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MONEY MAKES US MORE OF WHAT WE ARE

Recently eight people's photographs lined the front page of USA Today and other national papers. The eight were the "lucky" ones who won the US Lottery. They are the new millionaires of America. The total winnings were \$136 million. Their individual winnings were \$22 million apiece. After taxes each received a lump sum of approximately \$15

million dollars. These people were friends and co-workers at a meat packing plant in Lincoln, Nebraska. There were seven men and one woman. Three had emigrated from other nations- two from Vietnam and one from Africa.

They had pooled their money and purchased forty lottery tickets. One ticket had the winning numbers and their lives were forever changed- and

actually, "changed" might not be the best word to describe their present state- amplified might be better. As someone has said "money simply makes us more of what we are".

I pray for these eight people that they will make the right choices with their new life. Their sudden riches will put pressures on them they have never experienced. Perhaps it is like sudden-

his winnings. He was living off Social Security when he died in January."

- "Two years after winning a \$31 million Texas Lottery in 1997, Billie Bob Harrell Jr. committed suicide. He had bought cars, real estate, gave money to his family, church and friends. After his death it was not clear whether there was money left for estate taxes."

Bankruptcy, suicide, death threats, lawsuits, prison and poverty- these things are not good fruit for something that has been so widely promoted in our society as "good fortune".

ly being immersed under one hundred feet of ocean water- the pressure is instant and life threatening. Maybe it is similar to being transported to the top of Mt. Everest- where the air is thin, the oxygen rare and every move must be measured and sure.

The fruit of these kinds of "miracles" has not been good. The downside of "good fortune" as some call it, has been manifest for all to see. While some may have survived their new found wealth, others have crashed and burned.

USA Today news reported the following in an article dated, February 26, 2006.

- "William "Bud" Post, who won \$16.2 million in the Pennsylvania Lottery in 1988, had a brother who tried to have him killed for the inheritance. Post lost and spent all

- "Victoria Zell, who shared an \$11 million Powerball jackpot with her husband in 2001, is serving time in a Minnesota prison, her money gone. Zell was convicted in March 2005 in a drug- and alcohol-induced collision that killed one person and paralyzed another."
- "Evelyn Adams, who won the New Jersey Lottery twice, in 1985 and 1986, for a total \$5.4 million, gambled and gave away all of her money. She was poor by 2001, and living in a trailer."

Contributing: Bill Welch and USA TODAY research

The Bible tells us clearly what will happen to people whose riches come quickly.

Will you set your eyes on that which is not? For riches certainly make themselves wings; They fly away like an eagle toward heaven. Prov 23:5 (NKJV)



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A man with an evil eye hastens after riches, And does not consider that poverty will come upon him. Prov 28:22 (NKJV)

There is a severe evil which I have seen under the sun: Riches kept for their owner to his hurt.

But those riches perish through misfortune; When he begets a son, there is nothing in his hand. Eccl 5:13-14 (NKJV)

The sleep of a laboring man is sweet, Whether he eats little or much; But the abundance of the rich will not permit him to sleep. Eccl 5:12 (NKJV)

Then Jesus said to His disciples, "Assuredly, I

say to you that it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven.

"And again I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Matt 19:23-24 (NKJV)

But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' "So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

Luke 12:20-21 (NKJV)

But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and

harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition.

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. 1 Tim 6:9-10 (NKJV)

A faithful man will abound with blessings, But he who hastens to be rich will not go unpunished. Prov 28:20 (NKJV)

The Scripture also describes people such as the rich young ruler who walked away from Jesus of Nazareth because of his possessions; or the rich man Lazarus who ended up in hell after spending his earthly life in pleasure and despising the poor;

or the prodigal son who wasted his inheritance with riotous living and had friends only as long as he had money.

Obedience to God's economic laws of hard work, diligence, tithing, giving and good stewardship will always produce good fruit. Riches gained hastily will not be blessed in the end.

If we could trade, I trust most of us would take friends, good health, mental well being and a good reputation over instant wealth! One winner said his daughter would be happy for the rest of her life. I wonder! Another said "everyone has dreams". I hope the dream does not turn into the nightmare others have experienced.



