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- 4/21-23 Joseph Corry
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- 5/14 Dr. Mark Rutland

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70 SUPERNATURAL SURPRISES

FROM JEHOVAH SNEAKY

Dr. Dennis Lindsay

THE FINGER OF GOD

In His Word, we read again and again about the "Finger of God."

- In Exodus—concerning the plagues on Egypt (Exodus 8:17-19).
- In Exodus—God wrote the Ten Commandments (Exodus 31:18).
- In Daniel—during Belshazzar's feast (Daniel 5).
- In Luke—Jesus uses His fingers on the eyes of the blind man and heals him (Luke 11:20).

When the finger of God shows up, the power of God shows up, recognizing His authority. I have seen the finger of God in my life multiple times by divine connections, which came as a surprise.

CREATED WITH DESIGN AND PURPOSE

The Bible declares we were created by design and with purpose. I have learned that God has created each and every person in such a way that no other person, past, present or future is able to fulfill what God has planned for each to accomplish. You are a unique, one-of-a-kind. You are not a robot. God has given us a free will to choose to receive the blessings that He has prepared for each of His children. Choose to become intimate with the Creator and you will enjoy a life of unexpected supernatural surprises. God loves to surprise His obedient children with wonderful blessings. Do you remember the song, "You called my name, and I ran out of that grave, out of the darkness, into Your glorious day?"

WHO IS JEHOVAH SNEAKY?

Here comes Santa Claus. No, I'm not speaking about Santa Claus, unless you're referring to the Creator of the universe, Who is truly the actual Father of Christmas, as well as the Lord of every godly feast, festival and celebration throughout the year, and He has ordained many of our special times to celebrate. Yes, He is the Father of time, all the time, and the Creator of time. Our Heavenly Father is just like us. We love to pleasantly surprise one another.

Although we do not read in the Bible the name of God as Jehovah Sneaky; however, do we not see God as a God of surprises throughout Scripture? After all, <u>don't parents</u> and grandparents love to surprise their children with gifts during Christmas, birthdays and other <u>special times?</u> What about husbands and wives surprising each other, or friends ... we love to surprise people we love and hear them say, "WOW."

We are made in the image of our Creator, Who also loves to surprise His earthly children. He is not only my Lord and Savior, but He is also (affectionately) 'Jehovah Sneaky.' Actually, there is truly nothing sneaky about our God. His loving kindness is the same yesterday, today and forever. He is El Shaddai (God Almighty).

SNEAKY—AN ATTRIBUTE?

Like the Biblical Hebrew names for God, the expression Jehovah Sneaky is also intended to communicate a basic attribute of God. In this case, the intended theological lesson is that you can't really predict what the "Great I Am" will be up to from one moment to the next. Of course, we are speaking of God's good character which the Bible reveals. In fact, God frequently shows up where we least expect Him to—and sometimes He shows up where we least want Him to! He is never late, but always on time.

Have you ever counted the times in the Bible where God suddenly surprised His people with an unexpected visit, action or directive both for good and for correction? That is the sneaky nature—behind the scenes—of our God that I'm speaking about. The surprise of His blessing is a gift to encourage us to trust Him. The purpose or "present" He provides is first of all to strengthen our faith in Him. <u>Will we trust</u> <u>God until the answer or surprise arrives—one</u> <u>that we may never even expected?</u>

BIBLICAL WOW'S

Many places in the Bible we see where God surprises or "WOWs" His children—Abraham and Sarah, Abraham's willingness to sacrifice Isaac, then there is Joseph, Joseph's brothers, Ruth, Esther, the Israelites at the Red Sea, Elijah and the prophets of Baal, Hezekiah and 185,000 dead soldiers, Mary, Martha and Lazarus, Peter walking on water, the list goes on. All these confirm that Jehovah is a sneaky, cool and unpredictable Almighty God. He is full of good surprises for His children. However, some of His actions were also a surprise against Satan and his demonic forces.

