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Letter from the



Dear CHM Family,

My husband and I just moved across Jacksonville. If you have ever moved, you know that many facets of moving are easy and others are difficult. I kept on saying "Why did I keep this?" and "Ah, I thought I got rid of this a long time ago." We purged and gave away a lot of unnecessary things. We packed up photo albums of good memories. We let go of some things that were hard to part with. With time, the difficult changes will fade and we will move forward into new patterns. We now shop at a new grocery store, and a new pharmacy fills our prescriptions. We take many walks now on the nearby beach, a different place with a different view and experience.

Many facets of moving are similar to the journey toward wholeness and healing we take here at CHM with prayer recipients. With the Holy Spirit, we help people clean out "the junk" that holds them down, and help them receive inner healing for harmful memories, purging the unnecessary. Good memories, like my photo albums, we encourage them to keep. The Lord points out unhealthy patterns and folks start to view life's paths differently. In healing we discover where to get the healthiest nourishment—further prayer, healthy fellowship, Biblical sources and teachings on wholeness. We even suggest different prescriptions and sources for wellness, creating changes in patterns, always listening to the Holy Spirit and His suggestions. He might suggest that someone stop listening to childhood tapes that keep them from their true identity (for example, continually saying "I'm so dumb.")

This fall as you clean out a closet or take a box to a charity organization, may God use this activity to remind you of who you are—beautiful, chosen, loved, beloved—and remind you that purging the old and unnecessary, can be similar to healing, a step forward toward God. Please visit us on campus or at a conference this year—or suggest us to a friend!

May God bless your season and your journey!

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DO YOU BELIEVE IN MIRACLES?

JUDITH MACNUTT

So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

—John 8:36 (ESV)

We received very positive feedback on the article entitled “Addiction and Surrender” in our Spring/Summer issue of *Healing Line*. One friend of CHM wrote: *“I just read your article on Addiction and Surrender and needed to confirm that it is an excellent article on the big problem of addictions. Unfortunately, the spiritual aspects of recovery are being excluded now by most recovery programs. This past year I was an invited guest speaker at a national program, and it was suggested that the speakers refrain from any spiritual discussion in their talks!”*

Many in this field would like to treat all addictions as purely biological and completely omit the spiritual dimension of the disease.

The following testimony was submitted by one of our Healing Line readers. His hope is that his story will help someone else who might be struggling with an addiction to cigarettes.

DAN'S STORY

My miracle occurred when I was 34 years old. I had been smoking cigarettes since my sophomore year in high school. I had tried to quit time and time again, but an urge—physical and emotional—would overwhelm me, my resolve would melt, and I was back at it.

By May 1977, I had been smoking for nineteen years and had simply given up any hope of quitting. It was then that we learned that my brother-in-law Paul, who was my age, had been diagnosed with cancer. It seemed like a cruel irony: Paul, a once strong, physically fit man who had never smoked, was dying of cancer while I, who was too weak to quit smoking, was in relatively good health.

I attended a charismatic prayer meeting at St. Dominic church near where I worked. After the meeting, I stayed behind

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and asked Tony, one of the leaders, to pray for Paul. After we prayed, Tony asked me, "Have you ever tried to quit smoking cigarettes?"

He asked if I believed that God could take away the habit. I said that I believed that, but my weakness always got in the way. Tony said, "Turn the healing and the doubt over to God."

Tony prayed with me and afterwards I felt no different. Perhaps I was expecting to suddenly be free of the urge to smoke. But no, the same cravings were there. Later that day, I found a note on my desk that said, "The next time you feel the need for a cigarette remember that Jesus loves you. From, Tony." He wrote down his contact information and a P.S., "God is greater than any problem we have."

During the next twenty-four hours I read Tony's note over and over and focused on the words, *Jesus loves you*. The reminder prompted me to thank God and pray to Him. I also remembered the claim that one could do *anything* for a minute. So, while I was praying, I watched the second hand sweep the face of my watch. A minute passed, the craving was still there. I watched the second hand again, the craving lessened. After the third time—all the while asking Jesus to help me—my craving weakened and then was gone.

Whenever a craving resurfaced, I followed the same sequence: I read Tony's reminder that Jesus loves me, prayed to Him for help, and remembered that, with God's help, I can do anything for a minute, or two, or three. A day of not smoking turned into two, and two days turned into a week, a week turned into a month.

After three months, I noticed that the continual, irresistible cravings were weakened, and I started to make choices not to smoke. The difference in my appearance and attitude was apparent to others.

