Heal the Man, Heal the Land



Heal the Man, Heal the Land (A Key for Healing the Land and Releasing the Grace of God)

> Pastor Rob Gross December 3, 2023

The physical condition of the land where we live is directly tied to the spiritual condition of our relationship with God.

Then the LORD appeared to Solomon in the night and said to him: "I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a house of sacrifice. When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command the locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people, if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land." (2 Chronicles 7:12-14 ESV)

Now there was a famine in the days of David for three years, year after year. And David sought the face of the LORD. And the LORD said, "There is bloodguilt on Saul and on his house, because he put the Gibeonites to death." (2 Samuel 21:1 ESV)

The **Gibeonites deceived Israel** into thinking that they were from another land, and the **Israelites covenanted with them to preserve them** in keeping with the **permission God gave to Israel to enter into treaties** with peoples **outside** the land of Canaan.

So the men took some of their provisions, but did <u>not</u> ask counsel from the LORD. And Joshua made peace with them and made a covenant with them, to let them live, and the leaders of the congregation swore to them. (Joshua 9:14-15 ESV) **Famine struck the land because Saul violated the covenant** he had made with the Gibeonites.

What has kept our land in spiritual bondage?

Sexual Immorality and Abortion

- Adultery.
- Sex with someone of the same gender.
- Sex with an animal.
- Sex with any family member.
- Being transgender.
- Molestation.
- Aborting our children, which is patterned after the burning of our children in the fires of Molech.

Is this biblical?

And you shall not lie sexually with your neighbor's wife and so make yourself unclean with her. You shall not give any of your children to offer them to Molech, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD. You shall not lie with a male as with a woman; it is an abomination. And you shall not lie with any animal and so make yourself unclean with it, neither shall any woman give herself to an animal to lie with it: it is perversion. (Leviticus 18:20-23 ESV)

The land rejects the sexually immoral.

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Do not make yourselves unclean by any of these things, for by all these the nations I am driving out before you have become unclean, ... But you shall keep my statutes and my rules and do none of these abominations, either the native or the stranger who sojourns among you (for the people of the land, who were before you, did all of these abominations, so that the land became unclean), lest the land vomit [spit, reject] you out when you make it unclean, as it vomited [rejected] out the nation that was before you. (Leviticus 18:24-28 ESV)

When the land where we live rejects us, it is an indicator that sin and wickedness exists. What does spit out, reject, or vomit mean? It means that those who live in the land cannot prosper relationally, emotionally, physically, and spiritually.

The land is where we raise our families, earn our living, and enjoy community. When we obey God, the land where we live will prosper and bless us! Our families will be blessed, our economy will be blessed, future generations will be blessed and much more! But when we disobey God, the land will not embrace us! (See Deuteronomy 28:1-15.)

Two Dreams About the Behemoth

Behold, Behemoth, which I made as I made you; he eats grass like an ox. Behold, his strength in his loins, and his power in the muscles of his belly. He makes his tail stiff like a cedar; the sinews of his thighs are knit together. His bones are tubes of bronze, his limbs like bars of iron. (Job 40:15-18 ESV)

I had two dreams about the behemoth. The behemoth is the hippopotamus. The hippo comes up from the deep and bites this ark. I believe this means there is some kind of stronghold that the Lord wants us to deal with in Hawaii that has been preventing revival and for people to come into the ark of salvation. In the second dream, I am at Les Murakami stadium. There is a vortex in the middle of the stadium, **filled with garbage**. Out of the garbage comes the hippo. I feel **God wants us to deal with sexual immorality in the church and in the land, which was the garbage**. We dealt with it at the recent Kingdom Institute conference.

In Leviticus 18:1-30 Moses is about to take the children of Israel into the promised land. God wants to give us territory. The land is where we raise our children, do business, and where we enjoy each other. The land in Leviticus 18 is polluted. God tells Moses when they go into the promised land they are not to do what the Canaanites do. What were they doing? They were sacrificing their children to Molech. They would exchange their children for a good crop and protection. Molech was their chief deity.