THERE WERE MANY MORE MIRACLES

In addition to the above miracles, lame people were healed, blind eyes were opened, deaf ears heard, the dead were resurrected, and the demon-possessed were delivered. There is the virgin birth, the resurrection, and hundreds of other miracles throughout the Bible, not to mention a "Man" who claims His death will save men from the power of death and postulates that someday He will rule the world forever. And for extra measure, a fish paid the taxes for this individual and one of His friends. The Word tells us, "Jesus did many other things as well. If every one of them were written down, I suppose that even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written" (John 21:25, NIV).

Amazing miracles occurred throughout the Bible. The first one was Creation itself. (Genesis 1:1). Wait until you see Jehovah Sneaky's surprise at His coming and His new creation. (Revelation 21:1-8).

The surprises I have experienced are forthcoming in my new book 70 Supernatural Surprises From <u>Jehovah</u> Sneaky. Be sure to get a copy and see how God has "wowed" me time and again with blessings and challenges to get my attention for correction, protection, perfection and promotion.



The Bible declares we were created by design and with purpose. My forth coming new book contains multiple accounts of life stories with divine appointments that God arranged for me to witness—for a purpose. Each account reveals His ability to accomplish His purpose for my life. I pray each chapter will inspire you to worship the Creator of the universe and learn of the love, blessings, and surprises He has for each one of His children.



Both Gordon and Freda Lindsay understood the meaning of divine healing. In Gordon's younger years he felt sick one Sunday afternoon, so he laid down, thinking it would go away. He woke to find himself in a battle for his life with ptomaine poisoning. He went to stay at John G. Lake's house, and it was Lake's wife who gave Gordon some of John's sermons to read while he was sick in bed. After studying the Word of God in these sermons, Gordon decided to believe God and receive his healing.

He called the nurse to come and bring his clothes to him. She looked at him and just thought he was delirious from the illness. Gordon said to her, "You have been praying for my sickness, now believe your own prayers have been answered." After he insisted, she did what he asked. He got dressed and even though he was weak, the cramps immediately left. Then he felt hungry. All were surprised to see him come to the dining room table to eat, except the Lake family who was used to seeing miracles. Gordon-by faith-was healed in Jesus' name. He admitted later the biggest mistake he made was to not take authority over it immediately and to use his faith when the symptoms first appeared.

Freda was the choir director, vocalist, church admin, custodian, and about every other servant worker position needed in their church in Oregon. Because of the rainy and cold weather, she caught pneumonia. After a serious battle, Gordon told her they were going to need to make a firm decision to believe God for her healing. <u>He prayed ... they stood on the Word, used their faith, and believed</u> <u>she 'was' healed—not that she was going to be</u> <u>healed, but that she was already healed—AND</u> <u>she WAS!!</u>

TENT HEALING REVIVALS

In 1947, Gordon's friend, Jack Moore called him and said, "Gordon, there are some tent revivals going on in California, and I think you need to go and see this man." Mr. Moore was referring to William Branham. The rest is history. The great healing revivals began, and in 1948, Gordon Lindsay established the Voice of Healing Ministry. He also began to report and record these powerful miracles and healings in his magazine to encourage readers around the world with what the Holy Spirit was doing across the earth in signs and wonders and to share the power of God's Word.

Later, the name of the ministry changed to Christ For the Nations, and Gordon and Freda



Lindsay were mantled by the Lord to establish an international missions' outreach, focusing on providing the means from the western believing church, for foreign missionaries to help complete their church construction to house new and growing churches. They were also commissioned to distribute globally, Gordon's 250 practical, how-to understand the Bible and apply its Word to live victoriously in a multitude of languages. Other visions from the Lord were also embraced: supporting orphanages, evangelism, missions, world relief and Israel.

