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WHAT WE BELIEVE

We believe

The Bible is the true and inspired Word of God . *John 12:48-50. 2 Timothy 3:16.*

Jesus Christ is the Son of God.
Isaiah 9:6-7. Matthew 3:16-17. Mark 11.

In His Miraculous birth, his life, his death and resurrection, and the need to repent, be baptised and receive the Holy Spirit.
Matthew 1:18-25. Mark 16:15-20. Acts 2:38-39 Acts 10:42-48.

We are baptised into the body of Christ (the Church) through the Holy Spirit, with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues.
Mark 16:16-17. Acts 2:32-33 and 37-40. Acts 19:1-6. Romans 8:9. 1 Corinthians 12:13.

In the miraculous gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Church. *1 Corinthians 12, 14.*

In prayer for the sick and healing by the power of God.
Isaiah 53:5. Mark 16:15 and 18-20. James 5:14-16.

The historical fulfilment of prophecy confirms God's plan and purpose for the Church, nations and individuals.
Genesis 12: 1-3. 2 Samuel 7:10-13. Romans 11:25-32. 2 Peter 1:19-21.



PNG Rally - people coming for prayer at night meeting



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What Is The Time?



Pastor Godfrey Wippon

Someone, somewhere at this very moment is asking this question – “What is the time please?” Whatever time it is, we are stuck with it - we cannot eliminate it.

World history is divided into times punctuated by various outstanding events. Our life is punctuated by all and every event that takes place. When we approach the Bible, let us appreciate that time is fundamental and inevitable. Time is expressed by scriptures in various ways ranging from a "moment or twinkling of an eye" to the staggering “everlasting”

“What is the time?” is a very crucial question when you think of it at this End Time - it is telling us to pause for a moment, look around us and see what is happening right now in the world of politics, business, false prophets, and the world's newest enemy, terrorism. In PNG people are suffering from incurable epidemics such as HIV/AIDS, fear, tribal wars, anxiety, domestic violence and alcohol addiction etc. All these are the beginning of sorrows. (Matthew 24; Luke 21; 2Timothy 3)

Papua New Guinea is a Christian country with more than 250 churches claiming to preach the Word of God to our people. The question is, why do people attend these churches to worship God and yet there is no proof or evidence of God's nature in their lives? PNG celebrated its 40th anniversary in September 2015 and it is now about time that PNG starts to think seriously about the eternal destiny of its people in fulfilling its Christian principles. Churches are lukewarm and playing the role of the government in establishing schools, hospitals, colleges and universities. They are involved in providing social services to families, the very essence of our societies, who are rapidly falling apart. God has set up His church to play an active role in changing people's lives and to preach the truth for the well- being and salvation of His people.

All these signs are obviously showing the imminent return of our Lord Jesus Christ. For the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshippers will worship the Father as He really is - in Spirit and in Truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him (John 4:23-24) and live a holy life EVERY DAY.

Being born again of the water and the Holy Spirit is not an option but it is a requirement for everyone in order to enter into the Kingdom of God (John 3:3). The Lord was telling Nicodemus to be born of the water and of the spirit (John 3:5). He was not encouraging Nicodemus to follow his religious practices but He was telling him about the one and only way into His Kingdom.

We are not in the days of old Israel, nor are we in the Kingdom yet to come, but according to the scriptures we are exhorted to seek Salvation TODAY as we realize TOMORROW may never come and he who hesitates may be lost...

*Pastor Godfrey Wippon
Principal Pastor - Revival Centres of PNG*

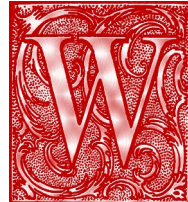


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Pastor Chad Haddad, Adelaide, S.A.

RUSSIA ON THE MOVE



With what's happening in the Middle East, we can see clearly that God has pre-warned us that these times will come.

From the Bible, we read in Amos 3:7-8 "Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he **revealeth his secret unto his servants** the prophets. The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord God hath spoken, who can but prophesy?"

In recent history we have seen some amazing prophecies being fulfilled before our eyes. In Joel 3 it describes in the last days, the return of the Jews back to the land of Israel. "For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem, I will also **gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat**, and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land."

We see nations all over the world with their eyes on the city of Jerusalem as the prophet Zechariah wrote in Zech. 12:2 "Behold, I will make Jerusalem a **cup of trembling** unto all the people round about."

Right from the beginning in Genesis 16:12, the book of Genesis told us what the descendants of Ishmael would be like. "He (Ishmael) will be a wild man; his hand will be against every man (continually fighting) and every man's hand against him; and he will dwell in the presence (or defiance) of all his brethren."

We are witnessing this in our news reports daily-Arabs against Arabs, Arabs against Jews, it goes on and on. When the prophet Ezekiel was given a vision of the last days in the area of Israel, he wrote of a mighty northern super power with a massive military capability and many other nations with them.

Ezekiel 38:2 (New KJV) "Son of man, set your face against Gog, of the land of Magog the prince of Rosh, (or Russia*) of Meshech (Moscow*) and of Tubal (Tobolsk*)





and prophesy against him...

