



The Lighted Way

*"Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path."
Psalm 119:105*

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Newsletter

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Where YHWH Turned Personal Sorrow into Divine Opportunity

Shortly after the last Feast of Tabernacles, we received a call from Jean Manfredine (Mark's mother) with some sad news. She had been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and had been given six months to a year to live.

We responded quickly with prayer and put Jean in touch with some friends with natural remedies. We also began making plans to travel to Michigan in the Spring. But a Spring trip was not to be.



Mark Manfredine (pictured front row, far right) with his six siblings – whom he hadn't seen in more than a decade.

The cancer had spread to her liver and throat, causing Mark's mom to decline very rapidly. We were impressed that we needed to visit her and the family in Michigan as soon as possible.

The better airfare rates were only available after the pagan holiday, so we arranged to fly out to Michigan on December 28, 2008. We trusted YHWH fully to provide and prayed that we would be able to minister to the Manfredine clan, some of whom we hadn't seen in twenty years, or had never met.

After arriving, we could see that Mark's mother was too ill for natural remedies. Only prayer and a miracle could intervene quickly enough. But knowing that we live in the very toenails of time and that many will mercifully be laid to rest to await the Saviour's return, we focused our prayers on Mom's spiritual well-being.

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Jean Manfredine (Mark's Mom - pictured at the right) died on December 31, 2008. The Manfredine family (seven siblings and their families) pictured above gathered for the memorial service in Muskegon, MI.





The Muskegon SDA church, where the memorial service took place.



Mark's Mom with two of her children – after the moving reconciliation, the night before she died.



Mark's Mom with five of her grandchildren. Katy (who had never met her Grandma Manfredine) is pictured second from the left. And Christopher (who had met Grandma as a preschooler when she came out to visit us) is pictured third from left.

The Fruit of Prayer:

In this past experience in Michigan, the Heavenly Father began answering prayers we had been praying for our family for nearly 20 years! "We must have more faith and trust in God. He will carry His work out with success. Earnest prayer and faith will do for us what our own devising cannot do..." 8 MR 218

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YHWH abundantly answered these prayers. Mark's Mom had been estranged for years from one of her daughters. As we inquired about her, it seemed no one knew where this lost sister was. But, the Heavenly Father worked things out and this sister was reached. She arrived the night before Mark's Mom died. Mother and daughter hugged and reconciled as we joyfully praised YHWH. Mark's Mom gave a contented sigh and said, "now I can die." It was a tremendous answer to prayer and a huge load off of our minds (as we knew forgiveness is essential to being forgiven).

Soon after, Mark was able to have a very private prayer and anointing service with his mother. Later that day she died.

When we arranged to come to Michigan, we originally planned to be doing juicing and natural remedies with Mark's Mom. We had also contacted some friends (whom we had never met in person previously) in Michigan to let them know we'd be in the state if they should desire any meetings. This contact turned into a schedule to share the Keys to Living Like You've Been Saved workshop with a small home group in Bay City, Michigan over the first weekend in January.

As Mark's Mom died on December 31st, the plans to hold these meetings necessarily changed. At this point, we weren't sure what the Heavenly Father had in mind. There was a possibility we couldn't reschedule the meetings as they had originally been planned for Friday, Jan. 2 (which most folks had off of work) and Sabbath, Jan. 3. In addition, if these meetings couldn't be rescheduled, we seemed to have nothing of ministry to do with our time until January 19, the date of our return flight. Knowing that YHWH is not a God of waste, we prayed for guidance and that the Heavenly Father would use us in ministry in a mighty way during our stay in Michigan.

First, we focused on the Memorial service and comforting the family. Our time was filled with cooking meals, praying with family and preparing for the service. Unbeknown to us, YHWH was even using these quiet moments to touch the hearts of four of Mark's siblings. Many of them hadn't set foot in a church in years and were deeply involved in a typical worldly lifestyle. But in the quiet moments, YHWH was touching their hearts as they saw (all praise only to our Heavenly Father) the sincere love of YHWH (and love for them) in our family.

