

ELEOS MINISTRIES - LONDON -

SPRING 2012

Greetings from everyone here at Eleos Ministries to all of our friends and family around the world. May His rich blessings, overflowing joy and His never-ending peace be to you.

It has been a while since my last newsletter. Forgive me for not writing sooner. It has been an extremely busy and fruitful period. As another season of outreaches, teaching, preaching, visitations, fellowship and encouragement concludes, another one begins. I want to thank all of our amazing supporters once again. The Lord continues to bless us and meet our needs through you.

Your love and giving to the work here, for the urban poor, is enormously appreciated. We continue to try to meet the needs of the downcast, lonely and crushed ones living on the street; the runaway teen living on the street petrified looking for anyone to befriend; the unemployed, frustrated and desperate one longing for work; the single parent as they struggle urgently to survive through these severe economic times; the hurting and/or disabled persons in whatever capacity they find themselves; the disillusioned, unemployed youth looking for any break given, and the elderly and widow, one of the most vulnerable in our society, with families so far away, who need a 'family' surrounding them. As well as all these, we equally minister to and befriend families and individuals that are working hard and staying together but are finding it tremendously difficult to meet their daily needs even with both spouses working.

Without your continued support and kindness towards this ministry I don't know what we would have done. It would truly be impossible for us to continue reaching the lost, feeding the hungry and teaching and disciplining believers. You are a great part of all the good results and spiritual fruit coming from the Eleos family and are the unseen heroes in this work. A very huge 'thanks you' once again!

I have recently been given an open door to speak on several occasions to those within the business sector. A series of dinners and breakfasts were arranged through another ministry where local business people and entrepreneurs gather to hear testimonies and the gospel. It is astounding to see these business people coming to Christ, willingly giving their lives and businesses over to the One who controls everything.

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Weekly as I returned from ministering from the streets, or from our local fellowship, the chaplaincy, the bible school, or from our 'Hands of Mercy' conferences/seminars and other speaking engagements, I always turn back and say 'thank you' for the One who makes it all possible, for the many who are being touched and encouraged in very special ways.

On the streets recently, someone had mentioned how the Spirit of revival was so evident and how so many of London's street sleepers were bowing their heads to surrender their lives to Christ after listening to the Word preached are receiving salvation, healing and hope, in the Lord. And still, however, I have a deep sorrow in my heart towards those who after hearing this message of hope still turn away.

Prayer Requests

1) *Our precious 'Church Within Walls'*, Eleos Christian Church (ECC) - we are seeing the love of God rising up in every service. It always amazes the church body at large to see ECC, one of the smallest churches in East London, fulfilling the measure of the Great Commission as they do, in some cases, much more than some of the much larger congregations and ministries. In describing ECC, someone once had the picture of a very small hand with huge fingers! We long to be His Hand of mercy and His fingers in every service and work we do. This being said, many in our fellowship are still struggling to make ends meet; many have unsaved loved ones and/or a spouse running from or disillusioned with God.

We still lack much of the funding need to accomplish the work of the vision he has called us to do. I was reminded in prayer that I was not to worry about the things I don't have, but to be faithful in what I do have. God can do a lot with five loaves and two fish!

Please keep in prayer for ECC:

- For a number within the fellowship whose spouses, loved ones and/or children have become disillusioned with life and are fighting against the truth being seen all around them.
- For all greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit on all the children of Eleos
- For a greater sense and reality of the presence of God in every service.

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- For William and Joachim, missionaries from Uganda that have wonderfully become part of the Eleos family and who's help in the teaching, preaching, practical ministering and support is proving invaluable.

2) *The Church Without Walls (CWW)* – The Spirit of Revival still permeates every service as we see so many street sleepers and those without any fixed abode gather every Saturday morning as we distribute food, clothing, hot drinks, fruits and other daily essentials. It is the place where most of our flock hear the Word, receive prayer and seek after God. We see such beautiful responses from these meetings. We witness every week many respond to our invitation to see and taste this 'Living Bread' who will cause them never to go hungry again. Presently there are over six churches coming to lend support every Saturday.

Please keep in prayer for CWW: (may not be real names)

- * Clive – young man with extreme special needs yet living on the streets; very, very vulnerable
- * Michael and Gregory- two recent converts, seeking their new life in Christ
- * Brenda – a young woman living on the street for over 10 years, very hard and defensive, yet striving to walk with Jesus.

3) *The Eleos School of Ministry and Practical Theology (ESMPT)* – Our school of ministry now in its 10th year, continues to training and equip the next generation for uncompromised service and deeper levels of discipleship. We are committed to bring in anointed speakers, locally and from around the world.

From the ESMPT other ministries have been established. One being our 'Hands of Mercy' Conferences which have now been held in almost a dozen nations. Our next 'Hands of Mercy' Conference will be in London, Saturday 12 May, 2012. Contact our London Office for more details.

Another is an annex of the ESMPT at the *Teen Challenge, London* Centre where we have been asked to hold weekly seminars.

Thirdly, the teachings from our conferences/seminars can be seen periodically on *Revelation-TV*. The next broadcast will be on 17 April, 19:00 GMT on 'Simply the Truth'

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4) *The Chaplaincy – 'The Healing Clinic'* (formerly 'Mission Alpha') remains the longest running ministry of its kind in East London. Over the years this ministry has seen hundreds attend its weekly meetings with many finding healing to their bodies, renewal to their minds and freedom in their Spirit, all through the working of God's Spirit through Christ. I continue to lead these weekly sessions as well as make personal home visits.

Prayer Requests: (names may have been changed)

* Clara – In her 80's, spiritualist, frequently 'talks' to her dead husband. Since attending the Healing Clinic, she now realizes this is not of God is very close to the Kingdom of God.

* Karen – A Muslim woman with incredible pain throughout her body. Through some pain persists, she is an avid reader of scripture and extremely close to the truly receiving Jesus.

* Mimi – a Sikh follower, wide open for the truth, finding the sessions at 'The Clinic' exactly what she is looking for. Again, one who is very close.

* Gina – described by her doctors and specialists of having the worst anxiety and stress levels on record, now learning to find her complete security in Christ. We are praying for a complete healing in her life.

On A Personal note:

Please pray for my sons, Wesley and Adam, who have conquered many hurdles in their lives, especially in the past few years, and who both are excelling their studies. Wesley is study theology and philosophy at Kings College, London. Adam loves his studies in Music and Drama in his A levels. Adam is also playing baseball again this year on a national level with Team Britain's Junior squad.

Please feel free to continue to send your entire prayer request. Our team prays for every one of them.

Deepest Blessings and much love

Kurt Erickson

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