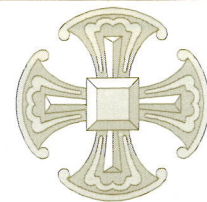


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## In Jesus' Birth: Our Deepest Healing

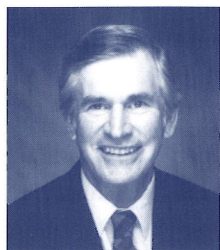
by Francis MacNutt

It struck me recently that Jesus' birth is the most healing story in the gospels. Although the gospels contain many obvious examples of healing, such as Jesus healing the deaf mute, the Christmas story heals the very deepest of our human needs — the sad feeling that God is distant, that we never see Him, that sometimes He doesn't seem to care. God in heaven seems distant, beyond us, above us. Remember how the Russian astronauts, when they launched into space, taunted Christians that they never found heaven?

But when the Almighty God became a little baby, all that distance and fear were taken away. The people who had been taught that they couldn't even say the name of God because He is so awesome, suddenly saw God not as some frightening human being, but as an infant, a baby carried for nine months, totally dependent on His mother, Mary. He was born as we are, from a woman's body. He became a baby whom we could see, who was carried in the arms of those who loved Him — a baby nursing at His mother's breast, a baby whose diapers ("swaddling clothes") needed changing. It's hard to believe when we really think about it.

"When the time came, He set aside the privileges of deity and took on the status of a slave, became human! Having become human, He stayed human. It was an incredibly humbling process" (Philippians 2, *The Message* translation).

Not only did God become human, but He became a part of the lower class



of an oppressed people. He identified with the poor. He wasn't born in a palace with gates, but in a cave where anyone could come to visit. He was placed in an animal's feeding trough (a manger), and surrounded by shepherds, the lowest elements of that society, the migrant workers of their day. Everyone, no matter how socially insignificant or transient, could be close to the God who came to visit His people in this humble way.



Even those who were privileged but could embrace humility would have felt comfortable kneeling next to the shepherds, the outcasts and Jesus in the manger. Here was "Emmanuel," which means "God With Us" — not a thundering God, but a baby crying and needing human help, given through Mary and Joseph.

What a change! From the lightning on top of Mount Sinai to the dark shelter

of a cave. From the heights of the Law to the depths of love.

Our humanity's greatest need for healing is in our broken relationship with God, and God Himself is the one who took the first great step in bridging that divide. God has come to us. He has traveled the spiritual and psychological distance that we allow to separate us from Him because of our guilt, shame and fear. Even if that shame were not there, how difficult it would be for us to relate to an invisible God. But through Jesus, as a child once remarked, "We have a God with skin on Him."

Jesus is the visible face of an invisible God. And not only visible, but lovable and approachable in the weakness of a newborn. There's no way we can be afraid of the tiny infant whose working-class parents didn't even have enough influence to find a room for their family at an inn.

I think that's the reason Christmas always has been my favorite Christian feast — and probably yours, too. We know it's not as great a feast as Easter, but there's something very human and very loving about Jesus' birth. We go back to childhood memories, kneeling before the manger scene, imagining how it would have been to be a shepherd that night, adoring the infant Jesus as He nursed in his mother's arms, protected by Joseph.

With rejoicing angels and silent animals all in attendance, the distant God has suddenly become very close — and approachable. And that's the most healing thing that ever could have happened to us.

Merry Christmas from our family and all of us at CHM.



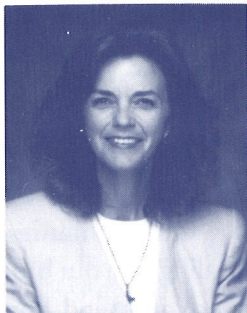


# In Search of Jesus

by Judith MacNutt

## Editor's Note:

*The following is an edited version of Judith's presentation to the North American OSL Conference in 1988, later reprinted in Sharing magazine.*



As a psychologist, I have prayed with people for inner healing, the healing of emotions. And I've seen wonderful miracles take place. But the greatest healing in my life, and in most with whom I've prayed over the years, has been in coming to know the Lord in a personal way.

People who come to me for help come because they experience loneliness. Here are people whose souls have been twisted. Some have been abused as children. Others come because their marriages are falling apart. There's something missing at the very center of their being. And I know that the only God that some people will ever see will be in me.

My father used to tell me our church would fall apart if he ever appeared there. But then, in 1986, my father was diagnosed with cancer. At first, we prayed at a distance, but nothing happened. So we travelled to Kentucky to be with him, and we laid hands on him. But, before we laid hands on him, there were many things in my father's life that needed forgiveness.

So I said to my father, "Dad, do you know you're forgiven? Have you asked God to forgive you?"

And he said, "I've asked God to forgive me. But, I just don't know if I'm forgiven or not."

