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Lessons from History

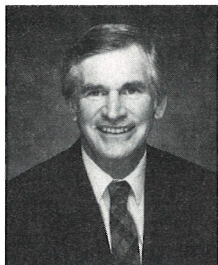
By Francis
MacNutt

Recently as I have been reading a history of the Church (*This Our Church* by Wm. Herr. Chicago IL: Thomas More Ass., 1986), a fascinating, disturbing pattern has become clear. God's **answer** to the Church in one generation becomes the **problem** of the next generation! And it happens over and over again! The object lesson from this is that we must move on, and we truly need to listen to the Holy Spirit and not simply look to the past for our answers.

One clear example in the Old Testament is how God instructed Moses to set up a bronze serpent on a stick, so that whoever might look at it was healed of a snake-bite during their wanderings in the desert (Numbers 21: 5-9). But then, centuries later, the good, reforming King Hezekiah "broke into pieces the bronze snake Moses had made" because the Israelites had started to worship it (2 Kings: 18:4).

The example in church history that most of us know best is the conversion of the Roman Emperor Constantine. Most of us today judge this as the start of a long decline in the Church, but look at it as if you had actually lived during that period. You are a Christian, a member of a persecuted minority; you probably had friends and relatives who were martyred during the fierce persecution of the Roman Emperor Diocletian. If you refused to offer sacrifice to pagan gods, you were subjected to excruciating torture.

Diocletian abdicated in 305 AD, and six years later the persecution finally ceased. In 312 AD Emperor Constantine won the famous battle of



the Milvian Bridge after seeing a vision of the Cross. Suddenly the Emperor converted and was promoting Christianity as vigorously as Diocletian had tried to destroy it. In a few short years everything was reversed. What a cause for rejoicing it would have been. You could move from underground prayer in the catacombs into broad daylight while pagan temples were everywhere being converted into the first Christian churches! Everyone was becoming a Christian.

Let's celebrate! We've been waiting 300 years for this glorious day.

We now know the downside. Once it became fashionable to be a Christian, mediocrity set in. A hundred years later, if you really were serious about being a Christian you had to escape the worldly Christian society by fleeing to the desert in imitation of St. Anthony. Rome was falling and the barbarians were at the gate.

Constantine tried to help the church by giving the bishops secular power, while he used the Church to unify the Empire by promoting one religion, (Continued on page 3)

Dear Friends,

As we approach the celebration of Christmas and the start of a new year, several important changes are occurring here at CHM. One is that Dr. Jackie Canepa, our administrator, and Nan Wigginton, our conference coordinator are both retiring before the end of the year. They have served very faithfully and we will miss them. We see this as an opportunity to think creatively about how to redirect CHM, so we can fulfill the mission we believe that God has given the ministry. We are prayerfully exploring many possibilities with our Board of Trustees and National Board, so please pray for us.

As many of you know, I have been working for five years on a book about deliverance from evil spirits. With our editor at Chosen Books, Jane Campbell, I set a timetable of finishing it by October 1, and delivering the re-write by November 1. The book is finally completed and is supposed to come out next June. Thank you for your prayers and support during the writing of this challenging book on spiritual warfare. It has been a battle, but our Lord has enabled us to triumph, and we believe he has plans to use this book for further victories.

Last of all, it is that time of the year we wish to appeal to your generosity. As you know, a little more than half our budget is taken care of by your contributions. We hardly ever have more than a month's expenditures in the bank. We take it month by month like manna in the desert, and depend on the Lord's bounty coming to us, as the Spirit guides you to help us. Our expenditures are frugal, our salaries are modest, and the people who attend our conferences and our seminars are blessed. You keep our doors open to the wounded and sick. Please if the Spirit encourages you bless our ministry with your gift. For all of you who have been helping we are deeply grateful and we ask that our Lord might in turn bless you!

Yours in Christ,
Francis

MPD Conference

Dissociative Identity Disorder (MPD) and Severe Childhood Abuse

January 27-28, 1995

A two-track conference focusing on the combined roles of the church and professional treatment community in effective treatment of survivors.