One brother began making arrangements to come out to Oregon and visit us in a desire to learn more. We passed out the Keys to Living Like You've Been Saved booklets to the family and gave out a few of the accompanying DVD's also. One sister called to let us know that she had watched the DVD and had cried through it. She wanted to make the changes to come back to the Saviour and wanted more information. Did we have anything else to send her? Did we! Our hearts rejoiced at yet another answer to prayer as we gladly arranged to send her more materials. And these are just a few of the personal miracles the Heavenly Father performed during our time in Michigan.

A few days after the memorial service (as we were cleaning and sorting things in Mark's Mom's home in preparation for an indoor estate sale) we contacted our friends in Bay City, Michigan.



Some of the group we met with in Bay City, Michigan. (One couple who attended the workshop wasn't present at the time of this picture) Our friends and hosts, Tom and Maxine Jankins, are pictured on the far right. (Shauna is taking the picture.)

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As it turned out, moving the workshop to the weekend of January 16 and 17 was actually BETTER for the Bay City group as a couple of folks who could not have attended on January 2 and 3 were going to be there! Again, we praised YHWH!

The meetings were well attended in Bay City. We started with a prayer and anointing service with a couple on the first night we arrived (Thursday, January 15th). Then we held three of the Keys workshop meetings throughout the day on Friday. The dear folk were so interested and eager to learn all they could that questions and comments sometimes stretched a single meeting session to more than two hours!

We were thrilled at their obvious interest. The people were very committed and serious about implementing the principles of victorious Christian living. One family drove all the way from Grand Rapids and stayed in a local hotel in order to attend all the meetings. Another lady and her husband had to drive 80 miles (in a snowstorm) to attend.

One individual came to the meetings even though doubt and discouragement had set in. Having previously experienced an anointing, followed by two weeks of peace, only to become worse than before the anointing, this poor soul wasn't sure about the validity of anointings. But, as the meetings progressed and the message was clear that the healing of the anointing takes place in three phases: (preparation, the actual anointing service, and the post-anointing work involving using the Heavenly weapons to break the habits). The lights came on for this dear believer. As a result, this individual went home with the intent to experience another anointing, only this time with a plan to follow it up with victorious Christian living and - in *Yahshua's* power – stay free!

Others came to the workshop on the verge of marital collapse. Through the messages and prayers; they found hope, help and healing in the Saviour. And we praised YHWH as we saw Him begin putting homes and lives back together. It was a powerful and wonderful experience. And we praise YHWH for all that He accomplished and continues to do in the lives of these dear Michigan believers.

Looking back over the trip to Michigan, humanly speaking, it was difficult and a trying time on us emotionally, physically and financially. But, the rewards for the Heavenly kingdom far outweighed the trials. Indeed YHWH did turn a time of personal sorrow into Divine opportunity. What a wonderful Heavenly King we all serve!

We continue to hold the dear Michigan contacts and believers up in prayer. And we ask you to join us in seeking YHWH to water the wonderful seed He has planted in the hearts of family and friends in Michigan this month.

*"If My people,
which are called by
My Name, shall
humble
themselves, and
pray, and seek My
face, and turn from
their wicked ways;
then will I hear
from heaven, and
will forgive their
sin, and will heal
their land."*

2 Chronicles 7:14

*“Behold,
(YHWH’s) hand is
not shortened,
that it cannot
save; neither His
ear heavy, that it
cannot hear.”*

Isaiah 59:1

The Power of Intercessory Prayer

Hold Out a Lifeline to Others - Pray for Them!

After witnessing all the answers to prayer the Heavenly Father wrought in Michigan, the one thing that really stands out in our minds is the vital necessity of intercessory prayer. Many individuals in our family, who are now beginning to take an interest in *Yahshua*, are doing so after having been on our prayer list for nearly 20 years! There were times when we wondered if these dear ones could ever be reached. But, *YHWH’s* timing is always perfect. And what is happening now thrills our hearts with joy and praise to *YHWH!*

In another illustration of “importunate” prayer (remember the widow in the Bible who wouldn’t quit asking?) a powerful story comes to mind. It is recorded in a book by Lonnie Melashenko and Timothy Crosby titled: Timeless Adventist Stories: In the Presence of Angels. The following is the story which happened in the life of Josephine Cunningham Edwards (author of many Christian children’s books) quoted from this book:

Josephine grew up with quite a few brothers, but Bill was the wild one in the family. As a boy he refused to be baptized. For fifty years he smoked, drank, and swore up a storm... Bill wanted nothing to do with (YHWH).

