



Greetings in Jesus' precious Name,

"For the Word of God is quick (alive), and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." (Hebrews 4: 12, 16)

May Lord bless thee and keep thee and make His face shine upon thee and give thee Peace, in the Name of God the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen

**Your servants for Jesus' sake,
Pastor Max & Donna Solbrekken
2 Cor. 4: 5 / Heb. 13:8**

I am attaching a letter my precious wife Donna wrote for our Magazine a few years ago for Christmas and New Years, to let you feel the godly spirit she expresses for God's people! M.S.



A Personal Message

From Donna Solbrekken

Dear Friends in Christ,

Christmas season is fast approaching - this time of the year, when we begin thinking of how much gratitude is in our hearts, for what others have done for us. Firstly we reflect upon the goodness of God, and the most precious

gift ever given, Jesus Christ, the saviour of mankind. Secondly we reflect on how much our family and friends really do mean to us.

To you, our friends, and a part of this great family of God, we wish to express our heartfelt thanks and gratitude for your part in this ministry - which is made possible only by your prayers and financial support. With rising costs, truly the burden of reaching lost souls is becoming very heavy. We ask that you continue to do your utmost for this ministry "we then, are workers together with Him." (1 Cor. 3:1).

May this Christmas season and the New Year, be one in which you and yours may know God's blessing richly in your lives, is our earnest prayer.

Lovingly in Him,

Donna Solbrekken

Donna's New Year Letter

To

Bro. Max and Sister Donna,

Greetings in the wonderful, powerful name of Jesus. I am writing to thank you for sending me the prayer cloth. I sure needed it, and you send it at the right time. I was suffering bladder infection really bad, and then put that prayer cloth on and I am healed thanks to Jesus and your prayers. I am so thankful. God always answers prayers from faithful prayer warriors. Our God is an awesome God. He reigns over all. Amen. Thanks again to you and to Jesus our mighty miracle working God.

from
Margaret Mahewich

Healed through prayer cloth

**We Were so Discouraged,
Sick & Lost - Everything
Had Gone Wrong!**

THEN WE SAW THE GOSPEL TENT & GOD'S MIRACLES BEGAN!

*Testimony of Abilio & Laura Imperideiro,
Kelowna BC*

My life was a mess, with no hope! I was very depressed due to an incurable heart disease and high blood pressure.

My wife's back was crippled from an accident, and an unfortunate situation in Portugal had separated three of our children from us. There was much bitterness, fear, confusion and resentment in my heart!

I had played on the *Portugese National Soccer Team* as a young man and now the doctors had told me I could not drive a car nor go fishing and hunting alone. I could have a heart attack anytime, stated my family doctor and medical heart specialists!

I WAS VERY WEAK!

I was always out of breath, very weak and got tired easily! And I had a lot of pain in my chest, back, arms and even down my legs. My left arm was also affected and was starting to paralyze. I could not put it behind my back or head.

MY WIFE'S SPINE WAS TWISTED!

A number of years earlier we were involved in a tragic accident - our car skidded on black ice and rolled over, near Spence's Bridge - as we were returning from a hunting trip.

My wife Laura, suffered a twisted spine and was seriously injured. She was hospitalized for a week before returning to Vancouver for further treatment.



*Pastor Max Solbrekken with Abilio & Laura Imperideiro in
Kelowna, BC*

For six years, Laura had suffered a lot of pain and been subjected to many sleepless nights and pain-filled days. Besides this, she was always going for treatments from therapists and chiropractors with little or no results.

Laura could not sleep at night with the exception of little cat naps of 2 or 3 hours. She would then prop herself up with pillows on the sofa or walk the floor.

OUR FAMILY SEEMED TO BE CURSED!

When we left Portugal, Victor was only a baby. Since we did not have much money we decided to leave our three older children with my sister for 2 or 3 years, until we could get established in Canada.

Everything went well for us and after some time, we wrote my sister to send our children to us. By then, she had grown fond of them and kept making excuses as to why they could not travel.

When they finally arrived, it was too late. Years had passed and our children were strangers to us and we to them. A terrible bitterness existed between us. And it seemed to me that there wasn't much to live for!