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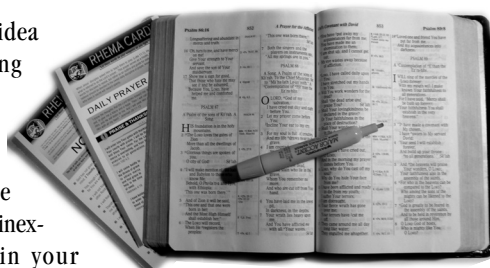
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PERSONALIZED BIBLES FOR YOUR LIBRARY

Here is an idea for adding something unique to your Pastoral Library. Purchase several copies of inexpensive Bibles in your favorite translation. Hard bound Bibles are best for their permanency. During study times and Bible reading, highlight verses in the new Bible on one particular subject and then place a title on the outside cover of the Bible before placing it on your shelf.



As you study various subjects, you will not only collect your own sort of topical Bible system, but you will have read

or scanned the Scriptures several times getting an amazing sense of overview of certain doctrines and themes.

Recently, for example, I marked a Bible (especially the New testament) with all the references to who we are in Christ- "saints, beloved, adopted, children of God, heirs with Christ, brethren, members of one another, called, chosen, faithful," etc.

It took me a few days of extra reading, but within that time I had scanned all of the New Testament and some of the Old, and had highlighted all the verses from my own perspective that related to this important teaching.

I have collected just a few of these special Bibles now, but my library will grow and I will have very personalized reminders of not only sound doctrinal themes, but I will feel very much like those Bereans who searched the Word daily to see if these things were so!

FRESH COMMUNION

Recently I was stirred up about having a fresh anointing on the presentation of the Table of the Lord during our services. Sometimes we receive it during worship, or



at the end of that segment in the service. Sometimes I have another one of our pastors lead that part of the meeting. Sometimes we will serve the elements at the end of the service. And there are, of course, many messages and exhortations that can be given to remind ourselves of the Lord's death and his coming again. One of the best books on the Eucharist, is Dr. Kevin Conner's "Table Talk", which we recommend.

But a recent gathering stirred me to personally lead the time of communion and refresh the people's faith as to what it was and what it means to us as believers. How easy it is for any repeated activity of the church to become religious and traditional

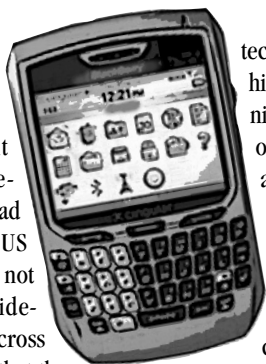
and potentially void of meaning. Worship, prayer, baptism and communion times have that potential. Something as symbolic for example, as the Lord's Table, using cups of juice and pieces of bread, could easily become just that- juice and bread- and with no exercise of faith- an empty ritual.

All this depends on leadership dynamics. Am I as the Pastor careful and prayerful to prepare the people's hearts and minds before they partake? Are we sensitive to the voice of the Holy Spirit? Do we read the Scripture and admonish the people in faith? And do we present the elements in such a way as to preserve the sanctity of and reverence for what we are doing? Is the fear of the Lord involved as we partake? Are we stirring our faith to believe that as we receive these elements, we are receiving "healing, strength and life"?

If we want our children to behave themselves, have good table manners and enjoy a good family meal at home- the father lays down the ground rules and establishes order. In the same way the Senior Pastor sets the tone, or we might say, sets the table, so the people can receive from the Lord all that He intends!

TECHNOLOGY

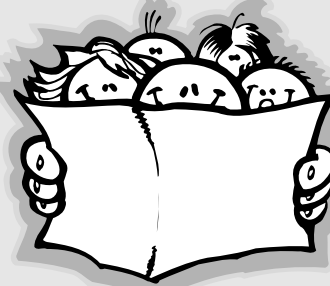
Blackberry™ phones have been in a recent lawsuit over patent infringement. A Canadian company had sued over the issue and a US Judge had deferred a decision not wanting to shut down the widespread use of the technology across America. In fact, it was stated that the infrastructure of the US government would be jeopardized if the two parties could not find a solution. Millions of the phones are used by staffers and government leaders in the United States.



The point for us is that this kind of technology is obviously effective and highly advanced in business communication. There are of course many other similar types of phones now and more on the horizon.

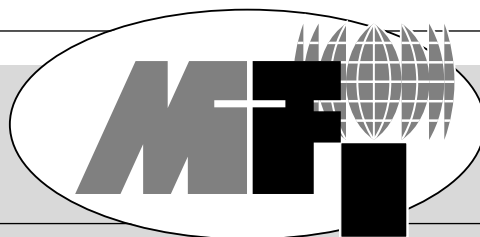
For pastors who want to be increase some fruitfulness in their use of time and communication with leaders- having a hand held cellular phone unit that also sends and receives email instantly could be a great benefit in communicating with and helping to equip leaders. Evaluate the level of your technological communication and consider an upgrade.

