S.

#B067.....\$4.95

HEALING Evangelical edition, forward by John Wimber. This classic resource on Christian Healing was revised in 1988 and is appropriate for all Christians. Truly a great book

#B065.....\$7.95

THE POWER TO HEAL The 2nd book by Dr. MacNutt focuses on practical material, sharing what he has learned from experiences in praying for others for both physical and emotion healing. John Wimber uses this book in his courses.

#B045.....\$4.95

NOT SOMETHING HAPPENING IN A TENT 8 audio tapes move step by step through a course on basic healing given by Francis. Combines much of the material contained in his first two books includes a teaching on deliverance.

#A009.....\$25.00

A COURSE ON CHRISTIAN HEALING 18 audio tapes drawing on current experience and studies covering all major areas of Christian healing ministries by Francis and Judith. Designed with depth so that everyone can benefit.

#A014.....\$65.00

THE PRAYER THAT HEALS This warm winning book makes most people wonder why we haven't been praying for one another. #B047.....\$2.95

ARTHRITIS HEALING SEMINAR 3 Audio tapes covering inner and physical healing of arthritis. Teachings by Francis & Judith and a personal testimony by Anne Bloch.

#A001.....\$15.00

<u>CANCER HEALING SEMINAR</u> 3 audio tapes cover the spiritual and physical healing aspects of cancer. Teachings by Francis & Judith with a testimony by Petey Gonzales.

#A004.....\$15.00

BACK AND ORTHOPEDIC HEALING SEMINAR 2 tapes on teachings by Francis & Judith which cover both physical and inner healing in relation to back and orthopedic problems #A002......\$10.00

EATING DISORDERS This conference features Dr. Tom Wikstrom, Mary Bellofatto, Anne Bloch and Judith MacNutt teaching about the various types of eating disorders and how Jesus through diet and prayer support can heal them.

6 audio tapes #A017......\$30.00 5 videos of complete conf.. #V009......\$112.00 1 video tape of highlights #V010......\$35.00

Dr. David Seamands

The CHM Conference in February features best-selling author, Dr. David A. Seamands. To acquaint you with his gifts and teachings, we encourage you to read his books. Dr. Seamand's books glow with the gift of inspiring, moving story-telling. He tells true tales of real people in a way that enlightens and empowers us for new life.

GOD'S BLUEPRINT FOR LIVING: New Perspectives on the Ten Commandments examines how many Christians discard the ten commandments because we see them as antiquated and irrelevant. By exploring the commandments in their historical context, and the ways the New Testament restated and expanded them, Dr. Seamands helps us to rediscover deep insights about human nature to guide today's Christians in our personal and social living. #8089...........\$10.35

HEALING OF MEMORIES: Dr. Seamands explores the power of memories and why they sometimes need healing. This book explains biblical foundations for this ministry, mis-understandings about God that sometimes make it difficult, and guidelines for healing of memories prayer and follow-up.

#B026.....\$8.95

HEALING FOR DAMAGED EMOTIONS; Weaving together the wisdom of the Bible and profound contemporary experiences, Dr. Seamands describes the way we suffer emotional wounds, especially guilt, perfectionism, low self-esteem and depression, and the ways God can set us free. #B021.......\$6.95
HEALING FOR DAMAGED EMOTIONS: LEADERS
GUIDE; A study group guide #B180......\$5.95

PUTTING AWAY CHILDISH THINGS; Dr. Seamands examines rigid commandments we learn in childhood which can imprison us through a lifetime, including: "Measure Up!" "Don't cry!" "Don't be angry!" The author reveals childish illusions that often blind us as adults, and guides us into freedom and maturity.

#B181.....\$6.95

PUTTING AWAY CHILDISH THINGS; LEADERS GUIDE; A guide for using the book in a study guide.

#B182.....\$5.95

HEALING GRACE is among Dr. Seamands' most recent writings. After counseling for years with Christians who are trying with all their hearts to make life better, he has found that many earnest Christians feel disillusioned and defeated. This has convinced him that we are substituting performance for grace. Dr. Seamands helps us to identify our problem and guide us into experiences of God's grace in our thoughts, feelings and behaviors, and in our relationships with others, ourselves, and our loving God.

#B183.............\$14.95

CHM COMING EVENTS

| DATE | EVENT | SPEAKERS | LOCATION | CONTACT |
|---|---|---|--|---|
| 1/18-20/90 | Noel Convention | Judith MacNutt | Fairfax, VA | Mrs. Mary Ann Dacey 703-591-NOEL |
| 2/10/90 | Journal writing Workshop | Dr. Maria Santa-Maria | St. Johns Cathedral Jacksonville, Fl | Dr. Santa-Maria 904-765-3332 |
| 2/15-19/90 | CHM Annual Conference "Healing of Relationships" | Francis & Judith MacNutt Tommy Tyson David Seamands Don & Joan Woods | Airport Plaza Hotel Jacksonville, Fl | Shirley Maddux 904-765-3332 |
| 2/27/90 to 5/1/90 | Advance Training in Healing Prayer for 10 weeks | Francis & Judith MacNutt Dr. Maria Santa-Maria | CHM Center Jacksonville, Florida | Shirley Maddux 904-765-3332 |
| 3/31/90 | Fishnet Annual Conference "Power to be set free" | Francis & Judith MacNutt Don Williams | Newark, NJ | Marie Bremser 237 Skukesbury Rd Amherst, MA 01002 |
| 6/7-9/90 | Healing Conference | Francis & Judith MacNutt Don Williams | San Diego, CA | Shirley Maddux 904-765-3332 |
| 6/24-28/90 | Fishnet annual leadership conference | Francis & Judith MacNutt Ann Wilson Schaef Matt, Dennis & Sheila Linn | Rutland, VT | Rena Larson R.R. #1 Box 4290 Rutland, VT 05701 |
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