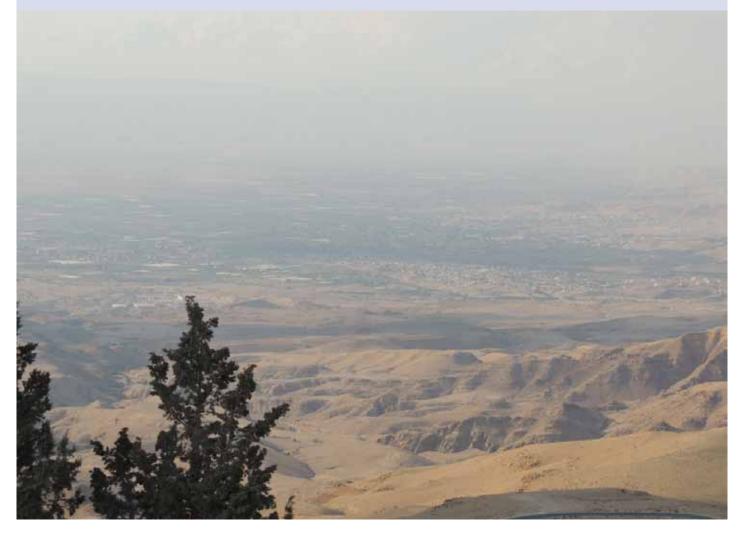


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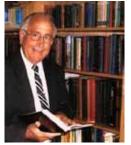


 $\sim$  Mount Zion Messenger Tourists saw where Moses viewed the Promised Land $\sim$  Photographed by: Bro. Richard Oliver

Deuteronomy ch 34 v1-7 And Moses went up from the plains of Moab unto the mountain of Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, that is over against Jericho. And the Lord shewed him all the land of Gilead, unto Dan...and all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim, and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, unto the utmost sea...And the south, and the plain of the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees, unto Zoar...And the Lord said unto him, This is the land which I sware unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying, I will give it unto thy seed: I have caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not go over thither...So Moses the servant of the Lord died there in the land of Moab, according to the Word of the Lord...And He buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, over against Bethpeor: but no man knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day...And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.

## From the Editor's Desk:

Greetings and Christian love to all of you precious Brethren from all over the world. We



wish you all a blessed New Year, as we open the New Year's Believers Newsletter 2013

Our lives have been very busy since December until now, as my wife and I have shifted from our

previous abode in the Bay of Islands to the Bay of Plenty. This seemed more central for our Believers Newsletter Office and has already shown its advantages with Saints being able to call and have fellowship. And from the natural point of view, we are closer to our family.

It has been a particular blessing, receiving the Missionary reports in this Issue. When these ministering brothers who have the responsibility of Pastoring in their own fellowships, are also prepared to give of themselves further afield, we thank the Lord for them and we must remember to hold them up in prayer.

We feel the loss of that great warrior, Brother Lonnie Jenkins who passed away on the 7<sup>th</sup> December to be with the Lord, Who took our dear Brother to be with Himself. We saw the Memorial Service and heard the number of brethren as well as his family pay tribute to this man of God and it brought it home to me that when our Brother ministered on Water Baptism in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, it struck a chord within me and I was baptised in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ. I had previously believed in the name of [the Father, the Son and The Holy Ghost] during my teens, as many others did. It took the Prophet to come and teach us what God was telling us. Even here, down in New Zealand, I heard Brother Lonnie's voice. Thank You, Lord. We are continually blessed with the men of God, The Lord places in this last dispensation.

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May the Lord bless you all. The Brothers Adrian, Dean, Malcolm and the BNL Staff join me in sending you our best wishes for a blessed 2013.**Brother Charles - Editor** 

## Dear and beloved Brother in Jesus,

Brother Charles Wilson,

Warmest Christian greetings in the most wonderful, matchless and mighty name of Lord Jesus Christ!

Precious Brother, hope that all is well and every believer in your fellowship is blessed and well by the grace of Lord Jesus Christ. We are blessed and well here in Pakistan by the same grace of Lord Jesus Christ. I greatly appreciate and am thankful to you for your kindness and precious prayers for Believers. Praise and glory to Lord Jesus for His amazing grace and abundant mercy upon His children in this Islamic country of Pakistan. We wish you all the best for the year 2013. God prosper you richly in this year for His glory.