I said, "Daddy, you are forgiven. Jesus died for that. You are forgiven." After we worked through that forgiveness — and cried — his cancer was healed instantly. Three tumors disappeared, and they've not come back. He goes to church now. He even drives the church bus. And this came through knowing Jesus.

I lived in Israel for a number of years. I ran a house of prayer in Jerusalem. Palestinians, other Arabs, orthodox Jews and international people traveled through, seeking God.

But this one day a young man of about 35 years came into the house of prayer. I've never seen anyone so full of rage, even in psy-

chiatric hospitals. He had lost his farm to the Israelis, and he had lost members of his family — the same kinds of things that are happening there now. He had lost everything. He was a Moslem.

He said, "There is no God." We took him into a room where we prayed. After a few hours of much prayer and listening, he was touched by God. The Lord Jesus truly came to him.

I'm not sure I would have had the grace to do what he did if my mother, father or sister were killed before my very eyes, or if my land was taken. But because Jesus came to him, he was able to forgive. And he accepted the Lord Jesus. Then we prayed for him, and he received the Holy Spirit.

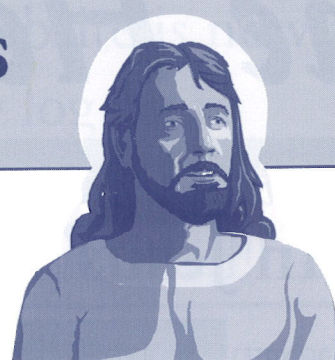
We had large windows in the front of the room, and he saw an Israeli armored truck go by with several young Jewish soldiers in the back. The next thing we knew, he went running out the door. We weren't really sure what he was going to do. So we ran after him, as he went tearing down the street after the truck. When it stopped at an intersection, he literally threw himself into the back with the soldiers.

Immediately, 12 machine guns were pointed at him because they recognized him as a Palestinian. They thought he had a bomb. There was much confusion, and it was very dangerous. Meantime, we were outside the truck crying. But they saw that there was something different about his face. Then, he shocked them by throwing his arms around them one by one.

And he said, "I love you because of Jesus Christ. You are my brothers." And, you know, every single one of those Jewish boys started weeping. They held him and wept with him. From that day on, I knew what it meant to call Jesus the Prince of Peace, the one who came and said, "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid" (John 14:27).

I understood that. And this is the answer for all relationships, isn't it?

Not many of us have had the kind of experience the Apostle Paul had. He went around telling everybody he was an appointed disciple of Jesus Christ. Now, if you said that Jesus had personally appointed you as an apostle in a



vision, they'd probably ask you to leave your church or else call a

psychologist to talk to you. But Paul said that, and then said, "More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For His sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ" (Philippians 3:8).

I grew up in an evangelical church where they taught us how to witness and how to share the Lord. They taught us to love one another. But when I was in high school, I started looking around the church and realizing there were only a few people who I thought really seemed to know the Lord.

So I started on a journey. I literally traveled around the world, looking for God.

I met many people who said they knew Him. But they were still not what I was looking for. I never really saw too many people who looked Christ-like. I didn't see that deep love.

When I went to Israel, I was on my way to India. The Lord apparently didn't want me to go to India, so I met Him in Israel. The Christian population in Israel is only half-a-percent (or was at that time). Yet, in the three months I spent wandering around the country looking for God, I must have met the entire half-a-percent.

I looked everywhere. I went to Mt. Horeb, Mt. Tabor, the Sea of Galilee, the Mount of Beatitudes. I could sense His presence, but I couldn't quite find Him. And I met many people who wanted to tell me about Jesus.

But, again, when I looked at them I didn't see Him. And I knew the Bible. I learned it when I was growing up. I memorized it. I knew the words, but I'd never met the words.

But I remember this one time I went to the Garden Tomb. I went to a service there, and a pastor was preaching. He was the Warden of the Garden Tomb — some of you may have met him — Jon Willem van der Hofen. And while I was listening, I sat between two women who knew Jesus. This long journey I'd been making, and I finally felt I'd touched someone who



knew Him. I can't remember the sermon; all I remember is what I saw on their faces — that presence, that light, that countenance of God.

After the sermon was over, one of the women turned to me and asked, "Do you know Jesus?" Of course, I'd been asked that by the entire half-a-percent whom I'd been meeting. And my answer was always, "No." And this woman said, "Would you like to know him?" I said, "On one condition: If I can know Him the way you know Him, then I want to know Him." This woman had absolute confidence. She said, "You will. Let me pray with you." Their entire tour group of charismatics from around the world came rushing over with their arms outreached to pray for me.

As they prayed, I knew they really knew Him. They were so happy and joyful. And as they prayed I had an experience that ended one journey and started another one, the one I'm still on now. And I felt myself lifted into the heavenly realms.

