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NEWSLETTER

Celebrating! **40 YEARS Of Preaching Ministry Dr. James Miklos**

Meeting Jesus

It all started on Sunday, December 17, 1978. I was raised as a Catholic - first as Greek Catholic and, due to a language barrier, my family migrated over to the Roman Catholic church. We were devout Catholics - my mother made sure of that! My parents in constant conflict and bullying at school led to a depressed young teenager who had also become disillusioned with the existence of God. I prayed daily, often with desperation, for deliverance from my world of conflict with no answer in sight. One day my mother, in her own search for peace, met a Catholic lady who knew Jesus beyond history and theology who invited her to a church service that changed her life forever. She then began asking me to go with her to church on Sunday nights but I got out of going because I lied telling her that I had too much homework. Instead I was watching TV. By the third Sunday she knew I was lying and told me that I was going with her that night. As I was getting ready to go I prayed, "God if you are real, I want to know it. I need to know that you are real!" In that non-denominational church service, which was total culture shock to me, Jesus spoke to me through the pastor's wife. Nearing the end of the service the wife had a word from the Lord that there was someone in the congregation who had an inflammation of the gullet and Jesus was healing it at that moment. I had previously developed a spasmodic continual pain in that area which had led to black outs and continual chest pain. Upon hearing that word which the Pastor's wife spoke my head went to battle struggling between traditional Christian doctrine of *no more miracles* and the possibility thought where *maybe God is healing me!* I checked myself by breathing more deeply and there was no more pain! I thought, "Maybe... just maybe Jesus just healed me."

Next, they invited anyone to come to the front who wanted prayer, my mother and her newly acquired friend urged me to go up. I replied, "Next time." They wouldn't take no for an answer, I sure love my mother's persistence. Walking up to the front I was scared as to what might happen to me as I noticed others falling to the ground after being prayed for. As I approached the pastors they asked me what I had come for. Due to frightening experiences I was having of the appearance of demons at night I told them about my torment and then they began praying with utmost enthusiasm such as I had never heard before. I was in shock, but then came something I never expected to happen. I was caught away in the spirit where I saw and heard no man. I was only surrounded by a bright blinding light all about me and right in front of me stood Jesus. Jesus did not appear to me as a mortal or

natural man but as the son of God in all His brilliance, robes of white and His face shone as the sun. But the most striking feature of all were his eyes. His eyes radiated love, power, and authority. I knew at that moment I was standing before God Almighty, who is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. In that moment of amazement, I was struck with the fear that I was now going to die. I felt like I was going to die, my heart was pounding so hard I thought it was going to burst out of my chest. Jesus simply gazed at me with His penetrating eyes and He began walking towards me and as He did my heart pounded even harder. He didn't stop in front of me but walked right into me and immediately I felt a warm oil that flowed from my head downward. When this sensation reached my heart, my heart began to beat calmly and softly, from there the flow continued down to my feet where I had little strength to stand.

From that night onward I knew Jesus Christ had come to live in me. I literally saw the world and His creation in a new awareness and brilliance and I know that to this day He is in me and is with me.

Spiritual Fathers

It was but a few months later that I came to a clear realization that I knew that I was called to be one of His chosen to preach and teach the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I didn't understand how or when this would happen or even what it would look like, but I knew that He called me out.

In March of 1979 my first spiritual father came into my life. Supernaturally after being on the set of 100 Huntley Street Christian program, a Spirit-filled Jesuit priest, Fr. Bob MacDougall, came over to me and introduced himself to me and called me into his office. There he told me the Lord told him to begin discipling me if I so chose. I immediately accepted. After that we regularly met and he always had a divine message for me that was shocking, liberating and enlightening. After a few months went by he told me that I would begin a youth group and begin preaching. I asked when and he said he didn't know but rather it would become clear to me as I walked with the Lord.

In December of 1979 through some fellowship with other teenagers we decided to have a prayer meeting together. By the end of that evening and a great move of the Holy Spirit one of the guys who was there openly suggested that I do this regularly, it was at that very moment I knew this was that which the Lord and the man of God had spoken to me about. *Youth For Jesus* youth group was born!

From that time on the Lord brought into my life men and women of God who helped disciple me in the ways of the Lord. Other significant spiritual fathers in my life included: Kenneth E. Hagin, Dave Bailey, Norvel Hayes, Miriam Hellman, Wallace Heflin jr., and my pastor since 2000, Dr. Mark T. Barclay. Most of these personally spoke into my life, some as pastor, some as prophet and some as apostle.

After attending New Life Bible College, Norvel Hayes', in Tennessee we moved back to Canada to sit under our pastor at the time and serve in the ministry of helps. We began a weekly Bible study, a monthly children's outreach program to the neighbourhood called Kids' Klub, as well as itinerant speaking in various churches.