Precious Brother, attached is the Pak Tabernacle Mission updates December 2012, the last updates of the year 2012. We kindly request you please keep our Church building and our ministry in your precious prayers. We greatly and highly value and appreciate your precious prayers, support and love for the Bride of Christ in Pakistan. We are continually praying for you and your precious ministry.

May Lord Jesus Christ richly, abundantly and exceedingly bless you, your family and your precious valued ministry and reward you for the tireless efforts for the propagation of the Gospel and End time message of Prophet of Malachi 4 around the globe and especially in Pakistan.

Kind best regards to all the saints in Christ. Shalom.Your Brother in JESUS,

Brother Shamoon Yaqoob. Pak Tabernacle Karachi, Pakistan.



# **Israel Jour - October 2012**

Israel is different. Even getting into the country is different. This is a country that is not only on constant alert and under threat, but a country misrepresented by western media, and ostracised and criticised by nearly every government in the world. (Even New Zealand backs Arab interests rather than Israel's.) Once through Tel Aviv airport we were warmly welcomed by virtually everyone we met.

Forty-seven Message Believers took this first Mount Zion Tour. They came from Canada, England, USA, Norway, Belgium, Greece and New Zealand. We all met in a Jewish Hotel in Ariel, Samaria. Samaria is predominately Arab and is part of what the western media, for political reasons, call the West Bank. Western news maps even colour the area to infer it is a part of Jordan. It was only in Jordan's hands from 1947 to 1967; it was British before that! Now it's part of Israel and quite a few Samarian Arabs have



We visited two new towns. Itamar started soon after the six day war and at right-

### **EishKodesh -**

a relatively recent venture. Built on a rock strewn hilltop the newer town was fighting hard to make productive its stone strewn land. The Israeli Government, under pressure from the US and other nations does little or nothing to support these ventures. These towns have to protect themselves and their crops, raise and teach their children. Often the people work in towns to raise money as no bank will loan them money to build new homes. They also run farms, clear the land and maintain the water and electricity supplies. Here's the Bride! Each member taking their position in a new land, working to make their church and their lives effective, dealing with day to chosen to become Israeli citizens. Arabs make up about 25% of Israel's population.

**Shiloh** - was, for me, astounding. On arriving in Canaan Joshua pitched the Tabernacle on a flat section of dirt on a modest hill. It stayed there for 369 years, a period of service longer than that of the two temples. It was here that Hannah prayed for a son. It was here that young Samuel grew up and here where Eli recognised that God was calling Samuel. It was from here where an older Samuel left to anoint two kings. And it was from here that the Ark of the Covenant was led into battle and captured.



day living but going well beyond that and working for a new harvest as well. And they continue to do it even while others seek to destroy what has been achieved. That's the way it is! First in the natural...



The hotel in Samaria had an historical walk that we took the evening after our visit to Shiloh and the new towns. There were presentations of key events in Israel's past including a scale layout of the tabernacle with a sacrificial altar from which a stunning flame erupted.

We stood on the **top** of MountCarmel with the statue of Eliiah on our left and we looked down on the Valley of Jezreel, better known to the world as Armageddon. Two Israeli fighter iets climbed up from the vallev



airbase below and screamed overhead, with their afterburners on. Our Israeli guide Giila said, "That, to us, is 'The Sound Of Freedom'."

Israel has been at war many times with its Arab neighbours who have repeatedly tried to

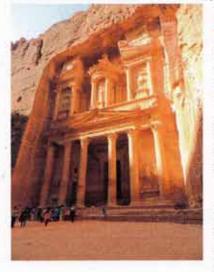
destroy Israel. Their biggest defeat was in the Six Day War of 1967 when against overwhelming odds Israel's air force destroyed the Egyptian Air Force while it was on the ground. It later destroyed the Jordanian and Syrian Air Force too, exposing the armies of those nations to continued air attacks. It was from this war that Israel won "The West Bank, the Golan Heights, the Gaza Strip, and Sinai." (Israel later returned Sinai and the Gaza Strip to Arab control as a peace for land agreement). That made me think: Without air power no army, navy or nation is safe. This is the end time and Israel in the natural is a type of the Bride. God has given us 'air power' in the form of an Eagle Message that lifts us up to meet the devil in the air and destroys his armed forces on the ground.