I'm still awkward trying to share this because it was so special. And I don't share it often. I was lifted into the presence of the Lord. A great light was shining all around me. And I heard my name, "Judith." I realized none of those people knew my name, but I heard it again, "Judith." And I recognized Jesus' voice and answered, "Yes, Lord." I knew His voice even as the sheep know the voice of the shepherd.

And He said "I love you. You're mine." And something inside me was complete from that moment on. What I had longed to hear my whole life, I heard coming from His mouth to my heart. And then I had a feeling like liquid gold being poured over my head — that's the only way I know to describe it. A warmth started at the top of my head and encompassed my body all the way down to my feet.

I don't know how long I stood there. The people all had left. But I knew I was loved.

I share this with you because it's so important. I still don't understand God. There are great healings and there's a great mystery involved in all healing. There's a mystery involved in the love of God. There's an even greater mystery involved in the healing that comes through the power of reconciliation and forgiveness.

But I know I never again doubted the Lord or His existence. I now know that I can say with certainty that He is here among us, that He loves us, that He's on the side of life and wholeness. He desires that each and every one of us will come to know Him. That is the longing of His heart.



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# What's New in the Healing Ministry?

## Thoughts on Exorcism and Deliverance

by Francis MacNutt

You have probably noticed articles in your newspaper with such titles as "Frail Pope Fails in Exorcism at the Vatican." And you've probably heard that the famous horror movie, *The Exorcist*, is coming out again with new footage. In all of this, there is good news and bad news. But mostly, it's good news.

For example, the ministry of exorcism has been downplayed for many years in the Roman Catholic Church, and some theologians were hoping it would disappear as a remnant of superstitious religion. But now it's reappearing in a big way. To take just one example, the liberal bimonthly National Catholic Reporter (NCR) recently chose exorcism as its main topic and featured several fascinating articles on the resurgence of exorcism in Europe. One article told about the formation of the International Association of Exorcists. When they held their first meeting in 1993, only six priests showed up, but this summer more than 200 exorcists gathered together. The NCR also interviewed my friend, Fr. Rufus Pereira from India, who now travels the world giving conferences to priests on deliverance. I cannot imagine that a topic such as exorcism would have been covered in the NCR just 10 short years ago. And then you see these headlines about the Pope as exorcist in the tabloids as you head out of the supermarket.

Now, news has come out that Pope John Paul II has been involved in three exorcisms over the years. The most recent one, though, has been the one that has attracted attention; it took place in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican in Rome, where the Pope was speaking to a large crowd. Suddenly, a young woman in the front row began acting in an extravagant, wild manner. The Pope took time after his talk to try to minister to her privately, but after half an hour she was still not free. The tabloids naturally sensationalized the story: "Satan Beats Pope in Exorcism Horror," said one. But the official exorcist of Rome gave what I believe is the intelligent response. He said the degree of possession was so extreme that half an hour was simply not enough time to deal with the woman's problem. This explanation matches our experience.

Then, I read in the Chicago Sun Times that the Archbishop of Chicago, Cardinal George, has just appointed an official exorcist. This procedure is ordinary, but the publicity given to the appointment is different from the past.

All of this is of real importance because it indicates that the sleeping giant of at least one mainline church is waking up to the need of dealing with evil spirits. The less than good news is that the sleeping giant has only one eye open.

For example, most churches are not dealing with the problem (the exceptions being mostly the independent "post-denominational" churches, like the Vineyard), but those that are, such as the Catholic Church, are only dealing with the rare, the exceptional, the possessed man or woman. What we find commonly in our ministry is very real and very serious, but it falls far short of possession. We call it "infestation," where the person is rational and only influenced in one or another area of his or her life, such as by a "spirit of addiction."

We find that this is common, and the need for deliverance is very common. As I mention in my book *Deliverance From Evil Spirits*, Judith, in the days when she was active as a psychotherapist, estimates that a third of her clients needed prayer for deliverance. Possession is rare, but the need for deliverance is common.

And the sad thing is that most Christians are not aware of this great blessing that Jesus came to give.

Next, the need for teaching on this subject, for the most part, is not being addressed. By and large, priests and ministers do not address the need for ordinary Christians to protect themselves by prayer, as well as to avoid occult practices — especially at a time when witchcraft is promoted in the media as a fascinating hobby. The implication is that only priests and other experts need to bother themselves with all of this, and that most practices, such as playing with the Ouija board, are harmless pastimes.

Lastly, the recent news flashes imply that only priests can deal with the demonic. Admitting the need for some kind of church supervision, compounded by those extremists who find a "demon behind every bush," we nevertheless find an enormous need for an afflicted people to receive deliverance so that this ministry needs to be opened up. At a time when 15 percent of Roman Catholic parishes are without a resident priest, there is no way that the need for priest-exorcists can be supplied, especially since exorcism is an exhausting ministry, requiring much time and experience.