Today we have abortion; 64 million abortions in the United States. God says they are not to sacrifice their children nor commit adultery. That will mess up families.

Why does God speak to us about so many issues? Does He want to scare us? Is He angry? No! It is because He wants to warn us. He loves us, and He wants us to thrive, prosper, and be blessed. God wrote our manual. We are not to commit adultery, incest, etc.

There is grace for everyone. If you do these things, the land will spit you out, will reject you. There is all this sexual sin in the land. He does not want to put people down. He does not want to rub salt in the wound. He wants to rub it out.

The land rejected the people. We carry the grace of God. If you are doing all these things that God is warning you not to do, you are no longer going to be connected to the land. The land is alive. It will reject you. You will not grow up and prosper. God and the land will not cooperate with you.

If you listen and cooperate with His word, the land will receive you, will prosper you because you will carry grace to everyone around you.

We are grace bearers, grace transformers. We are supposed to drip with grace.

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How do we cleanse our land? I think we are supposed to pray this prayer to reconcile and restore us to the land where we live. By praying the following prayer, our land will not only be cleansed but it will respond by releasing God's grace and favor upon us! Grace is the power to transform our lives. [See also Pastor Miguel Cardona's message, *Enter the Gates* of Grace, at www.mvcchawaii.org.]

Prayer to Reconcile, Reunite, and Restore Us to the Land Where We Live

Lord, I come on behalf of myself and the sins of my entire generational line back to before the beginning of time. I renounce and repent for all of us who engaged in ungodly sexual activities outside the will of God on the specific land areas where we have lived. We have repeatedly broken your covenantal laws, clearly laid out in Exodus 20:14 and Leviticus 18:1-30, which instruct us not to:

- Commit Adultery
- Have sex with someone of the same gender.
- Have sex with an animal.
- Have sex with any family member.
- Be transgender.
- Molest someone.
- Abort our children, which is patterned after the burning of our children in the fires of Molech.

Lord, please forgive us for defiling the land areas where we have lived through infidelity, and through the murder of the next generation. I recognize that because we have been unfaithful to You, the land You betrothed to us has issued a divorce decree to us and I repent for our unwillingness to follow Your Word. From this day forward, I pledge my personal fidelity to You and the land where I live. Lord, please:

- Cleanse us of all defilement and guilt resulting from our unholy sexual activities and the murder of the innocent.
- Sever every ungodly soul tie between me and the land areas where we have sinned sexually.
- By Your grace and mercy, please burn up the divorce papers that the land served us, and cleanse by your blood every geographic area where we have lived.

Lord, as the Lion of Judah, please release the sound and frequency of Your mighty roar and set free all generational spirit and soul parts that have been entrapped in the land; remove all parts from the ungodly length, depth, width, and height.

I also ask You, Lord Jesus, to wield Your sword as the Son of Man and sever me and my generational line from the grip of the Rephaim, which show themselves as the dead ones, departed spirits or shades.

Lord, please complete the process of reconciling, reuniting, and restoring me to the land You have given us by destroying every ungodly generational library to which the enemy has access. This has resulted in us being spit out and/or has caused the lands where we live or have lived to come against us. Lord, I am truly sorry that we have wounded Your heart and have given the enemy the legal right to wreak havoc upon our families and the lands where we live.

Lord, please release the authority that is available to me through Jesus Christ, so that I may advance Your kingdom in the land you have given me.

Lord, for me, my family line, and my descendants, please establish our connections to the land that are in accordance with Your original design.

No More Regret! Move Forward! Karen Lewis December 10, 2023

One of the things I have struggled with this year is a lot of regret. I turned 70 this year and some of you know my story. I heard the Lord say that a lot of us are struggling with regret.

I was talking to the Lord about it. **Regret is like worry.** It is **useless** to go there. It is like an **ulcer. It erodes your confidence.** It is what feeds it. It is a lack of confidence; a lack of **knowing who you are in Christ and what He did for you when you asked Jesus into your heart.**

God said you are a new creation in Christ. So, step into that with confidence of knowing and shedding that old identity. Leave that old man behind and step into the new.