While Josephine was serving as a missionary in Africa, she devoted every Thursday as a day of fasting and prayer for Bill.

Around 1951, Bill’s wife Mary learned that she had terminal cancer... (Josephine and others) prayed for her, and she was miraculously healed...

Sometime in the early sixties, Josephine led out in the Week of Prayer in a small church in Athens, Alabama. She asked the group to pray for Bill. They began with a consecration service in which they confessed sin and came into one accord...

The next week, Josephine received a letter from Mary. Mary had come home from church one day to find Bill throwing all of his tobacco into the wastebasket, saying, “I’m never going to touch it again.” Then he poured his liquor down the drain. Josephine’s prayers became more fervent. “You’ve gone so far, YHWH; now take him all the way.”

A few months later,... Mary called her up. “Josephine,” she said, “are you doing something special out there?”

“Yes,” she replied, “I’ve been praying.”

Mary burst into tears. “(YHWH) has answered our prayer.”

Here is how it happened:

One day Mary heard Bill make a funny noise and stepped over to find his face bathed in tears. “Bill,” she cried, “what’s the matter?”

“...I was just sitting here reading,” he said, “when I heard the door open behind me. I turned around, and – oh Mary, it was (Yashua)! I knew Him by the nail prints in His hands. No picture can ever portray the love in His eyes. Mary, if you saw (Yahshua) you could never refuse Him anything He asked.”

“He said, ‘Bill, I have a special request to make of you. I have fifty years of prayer for you to answer... Your parents went to their graves believing that they would never see you in the kingdom. Bill, I would love to have a grand surprise for them when they get to heaven. Won’t you give your life to Me, so that I can present you to them there?’”

Shortly afterward, Bill was baptized... (... In the Presence of Angels, pp 201-202)

Who needs your prayers, dear reader? No matter how impossible the person or situation, remember to pray as nothing is too hard for *YHWH!*

Our Current Ministry Schedule

January-February, 2009 (full calendar online)

Sabbath Eve, January 23, 2009 - We will welcome in the Sabbath from 5:30-8:00 PM in the Hernandez family's home. We will enjoy a potluck supper of vegan soup, bread and salad followed by song service, a Bible study and prayer.

New Moon, January 29, 2009 - We will have a meeting from 6-8 PM in our home. We will enjoy a potluck supper of vegan soup, bread and salad followed by song service, a Bible study and prayer.

Sabbath Eve, January 30, 2009 - We will welcome in the Sabbath from 5:30-8:00 PM in the Hernandez family's home. We will enjoy a potluck supper of vegan soup, bread and salad followed by song service, a Bible study and prayer.

Sabbath Eve, February 6, 2009 - We will welcome in the Sabbath from 5:30-8:00 PM (call for location). We will enjoy a potluck supper followed by song service, a Bible study and prayer.

Sabbath Eve, February 13, 2009 - We will welcome in the Sabbath from 5:30-8:00 PM (call for location). We will enjoy a potluck supper followed by song service, a Bible study and prayer.

Sabbath Eve, February 20, 2009 - We will welcome in the Sabbath from 5:30-8:00 PM (call for location). We will enjoy a potluck supper followed by song service, a Bible study and prayer.

New Moon / Sabbath Eve, February 27, 2009 - We will welcome in the Sabbath from 5:30-8:00 PM (in our home). We will enjoy a potluck supper followed by song service, a Bible study and prayer.

All are welcomed to attend these sessions of fellowship and study. If you would like more information, or plan to attend, please let us know and RSVP at (541) 672-1514.

