Beloved friend in CHRIST, I pray that during these dark days in the world that you are REJOICING in the LORD (Phil. 4:4) & standing against the wiles of the devil. (Eph. 6:10-17) I see casualties everywhere, especially on Skid Row & prisons, who have fallen on the battlefield (spiritual) becoming a P.O.W. to the defeated enemy satan (II Tim. 2:25, 26). The devil has no authority or power. When JESUS said in John 19:30, ìIt is finishedî, satanís end was written.

October was an extremely blessed month of ministry & personal blessings. There were well over 400 whose names are now written in the Book of Life, drawn by the precious HOLY SPIRIT (John 6:44). At the L.A. Co. Jail, 3 different days had large harvests & also 10 hours of counseling. As always, for the past 17 years, the Donovan Penitentiary level 3 maximum-security facility services were well attended with nice harvests. Scores there pray the Arsenal Prayer DAILY. Chino Womenís Prison always has 100 or more attending & always a fine harvest. Most of my sermons there zero in on inner healing. Multitudes in the prisons & on Skid Row where I minister are walking wounded.

My home Bible study of 28 years has been increasing in attendance. The Long Beach Rescue Missions services are always special for me. They are hungry for the WORD & the harvests just bless me. The Fred Jordan services are the same every Tuesday but the 1st Tuesday. It was disappointing to see so many leave the Spiritual Growth Program where Iíve been giving teachings & Bible studies for over 20 years.

I flew back to Pittsburgh, Pa., my hometown, on the 9th, staying with my uncle & aunts. My brother, Robert drove down from Michigan, Cousin Marianne & husband and the Yexes, whom I led to CHRIST 2 yrs. ago, came in from Ohio. On Wednesday evening, I was blessed to preach at Pastor Frank Roccoís ìThe Churchî. This is a wonderful Spirit Filled Church with a lot of love & great worship music. Pastor Frank is an anointed brother who preaches CHRIST CRUCIFIED. On Saturday, he took me to Westmoreland Co. Jail, giving me the whole hour for the Womenís & Menís services. GODíS WORD went forth & both services had large harvests. On Sunday, again Pastor Frank had me back to his church. He & Brother Jim Shoaf pray for me daily, as does the Church prayer chain. Personally, it was the best trip back ever, & the most fulfilling. P.T.L.

With the counseling this month & the Womenís Prisons, along with the Skid Row population, it is common to hear of the emotional struggles of their life & pasts. The need for inner healing is consuming. The devil attacks the mind, hearts & emotions & keeps playing the tape of past mistakes & sins. GOD doesnít remember it once we confess & repent (Isa. 43:25; Jer. 31:34B). This month I encouraged scores to read the entire Chapter of Isa. 58. I love the 11th verse. ìThe LORD will guide you continually & satisfy your soul in drought, & strengthen your bones; you shall be like a watered garden, & like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail.î Notice it says you will bloom IN the desert. The circumstances in your life may not improve YET, but you can HEAL & BLOOM right there, where you were dying on the vine before. Verse 12 says when you give to others & reach out to those who are hurting; you will be called ìRepairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets & Dwelling.î What is YOUR name? You do NOT want to be called, ìDiscouraged by Broken Walls, Dejected on Shattered Streets, or Deserted in Desert Lands. You can change your name right now (Phil. 4:13). You can find the healing you need. Remember, NOTHING is impossible with GOD (Luke 1:37) & NOTHING is too hard for GOD (Jer. 32:17, 27). The healing begins with TRUE humility toward GOD (I Peter 5:6). True humility is accepting who GOD is & who we are. TRUST in HIM, REST in HIM, & BELIEVE in HIM. We have ALL had very hurtful things happen to us, & hurts from our past can haunt us. (Isa.43:18, 19) There are multitudes that are flooded with troubles in their lives that seem overwhelming. GOD says that the ìbattle is MINEî (II Chron. 20:15)

As we look at Isa. 58, we see that Godís answer for inner healing is first to get yourself in a right relationship with GOD (Matt. 6:33; Joshua 1:8). The Israelites in this chapter were pretending to be humble in order to manipulate God. Ha,

Ha! That NEVER works. We need to submit to God. He knows our hearts (Luke 16:15). Isa. 50:14 says, ìThen you will find your JOY in the LORD & I will cause you to ride on the heights of the land & to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob.î

Pray IN the name of JESUS (Phil. 2:9) for your healing (Ps. 30:2; Ps. 34:15, 19, Isa. 53:5). JESUS is ALWAYS there with His healing touch. (Matt. 8:17) DO NOT listen to the devilís lies. (John 8:44) As a child of GOD, we have an inheritance in CHRIST JESUS. We will inherit ETERNAL LIFE with GOD; we are joint heirs with JESUS to inherit ALL of GODíS riches. Find your JOY in CHRIST. Feast on that inheritance. My favorite disciple next to JESUS, Paul the Apostle said, ìBut one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind & straining toward is what ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which GOD has called me heavenward in CHRIST JESUS.î GOD can heal you by giving you the power to put the past behind you IF you are willing to turn your face toward GOD & others.

May the Lord bless you & keep you. To you who BLESSED me with love offerings, I thank you & praise Him.

In His Majestyís Service,

Mel Novak