

Season of Giving

“Use It, or Lose It All”

I. SCRIPTURE

Matthew 10:8 NKJV – **“Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.”**

II. GIVING REQUESTS – THE HARVEST IS GREAT; THE LABORERS FEW

A. PAKISTAN

Today’s email appeal to our body – “Pakistan has requested our help with these two (2) year end giving projects:

1. \$450 (70,000 PKR) for year-end giving to the poor (widows, orphans and spiritually vulnerable) in the rural areas: food, clothing, warm blankets, medicine and supplies, as needed.
2. \$965 (150,000 PKR) for down payment on good used vehicle for missions use to commute to Sargodha and back home, and for general program use, such as for home visits for students and others, for food, medicine, supplies distribution, and evangelism (including for the Jesus film project). This donation will be matched by a corporate donor by \$1 for each \$1 we raise up to a total of \$1,000.”

US Dollar devaluation.

B. KENYA

The Pastor’s wife wrote to us on November 4 (2020: “receive greetings from Kenya Africa this day... May I take this Opportunity to thank everyone that has been able to Support our Orphans and the most Vulnerable in our community. Pastor Ben Ouma and I have been Praying and fasting for God, to open doors so that we can Build a Children's home for our Orphans. Brother [Rollin Caristianos](#) came into our lives to help us fulfill this Dream by Building an Orphanage. This is to inform you that great work has been going on and our Children Orphans are so sweet and super excited about their new home. [Pastor] Ben, Brother Rollin and I had several meetings to discuss on how we can accomplish/complete our new building. So far 2/3 of the work has been done. For us to finish the 1/3 remaining work we need a total of USD 30,000 to help us finish the Building.”

C. HAITI

Great need, fantastic church and school growth; huge US Dollar devaluation.

D. PHILIPPINES

Great need among street children; new program legally approved but not yet implemented.

E. OTHERS TOO EXTENSIVE TO SERVE

Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Tanzania, etc. and etc. There have been so many that I can't think of all the requests that we've received since we set up our Christian non-profit shop in 2012. (Compare these requests to my feelings when I see a poor beggar approaching.)

III. GIVING IS EASY WHEN WE KNOW YAHUSHA [Jesus]

In last week's service, in the "Moist Bones" message, we talked about YAHUSHA [Jesus] as being our Living Water Who pours Himself out on us, so that our dead lives, our dry bones will become moist again so that we can serve Him. We learned that He was the "water" when He told Nicodemus that he (Nick) would have to be "born of water and the RUACH [Spirit], [or] he cannot enter the kingdom of YAHUAH [God]'.¹



Its a call-to-action to rise from the dead and actually live. Were born spiritually dead, and Im calling for everyone to become spiritually alive. Secondly, dont wait until later to live the way you were created. God created you to honor Him, find joy, and serve others. Dont sleep on that. Lastly, rise above the low expectations people have.

— Trip Lee —

AZ QUOTES

¹ John 3:5.

Then, when I read the quote by Christian Rap Artist and Pastor Trip Lee, that he “got” what YAHUSHA [Jesus] meant about what it meant to “be born of the water and the RUACH [Spirit]” and that we need to moisten our dead bones. He read his quote; he says to us that the word “‘Rise’ has a lot of different meanings. It’s a call to action to rise from the dead and actually live.”² He continues by explaining that us that “we’re born spiritually dead, and [he’s] calling for everyone to become spiritually alive”. He goes on, “Secondly, don’t wait until later to live the way that you were created. God created you to honor Him, find joy, and serve others [today. So,] don’t sleep on that.”

Last week in the closing prayer, for each one of us I asked that YAH [God] would provide us with the gift of His Son YAHUSHA [Jesus]. I ask Him to “please give us a drink of Himself” so that for the rest of our lives as His disciple, that we might be a fountain of living water... that in our service to Him that “everyone who drinks of Him will never be thirsty again. And that it will be through Him – The Living Water – that we will become a spring of water welling up to eternal life in us and in the others that we serve.

In today’s photograph on the front of our bulletin, we have a picture of a man who has received the free gift of YAHUSHA [Jesus], His grace, through an outpouring of Him as the Living Water. May we receive that gift today as we listen to Pastor Francis Chan’s recent message: “When Jesus is Known, Giving is Easy (Luke 19:1-10)”:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fb2exh1N2YE>

IV. LINK TO GIVING THROUGH GFAN.ORG

<https://www.gfan.org/support>

² Trip Lee, accessed 12/5/2020,
<https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=10215892253613690&set=a.1630605939484>



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