

Beloved friend in CHRIST, I pray that you are REJOICING in the LORD (Phil. 4:4) & are living VALIANTLY for the FAITH. These hard days in which we find ourselves in heavy spiritual warfare demands such a COMMITMENT. No matter what threats come from the satanic terrorists or what the wicked currents & godless times that are in our world today, we who have JESUS CHRIST in our hearts as LORD & SAVIOR can CONFIDENTLY REST, LEAN ON & TRUST in HIM. I always say, ìJESUS tips the scales in our favor.î Can I hear you shout AMEN?

Again this month we had a great deal of heavy rainstorms which packed the services at the Fred Jordan, Union Rescue, L.A., & Long Beach Rescue Missions. However, the harvest was only 150 plus, which hasn't been this small in sixteen years but GOD'S word does NOT return VOID (Isa. 55:11). The spiritual battle for souls is raging so I keep pressing on, preaching CHRIST CRUCIFIED. There was also a heavy month of prayer & counseling with many hurting souls. In the Spiritual Growth Programs where I also minister had seven men who told me they heard me preach in the prisons that they were in. I always encourage them to dress for the battle, praying the Arsenal Prayer that I've given to 46,000 plus people. It is ALL scriptural & has Changed many lives in & out of prisons. You can download it off my website: www.melnovak.com

Next month will be my 23 year anniversary at the Skid Row & Prison Ministry that the LORD called me into. My home Bible Study every other Monday, is now 25 years. Please come! You're all welcome. Ed Welsh, Senior Chaplain called me to be an assistant chaplain at the L.A. County Jail, which after prayer, I accepted. It will be an opportunity to preach several services a month & walk the tiers, ministering & witnessing to multitudes. Some months will have 25 services instead of an average of 20 or 21. Always in HIS strength!!! P.T.L. Sister Luz called me to do a service at the International Ministry Filipino Church. On a stormy Sunday night, I preached at Pastor Bruno Caporrino's church in Anaheim. The highlight of the month was being the guest speaker at Gideon's Army 2005 Men's Conference for brother Art Limon in Malibu. It was a tremendous time in the LORD. After doing six services in four days, Sunday the 13th was to be a day of rest. However, I received 12 phone calls from hurting people, four from out of state, all looking for encouragement, mostly hit with anxiety, worry, fretting & fearful, crying our saying, ìThis is too much,

something has to give. I have no way out---my strength is gone. I'm about to break down & collapse; I'm on the verge to give up.â

Does this describe what you're going through? I encouraged each one to go to GOD'S WORD & carefully, prayerfully read the following scriptures. Your answer is in one or more of these passages: Ps. 91 (the whole chapter), Ps. 121, Ps. 138, & Ps. 141. GOD has everything under control. I said to one, 'The ultimate joy or punishment in life is to live your life with yourself. Live it so you don't have to hide from yourself. HEALING begins with TRUTH.â Seven were overwhelmed by pain, grief, anxiety, unforgiveness, loss & depression over incidents that happened in the past. Isa. 43:18 & 19 tells us not to go back unless you got a good testimony. The mind is Satan's playground & torment & fretting (Ps. 37:8) set each of them in a mold of misery. Multitudes are agonizing over past mistakes, present difficulties & future challenges. Left unchecked, without prayer, staying in the Word with praise & worship, depression, worry & fretting can carve deep & wide emotional channels in our spirit through which fear (II Tim. 1:7) & confusion (I Cor. 14:33) swiftly & destructively flow.