WE THOUGHT THE BIG BLUE TENT WAS A CIRCUS!

When my wife saw Pastor Max Solbrekken's big blue tent on Highway 97 in Kelowna, she thought it was a circus! When we arrived with our young son, Victor, we noticed it was an evangelical Gospel Meeting.

Because we were such strong Roman Catholics, I did not wish to go. Then we read a news story in the



Guntur, A.P. 1966



Max & Vandenam 1966 Guntur, AP Crusade

Imperideiro



Abilio helping load tent after crusade (1976)

Kelowna Daily Courier that told of how God was performing miracles in the tent crusade.

My wife wanted us to go to receive our needed miracles. She was convinced that the name of the church wasn't important! She said, "There is only one God and He is greater than a church. Let us go to see the miracles of God".

She believed that God is a miracle worker and that we should give Him a chance to help us through Rev. Max Solbrekken! Our young son, Victor, questioned how this could happen. And I was downright skeptical!

**GOD MADE MY HUSBAND'S HEART WELL.
HE HEALED MY SPINE AND GAVE US A
BRAND NEW LIFE!**

says Laura Imperideiro

When we entered the tent, I went right up to the front. I wanted to see all the action! I wanted to be there to see God's miracles, for I was determined to receive a miracle! My husband and son sat at the back, near the entrance, during the service.

When the altar call was given, I found myself going forward and kneeling at the altar with tears pouring down my face and I was crying so hard I couldn't stop. Pastor Solbrekken spoke to me but since I could not speak English well and I was crying so hard he asked the crowd, "Does anyone know this lady? Who does she belong to?"

My husband lifted his hand and said, "She's my wife". Then the man of God invited Abilio and my son to come forward also. Abilio told him how sick I was.

WHEN PASTOR MAX SOLBREKKEN PRAYED FOR ME IT WAS BEAUTIFUL. ALL THE TERRIBLE PAINS WERE GONE AND I COULD IMMEDIATELY BEND, JUMP AND RUN!

I was like a brand new person - Praise God! Then I asked my husband to get prayer but he declined. The

next morning Abilio asked me "How did you sleep? How are you? Are you still healed?"

I shouted "Yes, I am fine. I slept like a baby right through the night and I am perfect!"

Then he said, "I will go for a miracle tonight, also!"

**MY HEART BECAME NORMAL
IMMEDIATELY!**

says Abilio Imperideiro

As soon as Brother Max prayed for me I was instantly and totally healed! Every pain left my chest, shoulders, arms and legs. I could breath perfectly and new strength rushed into my body.

SINCE I WAS A SOCCER PLAYER I COULD JUMP VERY HIGH AS A YOUNG MAN. THAT NIGHT I JUMPED AND RAN AROUND THE TENT. MY HEART WAS LIKE NEW!

We were overjoyed with the peace of God that came into our hearts and the healing power of the resurrected Christ that had made us WHOLE!

Every night for several weeks we attended the big blue Tent Crusade and it was heavenly. At almost the same time, unbeknown to us, our daughters and two of our sons were attending a gospel crusade in Vancouver.

When we contacted them, they were overjoyed and all accepted Christ and were baptized. The call of God is upon our hearts and lives and we are eternally grateful to Almighty God and His servant Max Solbrekken who brought us the gospel.

**WE HAD NOTHING TO LIVE FOR. NOW WE
ARE ENJOYING HEALTH, STRENGTH,
HAPPINESS AND GOD'S FELLOWSHIP!**

Our prayer is to take the gospel of Christ to the millions who sit in superstition, fear and darkness in Portugal. We are planning to help Brother Max with his crusades in Portugal!

Both of us are perfectly well today! Just recently I went to my doctor for a check-up and my heart is still like brand new!



Max Solbrekken
preaching the Gospel

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- EDMONTON, AB CKJR - Dial 1440 - Sun 9:00 AM
- VANCOUVER, BC KARI - Dial 550, Sat. 2:30 PM
- COLUMBIA KOOTENAY (BC) NETWORK - Sun. 9:00 AM



By what Power or

NAME?