CHRIST FOR THE NATIONS INSTITUTE

After a number of years, Gordon was given his last assignment in 1970 to raise up a Christ For the Nations Bible school with a specific purpose to effectively reach the world through the supernatural. He firmly believed that healing and the supernatural were the "dinner bell" for the unsaved. Gordon and Freda, along with nearly 100 other healing evangelists, dug the healing wells of revival in the U.S. Gordon's heart was reflected in his commitment: <u>"It is through the ministry of healing that the great work and ministry of Christ For the Nations is made possible. Our emphasis on it shall continue in the future." Healing and the supernatural are among our core values at CFNI.</u>

The Lord developed a passion in me to continue this mandate—to help the afflicted and those who are bound, knowing that healing is for everyone. I also know what it is to use faith and believe His Word for a supernatural manifestation of healing. I had been oppressed by the enemy with a condition I had suffered with that only worsened with each of my three pregnancies. I got desperate and serious with God as I saw this affliction totally consume my face. I fasted and prayed for my healing and deliverance and stood on the Word of God, asking the Lord how He would choose to manifest my healing. I spoke to my body and to the devil, rebuking my symptoms each day.

After nine years of suffering with this painful and humiliating condition, <u>the Lord healed my hormone</u> <u>imbalance that had ravaged my entire face over time</u>. The doctor's creams only acted like band aids. The Lord also healed my foot that was in pain from one leg being longer than the other one, arthritis in my knee resulting from a fall, low thyroid symptoms that medicine couldn't cure and allergies.

HE SENT HIS WORD AND HEALED THEM

I found that <u>the Word of God is powerful, and as we</u> <u>declare it over ourselves continually, it transforms</u> <u>our thinking and increases our faith.</u> It becomes life to our body parts, health and medicine to our sicknesses, afflictions, diseases and addictions, and we experience living in divine healing, health and wholeness. He wants us to go to Him first—the Great Physician—and depend on Him!

Flexing my spiritual muscles and exercising my authority over the enemy was a new experience for me. I now had a great desire to share with others the warfare, understanding and faith I had grown in through this first major victory in my life. So, we began several life-giving programs at CFNI. Classes on the Principles of Healing and Miracles from the Word of God were taught by Dr. Sandra Kennedy, a student of Kenneth E. Hagin, and the Senior Pastor of Whole Life Ministries in Augusta, Georgia. Dr. Kennedy knew the importance of speaking the Word and had established herself in the area of healing even within the local hospitals in her area.

Besides opening classes, in 2010 we began holding the Voice of Healing Conferences, inviting powerful, anointed speakers to challenge our faith to grow so healings could be manifested. Healing belongs to us. Christ paid for us to be well and whole when He died on that cross. Now, because of His resurrection, we are restored to the Father and can walk in total freedom in every area.

If you are battling in any area of your life,

- SPEAK HIS WORD OVER YOUR BODY OR
 SITUATION (Psalm 107:20)
- LET YOUR FAITH ARISE (Romans 10:17)
- PRAY (1 Thessalonians 5:17)
- BELIEVE YOU RECEIVE WHEN YOU PRAY (Mark 11:24).

COME TO THE VOICE OF HEALING & PROPHETIC CONFERENCE OCTOBER 15-18, 2021



VOICE OF HEALING & PROPHETIC CONFERENCE



Ginger Lindsay
 VOH Director/CFN Board member

As we were praying about the upcoming VOH conference this September 15-18, 2021, I felt the Lord quicken an additional supernatural element—to feature the prophetic gifting with anointed speakers who will address healing **AND** the prophetic—the everyday supernatural.

At this Voice of Healing and Prophetic Conference we are privileged to feature:

Emma Stark—Scotland Sean Smith—U.S. Dr. Edith Prakash—India Steve Springer—U.S. Barbara Yoder—U.S. Andrew Brown—Jamaica Cristiane Peixoto—Brazil

All move powerfully in healing and the prophetic.

WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE VOICE OF HEALING & PROPHETIC CONFERENCE ...

- Experience dynamic worship with the students each day and evening.
- Words of healing and the prophetic will be released to bring wholeness.
- Participate in the conference two ways: CFNI in person and virtual. Online package available.
- Separate Healing Certification Seminar with seasoned speakers available with training certificate at completion for further ministry.
- Unique breakout sessions for inner soul healing from dysfunctional bondages with a gifted speaker.
- Children's healing workshop, especially designed for ages 5-12.
- President's luncheon.
- Dr. Lindsay's tour of the Frontlines Israel Prayer Room.