FEATURED SPEAKERS:

James G. Friesen, Ph.D. — is a psychologist, author and a director of Shepherd's House, a counseling center in Southern California. His doctorate is in Clinical Psychology, and he has a masters degree in Theology. He belongs to a team of Christian MPD therapists and works alongside a network of churches which are utilizing a new emerging paradigm that improves the effectiveness of healing from childhood traumas.

His books, *Uncovering the Mystery of MPD* and *More Than Survivors: Conversations With Multiple Personality Clients*, were top sellers at the Atlanta '92 International Congress on Christian Counseling where there were 2,300 Christian therapists from 35 countries. He has been at the forefront in equipping therapists in this area. His books are directed to the general public and have promoted understanding among church leaders, lay persons, and MPD therapists.

Shloe Floerke-Flanagan, M.A. — is a licensed Mental Health Counselor who works with Christian Healing Ministries and Dr. Thomas Wikstrom, a Christian psychiatrist. Prior to joining CHM some seven years ago, she was a Clinical Coordinator of a JCAH - accredited Addictions Treatment Center in a Missouri Psychiatric Hospital. Shloe currently counsels a wide variety of clients including those with dissociative and multiple personality disorders, and Satanic Ritual Abuse (SRA) victims. She is a charter member of a recently formed caucus of care givers from across the nation who promote psychological and spiritual healing for SRA survivors.

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ABOUT THE TWO-TRACK CONFERENCE:

This two-track conference will focus on the combined roles of the church and professional treatment community in effective treatment of the severe childhood abuse survivor. This two-day event will target clergy, church leaders and professional therapists. A community-based model will be presented in which a multi-disciplinary approach to treatment will be proposed to better meet the extensive needs of the survivor.

Dr. Jim. Friesen will lead the church community track and Shloe Floerke-Flanagan, the professional therapist track. Joint sessions will be scheduled with opportunity for interdisciplinary dialogue.

Plan to attend this important conference and encourage your church/professional group to send teams who are currently working with survivors or entertain that idea for the future.

CONFERENCE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

Goals: 1) To educate the church and clinical communities about solutions to the complex issues in treatment of Dissociative Identity Disorders and Severe Childhood Abuse Survivors. 2) To acquaint participants with a community based model in which a multi-disciplinary approach to treatment will be proposed for more fully meeting the survivors needs. 3) To provide a forum for interdisciplinary dialogue.

Learning Objectives: 1) Present a comprehensive overview of Dissociative Identity Disorder with a focus on Severe Childhood Abuse. 2) Expose myths and misconceptions surrounding this complex disorder. 3) Increase recognition and diagnostic skills as well as needs assessment for the survivor of severe abuse. 4) Upgrade skills for referral and treatment of the disorder drawing from a multi-disciplinary team. 5) Facilitate an awareness of and need for boundaries to avoid common treatment pitfalls.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Day/Time: Registration - Thursday, 7-8 PM & Friday 8-8:45 AM
Conference - Friday & Saturday 9 AM - 9 PM.

- Location: Airport Holiday Inn / P.O. Drawer 18409 / Jacksonville, FL 32218/ (904) 741-4404
- Room Rates: Contact the hotel direct for room reservations
Motel room \$40 Tower room \$50
- Conference Cost: \$100 per person Clergy \$75
- Meal Plan: \$58, for six meals, including gratuities.