Three months became six months, and finally I shared with the prayer group at St. Dominic that I had one full year of victory. I was powerless over a habit that had bullied me for nearly twenty years, and I acknowledged that a Power greater than myself, Jesus Christ, had rescued me.

When I prayed to Jesus, I felt His presence, and found strength that wasn't mine. The Lord carried me through each craving. So, I would say that I do believe in miracles!

-- Dan S.

As I read Dan's testimony, a deep sense of gratitude rose up in me, for you see, I too was addicted to cigarettes. I started smoking when I was 16. I remember I just wanted to "fit in" with whom I thought were the popular kids. Before

long I was totally addicted to cigarettes. Much like Dan, my efforts to stop failed numerous times. Finally, God in His great mercy sent someone all the way from Jerusalem to my home in Kentucky to pray with me to be set free.

In Paul's letter to the church in Rome he cries out to God from the depths of his being—a desperate plea that anyone struggling with addiction or sin can certainly identify with:

*I am unspiritual, sold as a **slave** to sin. I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. I have the desire to do what is good, **but I cannot carry it out**. What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God—through Jesus Christ our Lord! (Romans 7)*

I realize many of you reading this will struggle with embracing this glorious good news of freedom from addiction—you too might have tried and failed. I have heard Francis say hundreds of times, "Why isn't the church saying anything about smoking addiction? It is time for Christians to proclaim the "Good News" that Jesus is a bondage-breaker—a healer and not just a good teacher!"

People are dying at an alarming rate, because they don't know the power of God can set them free! Six million people worldwide die annually from tobacco-related diseases. Cigarette smoking is responsible for more than 480,000 deaths per year in the United States, including nearly 42,000 deaths resulting from secondhand smoke exposure. This is about 1300 deaths every day. On average, smokers die 10 years earlier than nonsmokers. Unless somethings changes, 8 million people worldwide will die annually by 2030.

Sadly, cigarette smoking accounts for more deaths each year than murder, car accidents, alcohol use, or illegal drug use combined. More than ten times as many U.S. citizens have died prematurely from cigarette smoking than have died in **all** the wars fought by the U.S. during its history.¹ The American Cancer Society (Cancer Facts and Figures) states that all cancers caused by tobacco use and heavy alcohol consumption could be prevented completely.² Smoking is the largest most common preventable cause of death and disease worldwide.

These numbers are staggering, so much so that it is tempting to ignore them, until we lose a parent, child, spouse or best friend to a premature death caused by tobacco. I have lost two very dear friends whose early, painful deaths were caused by a smoking-related disease. In both, I offered numerous times to pray **with** them. I certainly prayed **for**

them, but was always brushed off with a smile and some humorous quip. In the final days of their lives they both asked for prayer.

Smoking harms nearly every organ in the body and causes many diseases. I realize the average smoker knows the dangers of smoking and elects to ignore them—I certainly did when I smoked. Our ability to live in denial is extraordinary.

Nicotine, the drug that is found naturally in tobacco, is as addictive as alcohol, cocaine or heroin. Many tools are available for someone who wants to stop smoking—individual or group counseling, 12-step programs, prescription medications: Bupropion (Wellbutrin or Zyban) Varenicline tartrate (Chantix), behavioral therapies, and nicotine replacement products, such as nicotine patch, gum, or lozenges.

Fortunately, these tools can be very beneficial and should be incorporated. However, the majority of truly addicted smokers relapse repeatedly, and then the shame and deep sense of failure sets in.

Addiction is a spiritual disease and needs to be dealt with in spiritual ways, utilizing the weapons and tools given to us as children of God. Addictions, whether they be to nicotine, drugs, alcohol, food, sex, or work, serve as windows into the inner working of the psyche, in its attempt to resolve intense emotional pain. Inner healing is the place to start!

Returning to Paul's cry for help—I *am powerless*. Paul understood that trying to overcome sin with human willpower would always fail; the awesome power of Jesus Christ is what brings freedom. This is ultimate surrender—the place we need to be where His power takes over our weakness. A place of deep grace and unimaginable mercy—a place of enduring hope.

In CHM's School of Healing Prayer® Level 3 we offer two teachings that go into greater depth on the nature of addiction and the various types of prayer necessary to bring freedom. Rarely is one prayer alone effective for complete healing.