V.5 Persia (or Iran), Ethiopia, and Libya are with them, all of them with shield and helmet." All the nations spoken of in Ezekiel are starting, if they haven't already done so, to ally themselves to Russia.

The current Russian President Vladimir Putin is one to watch. In a BBC article, it describes the President this way: "A judo black belt appears to symbolise two of the martial arts key qualities - guile and aggression."

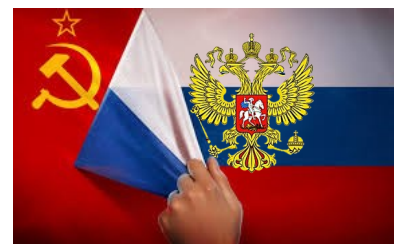
His swift military interventions in Ukraine - annexing Crimea in March 2014 - and Syria - bombing anti-government rebels this year - stunned many observers. Mr Putin, 63, has made no secret of his determination to reassert Russian power, after years of perceived humiliation by the US and its NATO allies.

In 2005 he famously called the collapse of the Soviet Union "*the biggest geopolitical catastrophe of the [20th] Century*". He has spoken bitterly about NATO's expansion after the Cold War up to Russia's borders. He sees himself as a defender of ethnic Russians' rights in former Soviet republics, including NATO's Baltic members Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

It is interesting to note that in verse 7 of Ezekiel 38 "...all thy company that are assembled unto thee, and be thou a **guard unto them.**" As soon as a peace deal was signed between Iran and the United Nations Security Council, Russia signed a contract to supply Iran with sophisticated S-300 surface-to-air missiles. They can be used against multiple targets including jets, or to shoot down other missiles. The S-300B4 variant, delivered to the Russian armed forces last year, can shoot down any

medium-range missile in the world today. It flies at five times the speed of sound and has a range of 400km (248 miles). Israel, the US and Saudi Arabia are all opposed to the missile contract.

The face of Russia is changing. Although 23 years have passed since the collapse of the USSR, in the minds of many people the Soviet-era hammer and sickle is still the symbol of Russia. However, the Russian Federation's current state emblem - the double-headed eagle - is completely different and its history dates all the way back to the times of the Byzantine Empire. It happens to be one of the oldest Indo-European symbols and became the symbol of Eastern Christianity (the Orthodox Church). The new move back to the Orthodox Church has given Russia a new spirit and is uniting the Russian people once again.



Ezekiel 38 verse 4 quotes "... and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army." With Russia now stationed in Syria, a country which shares its border with Israel, it now has a launching pad for the invasion spoken about in Ezekiel 38.

All that can be said is, watch this space!

** Many Bible students identify Rosh as Russia, Meshech as Moscow and Tubal as Tobolsk.*

The Time of

Some people live through the 'time of their life' always hoping to have 'the time of their life'.

We are continuously looking for that special, greatest occasion. We search for extremely enjoyable experiences that we can file away in our memory ready to resurrect when competing in a story telling time with our friends.

Unfortunately, many of these 'time of our life' episodes need to be fueled by alcohol or drugs or extreme behaviours that place our wellbeing in danger. There is only something exciting to report as long as we come through unscathed.

Too often the result of a great time is injury, embarrassment, or disappointment that the occasion did not live up to expectations.

It is almost as though the road to an exciting life for some people is gambled against a variety of self-harm behaviours.

We all need to fill our lives with something. Just as nature abhors a vacuum, an empty life needs to be filled. And there is a finite time in which to discover something fulfilling. During our seventy or eighty years (if we stay of sound body and mind) we seesaw between working towards meaningful, productive and satisfying pursuits, and frivolous and lighthearted occasions. We are warned that if we shift our life balance too far towards unproductive pursuits we will come to poverty. (Proverbs 12:11 and 23:20-21). Life is then long, depressing and full of regret.

The Psalmist prayed that he be taught to remain aware of his limited time so that it did not fritter away in a meaningless way. "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." (Psalm 90:12). In more modern times people have tried to capture the same message. For example, *'Time is a great teacher, but unfortunately it kills all its pupils'*, or *'Time is a great healer, but a poor beautician.'* The book of Ecclesiastes goes further to encourage us all to make good use of our strength in our youth. This is the time to build a relationship with our Creator that can then survive the ravages of time. The picture painted of the 'declining years' of our lives is not encouraging. It speaks of a lessened ability to enjoy physical pleasure, impaired vision and hearing, trembling hands and weakened limbs, reduced sleep and appetite, and heightened fears that are perhaps

the result of failing coordination. (Eccl. 12:1-8). There is some blunt advice given us in Eccl. 9:10 "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work (activity), nor device (intelligence), nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest." In other words, get on with the job while you can.

Many people struggle to accept that God has specific instructions for their lives and try to distance their thoughts from Him, but there is something that nags away at our consciousness in spite of every attempt by our secular society to dismiss spirituality from our lives. The Bible identifies that God has 'implanted' every person at his or her core with a vague knowledge that there is an eternity that God alone can provide an access to. "He has made everything beautiful in its time. He also has planted eternity in men's hearts and minds [a divinely implanted sense of a purpose working through the ages which nothing under the sun but God alone can satisfy], yet so that men cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end." (Ecclesiastes 3:11 Amplified Bible).