What I believe is that we should return to the practice of the Early Church where lay people, the non-ordained, could perform exorcisms, as well as pray for deliverance. Origen, for example, a "church father" who lived around the year 250, held up as an advantage for Christianity that not only could a Christian pray to free people from demonic oppression, but that an ordinary, uneducated Christian layperson could do this. For Origen, this deliverance ministry was a great witness to pagans and revealed the love and power of the true God.

I propose that it would be a great step forward if the churches would appoint qualified laypeople as exorcists — especially health professionals, such as psychiatrists and psychotherapists, and in particular those counselors who are trying to help the victims of Satanic Ritual Abuse (SRA) who are trying to recover from their past.

Even the recent history of the Roman Catholic Church indicates that such a step is feasible, because until 1972 one of the four "minor orders" of the Church was the order of "exorcist." The other three minor orders were "acolyte," "lector" and "doorkeeper," which are routinely filled today by ordinary commissioned laypeople. These four orders came before ordination to the subdiaconate, diaconate and priesthood — the major orders. Then, Pope Paul VI abolished them as no longer necessary for our time. The clear teaching we can take from this is that you can be commissioned to be an exorcist without being a priest.

The good news is that the whole subject of exorcism and deliverance is being opened up. But we still need much teaching, and the actual ministry of deliverance and exorcism to suffering, afflicted humanity needs to be opened up, too.

It is exciting to be alive to see all of this coming up at the beginning of a new millennium — and not just to see it, but to be a part of it all!





# REACHING OUT IN MINISTRY

## OUTSIDE CONFERENCES AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Date	Event	Location	Speaker(s)	Contact & Phone
1/8-11/01	Charismatic Concerns Committee (Invitation Only)	Marianist Retreat Center Eureka, Missouri	Francis and Judith MacNutt	N/A
3/26-30/01	Therapists' Conference	Richmond Hill Richmond, Virginia	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Sandi Kerner (804) 783-7903
3/30-31/01	Healing of Richmond Conference	Richmond, Virginia Location TBA	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Sandi Kerner (804) 783-7903
4/3/01	Azusa Street Lecture	Regent University School of Divinity, Virginia Beach, Va.	Francis MacNutt	Sheree Gayer (757) 226-4401
4/20-21/01	Ecumenical Healing Conference	Good Samaritan Episcopal Church, San Diego, California	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Dottie Thomson (858) 454-7221
6/20-22/01	Intl. Order of St. Luke Healing Conf.	Austin, Texas	Francis and Judith MacNutt	
6/27-30/01	Fishnet Conference	Holiday Inn Rutland, Vermont	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Rena Larson (802) 773-7210
7/11-12/01	Holy Spirit Renewal Conference for American Baptists	Green Lake Conference Center, Green Lake, WI	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Rev. Gary Clark (626) 797-4053
9/20-24/01	Association of Christian Therapists Conference	Airport Holiday Inn, Jacksonville, Florida	Francis and Judith MacNutt	Lois Sanford (978) 318-1996

## COMING EVENTS AT CHM

Date	Event	Speakers/Prayer Ministers
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1/16-18/01	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM Prayer Ministers
1/29/01	Day of Healing Prayer	Staff
2/12/01	Day of Healing Prayer	Staff
2/19-23/01	Internship Program for Pastors	CHM Prayer Ministers
2/20-22/01	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM Prayer Ministers
3/12-16/01	Internship Program for Medical Professionals	CHM Prayer Ministers
3/13-15/01	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM Prayer Ministers
3/26/01	Day of Healing Prayer	Staff
3/28-30/01	School of Healing Prayer Practicum	Staff
4/16/01	Day of Healing Prayer	Staff
4/23-27/01	Internship Program for Lay Leaders	CHM Prayer Ministers
4/24-26/01	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM Prayer Ministers
5/14/01	Day of Healing Prayer	Staff
5/21-25/01	Internship Program for Pastors	CHM Prayer Ministers
5/22-24/01	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM Prayer Ministers
6/4/01	Day of Healing Prayer	Staff
6/6-8/01	School of Healing Prayer Practicum	Staff and Prayer Ministers
6/11-15/01	Internship Program for Pastors	CHM Prayer Ministers
6/12-14/01	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM Prayer Ministers
7/9/01	Day of Healing Prayer	Staff
7/16-20/01	Internship Program for Lay Leaders	CHM Prayer Ministers
7/17-19/01	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM Prayer Ministers
9/10-14/01	Internship Program for Pastors	CHM Prayer Ministers
9/11-13/01	Intensive Prayer Ministry	CHM Prayer Ministers
9/17/01	Day of Healing Prayer	Staff
9/26-28/01	School of Healing Prayer Practicum	Staff and Prayer Ministers

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# Norma Dearing Leaves CHM for Radio Ministry

Norma Dearing has served the Lord at Christian Healing Ministries since the MacNutt's moved the ministry to Jacksonville 13 years ago. She has been Director of Prayer Ministry, leading the prayer ministers and creating numerous new programs, as well as writing a reader-acclaimed article for this newsletter, *Keys for Prayer Ministers*, which focused on practical applications of prayer ministry tools.