... Spanish translation at main sessions.

We are also offering a separate two-day special session, Wednesday and Thursday of the conference. From these sessions, you will be qualified to receive a certificate, indicating you are equipped to teach what the Bible says about healing and how to apply the Word to your life and circumstances. This will allow you to begin functioning effectively in a healing program in your local church. The body of Christ needs to learn how to experience breakthrough in healing, especially in the coming days. People will continue to die for a lack of knowledge of God's promises and their authority from His Word.

Take time to join us for this unprecedented opportunity at CFNI to grow your faith and receive from the Lord, Who always desires for you to prosper and be in good health. (Isaiah 55:11).

"It's important to learn and apply the Truth of the Word in our lives which causes our faith to increase and healing to manifest" (Isaiah 5:13).

VOICE OF HEALING & PROPHETIC CONFERENCE

GUEST SPEAKERS



Emma is a prophet who operates with authority and authenticity as she ministers and teaches around the world.

EMMA STARK

Emerging, nextgeneration, apostolic and prophetic leader of Global Presence Ministries.



STEVE SPRINGER



International speaker/minister, passionate about seeing revival/ awakening and a demonstration of God's power.

SEAN SMITH

Apostle/founder/ pastor, known for her cutting-edge breakthrough anointing infused with prophetic revelation.



BARBARA YODER



Ministers prophetically through teaching, preaching and the ministry of healing globally.

DR. EDITH PRAKASH CFNI's Healing Place Coordinator, teaching/ ministering God's Word for healing and operating in the gifts of prophecy.

ANDREW BROWN





CFNI's Restoration Center Director, providing prayer, coaching, deliverance, and prophetic insight for healing and wholeness.

CRISTIANE PEIXOTO

PRAYER = RELATIONAL COMMUNICATION



Ashley Barnett, CFNI 2013 Graduate

I grew up listening to the prayers of those around me, but I still never really understood the value or recognized the impact of prayer. To me, it didn't appear to change anything because, at times, it seemed more like script read from the back of an old 17th century book. In other words ... it was boring!

That is until one day everything about prayer changed. I was given this sweet awareness that God was present, and soon after, I received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. I learned that even though I may not have **seen** anything change, seeds were being planted and change **was** happening. I learned that with every prayer spoken from my mouth, my heart and even those translated through my tears, God had heard every single one of them. In that one revelation, I discovered that God did not just come into my life then. He had been there all along. Selah!

It was the awe of that truth that literally changed the very course of my life.

I was attending a morning prayer meeting at my local church, and during a moment of intense prayer, the leader said, "Everyone be quiet and allow the Holy Spirit to speak to you." I was surprised because it was something completely foreign to me—God speaks to us? How? What would I have to do? All these questions flooded my mind, but to comply with the directive, I closed my eyes and hushed. As the voices of the others stopped, within seconds I received a picture in my mind of a hallway that had doors on both sides of it. Then, I heard the gentlest voice saying, "I will open many doors for you."

I felt like leaping on the inside because I had never experienced anything like this—a time where God chose to talk with me. After that, He began to teach me Who He really was. Years later, I started to read the book, *Praying to Change the World*, by Gordon Lindsay. The words from this book helped renew my passion for prayer, not just for myself, but for the nations. Gordon Lindsay states,

"God is looking for people who will make prayer a business in their lives. He is looking for men and women who will not only pray until their lives are changed, but until the world around them is altered." These words, challenged me to simply say, "Yes!" Yes, to stand in the gap for my family, my community and the nation. In Scripture, we see entire kingdoms transformed because of prayer. Take for example, the consistent prayer life of Daniel. Daniel chose to remain unmoved by the circumstances that surrounded him. As a result of his absolute devotion to the God of Israel, he influenced the hearts of kings.

Daniel 6:26 reads,

"I issue a decree that in every part of my kingdom people must fear and reverence the God of Daniel. 'For He is the living God and He endures forever; His kingdom will not be destroyed, His dominion will never end.""