By Pastor Max Solbrekken, D.D.

“And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what Name have ye done this?” Then, Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel. If we this be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man by what mean he is made whole:

“Be it known unto you all, and to the people of Israel. That by the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified whom God hath raised from the dead even by Him doth this man stand before you whole. This is the Stone which was set at naught of you builders, which is become the Head of the Corner. Neither is their Salvation in any other: for there is none other Name under heaven, given among men whereby we must be saved.” (Acts 4: 10-14)

St. Paul wrote: "Be sober, be vigilant, because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour." (1 Peter 5:8); "And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Acts 2:21); **“Wherefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own Blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto Him, bearing His reproach.** (Heb.13:12,13)

“But ye shall receive POWER, after that the Holy Ghost is upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem and unto the utter most part of the earth.” (Acts 1:8). “...And these SIGNS shall follow them that believe; In My name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay their hands on the sick, and they shall recover.” (Mark 16: 15-18)

“For God hath not given unto us the spirit of Fear, but of Power and of Love and of a Sound mind.” (2 Tim. 1:7): “If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him; if we deny Him, He also will deny us: If we believe not, yet He abideth faithful: *He cannot deny Himself.* Nevertheless, the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal: The Lord knoweth them that are His. And, let everyone that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.” (2 Tim. 2: 12,13, 19)

God’s Word is true! Satan is a Liar and a defeated foe. Our Lord Jesus Christ purchased our eternal Salvation through His vicarious death on Golgotha’s Cross, and His glorious resurrection three day later! Jesus’s victory over death, Hades and the grave stripped the wicked Destroyer of all power. The Blood of Jesus Christ did not die and effectively covers all believers in Christ from the attacks of the Evil One.

MIRACLE OF NEW EYEBALL!

During our *1966 crusade in Guntur, A.P. India* our blessed Saviour performed many great miracles. Thomas Tutyko and I joined Missionary Lawson Barbour and Pastor Vandenam, for a major Gospel Crusade in the **Gandhi Freedom Park** in Guntur, India. Thousands of people received Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour and Healer. I laid my hands upon the sick for healing as many hundreds came for prayer nightly.

A lady brought her 13- year - old son for prayer. He had earlier gone through surgery to have an eye removed. When he heard the testimonies, he pushed his way into the healing line. When he stood before me with hundreds of people pushing forward, I saw the raw infected eye socket. I laid my hands carefully upon him and prayed in Jesus' name, for a miracle. Three days later, the doctor of the Kugler Lutheran Hospital called me with some great news.

The lady had asked her to examine her son. The infection was completely gone, and he was looking very well. Three days later, the woman and her son were in her office, again. A small eyeball had grown, and he could see perfectly! Excitedly, the Doctor called me with the good news and that evening the doctor, the lady and her son stood on the Crusade stage and shared that great testimony for Jesus Christ, before thousands of people.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE HEALED!

One day, 2 Circle Police Inspectors called on us! They handed me a letter which stated, “We the Circle Inspectors of the Guntur District are inviting you to accompany us to the Guntur Hospital to heal the Superintendent General of the Police, who has suffered a Stroke.

Thomas and I followed the Police vehicle to the **Guntur Hospital**, which was encircled by Police cars. As we walked with the 2 **Circle Inspectors** down the corridors of the hospital, policemen stood to attention saluting them. They brought me to a room where the sick officer lay. His wife and sister-in-law were seated in the room. The two officers stood at attention. I sat on a chair near the ill Officer. I said, “*You sent for me, Sir.*” He replied in a very low and weak voice, “*I want you, heal me name of Lord Jesus.*”

I answered, “*Since you have asked me to heal you in the name of Lord Jesus, I must tell you why His Name is so powerful.*” He nodded that he understood what I had said. For fifteen minutes I gave Him the Gospel of Jesus Christ declaring Jesus Christ the Son of God who died on the Cross to redeem us from sin and the power of Satan, had risen from the dead. I stated that Jesus Christ was alive and through His shed blood and glorious resurrection from the dead, He has the power to save and heal those who believe. I asked him if he desired to receive Jesus as his Lord and Saviour. He answered in the affirmative. Although it was hard for him to speak, I led him through the prayer of repentance, receiving Jesus Christ as his Lord and Saviour.