BEST OF ILLUSTRATIONS, QUOTES AND FUNNIES



- The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose, but mosquitoes come close.
- People are funny; they want the front of the bus, the middle of the road, and the back of the church.
- If the church wants a better pastor, it only needs to pray for the one it has.
- I don't know why some people change churches; what difference does it make which one you stay home from?!
- A lot of church members who are singing "Standing on the Promises" are just sitting on the premises.
- We were called to be witnesses, not lawyers or judges.
- Coincidence is when God chooses to remain anonymous.
- Don't wait for 6 strong men to take you to church.
- Forbidden fruits create many jams.
- God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called.
- God grades on the cross, not the curve.
- He who angers you, controls you!
- If God is your Co-pilot - swap seats!
- We don't change the message, the message changes us.
- You can tell how big a person is by what it takes to.... discourage him.
- The best mathematical equation I have ever seen: 1 cross + 3 nails = 4 given.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS FROM MFI PASTORS



Pastor Jon and Ci Droege

*ABERDEEN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
Aberdeen, South Dakota*

During the three and one-half years that we have been in South Dakota, we've experienced great blessings along with some significant challenges. We are entering 2006 with great faith and expectation in the Lord, with three goals for our church family: 1) Become obedient to the Word of God; 2) Win souls for Jesus Christ; and, 3) Every member involved in ministry/serving in the church.

The Lord has been, and continues to, build a strong core leadership team; and the vision of the church is becoming clearer and stronger. We are changing from being an internally focused fellowship toward becoming an outreaching and harvesting church. We are hosting the Strength Team Crusade (Mike Hagen) in March 2006. We are also sending a small ministry team to the Philippines in February, who will have a great opportunity to strengthen and encourage and equip pastoral leaders from a group of churches. The Lord has given us steadily increasing favor in our city, and we've recently seen our School District Superintendent and our newspaper publisher join us for Sunday morning worship. We've also been able to visit a few times recently with our Mayor and Police Chief to discuss how we can effectively serve our city. We are looking forward to great blessings from the Lord and a harvest of souls.

Pastor Denny & Sue Roberts

*FOOTHILLS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
Klamath Falls, Oregon*

We have been preaching on "values." I was spurred on by Pastor Frank's book on the "7 Firsts" and have been laying out what the Word says about seeking the Kingdom first. There is a renewed excitement in people to see just what God is going to do next as they pray and believe. We have been emphasizing combined church get-togethers and the people love knowing and seeing other Christians worship together. We are just enjoying His presence!

Pastor Shelton and Regina Lawson

*THE REFUGE CHURCH
Barstow, California*

The Lord has brought us out of darkness and into His marvelous light literally. Refuge City Church has moved from having evening services at a hotel conference room to morning services in our new building. We now have a house for the harvest!!!

Pastor Dan & Patty Fleming

*AZALEA-GLEN CHRISTIAN CENTER
Azalea, Oregon*

We are focusing on spiritual warfare, teaching and training on the whole armor of God. We are taking what we are learning and using it on the streets of our small towns in the southwest part of Oregon.

The results? Lots of seed planting, prayer-walking and now an open door to minister to the young people of Glendale. We have opened the Don Inman Destiny Center. The building was purchased three years ago and developed as a gathering place for children, teens and adults. We have a pool table, video games, a big screen T.V., a dining area with bar and tables. On Super Bowl Sunday we hosted 43 high school kids (almost 1/4 of the high school). During the week we host after-school programs for elementary school kids (averaging 16-20 kids) and are going to be open now for senior citizens "coffee time" Monday through Friday.

Our Sunday morning service is experiencing the presence of God in worship, praise and thanksgiving. God is making a way in the wilderness (literally) and rivers in the desert. We will be performing a number of baptisms in the coming weeks and will also be hosting Pastor Brad Neuschwander of Harrisburg, OR for the culmination of our Vision Sundays in March.

The highlight of the past few months was a trip that Pastor Fleming took to Kenya to be a lead speaker in a Street Revival in the village of Kambiri (west of Nairobi, about 75 miles from the Ugandan border). Many people received Jesus as Savior. There were healings, deliverances and great encouragement as hundreds came out every afternoon. We love Jesus more than ever!

