



BELIEVERS NEWSLETTER

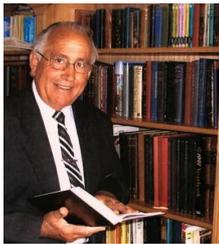
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Second Issue

From the Editor's Desk



May The Lord bless you all.

Here we are, after a month of ironing out the teething problems that we experienced when sending out the Believers Newsletter No.1. It has been a step of faith – one step at a time in our endeavours, and we trust it will be a blessing to you all in the bonds of love.

In this publication, we have two items which we feel especially close to.

- Brother Gary's and Sister Deborah's horrendous car accident that left our Brother's body crushed from falling timber off a truck. We had to shake ourselves from looking at the circumstance and like Abraham, we looked at the Promise, didn't we. They have asked us all to continue bearing Gary up in prayer. Isn't He just as the hymn writer wrote? "*Beautiful Christ! Beautiful Christ! King of my life is He.*" Isn't He beautiful ?!
- Brother Adrian's request for Tapes and Books for his missionary work in Vanuatu. What an overwhelming response we had from you all. Isn't this an example of the Body of Christ praying together and working in unity to supply what was needed? On behalf of our Board of Trustees, I thank you for your input. God bless you all.

Charles Wilson
Editorial Team

Report on message materials received.

Brother Adrian with Boxes bound for Vanuatu !!



God bless you brethren. Since my last article in the Newsletter requesting message materials for Vanuatu, things have been happening far beyond what I had anticipated.

I would like to openly express my gratitude for the massive support in supplying hundreds of kilograms of tapes, books and videos for the islands. Not only that, but two Brothers from two geographical extremes of New Zealand extended themselves beyond measure by donating two generators that will open up avenues of ministry that haven't been seen commonly in Vanuatu before.

By that, I mean that videos and monitors as well as projectors ill be able to be utilized that were once out of the question

because of power limitations. They will be able to listen to ministry we have all come to appreciate over the years that has built us up and now will be able to build them up. Regardless of the size of the contribution, it has been a wonderful demonstration of brotherly kindness toward those with less resources.

In the photograph you will see a large number of boxes that materials were sent in. But these are only less than half of what are waiting to be sent away from other fellowships throughout the country. Even last week about 40 kgs were posted off to various fellowships in the islands and hopefully within three months all of those churches will have an extensive library set up for them.

My preference is to spread the responsibility amongst all those who wish to be involved so that they can feel a part of what I believe The Lord is doing in the Pacific region. It is a very fulfilling experience to see The Lord opening up His Word where it has been clouded to their eyes in the past. I would rather have spiritual eyes opened than have natural eyes healed of blindness as the former is eternal. The latter isn't.

If you wish to send any further goods direct to Vanuatu, just contact me and I would be more than happy to pass their address on to you.

More than all this, pray for them, that understanding will flood into their souls and that they will see their part in the great eternal plan of The Lord. God bless.

Brother Adrian Gray
Rapturing Grace Tabernacle
Stratford

Message Youth Camp 2008



This camp was organized by :-

Pastor Paul Moffitt [right]

Pastor Tony Murray [left]

Pastor Gary Walker [below]



Our Message Youth Camp was recently conducted at the Lakes Ranch Camp, in Rotorua from Thursday 28th February through to Monday 3rd March.

This year we had a total of 84 youth on site - significantly up from past years. This number included a sister from Germany and two brothers from Australia. There were at least nine New Zealand churches represented.

We also had another 18 adults on site for the duration of the camp. This included those ministering The Word, as well as different team leaders, supervisors – with various areas of responsibility, and adults co-opted to help with some of the slave work.

This is the fourth camp of its kind held in recent years – in what had developed into an annual event. The first two were held at Curious Cove in the Marlborough Sounds. This camp was perhaps most notable for the return to the pulpit of Brother Gary Walker. This was the first time he's ministered publicly since their automobile accident November 5th last year.



He entered the chapel on the Friday afternoon To spontaneous applause, and proceeded to Minister – seated, with a fixed mic, maybe a bit slower and quieter than at past times - but very much from the heart.

