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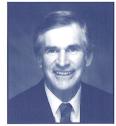
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Y2K: The Year of Jubilee

by Francis MacNutt

The Year 2000, according to traditional Judeo-Christian belief, is the year of Jubilee. What does that



mean? It is an extraordinary date meant to occur every 50 years (see Leviticus 25:8), but perhaps it is even magnified for the millennial year. In the Jubilee year, a time of rejoicing, all slaves were to be set free, all property was to be returned to its original owners, and all debts were to be canceled.

The year of Jubilee is especially important since Jesus, in his first talk—his own "State of the Union" address (Luke 4:18-19, which quotes Isaiah 61:1-3)—boldly stated that He came "to proclaim release (freedom) to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor" (i.e. the year of Jubilee).

As we approach Y2K, I believe we should be asking ourselves: "What is my own personal response to this great year of Jubilee?"

I believe it means that we need to set free anyone we have not forgiven. By experience I know that when someone holds something against me, I actually feel something bound up in me: I am not free. Even without words, that unforgiving person, my "enemy," has somehow imprisoned me. On the other hand, I can free those who have hurt me by forgiving them. Forgiving others releases them in a very real way.

In my humanity I seek to punish—"an

eye for an eye" (Matthew 5:38): this is a normal reaction, even for many Christians. But Jesus has told us to cut through the everlasting circle of violence. He taught that to forgive our enemies is love's highest act. He tells us to forgive our enemies even when they are in the wrong.

Humanly, I don't think this is really possible. So we need to pray for a healing of hard hearts by asking Jesus to pour his own forgiving love into our hearts to enable us to do what we cannot do on our own: "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34a). So, as Christians, we should enter this extraordinary year seeking reconciliation and peace.

In learning to love, in learning to forgive, we gradually become healing persons — not just people who pray for others, but Christians whose very presence brings healing. Our dear friend Tommy Tyson once said that just as we become sick when we are around sick people, we should be able to catch health when we are around Christians. This is our noble ideal and, at times, I have actually seen it happen.

Lord, help us, heal us, so we can become loving, forgiving, healing persons: that's the best way we can prepare to rejoice in the Year of Jubilee!

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Approaching Y2K: Praying for Healing, Repentance and Reconciliation

by Norma Dearing, Director of Prayer Ministry

As we move into the new millennium, what a wonderful time to reflect back on our lives thus far, reviewing the positive aspects of our past — relationships we have enjoyed, places we have traveled and wonderful experiences that brought us into knowing Jesus as Savior and Lord. It is also an excellent time to consider the mistakes we have made, the grace God has bestowed on us even in the midst of those mistakes, and the wealth of knowledge we gained from the experiences.

In order to live in the healthiest relationship possible with God, as well as with our brothers and sisters in Christ, we must be willing to look at those areas in our personal lives needing reconciliation. We must, as committed Christians, set the standard and example of repentance and reconciliation to a broken world.

As prayer ministers and leaders in God's Army, we are required to take it even farther. We must be willing to stand in the gaps and cry out to God for forgiveness, not only for our personal lives, but for our nation and the world, as well. The Word says, "If my people, who are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways; then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and will heal their land" (II Chronicles 7:14).

Unity in the Holy Spirit

by Grace M. Sarber, Director of Ministry Communications

A visitor to CHM recently commented, "I grew up a specific denomination, but until I understood the power of the Holy Spirit, I was totally unaware of the 'Body of Christ.'" This man, like so many believers who work with, volunteer with and come to CHM, learned that God's goal for His Bride is not denominational. He does not see us as Episcopalian, Roman Catholic, Methodist, Baptist...He sees us as His children.

"For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body —Jews or Greeks, slaves or free — and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many" (I Cor. 12:12).

Denominations can be very important in terms of worship. How we worship our Lord is an important aspect of our relationship with Him, how we know Him. Different denominations choose to worship God in different ways.

I am speaking of mainline Christian churches. There are so-called "Christian" groups and cults that are not part of the body of Christ because they do not believe the basic tenets of the faith, as laid out in the Nicene and Apostles' Creeds — such as the belief that Jesus is the Son of God and came to die for our sins so that we may have eternal life, the belief that Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, the belief in the Triune God, etc. Groups that do not believe in the tenets of Christianity are not options for a Christian to consider as a place of worship.

