

Beloved friends in **CHRIST**, It is my prayer during this difficult time in this fallen world where evil lurks everywhere that you would increase your **REJOICING** in the **LORD** (Phil. 4:4). Increase your **PRAYER** time, your **PRAISE** time...spending quality time in **GOD'S WORD**.

Calls for counseling and **PRAYER** keeps increasing with trials, troubles and tribulations worse than ever. There were 7 attempted suicides...the oldest is 16 and the youngest is 10. There were increased reports of cancer, attacks, heart problems, divorce and battles some believers are facing that are severe and painful.

1. For those under attack from betraying family, friends or other enemies. See Psalm 55:1-22; also Ps. 54:1-7.
2. For those still battling a besetting sin but who truly want to be free. See Psalm 51:1-13; also Luke 6:37 and Ps. 86:5.
3. For those going through spiritual dry spell, feeling so empty and lukewarm. See Ps. 77:1-14; Ps. 142 and Ps. 143.
4. For those who need healing: physical; mental; or spiritual. See all of Psalm 6; also Luke 4:18; Ps. 8-10; 13-16; and 19-21.

May **GOD'S WORD** produce life, hope, strength and peace in all who hunger and thirst after **HIM**.

As busy as May and June were, I was able to visit my daughter, Lea and family. I had a blessed time with grandson, Elijah, talking and **PRAYING**. He is such great kid with a strong attitude and faith. Ryan, who is 10-years-old, excels in football, basketball and soccer. He has my genes for sports. Ali Mae is a pretty 12-year-old, who has talent in make up for movies. Yes, she practised on me.

Daughter, Nikol lost 81 pounds. I never criticized her when she was overweight. I said, "You can do **ALL** things through **CHRIST** who strengthens you," Phil. 4:13. Kudos Nikol.

I was a guest speaker at the Portland Full Gospel meeting where 70 attended. Two were former inmates that I led to the **LORD**, 3 years ago, at Larch Mountain Prison. They are doing well, married and praying my Arsenal Prayer **DAILY**.

Continued daily ministry, I did one of my Omegaman.com shows. It was a busy 2 weeks. I spent quality time with Lea, to encourage her with prayer. Her SMP Replicate career is doing fantastic.

My Omegaman.com shows have been powerful, saturated with **GOD'S WORD** and warfare teaching. Host Shannon Ray Davis is awesome.

Our twice-a-month Bible Study has averaged 24, except for the 4th one, only 12 came 12 didn't show.

I was blessed with Potluck Birthday Party. Over 50 came and I enjoyed the food and music.

Someone said, "Well Mel, you are getting old." I said, "You're not old until you're cold."

My "Stick with **JESUS**" weekly shows have a large following. I've been doing a lot of end time and spiritual warfare teachings.

I always encourage those I minister to that **PRAYER** invades the **IMPOSSIBLE**. **PRAYER** is our **KEY** to **POWER** in **JESUS** name (Acts 12:5-17) and **GOD** commands us to **PRAY** and **NOT** give up (Luke 18:1).

Prayerlessness is powerlessness. Prayer changes your inner world. The peace and presence of **GOD** fills you (Phil 4:7). It also changes your circumstances (Rom. 10:9, 10).

Hindrances to prayer

1. Failure to recognise who you are in **CHRIST JESUS** and a child of **GOD** (I encourage you to read, study and meditate on Ephesians Chapter 1 for 7 days).
2. Ignorance of the **POWER** of **PRAYER** (Hos. 4:6)
3. Laziness and apathy. I hear, "I'm busy." I reply, "So is the devil."
4. Attitude. Have an attitude of Gratitude. The mind is satan's playground. II Cor. 10:5 is the key verse to 'win' the battle for your mind and Isa. 43:18, 19 is crucial for us all.
5. Feelings. If you only pray when you feel like it, you pray when you need something. It is a privilege to pray.

7 reasons for unanswered prayers.

