

Beloved friend in **CHRIST**, it is my prayer that during these dark days in the world & our great country that you are **REJOICING** in the **LORD** (Phil.4:4). These are days of heavy spiritual warfare that demand a commitment to live a life of **FAITH** (II Cor. 5:7) & trust (Ps. 91:2). Thanks be to **GOD** for **HIS** wonderful gift, **JESUS CHRIST**, the only begotten **SON** of **GOD**, who is the object of our **FAITH**. The **ONLY FAITH** that **SAVES** is **FAITH** in **JESUS CHRIST** (Acts 4:12).

July was a light month for me because there were only 18 services, but the **HOLY SPIRIT** drew in well over 400 who prayed the Sinner's Prayer. Most came from the prison services. They are embracing the **TRUTH** of **GOD'S WORD & HIS PROMISES**. (II Cor. 1:20). In April, May & June, I did 80 services and over 1700 have their names written in the **BOOK** of **LIFE**. Praise God. I continue to get **GOD'S** favor no matter where I go. I was out of the state 3 times during those months to go to new prisons & wherever I go, the devil is working. That's why it is crucial to bring the **GOOD NEWS** of **JESUS CHRIST & SALVATION** & expose the enemy. In these dark, ominous places, **GOD** is doing marvelous things by **HIS SPIRIT**.

The fields are ripe unto harvest & we must do all we can for the **MASTER** before **HIS** soon return. What a thrill it is to be a child of **GOD**, redeemed by the blood of the **LORD JESUS CHRIST**. There are scores of lifers I know who minister where they are locked up. They listened to me when I said, "When you are redeemed, you want to live for **CHRIST** & declare this message of **HIS** redeeming power to those in this prison. Desire to see the locked up lives transformed by **GOD'S** power in the same ways you have experienced His glorious touch." I marvel at how **GOD** has changed their hearts.

There were 4 services & counseling at L.A. Co. Jail that went well. An inmate I've counseled for months just got 17 years. **HE** was calm & said, "Brother Mel, **GOD** wants me to minister inside the walls for **HIM**." **HE** wasn't angry or bitter. Disappointed? Yes. I told him to change the **D** to an **H** & make it His-appointment & pray. Most everyone who comes to my services is praying **GOD'S ARSENAL** Prayer. I also give a nice *New King James Bible* & John Osteen's *Pulling Down Strongholds* to those in counseling & Skid Row. The Chino Women's Prison Service where I preach for Ron Zaucha's Lighthouse Prison Ministry had a very strong anointing & large harvest. The chapel was packed.

The Skid Row Mission services also went well & the Fred Jordan has had a full house every Tuesday that I'm there, with nice harvests. The Spiritual Growth Services are special to me as I get to know & minister to the men in the program. Our testimony of the month, Clyde, was in the program. To know Clyde is to love him. Chaplain Sally of the Juvenile Youth Authority

had me speak on the 3rd Sunday. Ninety-eight came to the service, ages 14 to 17. I gave them a strong message & about 70% prayed the Sinner's Prayer. My home Bible Study is now being held at Gloria Muscarella's home & about 40 attend. All are welcome.

One of my scores of phone calls for prayer asked me what our response should be to wars & threats of terrorism? Should we, as believers, retreat & hide away or should we do **EXACTLY** what **GOD** has called us to do? **GOD** didn't put us here to be afraid (II Tim. 1:7; Ps. 27:1). He put us here to make a difference in people's lives. When **HE** gave us the **GREAT COMMISSION**, **HE** also gave us a promise: As you go, make disciples of **ALL** nations, baptizing them & teaching them to **OBSERVE ALL THINGS**; & I'll be with you always, even to the end of the age (Matt 28:19-20).

It's in times of difficulty, trial & war that we are presented with the greatest opportunity as the body of **CHRIST**. When people are fearful & uncertain, they begin to question & look for answers & reassurance. At these times, people are most open to hear the gospel of **JESUS CHRIST**, so this is **NOT** a time to retreat; it is time to press in & move forward, seeking those that are lost. There are many inmates that are totally lost who come to my services because of all the movies I acted in. I do **NOT** talk about movies! I preach **CHRIST CRUCIFIED** & back everything I say with verse & scripture. **GOD** moves on them.

We must **NEVER** forget our responsibility to fulfill the mission. We have a single message: John 3:16 which is the greatest scripture in the Bible. Why? **GOD** is the greatest person; **SO LOVED** is the greatest devotion; the world is the greatest number; that **HE** gave is the greatest act; **HIS** only begotten **SON**... the greatest gift; that whosoever believes is the greatest condition; shall **NOT** perish... the greatest mercy; but have **ETERNAL LIFE**... the greatest result. This message is simple & can be understood by **ALL** who hear it. **IT WILL** transform a person's life. Rev. 5:9 says, "There will be people out of every nation, tribe & tongue, who have been saved by the **GRACE** of **GOD**." (Eph. 2:8) As a Christian, **YOU** are a part of fulfilling this mission. **YES, YOU!**

This is a time to share your faith & tell people what **JESUS CHRIST** means to you. Go forward with **BOLDNESS** (Acts 5:29) because **GOD** is with you as promised. (Rom 8:31; Deut. 31:6). If you ask **GOD** how **HE** can use your life to impact people, **HE** will show you. (Ps. 32:8) Obey **GOD**, & leave **ALL** the consequences to **HIM**.

Until next month, may **GOD** richly **BLESS** you, and to you who sent love offerings, **I THANK** you from my heart.

In His Majesty's Service,