It was with great sadness, and yet a measure of joy, that CHM said good-bye to Norma this fall. For a number of years, God has given Norma a vision of hosting a Christian radio program on healing prayer. Recently, things have fallen into place. She has acquired some limited funding to get her show started, as well as a professional to help train her. She has acquired non-profit status for the ministry in truly record time. Called Impact Communications Ministries, it will begin production of the radio program, *The Healing Touch*, in November.

Says Francis about Norma, "We are deeply indebted to Norma for all she has done over the years at CHM in carrying on the ministry here

in Jacksonville. Norma has been with us from the time five of us were in two little rooms in the St. John's Cathedral office building, back before we moved into our present facility. Norma's creativity has blessed us with so many of our best projects, such as planning, with Ann Bauwens, the three levels of the School of Healing Prayer. And there are so many other projects for which we are indebted to her energy and creativity. Moreover, she is an excellent teacher. We will miss her exuberance, her laughter, her energy.

"We know many of you are indebted to Norma for praying with you, bringing you the healing of Jesus and leading you into a life of renewed joy and peace. For all these reasons, and so many others, we are deeply grateful to Norma. We bless her and affirm her in her new radio ministry."


In a letter to prayer ministers announcing her departure, Norma said, "It is with both regret and anticipation that I leave CHM — regret that I will not see many of you on a regular basis, but anticipation for the new doors the Lord is opening. For many years, I have known God was calling me to be involved in Christian ra-

dio. The doors have been opened, and to be in the will of God I must go through them.

"The program will begin on a local level and hopefully proceed into a national market. I will have to learn many things — taping, sound studios, marketing, production, etc. I want to put my whole heart into this new project and learn everything I need to know about broadcasting.

"I have loved my years at CHM. I know God will continue to pour out His anointing upon this ministry. Thank you for the privilege of working alongside you in God's kingdom."

Until a replacement is found for Norma, Judith will fill her responsibilities. A farewell party was held for Norma in September.

Norma still will be located in Jacksonville as she begins work on her radio program. She also will continue working with the Order of St. Luke, as well as writing and speaking on healing and evangelism. She may be reached at her e-mail address, [NormaDearing@aol.com](mailto:NormaDearing@aol.com). 



Ann Bauwens, Barbara Newman and Norma Dearing.  
Not pictured: Audie Hall and Cindy Farmer

## Four Other Employees Move on in Ministry

Four other much-loved employees left CHM this fall, marking a time of much change and planning for the future. Each has served a vital role in the function of this ministry. In working toward the goal of one Body, these women filled unique functions that will be difficult to replace.

Ann Bauwens, Director of Program Development, served CHM for nine years. She began as assistant to the MacNutt's, and later was in charge of coordinating all conferences in Jacksonville. She worked closely with Norma Dearing to create the School of Healing Prayer Levels I, II and III, as well as CHM's Foundations courses. She and Norma spent many hours editing the videos, learning a trade in which they had no prior experience. Ann represented CHM as a speaker at numerous retreats and conferences, and served as liaison to active prayer ministries around the U.S. Ann has filled a special role in praying for couples to conceive. She says, "What I will miss most are the wonderful people I have met over the years and having the privilege of encouraging them in prayer ministry. Seeing God change so many lives has changed my own." Ann's calm, cool collectedness and ability to see the big picture will be sorely missed. She looks forward to serving as producer of Norma Dearing's new radio ministry, *The Healing Touch*.


Barbara Newman has faithfully managed the CHM Bookstore for over 12 year and acted as resource director for all CHM conferences. Fellow employees, prayer ministers, people coming to re-

ceive prayer and those buying books all grew to love her wonderful, light spirit and sense of humor. She also served as an active prayer minister with the IPM program and arthritis study, and conducted several women's retreats. Says Barbara about her time at CHM: "When asked to pray with someone, either in person or over the phone, I would often think, 'I do not have time to pray with someone right now.' However, this part of my job is what I have enjoyed most for the past 12 years. So many of you have touched my heart forever — thank you." Barbara will work for her husband's company, Energy Laboratories, as well as for *The Healing Touch* as artistic director. She also will continue serving in active prayer ministry in her church, in the Cursillo movement, and in Kairos prison ministry. Barbara can be reached at [bn Newman@solar energy.com](mailto:bn Newman@solar energy.com).

