

Partners Newsletter

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Dear friends,

I believe God is asking us to look at our own spiritual growth specifically in relation to our understanding and application of the Word of God. Do you love God's precious Word? **2 Timothy 2:15** says

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the Word of Truth.

I really feel the Holy Spirit is asking us to assess how much time we spend in the Word. Do we love the Word of God and delight in God's perfect law of love? Do we meditate on it daily? Do we allow the Word of God to shape our lives and thoughts? Do we make it a source of conversation and does it affect the way that we speak?

I believe this verse has a lot to do with the focus of our conversations. As I read it I notice the verse before it and after it. Here they are:

vs.14 *Keep reminding them of these things. Warn them before God against quarrelling about words; it is of no value, and only ruins those who listen.*

vs.16 *Avoid godless chatter, because those who indulge in it will become more and more ungodly.*

What good advice from the Apostle Paul! If we want to be approved of God and if we want to become more godly, then we need to guard what we allow into our minds and thoughts and as a result, control what comes out of our mouths.

The Word of God is exactly that; God's Word. Let's be diligent in getting it deep within us. Let's not occasionally read it and simply follow a plan. Let's meditate on it. Let's study it and listen to great preachers who expound on it. Let's dig deeper. Let's allow it to transform and change our lives. Let's pray that God will help us fall in love with His Holy Word.

- Steve McCracken

THANK YOU

For those who partner with us in different ways, to you we say a big "THANK YOU!" We are blessed because of you and we are released to be fruitful because of you. May God bless you, your family, your employment and your ministry as you continue to put Him first in all that you do.

We are excited to look back at the last three months and celebrate what God has been doing at DMM. We pray this Newsletter encourages you in your faith and that you will continue to share this great journey of faith with us.

- The David McCracken Ministries Team

*'To see the Church
Empowered to
become like
Jesus Christ
in Character
& Spiritual
Authority'*

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TESTIMONY OF PROPHETIC WORDS

"We really appreciated your preparedness and sensitive ministry in the Holy Spirit to our leaders. Many were encouraged and also challenged in God. A number I spoke to since said that the ministry was 'spot on' in confirming what God had spoken to them."

"I want to thank you for the commitment to what God has called you to do, and for taking the time to come to us over these last few days to speak hope and life into the many lives that have needed to hear those words."

"The image that you gave regarding changing down a gear in the car to increase acceleration to get to the heights that God wanted us, was very timely and formed the basis for a fair amount of our discussion at our recent staff and leadership retreat."

Feedback from Joshua Generation Courses:

"Having attended a number of conferences over the years, I can honestly say I have never experienced anything so restorative, I know the seminar was The Prophetic Life, but it is so much more. I found the time with you brought a healing in the area of my Father relationship."

"David spoke such wisdom and encouragement; it really helped to send me on my way to face some really tough days!"

"Leaders of Destiny came at a crucial time in my life and ministry. It was a life changing week for me and already I sense a new level of authority. Your prophetic impartation allowed me to refocus and has given me fresh vision. Thank you for being so transparent and real."

Ministry Summary:

By the end of June, our team will have ministered in 80 meetings, several of which involved multiple team members. Included in these times were six Pastors and Leaders Conferences/Events, three Youth Meetings, three Young Adults Meetings, 18 Churches, one Family Camp, one School Assembly, two Creative Arts Teams and two Overcomers: Born to Rule seminars. In addition to these meetings, the team had personal time with many pastors and leaders.

We rejoice at all that God is doing. We thank God for the multiplied impact of the prophetic message through the lives of all those who have heard. Our prayer is that the message is multiplied as people talk about principles learned and that we will see more and more Believers become like Jesus Christ in character and spiritual authority. To God alone be all the praise, glory and honour.



COMING UP:

PRAISE & PRAYER NIGHT

Coming up on **Wednesday, August 5th**, we are excited about another great night of encouragement together. This is open to anyone who wants to come and pray with us for DMM. The night will include some worship, an exhortation and update from David, some prayer followed by supper together. Doors open at 7:15pm for a 7:30pm start and supper will be from 9:00pm. Its at 13 Acvonwood Rd, Narre Warren North - we would LOVE to see you there!

RSVP is essential for catering purposes. Please call Michelle on (03) 9796-8577 or send us an e-mail at info@davidmccracken.org.

JOSHUA GENERATION COURSES

- *The Prophetic Life* - August 11th-13th

This is a course that looks closely at the Office & Gift of Prophecy and how they both should function in the Church. This is a small group course that is significant for those with a strong prophetic call as well as Senior Pastors who want to understand the prophetic more in order to release others. For more information, please visit us online.

- *Leaders of Destiny* - August 25th-28th

This is a course about the true nature of leadership. The intention of this time is to see leaders whose character foundations are strong enough to support their gifts in a world where casualties are all too frequent. For more information on this small group course, please visit us online.



BELIEVING IN YOU - CELEBRATING 1 YEAR!

Steve's daily e-mail devotional 'Believing In You' is one year old at the end of June and we praise God for the impact it is having. Starting with a subscription list of 37 it is exciting to see these simple thoughts encourage over 1,100 people every day.

