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# MIGHTY MIRACLES IN MONGU

A wave of divine love swept across the crusade field, setting people free and bringing hope to the hopeless. The sick were dancing, the blind were seeing and the cripples were running. An explosion of joy seemed to burst across the small town of Mongu in the Western province of Zambia.

It was like watching rain hit dried and cracked ground that was parched because of a long drought. The ground was soaking up every drop of moisture that brought new life. The difference here was that the rain was the gospel and the dried ground was the thousands who came to hear and receive the goodness of God.

A few years ago, we were conducting a pastor's conference in Zambia and Ed asked those leaders where they thought the greatest spiritual need was in their country. The pastors began to share with Ed the places they knew had never had a major gospel crusade. Since that time, this ministry has worked hard to reach those locations with the gospel. One of those areas was the town of Mongu, situated in the far western side of Zambia next to the Zambezi river.

Mongu is a very remote area and is the traditional home of the Lozi people. We had been hearing about the great need in Mongu and how desperate the local churches were for help.

Many months of planning and hard work went into the preparation of this crusade and ministers' conference. It was obvious to all of us that the enemy did not want us to reach our destination and was trying to hinder us from accomplishing what God had called us

to do. Our trucks and crusade team had to take a detour of over 600 miles to get to Mongu because the roads were in such bad condition. They were so bad, the drive shaft on our truck broke causing us to be delayed more than a week.

Upon our arrival, there was a tremendous amount of excitement among us concerning what the Lord had in store for these precious people. Our presence created quite a stir in town as we went about all the necessary preparations for the upcoming crusade. Mongu had never seen anything like this come to town.

A public proclamation and demonstration of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ had never taken place in Mongu. Prior to our outreach, the proclamation of the gospel had only taken place inside a few local churches. The vast majority of people had never been exposed to the message of God's love. We were overwhelmed the first night of the crusade. This place was very rural and sparsely populated so we only anticipated between three and five thousand people attending. To our pleasant surprise, the crowd grew to between 25,000 and 30,000 strong every night. It was a testimony to the hunger the people had to know God.

As Ed stood before a sea of hungry African faces, he began to preach the gospel. The people who had already been standing for hours listened intently. There was very little moving around which is unusual for a crowd that size. As Ed preached they seemed to soak up every word that was spoken and God seemed to fill the place with His love.

Ed said later that he felt like he was caught up in a river of God's love that was washing over the people.

Matthew 4:16 came alive that night. *"The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death, light is sprung up."* The glory of God filled the dry dusty field as the sea of faces lit up with the hope of the gospel in their hearts. After Ed finished preaching on the goodness of God, he began to pray for the sick. Many were healed before he even prayed. Shouts and rejoicing could be heard throughout the crowd as people were experiencing a divine touch from God. The miracle working power of God flowed like a river and the air was filled with excitement at what God had done for the people.

As word spread through the crowd about what the Lord had done, shouts of

victory like you would hear at a sporting event filled the field. Many of those that were healed made their way to the platform to share with the crowd what the Lord had done for them.

One of the first people to come forward was an old woman who had been blind for many years. She was jumping up and down with excitement at what had happen to her. She shouted her testimony to the crowd not trusting our sound system was powerful enough to carry her words for everyone in the back to hear. She explained that she had been blind for a long time and when she heard that God loved her, she asked Jesus to open her eyes and immediately her eyes were opened.



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Ed asked her to touch his nose to show the crowd that she had been healed. With a big smile on her face, the old woman moved toward Ed with her arm outstretched to touch his nose. Ed slowly moved backward, weaving from side to side to test the woman's new found eyesight. She caught on quickly and followed every step, pursuing Ed like a cat after a mouse. The crowd shouted encouragement as the woman moved even faster. Then, suddenly, when she was within striking distance, she thrust her hand out toward Ed's nose and grabbed it. The crowd shouted with joy and Ed yelled in pain as the woman in her excitement would not let go of Ed's nose. Finally, she let go and he danced with her on the platform rejoicing with her at this great miracle of God.

The next one to come and testify was a young teenage girl who had been deaf for five years. Tears were pouring down her cheeks as she told the crowd what Jesus had done for her. Ed stood behind her and had her repeat everything that he was saying and the excitement of the crowd grew.

One of the more memorable miracles

was an older man who was paralyzed on the right side of his body. He came not really expecting anything to happen to him. He used a crutch to help himself get around and was in constant pain. As he listened to the gospel being preached, he heard things about Jesus that no one had ever told him. When prayer was offered for the sick, he asked the Lord to heal him. He said that the power of God hit his body and he threw down his crutch and started to jump up and down with excitement that the pain and the paralysis were gone. He chased Ed all around the platform to show the crowd that Jesus had healed him. As the people shouted for joy at this wonderful miracle, he kept shouting, "God is good, God is good!"

