

GRACE & PEACE to each of you from **GOD** our **FATHER** & our **LORD JESUS CHRIST**. I pray that you are **REJOICING** (Phil. 4:4) in the **LORD** & praying diligently in **FAITH**. **GOD** deeply loves **ALL** who seek **HIS** face **DAILY** & as never before, that we should overflow our minds with the **HOLY SCRIPTURES**, keeping our eyes fixed upon **JESUS** (II Cor. 5:7).

Can you believe it? We are already half way thru 2011. Time is fleeting (Job. 7:6). In these dark days we must press on & **REAP** the **HARVEST** (Rev. 14:15). The harvest of souls this month brought in over 700, P.T.L., in 25 services. There were 28, but I had bronchitis & had my team who go with me to the Union Rescue Mission take the 2 services & I cancelled one at the L.A. Co. Jail.

Last month's testimony was excellent. I met her in Stockton's Women's Prison (closed for years). She was to send me her testimony years ago. P.T.L.

I started off the month flying to Portland & stayed with Lea & family. I ministered that night for Brothers Joel & Matt at the Healing Barn Church service. It was an anointed evening. Friday night was at the Larch Mountain Correctional Facility which had a packed chapel & a huge harvest. Saturday, I did a 2 hour Russian radio-TV simulcast that was heard all over Russia & Washington. The Word of the Lord went forth. Sunday was a great time at the River Church. Pastor Joshua is a powerful servant of the Lord. This was my 4th time there & I got to know so many wonderful brothers & sisters.

I did 8 services at the Fred Jordan Mission with well over 100 in each service. The two services at the Wayside M.E.R.I.T. program always has 175 in the service. Deputy Bates started this excellent program at the Super Max facility. At Lynwood Women's, I was able to do 2 services which had huge harvests. Chino Women's Prison again had a packed chapel with a harvest of hungry wounded souls for Jesus.

Chaplain Sully Moreno of the Juvenile facility in E.L.A. had a concert for the boys & girls. I had Billy, Brian, Brandolyn & Gloria from my home Bible Study do the worship music for an hour & I did the hour of God's **WORD**. The 3 L.A. Co Jail services each had an hour & a half sermon & nice harvest of souls. **GOD** has their attention. Hope 4 the Homeless Youth service is always well received. Brother Clayton has to leave the Dream Center & find another facility. **PRAY** that the Lord moves!

At one of the Fred Jordan services, I did a sermon called, "Whatever Happened To Love?" Not much love in the world, is there? I said, "Why not write a letter to **GOD**, praising **HIM** for your blessings?" After all, when you really love someone, it is

important to let them know! Expressing your love to **GOD** in this way will help that love grow stronger & draw you closer to **HIM**. That love should be modeled on **HIS** love for us.

In the New Testament, 3 different Greek words for love are used. Eros refers to romantic love; Phileo refers to the deep loyalty for a close friend, but the highest form of love is called **AGAPE**, the name for **GOD'S LOVE**. I feel the best description of Agape can be found in Luke 15, the story of the Prodigal Son. You may know the story. The younger of 2 sons demands his inheritance from his father, then leaves home to waste his share of the family estate on riotous living. When the money is gone, when his life has fallen apart, the son returns home to a father who welcomes him with open arms. When **JESUS** told this story, **HE** intended for the father's natural love to be an example of our Heavenly **FATHER'S** love.

Characteristics of this divine **AGAPE LOVE**:

Agape love makes sacrifices. The father could not change his son's heart so he willingly made the sacrifice, just as **GOD** sacrificed **HIS** only **SON** because of our stubbornness & sin.

Agape love waits. When his son left, the father didn't chase after him. He was willing to wait for his son to experience true repentance. The same principle is true in our daily walk. If we are wondering why **GOD** has not answered a certain prayer, perhaps you are simply being asked to **WAIT**, patiently, fruitfully, until the time is right.

Agape love is generous. The prodigal son's father did more than simply welcome back the wayward boy. He celebrated his return! He killed the fatted calf & put on a lavish feast. His love expressed itself in real generosity. **GOD'S** love inspires the most generosity of all.

Agape love forgives & restores. Most dads get angry when a delinquent son shows up at the front door expecting a handout. But not this father! In celebrating his sons return, he helped heal the son's wounds. In placing a ring on his finger, he restored him to a place of family honor.

Is there anyone you haven't forgiven? Agape love has the power to reach out in forgiveness, respond to the offense with generosity, & give of itself to restore others. The world today desperately needs to see Agape love in action. Our society is obsessed with Eros — but a truly forgiving & self sacrificing love is rare indeed.

I sure enjoyed my time with Lea, Elijah, Ali Mae & Doug. I go back again for ministry Aug. 3. Until next month, may **GOD** bless you. To you who sent love offerings, **THANK YOU!**

In His Majesty's Service,