



August, 1997

Wow! What a month we just went through. The anointing, the impartation, the amazing words over this church and this city, the crowds and the excitement- wow! August needs to be a month we keep going on with our lives but in the return to normalcy we should still be walking on a little higher plane because of what we've been through. A little more prayer, a little more time in the Word, cleaving just a little tighter to the relationships God is developing among us- that needs to be August.

Since we've gained ground, expect opposition. I've experienced it. The reason the mailout is late this month is because I've been down with pneumonia. The Lord touched me physically during the conference but it was also an exhausting time with much to do and the following week, rather than bouncing back I kind of hit the ground and stayed there for a while. But, God's grace is here and I'm keeping what I got (not the sickness but definitely the impartation).

Some of you may get this by the 12th when we will have prayer at J-'s again. We've been seeing more intensity and more answers so let's hold that ground and take more. As Jack Louman would say, *Let's keep the devil on the run!*

Our monthly restaurant safari will

be at Shoji's, 12270 SE Sunnyside Road. This is Japanese cuisine where they bring a little grill right to your table and cook your meal before your very eyes. The cost is a bit more than most of the other places we go to, so plan for around the fifteen dollar range. I haven't been there personally yet, but I hear that the food is **very** good.

The Bible Studies have been going well. This month it will be on Tuesday the 26th, again at the B's. Call if you need directions.

Our outing this month will be a hike and picnic at Silver Creek. As usual, meet at the Bible Temple parking lot at 9AM for directions and car-pooling. A little fresh air and sunshine could do a body good...

The remaining SNAC will be at El Sombrero, 108th and Sandy. Sounds like some good Mexican food.. As always the 2PM is dependent on when the 11AM service gets out, so if Pastor Frank get's excited and finishes his notes, maybe a bit later. If we have a short service (the unthinkable does happen sometimes) then it may be a bit earlier. But, hook or by crook we do get there and always have a great time.

Life group will again be at R-'s. We thank R- for opening his home to us, as the atmosphere is great in such a setting. Last month God moved in healing for many people and we again felt a new level of closeness with one another. Let's

keep it building!

Prayer needs for August:

-We still haven't seen our married couple, basically to help 'pastor' the group. Let's keep praying for them, as they will make a difference for all of us.

-That the singles will really hear the Word of the Lord and let it change their lives. We tend to be an independent and hard-headed bunch, which is good in some aspects, but we need to be tender and believing toward the Word of God to us. If the church ever **really** takes hold of the Word, then it will change the world. We want our part.

-Pray for those who are being attacked, whether it's physically, mentally, emotionally or relationally. The church has gained ground so I guarantee it personally there will be attacks this month. Prayer works!

-That the leadership team will be sensitive and wise in planning activities. We need to find things, first of all, that people want to do or they won't come. Secondly, those events need to be anointed, life changing, edifying experiences or people won't want to come back. What we really hunger for is changed lives and the building of relationships. What we have to work with are events and activities. It can be done, but

we need that touch of God that makes all the difference.

-Pray for those who are bound up, shackled, and harassed. Many who don't show up at this group are not disinterested, but are being restrained by spiritual forces bigger than they are. Pray for the loosing of those shackles!

Prayer just makes things work... If you do have prayer needs, let Gary know and we'll get the group praying for you. We are here to serve and meet needs.

God bless you and may you have a great month...

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