



The Lord's Mountain Mover's **NEWSLETTER**

"If you have the faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you."

(Matt. 17:20)

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How did I get here?

Have you ever been headed somewhere and then all of a sudden you find yourself way off course from your original destination? Today's technology provides us with such great navigational aids as Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) systems to help us get from point "A" to point "B" without getting lost. And for the most part it works perfectly.

But what about our journey as Christians getting from point "A" (the beginning of our salvation) to point "B" (the culmination of our journey, our glorification)? What has been provided for us to maintain our course and get safely to our final destination? The answer is obvious, the Holy Spirit! God's perfect navigational gift to all believers upon their conversion. That Helper (*Parakletos* in Greek) that Jesus promised to send, who would tell us all things and connect us with the very mind of God. Unlike the GPS navigational system, the Holy Spirit is 100% accurate when giving instructions and can be perfect in our journey if we would follow the Spirit's prompting.

A lot of our instructions and warnings come through the owner's manual, the Holy Bible. But why then do we sometimes find ourselves way off course, headed in the wrong direction, and doing the things we know we should not be doing? Well, just like you can mute the voice of the GPS navigation system, you can mute the voice of the Holy Spirit. The Apostle Paul warns us about quenching and grieving the Holy Spirit. This can be done instantaneously or subtly over a period of time. However it's accomplished, the result is always the same, whether it be by the return to an old sin or the introduction of a new one. We end up asking ourselves, how did I get here?

When we find ourselves off course the next step is so critical. Do we make the necessary course changes (asking for forgiveness and working true repentance) and get back on the right path or do we try and navigate the dark and windy road by ourselves and end up further off course? I have to admit that I have done both. I have detected that I was getting off course and made the correct changes and suffered a little along the way. I have also done the latter and tried to get back on my own. This never has worked out well for me, yet I have repeated it several times in my life. I have lost not only fellowship with my Heavenly Father, but have lost family, friends, jobs, homes, money and the list goes on and on.

You would think that once would be enough and I would learn my lesson, but that has not always been the case. Thankfully for people like myself we serve a loving and forgiving Father.

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One who is grieved to see us stray, yet as welcoming as the father in the prodigal son story when we do finally come to the end of ourselves. It is getting to the end of ourselves that is so important. Remember it was “ourselves” that got us there in the first place.

The climb back may be arduous and seem extremely long. It may also seem like a lonesome journey and maybe it is designed that way. Maybe we need some time alone with our thoughts and time to evaluate the decisions we made that got us so far off course. Maybe we need the time to grieve over our sin and cry out to God like King David did in Psalm 51. Whatever it takes to get back, get back my friend because if you stay to long feeding the pigs then you may just end up staying.

In His Service

Pastor Pete

BE A BARNABAS

Happy New Year everyone! I hope you all are blessed and highly favored by our great God and Savior Jesus Christ and starting off the new year walking strongly with Him.

Each I try to bring some encouragement to us from God’s word (thus the name Barnabas – which means “*Son of encouragement*”). This month I was thinking of all the encouraging things God had given me to share throughout the past year and I realized I have mostly forgotten what they were. So I thought it would be a good idea to highlight those things as a reminder to us all, I think some of you might be like me and forget as well.

Psalm 69:29-34. Brothers and sisters in the Lord, you are not alone in your pain and afflictions. As we begin a new year, let us also begin to focus on the things that have lead us to praise Him even more.

Proverbs 15:1. I want to encourage you to choose your words wisely. Whether you are having a heated discussion, an argument or just trying to relay something that God has taught you in your life with someone else.

Proverbs 13:25; 1 Timothy 6:6. Christ has taught us, through the word combined with life’s experiences, to be content. Striving towards godliness will help us guard our hearts from the temptation of physical things controlling our lives.

Matthew 22:31-32; Acts 4:33. Stay focused on Jesus, always being ready to give a reason for the hope you have within you.