Imagine what would happen if our nation's leaders were changed not by what <u>we say to them,</u> but <u>how we pray for them.</u>

Let's look at Jesus and how the apostles wrote about the significance of His life. His presence caused fear in the hearts of kings and the religious leaders; and yet, at the same time, He stimulated hope in the hearts of those who anticipated His arrival. Everything that Jesus did came from the assurance that God, the Father, was leading Him.

John 5:19 states,

"Then Jesus answered and said to them, 'Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner."

Jesus knew the importance of prayer. He knew the only way to make it through life would be to stay in continuous communication with the Father.

Understand this, when your heart is pure before the Lord, without unforgiveness or iniquity, the Lord hears you and responds!

Over the years, I have learned that the act of praying takes faith. The ability to even forgive someone who has wronged you, takes faith. Gordon Lindsay shares, <u>"Successful prayer involves a</u> forgiving spirit ... Jesus set the pattern for forgiveness when on the cross He prayed for His enemies, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." (Luke 23:34.)

Allow the Holy Spirit to become your greatest teacher, counselor and friend. He will teach you how to pray and what to pray. He will counsel you through the joys and hurts of life. He will be your friend the entire process and will walk with you as you gain more and more confidence in communicating with God.



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PLAN X Z D

"The mind of a person plans his way, But the Lord directs his steps" Proverbs 16:9, NASB

 Sharon Hobbs Summer outreach coordinator



In October each year, the countries for the Summer Outreaches are announced to the student body. There were four international outreaches announced along with three domestic (US) trips. With much zeal and enthusiasm, the team building began. Internationally, we had two teams going to Asia, one to Haiti, and one going to Israel. I had the privilege of leading one of the outreaches called, Asia Impact. We were making plans to go to Thailand, Malaysia and two undisclosed nations that for security reasons we can't publicly disclose.

God has given us unique opportunity of getting into many Thai public schools. Our agreement with them is that if we do a cultural program and conduct hours of English instruction, they will give us 20 minutes at the end of the day to present the Gospel to the students who have never heard it. Even though we are given such a short time to share about the Lord, we have hundreds come to the Lord. Each year when I return, Thai young people will come up to me and tell me that they were born again during one of our school presentations. The Thai churches provide exceptional follow up. The students on my team worked diligently to prepare for the open door, not only in the schools, but sermons are prepared for the churches, along with children's lessons and crafts.

In February, when we were ready to purchase our airline tickets, we realized that the borders into these Asian nations were not going to reopen by the time of our outreach in May 2020. To have such a love and dream in your heart for something and then see it crash is a terrible shock. Since we were not going to be able to go to Asia, I knew the students and their parents had to be informed. Plan A was now obliterated.

The students were so disappointed. However, when I shared that other doors had opened in Poland and the Czech Republic (Plan B), they rallied. Most of the ministry strategies we had prepared for Asia, would not work here, and we weren't going to see large crowds come to the Lord, but we would be able to do street witnessing and teach in the public schools—just no Gospel presentations.

God gave us a new passion for Europe and the people there. Our preparations and prayer meetings continued. God kept adding more students to our team, and by God's grace, they came up with new ministry plans. A fund-raising video was created, and funds were coming in. It was finally time to purchase our airline tickets, which were over \$17,000. We also purchased travel insurance.

Prayer and team meetings continued with much intercession for the May 2020 outreach. Then the current pandemic caused the doors to Poland and the Czech Republic to be closed. Plan A had changed to Plan B, and now we needed Plan C. When it was time to announce the Summer Outreaches in October 2020, it looked like the pandemic was being contained and that borders in Asia would be opened by the time we were scheduled to go. So, Plan C was back to Asia. We went back to working on our presentations for the Thai public schools.

Most of the students who wanted to go on the outreach in 2020 still wanted to go in 2021. There was only one major problem. We were having horrendous problems getting refunds for our airline tickets and travel insurance. Initially, the airlines only wanted to refund us one third of the ticket price. Almost every day, for months, we worked on getting these refunds. Often, we were put on hold for one hour, and then the call would be disconnected. The tickets were purchased at three different times. In about five months, we got a full refund for some of the tickets. A few months later we received a full refund for a few more. There were five tickets that they did not want to refund. We had been fighting for this refund from April to December. On December 30, 2020, we were finally notified that a check had been sent to us with the final refund, along with the cost of the travel insurance.