These are some guidelines for praying for healing of addictions:

- **Salvation** (relationship with Jesus)
- **Baptism in the Holy Spirit** to equip and empower
- **Inner healing** in the area of unhealed memories
- **Physical healing**, especially for the brain and the relentless damage to the body
- **Deliverance** (there can be several demonic spirits that can enslave an addict)

- **Generational healing** for addictions that may have passed down through the generations
- **Forgiveness** of self and others
- **Prayer**, loving community and an accountability partner

JUDITH'S STORY

Floride, my spiritual mother in Jerusalem, sent Ralph, a young Messianic believer, to visit me in Kentucky. I remember at the time thinking that she was trying to be a *shadchanit*, a matchmaker. I drove to the airport, which was an hour away from my hometown, to meet Ralph and bring him to my parents' home. I was somewhat apprehensive about meeting him; I knew nothing about him other than he was "on fire" for Jesus.

My concerns quickly evaporated when Ralph walked into the gate area carrying a guitar and looking like a young Brad Pitt—nothing shallow about me at that age! However, I was instantly intrigued by what I saw in Ralph's countenance; he had a radiant glow from within that I had only glimpsed in a few older Christians.

As we walked to the parking area for our drive home I took a cigarette out of my purse and casually remarked, "You don't mind if I smoke do you?" His response startled me. He said, "Yes, I do mind." And then added, "Why haven't you trusted Jesus enough to set you free from that addiction?" I felt like putting him back on the plane!

On the long drive home, the craving for a cigarette became unbearable. Ralph noticed my agitation and responded with such great kindness. He confided that for many years he had been addicted to illegal drugs, alcohol and cigarettes. He had also been arrested and served time in jail and juvenile detention centers several times since he was 12 years old. I listened as a life of trauma, abuse and homelessness emerged as Ralph shared his story with me. As my heart softened, I realized that because Ralph had found his freedom in Jesus' love for him, all he wanted to do for the rest of his life was to help others be set free!

Suddenly, Ralph made a bold, courageous offer. He calmly said, "I'll make a deal with you. Every time you want a cigarette, tell me and I'll pray **with** you!"

I remember laughing and saying, "Do you have any idea how many times a day that will be?" That didn't seem to concern him.

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Judith MacNutt

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Kelanie Gloeckler

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DEEP AND DIFFICULT WOUNDS

DR. DREW W. EDWARDS

People who have suffered from early life trauma or abuse often struggle with upsetting emotions, frightening memories, or just feel numb, disconnected, and unable to trust other people. Their lives become organized around the traumatic event, the person who hurt them, or numbing their pain. Unfortunately too many suffer alone because they fear judgment from others, or that they are not worth the trouble. Their lives are marred by emotional pain, confusion, and self-doubt.

TRAUMA DEFINED

Early life trauma can stem from physical, emotional or sexual abuse or from neglect, loss of a loved one, bullying, witnessing violence, or having a serious accident or injury. It can also result from growing up in a highly dysfunctional home, where chronic emotional neglect and indifference are the norm. This list is not exhaustive.

We must understand that in the case of child abuse, the event or events never occur in isolation. Rather the traumatic event(s) are usually just one facet of a family's dysfunction. Typically, physical or sexual abuse can be coupled with a parent's addiction, which breeds inconsistent parenting, neglect, emotional abuse, and numerous other problems. Over time, the abused child drowns in layer after layer of deeply shaming and dysfunctional behavior, leaving him or her feeling progressively worse about him or herself.

Approximately five million children in the United States alone experience some form of trauma every year. More than two million of these children are physically or sexually abused.



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ADDICTION & MENTAL ILLNESS

Behavioral medicine and addiction doctors have long noted the link between emotional trauma, addictive disease and mental illness. A 2012 study published in *Alcoholism: Clinical & Experimental Research* showed that childhood trauma is a common finding among people undergoing addiction treatment, especially women, and is strongly predictive of depression and mood disorders, anxiety, eating disorders and obesity, compulsive sexual behavior and other forms of addictive disease.

DAMAGED BRAINS

The fact that traumatic life experiences often precede mental illness and substance abuse is not surprising. What is surprising is the extent of neuroadaptive changes in the brains of traumatized children and teens.

Utilizing sophisticated brain imaging technology, researchers at the University of Texas were able to measure "preclinical" deficits in the neuronal signaling and "connectivity" in the midbrain region of adolescents who were traumatized as children. This neurocircuitry is the "hardwiring" that regulates how we process emotions and cope with stress. In addition, researchers found that early life trauma diminishes one's capacity to experience enthusiasm, pleasure or contentment.

"This insight is important because it suggests a neural pathway through which early life stress may contribute to depression."