Audie Hall, a clinical therapist with a master's degree in Biblical counseling and a member of the Florida Association of Christian counselors, has served CHM as Director of Ministry Programs. She coordinated all aspects of IPM and Day of Healing Prayer, overseeing in particular the pairing of prayer ministers with prayer recipients. A counselor since 1984, Audie specializes in marriage/family counseling and alcohol/chemical dependency. She has a heart for women and healing. She is active in her church as a chalice, teacher, and prayer minister. Audie is currently on the diocesan response team to the Episcopal Bishop and has served as part of the pastoral care advisory team,

also under the Bishop. She and her husband, George, an Episcopal priest trained in interim work and a counselor in pastoral ministry for years, conduct a local healing service. She is also a member of Daughters of the King and has four children and 15 grandchildren.

Cindy Farmer, who struggles with P.O.E.M.S. disease, a terminal illness, received prayer from Norma for years. A walking miracle, she has lived 10 years beyond what doctors expected. Cindy attributes her relative health to prayer not just for physical, but inner healing. After receiving tremendous healing in her own life, she served CHM as a prayer minister. Eventually, CHM needed help coordinating the prayer ministers, and Cindy came to work on staff. However, this fall, Cindy had a flare-up of her illness, and she had to stop working for medical reasons.

Above all, each of these women has prayed for so many who have been healed through their faithfulness and the grace of God. Many blessings to each of you as you head on to do God's work in other places! 



## School of Healing Prayer Practicum June 6-8, 2001

Students of CHM's School of Healing Prayer courses have expressed a great deal of interest in participating in an internship or supervised format to practice healing prayer. In response to many such requests over the last two years, Christian Healing Ministries held its first School of Healing Prayer Practicum this past June, and it was quite successful. We currently are planning the Practicum for next year, to be held at CHM Thursday, June 6 through Saturday, June 8, 2001, and are accepting applications.

The practicum is offered to prayer ministers who have completed Level I or higher of the School of Healing Prayer. The purpose of the practicum is to have hands-on practice in healing prayer ministry, with supervision of various aspects of the SHP training. For example, participants will be split into small groups where they may practice prayer for inner healing, prayer for healing of the conception to birth experience, soaking prayer for physical healing, forgiveness prayers and deliverance prayers. A brief teaching and opportunity to ask questions regarding ministry also will be offered. The CHM staff will conduct this practical application of the healing ministry as outlined in the teachings from Levels I and II.

To register for the SHP Practicum, call Marti Fallin at the CHM office: (904) 765-3332.

## 2001 Training Opportunities at CHM

### Internship Programs

CHM's Internship Programs are for students of the School of Healing Prayer who want to gain more in-depth prayer ministry training on a firsthand basis. In order to qualify for all Internship Programs, specific qualifications must be met:

- 1) The intern must have completed CHM's SHP Levels I and II.
- 2) The intern must have practiced with others in each of the different areas of prayer.
- 3) The intern must be recommended by his or her pastor.

Internship Program Dates for the Year 2001:

February 19-23	Pastoral Internship Program
March 12-16	Medical Internship Program
April 23-27	Lay Leader Internship Program
May 21-25	Pastoral Internship Program
June 11-15	Pastoral Internship Program
July 16-20	Lay Leader Internship Program
September 10-14	Pastoral Internship Program
October 15-19	Medical Internship Program
November 12-16	Medical Internship Program

For further information or to register, call Beth Coleman at CHM, (904) 765-3332. The cost for each program is \$395.00, which does not include lodging, transportation or meals. Space is limited, so register as soon as possible.

### Volunteer Training Program — NOTE CHANGES

Each year, CHM trains new volunteers to serve as prayer ministers here at the ministry. The next volunteer training program will begin on January 11, 2001 and continue through November 29, 2001, taking a break during the summer months. Each class will include video or live teaching from the School of Healing Prayer Levels I, II and III. Classes will be held on Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. from January through May. Practice prayer sessions will be held during this portion of the training program. Class will resume on September 6, and will begin at 9:00 a.m. but will only last until 10:30 a.m. The fall portion will consist of a video or live teaching followed by a question and answer session.

Class dates are as follows:	January	11, 18, 25
	February	1, 8, 15, 22
	March	1, 8, 15, 22, 29
	April	5, 12, 19, 26
	May	3, 10, 17, 24, 31
	Summer Break	
	September	6, 13, 20, 27
	October	4, 11, 18, 25
	November	1, 8, 15, 29

If you live in North Florida or South Georgia and would like to serve as a CHM prayer minister on a regular basis, we hope you will consider whether God is calling you to take this course at this time. We ask that all those who complete our training course commit to volunteering at CHM for at least one year, either at monthly Intensive Prayer Ministries, weekly Tuesday evening prayer ministry or regular daily prayer appointments — whichever works best for your schedule. Please call Bobby or Marti Fallin, co-directors of prayer ministers, at the CHM office for an application or more information.