BIY was birthed out of a prayer time where Steve was praying for more of God's compassion for people. God reminded him of the passage where Jesus asked Peter if he loved Him. The result was an instruction to 'feed my sheep'. Steve felt the Holy Spirit ask him to feed people every day for the rest of his life. The focus was to be a positive voice in people's day; to simply share from his own time with God what he feels God is saying to encourage us forward in our walk with Him.

If you have been impacted by BIY, we encourage you to invite a friend or two to subscribe. To sign up, visit our website and click the BIY link on the home page!

BIY Testimonies:

"Often you quote scriptures and send lines that are word-for-word what God has been saying to me in that very instant!"

"Your message that God is faithful spoke clearly and powerfully to me, bringing me almost to tears by the truth and relief of that message."

"Thank you for your devotionals; it seems like you are writing them just for me."

"This is SO where I am at. Thanks for today's message Steve. I have printed it off to remind myself."

From Mark Butler

Since beginning at DMM back in May 2006, God has been preparing me for this season where I have been released to minister prophetically and with the Word of God.

Although this is truly wonderful and stirring for me, I am at the beginning of this journey and have much to learn!

Over the last few months I've ministered at 3 youth groups around Melbourne, and over the next few months I have a few more meetings lined up. I have a real heart for the young people God has used me to minister to, and His Words to them burn in my spirit.

He is raising up an army, and many of these young guys and girls will one day lead the charge; what a privilege it is to be a part of shaping their character in these early days!

After one meeting the Youth Pastor said to me that one of the young guys I prophesied over had been attending for a long time but had never given his life to Christ. God's word to him was about His desire to fill his life with unspeakable joy and to show him a life that was exciting and real!

I look forward to the coming months of ministry and growing in the gift that God has given me!



Where in the world are David & Margaret?

At the time of writing, David and Margaret are in The Netherlands. They have just been in England and will shortly be heading off to The USA. We believe this is a strategic time for Europe and we have an excitement about what God is doing and is getting ready to do.

This trip is filled with Pastors and Leaders events, Overcomers: Born to Rule seminars, Church meetings as well as lots of time with individual pastors and leaders.



Testimonies from Churches

"Thanks so much for last Sunday. The message was excellent and your passion contagious. There has been a lot of great feedback and comments of how it has changed peoples intimacy with the Lord."

"The staff this morning were sharing testimony after testimony of people who were personally impacted by your ministry over the weekend. So thanks my friend for your life and your investment."



OUR DESIRE - YOUR OPPORTUNITY:

Our desire is to take the life message God has entrusted to us, and make it available to every person. We are limited in our ability to personally be at meetings but we live in a time when messages can be carried far beyond us.

David's book 'An Incorruptible Heart' is in the final stages of editing and we invite you to invest financially into this vital resource. We are living in a time where we must see more and more leaders that will finish this race well. We can be influencers without losing our integrity.

**MULTIPLIED
EFFECTIVENESS!**

Never look down on your influence. Some of you wonder how much difference you are making in people's lives. I am reminded of the 'exponential' principle. When it comes to people influence, it's not added, it's multiplied. The Bible says 'one will put a thousand to flight and two will put ten thousand to flight'. When you impact ten people and they impact ten people, you have impacted one hundred people!

Upcoming Itinerary

July		
4th	Yarra Plenty Christian Church – Youth Leaders, Vic	Mark
13th	Return to Melbourne	David & Margaret
25th	Imagine Church Burwood - Youth Camp, Vic	Mark
27th – 29th	Writing	David
25th-26th	CityLife Hobson's Bay - Young Adults Camp, Vic	Steve
26th	Eastside Christian Church, Bayswater, Vic	David
August		
2nd	Imagine Church, Vic	David
5th	DMM Prayer and Praise Night	All
9th	The Promise Church, Clayton, Vic	Mark
11th – 13th	The Prophetic Life	All
13th-15th	Bayside Church, Cheltenham, Vic	Steve
25th-28th	Leaders of Destiny, Vic	All
30th	South West Christian Centre, Vic	Steve
September		
6th	The Winepress - Youth, Berwick, Vic	Steve
13th	South Eastern Christian Centre, Vic	David
19th – 29th	New Life Fellowship, Cambodia	Steve

PLUS an increasingly major part of our ministry: the personal mentoring of pastors and leaders who look to David as a spiritual father and to Steve as a mentor.

Praise & Prayer Points

Praise

- Increased team effectiveness
- The assurance of eternal fruit due to our obedience
- New doors of opportunity
- Our faithful partners
- A clear 2015 vision of seven prophetic ministers!

Prayer

- People's hearts to be prepared to receive the Word of God
- Wisdom in making decisions of which invitations to accept
- Protection over the team: spiritually, relationally, emotionally and physically
- More sleep for David & Margaret
- An increase in partners - here's our goal:

We currently have 200 prayer partners. We believe for 250 by the end of the year.

We currently have 18 financial partners. We believe for 30 by the end of the year.

We invite you to consider partnering with us today!



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As we approach the halfway point of another year...

...our sincere desire and prayer is that God will continue to direct your steps and that you will feel the pleasure of His smile on you. Thank you for your friendship and faithfulness.