There was a mighty breakthrough of God's power that first night as Ed challenged the people with the reality of the gospel. He told the crowd that if Jesus wasn't alive then He could not do such wonderful miracles, but what you have seen here tonight is proof to you that Jesus Christ is alive and cares for you. When Ed asked how many wanted to receive Jesus as Lord and Savior, over 20,000 hands went up. Surely, heaven was rejoicing that night over what was happening in Mongu. All the area pastors who had participated in this crusade were amazed to see the response. Many openly cried tears of joy at what was taking place in their city.

Night after night, the Spirit of God moved in a powerful way to set the captives free from sin and bondage. Multitudes were added to the kingdom of God and Mongu will never be the same again. We are so thankful for having the opportunity to bring the message of the gospel to people who are so hungry for it.

The large refugee population in the area was one of the reasons for the large attendance. Angola has been in a civil war for years and many people fleeing the war have come to Zambia for safety. We believe that many who were touched in this crusade will go back to their nation when peace comes and take the gospel of Jesus Christ to their own people. God is busy preparing them to be missionaries in their own nation. Praise God!

We were also able to see a new church birthed out of this crusade and others grow considerably. Revival came to the local church and also to many Christians who had grown cold in their faith. The Holy Spirit did a great work in the hearts of many of the local pastors,



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bringing them together in marvelous unity for this crusade. They have committed to working together to teach and train the harvest from this crusade.

A very special thank you to all of the mission partners who helped with their



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prayers and financial support for this crusade. It would not have been possible without your obedience to God. God's kingdom is richer because of your generosity and Hell is poorer. Together we will see the ripe harvest fields of Africa brought into the Kingdom of God.

Luke 15:7 "I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance."

# FLAMING FIRE MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

Heb 1:7 "And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire."

"My life will never be the same again! God has changed me by His love and His Word," was one pastor's comment. Our Ministers' Conference held during our Mongu crusade was a tremendous success! Many lives were changed by the teaching of the Word of God. Over 25 churches

see a practical demonstration of the power of God as people were set free and saved. This demonstration of God's power created such a hunger for God and demonstrated to the ministers God's way of reaching their nation. Over 75% of these ministers had never received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Many had been taught that it wasn't for today but after Ed taught on the anointing of God and emphasized the power that God has for

"you have taught us who we are in Christ and we feel that we can do and accomplish anything for God. Others have tried to get us to see our identities from who we are as Africans but that leaves us feeling confused. Now, we know who we are in Jesus and we also know who He is on the inside of us and knowing this has changed me forever!"

On the final day of the conference, we saw a tremendous move of the Spirit as



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were represented in our conference and many of these people traveled a great distance to attend the meetings. These men and women had a tremendous spiritual hunger. It was so encouraging to watch as they seemed to devour the Word of God as it was taught. Their hearts were to see God impact their nation and bring the power of God to their people.

During the day we taught them the Word of God and in the evening they were able to

the believer, faith filled their hearts to receive all that God had for them. There was a great move of the Spirit of God that day and every person was filled with the Holy Spirit.

Every subject that was taught seemed to minister to the pastors exactly what they needed to hear from God. One pastor said,

hands were laid on each delegate of the conference by all those who came to teach. The power of God was evident as fear and discouragement seemed to be broken over many and replaced with boldness, confidence and a new vision for their nation.

We were so blessed to have the help of Rev. David Newberry, Rev. Marty Carr, and Rev. Kier Taylor.

Here are a few letters we have received.

Dear Pastor,

May you be in good health and prosper in everything just as your soul prospers.

Well, the crusade and ministers meetings were of great value to me personally as a church leader and more to the glory of our Lord Christ. The church here has been blessed abundantly by the influx of those who accepted and received Jesus in their lives during the crusades. Mongu has really felt the move and touch of the Lord.

Keep up the work of the Lord in your World Outreach evangelical programs. God bless you.

Yours in the Lords service,  
Pastor Martin Mukels  
Mongu, Zambia

Dear Crusade Team,

I greet you in the most precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ the redeemer. I believe you are all well as I know you prosper spiritually. I and my family are all alright and the Lord is blessing us everyday.

In regards to the crusade that was held here, the results are overwhelming. It was a great spiritual revival. For me and my Ministry the blessings are great. I benefited very much from the pastors' meetings which brought together with us anointed men of God. We continue praising the Lord because of His power, our churches are full of new souls, HALLELUJAH! The crusade is still up to now the talk of the town and people continue asking us as we follow the converts when you are coming again. I continue praying and asking the Lord that you may consider giving Mongu a second chance some time this year. That will help in quenching peoples spiritual thirst.

May the Lord richly bless you. Your brother in Christ,

Pastor S.K. Naryama,  
Mongu, Zambia

Dear Director,

We greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior. We hope and trust that you all returned home and had a safe journey. We are blessed that people like you would come out to this very far place and preach to us the gospel of our Lord. Our church has benefited more from the ministers meeting and the crusade as a whole. New people are coming in our church all the time. In my next letter I will send you a list of great testimonies for you to read which we are still recording. But this is not just happening in my church alone but in all the churches in Mongu.