However, those groups that do agree with the basic tenets of the faith but who simply disagree with other, secondary issues which do not affect the foundation of the faith are all part of the greater Body of Christ and will share with Him in the Wedding Feast as described in the Book of Revelation. We are one body, and God calls us to be a body. Especially in these turbulent times, God seems to be calling us together in His Name in ways He has never done before.

"I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all" (Eph. 4:1-6).

"Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation, One Lord, one faith, one birth. One Holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued."

—The Church's One Foundation, v. 2

Words by Samuel John Stone
(1839-1900)

God has so blessed Christian Healing Ministries in that it is a neutral place where people of all Christian denominations can come together. It is a place of healing, and God is using it even to heal denominational barriers. It is a blessing to sit down with God's children who belong to a variety of denominations and pray together as one body, to be working together toward one goal as one body, not divided along denominational lines but united through the power of the Holy Spirit. Roman Catholics work alongside Protestants of all kinds and those from non-denominational backgrounds as part of the one true Christian body, made so by the ultimate sacrifice of our Lord — which was for us ALL.

"But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it" (Eph. 2:13-16).

I remember a dear woman who volunteered at CHM as a prayer minister before moving to another state. One day a few years ago, as the staff and prayer ministers — Baptist, Catholic, Methodist, Episcopalian, AME, non-denominational, Presbyterian — shared in the Eucharist this woman began to weep. She later told us that she had never taken Communion together with so many different denominations. She received a great healing that day, and we all were blessed by it as the Holy Spirit once again demonstrated His gift of unity.

"The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread" (I Cor. 10:16-17).

At CHM, we stick to the basic tenets of the faith, the common ground upon which all Christians agree. We do not allow the enemy to divide us into camps. We have realized that certain teachings can be divisive, if one is not careful. For example, when we teach on generational healing, we do not get bogged down in denominational differences regarding the subject. We simply bring the teaching to the fundamental point: God can and will heal those things passed down through the generational lines.

I encourage you to begin, in your own life, to break down denominational barriers. Remember that you do not have the blueprint on being a Christian. Your church is not the only group of Christians in the world. God has brought you to that particular church, whether through upbringing or choice, because it is right for you and your worship preferences. But who are any of us to say that we are saved and other Christian groups are not? "Finally, all of you, have unity of spirit, sympathy, love for one another, a tender heart, and a humble mind" (I Pet. 3:8).

Perhaps you have family members who belong to another denomination, and this has divided you as a family. Talk to them about your common ground. Pray for them. Pray with them, if this is possible. Know that God would not have you so divided. His ultimate will is for you to be united in Him and through His love: "How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!" (Ps. 133:1).

The visitor who came to CHM and made the comment about having been unaware of the Body of Christ for so long had it right. God, through His Holy Spirit, had revealed something very important to this man: He is all about unity, not division. He yearns for us to come together in Him as one Body.

And why not? Heaven is not compartmentalized. We will not be divided into denominations when we get there. It would be so much wiser to begin to get to know our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ now, here on earth, so that when we get to heaven we already know our family. Besides, if we do so, God will more likely be able to powerfully use us as a Body to His glory while we are here. And we might be blessed by it. Wouldn't that be something?

"Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful" (Col. 3:14-15).

School of Healing Prayer Level I March 6-9, 2000

As we enter the new millennium, we realize how much closer we are in hopeful expectation to the return of our dear Lord Jesus Christ. When He returns, will He find a faithful and strengthened church? As members of the Body of Christ, we must learn to pray effectively in order to bring God's healing power to each person who desires it. God wants to heal each one of us in body, mind and spirit in order to bring us into a closer relationship with Him.

The School of Healing Prayer Level I prayer ministry training course is a wonderful way to learn how to pray effectively for others. This course represents a foundational, balanced and practical approach to beginning a prayer ministry. CHM is pleased to offer Level I once again at our headquarters in Jacksonville.

Level I emphasizes the healing ministry of Christ and the commission that we, as disciples of Christ are called to fulfill. If you are being called individually to prayer ministry or want to learn how to establish an active prayer ministry in your church or community and you are a member in good standing in your local church, you may want to consider this course.