Further Information: Contact Ann Bauwens at CHM (904) 765-3332

PREPARE EARLY FOR THE CONFERENCE:

ORDER JIM FRIESEN'S BOOKS

Uncovering the Mystery of MPD by James G. Friesen, Ph.D.
#B351 Soft-cover \$12.99

More Than Survivors: Conversations With Multiple Personality Clients by James G. Friesen, Ph.D.
#B076 Soft-cover \$10.99

CONFERENCE TOPICS:

General Sessions with Jim Friesen: Theological Perspective of MPD, Crisis Management and Problem Solving, False Memory Syndrome, Question and Answer Sessions

Clergy Track with Jim Friesen: Treatment of MPD/SRA - The Christian Approach, Spiritual Warfare, Equipping the Church To Work Effectively With Christian Therapists, Co-Dependency Issues In Clergy and Helpers—Boundaries, Dealing With Difficult Victims/Survivors,

Therapists Track with Shloe Floerke-Flanagan: MPD -Cause and Diagnosis, Defining of Roles Responsibilities and Boundaries: Client/Therapist/Support Personnel, Programming, Christian vs. Secular Counseling, Protection—Spiritual Warfare, Developing, Training and Relating to Support Personnel

ATTENTION LAY COUNSELORS:

*It is important that if you are a lay counselor, currently working with and desiring further training with SRA and MPD survivors, that you be recommended for attendance by your Priest/Pastor. A letter of validation must be typed and signed by your Priest/Pastor on letterhead paper from your Parish accompanying the registration form and fee. (next page)

Lessons...

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forcibly imposed. This began the intertwining of political power and the Church which we have had to struggle with ever since. So what helped the Church in 312 was hurting it in 400. It was time to move on.

And so it goes. We have to sift out what is eternal divine truth from our human traditions, which we are always tempted to believe are divine traditions.

In the 12th and 13th centuries, in an effort to escape the clutches of the Kings and Emperors who had the power to appoint venal bishops, the

Popes wanted to assert their spiritual power. The Pope changed from simply being the "Vicar of Peter" to becoming the "Vicar of Christ." It worked for that century. The Popes got back some of the spiritual power the rulers had usurped. But later, this proved a problem. How can a good Catholic, even today, withstand a Pope, the vicar of Christ, as Paul "withstood Peter to his face" without feeling shame and guilt.

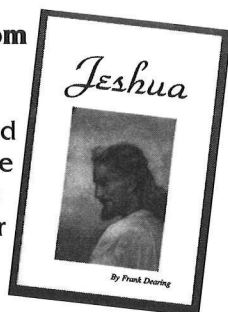
Reading this fascinating, but painful, history we are reminded of the extraordinary need we have for the New Law, which is primarily the guidance of the Holy Spirit, who enables us to move creatively into the coming days and years. "Come Holy spirit and guide your faithful."

From The Bookstore

NEW—Father Frank Dearing's last book, published posthumously by those who loved him.

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by Frank Dearing
(with The Reverend Bob Marsh editing the original manuscript.)
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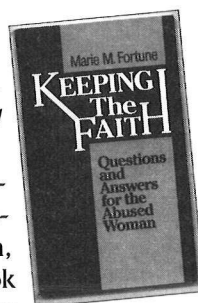
Keeping the Faith

by Marie M. Fortune
Questions and Answers for the Abused Woman.

Many abused Christian women feel abandoned by their church, and by God. This book is written to remind you that now more than ever you need your faith and support of the community of faith.

Marie Fortune is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ and director of the Center for Prevention of Sexual and Domestic Violence in Seattle.

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News & Views

By Joy Abney

• Dr. Jackie Canepa and Nan Wigginton believe that the Lord is calling them to retire from their ministry here at CHM and to work together closer to home. Jackie feels like she has done what God called her to do at CHM and now He is opening another door to ministry; they believe that the Lord would have them work to develop a healing prayer ministry at Reconciliation Episcopal Church, where Jackie's husband, Paul, is rector. Prayer minister Frances Hanusek is also a communicant at the church and will be joining them in this wonderful endeavor. Jackie, Nan, and Frances want to use the wonderful skills that they have gained in their years at CHM to bring God's healing power to their community. Jackie and Nan have commuted from their homes in St. Augustine Beach to CHM four days a week, over 50 miles in each direction, and we know that this has taken a toll. We all will miss them very much, but pray for the Lord's blessing on their new ministry.

• Every Tuesday at noon a group gathers at Dearing Hall to discuss and pray about **eating disorder** issues. The meeting uses material developed by Overeaters Anonymous.