The good news is that we can satisfy this deep-seated desire to know about this 'purpose through the ages'. God who inhabits eternity (Isaiah 57:15) wants to revive us and ultimately receive us to join in his eternity. The key is to stop resisting God's wishes and rather embrace His invitation that came through Jesus Christ that we should "...have life, and have it more abundantly." (John 10:10). The experience of receiving God's Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues, assures us that Jesus was really raised from the dead (Acts 17:31) and that we can be raised up as well. (John 6:40).

And while we wait for Jesus to return, the benefits are enormous. The signs, wonders and miracles that accompany the preaching of the gospel, mean we get to see and hear of a succession of great and special occasions: "...the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits." (Daniel 11:32). The people who participate in and witness the effect of the gospel in this world are the ones who can truly proclaim that they have 'had the time of their lives'.



Pastor David Kschammer, Adelaide, S.A.

your Life...



Leroy - Adelaide, Australia

"My life was out of control"

I had made such a mess of my life in nineteen short years. I was addicted to a very unstable way of life, drugs and alcohol, etc.

I had hopes and dreams, so many things that I wanted to achieve, but I couldn't even get out of bed in the mornings. I was unorganized and undisciplined, my life was out of control.

The Holy Ghost experience was exactly what I needed. It instantly changed my whole life. My addictions were healed and my life began to change dramatically for the better. I am now happily married and have two lovely daughters. We have had many healings through the power of God. Being able to bring up my children in the ways of the Lord is wonderful. They have both been filled with the Holy Spirit and have experienced God's power in their own lives.

"I lived life to the full ...in Night Clubs"

I was raised in a good Catholic family and we would often attend mass. As I reached my teenage years I could see the Catholic way was only about tradition and God was secondary. I eventually stopped going to church and even thinking about God.

Throughout my mid teens to early 20's, I lived life to the full spending every Friday and Saturday in nightclubs, experiencing everything an 18 year old could. I had good friends, great health, lacked nothing naturally and was looking forward to a promising future. Although I had everything, there was a void in my heart hindering my lifestyle from becoming meaningful.

Everything changed when my older brother experienced a miracle from God. He received the Holy Ghost and right before my eyes he was changed into a different person.

The only way I can describe it is that he got an 'upgrade' in motivation, understanding and clarity of what was important. It just seemed like nothing in life fazed him. I wanted this experience for myself, so I called out to God for this same power.

I received the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues while driving my car, and was baptised a few days later. I could feel the difference straight away, the same way Jesus healed the blind and made them see. I now know that God lives in me and my life will never be the same again.



Phil - Adelaide, Australia

Jesus said "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." John 3v5



Pastor Deane Clee, Coober Pedy, S.A.

Thousands of lives being changed in a troubled city!

Unagi Oval in PNG's capital city of Port Moresby has been the venue for two significant events recently. The 16th September 2015 was the 40th Anniversary of the Independence of PNG as a Nation. The front page of the 'Sunday Chronicle' newspaper reported the story of the 400 year-old KJV Bible that was donated from America to celebrate the 40th Anniversary. A procession was held from Unagi Oval to Parliament House to view the Bible being placed in the chamber as a 'National Treasure'.

The procession from Unagi Oval to Parliament House passed a large sign board at a prominent road intersection which boldly declares 'When the righteous are in authority the people rejoice: but when the wicked rule the people mourn' - Proverbs 29:2'. Sadly, it is almost unimaginable that in most Western societies today such openness about the age-old authority of God's Word could be given such prominence.

Exactly one week later, on 23rd September, the Revival Centres of Papua New Guinea's 18th National Rally began. Nancy Sinclair, who was visiting the Rally from Australia, reports.... "It began with an amazing procession of 10,000+ saints from the 21 provinces all in their bright individual fellowship coloured clothing. They walked or rode in buses and trucks singing choruses, waving and smiling to the watching crowds and handing out invitation leaflets until they ran out. Sometimes their choruses

flowed along from one assembly group to the next – it was an amazing, beautiful cacophony of sound that just floated in the air as they arrived at the same venue. The Unagi Oval is about 4.6 hectares (10 acres) of barren, hard, dry, dusty ground.

Over the 6 days of the Rally thousands of saints and curious observers came to see God confirm His word 'with signs and wonders, and diverse miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost' (Heb. 2: 4).

The meetings began at 11.00am each day with talks from Pastors and Leaders, many wonderful testimonies and musical items. A very impressive, colourful, dramatised musical presentation was put on by over 500 students (under 16 years old) in the PNG Sunday School Ministry. The weather was hot and sunny with a very busy wind that covered everyone with dust but despite this, the joy of these activities was abundantly obvious on the faces of the RCPNG members and visitors.

