

Kingdom Builders Newsletter

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Our Passion

We are wholly committed to serving others and to being positive role models. We seek to allow the Holy Spirit to guide our understanding and our actions in serving others and helping those in need.

Serving by the "Star Fish" Principle

Making a difference in the life of one person – we have accomplished a great thing.

Being a positive influence and making an important difference in a person's life by:

1. Having compassion towards others
2. Not easily offended or quick to offend
3. Willing to forgive those we work with and those we serve
4. Having a serving heart – willing to give of ourselves in service and not quick to tire
5. Pattern a life of integrity
6. Loving others as Christ loves us
7. Casting out all fears and pre-conceived ideas

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Trusting the Potter's Hands

"You are the potter I am the clay, mold me and make me..." is a song we sing, but are we really ready to be molded? Can we make it through the process? In the moment of passion, we say and sing, "I surrender all", and the words create beautiful emotions that are full of sincerity. The words come flowing from our hearts like a sparking waterfall.



As a clump of clay on the potter's wheel we begin to feel the hands of the potter squeezing, trimming and turning our unshaped and useless form. However, when the potter is finished we become a strong and beautiful vessel that is ready for service with an eternity prospective. Wasn't that a wonderful thought? Being the clay on the potter's wheel sounds so poetic and seems painless, but nothing can be further from the truth. The development of our character is what the

wheel symbolizes, and the process will bring some discomfort.

If things aren't going as you expected, you may be on the potter's wheel. If your hopes have been dashed or you hear a resounding NO, you may be experiencing a trimming of undesirable baggage. If your plans have been unexpectedly changed, you may be in the spinning process that will lead to greater things. Your character is

being made stronger and refined by the loving hands of the Master.

We must continue to sing to the Lord, with great resolve, "You are the potter I am the clay, mold me and make me this is what I pray." And as He molds you, trust the Lord completely. You are becoming wiser and stronger to take part in the Master's plan.

"as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature..." 2 Peter 1:3-4

Sheila Green

The Purpose of the Kingdom Builders Newsletter

Each month this newsletter will tell stories and give illustrations of Kingdom Building activities. We want to put into practical application the growing use of the term "Kingdom Building."



"Thy Kingdom come Thy will be done in EARTH as it is in HEAVEN."
Matthew 6:10

We hope to **inspire** you as you continue to trust God in what He has for you to do as a part of the Kingdom Building family. We desire to **encourage** you not to limit yourself, but to allow God to work through you in building His Kingdom. We propose to **inform** you of ordinary people who have committed to God's call to a work as Kingdom Builders.

The following is a poem received from a woman in prison, with her permission, we share it with you.

Just When I Woke This Morning

I looked up and said thanks.
Thank you for another day.

Just when I woke this morning,
I looked up, and heard a voice. It said, "You're welcome for another day that you've earned." I looked up and said, "Sir how sweet you've been to me. Oh how grateful I am for your love. How can I ever re-pay you?"

Just when I woke this morning,
A man's voice said, "Oh no madam, there's no pay backs here. You've lived your life as I have planned.

Voices from Prison



"He that the Son sets free is free in deed!"

I have a place for you here in my home, though it's not your turn. I give you another learning day.

Just when I woke this morning,
I realized I'm not getting high or on the streets. I looked up; there was Jesus with His hands down towards me. With a beautiful wink He said, "Oh, Oh I know,

I know you're so blessed to be free. Free from the pain and heart ache. As well as the drama that man played." Suddenly tears came flowing down my checks. He told me, "Don't worry daughter of mine. I Jesus love you. I have much planned for you. It gets a lot better in your life I have for you. You'll be set free.

Just when I woke this morning,
I jumped up out of bed. I looked up there was no one there. I almost started to cry. When I turned around there was Jesus looking at me. He said, "Don't worry my child. I'm always here for you my love.

Oh how I woke up this morning,
I looked up and smiled, I said Oh Jesus of mine, and I know you're oh so tired, cause Jesus of mine you have truly worked on me.

T. Jacobs

Inspiration Today

"The end of all things is near. Therefore be clear minded and self-controlled so that you can pray. Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms, the power for ever and ever. If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and Amen."