We saw Meggido, Tel Hazor, and the Baal altar at Dan. **Two women** soldiers brought home the fact that most Israelis must enter the defence force and be trained. Imagine an army attacking a nation where even



many wives and mothers were trained in the armed forces. When the enemy attacks all will do their part. And so there should be no back seat, pew loving members of the Bride of Christ. Everyone is trained to fight the enemy.

We saw Meggido, Tel Hazor, and the Baal altar at Dan. We saw Petra, which is part of Edom, Esau's land.



This is south of Mount Nebo where Moses looked down on the rich Jordan Valley and saw the Promised Land.

At the Dead Sea most of the tour group swam or floated. We saw where John baptised Jesus.

En Gedi where David hid in a cave while King Saul slept by him. Also on the visiting list was Masada. It is not a Biblical place but was well worth the visit.

Rabbi Richman met us for our visit to the Temple Mount. We had looked across from the Mount of Olives and Gethsemane



but now early one morning we walked where





the temple had stood. We viewed the outside of the **Dome of the Rock** and walked the open mount area. We saw 3,000 year old beams of cedar stored under tarpaulins. These were recently burnt by Muslims. (See newslink below) Later we walked through the Hasmonean Tunnel which borders the foundation of the Temple Mount. It is on the Temple

Mount where Abraham thought to sacrifice Isaac but a ram was the substitute, and where the first and second temples stood. It is believed that hidden somewhere in a labyrinth of caves, yet to be discovered, rests the Ark of the Covenant.



Rabbi Richman then led us to the nearby Temple Institute. On display was much of the equipment for the Third Temple including the table of shewbread, the altar of incense and the breastplate of the High Priest complete with all the precious stones in place. A model of the High Priest was clothed in the garments with bells and pomegranates including the one piece blue ephod. Under Jewish thinking if any clothing is damaged or missing then the High Priest is no longer the High Priest. I remembered when Jesus claimed to be the Messiah Caiphus the High Priest rent His clothes. That was when the Priesthood moved from the Aaronic line to

the Melchisedec line. Jesus became the new High Priest. The soldiers never tore his one piece garment, His ephod! [to be continued]



## 29th December 2012



Due to the overwhelming response to the tour we just hosted in October, we are pleased to confirm the dates of our <u>SPRING 2013 TOUR</u>. To accommodate all those waitlisted for the October tour, we immediately booked dates for another tour in the spring. The dates for the 12 nights and 11 day SPRING TOUR will begin on <u>April 28</u> until <u>May 9</u>, the cost being \$2,379 USD.\*

After meeting our obligations for those wait-listed from the October tour, nearly half

of the space is already sold out. It is with great pleasure that we extend the invitation for you to join us on an unforgettable trip of a life time through the Holy Land and Jordan.

Places we will visit include areas around the Galilee, Dead Sea, Masada, Golan Heights and many others too numerous to mention at this time. A highlight of the October tour was the time spent in the Shomron (Samaria). This is the heart of Israel where we were the guests of fervent Jews who are actively claiming and resettling their God given inheritance. We also visited the ancient Tabernacle site of Shiloh. In both locations we will once again be accompanied by Rabbi Richman of the Temple Institute.



The other highlight of the past tour was the time spent in *Petra*, in Jordan, one of the modern day "Seven Wonders" of the world. The candlelit night tour down the *Siq* to the ancient treasury was favored by all.

We will spend a night at a beautiful resort on the Dead Sea. The next day we will travel to Masada and end the tour in the beautiful City of Peace. The last four days will be spent touring the most meaningful places in Jerusalem such as the City of David, Mt. of Olives, Gethsemane, and of course the Garden Tomb.

We will once again have

the honor of a guided tour of the *Temple Mount* with Rabbi Richman. You will also see firsthand the Temple artifacts that have been prepared and are ready for the Third Temple in the Temple Institute Museum.

The tour will conclude with special celebrations on *Jerusalem Day*, May 8<sup>th</sup>. This is the day prophecy was fulfilled when the Temple Mount was finally restored to Israel after the victorious six day war in 1967.

If you are interested in joining us, please do not hesitate to write or call for the full information package concerning prices and many other additional

details. You are also free to pass this information on to anyone else you think might be interested. Your brother and sister in Christ,

### **Brother Tony & Sister Rebekah**

\*Full cost detail and breakdown included in the information brochure.

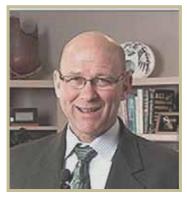
Editor: Oh, what a lovely time to visit Israel! Springtime!! - When the Prophet said that Jesus was born! - the lambs are in the field.



