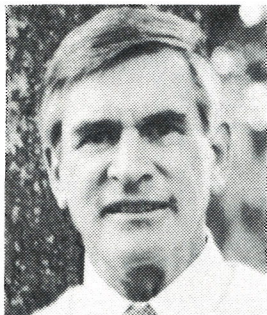


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From Francis:

Dear Friends,

Recently we made another exciting discovery about one of the ways that the Lord heals people.

It happened in this way. A young couple from a thousand miles distance came to Jacksonville for prayer because the young wife had suffered a recurrence of cancer. Her first cancer had ended in a mastectomy, but now, a year later, the dread disease had come back. Only now it was more invasive, affecting the lungs and other parts of her body. The doctors held out little hope, although they still wanted to perform a bone-marrow transplant, followed by extensive chemo. To make the situation more poignant, the couple had a four-year old son. (Ordinarily we put such people in touch with someone in their part of the country but neither we nor they knew anyone within a hundred miles of them.)

When they came here, several of us gathered and spent several hours praying with the lovely young mother and her husband. When possible we like to have some external sign to check on how the sick person is responding to prayer; with her the one thing we could check was a small tumor under her arm about the size of a pea. In two hours the tumor shrunk until, as her husband described it, it was "the size of the tip of a ball-point pen. This was my first experience of sensing that the lump I had been touching was actually shrinking. What a moment!"

On the human level of friendship we really connected with this young couple, so it was discouraging when they phoned the following week to say that the tumor had grown back to its original size. Could they come back? So back

they came. Once again we prayed - and again the tumor shrunk down while we quietly praised God.

Then, a few weeks later, they phoned again with the same baffling news: the tumor had grown back! This clearly was a battle, reminding us of Moses, in the battle against the Amalekites:

"As long as Moses held up his hands, the Israelites were winning, but whenever he lowered his hands the Amalekites were winning. ... Aaron and Hur held his hands up ... so that his hands remained steady til sunset. So Joshua overcame the Amalekite army ... (Exodus 17:11-13).

A third and last time they returned to Jacksonville; again the tumor shrunk. After this they kept their appointment at the cancer clinic in Houston. There they received the really good news. First, the doctors told them that the tumor should have steadily grown - they saw it as 100,000 to one chance that it should have remained so small. It was easy for them then to cut it out. The chest X-ray showed no trace of cancer in her lungs and her blood work showed no progression of cancer in her body.

What we learn in all this is that prayer for healing is sometimes a battle. For some time now we have known about "soaking prayer" but this recent experience (and others like it) shows that the good effects of soaking prayer are real but may not last; the battle may go in the wrong direction if we stop praying. The forces of sickness and death are very real; until they are totally wiped out, they rise up again. We must press forward until Jesus has the total victory. Like Moses we need to keep our arms lifted until sunset!

Love, in Christ,
Francis + Judith
Rachel + David

CHM COMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	SPEAKERS	LOCATION	CONTACT
1/25-26/91	Healing Conference	Francis MacNutt	New Covenant Church Pompano Beach, FL	The Rev. George Callahan 305-781-3170
1/31/91	Becoming Christian Community	Dr. Maria Santa-Maria	St. John's Cathedral Jacksonville, FL	Canon Aaron Uitti 904-356-5507
2/2/91	Healing, Order of St. Luke	Don & Anne Bloch	United Methodist Church Titusville, FL	Wm. P. Swartz, Jr 407-267-6921
2/6-9/91	Conference on Worship	Francis & Judith	St. David's Episcopal Church, Jacksonville, FL	Frances Paul 904-641-8177

HEALING OF RELATIONSHIPS II

2/14 to 17/91	Annual CHM Conference- "Healing of Relationships II"	Francis & Judith MacNutt Dr. David Seamands	Radisson Inn at the International Airport in Jacksonville, FL	CHM 904-765-3332
2/25/91	Reconciliation	Dr. Maria Santa-Maria	All Saints Episcopal Church, Jacksonville, FL	Fr. John Riley 904-737-8488
2/27 To 3/3/91	Healing 1991	Francis & Judith	Glendale Presbyterian Church, Glendale, CA	Rev. Jack Chisholm 818-242-8873
3/15 to 17/91	Annual Fishnet/ N.J. Conference	Francis & Judith Don Williams	New Jersey	Nancy Scholtz

MENTAL HEALTH CORNER

by Dr. Maria L. Santa-Maria

"Stress" has become a household word in our day, much like the common cold, except often with more serious consequences. In spite of the advancements and sophistication of our age, most of us are ill-equipped to deal with it effectively.

For some it may seem archaic to look in the Bible for effective methods to deal with stress. Yet, there is great wisdom in the Word of God regarding the same:

"Be still and know that I am God." (Psalm 46:10); "Do not be anxious about your life... your father in heaven knows your every need" (Matt. 6:25,32); "Cast all your anxieties on him for he cares for you..." (1 Peter 5:7); "In returning and rest you shall be saved...." (Isaiah 30:15)

"Resting in the Lord" reduces stress and even guards us against it. It is the most excellent way to deal with stress for the Christian.

A Note from Francis:

Our November conference for Christian therapists was wonderful! Of the 150 who attended almost everyone said that they wanted a second meeting next year. So, next-year we plan on hosting a conference for therapists. It is always encouraging when people's lives are changed by these conferences. One counselor, Donald Vittner M. Div., M.S., M.A. sent us a remarkable letter from his office (in Cleveland) in which he writes:

"I thoroughly enjoyed your recent conference. I had always considered myself a good Christian therapist and had tried hard to be one. However, after the Saturday night meeting I wept bitterly for an hour in repentance for not being the Christian healing therapist I might

have been for the last 20 years if I had known then what I learned at your workshop.