His first message was basically a testimony of the events of his life over the last four months. His punch line to the youth was, “If it was my time to go, I was ready. What if it had been you?”

The services were shared between Brother Gary, Brother Tony Murray, and Brother Paul Moffitt. Some of the subject material ministered on included “relationships,” “headship,” “finding the Will of God,” and “not trusting in the flesh.”

Sunday morning was an “open” service, which saw maybe 160 attend. This number included ministers and brethren from some of the closer Message churches.



A number of activities were also planned for, between the services. These included ice-breaking games, as well as a number of activities designed to build confidence, and encourage teamwork and co-operation.

Most notable of these was the building of a number of two-person boats out of corrugated cardboard. These were then launched and paddled, some with spectacular success (and some to spectacular failure!)

The final morning service was an opportunity for “famous last words” and “parting shots” from the ministering brothers. This was followed by an invitation to come forward for anyone sincerely desiring prayer. We had about 20 young people take that opportunity – for a variety of needs.

We recognise the confidence and support of the various pastors and parents who encouraged their young people to attend. We thank you for that. We also want to acknowledge and thank those also that generously supported financially. This greatly subsidised the cost to the youth. We sincerely appreciate your investment.



Finally, a big thanks also to Brother Tony and Sister Vicky for their many hours of planning and organising. May The Lord Bless your “Labour of love”

Pastor Paul Moffitt
Rapturing Grace Tabernacle,
Stratford

WHAT IS LOVE ?

From a 4 year old Child’s perspective

Their next door neighbour was an elderly gentleman who had recently lost his wife. Upon seeing the man cry, the little boy went into the old gentleman’s backyard, climbed on to his lap, and just sat there.

**When his Mother asked what he had said to the neighbour, the little boy said:-
“NOTHING, I JUST HELPED HIM CRY”**

A Blessing Shared by Brother Albert *cont'd from his last article.*

Last Sunday's meeting was a great blessing to me and once again brought out how God accepts whosoever He approves of upon the basis of His requirements. May you also be blessed by the following quote.

We're fitly joined together, one heart and one accord. Now, somebody say, "Well, the Lutherans back there had nothing." Don't you believe it. The Lutherans will come forth in the resurrection just the same as the rest will come forth in the resurrection. Baptist, Presbyterians, and all of God's children will come forth in that resurrection. And that's the reason today people say, "Oh, well, there'll be a sweeping revival that'll go out here and save a hundred million Pentecostals and all get saved, and there'll be the rapture." You're mistaken. That rapture will be hundreds of thousands; that's right; but they'll be all made up in six thousand years of salvation too, six thousand years back.

Man walks in the Light as the Light comes to him; he crosses the bridges when he find-comes to them. Now, if he refuses It, then he's left in darkness.
Brother Albert Ruegg - Christian Believers - Tauranga

To The Editor

We thank our Lord Jesus for adding to the body of believers in New Zealand, by way of a fine little group of people who have recently come to our country, led by the ministry of Pastor Frederick Esau, who for the second time has hosted Easter meetings and made everyone feel warmly welcome. Those attending were favoured equally and everyone enjoyed the hospitality.

The five local ministers who flowed together in perfect harmony were, Pastors: Mita Edwardson, Derrick Donaldson, Paul Moffitt, Malcolm Wano and brother Ferdinand Esau.

Subjects preached were

- *Looking to the Unseen. Dimensional thinking*
- *Ephesians parallels Joshua. The church in its maturity*
- *Calvinism & Arminianism, Balance between eternal security & works*
- *Gods Supernatural Economy in the time of global economic struggle*
- *Encouraging the Young people to receive the Holy Ghost Baptism*

Much can be said about the teaching of the Word during these meetings and the importance of diligently searching the truths that were spoken. However, the highlight for me personally was to feel the Spirit move upon the congregation to bring their children for prayer, and to see these young ones with parents crying out to God in response. Alongside the depth of God's truths, I'm reminded of Jesus words. "Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not..."

There was a great sense of humility, compassion and sincerity amongst those seeking and praying. I'm sure that everyone on every level was touched as the great Holy Spirit moved throughout the whole weekend.