## How clean & healthy is your conscience?

#### **Brother Jeff Jenkins**

**Proverbs chapter 10 v 18**. 'He that hideth hatred with lying lips, and he that uttereth a slander, is a fool.' I want to talk about your conscience. We think about the conscience as in the spirit realm and there is an element of your conscience there. Conscience, memory, reason and affection. But conscience is also a very, very, very strong part of the soul. For instance, an animal doesn't have a conscience, but it does have a



spirit and so we say Well, the conscience is in the spirit realm. Well, that means that an animal has a conscience. A lion shows no remorse after its kill. Just doesn't do it. An animal will see somebody who's too close to the cage, reach right through the cage and grab that person - doesn't think about it. It's just instinct and so there's no consciousness or sense of "Man. I shouldn't have done that." It just doesn't enter their mind.

But we have a conscience. Brother Branham said the soul is either dictated to by faith or unbelief. Now I'm talking about predominately. Most of the time our souls should be swayed by faith, by assurance, by joy, by comfort, by rest, by 'God's in control.' God has a plan - there is a purpose and I am part of that purpose. That's the faith side of the soul. Then there is the doubt side of the soul. But when you are born again, faith is to dominate. It's to dominate your life. So in the soul there is also that inner sense of consciousness - that awareness of what is right and what is wrong. Every human being has it. Now, the culture can affect the conscience, but nothing affects the conscience for good more than the hearing and reading of the Word of God. Prayer also attunes and aligns the conscience to the Word of God. Prayer and the Word informs the conscience. When somebody says "let your conscience be your guide," that's not true. Let an informed conscience be your guide. Let a cultivated, nurtured, healthy conscience be your guide - not your conscience. It's sort of the battleground, it's sort of neutral. You have to feed your conscience. So let's look at it.

**Proverbs 4 v 18** But the path of the just is as a shining light that shineth more and more unto the perfect day. That is complete, that perfect day. So read that again with me. For the path of the just (that's you and I) is a light, so it's like a shining light. In other words the just see what's going on around them, then that light gets brighter in your life - not dimmer. As a Christian it starts out dim, but it gets brighter and brighter and brighter as you grow in the Lord. So that path gets brighter and shineth more and more unto that perfect day.

Now, pain can obscure that light - sorrow, regret, anger, unforgiveness. Sin can obscure that light, but

the objective is that as you grow in Christ you don't let the pain and the difficulties of life make life dark and dismal.

Life as a Christian should be bright, should be luminous, should be filled with light. ~ But the path of the just is as a shining light that shineth more and more unto that perfect day. That means that complete day, or that day that is established, that stable day, so our life, as we get older should become more stable. No matter what is going on in the

world, we expect it to be more unstable because it's not Christian, but the believer's life becomes more stable.

Now, let's go on to read v19 The way of the wicked is as darkness. So the path of the just is life, the way of the wicked is as darkness and they know **not** ~ they don't know and they don't know what they stumble at. So they make the same mistakes over and over and over. Tell me if history is not repeating itself in America. They make the same mistakes, the bureaucrat, the businessman, - they all make the same mistake as they begin to depend on self and they forget God. Now it goes on to say, My Son.. now this is in the instruction of wisdom for the conscience. My son, listen to my words! Attend to my words. Incline thine ear. Turn towards me. Focus, and listen to my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes. Keep them in the midst of thine heart. So the Word of God is put in print. Read it, let it not depart from your eyes and keep the Word in the middle of your heart - the centre of your life. For they - God's Word, God's sayings - they are life unto those that find them and health to all their flesh. How many can say "Amen" to that?

Keep thy heart with all diligence. Now, we just read what we are doing by feeding on the Word. Keep thy heart with all diligence for out of it are the issues of life. Preserve your heart because the heart is the spring, the wellspring, the headwaters of your life. How many have ever been to the headwaters of a river? OK, isn't it interesting to go to the headwaters of a river? The headwaters, or the spring and it creates the metolius. A huge river and so the scripture says your heart is the headwaters that make the river of your life. So he says, Guard your heart because that's the headwaters for the river of your life and you drink from your glass. So what's in your water? How to keep the heart. But now he is going to tell. What are you putting in your water that you are drinking? What's in your water? Keep thy heart with all diligence for out of it are these headwaters. The issue of life. Now the Amplified says keep and guard your heart with all vigilance and above all that you guard it, for out of it flow the springs of life, the headwaters of life. Proverbs 4 : 24. Put away