—Dr. John Krystal, *Editor of Biological Psychiatry*

The findings suggest that childhood maltreatment is a severe stressor that alters trajectories of brain development. This is critically important because young children do not have a frame of reference in which to process and categorize traumatic experiences. They require the love and help of a competent, caring adult, or God ordained parents as the primary source for comfort and support when children are sick or injured. If a parent is absent, or is the source of abuse, the child truly suffers deeply and in isolation.

As traumatized children mature, their psychopathology emerges. As teenagers, they quickly learn that drugs or alcohol quickly numb feelings of fear, powerlessness, depression—and drown out painful memories. As a result, the deep wounds of abuse or trauma become inexorably yoked to addiction. As

addiction progresses, resentments emerge and become the fuel that feeds the self-loathing, addiction and later, thoughts of suicide can follow.

Children who are traumatized often carry their wounds, fear and helplessness into adulthood. To survive they learn how to push away, or medicate their pain and self-loathing. But in the process they also lose their spiritual identity.

For others, the pain and fear can turn inward and be expressed as depression, overwhelming anxiety, cutting or self-mutilation. Some teens engage in so-called, self-soothing behaviors, such as, sexual promiscuity, compulsive masturbation, overeating, to name a few. Eventually most become mired in the addictive cycle of self-hatred and shame, ameliorated by intoxicants, or other compensatory behavior, all of which inexorably leads to more self-hatred and shame... and the cycle continues.

HOW TO HELP

I can think of no better treatment for adult victims of childhood trauma than intercessory and inner healing prayer. Why? Because God knows exactly where it hurts, why it still hurts, who did the hurting, and, He deeply desires to take the hurt away.

The words of Jesus should speak to us loudly. Yet, for those who have been abused, words are cheap and trust is in short supply. Partially because the self-loathing is deeper than most of us can imagine. Think about it. If your mom or dad, or older sibling or a trusted adult abused you, how could you ever feel worthy of love, respect or care?

"*Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from Me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.*

—Matthew 11:28-29



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THE LIES OF THE ENEMY

Satan uses these wounds to foster self-hatred and resentment. And he wants those who have been hurt the most to feel like they somehow deserved it. He whispers, "no one loves you." And sadly, many victims of abuse believe the lie. So much so, that some take their own lives. So the initial battle is spiritual. Prayer ministers show the unconditional love of Christ and speak, pray and denounce the lies of the enemy. Their message becomes "You are deeply loved by God."

Although the details of childhood trauma and abuse are scary to deal with, it's not scary for the Holy Spirit. Prayer ministers know to call on the Holy Spirit, who is the great comforter and healer of whatever torment we are experiencing. Certainly professional counseling and psychiatry can play an important role in the healing process. In my experience, professional counseling alongside prayer ministry is a powerful combination—especially if the professional is a Christian.

Remember that God does not have limited resources and He often heals one differently than another. Scripture informs us that all believers can be partakers in His ministry. Remember when the 72 returned from their mission of healing the sick and casting out demons? Jesus told them, that with faith, they could do even greater things.

If you are carrying deep wounds, remember the words of Jesus, "Come to me and I will give you rest"—and Christian Healing Ministries is a great resource for prayer appointments. They also have a network referral database. God loves you, and deeply desires to bring comfort and peace to all who seek Him. ✚

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Ralph was staying in my brother's room, so for three days and nights he received numerous knocks on his door. The first time Ralph prayed with me I was expecting him to quietly intercede for God's blessing on me as I struggled—that was the type of prayer modeled in my church. I was shocked and a little overwhelmed when Ralph grabbed my hand, dropped to his knees, and began crying out of God to deliver me and heal me. With many tears and bold courage, Ralph rebuked the enemy, called on angels to battle on my behalf, and prayed for the deep healing of my memories. He also prayed to break the power of addictions in my family. As I watched Ralph battle intensely on my behalf, I remembered the scripture, *During His life on earth, Jesus prayed to God, who could save him from death. He prayed and pleaded with loud crying and tears, and he was heard because of His devotion to God*. Hebrews 5:7 (GW)

Ralph was devoted to God—as a result he knew the authority of the name of Jesus over evil and he understood the power of the Holy Spirit to heal and to restore! Each time he prayed, I received a deeper level of healing. I was not only being freed from an addiction, I was being transformed by the kindness, mercy and love of God. An encounter with the living God always brings transformation!

As I drove Ralph to the airport just three days later, I was overjoyed with my newfound freedom and deeper intimacy with Jesus. As we said goodbye, we laughed thinking that Floride would be disappointed that we weren't a "match." But since that 3-day encounter I have never smoked another cigarette! ✚

Jesus came to share God's own power to transform the evil in our lives that we cannot control simply by our own unguided will power."