Thanks again to brother and sister Esau, and their people for following the leading of the Spirit in their lives. We enjoyed the old time singing, preaching and praying.

Your brother in Christian love
Mita Edwardson

**“BEHOLD HOW GOOD AND HOW PLEASANT IT IS FOR BRETHREN
TO DWELL TOGETHER IN UNITY” Psalm 133**

Reporter from Pastor Freddie’s Fellowship

Friday 21 March 2008:

The meeting started with a prayer service and Pastor Esau dedicating the hall for the Glory of God. He quoted from Chronicles 2:11 “*And they were as one*” *Our Brother said, ‘When we become so one with one another and the Holy Ghost, something supernatural must happen. AND THE HOLY GHOST DROPPED DOWN!! THE SCENE WAS SET!!*

Friday Evening: Pastor Mita

Colossians: 3-1

Title: Looking to the unseen.

Set your affections on things above. We put more emphasis on the earthly things than on the heavenly. The seventh dimension is where Jesus is. But what is done in the fourth dimension, anointed by the fifth dimension has no bearing on the sixth and seventh dimension. The thoughts of God are real. The unseen is real.

“Anything that can be scientifically proven is not real.” ‘Looking to the unseen.’

Saturday morning: Pastor Derrick Donaldson

Ephesians 3: 1-11

Title: The Mystery of the church.

Ephesians is the destiny of the church according to The Word. It is the mystery of the church. It is a type of the Bride!! It is The Word!

Saturday afternoon: Brother Ferdie

held a sing-along for the ‘older and younger’ and the young people gave testimony about the youth camp they had attended and what a blessing it was.

Saturday Evening: Pastor Paul Moffitt

Ephesians 1-6. Ephesians 6: 10-16

Title: Law and Grace: Our standing and our state.

You have to put on the whole armour of God. When you kick the enemy out you have to be vigilant, stand on The Word. The Bride stands with the message; she stays with the message.

Sunday morning: Pastor Malcolm Wano

Luke 1 : 20-27

Babylon has fallen. To bring it down to our dispensation, the new Babylon in America has:-

1. Change of laws, 2. Pagan worship, 3. Civil unions, 4. Homosexuality, 5. Dominating female, 6. Politics and Religion - an economic squeeze to get our attention off The Word of God. The Bride looks for something that is more real – our state, our stand and our position.

The Pergamos church age is back, the dark ages for believers are right back.

The red horse rider, uniting religion and politics, because of what Babylon did to the temple.

The Kinsman Avenger [Angel of destruction] stepped on the scene. God will destroy those who will destroy your temple. God shows it is His works.

WHILE BABYLON IS FALLING JERUSALEM IS RISING !!

Sunday Evening: Brother Ferdie

Romans 8 :11. 1Corinthians 12

Title: Mechanics and dynamics.- which is the Holy Ghost.

And your lives cannot exist without the power of the Holy Ghost. This is especially for the young people. Parents should know if their children are filled with the Holy Ghost, because they will have such a desire to serve The Lord.

The power of God manifested Itself in a supernatural way that parents with their children rededicated their lives to God and young people desiring the Holy Ghost.

GOD GRACED US WITH HIS PRESENCE. WHAT A CLIMAX TO A TREMENDOUS WEEKEND.

For many, many years I had suffered from hay fever. It was so bad that at times my eyes would be so puffy they would be closed, and my nose run so much that I would tuck a tea towel in my skirt, and have another one under my pillow at night. Many trips to the Doctor proved to be fruitless.

After hearing testimony of a brother being delivered of the same problem, my husband David and I prayed that mine would be taken away too. I'd have had enough of it; I didn't want or need it. I wanted it gone!

The next day when David got home from work I asked him to look at my eyes, as they had not been puffy or sore all day and he said they looked normal, but my nose was still running a little bit. The next day my nose was running a bit and David prayed with me before he went to work, and said:-

“The Lord doesn't do half jobs. Claim your healing in the name of the Lord Jesus and STAND ON IT! STAND ON IT! STAND ON IT!”

That night when David got home from work, he said that I looked amazing, in fact he said he had never seen me without puffy eyes, and a runny nose and to this day eyes are still not puffy or sore and my nose is still not running.

