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Brothers, Sisters, and Friends in Maracaibo, Venezuela

Venezuela The Power of Deliverance

by Brother Richard Nath

n Alma 14, Alma and Amulek are imprisoned for preaching and teaching the word of God unto a group of the Nephites who had gone astray. This group of people had become so wicked, that they burned those who believed in the truth and made Alma and Amulek watch. After this, they took the two, bound them with strong cords, and cast them into the prison, all the while

mocking them, spitting on them, hitting them, and trying to catch them in their words. However, the men of God would not speak and answer their tormentors. The leaders of the people continued to torture Alma and Amulek for many days. They even kept food and water from them, and took their clothes from them. But Alma and Amulek kept silent and waited upon the Lord.

After several days the chief judge of the land, along with many of their teachers and lawyers, went to see the two missionaries. The chief judge hit both of them in the face again, and asked them to deliver themselves if they had

the power of God. Mockingly, he said that the people would believe if they did this. All of the men with the chief judge took turns hitting and mocking Alma and Amulek. When the last one had taken his turn, the power of God came upon both missionaries and they stood up on their feet. Alma cried, "How long shall we suffer these great afflictions, O Lord? O Lord, give us strength according to our faith which is in Christ, even unto deliverance." (Alma 14:26) At that point, they broke the cords that were holding them, and when the people saw what was happened, they began to flee, fearing destruction was about to come upon them. They tried to run, but so great was their fear that they fell before they could reach the outer door of the prison. A strong earthquake began, and it destroyed the prison and all those in it, except for Alma and Amulek. They walked out and went to the city.

All the people there had heard the great noise that came from the prison and went to see what happened. They saw Alma and Amulek coming out of the collapsed prison, and were struck with a great fear and fled from both of them. Alma and Amulek were then commanded by God

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Brothers Brandon Miller, Angel Chavez, Jose Chavez and Timothy Mott in Venezuela

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to leave that city and go to the land of Sidom.

This passage of scripture came to my mind when I heard about the miraculous deliverance of Brother Jose Chavez of Maracaibo, Venezuela. In early May, Brother Jose was on a business trip to the city of Barquisimeto. While waiting for a cab outside of his hotel, he was beaten and robbed. Because he saw one of the assailants face, he was thrown in a car and driven away. Brother Jose said that he felt they were going to kill him, and all he could do was pray God would deliver him from his captors. All of a sudden, for some unknown reason, the thieves were frightened by either

something they heard or saw. All Brother Jose knew was the car had stopped and the men had run off, leaving him all alone. He said he felt that God intervened on his behalf and saved his life, just as He did for Alma and Amulek and many others in the scriptures. As Brother Don Ross spoke to him, he too felt God had delivered Brother Jose.

We can see from the scriptural example, which coincidently happened in the land of South America among God's chosen people, that miracles still occur today as witnessed by the experience of Brother Jose Chavez. As it is stated in Moroni 7, the day of miracles and angels ministering upon the earth will not cease except for unbelief by the children of men. We are so very thankful the

miracles of God have not ceased! Our great and merciful God will always deliver us from evil so long as we are found serving Him to the best of our ability.

Brother Jose Chavez continues to recuperate from his injuries, and needs our prayers for a quick and full recovery. We give all thanks and glory to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, that Brother Jose is still with us and able to continue to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

On a personal note, I wish to thank God for His goodness and mercy when I made my trip to Valle Guanape, Venezuela in September 2006. I had asked the Branch to pray for my wife, Tracy, while I was gone. Her two biggest fears were that a hurricane would hit while she was home alone in Houston and her concern for my safety. After

the ministry laid hands on me,

Brother Robert Gonzalez testified of an experience he had during the prayer. He said that while I was being prayed for, he started to cry and shake. He asked God why this was happening. He then looked up and saw me rise from the chair, with a man in white next to me. The man took my hand in His and said, "Have no fear for you or your wife, for I will be with you." With that, all of us knew that that the Lord would take care of my wife, Tracy, and the trip would be a safe and a successful one.