Now he's telling you how to remain, how to continue to have your heart guarded. Don't look to the left or the right. The Bible says "Think not that a double minded man can receive anything from God for he becomes unstable in all of his ways. Now the Word 'double minded' How many know what that means? Double souled. Now it is not talking about the sense of the soul in this case, but what we are talking about is the conscience. So even though we have in the spirit realm imagination, conscience, memory, reason and affection one of the great predominant factors of the human being, of the mortal of humans is that they have the ability to know what is right and what is wrong to some degree. So let's watch this now. So it says that in order to keep a clear conscience look right on. Let thy eyelids look straight before thee. Don't become double-minded. Now v26 Ponder the path of your feet. Think about where you are going. Think about where you are going and let thy ways be ordered, established. Think about what you are doing. Now you can't do that unless you begin your day with prayer. When you begin your day with prayer you are pondering the path of your feet. V27 Turn not to the right hand nor to the left. Remove your foot from anything that is evil. Remove it from evil.

A Prayer: 'Father, may you bless the wonderful encouraging instructive power. May you bless the Word to our hearts. In Jesus Name we ask it. Amen.'

Now this is the scripture we just read: *Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life*. Now we are going to talk about this thing called the conscience. It's con - science! The conscience - and what we find is that the conscience is in the centre of the heart and is a compass.

Some people, if you've noticed and if you are old enough, have very good compasses and they can spot what is right, what is wrong and they are highly principled. And you can sit and listen to them and they are guided by principles - not by emotion. Emotion is a part of their life, but they are not guided by it. They are guided by principles and not by feelings. Feelings are a part of their life but they are guided by principles. They are guided by principles. I would rather be true to principles than I would be to be true to people because if I am true to principles then I would be true to people. But if my focus is people I can skew, and hybrid and even prostitute my principles - if I am true to people. I can cater to people. So it is more important to focus on what is right, learn what is right. Study what is right and then you become right. So once you understand that, life as a believer.. Now, some of you who are perhaps listening to me today on internet or in this assembly, are not Christians. You have not fully and completely dedicated your life to Christ. But those that have dedicated their life to Christ, then what they want to do is move in a direction toward Him, toward a sound mind, toward a pure conscience. Now the scripture refers to the conscience as one of the goals that keep the conscience pure - not defiled. In other words "What's in your cup?" "What's in your glass?" Keep it PURE because you're drinking from your conscience. That's what you have to understand. What you feed on determines what you really believe. You say, 'Well, I believe this.' Well, how come, 5 years later you can believe something entirely different? And if it's negative, and it's not good for you, it's because somewhere, something got in your glass and you began to drink from it. 'Oh I believe this.' But the just, and the path of the just is a light that gets brighter and brighter until that perfect day. So I can believe this, but then God can refine and fine-tune your principles where they get stronger and stronger and they get more perfect. The purpose of principles is for them to be a guiding light, but also to refine those principles because many times we can have a good principle and a skewed motive. People can pray for the wrong reasons. Great principle, wrong motive. People can give money for the wrong reasons. Great principle, wrong motive. So what you want to do is eventually get it to the place where you understand what you are dong and why you are doing it. Now, the scripture tells us that the heart is the wellspring - or the headwaters the means by which you perceive and confront all of life's issues. So in order to perceive life properly, and confront life's issues properly you have to have a clear conscience, a clean conscience. The Bible refers to it as a pure conscience. So I want you just to write this down. We don't see the things the way they are. We see the things the way we are. We don't see the things the way they are. We see the things the way we are. That's the principle of the scripture there in Proverbs. Guard the heart, for out of it are the outflows of life, the issues, the well water, the spring of life, the headwaters, the river. The headwaters of the great river. And so you are drinking from your own glass. What's in your glass? Well, how do I determine what's in my glass? What do you feed on every day? What do you do in a day? What does your life revolve around in a day? That's how you determine what's in your glass. See the things the way they are. We see the things the way we are. That is the reality of the scripture there in Proverbs concerning looking at the heart. Proverbs 4 v 23.Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

Where the Spirit of the Lord is,

There is Peace.



Greetings dear Saints in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

Certainly, it is a privilege and honor for us to witness the great and marvelous things our Lord is doing among His Bride not only in Vanuatu but around the globe in these last precious moments.