Praise God; Thank You Lord Jesus.
Sister Leane Dredge
Blenheim.



A Personal Testimony

The last few months I have been struggling with a problem. It felt like a cloud or fog over my mind. I lost my anointing and my joy. I was getting weepy, negative and critical. My prayers seemed to hit the roof and go nowhere. Then last Sunday night (24th Feb) our Fellowship listened to Bro Tim Pruitt preaching on 'Saying the Word to defeat the enemy'. Going home in the car, I said to my husband, "I think I have picked up a spirit from somewhere." So I did what Bro Pruitt said. I told the devil that if it wanted to hang around and listen to me praising the Lord then it was up to it, but I told it that a better idea was to clear out. And I felt it go – The mist lifted almost immediately. Since then I have got my joy back and the anointing, so we praise the Lord for His goodness.

Sis Barbara Leov, Nelson.

WINGS OF FAITH

Be like the bird

That pausing in her flight

To rest on Boughs too slight

Feels them give way beneath her

- and yet sings

- Knowing that she hath wings

Found among our Mother's 'keep sakes' after her passing. jcw:hmd



NEED OF PRAYER by Pastor Graeme Harnett,
Word of Life Fellowship
Christchurch

1st Thessalonians 5 : 17 *“Pray without ceasing”*
St Luke 18 : 1 *“And He spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint”*

“My Angel shall go before thee”

Tallahassee, 53-0216

Now, along this journey He’s promised to supply everything that we have need of. *Whatsoever you will ask the Father in My Name, that will I do. Whatsoever things – [Mark 11 : 24] “Whatsoever things you desire, when you pray, believe you receive it, You shall have it”* Now, He gave us the strongest weapon that there is in all the world and that’s PRAYER. Prayer is what changes things. The Christian doesn’t realise what a force he has when he kneels on his knees before Almighty God in the Name of Jesus Christ. He doesn’t realise what – what power that is. If the people could only realise that the – that what is given right unto them, anything that you ask for will be given, if you can appropriate the faith to believe it. For God’s Word is true.

“Spiritual Food in due season”

Jeffersonville, 65-0718

“Jesus said, Do you now believe? They said, We believe that Thou knowest all things and need that no man teach Thee” So Father, tonight we realise that You don’t need our teaching, but we need Yours. So we pray that You’ll teach us how to pray, how to live, and how to believe. Grant it Lord, through this service tonight. If we lack anything, give it to us, Lord. We ask it in Jesus Name. Amen.

Philippians 4 : 6 *“Be careful for nothing: but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.*

Philippians 4 : 7 *And the peace of God which passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”*

Psalms 62 : 8 *“Trust in Him at all times, ye people. Pour out your heart Before Him: God is a refuge for us. Selah.”*



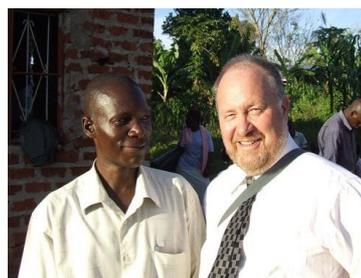
Brother Richard Oliver in Uganda

Tenei te Ra

Bros. Musana Isaac & Richard Oliver

Quite a few years ago I was in the Moerewa Church when the local brethren switched from singing “This is the Day” in English to Maori. It sounded great.

A year or so later I was again in Moerewa and prepared! When the song was sung I copied the Maori version down from the overhead screen. When I got home to Eltham I taught it to the church, complete with a Pommy accent of course.



Then in November 2007 while in Uganda there was a delay in setting up the overhead projector at a service. The generator had to be started, the power run in and connected by winding the live mains wires around the prongs of the plug from the projector.



While this was going on and Bro. Greg Alford was trying to keep things safe, I was left in front of some 100 plus African believers in a brick walled iron roofed church in something like 38 degrees. It may have been the heat but all that came into my head was that song. So in a short while we had a Ugandan church of 100 plus people

bouncing along singing "This is the Day" in Maori taught by an Englishman! Don't tell me we aren't all brothers.

