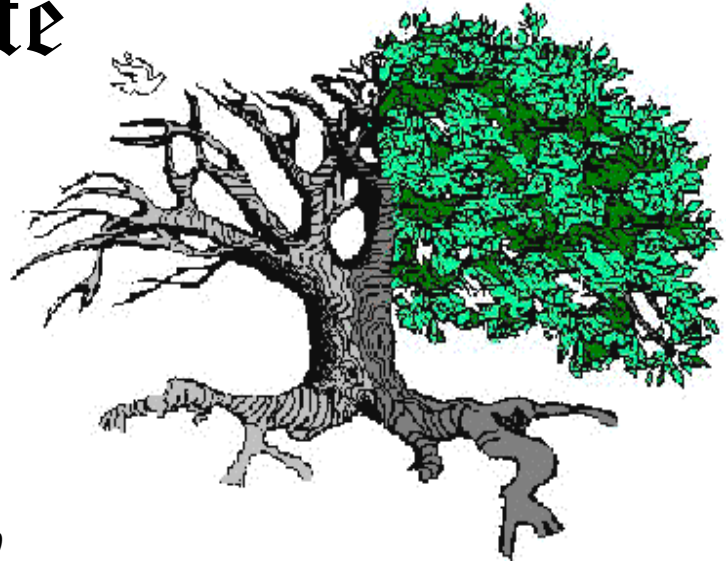


Freedom Life Centre News



*A Ministry Arm of
Rangeville Uniting Church
Toowoomba, Australia*

*"...to proclaim freedom for the
captives..." (Isaiah 61:1-3)*

From Dulcie's Desk

What is so important about prayer? Prayer is the way we communicate with God and the way we listen to God. Through praying and listening to God we can come to know His will for our lives and we can prepare ourselves for what God wants us to do. Wherever we hold a seminar, prayer support before, during and after is most important. Why? Because it prepares people to receive what God has for them. Prayer prepares the ground, our team comes and waters the ground with the words that God has given and God harvests. Our prayers release God to do the things He longs to do. Prayer brings people into a closer relationship with Him and allows His people to take steps to take ground back from Satan.

As it says on the first page of our Prayer Manual, "Prayer is the greatest ministry that has been entrusted to the Church by God. It is the means whereby we win the battle against Satan in this life and brings advance to the Church on earth.

Phillipians 4: 6 - 7 *'Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to*

God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.'

Prayer is the basis of our ministry, our intercessors on our prayer links are a vital part of this ministry. There are many people around the country who support us in prayer. We could not continue to operate without the prayers of God's people.

1 Peter 5:8 *".....Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour."*

If we are not diligent in our prayer life then we leave ourselves wide open to any attack Satan wants to lay on us. We are so thankful to those people who lift our ministry in prayer and we invite anyone who feels led to prayer for this ministry to please do so. Also, if the Lord gives you a word or a picture about our ministry as you pray please pass this on to us if this is what the Lord wants you to do. Our Centre would be encouraged to hear from anyone who is praying for us.

The work of Freedom Life Centre continues to grow, both in personal ministry appointments and seminar presentations. Please continue to pray.

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Prayer Points

- * Safe travel to and from seminars
- * Pray against sickness on F.L.C. team members
- * Give thanks for all volunteers in our ministry
- * Pray for arrangements being made by Churches for their seminars.

Seminar Reports

Since our last newsletter we have held seminars at six difference centres.

A wonderful Healing & Wholeness seminar was held at Glasshouse Country Uniting Church in March and was presented by Rev. Jack & Mrs Leonie Frewen-Lord.

A Prayer seminar was held at Sunnybank U.C. on the 21st - 23rd March. This was presented by Rev. Col Warren. At the conclusion of the seminar people commented that from the teaching and ministry they received they felt better equipped to change their prayer life to a more meaningful part of their walk.

Murgon U.C. in Queensland hosted a Prayer seminar on the 4th - 6th April and Col was the presenter. People found the seminar a time of refreshing and it helped reinforce past teachings and some became more aware of God talking to them. Dulcie Andrew led a day of prayer at Inala U.C. in Brisbane which was an enjoyable and challenging day. St. Marks Anglican Church at Casino held their Prayer seminar on 9th - 11th May which was presented by Col. There was encouragement from the weekend of teaching and a deeper understanding about communicating with God. Col also led a Prayer seminar at Moree U.C. on 16th - 18th May.