We deeply appreciate what the Lord is doing through our precious brothers (locally and abroad) who are sincerely dedicated to seeing that the Lord's will be accomplished. A fruit of which we all witness during our recent Vanuatu National Convention held at Luganville, Santo from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> of January this year 2013. The Convention was held in Luganville, Santo. The Host Pastor was Brother Selwyn Richard.

Our appreciations and thank you to our precious Brother Pastor Selwyn Richard and the local congregation in Santo who has co-operatively worked very hard making everything possible for the convention to take place.

#### Right: The youth distribute tracks in Luganville town. Also our deep appreciation and thanks is conveyed to our precious Brother, Pastor Dean Gilchrist from Wanganui, New Zealand who had accepted the invitation as being the guest Speaker. The Lord has spoken mightily through this Brother thus confirming that we are eating from an open book, Amen!!





#### Left:: Pastor Dean Gilchrist ministering .

We appreciate him for the time and energy he sacrificed for the Lord's service. Our prayers that the Lord will bless him as much as He has blessed us and we believe that the great Melchisedech will always be there to give him more Revelation.

Also our appreciations and thank you to our local

Pastors from different Islands namely Pastor Paul Baddley Hinge from Pentecost Island local fellowship, Pastor Pethuel Beru from Ambae Island local fellowship and Pastor William Frank from Port Vila.

These local pastors helped Pastor Dean Gilchrist and it's when we saw God conducting His Ministry like a great orchestra, each instrument coming in with their melody, at the right time, to create a symphony of love and commitment that we, in awe, give Him praise.

On Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> of January 2013 after the morning service, the Lord made it possible for the youths to do an outdoor activity which involved them sharing tracks in Luganville Town, Santo. A few people responded to the invitation and attended the few last services.





**Believers sing their special** 

*Eleven Sermons Preached:* 1<sup>st</sup> Service at the opening - Titled "*We are gathering together unto Him*" – Ps Dean Gilchrist 2<sup>nd</sup> Service –Titled "*The Anointing*" Ps William Frank 3<sup>rd</sup> Service –Titled "*From Voice to Shout- Part I*"– Ps Dean Gilchrist 4<sup>th</sup> Service –Titled "*From Voice to Shout- part II*"– Ps Dean Gilchrist 5<sup>th</sup> Service-Titled "*We're at war*"- Ps Dean Gilchrist 6<sup>th</sup> service- Titled" *The Voice of the Archangel*"- Ps Paul Baddley 7<sup>th</sup> Service- Titled" *Relationship and Position*"- Ps Dean Gilchrist 8<sup>th</sup> Service- Titled "*God's eternal gift*"- Ps Pethuel Beru 9<sup>th</sup> Service –Titled "*Three kinds of Love*"- Ps Dean Gilchrist 10<sup>th</sup> Service –Titled "*Abraham's (Elect) seven junctions*"- Ps William Frank 11<sup>th</sup> Service –Titled "*The Law of return*"- Ps Dean Gilchrist Below: The youth sing their special



Ten detainees from the Luganville Correctional Units were also present with us since the first day of the convention until the 4<sup>th</sup> day and after the convention, the brothers had the chance to visit the Correctional Service Unit on Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup> of January 2013 which we believe it was the leading of the Lord. Brother Randal, a young Minister in the Gospel preached a sermon to the detainees, it was a blessing to all of us.

We have much to thank the Lord for all that He's done and look forward for more in the days to come. We give all praise, glory and honor to our wonderful Lord Jesus Christ. Amen! God bless you, Pastor William Frank

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## The Snare of Money Brother Adrian Gray

Greetings brethren. I have just finished reading a book about Willam Carey – an English missionary to India who lived in the late 1700's. It amazed me how human nature has never changed in 300 years. Everybody has their private perceptions of those that go into other nations bringing the next move of God to those who have never been exposed to it. Carey's greatest obstacle was the inward thinking of his own people that could not project themselves beyond their own little world to feel for people who were dying by the entrapment of religious systems.

One of Carey's hurdles was to overcome criticism. People would sit and run the man down because he dared to be different. He lost many members of his family, was a widower 3 times, had his goods stolen, had mission stations burnt down but he kept at it. It was his tenacity that was one of his greatest characteristics and India benefited mightily by this. But where did he get his finances from?? He got it from Jehovah – Jireh [the Lord is my provider].