Richard Oliver
Eltham Message Church

DATELINE ISRAEL

Newsbriefs from 3.1.08 - 3.4.08

Once again I found myself making remarks, as I watched the news over the weekend. Time after time I expect the reporters to do their job and present the full picture...time after time I am disappointed...

I watch the images of the children in Gaza – screaming, sitting in the corner of a room, holding on to their toys... Yes, I have sympathy for them. No, I don't want them to suffer.

I can't help but think about Golda Meir's wisdom from years ago. *"Peace will come when the Arabs will love their children more than they hate us,"* she said. And she was right. She was right again, when she said *"When peace comes we will perhaps in time be able to forgive the Arabs for killing our sons, but it will be harder for us to forgive them for having forced us to kill their sons."* After all, Israel has to be able to defend herself.

This family home in Israel was targeted by terrorists firing a Grad Rocket.

I also can't help but think that for three days before IDF went back into the Gaza Strip, thousands of Israeli children were screaming in fear in the bomb shelters, holding on to their toys, as 200 + Qassam and Grad rockets were launched from Gaza by terrorists.

No one speaks about or takes pictures of these children, who too, haven't done anything wrong to deserve this.

Nothing changes. And the only comfort I find is in The Lord's promises to Israel. Her

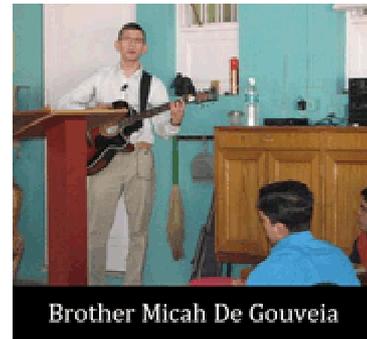
enemies WILL be defeated. The Lord WILL reign from Zion. I believe Him. I know He WILL fulfil it. **Please, keep praying for Israel too!** [Editorial by Katy Sorsher]



Bible Believers Missions - On line Edition

Dear Brother and Sisters in Christ,

We arrived in **Mumbai** and were joined there by Brother Micah from our assembly in Cloverdale, BC. How glad we are to see young men of God rising to spiritual endeavours such as this. Brother Micah has sung, played and testified in the various meetings we have been ministering in.



Brother Micah De Gouveia

Our first meeting was Sunday morning with Pastor Lobo whose church is about 60 km from Mumbai. From Mumbai we travelled to **Chennai** where I had meetings with Brother Moses (Pastor of the local assembly & manager of Bible Believers India Printing) regarding the translation and printing work. I also spoke in several meetings with local pastors.

India:At the Printing Press

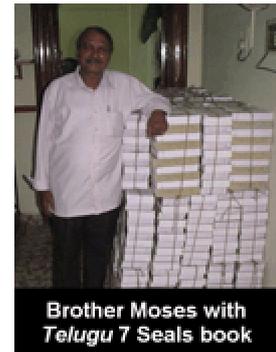
It's an immense blessing every time I'm at the press office to see the believers working hard translating, typesetting, printing and collating the books for distribution. Every parcel of books that you have helped to translate and print – is potentially another soul for the Kingdom of God. While we were in Chennai, the Brothers were finishing the assembling of the Revelation of the 7 Seals in the Telugu language as you can see [Bro. Moses pictured below].

Testimony – “Receiving translated books since 1981”



Brother Tony with Brother Rajan Peters

“Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus, greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I write to convey the thankfulness from all the many believers and pastors in the Visakhapatnam area. We have been receiving the Telegu translated message books faithfully through Bible Believers since 1981. Without these translated messages, I personally could never be as effective in sharing God's Word in the 10 districts that I am ministering in. Many churches too have been established in The Word of God because of this translation and printing ministry. Your kind and generous support is appreciated more than you will ever know in this lifetime. God bless you and once again, we sincerely thank you on behalf of the many whose lives you have blessed.”



Brother Moses with Telugu 7 Seals book

Yours faithfully, Brother N.J. Rajan Peters

From India we are continuing on into the Middle East to minister the Word of God in countries that have absolutely **no witness** of this Message. Your prayers will be greatly appreciated as we travel into countries in the Middle East – the **last frontier** before our Lord's return.

