



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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"More Pure this Year!"

The world is busy this time of year making those New Year Resolutions. You know the ones I am referring to. I am going to quit smoking, lose weight, start working out, eat better, save more, cuss less, spend more time with my family, and the list goes on and on. Sadly, the only thing that doesn't go on and on is the commitment to follow through with those resolutions.

For the most part I believe these resolutions are well meant and often well needed changes. The problem arises with the motivation behind each resolution. Where does the empowerment come from to make these alterations in who we are and what we do? Any resolution to change that is self-generated must be by nature, self-empowered. If I think of the idea, then it is up to me to stay focused, motivated, and follow through to the end I am seeking. That's the problem, "self."

A New Year's resolution for a Christian should be something that God has called us to do. If it is God prompting us to do something or make some changes in our life, then He will supply what is needed to complete the task. Every ounce of focus, motivation, and follow through needed is provided by God through the Holy Spirit. Our part is agreeing with Him that the changes are necessary and then appropriating what is necessary to make those changes. Sounds so simple doesn't it? That's why so many Christians don't change or fail in their attempt to change. They think that they know better or can do it by themselves.

One of the greatest commandments (not suggestions) that God lays before every born again believer is the mandate to be holy. Peter, quoting something God said in Old Testament Scripture writes, "*You shall be holy, for I am holy.*" (1 Peter 1:16) Quite a command, but what does being holy really mean? The Greek word for holy is "hagios" which means literally to be separated. For us it means that we are to be physically pure, and morally blameless. Holiness is purity! There is a litany of Scriptures that line out the details of what we are to abstain from and draw near to in order to accomplish this command to be holy. It is your charge to study the scriptures daily and find out what these things are and do them.

This year I challenge you, as I have been challenged, to be "More Pure this Year." Let's come into agreement with God and His command to be holy and draw on His power to accomplish that task. I don't think it is something we can afford to put on the back burner for another year or another time. Do you want to be used by God? Do you want to glorify and honor Him? Do you love Him? I do, but not as much as I could, or better yet, should. I believe that God is waiting for each one of us to make this our commitment this year and for every year to come. I am anxious to join with you in this quest for holiness. Let's be, "More Pure this Year!"

In His service,
Pastor Pete

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Here is something I wrote to a dear friend of mine years ago. I thought you might enjoy it and that it might encourage you to spend more time with God and His word.

Second Daniel

(The book of Easiness)

I Daniel, in the first year of my freedom, did receive a vision. On the fifteenth day, of the second month, while I was lying on my bed in my chambers (Hebrew for apartment), I Daniel, had this vision.

I was taken up by a spirit to the valley of electronics, whether in the body or out of the body, I do not know. There, all around me were many gadgets. I became very excited in my spirit and my hands and feet began to shake and my knees knocked together. They were stacked everywhere and were in all sorts of shapes and sizes. Some had life in them and were speaking to me; others called to me with pictures and bright lights. Then there were some in boxes that had no life in them. I Daniel was grieved for these gadgets in the boxes.

The spirit who had brought me here called to me and said, “Daniel, child of God, can these gadgets live!” I replied to the spirit, “Duh, I think so.” The spirit spoke to me again and said, “Daniel, reach into your wallet and give money as a propitiation for one of these gadgets that it may live.” And immediately, I Daniel, did as I was commanded.

I Daniel, having decided to demonstrate the power of the spirit within me, chose the largest of the gadgets to give life to. It measured fifty-five inches diagonally and had many features. There were many angels in the valley of electronics to help me. To the first angel I gave the propitiation to, and then another angel appeared and helped me load my gadget into my chariot (Hebrew for truck) that was driven by three hundred and fifty horses. Yes, I Daniel, am a rich man.

Upon returning to my chambers, I Daniel followed all the commandments written in the Book of Instructions. My gadget stood before me and I pressed the button as instructed and it came to life as the spirit had told me it would. I Daniel rejoiced and sang praise unto the spirit that had taken me to the valley of electronics.

After seven weeks, I Daniel realized that the gadget had not only received its life from me, it was now drawing its sustenance from me, for I was feeling weak. I cried out to my God, “Lord, Lord, why have thou allowed this thing to happen?” Out of heaven came the thundering voice of God saying to me, “My son, because you have forsaken your time with Me and given it to a graven gadget made with hands. Because you thought you could find satisfaction somewhere else, I the Lord your God, have withdrawn from you.”