—Francis MacNutt, *Healing*, pg. 11

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MY ADOPTION STORY

MARVIN LYNCH

What can I, an adopted son, say about my search for my birth parents? I reluctantly began my search twenty years ago while in my late forties. I guess I had a script in the back of my mind as to how this search was supposed to play out. Naturally, I expected to meet my birth parents and then be introduced to any birth siblings I might have. But that is not exactly how events unfolded.

It was a twenty-year journey involving many players—my wife, who encouraged me to consider the search because of our son, who was born with a bified thumb on his right hand, a minor but hereditary birth defect. And although our son accepted this condition, it was always something we were curious about.

My adoptive father told me that our family physician, who was the first African-American doctor in our community in the 1950's, was involved in my adoption. My search began with conversations with social workers at the Michigan Department of Social Services adoption agency. After some research on their part, they became aware of where my birth parents resided, but were not permitted to disclose the location, since my birth parents had not granted permission to do so. I wrote letters that the social workers sent to my birth parents. Partial /non-identifying information was sent to me describing my early years in an orphanage and a little about my family without revealing their identity.

None of us could have scripted what culminated into a beautiful story. After many years of silence from my birth parents, I received a letter from them, with a photo of both of them, along with a letter giving me a little more of their family history. I was astounded by the resemblance to my birth parents, especially with my father. Imagine walking through life looking into the faces of strangers wondering if I was somehow related to them by blood.

My search became a family journey after a while. Armed with a little bit of information about my family and a photograph, my children (with my permission) began to search the internet.

I had thought that all hope of ever connecting with my birth family was lost when I received an anonymous phone call with news that my birth father had died. My oldest son, who was a funeral director at the time, was able to secure additional information about my birth family. My daughter, who is very bold and adventuresome, used Facebook to contact one of the granddaughters mentioned in my birth father's obituary. Through that initial contact, my daughter eventually arranged to meet this granddaughter, who lived on the West Coast with her family. My daughter had already made plans to attend a wedding near the area where the granddaughter lived. Consequently, my daughter met two of my birth siblings, even before I did in 2008. And this led to the beginnings of a relationship with my birth family in 2009.

On a recent trip to the southern United States in the summer of 2015, I met my birth mother for the first time, along with the remaining birth siblings that I had not previously met. My birth mother, although clearly showing signs of dementia, was lucid enough to carry on a conversation with me. She took hold of my hands and let me know that she knew this day would come. She also expressed how overjoyed she was that my life in my adoptive family in Michigan had been a very good one. She knew this from the letters that she had received from me early in my search. A couple of different times she asked me to forgive her for not being in my life all of these years, which of course I did. After I said, "I forgive you", Jackie (my wife) and I sensed that my birth mother was released from any and all of the guilt and shame regarding her surrendering me for adoption over sixty years before. She also expressed that my late birth father loved me as well. "I love you and Sam loved you too".



Pictured: Marvin with his birth mother

I'm sure that my birth mother had a lifelong experience like the ones written about in the 2006 book, *The Girls Who Went Away*, written by Ann Fessler, an adult adoptee herself. I believe my birth mother was also the victim of an adoption system which demanded that unmarried girls and young women, who birthed children in the 1950's to the 1980's, give up their babies and "move on with their lives". The result for the vast majority of these individuals was substantial guilt and shame for a lifetime, with some of them keeping secret the knowledge of an earlier birth from spouses, friends, etc.

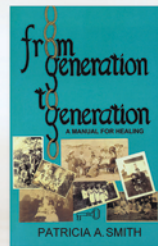
However, even given the separation associated with my adoption, I believe that my birth mother and I made peace with the past by coming together last summer. It was truly a reunion that FAR exceeded my expectations for what such a reunion would look like. And for that I am eternally grateful! ✨

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RECOMMENDED READING



FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION

» by Patricia A. Smith
\$18.99 » Item #B537



THE POWER OF A PARENT'S BLESSING

» by Craig Hill
\$15.99 » Item #B1443



BLESSING YOUR SPIRIT

» by Sylvia Gunter & Arthur Burk
\$15.00 » Item #B1078



PRAYING FOR YOUR UNBORN CHILD

» by Francis & Judith MacNutt
\$20.00 » Item #B107

Praying for Adoption Issues at CHM

One of the most powerful and effective prayers a parent can pray for their adopted child is to cut off, on behalf of the child, any generational issues passed down from the birth family. This may include emotional, physical or genetic dispositions; sometimes the generational patterns are known and sometimes unknown. Include anything you know about the ethnic or religious background of the family of origin. Rely on the Holy Spirit to lead these prayers. Bless and affirm all good qualities coming to the child from his or her birth parents.