1. Wrong motives (Jas. 4:3)
2. Sin in heart (Isa. 59:1-2)
3. Idols in your life (Ez. 14:1-3)
4. An unforgiving spirit (Matt. 6:14-15)
5. Lack of Generosity (Prov. 21:13) Not only money, but yourself (Matt. 10:25)
6. Mistreatment of family (I Peter 3:7)
7. Lack of Faith (Matt. 9:29)

Seven keys to Answered Prayers

1. Pray to the **FATHER**.
2. **JESUS'** name (John 16:23; John 14:12-15)
3. You must pray by the **HOLY SPIRIT** (Rom. 8:26).
4. You must pray with full understanding of your rights and privileges (II Cor. 14:14-15).
5. You must pray in harmony with the **WORD** of **GOD** (John 15:7) and **JESUS** is called the "**WORD** of **GOD**" (Rev. 19:13).
6. You must pray in **FAITH**, never doubting (Jas. 1:6). Doubt is a sin and is satan's #2 tool behind fear (II Tim. 1:7).
7. You must pray with praise for the answer (Phil. 4:6; Ps. 100:4).

It's crucial to **PRAY** and **PRAY** according to **GOD'S** will. **GOD** answers prayer!!! Nothing is impossible with **GOD** (Luke 1:37) Believe it!!!

Until next time, **GOD** bless you and to those who sent love offerings, 100-fold return. Offerings have helped this ministry give out more than 300,000 Bibles and over 3,000 reading glasses to the needy.

In His Majesty's Service,

Dear Friend,

If the Lord leads you to send a love offering for my Skid Row and Prison Ministry, please send it to:

Heavenly Manna Inc.

8942 Willis Ave. Unit 9, Panorama City, CA 91402

My tax I.D. number for your records is 93-1112647.

May God abundantly bless you.

In His love,

Mel

TESTIMONY OF DAVID

I used to live my life for drugs. I didn't have anything else to fill the hole I felt inside me. My parents had told me about Jesus and salvation but I figured I didn't need any quick fix God in my life. I started doing all kind of things — I hurt people, lied for the heck of it, robbed people, slept with whatever girl would have me, went from job to job, and generally did not care. I started going to jail — a lot. I got put on probation, failed, and went back to jail. This last time I went, I decided that there has to be more to life. I started reading a Bible that I borrowed from the guy in the next cell. He started complaining that I was using it too much. I asked the Chaplain at the unit I was in for a Bible, but he said that they were out. I decided to pray for one because I figured God would send me a Bible. I prayed and the next day, a new trustee showed up. Someone asked him for a Bible, the trustee left and came back with Bibles so I asked for one. It didn't immediately occur to me that my prayer had been answered. When I figured it out, I started reading even more than I had before.

I learned about sin. God showed me that anything we do that is not according to, or aligned with His will, is sin. I was also shown that all gifts come from heaven and how God uses everything (even our mistakes) to glorify His name. I then learned about salvation. I learned that Jesus was the only one who never sinned because everything He did was for God, and that He was God's only begotten Son. I learned how He came to earth to show us who God is and how we should live. He bore the wrath of God by dying on the cross, even though He was completely sinless so that we would not have to pay the price for our own sin. I learned that God's love will never change no matter what we do. I also learned that all we have to do is repent and accept the gift of salvation from Christ who was sent from God for this purpose. Then we can live with God for all eternity. So I decided to pray again. This time, I asked God to forgive me and that I was sorry for all the evil, selfish things that I had done, and to give me a new spirit and a pure heart like He promises. I told Him that I believed in His Son Jesus, and that Jesus came to earth to pay the price for all that I had done.

After I got done praying, I felt all that hate and misery fall away and a peace greater than I had ever known. I couldn't stop crying. Anyway, I kept reading. Then I started telling others about God and salvation. A lot of people started coming to me for help!

One day I was called in to see the nurse in sick call. She told me that the results of the blood test and that I had Hepatitis C, which cannot be cured. I was really shocked at first, then really depressed, but eventually I figured God had a plan for me. I continued helping others come to God until I was finally released. I decided to go to the doctor to see about treatment for the Hepatitis C. I was given a blood test, the doctor called to tell me that the Pen must have been mistaken. My test came back okay. I hung up and praised God because I knew that he had healed me. I have only been out a few months and am getting baptized. Even though I'm out, I still face a lot of things, but now I have a friend, Jesus to help me through my hardship. I hope you too will find Jesus and the peace and love that has made my life complete. Listen, Mel's Arsenal prayer is powerful and dresses you for the devil's attacks.