I, trying to justify myself said, “But Lord, I watch Derek Prince, Joel Olstein, and K.C. Price.” And the Lord responded to my lameness, “Oh foolish one, come let us reason together. Have I become so distant that you should seek me through these men, that you should come before your gadget and not my throne?”

I Daniel sat dumbfounded for a time and a time and a half until I realized my sin. I cried out to the Lord my God and said, “What shall I do? For I acknowledge my transgression and my gadget is always before you. Against You and only You have I sinned and done this evil in your sight.” Then the voice came out of heaven saying, “Repent and turn away from your gadget. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all you soul, and with all your mind.” Then the voice said, “You may keep the gadget as

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a reminder, but you must not worship it or give all your time to it. You must rule over it, or it will rule over you and consume you. I the Lord have spoken this and it shall come to pass.”

I awoke from my vision and there beside my bed was a Bible. I opened it and began to read from its pages and my spirit was refreshed. I gave thanks to the Lord for my vision and vowed to walk in the vision He had given me.

BE A BARNABAS (Acts 4:36)

“But I am afflicted and in pain; May Your salvation, O God, set me securely on high. I will praise the name of God with song and magnify Him with thanksgiving. And it will please the Lord better than an ox or a young bull with horns and hoofs. The humble have seen it and are glad; You who seek God, let your heart revive. For the Lord hears the needy and does not despise His who are prisoners.” Psalm 69:29-34

Brothers and sisters in the Lord, you are not alone in your pain and afflictions. Even Paul suffered much and spent time in prison. Remember God’s word tells us if we suffer with Him, we will also rein with Him. This Psalm was written through the pen of David many years ago, and it was written for you. God knows what you are going through and how hard it is to endure. But it is not in vain!

As we begin a new year, let us also begin to focus on the things that have lead us to praise Him even more. We know and are confident in our heart, through faith in His word, that we will be exalted with Christ soon. You are the light in dark places, He has placed you where you are so that you will shine even more. You are loved by God, so that you can love others. How good it is to have fellowship with the saints, and what’s more, to have fellowship with the Spirit of God.

Matthew Henry said it like this,” It is better to be poor and sorrowful, with the blessing of God, than rich and jovial and under His curse. For those who come into God’s righteousness shall soon see an end of their poverty and sorrow, and His salvation shall set them on high.”

Be blessed in Him,

Brother Daniel Rodney



Our Prayer Requests for God’s Children

Calvary Church, Santa Ana

Kevin SIs in Tehachapi, pray for his safety and salvation.

KathyPlease pray for my sister Patty that she will receive salvation.

Bobby C.....He needs prayer for his addiction issues.

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David & Jeannie M.
Missionaries

to Kenya.....Back on leave pray for housing. Daughter to attend Moody Bible College, needs prayer. Pray for Jeannie's mom who is now in hospice care, retired from Missionary work in Africa.

Pat MHad serious back surgery and is doing great back at church. (Praise report) Back to normal.

Bill B.In hospice care, pray for him and his wife and two adult children.

Pastor Fred.....Has A-fib and heart issues. Still teaching, Pray for Doctors to have wisdom to resolve his health issues.

Sheryl C.....Waiting for Heart transplant. Pray that she receives a new heart.

Kaley M.....She on a mission trip to Thailand, pray for safety for witness.

Liberty Church, Moreno Valley

Baby MaryShe is just about six months old and has severe heart problems and needs a transplant.

The Church.....Pray that God would continue meeting their financial needs in the coming year. Also the church is starting a recovery ministry to help those individuals who deal with addiction issues in their lives and the lives of their loved ones. Pray that our youth would have a greater impact on their peers. Prayer for all those who are dealing with physical, emotional, and spiritual issues.

Ida Mae.....She had a terrible auto accident and needs your prayers for her recovery from those injuries.

Harvest Valley Church, Santa Ynez

CongregationPray that God will continue to bless and provide for their needs as they have reached out to so many. They are a real small church that has sent in thousands of life changing Bibles to men in prison. (I personally experienced God working through these gifts.)

Mary & BillPray that Mary would continue to be the blessing she is to so many people and that God would bless her according to her sacrifice. Pray for health and good times for her and her family.