But we know how this walk is. One day you are walking it. Another day you are not so walking it. One day you are feeling it. Another day you are not feeling it. Right?

So, I felt like the Lord said, "Do not regret! Do not regret! Because everything you went through, every struggle, every deviation off the path ended up leading you back to Me and now you are where you are with Me!"

Look at it and how to redeem all that stuff. A lot of people are struggling with regret. You are struggling and striving, rather than stepping into knowing. It is hindering your healing.

It is too important to move forward and step into what God has for you, right? We all need to keep moving forward. We cannot live in regret!

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. (2 Corinthians 5:17 ESV) Renounce the Stronghold of Regret! Rob Gross December 10, 2023

With regret, you feel sometimes like you missed something or wonder if you would have just done this, or if you did something, you feel badly that it did not turn out well.

Let us pray: Lord Jesus, you know all things, see all things. Even when I wandered away, even when I have blown it, you have me in your warm embrace. There has never been a moment, even when I messed up that you have not been at my side to assure me, to forgive me, to bless me.

Today, Lord Jesus, I repent for and renounce the stronghold of regret and more specifically, Lord, I repent for and renounce being angry at myself, rejecting myself, being frustrated with myself, and even at times, not liking myself. Lord, you have crowned me with loving kindness.

I am sorry. You have not been hard on me, and I am sorry I have been hard on myself, so I break all regret to your feet and to death on your cross. I ask you lift it out of me. Give me a new mind. Give me a new heart. I say to myself forgive me for coming against you. Now I bless you. In Jesus' name, I command regret to leave.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, And all that is within me, bless His holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. (Psalm 103:1-5 NKJV) The King is Coming! Rob Gross December 17. 2023

Discerning the Times

(Living with a Sense of Urgency & Passion for Jesus)

Prepare for His return. Determine to live your life with a greater sense of urgency for Jesus and cause.

As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?" And Jesus answered them, "See that no one leads you astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and they will lead many astray. And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are but the beginning of the birth pains." (Matthew 24:3-8 ESV)

"Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake. And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another. And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come." (Matthew 24:9-14 ESV)

Are You Ready for the Return of Jesus?

"But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." (Matthew 24:43-44 ESV)

Jesus tells us in the **parable of the fig tree, that when** we see these signs, the time is very near (Matthew 24:32-34). If we truly understand the times we are living in, we will draw closer to God.

What are the signs of His return?

Sign 1: Wars and rumors of wars. Examples are the war between Russia and Ukraine, and the war between Israel and Hamas (Matthew 24:6).

Sign 2: The fulfillment of Psalm 83 which lists a confederacy of Arab nations whose main goal is to destroy Israel (Psalm 83:1-8).

-The Tents of Edom/The Southern Jordanians

-The Ishmaelites/The Saudis

-Moab/The Central Jordanians

-The Hagrites/The Egyptians

-Gebal/The Lebanese and Hezbollah

-Ammon/The Palestinians and Jordanians

-Amalek/Arabs living in the Sinai region

-Philistia/The Palestinians in the Gaza Strip

-Tyre/The Lebanese and Hezbollah

-Asshur/The Iraqis

Sign 3: The rise of Iran (Daniel 10:13-15).

Israel will prevail (Psalm 83:13-18).

Sign 4: Worldwide difficulty (2 Timothy 3:1-5). -Anti-Semitism -Mass Shootings -Transgenderism -Broken Families -Fatherlessness -Fentanyl Crisis -Southern Border -Religious Persecution -Woke Education -Hyperinflation -National debt

-Violent crime

Sign 5: Russia and Turkey's support of Hamas (Ezekiel 38).

The tribulation, the rise of the anti-Christ, and the battle of Armageddon will follow. The Lord warns us about these things not to scare us, but to prepare us for what is coming. He also warns us to draw closer to Him.

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What Can We Do to Prepare for the Lord's Second Coming?

-Do not worry: You are on the winning team! -Cultivate your relationship with the Holy Spirit. -Invest your gifts and talents in the kingdom of God.

Are you cultivating your relationship with the Holy Spirit (the oil of God)?