Secondly, the Holy Spirit may lead you to pray for freedom from feelings of abandonment, rejection, and grief. Pray for bonding and attachment to take place with adoptive parents, and blessing and forgiveness given to birth parents. The child may require special attention to needs such as recovery from trauma or attachment disorder.

Those mothers that have released a child for adoption also need prayer and compassion. Many struggle with false guilt, shame, regrets, grief, sorrow and low self-esteem. Pray for the mother ability to forgive herself. Don't forget that fathers also suffer when circumstances have taken a birth child out of their life. Pray that the birth parents could bless the child and commit him or her into the safety of the Lord's care. ➔

Can a woman forget her nursing child, that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you.

—Isaiah 49:15

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REV. MIKE FLYNN

We shiver when we think of the words Dallas, Orlando, Sandy Hook, Aurora, suicide, DUI accidents, overdoses, abortion, etc. We know from experience that inner healing prayer can be a possible deterrent to such disasters. Unfortunately, many people will not present themselves to trained Christians to get such healing—and some don't even know about inner healing.

The arm of the Lord, however, is never short to save (Isaiah 59:1). God can direct us to pray for people without their participation or knowledge. Hurts, fears, guilt, and lacks negatively impact self-image, feelings, attitudes, and behaviors. When these issues are healed, the dynamics of such healing can radically reduce the likelihood that an individual will perpetrate destructive actions.

We need hundreds and thousands of trained Christians who will make themselves available to the Lord who can train and guide intercessors on who to pray for and how to pray effectively. This training requires some basic awareness of how to receive words of knowledge and how to pray for inner healing.

The heart of inner healing is a two-way exchange. We ask the Lord Jesus to interject Himself into harmful situations and ask Him to comfort those who have been harmed. Then we ask Him to reach into their hearts and remove darkness, place it in His heart where it is consumed, and then take light out of His heart and put it into their heart to fully occupy the space where the darkness had resided. That's the two-way exchange.

How do you know who to pray for and what to pray about? That's where the word of knowledge comes into play. I believe the Holy Spirit gives such guidance in ways such as these:

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September

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sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
				1	2	3
4	5 LABOR DAY Office closed	6 Open Prayer Ministry on CHM campus: 1:30 pm	7	8	9	10
11	12 Day of Healing Prayer on CHM campus	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 Open Prayer Ministry on CHM campus: 1:30 pm & 6:00 pm	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29 CAPTIVATE 2016 -	30 JACKSONVILLE, FL	

October

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Open Prayer Ministry CHM campus: 1:30 pm Generational Eucharist CHM campus: 6:00 pm	12	13	14	15
16	17 Day of Healing Prayer on CHM campus	18 Open Prayer Ministry on CHM campus: 1:30 pm & 6:00 pm	19	20	21	22
23 30	24 31	25	26	27 SCHOOL OF CROSSROAD	28 HEALING PRAYER CHURCH, JACKSONVILLE, FL	29 LEVEL 3 - JACKSONVILLE, FL

November

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
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2016/17

CHM Schools, Conferences & Retreats

2016

[SCHOOLS OF HEALING PRAYER*]

Speakers: Judith MacNutt, and team

Registration: online at www.christianhealingmin.org

October 27-29 — Level 3

Location: Crossroad Church, Jacksonville, Florida

December 1-3 — Level 4

Location: Grace Church of Avondale, Jacksonville, Florida

[JOURNEY TO HEALING RETREAT]

Doubletree by Hilton, Jacksonville, Florida

Speakers: Judith MacNutt and team

Registration: online at www.christianhealingmin.org

November 17-19

2017

[SCHOOLS OF HEALING PRAYER*]

Speakers: Judith MacNutt, and team

Registration: online at www.christianhealingmin.org

March 2-4 — Level 1

April 6-8 — Level 2

May 11-13 — Level 3

July 20-22 — Level 1

August 24-26 — Level 2

October 26-28 — Level 3

Nov 30 - Dec 2 — Level 4

[JOURNEY TO HEALING RETREAT]

Speakers: Judith MacNutt and team

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January 16-18 (Seabrook, Island, SC)

February 2-4 (Doubletree by Hilton, Jacksonville, FL)

November 9-11 (Doubletree by Hilton, Jacksonville, FL)

[CHM INTERNSHIP PROGRAM]

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February 1-4

November 7-11

2016 cont.

