

ENCOUNTERING THE HEALER

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"There were those who dwelt in darkness and in the shadow of death, Prisoners in misery and chains, Because they had rebelled against the words of God, And spurned the counsel of the Most High. Therefore He humbled their heart with labor; They stumbled and there was none to help. Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble; He saved them out of their distresses" (Psalm 107:10-13).

Dear Prayer Partners,

Every time I read the scriptures, I must remind myself to seek God's help to make it come alive to me. This is also necessary each time I stand up to teach God's Word. Intellectual understanding of a passage alone does not bring conviction or the freedom that God's Spirit wants. Pray that God may speak powerfully to His people during the upcoming training in The Philippines.

Preparation stage is soon complete

Praise the LORD that by His grace and your generous giving, all the needed monies for this trip have come in. How good God is! Every training trip is a spiritual challenge to trust how He will provide, prepare and protect. The Philippines has recently had its share of flooding and earthquakes. Money can't stop these things. Nor can it move man's heart to God.

We are longing for breakthrough that reaches deep into the lives, hearts, families and ministries of those attending. So do pray. I am not sure how often I will be able to update you during these three seminars. I need great grace as I speak about thirty times. I am often able to use Facebook to communicate when all other means fail.

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Departing to the East

I leave early on Monday Sept 17th. That day will include the first two of ten flights. The Philippines is made up of a huge number of islands, making it necessary to travel by plane if one needs to get someplace quickly. Thanks to an alert travel agent there, he noticed that I had to take two flights to get to one place in several cases.

I am looking forward, though always with a bit of trepidation, to meeting those people I have been dialoguing with over the past several years. I will be ministering to two smaller groups and then at one large church training many small group leaders and interested pastors.

Praise!

- Praise God! the full amount of finances has come in! Even before I depart!
- · Plane schedules have been worked out.
- Not much damage from the earthquake. I suppose it is not much after serious flooding.
- God gave grace for recent preaching and teaching opportunities.

Pray!

- Pastor B. is working hard to finish the handout translations, but his eyes have not been good. I hope to print them by this Saturday.
- Do pray for Linda and the children, homeschool, ministry, etc. while I'm away.
- May God take care of each coordinator, the weather and health.
- May the LORD bring and prepare each person that should be there.
- Pray for the remaining sum needed for Allison's college semester.
- Like the verses at the top, may we see God using His Word powerfully in the lives of these ministers. The marriage seminar will have up to 30 couples.

Thanks so much for all of your prayers!

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