On behalf of all those whose lives are enriched spiritually by your faithful support, we say “thank you” and may the Lord richly bless you.

Brother Tony Abma
Bible Believers Missions

**WHEN THERE IS NOTHING LEFT BUT GOD,
THAT IS WHEN YOU FIND OUT THAT GOD IS ALL YOU NEED**

Ministers' Meetings.

The Ministers' Meetings – as we have them now – evolved from six or eight pastors getting together regularly back in the late 90's. This was born out of a desire to fellowship and to talk about both doctrinal and procedural subjects that arise from the Word of God and the Message of the Hour.

From there, the meetings developed to an invitation being extended to every pastor in the country. This also included brothers who, although not formally “entitled” pastor, are taking responsibility and providing leadership in their local assemblies.

From there the invitations were extended again to include other ministers within the fivefold ministry, other than pastors. These brothers were included at their pastor's extension of that invitation.

We continue to meet every nine-twelve months. The meetings last roughly from midday on a Monday to midday on a Wednesday. The last five or six meetings have been held in Rotorua.

Content over those days include...

- a. Discussion of any upcoming conventions – or overseas ministers visiting the country
- b. Reports of overseas trips – especially missionary trips. This includes presentation of any needs that might exist in that country
- c. Questions that have been forwarded to be discussed in an “open forum” setting. These can be any question relating to the Word of God, and have ranged from the Holy Ghost, to theophanies, to the Seven Seals, to the Rapture, to the Millennium, etc..
- d. A number of half-hour sermons brought by any of the ministers present on any “ministry-related” topic
- e. Anything else that is new and “fast-breaking” within the country.

We totally respect the sovereignty of the local church – as Brother Branham taught it – and there is absolutely no desire or design to dictate “national policy”. Our desire remains for fellowship, and to maintain the unity of the Spirit, and to fulfil what Brother Branham spoke of in the message *Taking Sides With Jesus...*

[TAKING SIDES WITH JESUS_ JEFF. IN COD FRIDAY_ 62-0601](#)

767-114 Wouldn't it be wonderful to see Brother, up there from Utica, Brother Crase, all you other brethren here come together, meet, come into a place, you ministers set together and discuss things. You've got to have fellowship somewhere. You've got to have something to come together to kinda get together about. You all come together as a group of men and believe one with the other and like that, and discuss these problems and set out, maybe once a month, just ministers alone. Let you meet somewhere in one of your churches. Set there and discuss it and talk it, each one of you pastors, and evangelists, and whatever you are.

The next proposed meeting is to be held in Rotorua from Monday 21st April to Wednesday 23rd. If you're reading this and an invitation hasn't got to you, please feel free to make contact with me. We'd certainly covet your prayers for the Lord's blessing over this time. The venue will be at Cedarwood Lakeside Holiday Resort in Rotorua.

**Brother Paul Moffitt
Chairman of Ministers Fraternal**

Pastor Malcolm Wano's Trip To European Conventions

**09.05.08 - 13.05.08 Convention in Germany
14.05.08 - 18.05.08 Convention in Netherlands
21.05.08 - 25.05.08 Convention in Lithuania
27.05.08 - 01.06.08 Convention in Ukraine**

GLOBAL ANSWERS DISTRIBUTION REPORT N.Z.

For February – March 2008.

Since 31 January 2008, a further 146 GA DVDs have gone out. All for throughout NZ except 6 by Cabin luggage to Norway. Includes 7 for a South Pacific Island student attending University in New Zealand.
Grand total to date 3,326.

**Ross D. Lane
for BIBLE BELIEVERS OUTREACH (NZ)**

Items for next month's Believers Newsletter:

- **Interest has been shown in a list of church addresses and contact phone numbers for visiting Brethren etc.**
- **We would appreciate your forwarding details to compile this directory.**
- **If you are on the mission field, we would be happy to make known any needs.**
- **We are hoping to announce some new titles in the Global Answers Series.**
- **Forward your prayer needs so that we can share the burden.**

Until our next issue, may The Lord bless you all abundantly.

“An Informed People are not a Confused people” - PearryGreen.