Level I will be a combination of teaching with staff speaker presentations, video teachings and practice prayer. The course fee is \$175.00. Special discounts are available for ordained clergy and spouses of clergy. Space is limited, so please apply early.

If you are unable to attend, remember that the School of Healing Prayer courses are available for purchase in complete audio and video format. See the CHM Bookstore on page 10 for more details and an order form.

To receive an application to attend the SHP Level I course at CHM in March, please complete and mail the form below.

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Facinga New Millennium of Service to the Lord

by David H. Busse, Executive Director

The end of any calendar year is always a difficult time for a non-profit organization, especially a min-



istry. But as we enter the year 2000, we face additional challenges and opportunities that are not the norm for a new calendar year.

Financially, CHM is perpetually challenged. Because we do not charge for prayer of any kind, our only sources of revenue are direct donations and the sale of our materials through the Bookstore. We are continually depending upon the Lord to supply our needs.

Additionally, CHM is growing by leaps and bounds. In order to keep up with the growth, our staff has increased, our programs have increased and our facilities are becoming increasingly tight.

We have been undergoing a longterm planning process, which is still underway. We will be looking to the future to see where God is taking us.

In the meantime, we have received donations for specific projects, which is always helpful. However, our need for general operating expenses grows everyday. We need funding to pay our staff, each and every one of whom is called here to serve. We need funding to maintain our current facilities, to continue with the development of new programs such as the Foundations teaching series, to support our many prayer opportunities such as the Day of Healing Prayer and Intensive Prayer Ministry, and simply to keep the lights on.

In addition, we have created many new teaching materials and courses over the past several years, which are being used all over the world to spread the Word of God's healing power. We believe these courses to be conceived and brought about by the Lord, and we see their fruit harvested continually. However, the creation and development of these courses takes a great many resources, from staff time to financial commitments.

As we face a new millennium of service to the Lord and seek His will and direction for The Year 2000 and beyond, we ask that you consider if the Lord is asking you to help Christian Healing Ministries. The faithfulness of our supporters is constant, and we are confident that whatever direction the Lord leads us, He will provide the resources necessary through your faith and generosity.

NOTE: All gifts to Christian Healing Ministries are tax-deductible.



Bequests

CHM recently received notice of its first known bequest. A bequest is a financial gift that someone designates for a certain non-profit entity upon his or her death. Others have inquired about this method of giving.

Assets may be transferred to CHM at an individual's death by several methods: a bequest in the individual's will or living trust or by a beneficiary designation. A bequest can be for a specified dollar amount, a specific asset, a percentage of the estate, or the remainder of the estate after all other bequests are made.

If you are interested in receiving further information or in making a bequest to Christian Healing Ministries, please contact David Busse, Executive Director.

CHM's First Two FOUNDATIONS Courses are Now Available

CHM's new Foundations of Healing Prayer courses are being developed as introductory teachings on the subject of healing prayer. After developing our most intensive and in-depth teaching, the School of Healing Prayer, CHM realized there is a very real need for more basic teaching among church bodies and prayer groups. We all need the gradeschool level before we can go on to the high school and college courses.

The Foundations courses are ideal for Sunday School, Christian Education or small group format. They are appropriate for churches which have not had much exposure to the subject of healing prayer but desire to be introduced to this vital and much-needed area of ministry. The first and second courses in this series are now complete and would be wonderful additions to your church's adult education curriculum.

Foundations: Introduction to Healing Prayer

This first Foundations course is a basic introduction to healing. Designed in seven short, 30-minute individual teachings, it is perfect for use in Sunday school classes, home groups or any Christian education class. Francis MacNutt, author of 10 books on healing, covers very basic teachings on "Why Jesus Came" and "Physical Healing." Judith MacNutt, Christian psychotherapist, covers the very important topics of "Forgiveness" and "Emotional Healing." Norma Dearing, Director of CHM's Prayer Ministry, speaks on the importance of "Salvation" and its relationship to healing, and Judge Peter Dearing speaks simply and beautifully on "The Power of the Holy Spirit" and why it is important in the healing ministry. Norma concludes the series with "The Faith and Courage to Pray for Healing."