Hebrews 12:25. Let’s be the one who make hard times happen for the better and not for the bitter and let us also encourage others to do the same.

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Psalm 37:7-9. Wait on the Lord to do His perfect work and in the end you will have your reward. Rest in Him, or you might wear yourself out, and encourage your fellow brothers and sisters to do the same.

If our lives are not in some way reflecting the light of Christ into lives around us, I think it *should* make us have our doubts as to whether or not we are saved. This is why we need to have fellowship with transparency. I want to challenge you to stay humble, to stay dependent and in all of it bring glory to our heavenly Father *alone*.

Joshua 1:9; Ephesians 6:14; Psalm 78:72. I want to encourage you, my family in Christ, to stand firm today and everyday that the Lord has given you, until He calls you home. Take it one day at a time, one moment at a time, and do the right thing. God will give you the moment to shine and then *you* will reflect that image which is Jesus Christ to those around you.

Hebrews 12:1. I want to encourage you to finish the race. Not only that, I want to encourage you to finish strong! To leave a legacy behind you, a testimony as a man or woman of God that people will not doubt. It is not about what we did yesterday; it is about what we are doing right now. Let us not allow our past to be our stumbling block, but let it be our stepping stone.

1 Timothy 4:8 Feed yourself the right things on a daily basis. Just like and as often you do for your body, do the same for your spiritual self. Then pray everyday about *what* He wants you to share each moment, about *who* He wants you to share it with and about *how* He wants you to share it. In everything we do, we should do it as unto the Lord because we know it is from Him that we shall receive our reward. I love you all and constantly remember you in my prayers, that God would be your provision to continually have a blessing to share with others, whether it be physical, emotional or spiritual. May He continue to bless you to be that blessing throughout this new year for His glory!

Be blessed in Him,

Brother Daniel Rodney

We want you!

That's right; the Lord's Mountain Movers Ministry wants you to be a bigger part of what we are doing in God's kingdom. We have received several contributions for your newsletter and thank those of you who have taken the time to send your submissions. We hope that more of you will share some of the talents God has given to you through writing, drawing, etc. Keep them coming. If you send something you need to have back, we will be glad to return it to you, just let us know.

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Our Prayer Requests for God's Children

Greetings to all our brothers and sisters in Christ who receive our newsletter through the mail. Due to financial constraints, we have revised the way we do our prayer requests. We are currently posting and maintaining all prayers requested on the Internet so your brothers and sisters all over the world can continue to pray for your petitions and praise God for the ones He has already answered.

We are encouraged by the work that God has already done through so many people praying for the needs of those they do not even know. What a privilege we have to go before the throne of God with our requests and the requests of others. Let us keep praying and seeking His will for our lives and the lives of others. If you have a prayer request you would like added to next month's newsletter and/or posted on the ministry website, please fill out the form below and mail it to us. Previous prayer requests are still there on the website for people to read. We are wondering if your prayer has been answered yet? We want to know and share it with everyone else who reads the newsletter, so keep us updated. We look forward to hearing from you and standing in the gap as a prayer warrior. Please note that we will be removing older prayer requests, especially when we do not hear about updates. The newest requests are at the top of the list and the oldest requests are at the bottom of the list. These will remain on our website prayer list.

December 2015 - January 2016 Prayer List

Sandra M.....Pray that she does well in hip replacement surgery and gets back on her feet in recovery without any complications. **She is recovering, walking with her new hip and no cane.**

George W.Pray for his recovery from a serious car accident. Pray for the family members during this trying time. He is in an Ohio long term care facility. He is off of feeding and breathing tubes. **Better news today 12-06-15, he is responding to external requests (wiggle toes, squeeze hand, follow finger with eyes, etc.) with prompting.**

Roger CPrayer for him in his current situation that it will be resolved soon.

Anthony S.Pray that my brothers in Christ; get blessed, have a speedy trial and go home soon.