I Peter 4: 7 - 11

The Kingdom Builders' Building Blocks

*Faith
Virtue
Knowledge
Self-control
Perseverance
Godliness
Brotherly-
Kindness
Love*

"For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive"
2 Peter: 1:5-8

The Voice of God

Kingdom Builders are ordinary people doing extraordinary things for the Lord. It takes more than guts; it takes obedience and the willingness to receive instruction and correction and to be held accountable. This writer recently experienced the need to be held accountable. And thank God there was a loving father figure who so gently bought our attention to our error in ministry.

As Directors of Wholly Committed Ministries, our heart was and continues to be set on walking with the hurting and lost to lead them to Christ and a stronger walk as followers of Christ. We minister to those who are

incarcerated, struggling with addictions low income families and at risk children. We go weekly to the jail, take women recently released from prison to get clothing, take food and move furniture for those in need. However, since August we have not been able to get our van to pass the emissions inspection. We continued to drive the van, praying that the Lord would blind the police as we waited for a miracle.

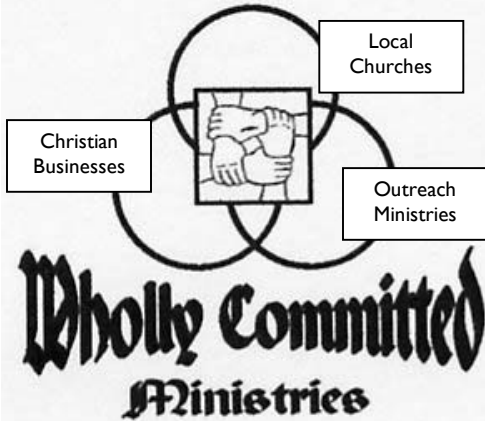
We sent out an email request for help and received the response below from a man that has become Papa Wiley to us. He has supported our ministry even though his ministry to Central Africa

has ongoing financial needs. He said, "My dear friends, I am in prayer for your needs. I praise God for your willing servanthood. Sheila forgive me for giving advice where none has been requested, but driving with an out of date inspection sticker, though commendable, is a violation of the law and a failure to submit to authority. What would I do in your case, I sincerely do not know and I do know you are doing it honorably. Just be very careful of rationalizing. I have forwarded your letter to a mechanic friend of mine but have no expectation beyond the marvelous fact, 'God is

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Someone Needs You



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We need you!

Even organizations with no allegiance to Christianity are recruiting volunteers. They understand the value of people helping people. Won't you commit to volunteering with organizations that have an **eternity viewpoint?**

We need people to help us. Won't you consider being a volunteer, a sponsor, a partner?

*We are walking with people through the challenging times of life. Even in your challenging times, you too can be of help to someone else.
We can accomplish great things together!*

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good, all the time.' I am not judging you my dear friend, Carol and I use to pack kids like sardines into a 1971 Volkswagen van and take them to church and outings. Love, Papa Wiley"

We could not dismiss Papa Wiley's email. That weekend my husband and I made a very difficult decision. We would park the van until a miracle happen.

God works in many different ways and much of His work is done through us, His people. That is why it was so hard for me not only to accept but to believe that we were being made to stop. We could see how the Lord was using us in ministry to help many hurting and desperate people. God could rain down a van from Heaven as he did manna for the Children of Israeli. But we knew that we would have to wait for the person or persons that would help solve our plaguing transportation problem. This decision would mean stopping much of what we were doing including temporarily ending children's church for some children who had been faithful in attending every week.

However, we also realized that taking heed to the counsel received and making the necessary corrections would produce much greater results. We are being pliable in the potter's hands, and embracing the Kingdom Builders' Building Blocks (see pg 2). We no longer have our own transportation. We ride the bus to do as much ministry as possible. And as we wait for our miracle we are walking in victory, rejoicing in the Lord.

We want to take this time to speak to everyone reading this newsletter. We ask that you forgive us for our poor witness. It was wrong to drive the van with an expired inspection sticker. And we should have parked the van and trusted God long before now. How can we minister to those incarcerated if we are not obeying the law ourselves? How can we lead desperate people to Christ when in our own desperation we do not completely submit to right living? We know that in God's time we will be able to begin again, in a more powerful way, the ministry assignment that he has given us.

We thank Papa Wiley for being the voice of God.



"I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. Therefore let us, as many as are mature, have this mind; and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal even this to you. Nevertheless, to the degree that we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us be of the same mind."

Philippians 3: 14 - 16

Wholly - Totally, completely, utterly, entirely committed to Christ