Pastor Dennis & Suzanne Lacheney

*CHRISTIAN LIFE WORSHIP CENTER
Chester, Virginia*

Seven years ago Mike and Marsha Herron prayed us through a difficult transition while we were on the mission field of Europe. Ten years ago David Schoch and Ernest and Joy Gentile prophesied a call of God over our lives which helped us to realize that God believed in us. Twelve years ago Bob and Sue MacGregor spoke encouragement into our youth ministry efforts that lit a never-ending passion for the call. Thirteen years ago Dick and Edie Iverson ministered a Word on balance that has chiseled the core philosophy of everything we do today. Fifteen years ago Steve and Sharon Stells believed in us enough to invest into our lives and release us in full time ministry. Seventeen years ago Wendell and Gini Smith preached a message on the importance of prayer that changed our morning routine forever and has produced great fruit in our lives. And ALL of our days in Christ have been bathed in prayer and encouragement by my own parents, Watson and Erika Kluttz.

We could share never-ending testimonies on the NOW provision, NOW salvation, and NOW healing of our God for He is truly showing up in our midst every day, but the seeds of those testimonies were planted into our lives long, long ago by faithful people, doing faithful things for a faithful God!

Thank you Lord for the fruit of today's "seen" harvest, but it never would have happened without the seed of yesterday's "unseen" investment.

Pastor Dale & Virginia Mitchell

*DAY STAR CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY
LeDuc, Alberta Canada*

Last year we testified to the amazing world-record-breaking worship event we had up here in Canada. This year we are hosting the 2nd annual 72 hour Continuous Worship Weekend and inviting any worship groups or individuals to come play a set or two through the weekend.

Having members of MFI would only add to the overall blessing of the event. The dates are May 19-22.

Pastor Don & Jane Burleson

NEW COVENANT FELLOWSHIP

Kalispell, Montana

Good things happening in "Big Sky" country. The big thing is the church's response to Katrina. Knowing that this is going to be a long term crisis we decided to be part of a long term solution. We have adopted a church in Slidell, LA and are helping them to meet the great challenges facing them.

Our efforts included:

- Sending 7 pallets of bleach and 3500 pairs of rubber gloves to be given to people cleaning up there homes.
- Sending boxes of toys to be given out at Christmas to "shell shocked" kids .
- A team of 28 will spend the 1st week of March in Slidell serving the church and community, as well as remodeling their kitchen. We raised money to provide a commercial grade stove and cooling unit, this will enable them to expand their feeding capacity.
- We have also sent love offerings to the church and will underwrite part of the pastor's salary for 2006.
- The best part is that we are not just throwing money at a problem; we are building a lasting relationship.

Pastor John & Jan Finocchio

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH

Cornwall, Ontario Canada

Jan, myself, our oldest son Nathan and another prophetic minister from our church just returned from the Island of Haiti last night. We were ministering at the 16th Anniversary meetings of a church pastored by Pritchard and Dana Adams, also MFI members. God really blessed and the ministry time was very rich as we poured into the church and the leaders. They had never had prophetic ministry of any kind and the Lord enabled us to minister to many as well as bring teaching to the leadership on this area of ministry.

In the meantime the government shut down the airport for the elections on the 7th of February which was the day we were scheduled to return. With tension mounting in the country over the elections we thought it best to get out just in case there was any trouble brewing. Pastor Adams made some phone calls and found out that there was a "missionary airline" coming to evacuate a missions team on the 6th (the day before the elections) and exactly four additional seats were available which we were able to secure.

As it turned out the name of the airline was MFI and the president of the airline is called Bro. Dick

(who was also the pilot). This is not a joke!! We had a great time joking about this as you can imagine, but we are thankful to the Lord for getting us out in time and for the help of Bro Dick and MFI airlines!

Pastor Alberto & Silvia Salcedo

EKKLESIA

La Paz, Bolivia

We have started 2006 with a powerful time of preparation for the New Year both internationally and in our nation in particular.

On January 15th, we kicked off the 1 Million New Leaders project at an 8000-seat arena in La Paz. Dr. John Maxwell from the USA and Marcos Witt, a recognized and influential praise leader in the Hispanic world, as well as Juan Vareeken participated in this program.

Shortly after that we opened the 7th edition of our Fire Generation Youth Congress under the banner of "Jesus Christ Extreme Passion." Many recognized leaders including Mike Herron, Cesar Fajardo and other challenged the youth to a new level of passion. Youth delegations from countries in the region participated. This was a powerful time of edification and preparation for a new spiritual level in our church here in Bolivia and the nations where our church has planted the vision.

