"Authority" is defined in Webster's 1828 dictionary (the great Christian dictionary) as follows:

1. Legal power, or a right to command or act, as the authority of a prince over subjects, and of parents over children. Power, rule, sway.

2. The power derived from opinion, respect or esteem; influence of character or office; credit; as, the authority of age or example, which is submitted to or respected, in some measure, as a law or authority of opinion. That which is claimed in justification or support of opinion or measures.

3. Testimony; witness; or the person who testifies, as the Gospels or the evangelists are our authorities for the miracles of Christ.

4. Weight of testimony; credibility; as, a historian of no authority.

5. Weight of character; respectability; dignity; as, a magistrate of great authority in the city.

6. Warrant; order; permission. "By what authority dost thou these things" (Matthew 21:23; Acts 4:14).

7. Precedents, decisions of a court, etc.

8. Government; the persons or the body exercising power or command.

In the Scriptures we read: "When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice; but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn." (In Matthew 21 there is considerable discussion and illustration using parables concerning both authority. John the Baptist and Jesus performed their ministries. It is obvious that both John and Jesus were under the authority of Heaven and not men (verse 25).

Again in Mark 10:37 we find James and John seeking to be in places of authority in glory. Jesus answered the disciples, "Ye know not what spirit ye are of. 12 For the Son of Man is not come to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." (Mark 10:35-38).

Authority is something Jesus gave His disciples over evil but He did not give it to the people. Then He called His twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils and to cure diseases." (Luke 9:1). St. Paul indicates that the authority granted to the apostles is for edification and not for destruction. We must note here that edification is a spiritual end-product and not a product of the carnal mind (I Corinthians 12:1-11).

In the Bible, "authority" is primarily a word which is used by the Pharisees on the world stage, in an attempt to cerebrally understand how the Christians can do the things that they do. Authority actually is a phenomenon of the Kosmos (one-world system). Jesus gives us spiritual authority over evil and diseases since as part of the world system these problems are subject unto authority.

In the Kingdom of God, one, if he is spiritual, does not concern himself with authority and authoritarian systems. The true Christian desires to be the servant and minister of his fellowman and has no desire to be in the position of possessing authority over him. Those who would impose unscriptural authority over the Body of Christ through systems of men are entangling men in the yoke of bondage. "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage" (Galatians 5:1).

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and truly scientific in the godly sense. Bethesda Center will have lecture and study facilities in an area adjacent to Tampa's beautiful International Airport. The Center is surrounded by motels and every kind of recreational facility. There will be facilities for the doctor with a problem where Christian counseling and help are available. It will also be a Christian art, music and cultural Center for a multitude of Christian events. The balance of the projected cost of $500,000 now stands at $413,000. Please pray about the part the Lord would have you play in this project. All gifts to CMF both for Bethesda Center and general expenses are tax-deductible.

Please uphold us in prayer, too, as we seek to reach others for Jesus,

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MONTHLY HAPPENINGS NOTICE

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DAILY PRAYERS AT 1 PM IN THE CHRISTIAN MEDICAL FOUNDATION CHAPEL.

MONDAY - Every Monday - 6:30 AM, Men's Prayer Breakfast at CMP House.

TUESDAY - Every Tuesday - 10 AM, Ladies' Bible Study and Sandwich Luncheon.
Bring a sandwich and join us. Kay is now teaching Luke's Gospel. 1 PM.
Clinical Correlation of the Gospel by Dr. Reed. Healing Service at 2 PM.

MONDAY - May 12 - 10:30 AM. Kay Reed speaking to United Methodist Women.
First United Methodist Church, Orlando, Fla. Call 305/898-4660 for your reservations.

MAY 15 - 18 - Dr. Reed at Kentucky Chapter of the American Academy of Family Practice, Ramada Inn, 1-64 & Hourstbourne Lane, Louisville, Ky. Contact Stephen R. Kelley, M.D. 305/678-5137.

FRIDAY - May 16 - 8 PM. St. Petersburg CMP Station Meeting at St. Petersburg Federal Savings & Loan Assn., 83rd Ave. at 9th St., St. Petersburg.

SATURDAY - May 17 - 8 AM. Plant City CMP Station Meeting at Johnson's Restaurant, Plant City, Fla.

SATURDAY - May 17 - 7:30 PM. Tampa CMP Station Meeting at CMP House, 4821 Memorial Highway, Tampa.

FRIDAY - May 23 - 7:45 PM. Orlando CMP Station Meeting at Dover Shores Branch of First Federal Savings & Loan Assn., 3212 East Conway Road, Orlando, Fla.

SATURDAY - May 24 - 7:30 PM. Daytona CMP Station Meeting at Holy Trinity-by-the-Sea, North Grandview at Ora, Daytona Beach, Fla. Call Father David J. Dillon, Jr., 904/252-8997.

WHAT IS BETHEL CENTRE? - Bethesda Christian Medical Conference Center as part of the CMP Center in Tampa will be a meeting place and study center for physicians and medical students who are interested in the spiritual consideration of man according to God's Word. Great consideration is being given to "Spiritual in medicine", psychic healing, para-psychology in healing, psycho-surgery, and similar areas of soul investigation and experimentation. In all of this the true and the real are apt to be ignored. Medical schools may well develop in conjunction with their psychiatric departments, laboratories of psychic research. This the government and socialized medicine will condone while there will be rejection of the Christian approach to spiritual healing-as in Russia-so with the separation of Church and State Doctrine in the USA. So we need to have a center for the legitimate

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