"Now ye are the Body of Christ" First Corinthians 12:27

One of the most beautiful poems of Annie Johnson Flint, a wonderful Canadian lady is the following:

Christ has no hands but our hands to do His work today,
He has no feet but our feet to lead man in His Way,
He has no tongue but our tongue to tell man how He died,
He has no help but our help to bring them to His side,
We are the only Bible the careless world will heed,
We are the sinners' creed;
We are the Lord's best message given in deed and work —
What if the type be crooked? What if the print be blurred?
What if our hands are busy with other work than His?
What if our feet are walking where sin's allurement is?
What if our lips are speaking words His lips would spurn?
How can we hope to help Him and hasten His return?

Dean Gresham stated about Jesus that "He withdrew from human sight that He might be corporately present in the collective consciousness of the group of His followers, they were to be His body—hands and feet and heart and tongue to Him."

Years ago when I was at Oral Roberts University, I spoke on the subject of healing. I stated that I often liked to pray with one hand extended toward God and the other hand be upon the people who came up to seek healing through the laying on of hands. Vep Ellis was present at that meeting and wrote his song, "OH TO BE HIS HAND EXTENDED," the song says "Oh to be His hand extended, reaching out to the oppressed—let me touch Him—Let me touch Jesus, so that others may know and be blessed." This has been a most encouraging and beautiful song through the years and is one of the songs of charismatic renewal. We are to be Jesus' Hands extended. We are to be speaking His Words and to doing the acts that He would do even though in our humanity, we may do His works so incompletely.

As time has gone along through the years and we have had the opportunity to pray for a multitude of people across the United States and Canada and overseas and in the Caribbean, we have many times never known what kind of blessings followed the simple obedience to what Jesus told us to do. "Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse the lepers; drive out devils, Freely you have received; freely give." Matthew 10:8 (Amplified) As we obey this commandment, and do what Jesus tells us to do; signs and wonders will follow. As years pass, people come to us to tell us that they've had their sight restored, their hearing restored, that they've been freed of cancer, multiple sclerosis and a host of other illnesses. This may seem to be almost impossible to believe, however, we have known that it is true. My life has been spent throughout the last thirty years in investigating spiritual healing, in addition to practicing Medicine and Surgery with the difference basically that I have practiced it with a spiritual viewpoint.
and with Christ in my heart and life. I tried to transmit this healing virtue to my patients in every way that I can through speaking, through praying, through the laying on of hands as well as surgery and carrying out the usual things that doctors do for their patients in the highest and best Clinical and Scientific way that I know how. God has abundantly blessed my endeavors and now we are seeing many doctors coming into this discipline across Canada and across the United States. We are about to have our Seventh Annual CMF of Canada meeting this year and it will be our first meeting in conjunction with the Medical Staff and Faculty of the University of Toronto as well as input from the University of Western Ontario. For this we owe many thanks to Dr. Don Denmark and those doctors of Ontario who have been helpful to him. Already, Don is laying plans for the 1985 Conference. We know that God is going to abundantly bless Canada and the United States as we keep our anchor beyond the veil in the Rock, in the Holy of Holies and keep our eyes and our faith fastened on Christ and His Word in these difficult days. God will take us through as He has always done in all times past. What we really are striving for is a new Medicine, a Medicine of spirit, soul and body and we encourage the doctors and nurses of Canada and those who are patients, which includes all of us, to place our hopes in a re-institution of Christian ideals and discipline within the practice of medicine, surgery and psychiatry in Canada, as well as, in the United States. This is a great ambition, but without a vision the people perish.

The Conference in Ontario this year will be September 14 - 16th at the Sutton Place Hotel, Toronto, Ontario. We invite those who are interested in the healing ministry, particularly doctors and nurses to attend, also we invite the clergy and interested laypeople to attend if they can. We are most thankful to Jack MacDonald Thomson of Keswick, Ontario, to Carl and Ruth Laybourn, Bill and Jean Walker, and to all of our Board members including Margaret Perkins, who have been most helpful in making it possible for us to have the kind of success we are beginning to enjoy in Canada. We had a most marvelous meeting at the University of Manitoba in 1983 and are looking forward to picking up the loose ends of that endeavor in the not too distant future, through the great cooperative efforts of Dr. Rod Davison and Dr. Roman Buchok and those who have assisted them in the Manitoba area. Our meetings over Christmas time in Edmonton, Alberta, and the surrounding area were not successful. Even in the midst of the cold, we had great meetings and we look forward to following up what God has begun there, particularly among the doctors who are our dear friends and prayer partners in that part of Canada. (Edmonton and Red Deer) As this letter comes, we extend our prayers and thanks to the wonderful people of Canada for what is being done to make CMF a most successful endeavor in the Dominion. We hope to see you in Toronto, September 14 - 16th!

Faithfully yours in Jesus Christ,

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