This course explains the Biblical foundation of healing prayer, defining in simple terms the mystery surrounding this often misunderstood ministry. If you desire to develop a healing prayer ministry in your church, this course is the ideal place to begin. "Introduction to Healing Prayer" will encourage those members of your church who want to be involved in healing prayer but don't know where to start. It also will answer the questions most Christians ask who have not been exposed to healing prayer, questions that all of us have wondered at one point or another. This course is offered both in video and audio format, and it includes a manual, with discussion questions for small group interaction.

"Foundations: Introduction to Healing Prayer" is a perfect beginning and a pre-cursor to our School of Healing Prayer courses, which include more in-depth teaching on how to conduct a healing prayer ministry. For prices, see the Bookstore, page 11.

Foundations: Introductory Training for Prayer Teams

The second Foundations course is "Foundations: Introductory Training for Prayer Teams," or "Praying Effectively in Five Minutes." This course is a must for every church wanting to begin basic prayer team ministry. It is a very introductory, simple teaching on healing and praying for one another in churches, altar ministry, home and hospital visitations, or any small group setting. It covers basic teachings on such topics as the Biblical background for healing prayer, the types of healing (spiritual, physical and emotional), forgiveness, how to minister in teams, the laying on of hands, and expectations and faith. This course focuses on the practical application of prayer ministry.

This Foundations course is designed as a FIRST STEP in beginning a prayer ministry in your church or community and is intended to be taught in a one-day format. It consists of two videos and a resource manual.

"Introductory Training for Prayer Teams" is taught by CHM's Director of Prayer Ministry Norma Dearing. This course also can be given by a CHM speaker in a one-day conference format, depending upon speaker availability and scheduling. For prices and ordering information, see the CHM Bookstore, page 11.

Future Foundations Courses

CHM is planning to pursue other exciting Foundations course topics. Stay tuned to *The Healing Line* for more information about the Foundations series.

The Sacrifice of Knowing

by Barbara Newman, CHM Bookstore Manager



About 20 years ago, I was sitting at our kitchen table listening to the questioning, mixed with pleading, of Ian, my young son. He had been invited to play at a neighbor's house a block away. I told him no. He was usually contented at home, and this display of persistence was unusual. He was just about to give up and leave the room, when his sister saw his disappointment and felt she had to assist with all the power that an older sister could. Heather was like a defense lawyer, even bargaining: "Mommy, you won't have to walk him over — I will."

Their "But why nots" finally subsided, and Ian went outside in our yard to play. I knew why his older sister stayed. She wanted an explanation for my refusal.

"Honey," I said, "I love to see you having a good time. I said no, not because I don't want you to have fun, but because I have a reason." She gave me a blank stare. "I know some things about this family that make me uncomfortable for your safety, but their kids are welcome to play at our house."

She stood quietly reflective for a moment, contemplating my explanation. I smiled and waited for her reply.

"Ooooh, I understand." She went outside, and I wasn't the meanie she had thought.

I was still smiling as I shook my head thinking, "Why is there always a hassle? I would be so pleased if they would just trust that my decisions are for their best.

They know I love them. Why can't they just trust me? But no, every time I..."

And then I felt something and heard a thought I know was the gentle nudging of the Lord: "That's exactly what I desire, Barbara. Now you have an insight into a little of what I hear."

I began to see flashes of myself in past situations. "You say you love Me and want My guidance in your life, but when your prayers aren't answered the way you prayed or in

your time, you start questioning, arguing, and pouting, and sometimes you even stop talking to Me just like your children. If I told you My reasons that some of your prayers weren't answered, you wouldn't be contented in My love alone, but would be depending upon your own understanding and approval — just like your daughter."

It was true. I had prayed for a precious young Christian to recover from an illness, and she died. I prayed for divine intervention for a couple, and they divorced. I prayed for our struggling business so we wouldn't lose our home, and we lost both! I am allergic to pain and discomfort, and I exhibit bad reactions. When my prayers failed, I'd try to figure out why — the "But why nots."

Was it lack of faith? Did I have some unconfessed sin or unforgiveness in my life? What about the other people for whom I had prayed? I had even named it, claimed it and rebuked satan!

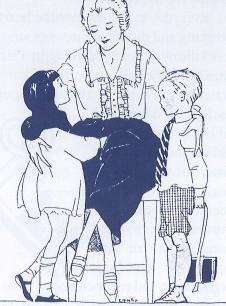
I heard that God doesn't have any grandchildren. Each of us enters His kingdom with childlike dependence on Him. Even God's Son prayed, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from Me; nevertheless, not My will, but Thine be done...In His anguish He prayed more earnestly and His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground" (Luke 22:42,44).