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. (Matthew 25:1-7 ESV)

"And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.'" (Matthew 25:8-12 ESV)

Are you investing what the Lord has entrusted to you or are you burying it?

"For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. So also he who had the two talents made two talents more.

But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, I have made five talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' (Matthew 25:14-23 ESV)

"He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.' But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."" (Matthew 25:24-30 ESV)

Rejoice for God's best is yet to come.

The Feast of Tabernacles is the only feast that has not yet been fulfilled.

It is time for repentance.

Time to Prepare Karen Lewis December 17, 2023

The time has come, the birth of the child to free mankind this day. I love you so, My children. I love you ever still. The times are quickly changing, and I hold you ever close, ever near.

You must **come to Me in fullness. Let My Spirit breathe on you.** You must **come to Me with everything** you have. **Let me renew and redo.** As the **darkness is coming evermore**, **My glory is streaming through the door.**

My children, you must be prepared. For all of mankind will lose his way except for Me.

You are My warriors, my chosen ones. Now the battle is ramping up and the final stage has begun. So, cling to Me and heed My voice for I have chosen You. You are my choice.

> **Time to Scatter** Rob Gross December 17, 2023

God is beginning to move us to where He is sending us out. Some of us are going to Maui. You gave over \$2500 for the Help Maui Fund. There are two unsaved families who want help. We are going to send a team over there to minister to them.

God is going to provide divine appointments for all of you. The Lord is going to dispense healing gifts to you today. The question is when you are sitting in the restaurant and a waiter or waitress comes by, are you going to talk to them? Are you going to venture out and pray? That is the key.

We do not know how much it will do. Sometimes you are the fifth, sixth, or seventh person who prays for them. You have to **just do your part.**

Does the **Church gather** and does the **Church scatter**? We do pretty good on the gather part. **God wants to scatter us Monday through Saturday.** AMEN! There is so much ahead. I believe **2024 is going to be amazing.**

So, **declare and decree with me**: Lord Jesus, here we are standing in front of you. Like Joshua **we say**, **"For me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Fill us now with your gifts to heal. Impart to me supernatural power to wake people up to who You are.** I thank you for this, Lord, in Jesus' name. **Provide divine appointments**. [Let us repent of our halfheartedness. Are you in or are you not? The Lord is asking the question today. He wants to know who is with Him. Not like an angry football coach or a CEO, but as a Father who loves you and wants to extend ongoing grace in your life that you might be a lighthouse to other people.]

Lord Jesus, if there is any part of my heart that is cold, would you please warm it up. It has been cold in Hawaii lately. There are parts of my heart that are not aflame for You. I have not been living with a sense of urgency and you have been very clear that You are on your way. I want you to know that all of my heart, not some but all of my heart, is with You. I love you. Thank you for ushering me into your kingdom. Help me cultivate my relationship with your Spirit.

Lord, whatever gifts I have to give, I give unto You. I am not going to wait for someone to come to me, like the pastors of this church, and ask me how I am going to get involved. I am going to them and say to them, "How can I get involved?" Because Lord, I do not want to be like that servant who buried his treasure. I want to use whatever you have given me for Your glory and Your blessing of others. I thank you for this in Jesus' name.

As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord. (Joshua 24:15 NIV) Go into the world and preach the gospel to all creation. (Mark 16:15 NIV)



Kuhio Park Terrace Outreach Ty Tamagawa The Pillars, LCC December 10, 2023

We thank you so much, Mountain View family, for your generous donations for our Kalihi Christmas Giveaway. From that one church service alone you all gave \$1300! It was enough to cover almost all the costs, and the families were so blessed to receive their gifts: Barbie doll dream houses, pots and pans, laptops, and more. There will be a video covering the whole event coming soon, and Pastor Rob will show it in service, so be on the lookout for that!

The Pillars, LLC is a community organization and media business that aims to impact areas in both tangible and supernatural ways. One of the biggest projects we are working on is the redevelopment of Sand Island Recreational Area, so that it serves the Hawaiian and Kalihi community. We have a bill set to pass next year, so be praying that the funds get the final "green light" to be distributed to us.