This past week has been a glorious week. Each day I spent more time in prayer with my clients that I had done previously in a year. I've seen wonderful deliverances with difficult cases and one person came to saving faith in Jesus Christ. I'm sure all these good things are only a beginning." (quoted with permission)

Dear Anonymous Eph 5:20

We respect your wish to remain anonymous for your generous donations. We hope you will understand our wanting to sincerely thank you.

THANK YOU!!

BOOK AND TAPE RESOURCES

CLASSIC

HEALING This is the original book on healing by Francis MacNutt. It describes the four kinds of healing. Agnes Sanford described this book as "the most scholarly and comprehensive book on Christian healing I have ever read," More than a million copies sold in the U.S. #B067.....\$4.95

I'll Quit Tomorrow by Vernon E. Johnson. Dr. Johnson presents the concepts and methods that have brought new hope to the alcoholic--active, potential, or recovering--and to family, friends, and employers. This book is widely used in chemical dependency treatment centers, industry, medical schools, and universities throughout the country. #B195...\$8.95

THE POWER TO HEAL The second book by Dr. MacNutt focuses on practical material, sharing what he has learned from experiences in praying for others. Wimber uses this book in his courses. #B045..\$4.95

The Healing Gifts of the Spirit by Agnes Sanford. This practical guide to spiritual healing blends insightful spiritual reflection and the wisdom of hard-won experience in a reliable and inspiring handbook for developing our innate capacity for richer living and richer giving through the healing gifts of the Spirit. A True Classic. #B022....\$9.95

The following Books are by DAVID SEAMANDS a Featured Speaker at the HEALING OF RELATIONSHIPS II conference.

God's Blueprint for Living: New perspectives on the Ten Commandments examines how many Christians discard them because we see them as antiquated and irrelevant. #B089.....\$9.98

Healing for Damaged Emotions: Weaving together the wisdom of the Bible and profound contemporary experiences, Dr. Seamands describes the way we suffer emotional wounds. #B021....\$7.95

Putting away Childish Things: Dr. Seamands examines rigid commandments we learn in childhood which can imprison us for a lifetime. #B181..\$7.95

Putting away Childish Things Leaders Guide: A study group guide for the book. #B182....\$5.95

Healing Grace: Dr. Seamands guides 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

ANGELS by Judith MacNutt. This is an audio cassette tape of a delightful talk by Judith concerning her personal experiences with angels and interesting experiences of others with angels. One of our most popular and beloved tapes. #A025.....\$5.00

Magnificent Obsession by John White. This well known author covers the joy of Christian commitment in a gentle loving way. A really powerful call to Christian Discipleship. #B291.....\$6.95

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

The Gauthor describes how modern mysticisms---existential, religious, aesthetic, sexual-- have replaced reason as a guide to life. #B290.....\$9.95

A Course on Christian Healing Teachings by Francis and Judith on 18 audio tapes drawing on current experience and studies covering all major areas of Christian healing. Designed with depth and comprehensiveness so that everyone can benefit. Particularly suited for a study group or adult Sunday School class. #A014.....\$65.00

NEW BOOK

Living with Your Dreams: Living with your dreams can be very difficult--especially when you live without their fulfillment. During the sixteen years that David and Helen Seamands were missionaries in India, many of their dreams were damaged. Dr. Seamands draws from their experiences, as well as from the life of Joseph the dreamer, to show how God wants to refine and reshape your dreams into his dreams. He deals realistically with disappointment, and points the way to restoration and healing. #B271....\$14.95

Healing of Memories: Dr. Seamands explores the power of memories and why they sometimes need healing. This book explains biblical foundations for this ministry and guidelines for healing of memories prayer and follow-up. #B026.....\$9.95

#B107.....\$7.95

#B193.....\$15.95

#B065.....\$7.95

A003.....\$30.00

#A001.....\$15.00

#B192...\$7.95

#V011.....\$35.00

#A009.....\$25.00

A004.....\$15.00

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INTERCESSORS REPORT

by Joy Lamb

PRAISE REPORTS

Allan W. writes-Good news I am continuing to be healed of my Quillian Barre Syndrome. I have taken first steps at parallel bars. Thank's for your prayers!!

Thank God I am out of depression, and have also gone through the forgiveness phase toward the doctors--God is using me now.

From B. requested prayer for bone marrow transplant. She is doing great. Many thanks.

Love and Blessings to all of you!!

Joy Lamb

NEWS ITEM

In what may be the most important recent development in our ministry, on January 3, we "commissioned" about 40 people to help in praying with the sick who come here for prayer. (The story in this newsletter about the young couple who traveled to Jacksonville to pray for the wife's cancer is a good example of the great need we have faced.) Every day many people phone asking if they can come for prayer, and we have only been able to see a few of them.

But now, these 40 prayer partners, many of them drawn from the Intercessors group gathered by Mrs. Joy Lamb, will select times to be here, so that all during our working day there will be someone available here at our center to pray for the sick--especially those with physical ailments.

For a long time we have hoped for this, and now it is actually happening!!

MY PRAYER REQUESTS: _____

MY PRAISE REPORTS: _____

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