# Praise Reports

## To everyone at CHM,

In July, our entire family was fortunate to attend the Day of Healing Prayer. Both of our sons have many, many allergies which can provoke life-threatening reactions from eating, breathing or even touching certain substances. Our elder son can also be triggered into potentially fatal asthma attacks.

It was wonderful to receive prayer from Ann Bauwens. We knew God was with us in that moment, and the boys became wonderfully at ease. My husband and I were both renewed after years of providing "hypervigilant care."

Later, Francis prayed for each of us and specifically asked my elder son if he felt any difference in his lungs. He couldn't notice any difference at the moment, but when he returned to the hotel, he swam two lengths of the pool under water — longer than ever before. A few weeks later, he told me he thought he had received a delayed healing because he hadn't needed his inhaler the entire week of basketball camp. Now, more than two months later, he is celebrating the fact that he has only needed his inhaler twice since those prayers. This is an improvement of a hundredfold.

Our younger son reacts to his allergies in ways that are less urgent, but still severe. He also has watched his brother speed away to the emergency room far too often. During the concluding prayers of the day, he was slain in the Spirit. Later, he told me that he had seen a fiery angel come and cut all the darkness away from his heart. He has always been bouyant and extroverted, but by the next morning, he could hardly be contained in a hotel room! We spent the whole day outside so that he could sing at the top of his lungs.

Now, the boys would like to make a contribution to your work. They mowed grass, pruned trees and edged lawns to earn this money. My younger son, who is nine, thought they should earn and send at least \$20, but my elder, who is 11, said, "Let's do 50!"

Our boys have, among their chores, the job of scrubbing the kitchen and bathroom floors every Saturday morning. After hearing about CHM's being able to find funding for computers but not for mops, i.e., operational expenses, they agreed that you should use this money however you want. And if you need a mop, get a good one!

We are very, very grateful to the Lord.

All the best,  
Kristin

## Update for my Prayer Warriors:

I'm feeling great! Praise God! I am working the Billy Graham Crusade two nights as a coordinator of 150 volunteers helping the handicapped. Look what our awesome God has got me doing!

Also, I go to Mayo Clinic in November for a complete, extensive MRI. They have confirmed my healing clinically by examination, but now they want to see the brain. I was hesitant at first because I know I'm healed, but then I thought this would be proof for them and serve as a profound witness!

Much love, Cathi in Jacksonville



## Become a CHM Prayer Angel

CHM always needs more Prayer Angels, those precious men and women of God who faithfully and prayerfully support us and all those who call or write to CHM requesting prayer! They are our prayer covering.

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*, so that they can more effectively pray Scriptural prayers for the prayer requests. If you would like to become a CHM intercessor, please write to Katie Bauwens, CHM Intercessors, P.O. Box 9520, Jacksonville, FL 32208, or call (904) 765-3332, Ext. 207.



## Dear CHM:

My husband, Bill, and I are great bicycle enthusiasts. Many times, we have ridden 30 to 60 miles a day. On July 4, 1997, we went for a local ride. When we started out, I felt a little fatigued, but thought once we got going I'd be fine. It did not happen. I kept feeling like I was riding with a head wind. I was having difficulty pedaling and breathing. I kept having to stop for a rest and catch my breath. Finally, Bill suggested we stop and get something to eat.

When the food was brought to the table, I was too fatigued to chew and swallow. I tried sipping a drink through a straw and had trouble sucking on the straw. We left the cafe and managed to get home.

Within a week, I was unable to keep any food down at all and found myself choking on liquids. After an emergency visit to my doctor and a surgeon for suspected appendicitis, I was sent home with what they thought was a probable stomach flu. I did not get any better and found I could swallow liquids with the consistency of milk, if drunk slowly.

I went to a gastroenterologist for many tests. He found my digestive system had stopped. He tried many different medications but none worked. By now I was taking eight laxatives a day and Slim Fast for nutrition, along with many different medications. He finally suggested having my colon removed and inserting a feeding tube into my small intestine. I refused.

In October of 1997, my gallbladder was removed. It was precancerous. After this surgery, I still had trouble swallowing, constantly choking. In November, a test was done to check the muscles in my tongue and throat. They were very weak. I was unable to run my tongue on the outside of my teeth. When they put food on my tongue, it collapsed, unable to move it to the back of my mouth. That same month, my eyes started to act strange. I could not focus on anything moving or too much color. I would get double vision. Lights bothered me so much I had to wear dark glasses even inside. I developed tremors in my hands, and I had difficulty buttoning my clothes or opening a lock with a key. By December, I had to give up driving because of my eyes and the fact that I was unable to hold my hands on the steering wheel.