Our more **recent project coming up is a family event/concert hosted in the Towers of Kuhio Park,** the largest housing project in the state, located in Kaihi. The event will have food vendors from around the island, a kids/family area, a virtual reality gaming area, and activities for all ages. This part of the event will last from 2-415. From 530-800 is the concert, which has a lineup of musical artists from Kalihi, and the main headliner is theartistfia, whom you may know from his multi-platinum record, *Love Me*.

If you would like to **help with this and future projects**, you can either **donate** at <u>thepillarsmovement.org</u> or venmo us @thepillarsm. If you have any questions, feel free to email us at <u>main@thepillarsmovement.org</u>.

Our Mission Statement: To **represent God** to the fullest capacity by **loving all communities globally, pioneering change, innovatively connecting with people, and inspiring the world to make the impossible possible**.

Our Vision Statement: To embody the fullness of God and turn the world upside down.



A special thank you to **Pones Wheeler** who provided a **special gourmet meal** for **one of the ten families at Kuhio Park Terrace.** **Behold Him** TC Vegas December 24, 2023

One day at Safeway I saw a **homeless man scrounging for food** outside who made his way inside the store. I quickly **bought** a **bento**. To my disappointment, when I turned around to look for him and even raced through the aisles, **he was gone**.

After I got in the car, I told the Lord, "I know you asked me to feed him, so why can't I find him now." I decided to drive around to find him. Lo and behold, after a few minutes I saw him. By this time, it was dark and started raining. I parked my car and ran across the street yelling like a crazy person, but he couldn't hear me. I finally got closer to him, and he heard me. He turned around and my heart felt like it almost stopped because I felt I was looking into the eyes of Jesus. He didn't say a word, but smiled at me, took the food and left. I stood there with my mouth wide open not sure whom I just fed. In my mind, I had just beheld Jesus.

Maybe we all need to **search our hearts and ask Him** if there have been **times we have not made room for Him in our hearts**. Are we making a conscious effort of truly **beholding Him**, seeking His face and not His hand.

You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart. (Jeremiah 29:13 NIV)

















"She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" [which means, God with us]. (Matthew 1:21-23 ESV)







MERRY CHRISTMAS

Pastors Rob and Barb Gross

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Celebrating our Volunteers!













Enter the Gates of Grace

December 3, 2023 Miguel Cardona

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Tears of the Saints (Stalagmites and Stalactites in the **Pool of Bethesda**) December 10, 2023

<u>Pastor Rob:</u> I was thinking about Pastor Miguel's message and the pool of Bethesda. I want to explain.

I feel this spinning or this rotation in my head, like a pool, a vortex. When I feel that, I know the pool of Bethesda is present. Just to make sure, I ask Karen to tell me what she sees.

Karen Lewis: Usually when I see the pool of Bethesda, it is like a pool of water. Today I saw something a little different. I saw the pool of water, but it went deeper like a cave, a cavern that went down, down, There was a **beautiful** down. iridescent light and then there were all these stalagmites, a mound of tapering columns rising from the floor of the cave, formed by calcium salts deposited by dripping water, which is often united with the stalactites which is like a tapering structure that hangs like an icicle from the roof of the cave.

Pastor Rob asked me what I thought those columns mean? I asked the Lord. I saw the tears of the saints. You know how water drips down and collects and makes the stalagmites and stalactites. Some of us struggle because we do not get instantly healed. I felt they were the tears of the saints as people have been praying and offering up their prayers for their healing throughout the years.



YES, Lord!

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The King is Coming!

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Unto Us a Child is Born

December 24, 2023 Miguel Cardona

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Kingdom Moments

God Answers Our Prayers Loke Moepono-Techur November 27, 2023

I grew up in **Nanakuli, HI**, and graduated from Nanakuli High School. After graduating, I went to **New Hope Christian College in Eugene, OR**, where I met the Lord while **pursuing a degree in counseling**. I have been **serving Him faithfully and learning to be His disciple ever since**. I just **moved back home in September after eight years of being in Oregon** and was **invited to MVCC by Melodi and Ray Stockton**.

