



## *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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### **Divine Error**

Put down your stones all you hyper-legalists, I am not advocating any theology that implicates God in any wrong doing. I too believe that He cannot err in anything He does or anything He says. This term came to me this last month when I had finished going through something in my life of which the details are not important. From the very beginning I felt like God was not taking notice, or that He was busy doing something else more important. I know that this too is not possible for an omniscient God. However, from all that happened in this experience, from start to finish, I felt like things were out of control and could not possibly turn out right. It wasn't until it was all over that things started to make sense. Remember the old saying, "Hindsight is 20/20."

I am sure most of us have been through things like this in our lives. When was the last time you felt like everything you were working for seemed to come crumbling down? It may have been a job, relationship, plans, vacation, business deal, or something else. It may have even been something you knew in your spirit that God was calling you to do, yet it seemed to fall apart at the seams.

The term Divine Error defines the chaos in life that ends up being just what God wanted to happen. It is man's perspective on events that seem to be counter-productive to how we think things should be going. In the end the final goal is reached and the events have created effects far beyond our imagination or expectation. We look at everything that happened and wonder how the heck things worked out the way they did. We have that moment where we have to look heavenward with a smirk on our face and just say, "Wow God!"

I believe that God allows, or predetermines, things like this to happen for His divine purpose; in our lives, the lives of others, and for His kingdom purposes. We could sit and debate whether it is His ability to know the future or to dictate it, either way; it is His will that these things happen. Even though we serve an all-knowing God doesn't mean that He is an all-telling God. We have been given a faith-based relationship with the creator and sustainer of all things. However, He is not required to lay out the details of how and why things are the way they are. We just need to trust Him and what He is doing.

Someone might read this and say, "Well that's nice thinking, but is it Biblical?" We don't have to go any further than the story of Joseph, the son of Jacob. This story is taught in Sunday school beginning with the little kids using coloring books and taught from the pulpits to adults, teaching

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life lessons. If any story in the Bible illustrates what I have been sharing, it is this one. God had a goal for Joseph and his life, yet everything from the point of its revelation to its culmination seemed to be counter productive to that goal. Do you remember what he told his brothers in the end, when he realized that God's promise had just come to pass? "What you meant for evil, God meant for good." That's Divine Error. That's people, places, and things being used by God to do His bidding, for His purpose.

If any person in the Bible had reason to doubt God's plan coming to fruition it was Joseph. More things happened in his life that seemed like set backs or outright impossibilities than anyone I know or have heard of. Yet things turned out just the way God said they would. Wow God!

God needs people with determination doing His work. Have you ever wanted something so bad that you kept going after it even though there were many obstacles along the way? Did you give up, or did you push through everything to reach that goal? How did you feel inside once you achieved your goal? Great satisfaction I bet! I also bet that you were a stronger person at the end. You see, if things were easy in life there would be no growth, no strength gained, no can-do spirit for us to face the next challenge in life. We would be lethargic, inert, do-nothings.

Joseph had every human reason to give up, but he needed only one reason to keep moving forward, and that was, he believed in God. I don't know what is going on in your life right now and how big it is doesn't matter one way or the other. What matters is, do you believe in God? Do you trust Him with everything that is going on in your life? Even when you cannot make any sense of the chaos and see no purpose in what is happening, do you trust God? These are the times when the rubber meets the road, when the men and the boys are separated, where victim and victor are made apparent. It is not important who you are, but who you are in Christ.

You may be at the beginning, in the middle, or at the close of some trial or tribulation in your life. If you are a Christian then you have hope as God exercises your faith in Him and His promises for you. Don't give up; keep pushing through to the end. If you can't figure things out, trust that God has everything figured out beforehand. Believe that He is in control when everything seems to be out of control. Everything will work out just as God planned, which is one of the things that makes Him God!

I pray God will bless you in the good times and the bad, when things are smooth and when they are rough. I pray that you will believe in Him even when He seems afar. Trust Him and you will be who you are supposed to be, well-equipped for every good work, a worthy vessel in the hands and house of the King of Kings.

In His service,

Pastor Pete

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Something New! The Lord's Mountain Movers is introducing a new monthly segment called "Be a Barnabas" in our newsletter. Our Director of Editing will be sharing an encouraging message each month in hopes of helping fellow Christians deal with life on God's terms. I pray that you will enjoy and be edified by these words of inspiration.