California

Margarita V.We Pray for the Lord's healing but understand it is his will. She has been in hospice care for the last week.

Victor A.Pray that God would open opportunities for him to begin teaching and preaching again. Pray as he leads a recovery ministry in the church.

Faye A.That God would bless and guide her in her musical ministry work.

John B.....Needs prayer for favor with the court system and be vindicated for wrongful conviction.

Steve L.....Praying for wisdom and guidance in fulfilling the ministry God has given him. Looking for another home for sober living.

Eddie S.....Pray for continued reconciliation with family members. Needs a good job.

Joanne R.Pray that God would replace her grief and sorrow with the peace and joy that surpasses all understanding. That God would bless her in all she does.

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Christine B.....Pray for her as she is fighting cancer, since insurance changes, she is having problems getting coverage for her treatments.

Daniel R.....That his boss would be saved by faith in Jesus and the business would flourish. Praying for a home church to fellowship in. For the salvation of his Dad and brothers. Have more patience with the lost that curse God and Jesus. Keep his eyes fixed on the cross daily.

Tom C.....That God would bless him with a more fruitful job so he could be a blessing to others.

Pete C.Prayer for God's will in his life as he steps into the next phase of his life.

John Parish.....In Needles, California needs prayer for his health. That he would contact his friend Winifred W. soon.

Florida

Scott F.....Pray for resolution to his health issues and the safety of his children who are serving in the armed forces. Pray for Scott to receive work that is fulfilling and grows and edifies the kingdom of God.

Minnesota

TJ & Julie W.....Pray for God's wisdom in conducting the marriage classes. That they would survive another winter in Minnesota. Pray for all those who they are mentoring.

North Carolina

David's familyPlease pray for them as they grieve the loss of their son and pray that God will fill the tremendous void in their lives that is left from his passing on. Pray that God would bring joy back into their lives soon.

North Dakota

TylerPlease pray for Tyler as he seeks direction for his career aspirations. That he would continue doing well in college and in his relationship with the Lord.

Oklahoma

Sheri.....She has Viral Meningitis. She has had multiple surgeries and we ask that you pray for Sheri's complete physical healing. We know that God is the author of life and He has the final word on her recovery! Pray without ceasing....

Washington State

StephanieWe are praying that the Lord will convict and correct her. She is traveling down the wrong path and has a lot of people who care for her.

Todd S.Pray that God will bring the right lady into his life to be his soul mate. Prayer for his new art business. Pray for peace and joy in his heart

Wes & Ashley B.

Sue C.Prayer for strength as they work on becoming a new family. Wisdom is raising the children. Pray for her continued strength and health. Prayer for her finances and that God would continue to meet her needs daily.

Wisconsin

Rick & Beth.....This Christian couple needs your prayers desperately as they face unthinkable circumstances in their lives.

Mona & Willie....Pray for Willie as he gets ready to be with the Lord, and Mona as she deals with this loss.

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Guatemala

Benjamin A.....Praying to get Spanish Bibles for prisoners in Guatemala. Pray for the new, larger sanctuary being built around the old one since there isn't enough room for all who are coming to the services.

Kenya

Larry S.Missionary to Kenya, is having health issues and needs prayers for strength and healing.

Ministries

The Lord's Mountain

MoversPray for continued direction from God in where He wants the ministry to go and do. Also, for His guidance in obtaining the 501(c) 3 status for tax purposes.

ANSWERED PRAYER: WE HAVE BEEN GRANTED OUR FEDERAL TAX EXEMPT STATUS!

Acts

Foundation.....Praying for continued support for their prison ministry as they send Bibles into the prisons.

Lost and Found

By JesusPray that the Lord would bless and increase their ministry. Pray for God to meet their financial needs this coming year.

Saving Grace

Homes.....God is bringing opportunities for expansion. Pray for His wisdom and discernment in every decision they face. Pray for their patience in God's timing.

Brothers in Chino

Facility A.....That God would continue to honor and direct their efforts in putting His church in order. Prayer for the chaplain, New Facility Captain, Prayer Team, Brown Card Volunteers, all chapel programs.

