THE MIRACLE OF SUPPLY

"And when the day was already far gone, His disciples came to Him and said, This is a desolate and isolated place, and the hour is now late." Mark 6:35

In this verse from Mark's Gospel we find the setting for one of Jesus' great miracles of compassion and divine supply. Both Tyndale and Coverdale translate the area as being a desert place and another translation calls it a lonely place. It was a place of hunger and a place of impossibility. To the disciples it was a place of doubt and incredulity. Here Jesus took what He had (five loaves and two fish) and after looking up to heaven, praising God and giving thanks, He then broke the loaves and divided the fish and fed the five thousand people who had gathered there to hear His teaching. The lesson is one of using what one has in his hand. What have you available to you just now as you cry out to God in your despair and loneliness? You may be in a desert place, a place of hopelessness. That is just where you will meet Jesus and the miracle of supply will occur. Many great works have been established because of simple faith and trusting in God's loving-provision despite all obvious impossibilities. In our own time the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship, the Christian Broadcasting Network, PTL, Oral Roberts University, and Melodyland have come about because of vision and faith in the midst of impossibility. So it has been also with Christian Medical Foundation. Of late every major Christian work has come under varying forms of stress—financial pressure, adverse publicity, divisions, lack of support, and diminishing interest on the part of God's people to just give a few of the stresses. When CMF came to Tampa there was almost no support and little interest. Initially we found ourselves in a very humble building in one of the worst parts of the city. Our neighbors were Spanish—mainly Roman Catholics and blacks. Most were totally disinterested in our work. We were Episcopalians and the church which opened to us was a Christian Mission of The Disciples of Christ. To us it was a lonely place and a place of despair and hopelessness. Years of training in surgery and in the healing ministry had gone by and we found ourselves in a most unlikely and impossible situation. But the five loaves were there and the two fish, and Jesus broke them and distributed—and multitudes are still to this day being fed and healed and saved. He is our supply. He alone is all we need. God will take care of you. He is meeting your need. He will bring His vision to pass. He will make it happen—not you. "Fear not, stand still and see the salvation of the Lord, which He will work for you today" (Exodus 14:13,14). "The Lord will fight for you and you shall hold your peace and remain at rest." So it was at the Red Sea with Moses and the children of Israel. And so it is with us today. The lonely place, the desert place, the place of despair and impossibility, where logic and reason cannot see a way out—this is where God works His miracles if we will only give to Him with praise. That little bit which we hold and feel is so pitifully insignificant.

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CRAFTS

Many thanks to all who are contributors to the arts and crafts section of the Book Nook. Our sale of these items on Tuesdays has quickly established itself as a beautiful part of CMF life. Purchasers are drawn to the God-given creativity of these art objects and crafts; homes are built up by them; and CMF continues to function, thanks to the income from this and other loving sources.

Although attendance at the Wednesday CRAFT DAY AT CMF (9:30 AM) has been nil this summer, we still welcome a weekly crafts circle of familiar faces and new ones. Do you have any fresh ideas? Imagine the possibilities for such a group and share them with us.--(See Barbara H. or Mary Lou C.). Perhaps the fall and the Lord will bring a circle together again; but do keep your talents (and CMF) in good working order! Thank you,

FUTURE HAPPENINGS

OCTOBER 3,4,5,6,7, 1979—Seventh Annual CMF Conference for Physicians on Logo-Psychosomatic Medicine. Host Airport Hotel, Tampa, Florida. If you have any questions, please contact us at 813/884-7559.

OCTOBER 19,20,21, 1979—Christian Medical Foundation of Canada will hold a conference for all Canadian friends and supporters, Hotel Triumph, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Dr. Reed and Kay speaking.
MONTHLY HAPPENINGS NOTICE

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DAILY PRAYERS AT 1 PM IN THE CMF CHAPEL.
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EVERY TUESDAY--10 AM. Ladies’ Bible Study and sandwich luncheon. Key lectures on "The Christian Family." (PLEASE BRING A SANDWICH IF YOU PLAN TO STAY FOR LUNCH. Only beverages will be served.) Dr. Reed addresses "The Clinical Correlation of the Gospel" at 1 PM. Healing service at 2 PM.

SEPT. 8--Dr. Reed, F.G.B.M.F.I. Crystal River Chapter, dinner meeting, 6:30 PM. A.I.D. Center on Highway 44, Inverness, Fl. Contact Dr. Chas. Magill, 813/795-2133 or 795-3464.

SEPT. 10--Dr. Reed, Conference at Warren State Hospital, Warren, Pa. Contact, Roger Mesmer, M.D., 814/723-5500.


SEPT. 15-17:30 PM. Tampa CMF Station Meeting, 4821 Memorial Highway, Tampa, Fl.

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SEPT. 21--8 PM. St. Petersburg CMF Station Meeting, St. Petersburg Federal Savings & Loan, 83rd Ave. at Ninth St. No., St. Petersburg, Fl. Dr. Reed.

DAYTONA CMF STATION MEETING--no meeting in September. See you in October.

EVERY WEDNESDAY--9:30 AM. CRAFT DAY AT CMF. Bring your own project or come and learn from others. Bring a sandwich and stay for Chapel.

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DOCTORS: "Quality of Life from the Logo-Psychosomatic Point of View" is the subject of CMF’s Seventh Annual Conference for Physicians, to be held Oct. 3-7, 1979, at the Host Airport Hotel in Tampa, Florida. Doctors from the United States, Canada and overseas will be discussing the ways in which they can help to make their patients whole and the ways in which they themselves can become whole through Logo-Psychosomatic Medicine—the medicine of the whole person—body, mind and spirit. Spiritual medical care in the U.S. and Canada will be reported on as well as spiritual medical care in England, Europe, Russia and Israel. The conference will hear from Larry David Samuels, M.D., of Hadassah University Hospital, Jerusalem, and Alexander S. Haraszt, M.D., Ph.D., a director for Eastern European Affairs to Billy Graham. Roman Buchok, M.D., will share about medical practice in the Soviet Union and Spain. American doctors and professors of all specialties including Josefina Magno, M.D., James Hughes, M.D., Lewis Moore, M.D., and Kahn Uyeyama, M.D., will give their views and experiences. William Standish Reed, M.D., President of Christian Medical Foundation, extends an invitation to all doctors and their spouses who desire to learn about the Christian practice of Medicine and of life empowerment through the Holy Spirit.

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