



# On the Wings of Prayer

“Because thou hast been my help,  
therefore in the shadow of thy wings  
will I rejoice:” Psalm 63:7

## “Children, have ye any meat?”

Many lessons are taught by Jesus' miracle of the multiplying the bread and fish. The lesson of God's provision applies to the ministry almost daily. Jesus saw the hunger of the great multitude and brought it to the attention of His disciples. “Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat?” Their response seems quite valid. The need is far too great for our meager resources. Thus inaction seems justified. And then Jesus got personal and asks, “How many loaves have ye?” It did not matter how many loaves they had nor how great the need. Jesus wanted to meet the need, and he wanted to use the disciples and what they had to meet the need. Here is the simple process that Jesus used that day.

1. They brought what they had to Jesus.
2. The people were made to sit down.
3. Jesus blessed and divided their meager resources.
4. While the disciples used what they had to meet the need, God multiplied.
5. Afterwards, they had more than they started with and the need was met.

Then in John 6:35 he answers his own question that the disciples could not answer. “I am the bread of life.” He was then and He still is. He is still the answer. Have ye any meat?

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- **Darrain and Mari Coker (Mexico)** Mari's grandmother passed away at the age of 87 years old. After Bro. Darrain and some other preacher's brought a gospel message at the funeral home, five souls accepted Christ as their savior! There was a good turn out at the VBS in a nearby church where the Coker's were able to help. They saw five children and one adult accept Christ.
- **Flo Martin (Guatemala)** the church in Cantel has had various special meetings to encourage the children and adults to continue in the Lord's work. Flo continues to pass out tracts, invite the people to church, and tell them about Christ.

- **Larry and Regina McKinney (American Indians)** are beginning a new work on the Warm Springs Reservation. They began with five days of preaching in the evening and passing out Bibles and gospel literature door to door. Please be in prayer for this new work.
- **Daniel and Michelle Jones (Mexico)** spent ten days in Mexico in August to attend the Bethesda Fundamental Baptist Institutes 27th graduation. They had six graduates this year. Several souls were lead to the Lord on visitation and during the preaching service on their visit.
- **True and Diana Hawkins (Brazil)** repainted a large boat they use to travel upriver to the villages where the institutes and churches are located. After a lot of work, the boat is ready for travel again. The Hawkins' have been busy with needed construction on several of the church buildings. One of their churches in their River Ministry, had thirty-five saved in four services. Another church in the River Ministry had seventy-eight decisions for salvation, baptism, and rededication. Praise the Lord!
- **Leslie and Alba Priday (Honduras)** report seven followed the Lord in believer's baptism recently. There was good attendance at their recent Youth Rally; four church participated in the meetings. Please be in prayer for their annual Men's Conference.
- **Prayer request:** Wisdom, guidance, and strength for each of our missionary families. The Coker's safety as they continue to minister in Mexico. The Haynes' construction on their church building in Ganado. The Hawkins' "turn over" project of training the nationals to take over more of the leadership in the Institutes and churches. Our missionaries as they train nationals to teach and train others.

"Nothing so clears the vision and lifts  
 up the life, as a decision to move for-  
 ward in what you know to be entirely  
 the will of the Lord." ~ John Patton