When I am planning for a seminar and setting all the necessary wheels in motion one wonders at times why nothing seems to fall into place. Like, emails don't get to where they are supposed to go, team members become seriously ill and are unable to travel or contacts can't be made. Lots of annoying and disrupting events happen and you wonder why. Then when the team arrives back from the seminar and I hear what took place it doesn't take long to put two and two together and realize that Satan really didn't want that seminar to be a success.

From Dr Warren's Pen

Rational Grounds for Believing the Bible

Until 1945, skeptics had a valid argument when they said, how do you know the Old Testament is accurate, when the earliest documents available date only to the ninth century A.D.

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However, in that year, the Dead Sea Scrolls were found and by a series of amazing events came to be translated and dated to a period close to or before the time of Christ.

These ancient documents of the Bible contained portions or complete copies of all the books of the Old Testament except the book of Esther. There was found to be no substantial difference from current manuscripts used in translation. Among other books found, there were two complete copies of Isaiah.

In the mid 1970's two Italian archaeologists found at Tell Mardikh in Northern Syria, the Ebla Tablets. These contain much that substantiates biblical information and date to 2500 B.C. 11000 complete clay tablets and 6000 fragments have been found to this date. 1650 including the most important of the complete or near complete tablets have been published.

Mitchell Dahood, who is a distinguished Old Testament scholar, has said that the "Ebla discoveries may prove to be the most stunning of all archaeological discoveries for confirming Biblical evidence." Concerning events such as the Noachic Flood, he states,

"A fascination with the exceedingly popular literary and artistic motif, Noah's ark, has in recent decades led men and women to leave their homelands and to search for the ark regardless of the sacrifices and cost involved. Has mention of it turned up at Elba? Not yet, though the two components, Noah and Ark, can be disparately identified in the new tablets.....it would not be hazardous to suggest that the people of Ebla were familiar with the story that we now know from Genesis or a variation thereof."

Dahood speaks of various other biblical themes that appear to be identified in the Ebla Tablets that refer to both Old and New Testaments.

Another respected Old Testament scholar, David Noel Freedman, has indicated a very real correlation between biblical history and the Ebla Tablets in his article, *"The Real Story Of the Ebla Tablets. Ebla and the cities of the plain."*

It is important to recognise that the Bible is not accepted as authoritative because it is possible to prove its accuracy in certain areas through archaeological discoveries or any other method. It is authoritative because it is God given. It is our **only** God given objective authority and if God exists and is interested in his creation, it must of necessity be our authority.

Fulfilled Prophecy

Josh McDowell in his book, *"Evidence That Demands a*

Verdict” points out that there are three hundred and thirty two distinct predictions which were literally fulfilled in Christ.

In his book, *“Science Speaks”*, (Moody Press 1963), Peter Stoner has applied the mathematical test of probability to just eight of the prophecies concerning Jesus being fulfilled accurately and has written the following.

“We find that the chance that any man might have lived down to the present time and fulfilled all eight prophecies is 1 in 10 to the seventeenth power. That would be 1 in 100,000,000,000,000,000. In order to help us comprehend this staggering probability, Stoner illustrates it by supposing that we take 10 to the 17 th power, silver dollars and lay them on the face of Texas. They will cover all of the state two feet deep. Now mark one of these silver dollars and stir the whole mass thoroughly, all over the state. Blind fold a man and tell him that he can travel as far as he wishes, but he must pick up one silver dollar and say that it is the right one. What chance would he have of getting the right one? Just the same chance that the prophets would have had of writing these eight prophecies and having them all come true in any one man, from their day to the present time, providing they wrote them in their own wisdom.”

Salvation is One of the Major Themes of the Bible

The Breadth of God’s Love

“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son that whoever believes in him, shall not perish, but have eternal life” (John 3:16).

“The Lord is notwilling that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance” (2 Peter 3:9).

“He is able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him” (Hebrews 7:25).

“The Gospelis the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth” (Romans 1:16).

Christianity an Exclusive Religion

This love of God is universally available to the whole world, but it must be remembered that Christianity is an exclusive religion. Jesus clearly stated,

“Except ye be converted and become as little children, you shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 18:3).

“Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved” (Acts 4:12).

Some have thought that science and human reason would bring the world a high standard of living and religion would not be necessary. Great advances have been made in such areas as medical science, technology and other areas, but man’s inhumanity to man continues unabated as we realise that man is still at the level of his basic human nature, fallen from God’s original creation. The sin of our first parents, Adam and Eve, remains the innate part of every human being’s inheritance.

The result of man’s failure to lift himself by his own boot straps is described in the following words.

“We have too many men of science, too few men of God. We have grasped the mystery of the atom and rejected the Sermon on the Mount. Man has stumbled blindly through a spiritual darkness while toying with the precarious secrets of life and death. He has achieved brilliance without wisdom and power without conscience. Ours is a world of nuclear giants and ethical infants.”

The Bible declares that the name of Jesus
“Is far above every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come” (Ephesians 1:21).

The Word of God is the Sword of the Spirit

It is the sword that reached the conscience and changes people, having through the Holy Spirit brought *“Conviction of sin, righteousness and judgement.”* No one is going to have the desire to change unless he/she is convicted that his/her life is not measuring up to what it should.

HAVE YOU REMEMBERED TO MARK THE 11TH - 17TH OCTOBER 2004 ON YOUR CALENDAR. PLEASE NOTE WE HAVE CHANGED THE FINISHING DATE FROM THE 15TH TO THE 17TH OCTOBER.

This week of teaching will now go from 1pm on the Monday through to the Sunday.
Plans are progressing so please check in our next newsletter for more information.

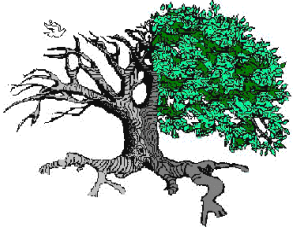
HEALING and DELIVERANCE

There are now teams exercising the ministry of Healing and Deliverance in most states of Australia. We frequently receive requests from people who travel interstate to come to us for ministry. We would like to suggest to people, that if you require ministry, you could contact the following people who are in or near your area. Listed below are names and phone numbers of these teams.

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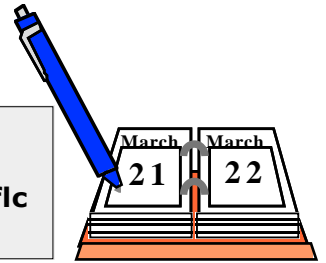
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Dates for your Diary

If you are interested in hosting a seminar or having Freedom Life Centre visit in your area, please do not hesitate to contact us.

<p>8th - 10th August 2003 Tea Tree Gully U.C. S.A. Deliverance Warfare Prayer: Rev. Col Warren Contact: (08) 8265 0491</p>	<p>Making God Relevant Today Rev. Col Warren Contact: (08) 8683 1511</p>	<p>Releasing God's Gifts Rev. Col Warren Contact: (08) 9844 8850</p>
<p>15th - 16th August 2003 Tea Tree Gully U.C. S.A. Advanced Deliverance Rev. Col Warren Contact (08) 8265 0491</p>	<p>5th - 7th September 2003 Murgon U.C. Q'ld Healing & Wholeness Rev. Jack & Mrs Leonie Frewen Lord Contact: (07) 4168 1744</p>	<p>19th - 23rd September 2003 Corrigin W.A. Spiritual Warfare Rev. Col Warren Contact: (08) 9063 2229</p>
<p>22nd - 24th August 2003 Wudinna U.C. S.A.</p>	<p>12th - 14th September 2003 Church of Living Water - Albany W.A.</p>	

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Wish to Donate?

If you would like to support Freedom Life Centre financially you may do so in the following ways:

- o One off donation \$_____ (EITHER send a cheque with this form to the FLC address above OR visit any Westpac branch and make your payment into the following account: — BSB # 034221, Account # 123165, Account Name: Freedom Life Centre)
- o Regular periodic deposits to the FLC account can be made from your own bank to:— Uniting Church Investment Service, BSB#: 704919, Account#: 100002427, Account Name: Rangeville Uniting Church - Freedom Life Centre

Changed Address Recently?

If you have changed your address or the address we have for you is not correct and you would still like to be on our mailing list, could you please take a little time to update us.

Name:.....Phone:.....

Address:.....