## **BE A BARNABAS** (Acts 4:36)

Sometimes we may feel like everything and everyone around us is against us. That no matter how hard we try, it just doesn't seem like God's grace is active in our lives. King David even felt like this at one time in his life, so God recorded the story for us in [2 Sam. 15:1-16:14](#). We can read about what was going on in David's mind at the time in [Psalm 3](#). I want to offer you some encouragement right now from David himself:

*"O Lord, how my adversaries have increased! Many are rising up against me. Many are saying of my soul, "There is no deliverance for him in God." Selah. But You, O Lord, are a shield about me, My glory, and the One who lifts my head. I was crying to the Lord with my voice, And He answered me from His holy mountain. Selah. I lay down and slept; I awoke, for the Lord sustains me. I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people Who have set themselves against me round about. Arise, O Lord; save me, O my God! For You have smitten all my enemies on the cheek; You have shattered the teeth of the wicked. Salvation belongs to the Lord; Your blessing be upon Your people! Selah."*

Right away David recounts that many are saying there is no deliverance for him in God. If we go to the world for help, we may be told this same thing. That is one of the wonderful things about being a Christian. You can go directly to God and ask Him for help. You can go directly to His written word to see the patterns concerning His character, and that you can rest assured by faith. Even so, David reminded himself of the truth concerning the character of God, that God is his very *shield*.

As soon as he started recounting the things that God had already done for him in his life, and the communion he had with God, I believe it strengthened him and gave him the fortitude to persevere once again. Instead of looking around him at all his circumstances, he looked up. Difficult situations are good for us, when they bring us to our knees in prayer to God. You can talk to God; you can even cry to God or just speak to Him from your heart if you don't know what to say. David found God always ready to answer his prayer. Our Prayers are always heard through Christ who is seated at the right hand of the Father. Being reminded that God is always with us brings peace in our situations, that when we rest and awaken, we will feel replenished.

Be reminded that it is God who is our very Savior and be sure of salvation. This too, will pass. Share this with someone you know who is going through something difficult. Read the Psalm with them and remember together about the salvation of our God! Be blessed.

*Brother Daniel Rodney*

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## **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 would like to include something each month from our faithful readers such as; poems, drawings, short testimonials, or other such items. All submissions must be within Christian thinking and acting. We will choose at least one submission each month for inclusion into the monthly newsletter. If your submission does not make it in that month, we will keep it for upcoming issues. You may send your submissions to the address listed at the bottom of this page.

Here is another submitted poem from one of our readers,

### **Free on the Inside**

In a way I'm free because I have my own thoughts,  
Those I still have no matter how much the cost.  
I want to be with you there is no doubt,  
But when you hide things from me, you lock me out.  
My mind can't handle secrets from those I love  
You don't need to protect me,  
The whole world is full of pain and misery.  
Speak from your heart to mine,  
You are all that I have  
And I hold you close in troubled time.  
Please don't hide things from me  
For eventually I will know,  
It will hurt worse that you hide it, haven't I told you so?  
In a way I'm free, because I have my own thoughts,  
Those I still have, no matter the cost.  
Please don't rob me when it's time to share,  
Just tell me and hold me, and I'll know that you care.  
Jesus is my strength; I'll go to Him when I am weak,  
He knows all things and tells me to come, when it's comfort I seek.  
Don't hide things from me, for eventually I will know,  
At the throne of the Father we both can go, Haven't I told you so.  
In a way I'm free, because I have my own thoughts,  
Those I still have, no matter the cost.  
You were here at the start, when this journey began,  
You already have my heart; won't you please take my hand?  
There should never be secrets, between loved ones again,  
You are my family and I love you, you know, haven't I told you so?  
I'm free on the inside, till you lock me out,  
I'll be with you someday, there is no doubt  
*(Grandpa Johnny Lewis)*

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## *Our Prayer Requests for God's Children*

### Calvary Church, Santa Ana

Kevin S .....Is in Wasco, pray for his safety and salvation.

Kathy .....Please pray for my sister Patty that she will receive salvation.

Bobby C.....Needs prayer for his addiction issues. Continues program back to church.

David & Jeannie M.

Missionaries

to Kenya.....Back on leave pray for housing. Son to attend Moody Bible College, needs prayer. It is hard to leave Africa after 25 years. Pray for Jeannie's mom who was in hospital with heart problems.

**ANSWERED PRAYER, SHE IS DOING MUCH BETTER NOW.**

Andy H .....Went home to be with the Lord. Pray for his families comfort.

Tim L.....Went home to be with the Lord. Pray for his families comfort.

Chet .....Has throat cancer and will be undergoing treatments. Recovering, but not singing in the choir yet.

Ralph .....Recovering from a coma. **ANSWERED PRAYER, DOING MUCH BETTER.**

Pat M .....Had serious back surgery and is doing great back at church. (Praise report)

Chip C.....Needs prayer for a back injury will be seeing a doctor soon.

Joanna.....Went through 12 hour surgery for cancer and needs prayer for recovery.

