

1998

## Trying of My Faith

*Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. I John 4:1*

**I**dentifying the False Anointing. I have written about the entrance of the false anointing into this ministry earlier in “A Work of Righteousness 1984”. When that anointing hit this ministry I had already been walking with God for fourteen years. I certainly did not think that I had arrived, but I had a lot of experience living by faith. I have learned that a man walking with God never changes direction except by Word from the Spirit of God and it will produce victory with every change. With that experience behind me, I never wanted to deal with this false anointing in the flesh. I knew if it were the devil I’d have to overcome it before I could see any real results and any directional change. I fought with my faith against that spirit since 1984.

Just prior to the March 5th and 6th crusade in South Bend, my wife Patti had gone to her hairdresser in the morning and wrote a check to her stylist. Patti had good handwriting and the check was filled out well. But that evening she was balancing her checkbook and it looked like a first or second grader trying to write. I am a man with a lot of experience with nervous situations, and in my estimation she lost about 70% of the use of her arms and legs.

I arrived at that estimation from my past experience. I worked on a neurosurgery ward in the US Navy as a hospital Corpsman during the Korean conflict and had to care for twenty-two paraplegics and four quadriplegics, and various other nerve injuries of the limbs. In addition I was a practicing veterinarian for twenty years doing a lot of equine practice, and dealt with various nerve injuries in the horse, so I have some confidence of my estimation of the loss of nerve activity in Patti.

A day or two later I was to fly to South Bend for a meeting. I arranged for Patti to have food and to be cared for while I was gone. On the way to South Bend I determined in my heart to speak on Friday morning at the breakfast and to call this a false anointing of the devil, sorcery, witchcraft. I was sure I was following the Spirit of God and after I spoke I called Patti at our home in Fairview. I said, “How are you doing?” She replied, “About thirty minutes ago I started getting better.” She continued to improve with my prayers and recovered to a point that she could do her own grocery shopping, drive herself to the hairdresser, drive to

the church, or where ever she needed to go. At that time she had a Cadillac and I had a Tahoe. She then asked if I would buy her a new Tahoe. I said, "Most certainly." I gave the Cadillac to someone at church and Patti drove the Tahoe until 2000. Her recovery from that spirit was remarkable and God proved to me that it was the devil. I believe God gave me the words "false anointing." In 2000 Patti had a stroke, but we will write more about that later.

**Continuing the Crusades.** We continued conducting the Gospel Crusades. We had thirty-nine meetings in all; nine in Tulsa, eight in Houston, eight in Anaheim, four in Joplin, nine in South Bend and one in Indianapolis. We continued to serve a breakfast or meal at each of the crusades for any that came, paid for by the ministry. In September we stopped traveling and I taught Thursday and Friday nights at Water of Life Church and ministered to the people in Plano.

### **1998 Crusade Schedule**

#### **January**

Anaheim 8,9  
Tulsa 15,16  
Houston 22,23  
South Bend 29,10

#### **February**

Anaheim 12,13  
Tulsa 19,20  
Houston 26, 27

#### **March**

South Bend 5,6  
Tulsa 12,13  
Anaheim 19,20  
Houston 26, 27

#### **April**

South Bend 2,4  
Tulsa 9,10  
Anaheim 16,17  
South Bend 16, 17 (Terry & Ralph)  
Houston 23,24  
Tulsa 23,24 (T & R)  
South Bend 30,1

#### **May**

Joplin 7,8  
Anaheim 14,15  
South Bend 14, 15 (T & R)

Houston 21, 22  
Tulsa 21, 22 (T & R)  
South Bend 28, 29

### **June**

Joplin 4, 5  
Anaheim 11, 12  
Houston 11, 12 (T & R)  
Tulsa 18, 19  
South Bend 18, 19 (T & R)

### **July**

Joplin 2, 3  
Anaheim 9, 10 (T & R)  
Tulsa 16, 17  
Houston 21, 22  
South Bend 23, 24  
Joplin 30, 31

### **August**

Anaheim 6, 7  
Tulsa 13, 14  
Indianapolis 20, 21  
Houston 27, 28

In April we purchased a breakfast for all those who wanted to come at the Harvey Hotel in Plano, Texas.

We continued delivering food to the people of McKinney once a week that corresponded with our regular mission program at Water of Life Church. We also began chartering a bus from McKinney to Plano for the Sunday morning service for those who were without transportation.

We expanded our Internet web site by adding Real audio and video of our weekly television programs.

Teaching tapes were still being distributed free of charge. We gave 35,300 tapes away this year.

The mission distributed \$76,400 of food for the year.