We are starting our year with a solid emphasis on leadership as we prepare to meet the challenges ahead.

Pastor Don & Joy Calkins

LAKESIDE CHURCH

Liberty Lake, WA

Lakeside Church Celebrates First Anniversary!

Last March, Prairie Avenue Christian Center in Hayden, Idaho birthed a new church in Liberty Lake, Washington. With fresh vision and a heart to reach the unchurched, Lakeside Church started with a small team of people led by Pastors Don & Joy Calkins.

"It's been a honeymoon year," said Pastor Don. "We're so grateful to

Pastor Ted Hoit and everyone from Prairie who believed in us, prayed for us, and encouraged us—financially and in so many other ways. We're on solid footing because of the healthy way the leadership at Prairie Avenue Christian Center supported this endeavor."

"One person, one family at a time, we're connecting with households all over the area," says Pastor Don. "Loving the Lord with all our hearts and meaningfully assimilating everyone into the church remain our top priorities."

Pastor Lesly & Sabrina Joseph

CHURCH OF ALL NATIONS

Paris, France

The New Year has begun, and we feel as if we are already several months into it. We have been really busy for the work of God here in Paris. God has challenged us to double the size of our congregation and that is exactly what is taking place.

We received that challenge during the 1st Sunday of this New Year and already we are half way into what the lord has challenged us to do.

Three months ago our landlord came to me and told me that he has been watching the congregation grow and he may have another building twice the size of the one we have. He is really pleased and glad to see what God is doing in Paris. Please do pray for an opportunity for the church to move into a new worship place this year.

We have just changed our schedule and now we have Saturday night service for the youth, ages 16-30. We have wonderful, live, dynamic worship and just last week, 13 youth gave their life to Christ. AMEN!!! GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME!!!

Pastor Jerry & Bobbie Brady

PILCHUCK VALLEY CHAPEL

Lake Stevens, WA

We have harvested the trees on approximately 6 acres of our property. We will receive around \$45,000 from the sale (minus some expenses) to apply toward a remodel/upgrade project in our church building. We still need an additional \$15,000 to \$20,000 to complete phase 1 of the project. Please pray with us that God (and the people) will supply the remaining necessary resources.

We are a small congregation, with only about 80 total people attending on a Sunday morning. Yet, we were able to send over \$2,000 to a church in Baton Rouge, LA to help with relief efforts from Hurricane Katrina. We are very thankful for the generous spirit and faithfulness of God's people.

Pastor Santhosh & Nagamani Desabattula

UNIVERSAL CHURCH MINISTRIES

India

In 2006 we are conducting 52 crusades for new souls with an expectation that 52,000 souls will come into the kingdom of God. Please pray for us and our ministry.

Pastor Barry & Kay Hill

*CHRISTIAN LIFE CHURCH
Spokane, WA*

Currently our home cell groups are viewing the exciting John Bevere 12-week teaching series, *A Heart Ablaze!* Bevere's study emphasizes the church becoming more "transformed rather than conformed." Our Healing Room has been open every Monday night for over three months.

Pastor Danny & Gisselle Bonilla

*HOSANNA PALM BEACH
Jupiter, Florida*

Gisselle and I are having a great time planting this new church in Jupiter, Florida! Hosanna Palm Beach opened on Palm Sunday, 2005. Twelve people relocated from Hosanna City Church in New York City believing in the miraculous work that God has in store for South Florida. People are being added from our churches and still relocating to come and help us in this season. By the time we opened on Palm Sunday we had 29 people. Today we are close to seventy and are excited about the coming harvest as we continue to sow in this new field.

We had our first baptism service where we baptized three generations of one household, a Jewish woman who gave her life to the Lord, and others who have dedicated their lives to the Lord!! God's felt presence is in our gatherings, people are being challenged with the word ministry as we gather together Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings to study the word. We began this year by gathering in various homes for one week, in our solemn assembly! We prayed, fasted, prophesied and challenged our members with vision and purpose.

Gisselle and I continue to travel raising the necessary support for our home until our new church becomes stronger and financially independent. We ask for your prayers in this season that the Lord will give us the wisdom and strength to raise a mighty army that will revolutionize south Florida!