Two weeks ago, after much prayer, I had another difficult decision to make. It looked like once again the borders to Thailand and Malaysia would not be open in May 2021. However, God graciously dropped Plan D into my heart—this place the students would not need visas, and yet, many Asian and other ethnic groups lived there; plus, it is legal to work with them. An added benefit was we would be working with longtime friends of the Lindsay family.

By God's grace, we are going by faith to Maui and Kona Hawaii to work with Dr. Jim Marroco's church, King's Cathedral. It isn't a holiday, but an opportunity to reach broken lives with the power of the Cross. We all have faced new adversities and changes this past year. I sincerely believe that God's plan for us all along was Plan D.

There is an old song from my childhood that says: "Where He leads me, I will follow, Where He leads me, I will follow, Where He leads me, I will follow, I'll go with Him, with Him, all the way."

"My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trails, Knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience; But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing" (James 1:2-4).

Congratulations 2021 Graduates!

You persevered and remained faithful. Now take the message of the Gospel and transform your world. Get ready to see God do great and mighty works. We love you and are praying for you!

Dr. Dennis & Ginger Lindsay Golan & Krissia Lindsay

CFNI's 50th YEAR TRAINING WORLD CHANGERS



This CFNI 50th TRAINING WORLD CHANGERS book highlights the past 50 years of the amazing, miraculous work God has done at CFNI and through the 50,000+ students who have enrolled.

This book covers five decades of faculty, guest speakers, and our theme: WORD, WORSHIP, WORLD

It features:

- Faculty
- Guest Speakers
- Supernatural Ministry
- Worship Ministry
- Alumni Testimonies

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR ALUMNI DIRECTOR

Krissia Lindsay

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This New Year has created a variety of new opportunities for us to better serve our alumni community. At the Alumni Department, we look towards the future with great anticipation for what the Lord is going to do in this new chapter.

Many of you have already spoken to one of our staff members. They are so excited to get to know you and to help us accomplish all that God has called us to do in becoming a unified force for God's Kingdom. If you have any questions or would like for someone to pray with you, please don't hesitate to contact us at: <u>alumni@cfni.org</u>. or call us at 214-302-6306.

Christ For the Nations has played an intricate role in the lives of thousands across the globe. As an alumnus of Christ For the Nations, you are a part of this family of believers from every language and nation. We are proud of the fact that you are a part of this legacy of prayer and fasting, praise and worship, the Word of Jesus Christ, and so much more.

As CFNI's Alumni Director, I look forward to meeting with you, to pray with and celebrate you!

Please meet the alumni team, who is here to assist you in any way they can.



Ashley Barnett Alumni Growth, Engagement, and Content Specialist



Fernanda Duarte Alumni Ministry Coordinator

SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 13-15



We will be meeting **October 13-15, 2021, for CFNI's 50TH YEAR REUNION.** This event will serve as a great opportunity to reconnect with your spiritual inheritance, old friends from around the world, as well as an opportunity to create new memories with new friends.

From moments of worship in the Institute Building to times of spiritual impartation to allow God to empower you for greater things, through new strategies, tools and resources that can support your ministry and calling, it will be a great time.

Let's remember what God did in our lives during our time at CFNI. We will gather to celebrate the legacy of a place that has transformed so many lives around the globe, which started 50 years ago with our founders, Gordon and Freda Lindsay.

Please come and be a part of reconnecting with your family at CFNI.



IS THIS REAL?

It was another morning chapel at CFNI. I was a second-year student, had served as an intern at YFN over the summer, and was still reeling from a life-altering lesson that Dr. John Hollar had given the day before. I was sitting in the back, right section of the IB Auditorium (the place where all the YFNers would sit), when, in the middle of worship, something unusual happened. A student began prophesying so loudly that the worship team stopped playing. It created a domino effect—one led to another—and now the entire front section was erupting in supernatural activity. People were weeping, laying hands on one another, while others worshipped ecstatically.