The Lord Jesus, as Jehovah Jireh, uses many sources to bring these provisions so that He can get His Work done. Without Him it is a dead work and total waste of time and effort. It is a natural part of man to find some way to "get the work done"bearing in mind that the labourers are few and the economic conditions aren't the best. But that is the time He shows His Hand as we saw in the economicsqueeze in Egypt. He doesn't need our ability,He needs our availability.

It may be hard to comprehend this, but one of the major problems in missionary work is trying to get the natives to understand that Jehovah-Jireh is not the "white man". Many good

intentioned white people from all over the world have poured huge amounts of money into some nations until the dollar note becomes the natives' God and the money ends up in the bottomless pit of human wantoness.

Then ministers have to go in and spend time breaking that demonic power out of the people until faith can build up in them to see that the Lord Jesus is their

of the people until faith can build supplier. Money is only a means of exchange, but the world we live in today isn't content for it to remain the way it was intended. We have a system built upon the love or lust of money and many have fallen into its enchantments. I look at the life of Brother Branham and how he knew that "the world wasn't going to be conquered by money but by the blood of Jesus Christ". He turned down the offers of millions

than the level of his own brethren. A brother showed me some time ago that Bro' Branham's salary was lower than the average income for the USA in his day. But today we see something totally different being projected, compared to the one that was waved over an age as the example to aspire to.Our purpose is to reveal the mystery of His coming by utilizing a supernatural economy where the Lord can make one plus one equal anything He wants it to.[The above photographs show three ministers who were touched by the Lord Jesus as the message was ministered to them. Here they are, Listening to a CD of the Message, Reading the Message Books and the Brother baptizes the third minister, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Praise the Lord Jesus Who moved on their hearts by His Love. Not money.] I want to thank my sponsors who have been led by the Lord to support me during missionary work over the past few years especially in PNG and Vanuatu. It has been horrendously expensive, but the Lord has been faithful and made it all work out for the good. My desire is to stand before the Lord with a clear conscience that everything that has passed through my hands has been used for the right purposes. Those that have helped financially can be settled in their own hearts that they have been a part of what God has been doing even though they may not have been in the front line. The BNL has been a wonderful tool to advertise and promote that work as I have no regular access to church funding. May God continue to bless you. A.Gray, N.Z.





# ~Middle East: Syrian Crisis~

Nov 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012

And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever. [Daniel 12:3]



**Jordan:** This was the verse from my devotions the morning I left for Jordan a few days ago. It greatly encouraged my heart as I was beginning yet another journey into the *unknown*. Demonstrations

had suddenly flared up and paralyzed much of Amman, where I was headed. I arrived to find roads blocked by police as they were endeavoring to keep peace and order. One never knows what they may face next here in the Middle East.

Ibrahim picked me up at the airport, a Muslim that I'd only recently come to know. I stayed with him and his family the next several days. Though I've

visited many Muslim homes, this would be my first to stay with a family. I certainly wondered what it would be like. And yet, how else can Jesus be seen up close in Arab lands? I kept reminding myself, my mandate over the next several days – was just to be wise and *shine*!

So why was I there? Why take the risks? Because that is what is necessary. As you might well know, one does not get very far in just preaching at a Muslim. They are pre-programmed from a very early age to reject Christians. We are infidels, because we have failed to keep the word of God as revealed by their prophet, Mohamed.

Approaching or overcoming this stereotype is part of the immense challenge of working among Muslims. That is why I firmly believe the "sermon" these poor Muslims need to "HEAR" – is the living sermon of a lived out life. When we consider the life of Jesus, His first approach or contact, was not just to preach or teach. Often times it was first His compassion, an act of mercy or kindness that would then open the way for Him to touch the soul with the Words of life. Likewise, without showing the love of Christ through compassion to a Muslim – it is nearly impossible to get next to these poor souls and touch their hearts. That is why I engage in a different and unique approach here in the Middle East. What better way to "preach" - than to live with a Muslim family or to show compassion to those who are desperate for any act of compassion?

Another reason why I was in Jordan included an opportunity that I have long been seeking the Lord for, which was to meet desperate Syrian refugees. So not only was I a living witness to Ibrahim and his family, but also to many from Syria that I had the opportunity to meet.