• If there is enough interest, we would like to offer a weekly class on Contemplative Prayer and deepening spirituality. We had a presentation on Contemplative Prayer at our Holiness Conference and since then, we have received many favorable comments. Some interest has been expressed for an on-going study of this area of spirituality. A one-hour class at lunch time or in the evening is being considered. If there is enough interest both could be offered. Please call or write CHM, Attention: Joy Abney, giving your name, address, and phone number if you would like more information.

Registration Form:

DISSOCIATIVE IDENTITY DISORDER (MPD) AND SEVERE CHILDHOOD ABUSE CONFERENCE—JANUARY 27-28, 1995

Name _____ Denomination _____

Therapist ☐ Clergy ☐ *Lay Counselor ☐ (See note, page 2)

Address _____ Phone# _____

City, State, Zip _____

Please indicate if you want continuing Education Credits: Yes ☐ No ☐

Enclosed is a check, money order, or charge authorization for:

Registration Fee ☐ Meal Plan ☐ TOTAL \$ _____

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Authorized Signature _____ Exp. Date _____

Make checks payable to **Christian Healing Ministries, Inc.** in American funds, please.

Speaking Engagements and Staff Schedule

Dates	Event	Location	Staff	Contact & Phone
12/2/94 - 12/3/94	"The Ministry of Angels: Messengers from God"	St. Peter's Episcopal Church 5042 Timuquana Rd. Jacksonville, FL 32210	Judith and Francis MacNutt	CHM (904) 765-3332
12/8/94	Luncheon Speaker / 12 noon	Pepe's Restaurant Clearwater, FL	Francis MacNutt	JoEllen 800/851-9777, ext. 2827
12/8/94	"The Healing Minisrty Around The World"	Roman Catholic Cathedral St. Petersburg, FL	Francis MacNutt MacNutt	JoEllen 800/851-9777, ext. 2827
1/12/95 - 1/14/95	"The Lord is Near to the Brokenhearted"	Cathedral of St. Luke and St. Paul Charleston, SC	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Frenchie Richards (803)884-8651
1/27/95 - 1/28/95	Dissociative Identity Disorder (MPD)	Holiday Inn, Airport Jacksonville, FL	Shloe Flanagan Jim Friesen	CHM (904) 765-3332
2/2/95 - 2/5/95	Healing	Dothan Christian Fellowship 2954 John D. Odom Rd. Dothan, AL 36303	Jackie Canepa Norma Dearing	Larry Bolden (205) 671-5083
2/17/95 - 2/19/95	Camp Far Out	Lake Yale Eustis, FL	Francis MacNutt Tommy Tyson	Bob Young (813) 577-0994
3/2/95 - 3/5/95	The 1995 ACT Southern California Conference	Bahia Hotel San Diego, CA	Francis and Judith MacNutt Fr. Joseph Girzone	(301) 470-ACTS
3/31/95 - 4/2/95	Fishnet Conference	Scranton, PA	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Rena Larson (802) 773-7210
5/22/95 - 5/26/95	1995 Charismatic Leaders Conference For Charismatic Concerns	Canterbury Center Orlando, FL	Francis and Judith MacNutt	
6/16/95 - 6/17/95	"Healing and Deliverance" Leaders Conference in Steubenville	Franciscan University of Steubenville, Franciscan Way Steubenville, OH 43952	Francis and Judith MacNutt John Wimber	Fr. Michael Scanlan (614) 283-3771
6/25/95 - 6/29/95	Annual Fishnet Leaders Conference	Rutland, VT	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Rena Larson (802) 773-7210
7/7/95 - 7/8/95	Annual Rocky Mountain Fishnet Conference	Billings, MT	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Bob McFarland Marge McFarland (406) 420-7159
7/26/95 - 7/29/95	1995 National Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference, "From Generaltion to Generation"	Orlando, FL	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Walter Matthews Sr. Nancy Kellar (703) 972-0225



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