Gradually, I realized the pleasure

I had missed giving to the Lord, being content to trust. What an offering I was able to place on His altar: MY SACRIFICE OF KNOWING.

In response to the Lord's lesson to me I prayed, "I thank you, Father, for your constant grace when I don't understand, and I will trust that Your love knows best for me in every part of my life."

I heard Him reply, "It isn't easy saying no. I love you, Barbara. Now, go out and play."



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KEYS FOR PRAYER MINISTERS

Approaching Y2K

by Norma Dearing
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Are we called by His name? Are we willing to humble ourselves, seek His face and turn from our wicked ways?



Scripture offers many ex-

amples where God's people stood and prayed for a particular city or situation. And because one dedicated servant prayed so humbly and fervently to God, He answered the prayer: For example, Abraham continually pled with God to save Sodom, eventually persuading God to save the city if only 10 righteous men could be found, and Moses interceded for his people over a period of years.

Years ago, I heard a modern-day prophet give a message that I have never forgotten, because it witnessed so powerfully to me, and resonated in me as truth. The message was basically how unhappy God was with the world, especially America, and how we needed to repent and turn ourselves around. He was unhappy over our immoral behavior, our lack of love for one another, and the massive killings — especially abortions.

The message also warned of many natural disasters that God would allow in order to capture our attention — floods, fires, hurricanes and tornadoes. In the last five years, more evidence of "acts of God" (or what the insurance companies refer to as natural disasters) has been documented than ever before. Each time one of these occurs, I remember that prophetic word and pray for people to become aware of God and obedient to His Word.

Many more prophetic warnings that are similar to the one I heard have been spoken in recent years. It seems God is giving more of His children the same Word.

Through the years, more and more Christians have begun to take a serious role in praying for their cities and communities. They have started such events as prayer walks, reclaiming their cities for God and interceding more regularly for their schools, neighborhoods and elected officials. When Agnes Sanford was alive, she even purchased a home on the edge of the San Andreaus Fault in California in order to pray for the earthquakes.

Everyday we experience the heartbreaking and disturbing news of senseless killings by people living in a sick society. Joy Lamb and others I know actually pray through the newspapers

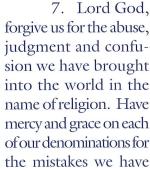
each day, asking God to bring healing and deliverance in various situations. We must realize that we are members of this society and begin to pray, moving more and more toward healing,

repentance and reconciliation. This is what I believe God is calling His people to do as we move into this new millennium.

Following are a few suggestions on how to pray. I'm sure each of you will think of more not mentioned here, and ones that perhaps pertain to your particular area of the nation and world. May each of you humble yourselves, turn from your wicked ways, and seek the face of God so that He might heal our land.

1. Lord God, forgive us for the ways we have hurt one another and lived in selfishness, always wanting our own ways.

- 2. Lord God, forgive us for the times when we have not honored you in our words, actions and deeds. Forgive us for our disobedience.
- 3. Lord God, forgive us for being wasteful with the beautiful natural resources which you created. Help us to be good stewards of your creation and to share with those who are less fortunate.
- 4. Lord God, forgive us for the ways we have taken the true beauty of sexual union you created as a wedding gift to couples and distorted it with promiscuity, perversion and abuse.
- 5. Lord God, forgive us that we have taken the beautiful gift of life and destroyed your beautiful babies before they could draw their first breath.
- 6. Lord God, forgive us for the ways we have abused our own bodies through alcohol, drugs, overeating, and lack of exercise and rest.



made and the damage we have done.

- 8. Lord God, forgive us for the poor examples we have been to the youth who watch us and grow to emulate our sins and disobedience.
- 9. Lord God, forgive us for leaving marriages and families and not working harder for reconciliation and forgiveness.
- 10. Lord God, forgive us for not spending quality time with You, sitting still in Your holy presence. May we learn the truly important things in life.

Forgive us, Lord God. We humbly pray that you would hear our voices and heal our land.