**Syria:** As mentioned in my last report, the situation in Syria is getting worse day by day. The devastation and killings since then have continued on unabated. While in Jordan I visited the high security *Al Zaatari Syrian Refugee Camp* at Mafraq, in Northern Jordan. It contains over 40,000 people! It was an incredibly



moving experience. I could find no words to describe what I saw and experienced there. Rows of tents as far as the eye could see...none of which was larger than maybe 8' x 10'. Only community toilets; community water; no fridges or stoves nor air conditioning for summer heat or heaters for winter cold. And it snows in Jordan!

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couldn't hold back the tears as I've never seen suffering on such a scale. One man I met had only arrived a few hours before – he didn't even have a tent for his family yet. He fled his village three days earlier, a city that was heavily damaged by the Government forces. He was a completely broken man. He told me that not only was his house and business completely destroyed – his entire village was too! He left behind 3 children







slain by the brutal Assad regime – for what? A tent? Below are web sites of several articles of *voices from the Camp<sup>1</sup>* outlining the terrible tragedies these people have suffered and are now enduring.

This situation presents an incredible opportunity to show the love and mercies of God to a people who only know *Allah* in fear. Many of you have mentioned to me that if there was ever a special "project" I was burdened for, to let you know. This certainly is something that I'd request you pray specially about. When ministering to Muslims, one must be very, very careful and sensitive about what is done...and yet, I have to believe that there is a divine purpose in my being led there. My confidence

being that the "footsteps of the righteous are ordered of the Lord!"

If you are interested in more details about how you can share in this outreach, please write or call and I would be glad to speak with you further about this unique ministry opportunity.



**Israel**: Space does not permit my sharing the things currently taking place in Israel. I can assure you that there is unmistakable evidence of the Spirit of God moving. Jews are hearing through the Elijah ministry of restoration, that **Yeshua** is not the second person of a trinity, but *Emmanuel*,<sup>2</sup> which is God with us. Jews have recently been baptized in the name of **Yeshua**, the **Messiah** – not merely the titles of Father,

Son and Holy Ghost. Jews are also recognizing their promises in the Word unlike any time in history - and acting upon it.

The challenges to Israel's existence though are also treacherous. Though Israel was prepared to invade and crush the enemy's capabilities in Gaza, they were prevented due to world pressure. This was revealed by Tamir Pardo, head of Mossad, who while in Cairo for the Gaza ceasefire negotiations, was pressured by Cairo and Washington <u>not to invade</u>. He was told; "*Peaceful relations between Israel, Jordan and Egypt were at risk if Israel did*".<sup>3</sup>

Thus it is only a matter of time before we will see Israel's leaders acting – not as servants to world opinions, but solely because of faith in God's Word. The upcoming Israeli elections in January may well be a watershed in terms of biblical events. One leading contender for Prime Minister has stated; "We must expel the Moslem wakf from the Temple Mount and restore exclusive Israeli sovereignty over the Mount – Judaism's most holy site. We must encourage Jews to ascend the Temple Mount after the proper halakhic preparations and to actualize their sovereignty over the beating heart of the Jewish Nation."<sup>4</sup> Only when this happens, will we witness the final stages of prophecy coming to pass.

Further evidence of the rising spiritual convictions of Israelis can also be seen in the video of young soldiers waiting on the Gaza border, dancing and singing from <u>Psalms 115:9</u>: "*Israel, trust in G-d! He is their help and their shield!*" The song continues with soldiers shouting out enthusiastically; "*We are believers, children of believers, and we have no one to rely on, other than our Father in heaven!*" <sup>5</sup>(See the link below to watch this for yourself!)

As I conclude, we are indeed thankful for your many prayers and support. We were immensely blessed by the personal fellowship we had this summer while visiting churches in North America. This was indeed refreshing and something vitally important for us as we spend much of our time alone here in the Middle East. Once again we sincerely thank you for your love and prayers and pray this report will inspire, encourage and bless you.

### Your Brother and Sister in Christ, Brother Tony & Sister Rebekah

- <sup>1</sup> <u>http://www.yourmiddleeast.com/features/syrian-refugees-face-dust-and-disease-in-jordan\_8702; http://jordantimes.com/for-single-syrian-men-in-jordan-time-goes-slowly-painfully-in-refuge; http://jordantimes.com/syrian-refugee-influx-rises-amid-border-violence</u>
- <sup>2</sup> Isaiah 7:14

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> http://www.israelnationalnews.com/News/News.aspx/162424

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> http://www.israelnationalnews.com/Articles/Article.aspx/12498#.ULWzM-SE0sc

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> http://www.israelnationalnews.com/News/News.aspx/162342