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Prayer Letter - November 2014

Celebrating the Birth of Christ

In Concert

Jubilee Ringers

Saturday, December 13, 2014 - 3:30 PM

(Seating begins at 3:00)

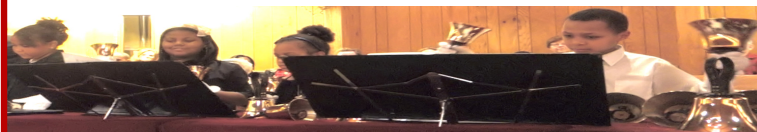
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Cultivating Young Leaders
Through The Discipline Of Music Training

Fishers of Men Feeding the Multitude

During the Thanksgiving season many churches and organization are busy doing the wonderful work of preparing food baskets and turkey dinners for those who are in need. Working in the city you find there are multitudes of people who are experts in finding all the places where food is being distributed and making sure they are in line to freely receive. It makes me think about the time when a multitude came to Jesus needing to be fed.

One day Jesus went with his disciples into a mountain overlooking the Sea of Galilee. This was the same sea where Andrew and Peter were fishing when Jesus called them saying, "follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Sitting on the mountain above the sea would allow them to see all the activity that was happening below. Jesus lifted up his eyes and saw a great multitude coming towards him. Although Jesus knew what he was about to do, he tested his disciple Philip by asking him, "Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat?" Philip responded that two hundred pennyworth (a little more than six months' wages) would not be sufficient to buy bread for such a crowd, even if they ate just a small portion.

Ironically, the crowd coming to Jesus was expecting to see him perform some miracle, for the word had spread of how he cured the sick of their diseases. Undoubtedly, Philip was with Jesus when the miracles took place, but his faith was limited to what he had seen Jesus do in the past. He most likely thought that it would just be another day of healing the sick. He could not perceive the extent of Jesus' power. Who would imagine that provision could be made to feed such a great crowd with no food?

Peter heard the conversation and hinted that there was a boy with a few fish and loaves of bread, but seeing the size of the crowd his faith was daunted. His reservations could not lead him to answer Jesus saying; Lord, you can multiply the boy's food and feed the crowd, for nothing is impossible with you. Peter knew of Jesus turning the water into wine, but his limited faith made him doubt Jesus could do something as great as multiplying two fish and five

loaves to feed so many people, over five thousand. Surely, this would be an insurmountable task.

Neither Philip nor Peter took into consideration who was sitting next to them asking the question. Jesus took the five fish and two loaves from the little boy and gave thanks. He proceeded to show his disciples, the ones whom he called to be “fishers of men,” that he can make something out of nothing to feed the multitude that comes to him. He wanted them to realize that they were sitting right next to the great “I Am.” They were in the very presence of the creator of heaven and earth, the maker of bread and fish. He wanted them to grasp the awesomeness of his power. He was revealing that he would provide all they need to be “fishers of men” as they follow him.

When we follow Jesus, we are certainly called to be “fishers of men.” In the city of Camden, there is a multitude that needs to be fed. We believe that the Lord will draw them to the doors of Jubilee Music Enrichment. It is wonderful to know that Jesus already sees the crowd coming, already knows what is needed to feed them and already has his plan in place to provide. We just need to stay in his presence, walk in the paths that he would lead us and trust in him. We strive to stand by faith on the promise of Ephesians 3:20, “Now unto him (*Jesus Christ*) who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us.”

After the crowd was satisfied, having eaten all they wanted, Jesus told his disciples to pick up all the leftovers so nothing would be lost. As the Lord abundantly provides for our needs, we must always give thanks, make sure nothing goes to waste and go forth as “fishers of men” feeding the multitude.

Prayer Request

- When Jesus fed the multitude there was a boy in the crowd who gave all he had to Jesus to be used for his glory and to serve people in need. We are sincerely grateful for all of our supporters who, like the young boy, have given of their substance to help feed the multitude. We offer prayers of praise and thanksgiving as we see how the Lord is providing the funds for the building through his people. Our need is now less than \$5,000. We anticipate going to settlement by the middle of December. We have faith that the Lord will provide the remaining funds by that time. Please keep this in your prayers.
- As we prepare for settlement please pray that all goes well with the inspection of the building and that all things be in order to obtain a certificate of occupancy from the city. Please pray that we proceed with this process with wisdom from the Lord.
- Once the Lord blesses us with the building, some alterations will be needed. For example, the building is currently structured as a duplex therefore, we will need to remove a wall to enable access to the second floor without going outside. Please pray that the Lord will provide skilled labors to assist in completing the work.
- Thank you for all the prayers offered for Melody Merrill. In October she passed from this life and went home to be her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Her service to Jubilee Music Enrichment as a teacher and assistant is greatly missed. The Jubilee Ringers were truly inspired by her love for them and her love for Jesus. The testimony of her life in Christ continues to minister to them. The Merrill family is most gracious for all your expressions of comfort and support. Before Melody went home to glory, she was praying for someone to serve in her stead. Continue to pray that the Lord will bless us with someone who loves the Lord, children and music as much as Miss. Melody.
- Please pray for the Jubilee Ringers as they diligently prepare for their Christmas engagements. Pray that through these experiences the Lord will mold them to be like the little boy who was prepared and willing to give all he had to Jesus. Pray that they and their parents may receive the gift of salvation. We sincerely hope you can join us for the concert on December 13. A reception will follow the concert where you can meet, greet and encourage the ringers.
- If you would like to receive our newsletters and announcements by email, please forward a message to, muis4youth@hotmail.com.