Anticipating April...

Planning for Passover-Unleavened Bread, '09

The plans are already prayerfully under way for the next Passover/Week of Unleavened Bread Retreat. The dates for this retreat are: April 10 (Passover) to April 18 (we're going to meet one extra day to enjoy the Seventh-day Sabbath together). The full retreat schedule will be mailed to you in the next newsletter issue. It can be viewed now online at our website (www.lightedway.org). Here's what's coming:

Several Talks and a Health Workshop by Richard Drake (maybe Melody too) - In addition to a Health and Natural Healing Workshop, titles of the talks Richard Drake will share include: "Comparing Bible Versions," "Moses Speaks of the Messiah," and "Feast Keeping in the Last Days."

The Gospel Commission Series by Danette Davis - Titles in this series will include: "What is the True Gospel?" "Who is Responsible?" "Do Your Church Beliefs Match it?" "What Christ Really Taught," and "The Gospel Hidden in Parables."

Music and Assembly Meetings Series by Dr. Don Chittick - The titles in this series include: "Worldviews and Music," "The Message of Music," "The Sound of Music," "Christian Belief and Music," and "The Effects of Music."

666 Series by Danon Taylor - This will be a two-part series exposing the beast and its system.

Daniel Timelines for the End Series by Shauna Manfredine - The titles in this series include: "Before the 2300 Days Begins," "2300 Days in the Final Layer," "1260 Days, the Beast and the 2 Witnesses," "490 Days, and the Covenant Confirmed," "1290 and 1335."

In addition to these series talks, there will be workshops and tours, a complete youth and children's program, and a variety of other individual speakers. We prayerfully anticipate this retreat will be a great blessing and hope to see you there!

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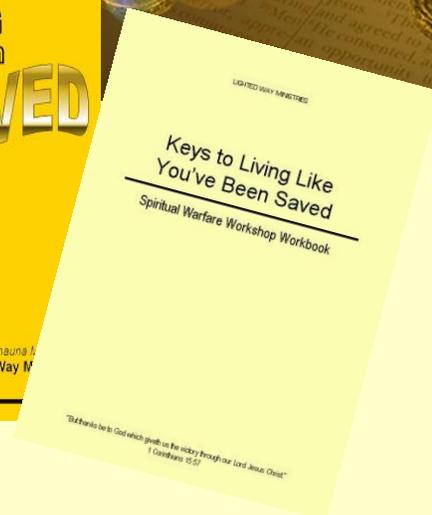
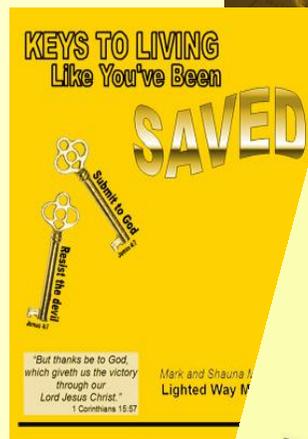
Can't host a live workshop? Unable to travel to attend one either? Now YOU can share a

Keys to Living Like You've Been Saved Workshop

in your area or with a small group in your own home!

To share this workshop in your own home or area... simply request a copy of our traveling workshop materials.

All you need to provide are a suitable place to hold the meetings, a DVD player, a TV, some writing implements and people who desire to learn more about spiritual warfare and victorious Christian living.



Then simply order the following materials from us:

- 1 (total) Keys to Living Like You've Been Saved set of Workshop DVD's (7 DVD's in the set) - suggested donation \$42.00
- 1 (per person) Keys to Living Like You've Been Saved Booklet
- 1 (per person) Keys to Living Like You've Been Saved Workbook - suggested donation \$6.00 per set of these two booklets

How to plan a home workshop with these materials:

- Each DVD is about 1½ - 2 hours long. Schedule the meetings for the evenings or on the weekend when all who will attend can come to seven consecutive sessions of this length.
- Plan to view the DVD's ahead of time so that you can lead out in the group discussion periods at the end of each session.
- Begin praying for those who will attend ahead of time. May YHWH bless you!