The crowd of about 15,000+ sat all day in the sun, just on the ground with straw mats or their thongs to sit on- the more fortunate under umbrellas - without any murmurings of discontent. You could feel an air of peace and excited expectation as they listened almost silently to every word spoken. It's impossible to describe how a crowd of *all* ages could be so quiet for so long!! Up to 4,000 people came forward for prayer each day. They were gently but quickly arranged to stand in lines, some sat in their wheelchairs. Pastor Godfrey would explain God's love for them, and how God was going to confirm His word. After his thorough – about 50 minutes – explanation, the Pastors and Leaders moved along the lines praying for 2 people at a time. Everyone was prayed for several times, as they all moved through the lines over the 30+ minute time of prayer in the Spirit.

After the prayer time, Pastor Godfrey would ask people to



raise their hands if they had received the Holy Spirit, then again if they were healed etc. There would have been hundreds wanting to rush forward, but only a few of the eager saints were allowed up onto the stage to tell everyone about what had happened to them. We saw them walk away from wheel chairs and up a steep flight of 6 steps onto the stage to tell of their healing etc! There were 1,880 adults baptised by full immersion in water at the Rally and a further 113 later that week, who almost without exception, received the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues.

We saw the Bible in action! No longer only just printed words on paper, but the Word of God that Works is still current among His people today! This Rally was indeed a significant event for the nation. There is no doubt that God is blessing the PNG Revival Fellowship's work. The devoted Pastors, Leaders and members being led and taught by Pastor Godfrey Wippon since the humble beginnings of the RCPNG on 1st September 1982, are at the forefront of an unprecedented and continuing National Revival. Bible principles prevail, and God is giving the increase. The results of this Rally are overwhelming and cherished by all who had the privilege to attend and observe. This is truly the 'Latter Rain Revival' - God's plan for His Creation, is on course!





No longer required

Three visitors share their stories

Nancy from Adelaide writes ... Nothing could have prepared us for the warmth and enthusiasm of the 100's of saints who lined up to welcome us, shake our hands, wish us "God bless", then put their carefully handmade leis and billums around our necks - it was so overwhelming! We all had led busy modern lives, but for 10 days, 43 saints from Australia and beyond were exhilarated! We could experience firsthand, on an awesome scale, the amazing miracle working power of God, healing and transforming the lives of so many people all around us and share our own testimonies too! One sister said "the best thing of all was being in unity with our brothers and sisters, our skin was different, our appearance on the outside was different but the spirit within was the same and it united us."

I will never forget seeing this blind lady being helped into the baptism pool. She had no idea where she was, except that there was an almost deafening sound of voices singing songs, praising the Lord, and cheering all around her. She got baptised and received the Holy Spirit and spoke in tongues as she was told God could heal her. The brothers helped her to stand up, and guided her towards the edge of the pool. Her face was still downward as she moved, then suddenly she realised she could see! Her head went straight up! She looked into the glare of sunlight with shock, fear and amazement! We were totally overwhelmed and praising God for His awesome power that we could see working before our very own eyes that day!

Nancy Sinclair

Unforgettable

Frank from Sydney explains... You start speaking to the saints and testimonies flow immediately. Countless miracles are happening. Many have been healed of AIDS, which seems to be a major healing testimony over there.

Leader Sevi Kiree had been a gun wielding criminal, being chased by police. He had a sawn-off rifle which when he tried to shoot it, exploded in his hand. He was then shot by police in the back of head, slumped to the ground and was left for dead for 6 hours. They took him to hospital and when the pastor prayed, he came back to life. Leader Sevi was also healed of AIDS.

Brother Shaun married a PNG local who got saved. Shaun had been in a wheelchair for 15 years. He'd been hearing testimonies about healing and asked for Pastor Godfrey to come and pray for him. Pastor Godfrey took leader Peter and when they both laid hands on him, he stood up out of his chair. He was healed and is now a great contributor to the fellowship in Port Moresby.

Leader Sampson Moses from Goroka was healed after being blind for sixteen months.

Brother Thomas Kituai from Port Moresby was healed of epilepsy.

Sister Julie Damien, who couldn't resist the influence of her friends who were smoking and drinking, fell sick and was HIV positive. She was witnessed to and after being baptized and spirit-filled, Julie was instantly healed of her addictions and AIDS.



Leader Samson Moses
Healed of blindness

Then there's sister Natasha, who has been in the Lord less than a year. Lived on the streets and was a right hand woman to the most notorious gangster in PNG. People smuggling, kidnapping ring. She used to hold people up at gun and knife point. When the boss was arrested she was so bold - went in and posed as his legal counsel, hid a pistol in her underwear and broke him out. She was a bad girl but was witnessed to and had a life changing conversion.

Frank Chidiac

Miracles

Matt 11:5 The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.



The Deaf & Mute heard & spoke



The Lame walked



This Blind lady was amazed when she saw



Visiting saints

Jenny from Liverpool in the UK gives a brief report on her experience at the Rally. I met brother Charlie at the meeting. He explained he was stabbed in the neck with a screwdriver by rascals and was paralysed for 13 years. He was instantly healed when he came to the fellowship and was baptised by full immersion, received the Holy Spirit and spoke in tongues like God promised.