Then, I laid my hands upon Him and prayed a short prayer for healing and deliverance in Jesus Christ's name. Immediately, his drooping face changed. The right side of his face was immediately normal. Then, I took his right fist that was balled up on his chest; I said, "*Open, in Jesus' name.*" It came free!

I said, "*Jesus has healed you!*" He smiled and said, "*Yes.*" I asked, "*What are you going to do?*" He said, "*I am going to get up and walk.*" He threw the blanket off and I helped him out of bed. I took his hand, and we marched down the corridor. He shook himself free from me and marched back and forth. Then, standing before me asked, "*Whom do I thank for this, Sir?*"

I said, "*Lift up both your arms in the Royal salute, and say, 'Thank you, Lord Jesus.'*" Immediately, he lifted his arms high in the air the air, saying, "*Thank You, Lord Jesus!*" Down the corridor, high ranking Policemen lifted their arms high in the air in the Royal Salute, saying, "*Thank you, Lord Jesus!*"

EVANGELIST THOMAS TUTUKO WRITES:

In India we had crusades in the south where God poured out His Spirit on the hungry people and saved them and healed them. Then we went to the city of Gunter in Andra Pradesh and they wouldn't give us a place in their city to hold a crusade. The only place they would give us was a cow pasture outside the city with the cows still in it. It was terrible because the people were not able to sit down on the grass.

On the second day 2 men came and said we are from the Police Department and we have come with an urgent request. **The Commissioner of Police had a stroke and his one side is totally paralyzed and is lying in the hospital.** We heard that you pray for the sick so we have come to ask you to come to the hospital and pray for the Commissioner, will you come? Max answered, of course we'll come and so we went with them.

We entered the hospital room where he was lying in bed and we could see that one side of his face was not normal which is sure sign of a stroke. There were nurses and doctors around him. They said please come and pray for him. So we went over to the bed and Max asked him to nod his head if he understood what was said.

He nodded because he understood English. So Max ministered the gospel to him, and asked him if he believed that Jesus had the power to heal him. He nodded his head to say yes. Then Max laid his hands on him and rebuked the stroke in the Name of Jesus and said, "*Jesus heals you now.*" Then he said to him, I'm going to help you sit up.

So the man sat up and Max pulled his legs over the side of the bed and said, stand up on your feet and helped him stand. (the doctors and nurses are watching all this taking place.) **Then Max says, lets walk and took a few steps with him and then he said to him, run, run, run, and the commissioner ran to the end of the corridor and back totally healed by the power of God. There was no small stir in that hospital that day.**

The nurses were fluttering about with tears in their eyes while the doctors kept their eye on the Commissioner just in case. But he was healed and felt better, than ever before. He was so happy and overwhelmed that he felt that he wanted to repay us somehow, so he asked, *"Is there anything that I can do for you?"* Max says to him, we came to your city to bless your people and bring them salvation and healing, but you sent us out into a cow pasture, maybe you can do something about that. The commissioner answered don't worry, *"I'll take care of that."*

The next night we were in the centre of town in a beautiful park with a large platform brightly lit up and on the platform were seated a dozen city dignitaries including the Mayor. There was a large crowd of people and the Commissioner stood up and gave his testimony of how Jesus Healed him and encouraged the people to receive us and believe what we are preaching. Then the Mayor got up and made his speech and commanded everyone to come to these meetings. After that the park was jam - packed every night and great miracles took place. There were a great number of deaf and dumb that were healed."

Jesus said: "All things are possible to him that believeth." (Mark 9:23); "...With men it is impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible." (Mark 10:27); "He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made Him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of His Son. And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this LIFE is in His Son. He that hath the Son hath Life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life." (1 John 5: 10-12)

Looking back at the great miracles that Jesus performed in our crusade services for the past sixty years in His Ministry is staggering to say the least! Glory be to the Lamb that was slain for all humanity and raised from the dead by the Holy Spirit of God! Amen.

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