What a loving, powerful and wonderful God we serve. May God continually bless His people and watch over them.





"CAN YOU SEE THE NEED?"

The Lord had put a song in my heart that I believe was to bring myself and others to an awareness of the desperate needs of the world around us. The lyrics of the song speak to opening our eyes to the pains of others and opening our hearts to share the gifts we have been given.

There are so many people who simply do not have the opportunities and luxuries that the saints have been graciously blessed with. Among those in greatest need are the many children of the severely impoverished countries, such as the children of the newly-approved humanitarian effort...Desire India Daycare.

The daycare is located in the city of Thirumullavoyal, a suburb of the city of Chennai, India. The daycare was founded by Brother Y. John Paul in 2005 after recognizing the tremendous need of providing a suitable daycare system for the children when both parents labor

Moroni 7: 46-47 "...

Wherefore, cleave
unto charity, which
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long hours daily in tireless manual jobs, to financially provide for the bare living necessities of their family, let alone the care of their young children.

As a result, older children are not able to attend school in order to care for their younger siblings. If there are no older children, their lives become endangered as they

"Can You See the Need?"

Can you see the need-the need for love?
Can you see the famine throughout the land?
The need is arising – to tell all the nations.
So take your brothers' hand and spread its restoration.

Fill the need within their hearts where emptiness once was. Give them a hope for peace – start praying and never cease.

Can you see their need, their need for love?

Can you see their tears – do you feel
their pain? Will you remain on your
knees till he fills their needs?

are left alone or wander the streets with no supervision. Desire India Daycare now provides the solution to this growing problem, but we need your help.

Currently enrolled at the daycare are 46 children from the ages of 3 to 5, receiving the benefits of having continuous care while their parents are working. This care includes being provided food, clothing, caregivers, educational

instruction, an annual medical exam and more importantly – a safe, loving environment.

This is where we can help! Desire India Daycare needs financial support to provide the benefits to these families. Many of us can relate to difficult times, but can you imagine how difficult it must be to manage with less - much less - than we could even conceive possible. If you are asking

yourself, "What can I do?" - we have your answer.

A small gift can make a difference. For \$150 you can sponsor a child for one year. Of course, a gift of any amount is well appreciated and will help the children. Please don't lose out on an opportunity to give a child the chance to experience a portion of the many blessings we take for granted in our lives. If we all give a little... the Lord will do the rest.

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Please consider making a donation and forever changing the life of a child.

If you would like to find out more about Desire India Daycare, come see us on the web at: www. desireindiadaycare.com Or send your donations to: The Church of Jesus Christ, Missionary Foundation, P.O. Box 80, Fairless Hills, PA 19030

Note: specify "Desire India Daycare" as your donation request on the memo portion of your check.

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A Healing in Zambia

by Evangelist Joseph Perri

want to share with you an experience of God's power in healing a sister recently baptized during our trip to Zambia during October and November 2006. The experience was sent from Brother Chalwe, one of the two Elders ordained during our recent missionary trip. Brother Chalwe was placed in charge of one of the Branches established, called Chililabombwe.

The experience is of Sister Prudence who was taken to the hospital and placed in the intensive care unit. The nature of the illness is not known, but to place her in the intensive care unit, she must have been critical or seriously ill. According to Brother Chalwe, he

said she was on oxygen for four days and to use his words "all our hope was finished until she was anointed with oil and prayed for".

As a result of the anointing by

me that he has 15 people waiting to be baptized. Because of the heavy rains being experienced, he cannot go to the river and baptize them at the moment. However in reading the progress and growth being made within The Church of Jesus Christ in Zambia.



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Brother Chalwe, the exercising of faith and the healing power of God, Sister Prudence recovered, was discharged from the hospital and is doing well at home. All praise is given to our God that we worship and serve, for the evidence seen through the exercising of faith.

Brother Chalwe also informed

he is utilizing the time between now and when it is safe to baptize to teach these converts the importance of baptism, to reinforce the faith and doctrine of The Church of Jesus Christ and to make sure each of them understands the covenant and promise they are making to God.

May God bless each of you

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