Sister Cornelia was a 'church' goer, very religious, lots of problems. She said her marriage had broken down. She did everything Galatians 5:19 listed. She was baptised in 3 different churches and yet could not get rid of her bad behaviour. She was sick and sad and was confirmed with AIDS. Her family didn't want to look after her, they were scared of AIDS. She was waiting to die. Sister Cornelia heard the simple good news, got baptised and received the Holy Spirit speaking in tongues like the disciples, and God healed her then - simple! Three months later she visited the doctor. He confirmed she was completely healed, no AIDS! Her husband had taken away the kids with a knife and pistol. After she was born again they all came back. Her husband was at the meeting too.



Sister Cornelia John
Healed of AIDS

Before the rally, sister Karo organised for about ten of us to stay one night at the Dogura camp site where 6,500 saints who had travelled to the rally would sleep. Female tents on one side, and male tents on the other and four different provinces. Pastor Graeme did a presentation, before we all found where we would sleep for the night. That night I watched 7 people get born again in a river behind the field we stayed in. They all stayed in the water together until everyone had received the Holy Spirit.

We slept on mats on the floor with all our sisters in the Lord. I slept next to sister Josephine who gave me a pillow. At 5am we all woke and had prayer in the Spirit together. We shared testimonies and they taught me how to read a Tok Pisin Bible. They showed me where they make the food and where they line up together. It felt exactly the same as any other camp I've been to. I instantly felt right at home, as if I'd known them for years. We had everything in common and they shared everything with us, like family. Same Holy Spirit at work everywhere.

Jenny Nugent

The Trekkers

The Trekkers came from all over PNG, saved and unsaved together.

Every September, thousands of saints travel from all over the provinces to attend the National Rally. This year was no exception. They came by air, sea or rough road, and those who could not afford transport, eagerly chose to walk through the jungle for many days. These are no easy tracks. They are challenging, daring and dangerous. Trekkers were given strict rules to adhere to by their team leaders to safe guard them from any dangers encountered along the way. And they talked about the Lord to many as they journeyed.

Some came from Popondetta along the Kokoda Trail, setting out three months earlier before the rally, to help build the makeshift houses at the Dogura campsite.

Another group of about 65 saints travelled for 3 days by boat from Alotau in the Milne Bay Province. Though the journey was long, they prayed and sang songs with enthusiasm looking forward to the rally. It was the first time for such a trip. Most of the saints were only new in the Lord and could not afford to travel, but when they heard about the boat trip they were eager to join.

The longest trip was taken by 225 saints from four provinces - Wewak in East Sepik, Hela in Southern Highlands, Mt Hagen in Western Highlands and Chimbu. Some started trekking from September 8th -11th out of Goroka and were led by Team leaders Pastor Roger Orare and Pastor Tony Tesemale. They travelled through five districts in the outback, holding an outreach in one location. The surprised locals had never seen such a big church group like this and were moved to tears and gave whatever little they had. The District Administrator donated 5 bags of 20 kilograms of rice and 2 cartons of noodles. Three men in the crowd gave a total of K210 altogether. A woman who was selling bottles of water



Pr Godfrey sharing the love of the saints



Goroka Trekkers being led by Pr Justice in uniform

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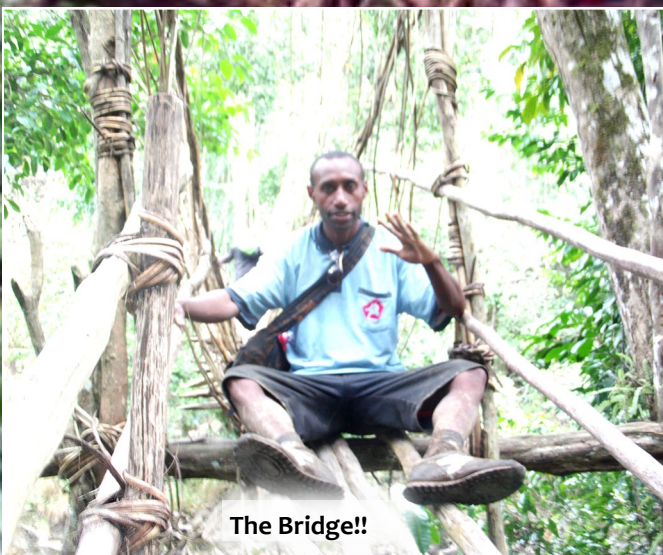
gave her water away to the saints to refill their water bottles before they left. The trekkers passed through three house-meetings along the way.

One day, after another intensive walk of 13 hours from 4 am in the morning to 5 pm in the afternoon they arrived at Putei in the Gulf province. They cooked some food bought from the villagers, ate and by 11pm they retired for the night, some to tents while others sprawled over on the dirt or whatever they could find. By 12 pm that evening, rain was fast approaching and they had to quickly make tracks before it got too difficult. They did not have any choice, but waking up abruptly, they sleepily packed up their stuff and started walking.

With cramping, aching muscles and sore feet the 225 torches flashed in an impressive procession through the narrow winding track amid the cold and dark thick jungle. The next hour or two was spent ascending carefully, then negotiating their steps down a narrow track, crossing a slippery log or cane bridge over a fast flowing stream at the bottom, crawling on hands and knees, and sliding on bottoms to get through the worst of places.