Pastor Tom & Rene Burgess

*CHURCH OF NEW HOPE
Syracuse, NY*

Pastors Tom and Rene Burgess, formerly of Mount Zion Ministries Church in Utica, New York, founded the Church of New Hope in 1994. The congregation quickly outgrew meeting in members' homes and rented various facilities around metropolitan Syracuse, New York, before relocating in 1999 to rural Canastota, New York. Renamed Hope Christian Fellowship (HCF), the church now meets in a newly renovated downtown property in the heart of the village's business district.

HCF participates in a number of collaborative programs and events throughout the year as an active member of the Canastota Area Association of Churches. These include the Opportunity Shop (a food pantry and second-hand store), Loaves and Fishes (a hot meal program), Crop Walk (to raise awareness and funds for the needy, both at home and abroad, through the National Association of Evangelicals), Operation Christmas Child (through Samaritan's Purse), an annual recognition dinner (for volunteer firefighters and ambulance attendants), and various special services (such as the National Day of Prayer). The congregation also spearheads a community-wide Vacation Bible School every summer and sponsors Chosen Generation, a young adults' fellowship.

Since moving into its latest quarters, HCF has experienced unprecedented

Growth and enjoyed new outreach opportunities. The Burgesses and their church family have been especially blessed in the last year and are expectantly anticipating God to move in even greater ways this year.

Pastor Rick and Susie Snow

*ATLANTA CITY CHURCH
Fairburn, Georgia*

This year ACC will be celebrating their 30 Year Anniversary! The church is healthy, vibrant and growing. At the beginning of the year we launched a 4-week series titled, "The Cinderella Church." It was life-changing for the leadership and members of ACC. We saw the church grow an unprecedented 400 people in only 4 weeks! We are now in the middle of a series called, "Living Free," which gives Biblical and practical solutions to believers consumed by life-dominating addictions, habits and hang-ups.

We are also thrilled to have launched an ACC Spanish Service on Sundays catering to approximately 50 or more Spanish speaking members in the church. It has been highly successful and effective.

We are currently in the process of launching a Satellite Campus in Peachtree City, GA. We expect our first service at the new campus to be sometime before June of this year. ACC will be one church in two locations! Praise God!

We hosted our 6th Annual Immersed Youth Conference in February of this year. Our guest speakers are Jude Fouquier from the City Church in Seattle; Chris Hill, formerly of the Potter's House and Ron Luce, founder of Teen Mania and Acquire the Fire. Our registration this year is the largest it has ever been—close to 1,000. God is good!

Pastor Bernie & Susie Hartog

*MFI AUSTRALIA LEADERS
CITYLIGHT CHURCH
Kingston, Tasmania*

We are excited to be reporting that MFI is thriving and continuing to grow here in Australia. We attended and ministered at three wonderful Aussie Regionals in the midst of the world travels. We are so absolutely stoked to hear so many local MFI ministers preaching and teaching and inspiring members so well at these. And truly, with the rest of the team, we have enjoyed the sense of the blessing and presence of God being with us through it all. We expect to be receiving 16 new people, perhaps more, into membership at the ANNUAL MFI AUSTRALIA 2006 CONFERENCE (Feb 28- Mar 2).

This year, CityLight Church is able to be a kind of first fruits "flagship" to MFI AUSTRALIA and it will be our joy and privilege to host and receive many NATIONAL and INTERNATIONAL guests as delegates to the first MFI CONFERENCE to be held outside of Victoria where Bro Kevin Conner first brought it to birth. Because of the foundation that Kevin & Rene laid so well, we can all enjoy the ministry fellowship, relational support and a real connection with anointed Word and Holy Spirit preaching and teaching that God provides through all the MFI-ers we've ever listened to, for more than the last 14 years!

We are also having many enquires and new visitors looking into membership, even from as far away as from Samoa and Fiji. It looks like we may end up with somewhere in between 120-140 delegates this time.

CityLight Church is also doing well, flourishing and being fruitful in the local field under the leadership of Pastor Pete and Veronica and team. The year has not been all easy, presenting a few challenges, changes and trials, but it also brought forth some exciting answers to prayer and some new Christians into the family of God who are already stepping up and into discipleship, loving being a part of what God is doing among His people.

This year our local church theme is SEEDTIME & HARVEST. Our Australia MFI Theme is STEPPING INTO THE HARVEST, so we hope in and pray to the LORD of the HARVEST that there will be laborers sent forth and that we will SEE a good season of harvesting ones who have received "the seed of the word" through "the seed of Christ" the sons of the Kingdom, and with much fruit being brought forth to remain for His glory...