Full-Time Ministry

In 1989 we began a weekly meeting, called School of the Spirit, in our home. Shortly thereafter, being led by the Holy Spirit we pursued and obtained the free use of a church building that was unused and empty and we continued to hold the School of the Spirit meetings with an emphasis on Healing services. Every Tuesday night we had services that were oriented towards listening to the Lord, learning to flow in the manifestation gifts of the Holy Spirit along with special week long revival meeting services. We did this until 1998 when the Lord had us move to Hamilton and focus on the work there.

I had longed to help people to develop into strong Christians and in October of 1994 at the direction of the Lord we opened Life Christian Church in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada and have been building his church since that time.

Our first mission trip began when we went to Guatemala in 1988, since that time we have gone to Kenya, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Syria, Russia, Latvia, Estonia, Ukraine, and the United States of America. Mission work is what I love. Probably the most mission work I have done has been in the USA and Canada. Though I am from Canada it truly is a mission field with over 45% proclaimed atheists and agnostics and with a Pentecostal population of less than 500,000 people in Canada.

The Lord's Commission

My love is to preach and teach the Gospel of Jesus to a lost and dying world, to help the lost souls come to know Jesus, to raise up a people who can walk with the Lord in the Spirit. To build his church and support his ministers.

In 1989 after seeking the Lord for quite some time the Lord appeared to me in a dream at night and took me to the river of life and as we stood there he told me that I was to teach people how to live in the Spirit not just periodically experience the Holy Spirit.

"This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh." (Galatians 5:16 KJV).

In 2010 when I was in Kenya participating in a ministers' conference the Spirit of Lord came upon me and said to me, *"Sit and right this down, for you are to come here in this nation and not hold any evangelistic meetings at this time but I want you to teach My pastors for they sorely lack in knowledge and understanding of my word and my ways."* The Lord then gave me a list of subjects and told me to teach these to pastors wherever I go.

Since that time the Lord has opened doors for me in Kenya to teach and help pastors. We go to Kenya as often as possible and we desire to do much more. We have plans to do an online Bible school for all people, but with special help in mind for the ministers of Africa.

My desire to see souls saved from hell, disciplined in Jesus and become mature believers that can go and do the same.



Help Me Go!



Future

Kenya



2021 - To be able to conduct several trainings in several areas in a single trip. Help me move forward!

Matthew 28:19-20 (NASB)

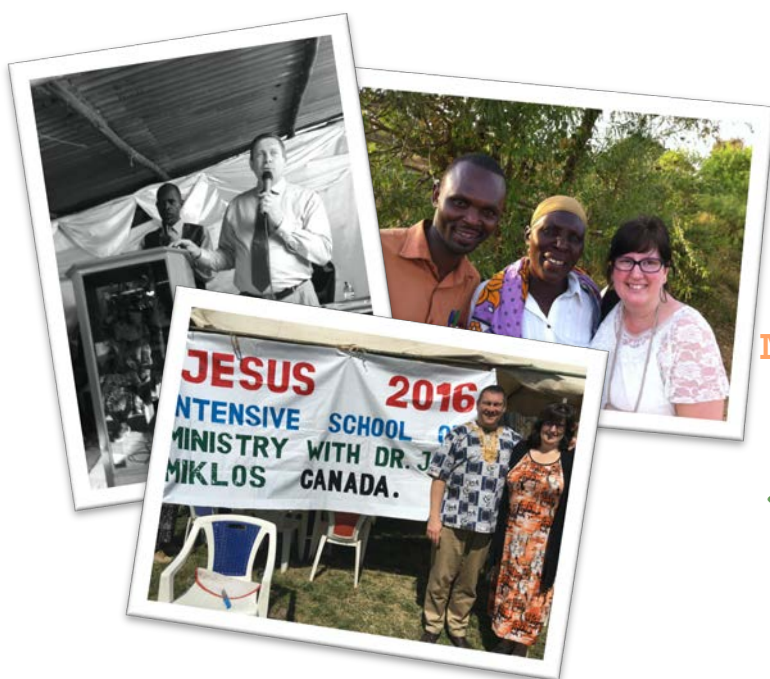
Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,²⁰ teaching them to follow all that I commanded you; and behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Thank you for taking this time to read about what the Lord has done, but I desire that if the Lord Jesus should tarry that over the next 40 years I can do far more abundantly than I have done previously. To do that I need people to help me. Will you be one of those to help me?

On average every trip to Kenya has cost approximately \$25,000 CDN with sufficient regular supporters we could potentially reduce this amount by around \$10K per trip. I need monthly partners, will you be one of those?

Thank you! God bless you and yours!

- Dr. James Miklos, Ph.D.



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