Steve T.Pray for God's favor over trial- strength in fasting prayer, soften his wife's heart and not divorce him.

Winifred W. ...Pray that the attacks on chapel, pastor get resolved and evening services are restored.

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Maurice A.Request urgent prayer for his young niece not to be tried as an adult and for his warrant to be dismissed.

Richard L.Please pray that he gets right with the Lord before he gets a life sentence, he is messing up bad.

J. JacksonRequest prayer for Soledad Prison and its staff. Prayer for the Jackson and Packer family that God would become the center of their lives and reunify them again. Prayer that I will be a good person and husband and we will have a good life together.

Greg.....Prayer for clear vision on what God wants to do with “The Cure” Ministry. Maintain ministry’s focus on God only. Also prayer for his marriage to Shelia as he gets ready to go home. Also prayer for Shelia as she recovers from a work injury. Update on previous prayer requests; Aaron passed SD Sheriff’s test, Stephen is working at a Christian Camp, Justin has a job at Toyota Dealership and is working for EMT position.

Sonhai H.....Requesting prayer for her and the family so she could talk to her brother Jonathan.

Brian D.....Prayer for his relationship with his father and as he strives to give up drinking.

DouglasPrayer for God to help him become the man that He desires and change his old ways.

Steven W.....Prayer for himself and his mother as his father passed away and the family is going through the grief process.

R. WhiteThat the Lord will open doors for suitable housing upon his being paroled. **Praise report: He has found a place to welcome him and is doing well, reconnecting with brothers as well as family.**

Alice S.....Chesapeake VA – prayer for personal issues.

Sheila.....Prayer for her health issues, finances and God’s direction for personal decisions.

Greg.....**Praise report:** God is in control, using me, and I am being blessed by Him. Woo Hoo!

Kenny J.Requests prayer for steady employment.

Gabriel SHis mom, Rosie, his Uncle and brother who need prayer for recovery from health issues.

Stephen.....Prayer for change in career course.

Justin**Praise report;** finished EMT school and looking for work.

Joshua.....Continued prayer for personal issues.

The C.U.R.E...Prayer for God's guidance and provision.

Greg FPrayer for answered prayer in his period of fasting.

Benjamin.....Guatemala, Praise report for Bibles that their church has received. Asking for prayer for his family, the church that they might finish the floor, the windows and doors.

Barbara MPray for her marriage and family.

Jamie PFavor with the Parole Board and upcoming hearing. **Prayer answered he has a date.** Pray that the Governor not interfere in his release date.

Linda DContinued recovery from health issues.

Rich H.....Living situation and employment. Prayer for his sister Darlene who was just diagnosed with terminal cancer. Please pray for the family also.

Sandy (Bill
A's Sister)Pray for her continued recovery from health issues.

Robert B.....Pray for God's direction and provision in his life.

George &
Amy.....Lift them both up in prayer.

TJ LPray for his health issues.

Bob P.....Needs prayer, was just diagnosed with stage two and four cancer in lymphatic system.

Joanne R.....Her and the rest of the family need your prayers as they continue to deal with the loss of a child to cancer.

Jose
Rodriguez.....Pray for his ex-wife as she deals with an abusive relationship. Also prayer for his parents (dad's recovery from surgery and mom's health issues).

Larry K.....Asks for prayer for The House of Hope Chapel, for these new ministries in evangelism and discipleship. That God would use their ministries to further His Kingdom.

Pray for.....Christians who are facing the loss of their lives for their faith in Jesus Christ.

Darrell R.....Prayer for his health and life issues.

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G. GortonPrayer for housing and work upon his release.

Peter APray that he gets the needed help battling the worldly challenges and gets steady employment.

Randy CHe was in a car accident and needs prayer for healing and replacement of his vehicle.

The Lord's Mountain Movers - Prayer request

Person requesting prayer _____

Pray for: _____

Nature of request: _____

Place request on Ministry website Yes No

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