They stopped for a little rest at about 2 am. The wakeup at 4 am was unbearable. It took them another 11 hours to complete the 11 days of intensive trekking. The anxious saints finally arrived in Port Moresby. They told their stories of how they slept on the mud, on insects and even on poisonous snakes – things which they only realised when they woke up, but they were all safe and sound!

God was in total control of everything. None of them were hurt along the way despite the fact that the tracks were so dangerous - poisonous snakes and stepping in the wrong spot could mean death. These groups were all on a mission. They took the word of God through the thick green jungles and rugged terrains of PNG, while others took it by air and sea. And they ended up in Port Moresby to join in the baptisms of nearly 2,000 people. What a trip !



The Bridge!!



Goroka trekkers resting after a day's walk

Dogura Camp

HOME FOR 6,500 VISITORS

The peaceful community of Dogura came alive in September when it accommodated about 6,500 saints who gathered from around the country for the 18th National Rally in Port Moresby. Dogura is situated on the outskirts of Six Mile, to the east of Port Moresby.

About 137 makeshift houses were built within three months in preparation for the influx of saints attending the rally. About 15,000 saints attended, of which more than 3,500 made their own arrangements and stayed with relatives. About 20 septic toilets each were installed each for the men and women, including a long open shower block each that could cater for about 20 people having a shower at the same time.

Leader Sebby said it took three months for the 15 of them to build the houses and they were happy they took on the challenge. He said they woke up every morning and prayed before they got to work and completed their daily tasks. Eleven of the brothers took a four-day walk on the Kokoda Track from Popondetta to be at the Dogura camp to help with the buildings 3 months before the Rally. They were the first on the ground and the last to return home,

this time on a 20 minute flight to Popondetta. Everyone ate from the Mess at the camp which was divided into four regions - New Guinea Islands, Momase, Highlands and Southern to avoid the long queue due to the large number of people in one place at the same time. The women's ministry was involved in cooking for the saints. They rostered themselves into Sub-centres and took turns on shifts to help out in the kitchen. Those who cooked dinner stayed overnight at the camp and then did breakfast in the morning, cleaned up and went home. Then the next shift took over. According to Pastor in Charge of Messing, Aquila Tomon, the sisters knew exactly what to do and did a really good job.

The four regions each had their own kitchen and cooking utensils, three gas stoves each to a kitchen and one long fireplace outside the kitchen to complement the gas stoves. Food stuff that was stored in containers at the camp included a container of about 1,260 bags of 10 kilograms of rice, one container of 150 bags of sweet potato (kaukau) and 50 bags of round cabbages bought from saints and shipped from Goroka in the Highlands. Local saints donated 40 bags of sweet potato (kaukau)



Sisters took shifts to help out in the kitchen.



Four regions each had their own kitchen

and bananas. Two large cabbage patches were grown by the brethren at Six mile and Doa house meetings and about 2,200 chickens were bred by the three sub-centres purposely for the camp. Nine large freezers were used – two each for the kitchens at the camp and one at the Nine Mile church ground that was used to store the pork from 15 pigs and beef of 2 cows.

Two large tanks that provided safe cooking and drinking water were installed on a slope overlooking the camp. Water from these tanks ran through to three taps installed in 3 different locations of the camp. The water in the tanks lasted for two days and was refilled once it got lower at a cost of K1,200 per refill. The saints used water from a nearby creek pumped into tanks for the toilet and shower block. By the end of the second week all the saints had left the camp full on for the Lord and rejoicing after a wonderful rally.

Port Moresby Assembly this year aimed at achieving three objectives during the rally in which it did; Firstly to successfully host the rally. Secondly, to promote unity in the fellowship and encourage the habit of meeting together among the brethren. The Dogura camp was just an example where the saints met at one place and mingled, got to know each other by sharing their testimonies and eventually built the unity of fellowship. Thirdly, to set a standard to move forward from there. The recent rally has definitely set that standard to improve and plan further ahead should there be any future rallies in Port Moresby.

The 18th National Rally has been very exciting due to the large number of baptisms in one single assembly at a one-time gathering. Pastor Michael Kumung said – 1,993 new converts (baptism count included two extra Sunday meetings.) Pr. Michael said the impact of the rally was outstanding due to the fact that people heard about it and



saw it live on Kundu 2 TV for two hours each night and it was also staged out there in the open where everyone saw what was going on. “The long term effect is that we have made some noise and a lot of people have heard and come to realise what we stand for as a church and the Gospel that we preach. As a result we are having 300 plus visitors who come to observe the fellowship every Sunday.” Praise the Lord.

Over K1million was raised by the saints in Port Moresby with a few contributions coming from other assemblies to fund the rally. Although the rally cost a lot of money, the saints worked tirelessly together in raising the much needed funds. Saints in PNG are encouraged not to ask politicians for money because they believe in hard work. Funds were received from corporate dinner, individual envelopes, camp fees and contributions from the five sub-centres each within Port Moresby, just to name a few.



Sister Elizabeth Wippon



HEALING

By God's Design

The Psalmist said "We are fearfully and wonderfully made"

Psalm 139:14

Indeed we are! Our bodies have inbuilt immune systems to fight infection and disease and mechanisms that cause wounds to heal and broken bones to knit together.