JARED ELLIS attended CFNI from 2008-2011. Today, he is the Lead Pastor at E2 Church in Elk Grove, CA. www.e2church.com

I wasn't normally comfortable with this kind of service, so I glanced over at Pastor Adam McCain, the Director of the Institute, who was known for setting the record straight when things got out of hand. Yet, much to my surprise, he stood still ... like a statue on the stage with his arms crossed, eyes closed. He wasn't moving, and that meant something significant was happening.

Yet, in the midst of all the commotion, there I was, standing in my row with hundreds of thoughts racing through my head.

"Is this real?"

"How can we know they aren't faking it?" "If God is moving, how come I don't feel anything?"

The more I thought, the more I felt disconnected from it all. And for about ten minutes, I simply stood there. Thinking–doubting. But within the next few moments, something happened that would forever change me.

If you've ever stepped foot onto the campus at Christ For the Nations, you know that it's not an ordinary place. <u>There is and always has been a</u> <u>supernatural grace that covers the campus so that</u> even the hardest of hearts can experience a touch from God. That was the dream of its founders, Gordon and Freda Lindsay, and their legacy continues even to this day.

After ten minutes of introspection, <u>God</u> whispered to me, "If I'm here, don't you want <u>Me?"</u> It was like a bolt of lightning that hit me at a hundred miles an hour. <u>I dropped to my knees</u> and began to weep. I did want Him. And yet, two years into my Bible college career, I had yet to fully surrender.

It was on that carpet in the IB Auditorium that I prayed a prayer that would forever change the trajectory of my life: "Whatever it looks like, even if I don't understand it, God—if you're in it, I want it." And from that moment on, I never was a spectator of the move of God ... I became a participator.

My prayer for you today is that your heart would burn so passionately for Jesus that even when He comes in unexpected ways, you stay available. Let's give Him our "YES" today and watch what He will do in and through our lives of complete surrender.

YOU WANT ME TO GO TO AFRICA?



I had quite the encounter with God when I first accepted Him into my life. From the top of my head to the soles of my feet, I felt His presence. I asked Jesus, "What are you doing?" He replied, "I want you to follow Me!" And this is exactly what I've been doing ever since.

It was several years later He sent me to CFNI. I wasn't sure why He was sending me to a "missions school," because I knew I wasn't called to missions. Opening Rally, my first Sunday afternoon service, was one of the pivotal times in my life. As with all callings from the Lord, there is a training season, and at CFNI you definitely get Holy Spirit training. Although, to my surprise, the first open door was in prison ministry. I didn't understand how I was to minister to prisoners, especially my first time out, when I didn't know anything about prisons. However, what I did understand because of my very dysfunctional upbringing and total separation from my mother at two years old was—Fear! God told me to give my testimony that night to those 120 prisoners, and they all surrendered their lives to God.

At CFNI, God also began to give me a compassion for the nations. Guest speakers would stop their messages to give altar calls to students who were to "GO." I knew God was calling me, but the real test came when He told me to go to Africa. "AFRICA?" I asked. Then, one morning during chapel, I had a vision of me standing on a wooden platform, speaking at a crusade in Africa. I was giving an altar call and many were coming forward to give their lives to the Lord. The Lord then told me to have the mothers bring their children forward, and as He directed me, I laid my finger on their heads, and they were instantly healed. The vision ended. I told the Lord I would go, but I didn't want to go! I was almost relieved when the door didn't open for me to go.

A year after I graduated from CFNI in 1989, God told me I was to work for CFN, which I did for three years. Then, while visiting a church, during the worship, the fire of God came all over me. The pastor began to prophesy to me. He said, "God is about to take you off the shelf and open doors for you to teach and preach. He is sending you to black-faced people; I also see children sitting at your feet."