I do not know what God has for me next, but I know He is FAITHFUL to lead me, especially in times of uncertainty. So, I am trusting Him, and I am excited to see what He does in this new season of my life being back home in Hawaii!

I had a tooth that was infected, fractured, and supposed to be extracted. I had been fervently praying for the Lord's healing in my tooth and gums and we prayed for it on Sunday, November 26, as well.

The Lord completely healed my tooth. I had a follow up appointment today and when they looked at it, they said there was no fracture and no infection so there is no need to extract it. PRAISE THE LORD!

> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. (John 15:7 ESV)

Kingdom Moments



Cancer is Shrinking Tracy Hayase December 10, 2023

<u>Pastor Rob:</u> Tracy, what were you diagnosed with about 4 or 5 months ago?

Tracy Hayase: Stage 4 cancer, colon and liver.

Pastor Rob: What did the doctor say about the prognosis and outcome?

Tracy Hayase: The doctor explained the treatment will only prolong life but not heal me; five years optimal with an average of two years. As long as I can tolerate treatments and keep it from growing is ideal. With that information, basically I am a dead man walking.

<u>Pastor Rob:</u> I noticed you have been **coming and really seeking the Lord more intensely, like we all would if we had that diagnoses.** You had a **test recently. What did it reveal**?

Tracy Hayase: It revealed that the cancer is shrinking.

Pastor Rob: How is your hope meter? Has it gone up?

Tracy Hayase: Definitely!

Now faith is the assurance [title deed, confirmation] of things hoped for [divinely guaranteed], and the evidence of things not seen [the conviction of their reality—faith comprehends as fact what cannot be experienced by the physical senses]. (Hebrews 11:1 ESV)



Kingdom Moments

Christmas Eve's Gift of Healing from the Mitral Valve Prolapse

Laura and Marcus Sanders December 24, 2023

<u>Marcus:</u> I am Marcus and this is my wife, Laura. We are part of this wonderful family at Mountain View Community Church. I was the pastor of Pearlridge Foursquare Church in Aiea. In the first week of the New Year of 2016, Laura's body started shutting down. I rushed her to the emergency room where she was admitted into the hospital. Laura was diagnosed with a rare autoimmune disease called **Myasthenia Gravis**. It is a disease that blocks the signal from her brain to her muscles. If the disease progressed, there was a possibility of her heart also shutting down. The Lord told me, "The Church is my Bride. Your wife is your bride. You take care of your bride, and I will take care of Mine."

Five Sundays ago, after the awesome weekend of the **Apostolic Summit**, **Pastor Rob** shared the prophetic revelation that **Linda Quinn** texted him saying, "**God wants to heal those with autoimmune diseases and among other conditions, heart issues**." I asked Laura if she wanted to go up, and without hesitation we went up together to the prayer line. Pastor Rob then asked the **prayer warriors to come up to pray** for those in line. **Iris Faulkner and Ivy Kitamura came to pray for Laura**.

Laura: Before I go into my testimony, I want to say how much I love this amazing love of my life. I have had forty wonderful years of marriage, doing life together with my best-friend, my husband. I love him so much. However, he is the number two of my loves, second to Jesus. But he is okay with that because I am second to Jesus in his love life also. We have done everything together in sickness and in health.

God has been SO GOOD. We have both been relatively healthy except for the usual flus and colds. We have been like **two peas in a pod, holding NOTHING back**; **surrendered to Jesus** and willing **to be used in ANY way He pleases** to use us. Together, our prayer is this: "LORD, I want to be used by You. Use me in any way you like so others can know Your Son Jesus too."

The more we love our God with our whole heart, might, and soul, there is never a dull moment in life. Jesus did say that in life there will be difficulties, challenges, trials, and tribulation; BUT to be of good cheer and be encouraged! Follow His example. He overcame. We too can overcome (John 16:33).

God loves when we are willing to surrender completely and pray this way, because then He can do the impossible. God always answers our prayers when we trust Him and not get in the way. When we listen to His directions and allow the LORD to LEAD, MIRACLES and ANSWERED PRAYERS are so tangible and possible.