[CHM INTERNSHIP PROGRAM]

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November 15-19

[CAPTIVATE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE]

Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront, Jacksonville, Florida

Speaker: Judith MacNutt; worship led by Kelanie Gloeckler

Registration: online at www.christianhealingmin.org

September 29-October 1

2017 cont.

[IGNITE CONFERENCE]

Sheraton Burlington, Burlington, Vermont

Speakers: Judith MacNutt and John & Carol Arnott; worship led by Kelanie Gloeckler

Registration: online at www.christianhealingmin.org

June 21-24

[CAPTIVATE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE]

Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront, Jacksonville, Florida

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September 28-30

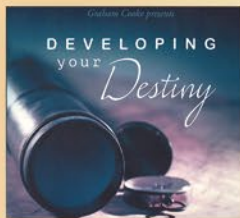
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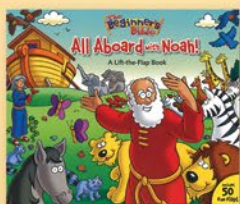
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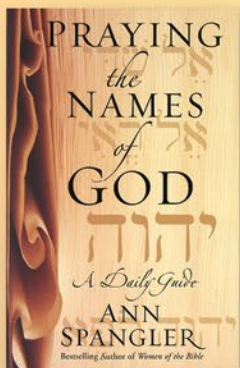


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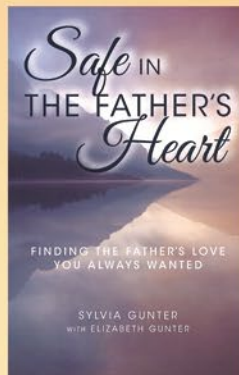
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» by Ann Spangler

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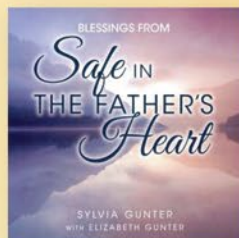


SAFE IN THE FATHER'S HEART

» Sylvia Gunter with Elizabeth Gunter

This book is an invitation to wholeness, peace, and joy as you begin to live in the fullness of God's delight in you as His child. It is Sylvia Gunter's story of discovering and experiencing the Father heart of God.

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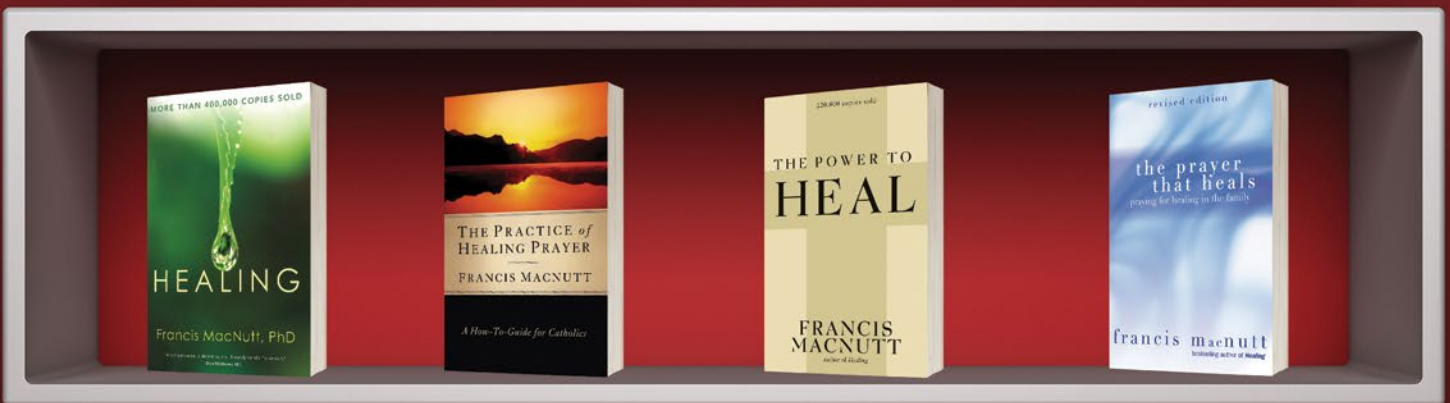
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» a documentary by Wanderlust Productions

In *Holy Ghost Reborn*, the sequel to the popular and controversial *Holy Ghost*, director Darren Wilson continues his journey around the world in his quest to make a movie that is completely led by the Holy Spirit. The scope of the film is indeed huge: Darren films in the middle of a massive protest in Rome, a witch doctor in Africa, prostitutes and the homeless in Brazil, amidst the ancient ruins of Greece, and even a group of Navy SEALs; *Holy Ghost Reborn* is ultimately a film about one man's search for the Spirit of God. It is the Spirit that created the universe, but ultimately desires to reveal the truth of Jesus to all of us, individually. Darren searches for the invisible God, and finds a tangible friend who relentlessly pursues us all.