REACHING OUT IN MINISTRY

Date	Event	Location	Speaker(s)	Contact & Phone
11/8/99	Day of Healing Prayer	CHM	Staff	Audie Hall at CHM
11/16-18/99	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM	CHM Prayer Ministers	Audie Hall at CHM
11/19-20/99	Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conf.	Toronto, Ontario civic arena	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Maxima Arat (416)466-0776
1/ 24/00	Day of Healing Prayer	CHM	Staff	Audie Hall at CHM
1/11-13/00	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM	CHM Prayer Ministers	Audie Hall at CHM
1/28-30/00	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM	CHM Prayer Ministers	Audie Hall at CHM
2/4-7/00	Order of St. Luke Healing Mission	Trinity Episcopal Church Columbus, Georgia	Norma Dearing	Ida Page (706) 327-7748
2/10-13/00	National Advisory Board Meeting	CHM	MacNutts and Staff	Gail Mosely at CHM
2/15-17/00	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM	CHM Prayer Ministers	Audie Hall at CHM
2/21/00	Day of Healing Prayer	CHM	Staff	Audie Hall at CHM
2/25-27/00	Healing Ministry Workshop Sewanee Theological Seminary	Sewanee, Tennessee	Francis and Judith MacNutt, Norma Dearing	Caroline Goodkind (931) 598-5020
3/6-9/00	School of Healing Prayer Level I	СНМ	Norma Dearing, Ann Bauwens, Staff/videos	Ann Bauwens at CHM
3/20/00	Day of Healing Prayer	CHM	Staff	Audie Hall at CHM
3/28-30/00	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM	CHM Prayer Ministers	Audie Hall at CHM
4/3/00	Day of Healing Prayer	CHM	Staff	Audie Hall at CHM
4/6-8/00	Ecumenical Healing Conference	Richmond, Virginia	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Bob and Sandy Kerner (804) 744-2164
4/14-16/00	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM	CHM Prayer Ministers	Audie Hall at CHM
4/25-27/00	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM	CHM Prayer Ministers	Audie Hall at CHM
4/27-30/00	St. Luke's Episcopal Church Parishwicle Conference	Akron, Ohio	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Gretsie Ames (330) 665-2227
5/8-11/00	School of Healing Prayer Practicum	CHM	Staff	Ann Bauwens at CHM
5/15/00	Day of Healing Prayer	CHM	Staff	Audie Hall at CHM
5/18-20/00	The Healing Winds Conference	Black Mountain, N.C.	Francis and Judith MacNutt	TBD
5/23-25/00	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM	CHM Prayer Ministers	Audie Hall at CHM
6/5/00	Day of Healing Prayer	CHM	Staff	Audie Hall at CHM
6/20-22/00	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM	CHM Prayer Ministers	Audie Hall at CHM
6/22-24/00	"Celebrate Jesus 2000" North Atlantic Renewal Service Committee	St. Louis, Missouri	Norma Dearing, Judith MacNutt	(877) 255-4463
6/28-7/1/00	Annual Fishnet Conference	Rutland, Vermont	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Rena Larson (802) 773-7210

ATTENTION SHP FACILITATORS!!!

If you facilitate
School of Healing Prayer courses
in your area and have not already done so,
please call to register as a CHM/SHP Facilitator.
Call Ann Bauwens: (904) 765-3332 Ext. 210.



RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED

for Day of Healing Prayer
and Intensive Prayer Ministry.
TO REGISTER for either of these programs,
contact Audie Hall at CHM:
(904) 765-3332 Ext. 204.



A Testimony of Infertility

by Kristi Russell, Associate Director of Intercessory Prayer Ministry and Ministry Communications

I have always had a heart for intercessory prayer and was thrilled with the opportunity to assist Joy Lamb in coordinating the intercessory program at Christian Healing Ministries beginning last January. I have been amazed at the willingness of so many men and women to stand in the gap for the numerous prayer needs that are received daily at CHM. Even more amazing is the way God honors these saints' prayers as evidenced in the praise reports we receive.

The power of intercessory prayer reached my life personally this past year in an incredible way. I would like to share my personal testimony of the power of intercession with you.

My husband, Matt, and I had been trying to conceive for almost two years. After a series of fertility tests, the doctors gave us very little hope of ever conceiving naturally. We hesitated asking anyone for prayer about this very sensitive subject for quite some time. The Lord finally brought me to a place where I knew we needed other believers to stand in the gap for our family. The burden was much too great for Matt and me to bear alone.

