

WHOLE FAMILIES NEWSLETTER

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Encouragement for the Heart

Testimony of Gods Power & Love

It was my privilege to work with a couple recently from another state that had been to more than one counselor and through several counseling systems but still did not experience the joy of marriage that they had hoped for. Though she had tried for years to keep her husband in the marriage this wife felt that she had done all that she knew to do to make this work. She struggled for months not wanting to come with her husband to this office because she feared being pressured into doing something that she was not ready for. Because of the damage to his heart as a child he had seldom known emotional health and they as a couple were missing the knowledge of how to care for each others hearts the way God intended, and the way they both needed. Looking for emotional care in the wrong place, and being a slave to sin, he had been involved in multiple affairs worldwide over the last several years. After the week of counsel he told me that before this counsel he was just weeks away from hiring a lawyer and ending the relationship and marriage, and had already allowed himself to start entertaining the thought of someone new to date. As I explained that I only wanted for them to experience the freedom, peace, and abundant life that only Christ can provide, and that can only happen if each of them follow Christ's lead, she found the safety needed to come to counseling with her husband. I explained that there couldn't be one heart secret between them, or the accuser of the brethren could use that secret to divide and conquer them. I also explained that I rarely separate a couple for counsel as some models do because I do not want to cheat the spouse out of the miracles that

God does in the time of prayer. Together we experienced the miracle of God healing each pain event of their hearts, God lifting the load of sin by forgiving each of them for their sin, the miracle of forgiveness as they forgave each other, emotional intimacy the way God designed, the numbness of sin being replaced by the clarity of the still small voice, and the Prince of Peace fully in residence in each of their hearts! All of which is my joy to experience on a weekly basis. But God did something else equally powerful that week. He confirmed by a perfectly timed event to this wife that this is where He wanted her to be that very week even though it was a 10 hour drive with other inconveniences. A family house from their state sold to someone from Westcliffe CO. while they were here for counsel! Just to know that the creator of the entire universe would orchestrate such an event with perfect timing, for a conformation, for one that He loves so dearly, and for all of us to witness, was truly humbling and encouraging to us all. We give all the credit, thanks, and praise to God!



A late snow in the Sange's

His Ministry

It is such a joy to humbly function in His ministry and with His anointing. Many that are hurting only receive help because of your generous support. With the economic times what they are it is hard enough for clients to get to this office, from different parts of the world, and stay the week without having to pay the "going rate" which I have heard can be from \$2-6K for only the intensive counseling. A majority of the weeks I get to see no less than miracles performed by God in the heart of both male and female, and marriages healed and saved. I find that most people desire freedom but have almost given up the hope of finding it. Many have been to multiple professional and Christian counselors only to experience little or no change. Each week I work with many of the same issues and some that are not so common. But one of the themes that I am noticing regularly is that those clients who have learned and know in their hearts how sacred the marriage covenant is have little support to keep that covenant of marriage. I have heard statements like "all I know is that God doesn't want me to live or die this way so I am ready for it to be over". Others are on such strong medications for emotional symptoms that they are left without emotion and see no reason to function outside of their safe little world of self, leaving their marriage in trouble. Still others are being encouraged by well-intentioned friends that if they are in a less than desirable marriages to end the hardship. There seem to be few voices heralding, "keep the covenant", "save the marriage", "or stick it out". Each week in this office I teach the clear principles of Gods Word in a loving way and then lead each individual in prayer word for word with the Holy Spirits direction. The Word of God is very simple and the issues that trouble us as humans are relatively few in number. With the limitless power of the Word lovingly and carefully applied to each issue of the human heart, freedom must reign. Most people, I have found have trouble knowing what is wrong in their own life and need help finding biblical freedom.

Having worked now with hundreds of clients over these eight years, I have complete confidence that the Word of God has the answer to every problem that ails the human heart and life. The difficulty for some to maintain freedom is most often failure to maintain biblical forgiveness or forgetting to take all pain to Jesus rather than expecting the one who caused the pain to make it right. I say thank you to the many of you who are championing marriage and biblical living in a day when these seem under attack.

Our Commitment

Whole Families, Inc. is committed to providing counseling to every client that God sends without obligation, and to keep the overhead as low as possible. We understand that the ministry itself and certainly the anointing that makes it possible all belong to God. We then continue to focus on building the Kingdom of heaven and not on the building of ministry accept for what God requires. Most of our printing is now done in house to keep the costs down. The request for seminars has increased so the handbook PDF can be sent to the churches electronically and assembled on location even if that is internationally. We found the cheapest way to assemble these is to use a three-ring notebook and then print both sides of the page. Thus there is no shipping, and reprint prices are kept low. This Follow-up Handbook has also become a living document that can be added to as God leads.



The WCC building

Thank You!

My office is generously provided at no charge to the ministry by WCC and a board of directors regulates Whole Families affairs and my income. We have deliberately kept our needs as a family low so that we have no need for a mortgage. Personally we subscribe to "Samaritan Ministry Medical Share Newsletter" instead of expensive health insurance, and conserve wherever we can. I remain accountable on a daily basis to my senior pastor and WFI board member Pastor Dovidio, and a little less often to board member David Dahl! I am also indebted to secretary and helper Jennie Bailey, and artist Deborah Rock for the the "hands" drawing that has become our official mark. We are so grateful for each of you for your Prayers and Financial support. They are vital as we do what God has called us to do. THANK YOU!!!!!!

Praises

A member of WCC church donated the window for my office, and a local contractor generously installed it free of charge!



Upper is the new window and the lower is the view from it!

Shirl and I were taken on a get away to Santa Fe NM as a refreshing weekend from ministry and work. One of the members of WCC generously donated that to us and accompanied us on that trip! We didn't even know how much we needed the rest until after we returned home. I was also given a new study bible by a supporter. Like George Mueller it is my joy and privilege to take my every need to my source and provider and then see how He provides for those needs!

Family

As a family things are returning to normal and we are enjoying each day together in this beautiful new to us mountainous hometown. We are now homeschooling Chloe and Ivy while Emma and Sophia still attend public school. Bethany is looking for work here after being such a blessing to all of us as



Left Sophia, Ivy, Emma, Chloe right

we navigated our way through all that had to do with cancer. Again thank you for your prayers and support!

The living document!

This newsletter has been a lot about the mechanics of the ministry which has been hard for me to share in the past. I continue to donate my time each week to clients and study of the Word and God has been faithful to meet ministry and family needs as he sees fit through your support.

These last two pages of this newsletter are the document that is being added to the Handbook. Feel free to print and put them into a three-ring notebook as they are sent in the future! Because things have changed so much we can send the latest complete printing to you for \$19.00 including postage.