#### The Christian Center Newsletter 7-28-24

# My Helper; The Holy Spirit!

Every Christian must understand that God has recreated them and that He wants to fill them with the Holy Spirit. When a believer is filled with the Holy Spirit, He helps them do the works of God on the earth. Jesus Himself had to receive the infilling of the Holy Spirit before He started His earthly ministry. Let's look at some Scriptures that bear this out.

Matthew 3:16-17 KJV And Jesus, when He was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto Him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon Him: [17] And lo a Voice from Heaven, saying, This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Luke 4:14-21 KJV And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of Him through all the region round about. [15] And He taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all. [16] And He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up: and, as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. [17] And there was delivered unto Him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written, [18] The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, [19] To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. [20] And He closed the book, and He gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on Him. [21] And He began to say unto them, This day is this Scripture fulfilled in your ears.

From this time forward Jesus had signs and wonders and miracles happening in His ministry. In His early ministry, Jesus worked together with the Holy Spirit as a team. Jesus didn't do any miracles until the Holy Spirit came on Him.

Now let's look at when the church was started in Acts 2.

Acts 2:1-4 KJV And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. [2] And suddenly there came a sound from Heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. [3] And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. [4] And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now, even The Christian Church was being birthed in Acts 2! One hundred people in the upper room were all filled with the Holy Spirit. Then they started setting the captives free. They had to receive the Holy Spirit before they could do the works of Jesus. I suggest to you that today many people in the church of Jesus Christ are not filled with the Holy Spirit; but they need to believe that they do need Him, and then believe to receive Him. Here are Scriptures to meditate on.

Acts 1:4-5, 8 KJV And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith He, ye have heard of Me. [5] For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. [8] But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Acts 2:16-21 KJV But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; [17] And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: [18] And on My servants and on My handmaidens I will pour out in those days of My Spirit; and they shall prophesy: [19] And I will shew wonders in Heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: [20] The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come: [21] And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the Name of the Lord shall be saved.

John 16:5-7, 12-15 KJV But now I go my way to Him that sent Me; and none of you asketh Me, Whither goest Thou? [6] But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. [7] Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send Him unto you. [12]I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. [13] Howbeit when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of Himself; but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall He speak: and He will shew you things to come. [14] He shall glorify Me: for He shall receive of Mine, and shall shew it unto you. [15] All things that the Father hath are Mine: therefore said I, that He shall take of Mine, and shall shew it unto you.

All these Scriptures that we have read tell us that we need to receive the Holy Spirit to live a powerful Christian life. I encourage you today, if you haven't been filled with the Holy Spirit, re-read these Scriptures that we have put down in this Newsletter. Let the desire build up on the inside of you to receive the ministry of the Holy Spirit. Your life will never be the same. I did this very thing in 1982, and I cannot tell you how many powerful moves of God I have received in the last 42 years. I can't take credit for any of it, because it has been by the power of the Holy Spirit. He is no respecter of persons; if He did for me, He will do it for you.

Love you, Pastor Paul

This Week's Daily Bible Readings Monday Matthew 8

Tuesday Matthew 9

Wednesday Matthew 10

Thursday Matthew 11

Friday Matthew 12

Saturday Matthew 13

Sunday Matthew 14

#### STAY CONNECTED

\*\* Here is the link for The Christian Center app-https://subsplash.com/thechristiancenter/app

\*\* If you need prayer, call our Prayer Line 580-704-0505

\*\* Singles will be eating after Services at: Olive Garden 4021 NW Cache Rd

\*\* You can give by texting through the TCC app.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES at 9:45am

Children — 6 months - 5th grade Youth — 6th -12th grades

Young Singles/College & Career —ages 18-26 Eliav/Kim Nash

#### ADULT CLASSES

\*Foundation 1 - Pastor Paul

\*Healing - Lester/Monica Witherspoon

\*Faith - Mike Whitley

\*Marriage -Danny/Demetrice Williams

\*Foundation 2 - Mike Wiggins

\*Prayer - Joe Cunningham

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

### Daily

- \* Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday 6:15-7:15 am
- \* Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Fri 10-11am in the Gym
- \* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Fri 12:15 in Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream on TCC app

## Weekly

- \*\* Sunday Services: 9:45 am classes; 10:45 am Main Service
- \*\* Monday Night Care Group: In Sanctuary under balcony 7pm
- \*\* Wednesday Night Prayer: 6pm before Services in the Foundation 1 Classroom
- \*\* Wednesday Night: Adult and Youth Services 7pm (Youth meet in Youth area)
- \*\* Mobile Prayer: Fri 2-3:30 pm Hobby Lobby parking lot
- \*\* Friday Night Prayer: 7pm in Sanctuary under balcony

# Monthly

- \*\*\* Crosses at the Corner: 1st Saturday 11am-1pm corner of Sheridan and Cache Rd.
- \*\*\* Women's Meeting: 2nd Saturday 9am in Fellowship Hall
- \*\*\* Women's Discipleship: 3rd Thursday 5pm in Sanctuary
- \*\*\* Horse Ministry: 3rd Saturday 10am -1pm at Camp Faith
- \*\*\* Relationship Class: 4th Saturday 10am-12pm in Fellowship Hall. Childcare 4 years old and up