When I opened myself up to share my broken heart with others, God was faithful to bring into my life some very precious friends who were willing to support us and encourage us through this difficult time. Many of the women I confided in either had experienced or were experiencing infertility so they truly understood my pain and shed tears with me. I found my burden was lightened as trusted friends helped me bear it.

During this time, I decided to take advantage of many opportunities for prayer at CHM. I added our names to the intercessory prayer list each week, knowing these dear intercessors would be faithfully praying for us. I also attended two Generational Eucharists, which are Holy Communion with special prayers for breaking any influence the past generations might have had on our ability to conceive. Several of the other women on staff made themselves available to me as I needed a shoulder to cry on or an ear to hear my fears.



Within less than six months of sharing my heart with friends and taking many opportunities to receive prayer, the Lord opened my womb and gave us the promise of a child due next February.

"You have granted him the desire of his heart and have not withheld the request of his lips." —Psalm 21:2 What joy Matt and I both felt at this surprising news! "Thank you, Jesus!" was all I could say for days.

We are so unworthy of this gift God is entrusting to us, and yet so grateful! What a precious sound a baby in utero's heartbeat is to a mother and father who thought they may never experience this joy! We anxiously await the arrival of this precious gift in less than 3 months. We can't wait to see what purpose God has for this life that has been known to Him even before the creation of the world!

It is a joy to now intercede on behalf of this precious life that is forming within me. I long to be a mother who faithfully and diligently prays for her child. I know what a difference it makes!

We receive many prayer requests at the ministry for other couples who are struggling in the area of infertility. I have added a section specifically for praying for conception on the sheets sent out weekly to the intercessors. It has been a delight to see the number of names taken from this list and added to the "Expectant Parents/Unborn Babies" list. I continually praise God for the miracle of life.

Nothing is too big for our God!

Editor's Note: Several staff members at CHM have been healed of infertility, as have numerous others who have come to CHM for prayer, or as Kristi mentioned, have requested to be on the Intercessory prayer list. We find that not only are prayers for physical healing helpful, but prayers for inner healing and generational healing as well. If you are suffering from infertility, we encourage you to share your heart's desire with other trusted believers, and to seek prayer for healing in each of these areas. God is faithful, and He will carry you through the barren wilderness.

Unity through God's Holy Spirit I wrote you some time ago about the mess that we had allowed the

enemy to bring into our church. He tried to separate and tear down what Well, glory to God, we are all back on course and in our right God had ordained.

places. Jesus has healed our church and drawn all of us back to Him in His love and through the unity of His Holy Spirit. But it was only by His holy Name and His precious blood. I thank you and will never forget Christian

Healing Ministries and your prayers.

God bless you.

B.G.

Lake City, Florida

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A real eye-opener and a tool I will value in my personal prayer as well as in ministering to others. — Gill

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It built my faith, understanding Jesus' reason for being with us. -Salvina

Everything was helpful and of value, and the worship time was precious. I am very grateful to have been given the opportunity to take — Sally

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Michele

Praise

Generational Healing

I was down there in April to receive prayer. I am an adult child of two alcoholics and the oldest of five children. Boy, did we ever have some hard work to do! The Lord was faithful and I realized why I was sick — emotionally and physically....

The most powerful thing that happened to me was healing of the generations. I did what you asked and wrote out all my generational baggage, and my page was full on both sides. I took the Holy Eucharist and I felt as if something broke away. I can't tell you how I feel now. I have so much peace—it's unbelievable! I feel the love of Jesus so strongly. I am no longer depressed. I am learning to give up control. What a relief!

Being with all of you was a mighty gift from the Lord. Thank you for being His servants.

Love in Jesus, Sharon in North Carolina

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CHM intercessors receive a bi-monthly newsletter with prayer requests for which they pray for two months. Also, Joy Lamb sends them a copy of The Sword of the Spirit — The Word of God, they can more effectively pray Scriptural prayers for the prayer requests. If you would like to become a CHM intercessor, please write to CHM Intercessors, P.O. Box 9520, Jacksonville, FL 32208.

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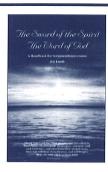
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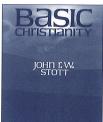
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