Weeks later, God said, "Get rid of your things, and pack what you need in two suitcases." I asked, "Lord, how will I know what to pack, if I don't know where I'm going?" He responded, "I will show you!" That day a lady came to the office, looking for teaching materials for Kenya. She took one look at me and said, "The doors are open for you to come and teach at the orphanage I own." She handed me her card and said, "Fax me when you get to Nairobi, and I'll come and pick you up."

So, on January 29, 1994, I left for Kenya—with no funds, no church to send me, and not even the experience of a short-term mission trip; and yet, God provided everything I needed. At first, I taught at a Bible College in Kisumu, Kenya, but due to the corruption in their leadership it closed. Without any hesitation the Lord told me to go into the villages and minister to the pastors, who were battling with discouragement, no hope, and just needing basic Bible teaching. I was concerned about a single, white woman traveling in the villages alone, so God sent me a man, Peter, to go with me. This season of ministry was filled with miracles, signs, and wonders.

I know God calls, and it requires a daily surrender to walk with Him. When war was literally knocking on my door, God said, "Come home!" This was tough after almost 15 years in Kenya. However, God wasn't through with me. The ministry God first placed me in at CFNI is where He has placed me again. I teach four different classes and minister to the prisoners at The Estes Sanders Unit in Venus, Texas.

"Yes, God, I will follow You." I pray that will always be your response to His call on your life, as well!



11th HOUR MISSION MANDATE

 Rod Groomer, D.Min. CFN Board member



I am convinced, through the many scriptural signs of Christ's return, that we are living in the eleventh hour of human history. There is and will continue to be prayer and fasting for the advancement of the Gospel until the end of time as we know it. The question is, are you going to participate in the eleventh hour of missions?



Your involvement in missions must start and be maintained with a heart of prayer for the nations. Jesus articulated in Mark 11:17, *"Is it not written, my house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations?"*

The word 'nations' is defined as 'ethnos;' people groups throughout the world who are defined by a culture and language. Jesus is calling us individually and corporately to develop a robust prayer life—one that includes praying for the people groups of the world.

Each one of us is called to influence our world with the Word of God, the power of prayer and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Your world influence is determined by the prayers you pray and the leading of the Spirit in response to your prayers. It's simply a matter of what you pray and what you do. You will only go as far as your prayer life and faith will take you. This is not the hour to withdraw during the world's difficulties, but pray, fast, and prepare to engage the people group(s) the Holy Spirit leads you to.

FACT: 'people groups' include sizable 'ethnos' populations inside the United States.

My wife, Celeste, and I were called once again to leave our comfortable roles as Christ For The Nations' staff and faculty, where we served for fifteen years, and move to the Cherokee Reservation in N.E. Oklahoma. Why? Because ten years prior we were in a time of prayer and fasting for America. Unexpectedly, the Holy Spirit started speaking to us about Bible training, awakening and revival among the Cherokee Nation, along with the other 573 federally recognized Native American Nations (ethnos) that exist in America. We say it was 'out of the blue' because our whole focus for years had been missions with an international perspective. But God moved on our prayers for awakening in America, and He turned our focus to the 'ethnos' close to us. Currently, Celeste and I are learning the Cherokee language. Our goal is to work



along with the tribe's language revitalization program, based on the Cherokee Bible. As we pray, we also pray for the other 573 sovereign Native American nations that exist in the United States, for a Christ awakening and Holy Spirit outpouring among them. It's called the Native American Prayer Initiative.

We are praying forward and preparing for an opportune moment to start Bible Training groups among the Native American tribes, as well as establish CFNI satellite campuses. There are several prayer initiatives in America that are focused on prayer and fasting for awakening, revival and the coming global harvest. <u>Native American believers</u>, the <u>sleeping giant of evangelism</u>, as <u>Billy Graham</u> <u>called them</u>, are going to participate in this <u>last day global harvest</u>.

This eleventh hour missions movement for awakening, revival and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit must be activated through prayer and Spirit-led activity. <u>There are those who are arising, who will put feet to passionate</u> prayers and become a fresh new mega-wave of mission-minded believers. They will impact the nations with the Gospel.

- Where's your mission field?
- Are you praying forward into your God appointed 'ethnos group?'
- It's the eleventh hour!



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