THANKFUL

Somebody told me that Kathryn Kuhlman had a unique way of saying grace before a meal. Apparently she waved her arm over the food and said three simple words, "We are thankful."

"We are thankful" says it all. As we celebrate the Thanksgiving season, my thoughts return to this past year and the many lives we have had the privilege of impacting with the message of God's love and supernatural power across our nation and abroad

We are thankful for every transformed heart:

A young man who had never been in church, somehow found himself in our service. He was addicted to drugs, had been in trouble with the law, and his parents had totally rejected him. He heard about Jesus' love for the very first time, and responded to the invitation to receive Christ. He not only became God's child, but he was instantly delivered from every demonic influence and addiction, and was baptized in the Holy Spirit. He is now a powerful soul winner and uses his story and talents to lead people to Christ.

We are thankful for healings and miracles:

A woman had just been told by her doctor that she would be confined to a wheelchair due to severe rheumatoid arthritis throughout her body. In spite of her condition she attended a service, and was about to leave because of the pain, when the Holy Spirit directed me to say, "Someone is being healed of arthritis," and pointed to the section where she was sitting. She was instantly healed and has been enjoying pain-free abundant life ever since.

A gentleman with 75% hearing loss in his right ear, and 50% loss in his left, followed my instructions to the audience to place their hands on the portion of their bodies that needed healing. Suddenly his ears popped. He removed his hearing aids and discovered he could hear perfectly. He returned to our morning service the next day, reporting that he had awakened to discover his healing was indeed real and lasting.

In a recent service I prayed for a young woman who was totally blind in one eye. Nothing seemed to change immediately, and she returned to her seat.



Blind woman healed

However, at the conclusion of the meeting, she came forward to report the exciting news that, as the service progressed she realized that she could see out of her blind eve for the first time in her life.

I am thankful that miracles last:

Forty years ago a six-year-old boy was traveling in a truck with his father, when the passenger door came open, and Michael fell out of the speeding truck onto the pavement, landing on his head. As he lay in a coma in intensive care, the doctors told his parents that the brain damage was so severe he would never regain consciousness, and if by some miracle he did survive, he would be in a vegetative state the rest of his life.

But Michael had a praying grandma. Grandma contacted our office and the receptionist assured her that I would be praying fervently for Michael, but that did not satisfy her. She insisted that I go to the hospital to lay my hands on her grandson, because the Lord had assured her that, if I did, Michael would be healed. She even showed up at the door of our home, and would not leave until I agreed to go to the hospital.God honoured Grandma's persistent faith. I laid hands on Michael and declared God's healing power over him, yet it seemed nothing tangible changed. However, an hour later I received a phone call informing me that Michael had suddenly awakened and his mind was functioning perfectly normally.

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Bill & Michael

Last month, forty years after that outstanding miracle, I met a strapping, healthy forty-six-year-old man, and was thrilled to discover he was Michael! When the Lord rescued Michael from the brink of death and re-created his brain, He did a complete and lasting miracle!

I am thankful for God's promises for Canada's Arctic:

Over the years we've had the privilege of seeing many Inuit come to Christ and churches established

in many communities. But social problems and suicide still devastate many, many

families. Two years ago the Lord gave me a fresh vision of what He wants to do, especially among young men and women in the Arctic, and directed me to establish a Healing and Equipping Centre in Repulse Bay, NU.

As friends across Canada faithfully prayed and partnered with their finances, we were able to begin construction of the facility this summer. Even though there were unexpected delays with obtaining the use of specialized equipment to lay the foundational structure, we are believing God that the exterior work will still be completed before the extreme winter weather sets in

The barge carrying the remaining interior building supplies, furnishings, sound system, etc. will have arrived by the time you receive this Newsletter, and I am pleased to report that everything is completely paid for! Praise God for his amazing faithfulness and for such wonderful partners who have been standing with us as we move forward to see this great vision accomplished.

Once the building is completed, Spirit-empowered specialized ministries will join us as we start training young men and women from various Inuit communities. As they receive wholeness in every area of their lives, and as the Word is instilled in their hearts, they will return to their communities to effectively reach their own people. Armed with the power and anointing of the Spirit, we believe they will be the key to seeing suicide eradicated in the north.

Are you thankful?

You and I should be the most thankful people in the world. Our Heavenly Father loves us; Jesus Christ has redeemed us and has given us abundant life, and the Holy Spirit has empowered us to accomplish great things for Him. Because of all He has done for us, we can express our thanksgiving by showing His love to our hurting world.

I have dedicated my life to taking this message from sea to sea, and to the ends of the earth. I am especially thankful for every partner that makes this vital work possible through your generous support and prayers. In this Thanksgiving season, I want to encourage you to sow a special Thanksgiving offering as a tangible way of demonstrating your gratitude to Jesus for all He has done and continues to do.

When you partner with us in this way, you share in the reward for every heart that is touched, every body that is healed, and every broken life that is restored.

Thank you for standing with us!

Yours in Christ.

Bill Prankard

UPCOMING EVENTS

Arctic Trip October 15- 21 Arviat, Baker Lake, Rankin Inlet, Coral Harbour, Repulse Bay

Lloydminster, SK October 24-26 Lloydminster Gospel Fellowship 4620 47 Ave, Lloydminster, SK www.lgf-paoc.org Lyttleton, NB November 1-2 Lyttleton Pentecostal Church 37 Halcomb Rd. Lyttleton, NB www.lpchurch.ca

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