Well, when Pastor Rob Gross asked me if I was willing to share my testimony two Sundays ago on December 10, I accepted with **joy**. I knew the enemy would try hard to stop me from sharing my testimony. **Three days later at 9:59 pm, something frightening happened.**

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<u>Marcus</u>: Suddenly, Laura started to get weak and started to collapse with pains in her stomach. Was I going to lose my wife? I practically had to carry her, as she collapsed in our lazy boy recliner.

All she could say was, "Honey, call Mama." I called my mom on the mainland, and we prayed in the Holy Spirit for healing. During prayer, my wife arose and said "I am healed! Thank You, Jesus!"

Laura told me later that **she felt like her life was leaving** her and her **blood pressure was getting low**. **After her healing she started to shake in the Spirit** — a joyous and wonderful experience! **The enemy could NOT succeed. God is greater and mightier.**

Laura: Since 2013, I carried a heart issue called Mitral Valve Prolapse (which means the valve in the heart does not close all the way, so there is a swooshing sound when the doctor puts her stethoscope on my heart area). The onset was due to the Myasthenia Gravis autoimmune disease that the doctors detected in me in 2016.

Because of the Mitral Valve Prolapse, I was very careful and stayed away from anything with caffeine, like my very favorite, chocolate!

The autoimmune disease was activated in the season when we were taking care of my mommy who was cruel with her words and actions toward me because of the dementia in her last days. Also, during the same season, the neighbor came over one night and threatened me. All these extra stresses stirred an autoimmune disease that stole my smile. Literally, one side of my face drooped as if I had a stroke. The doctors said, "We may have to induce a coma" because I had difficulty swallowing and choking with my saliva. I was admitted to the hospital and ended up in there for twenty-one days. My precious husband stayed by my side, slept on the uncomfortable hospital chair all those days.

One of my life verses is Jeremiah 29:11:

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

In other words, **God is for us, NOT against us! Trust in the Lord God as LORD of your life,** AND **NOTHING is too hard for you and Him to overcome together**!

Well ending up in the hospital and being handed the verdict of "inducing coma" may seem like there is nothing to rejoice about. However, **I counted this experience a joy** because God used me to share the love of God to over a hundred doctors and nurses, patients and receptionists, dietitians, and cleaning ladies.

Any one I had access to tell, I told these precious souls that "God's love for them is REAL and GREAT. He sent His only Son Jesus to die in their place 2000 years ago to save them. He wants to help them in whatever they are going through because He loves them so much and wants them to know His love. If they will accept Jesus into their hearts, they too will make heaven their home when they take their last breaths here on earth." (Christmas Eve's Gift of Healing concludes.)

So, as I had **prayed**, "Lord, until You are finished with what You want to do in and through me concerning the Myasthenia Gravis, I will gladly and faithfully carry it out."

Well on that Sunday, five weeks ago, when everyone and Iris and Ivy prayed for me, God's grace so faithfully confirmed in my spirit that I AM HEALED!

I believed and knew in my heart that **I can now enjoy my favorite chocolate**. Still, I felt God's wisdom say, "Keep on eating as I did all the years of developing a good eating habit like Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego, who ate a strict but healthy diet." So, **after nearly ten years, I ate my favorite chocolate truffles. Now I can! I loved it!** But I promised my God, "All in modesty, I will keep eating healthy."

There is no sure way of knowing whether I am suffering from Myasthenia Gravis, except when I go down and am exhausted or with double vision. But there was one sure way to know whether I am for certain healed of the Mitral Valve Prolapse. I went to my **yearly visit to my doctor on the 7**th **of this month**. She went through my test results for my blood work. She was so pleased at my results. **My results are stellar – from blood pressure to cholesterol wellness**. I told her that I went to get **prayed for my heart issue at church and I believe I am healed**. But will you please check me to confirm my healing?

My doctor said, "Your heart is perfect!" No more Mitral Valve Prolapse!

How wonderful our God is! He says to all of us:

Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. (Luke 11:9-10 NIV)