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- Pictures
- An inner knowing
- A picture of a written word/phrase
- A pain in the body
- A spontaneous utterance which comes without your premeditation
- A memory of something that happened to you or another person
- A concept or impression
- A common sense observation
- A rush of compassion
- Putting Jesus on a throne in your imagination and seeing what He does or says

These perceptions from the Holy Spirit are often rather slight, so that we have to have faith.

The first time the Spirit taught me how to do inner healing as intercession, it happened like this:

My family and I have taken strangers into our home for the past 20 years. One young man, David I'll call him, lived with us for about 7 weeks. When he first arrived he was so paranoid that the sounds of traffic frightened him. He wouldn't mow the grass with the power mower for fear of the engine's noise. He refused to give us his full name and wouldn't even tell us what state he was from.

A couple of days after his arrival I had the opportunity to go on a drive into the mountains, during which I prayed for various concerns. When David came to mind I said, "Lord, how can I pray for David?"

"Pray inner healing for him," came the reply.

"For what?" I rejoined, somewhat sarcastically, "he hasn't told us anything that we could pray for."

"What would you guess would put a young man in that condition?"

So, for about 45 minutes I simply made up events in a 20-year old's life and prayed inner healing for them as though they had actually occurred. The next day, David came into my office. "Do you mind if we talk?" he asked. Over the next hour I was stunned as he related the very events I had prayed

about the day before. What to me was making things up was actually guidance from the Holy Spirit. David's traumas were significantly dealt with in that intercession, freeing him to discuss his issues and work towards greater mental health. By the time he left us he was far down the road to well-being.¹

God guided my guessing prayers! This story illustrates how eager God is to guide us to help others. It also shows how capable He is to guide us. But it also underlines how committed God is to working through available people. If He can't find available people to work through, the job doesn't get done.

What if some trained intercessors spent 30 minutes a week putting themselves before the Lord and asking who He wants them to pray for? You can even pray effectively for people you don't know if the Lord brings them and their need to mind.

We won't know until heaven how many disasters we might prevent by praying for healing for deeply broken people. The Lord will let you know enough to realize that your efforts are wonderfully worthwhile. ✞

Note: Mike is available to do one-day training through teaching and practicums on how to get words of knowledge, do inner healing, and pray effectively. You may contact at mkfln@aol.com and his website is www.freshwindministries.org.

¹ From Inner Healing, by Mike Flynn and Doug Gregg, InterVarsity Press, 1993, p. 203-204.

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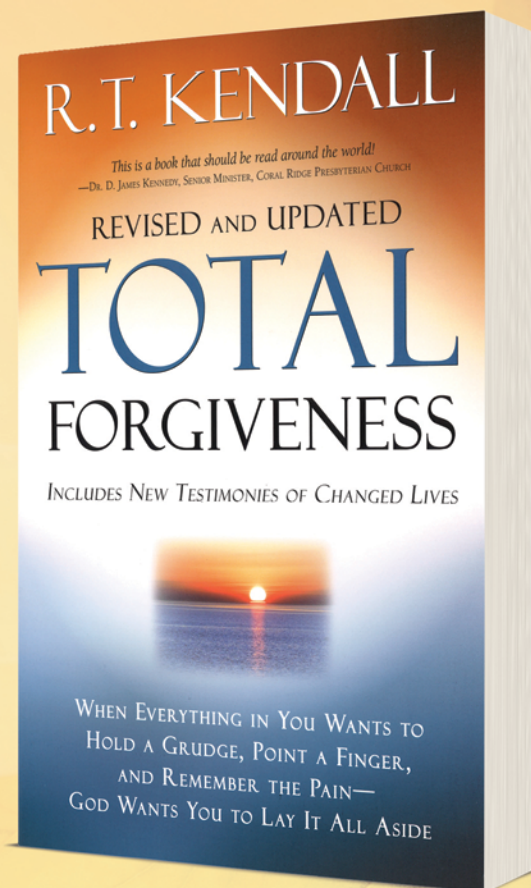
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