Jan B. ....Still waiting to find out what will be the best course of action for her issue with kidney stones.

Pat P.....Having a heart valve replaced. Please pray for her and her family.

### Liberty Church, Moreno Valley

Lee P.....Pray for his health issues and God's strength through them.

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

The Church .....Pray that God would meet their financial needs in the coming year.

Harold B .....Needs prayer for his recovery from a broken hip.

Manny.....His family is dealing with some illness issues and needs your prayers.

Sam B. ....Needs prayer for his recovery from health problems.

**ANSWERED PRAYER: IS DOING BETTER AND AT HOME. STILL NEEDS YOUR PRAYERS.**

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**Harvest Valley Church, Santa Ynez**

Congregation .....Pray 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 & Bill .....Mary is went through some health issues recently but God chose to keep her with us. Her heart is healthy and we know that it is filled with God's love. The world might have seen that as a problem but not God or us. Amen!

**California**

Joann.....Sister of Robert has stage one cancer and needs your continued prayers.

David D .....Pray that God would help him be the husband and father that he couldn't be for the last 15 years. Stay strong in the midst of trials and temptations. Need a job.

Victor A. ....Pray that God would open opportunities for him to begin teaching and preaching again.

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

Carlos R. ....Still not able to find a job. Fighting against depression and trying not to lose hope. Please pray for him.

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.

Eddie S. ....Continued reconciliation with family members.

Joanne R. ....Pray that God would bless her for her many gifts, prayers, and love for those in need.

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. Salvation of his Dad and brothers. Have more patience with the lost who curse God and Jesus. Wisdom in dealing with legal issues.

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

**Florida**

Scott F.....Pray for resolution to his health issues and the safety of his children who are serving in the armed forces.

**Minnesota**

TJ & Julie W.....Pray for God's wisdom in conducting the marriage classes. Julie's continued healing from a bad fall.

**North Carolina**

David .....(Daniel R's. 15 yr. old cousin) – That God would help him make it through his cancer treatments. The leukemia has come back and he is continuing another round of chemo. Pray for his body to withstand current treatment and a bone marrow match when the time comes (Hopefully in June).

**ANSWERED: David went to be with the Lord on July 1, 2014. Pray for his families comfort.**

David's family ....Please 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.

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**North Dakota**

Tyler .....Please 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.

**Washington State**

Stephanie .....We 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. ....Needs prayer for patience, discernment, and wisdom, in dealing with someone he really cares for.

**Wisconsin**

Jean P.....Prayer for Dr. White, his family, and his patients as they transition to another healthcare giver. Dr. White is dealing with terminal cancer.

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

**Guatemala.**

Benjamin A.....Praying to get Spanish Bibles for prisoners in Guatemala. Moved into a new area to plant a Church and doing well. Pray that God would give the increase and provide their needs. Bibles!

**Kenya**

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

**South Carolina**

Robert M.....Pray for him as he deals with issues from the past. That God would guide him through this process and be the focus of his life. That God would encourage him and give him an extra dose of hope right now.

**Ministries**

The Lord’s Mountain

Movers .....Pray for continued direction from God in where He wants the ministry to go and do.

Acts

Foundation.....Praying for continued support for their prison ministry.

Lost and Found

By Jesus .....Pray that the Lord would bless and increase their ministry. Pray for God to meet their financial needs this coming year. Seeking God’s direction for an additional home.

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!**

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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.....Praying for favor for his writ that was submitted for his release. 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.

**PARTIALLY ANSWERED, COURT FOUND IN HIS FAVOR, AWAITING FINAL DECISION. GOD WORKING ON OTHER PRAYERS TOO,**

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.....Prayer that God will continue to guide him towards a release date.

Steven W. ....Prayer for his legal situation as he sits in AdSeg.

**Brothers in Chowchilla**

Johnny L.....His cousin Clifford who has inoperable cancer, childhood friend Ernie Lopez who has stage 4 liver/colon/lung cancer. Prayer for Johnny as he faces his 12<sup>th</sup> parole board hearing, desires peace and trust for his release.

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

Ronald W.....Wants prayer for his mother and girlfriend as they travel. Financing for a Christian home, and .....prison reduction. ☺

**Brothers in Desert View**

David P.....Pray that God will open up the opportunity for him to share God's word with those in his dorm and within the facility.

**ANSWERED: GETTING AMPLE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE WITH OTHERS.**

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. Prayer for his cousin Johnny and the brothers in Tehachapi. Prayer for Yang's father

**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.

**Brothers in R.J. Donovan**

Gabriel.....Pray 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)

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James .....For 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.

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

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. Pray for his ministry – that it would be fruitful, and that God would be glorified.

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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