With Intervention

Human intervention is often employed, such as suturing wounds, taking medicine, using casts or splints to align and hold broken bones in place or the surgical removal of diseased or cancerous tissue. None of these interventions could succeed, however, if the body was not equipped with its inbuilt healing systems.

By God (Divine Healing)

God revealed his nature to his people Israel declaring, '...I am the LORD that Healeth thee', telling them that if they diligently followed him, he would bless them. God also healed some who were not Israelites, such as Naaman the leper. (2 Kings 5)

Jesus also revealed the nature of God his Father by healing the sick, as he said to Phillip, 'he that hath seen me hath seen the Father...' (John 14:9)

Jesus went on to say, 'He that believeth on me, the works that I do he shall do also' (John 14:12) and he instructed his disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature stating that miraculous signs would follow 'them that believe', one of those signs being Divine Healing – 'they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.' (Mark 16:18)

God has not changed, neither has his Word. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever'. (Hebrews 13:8). Nothing is too small or too large. 'All things are possible to him that believeth...' (Mark 9:23), God being 'able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think.' (Ephesians 3:20)



Pastor Joe Abel, Central Coast, NSW

Healed from Emphysema, Bronchiectasis, Depression....



In 2009, I had a major healing of Emphysema and Bronchiectasis. I was having chest pains and trouble with breathing. People in the fellowship prayed and fasted with me. I felt totally healed by the time the results came, and the results were that my body is just perfect. I feel so thankful to the Lord for the wonderful healing he gave me. I

used to be a sad, pessimistic and depressed person but now joy just unbelievably fills my heart. It's the power and the hope.

One day there'll be a perfect heavenly kingdom where I can have eternal life. I look forward to His return.

Catherine - Hobart, Australia

Healed of HIV Aids



I was married and my husband was a womanizer and he went with many women and he got HIV AIDS.

He gave the disease to me and I got treatment but I gave it to my child and after seven months the baby died. The doctor told me I was HIV positive and that I was about to die. I said before I die I

must receive the Holy Spirit so I repented, got baptized on the 13th of March 2006 and received the Holy Spirit.

I got healed from the HIV. I went to the doctor at the hospital and they did a blood test. They said that before I was HIV positive but after receiving the Holy Spirit the blood test was negative. I am enjoying fellowship in the Lord for 8 years now. I am now healthy.

Sister Edwick - Papua New Guinea

Drinking and Drugs gone



I had a Catholic upbringing, although we never spoke about God at home. I found Bible stories interesting, but we were also taught evolution - I knew both could not be true. I started doing my own thing - smoking, using marijuana and drinking at a young age; joined the art academy, but that didn't do me any good. I just drank and used

more drugs! After my father passed away, I prayed that things would change in my life. I bought a Bible and asked God what I had to do...3 days later I was told I could have a new life. I was filled with the Holy Spirit and got baptised. I threw all my drink and drugs away because I felt happy and at peace. God has changed me! I have been healed of back pain. I had a recurring headache, and one day claimed God's promises, said amen and was immediately healed. God is faithful also during difficult times. It was a shock when my wife passed away. I prayed in tongues and felt at peace. I have been given a great life and future.

Ramon - Dordrecht, Holland

No more Scoliosis



I became a Christian in July 1988. Before that, I had no knowledge of God. Life was good in the sense that I had need for nothing. However, I never felt that I fully belonged in this world and knew nothing would give me what I desired, which was something deep and meaningful that would last forever. When my mother came to the Lord, I saw a great change in her. She

had a constant peace and joy. I decided to get baptised. Two weeks later, when I spoke to God for the first time, I received the Holy Spirit. I knew instantly that God existed and never looked backed. When I was baptised I was healed of scoliosis, which I had suffered from since my teenage years. I had to wear a brace for over two years and go to hospital for a year. After that, I often complained about my back and certain activities were difficult. One month after my baptism, I realised that my back pains had disappeared. God blesses me and provides for me always. Life can be challenging at times but I definitely know that I am a blessed person. No longer searching for answers to life is my greatest blessing. I hope and pray that I keep looking to Him and keep walking in His ways until His return.

Cecile - West London, UK

2nd Degree burns healed



Faith spilled a glass of hot tea on her body. We never thought this accident would be very damaging to her skin as we assumed it was only from a small cup. On the contrary, the wound was very severe and the doctor diagnosed her with second degree burns which may cause scarring.



When we heard this, and saw our baby in ICU, with the non-stop noise of her crying, the only hope we had was to turn to our only Saviour, Jesus Christ. We called our brethren for prayer, and in an instant when we started to pray in the Spirit, she stopped crying and began looking at us.

The Specialist told us that the wound was expected to heal within 4-6 weeks and she needed to undergo another 4-6 hour operation. However, through the grace of God, Faith had a miraculous healing and the wound was closed up and dry, within only 10 days. This is really a blessing of the Lord, for us to go through each moment in faith with Him. Without His strength we did not know where we stood in this storm. Thank you Lord, our saviour, Jesus Christ.