In January of 1998, I quit my job and went to the Mayo Clinic, where I suffered exhaustive testing until June. They tried many different medications. Some would work for a couple of weeks, but then the symptoms would come back. In July, they suggested redoing all the testing. I said I wanted a break. It was also very expensive.

My doctor at home continued to try to help me, always trying a different medication. He felt I had Myesthenia Gravis. The last medication he put me on specifically for this disease helped quite a bit, but the symptoms returned after six weeks.

By November of 1999, I was in bed most of the day. If I had to go out for any reason I had to have complete bed rest for at least two days before. One day, I was feeling particularly bad. As I was lying in bed, the book *Healing*, by Francis MacNutt, caught my eye. I picked it up and started reading, and it was like it was alive in my hands. Bill came home for lunch, and I told him about the book. He got excited about it, too. He went to check our e-mail. He came back to me and asked what the author's name was again. When I told him, he said, "You won't believe this, but look what just came through our e-mail." It was an application to go to Christian Healing Ministries. Neither Bill nor I knew who sent it. I called and made an appointment for Day of Healing Prayer in January, 2000.

Bill drove me, and the staff prayed for both of us. We felt so blessed and loved that healing didn't matter to me as long as I had the Healer. As we drove home, we felt like we were flying. The next morning, I got up at five a.m. and was up until 10 p.m. without having to lie down all day. I kept thinking, "Have I been healed, or is this just the excitement of the experience?" Then, I tried to move my tongue on the outside of my teeth. Praise God! I was healed. In two weeks, I was off all medication, including laxatives. I could eat and did not have any choking. I had no fatigue, and all tremors stopped. My eyes were okay, too. I visited my doctor in March and told him what happened. He could not understand it, and he said I did not have to see him again except for my yearly physical in November. I have continued to gain strength. Bill and I are back to bike riding, walking, and enjoying many things we were unable to do for more than two years. I've gotten so much strength back in my hands and arms, I am even able to start the lawn mower and mow the lawn.

Through all of this, God provided for us. Because there was no official diagnosis, I was unable to get disability. But we never were unable to pay a bill. God always provided and blessed us. He also showed us the way to Christian Healing Ministries. We are very thankful for each of you at CHM who are open to listen to God and act on His Word. May God bless you, for He used you as an instrument in my healing.

In His love,  
Joann in Daytona, FL



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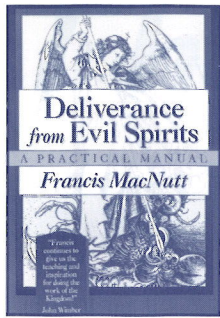
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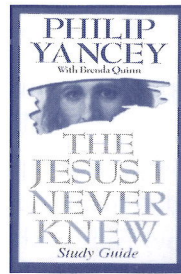
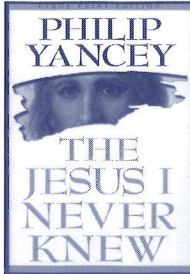
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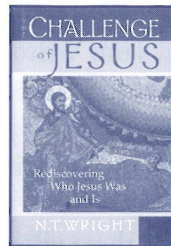
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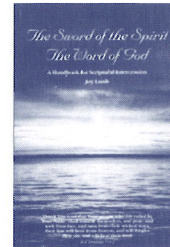
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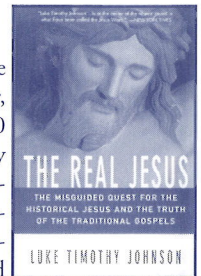
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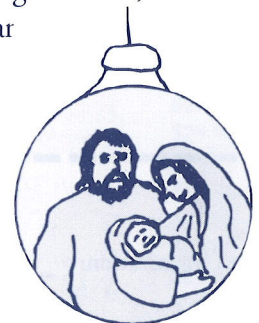
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As you read on page 6 of this edition of *The Healing Line*, several of CHM's highly valued staff members are leaving to move on to other areas of ministry. Replacing such experienced staff members is, of course, a concern, so we are glad to announce others will be available to take their place. Robert (Bobby) Fallin, who has been serving as administrator, and his wife, Marti, will be co-directors of the prayer ministers. Both have served on the staff of Lakewood Methodist Church here in Jacksonville, Bobby as lay pastor. Both have taken Stephens Ministry training and have served as prayer ministers at CHM. In addition, Bobby has been on CHM's Board of Trustees.

In the bookstore, Jane Wilson, who has served as assistant manager for several years, will take over Barbara Newman's job as bookstore manager. Jane is well-prepared for the job of handling the book, audio and video part of the ministry, an area which is growing at an extraordinary rate.

We thank God for these gifted servants.



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