PARTIALLY ANSWERED: COMPLETED GUIDELINES AND ESTABLISHED SOUND LEADERSHIP

Tom H.....He wants prayer for greater understanding and knowledge in the word of God. That God will also guide him as he shares God's word with others. Ex-wife (DeeDee is fighting cancer), Daughter (Megan) is having a baby girl soon, and his son (Joshua) is in fire fighters school.

PARTIALLY ANSWERED: DEEDEE IS CANCER FREE! TOM HAS A NEW GRANDBABY GIRL!

Larry K.Pray that he will be guided by the Holy Spirit as he helps to lead the church back under the will of God.

Bob G.Pray that God continues to restore family and friends back into his life.

Brothers in Tehachapi

Gabriel S.....God's will for his family. Pray for his wife who has a cancerous lump in her breast. His sister and her husband need employment and housing. His older brother who has liver disease. Pray for his son who is facing serious legal issues. Pray for his upcoming board date, Dec. 19th.

PARTIALLY ANSWERED: Gabriel will be release within a week or so. Praise God!!

Kenny J.....Praying that the door for communication with his children will be opened up. Also that his son Jeff will be delivered from his addiction issues. Kenny needs a place to live upon his release.

PARTIALLY ANSWERED: HAS A PLACE TO GO UPON RELEASE.

Tim P.....Pray for salvation in his family, and restoration with all his family members.

Wallie R.....Pray that God will continue to guide him towards a release date.

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Brothers in Chowchilla

Johnny LGod would prepare him to get out and further the Lord's kingdom. Pray that God would open his eyes to the truth about His word.

Trinity W.Pray for his family's ministry and the men's home they desire to open in God's will.

Brothers in Desert View

The Fellowship ...Pray that the Christian brothers would continue to grow closer to each other and God.

David P.Pray that God will continue to guide him as he shares God's word and help him to be a good example to all the men and staff there.

Greg F.....Sheila (his wife) needs prayer for her health and finances. That he and his wife can work some things out between them. That God will continue to use him. For his finances. Finances for Stephen to go to school (Ministry \$2500) Justin's camp fees (\$1000). Son Joshua who is in prison in Arizona and will be getting out in 2017, needs smooth transition. Pray for "The Cure" ministry, that God would have His way with it.

Matthew R.....Deepen his relationship with God. Pray for his cousin Johnny and the brothers in Tehachapi. Prayer for Yang's father.

Yeng Y.....Pray for his sister who is dealing with cancer, his father's health, and his family's salvation.

ANSWERED PRAYER: YENG'S SISTER IS CANCER FREE AND HIS FATHER IS DOING A LOT BETTER, THANKS FOR YOUR PRAYERS!

Jonathan J.Needs pray for God's will on his court appeal. Also is requesting prayer for his family, friends, and his brother (Sonhai Hackett). Also pray for Cruz to have God in his life. Please pray for God's calling on his life to be apparent.

Brothers in Mule Creek

Sebastian M.Pray that God will continue to grow him in the confidence of the faith that God has given him. Please pray for his son who is prison in Arizona (their relationship and his salvation), also his three kids (their salvation), and finally for wisdom in dealing with children. Also pray for his patience as he deal with new cell-mate.

Mike F.Pray that the Holy Spirit would fill him with hope for the present and the future. Let him know that God loves him and wants him to enjoy life as it is.

Brothers in R.J. Donovan

GabrielPray for chapel services to run smoother and for the Kairos Program.

Robert Mc.....Pray for healing for Rudy, Betsy and Maria (Valley Fever, Carpal Tunnel).

JamesFor the program on the yard to change for the better.

Matlock.....Pray for a closer relationship with his son.

Joe S.For his family to come to know the lord Jesus Christ.

GenoFor help with his soon to be wife's family. To have them come visit him.

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Pastor Jack.....For his health to improve and to get instruments on this yard.

Tom S.Pray to give him time with his wife.

Brothers in Corcoran

David G.Please pray for God's protection and provision for his kids; Emily, Natalie, and James, and their mom, Eileen. For their salvation, spiritual and physical needs. Pray for his ministry – that it would be fruitful, and that God would be glorified. Please pray for ex-wife's health, well-being and salvation.

Chains for Christ

Ministries.....Is a powerful ministry God is using to bring the truth to those who are seeking it. Please pray that God will create a seeking heart in many men that they may know and live out God's truth.

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