Faith Wong - Bali, Indonesia (Pr. William's daughter)

Free of a Broken Heart



I was brought up as a Catholic. I never got anything from going to Mass and only saw hypocrisy. I got married and had 2 children. My life changed dramatically when my son died of a drug overdose at the age of 27. I was filled with grief and anger and hated everyone and everything. I turned away from God. My

daughter and her boyfriend Anthony were born again in Australia in 2002. I saw the instant change in them on their return home. They were so happy and at peace. Almost 4 months later, I decided to go to a presentation and again I could see how happy everybody was without the aid of alcohol! I went to a UK Camp where I prayed to receive the Holy Spirit and to my surprise I spoke in tongues and I knew it was true. I then got baptised. I felt so happy and was healed of a broken heart. I also lost the desire to drink alcohol and to gamble. I swore a lot and that was instantly taken away!! That evening I went to the prayer line for a healing on an arthritic knee and was healed. I've also been healed of Sciatica (trapped nerve in spine). Praise the Lord.

Paddy - Dublin, Ireland

God's Dwelling Place?



Religious Groups, whether Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist or Hindu, build churches and temples all over the world as part of their efforts to worship God. Their followers are encouraged to offer prayers and rituals in these places to earn favour...but will they find God there?

The Bible tells us in Acts 17:24, "God that made the world and all things therein... dwelleth not in temples made with hands". That's pretty clear. So is God only to be found in heaven?

John 14 gives the answer. In verse 2, Jesus said, "In my Father's house are many mansions...I go to prepare a place for you." You could think this verse is about Jesus making a place for us in heaven. However, the rest of the chapter clarifies it and shows us a fantastic promise. In John 14:23 Jesus said, "If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode **with him**." The word abode, is the same word translated as mansion in verse 2, meaning dwelling place. And in verses 16 & 17 "And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever; Even the Spirit of truth..."

So then we can become a dwelling place for God! How does that happen? The Bible explains – When the disciples had

their last meeting with Jesus, he told them to wait in Jerusalem until the Holy Spirit came upon them. About a week later, it happened. Open your Bible to Acts 2 and read it for yourself – all 120 disciples spoke in tongues as God's Spirit filled them. All of a sudden, they understood what Jesus had promised them in John 14:20 "At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you." The apostle Peter declared to the crowd that gathered, "...that which you see and hear is the Holy Spirit". Many onlookers were challenged by what they saw and heard. Their response was immediate - to repent, be baptised in water for the remission of their sins, and receive the Holy Spirit themselves.

Only when you've experienced this yourself, can you know what it's like. The prayer language that flows out of you is the language of the Spirit. All of a sudden, the things that Jesus said come alive, and a great joy and confidence comes into your life. You'll never be the person you were, again. God is dwelling in you and you have become a part of the Father's living house, called the Church. 1 Peter 2:5 tells us what has happened. "Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house... acceptable to God, by Jesus Christ". Better than any temple made with bricks and mortar!



Pastor Paul Nobel , Adelaide - SA

“I looked into Eastern religions”

I just couldn't get life right. I didn't know the way. I had read different philosophies and looked into eastern religions but there was nothing there. I sat in churches to listen but came away disappointed each time. One day in 1980 a fellow student opened a Bible and showed me John 3:3, 'Verily, verily I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God'. One night a security guard also told me the same scriptures and I realised they attended the same place. I went to a meeting. It was orderly and everyone had a Bible and was paying attention to it. I got baptised and it was a life changing experience! When I came up out of the water I instantly had a peace of mind I had never known. I opened my mouth to quietly thank God for this miracle and I spoke fluently in tongues. I did not feel lost anymore, the turmoil was gone, I felt whole, clean and renewed inside.

The Lord blessed me with a good husband. When our first son was a toddler, he had a fever and while I held him and prayed he immediately cooled down, his strength returned and he started walking and asking for food again. In high school he was tormented every day by a big boy who would wait for him in the stairwell and throw him against the wall. We prayed about it and it didn't happen again.

In these 36 years the Lord has looked after us so well. He is my Comforter and Counsellor. I am so thankful I was found.



Jackie - Melbourne, Australia



Natasha - Adelaide, Australia

“At 10 years old I received the Holy Spirit”

I was brought up from a baby coming along to Revival Fellowship meetings with my grandparents. I started seeking for the Holy Spirit as I got older, as I knew it was what I needed to be saved and personally right with God. When I was 10 years old I received the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues and got baptized. I struggled academically for many years with Maths and English and was going to leave school at 15. I failed most years and was at the bottom of my class. I prayed about it and the Lord gave me a peace that no matter what, I was going to be okay. In Year 10, I ended up being top of my class and year level and got a scholarship for academic achievement. I finished up to year 12 and went on to do further study, which is something no-one thought possible, and it's all thanks to the Lord. Thinking of flying on a plane would cause me to have panic attacks and I got very sick for weeks leading up to a flight. I planned to move to Europe in 2012 so on the first flight to Europe I just thought, "I don't need this anymore", and I prayed in tongues to God and the anxiety left me. I've had no fear of flying since. I love it. The Lord has been there for me through many things in my life, looking after me and providing amazing brothers and sisters to encourage and uplift me.



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