Greeting to Pastor Elliott, you are mighty servants of God. God bless you.  
Pastor Joe M. Makagwe  
Redeemed Christian Church of God  
Mongu, Zambia

**W**e have moved our mission base from Rustenburg to a place called Farmall on the outskirts of Johannesburg. For the past eight and a half years, we lived and worked from Rustenburg where we rented a house and buildings. From Rustenburg, the airport was a two hour drive from our house. We were frequently making the long trip for the purpose of flying into neighboring countries for our work. We also wanted to be closer to our home church, which was a one and a half hour drive. Our boys are reaching school age and we needed access to good schools. With all of our technical side of the ministry, we were constantly driving to Johannesburg for equipment repairs and a host of other administrative chores.

Early last year, we sensed that the Lord was showing us it was time to move and buy our own piece of property. As you know, there is only so much you can do on land that you do not own. After searching for six months, we found what we believe is the ideal location to serve all of our ministry and family needs. There is a school half mile down the road and we are just a ten minute drive from our home church.

The property we have purchased is five acres with a warehouse to store all of our crusade equipment and vehicles, a large house and a six car garage. We are in the process of converting the garage into offices for the ministry and part of the house will also be used for office space. There is a guest room to house visiting ministers, as well as traveling missionaries. We are so blessed and excited about this new mission base and the potential that it offers our ministry for



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supported our work and share our need with them. God was so good to us as many of them enthusiastically jumped in to help us raise the down payment. We praise God for the faithful friends of this ministry. We were able to purchase the property and as I write this letter we are busy with all the renovations to the offices and the warehouse.

One area of prayer I hope you will join us in, is to see this property totally paid off. We still owe an additional \$113,000 that we have financed through the local bank. This is with a home loan interest rate of 16% and that is still 1% percent lower than what the public pays. I am sure you can see why we want to pay off this property as soon as possible. We also need an additional \$15,000 to complete all the renovations to the offices and warehouse. Please pray and agree with us that these needs will all be met. If you would like to help in meeting this need by sending a special offering, take the offering envelope and write on the inside that this is for the building fund. Together, we will see God do a great miracle in paying off this mission base.

## **BREAKTHROUGH TO A MIRACLE**

**Do you or anyone you know need a miracle? In this tape BREAKTHROUGH TO A MIRACLE Ed teaches on what is needed to bring about a breakthrough of God's miraculous power. He has preached this message throughout Africa and the results are dynamic. Blind eyes have opened, cripples have walked, deaf ears have opened and many other great healings have occurred due to people putting these simple principles together and acting in faith.**

**This tape will make a great gift for anyone who is desiring a divine touch from God. At the end of the message the listener has an opportunity to put his faith in action and receive a miracle. There are some wonderful testimonies of God's power from people who were touched and healed during the service as this message was preached. You can experience the power of the gospel in demonstration as you listen to this tape.**

## **Partners in Change**

Johnny Appleseed sowed apple seeds wherever he went and left a trail of apple trees as evidence he had been there. In like manner, we are sowing the Word of God throughout Southern and Central Africa and are seeing a trail of revival! New churches are being established, old churches are revived and refreshed, and cities, towns, villages, and refuge camps are all being shaken by God's love and old-fashioned Gospel power as seeds are being sown and the harvest is reaped.

Pray about joining our team as a Mission Partner. Help keep our bag full of seed. It is an investment that pays eternal dividends in this life and the next. Your finances will go towards building the Kingdom of God.

## **How to become a Mission Partner**

If you would like to become one of our monthly supporters, take the enclosed envelope, fill in your monthly gift, and mark on the envelope that you are becoming a monthly partner. This will enable us to know who you are as well as keep you posted on many other aspects of our work through our partner letters. We also want to bless you with a gift from our ministry that will always remind you to pray for the African

# THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL

PART 1 by ED ELLIOTT

Years ago Africa was commonly referred to as the DARK CONTINENT not because of the color of the peoples' skin but because the light of the gospel had not penetrated the nations. Today, Africa can be called a CONTINENT OF LIGHT because of the revival fires that are burning throughout the land. Yes, Africa is in the midst of a history-making move of God.

On the other hand, witchcraft and false religions are still firmly rooted in many Africans' lives. Human sacrifices and muti murders continue to make the headlines of local papers. [Muti is an African term for medicine. People are murdered for their body parts which are used in making medicine for the purpose of witchcraft.]

The Apostles were confronted with the same situation. In their day, it was false religion, witchcraft, devil worship, hostile governments and leaders who thought they were God.

There is one common expression throughout the New Testament "they preached the Gospel." It is the most powerful message in the world! In it you will find the revelation of God's

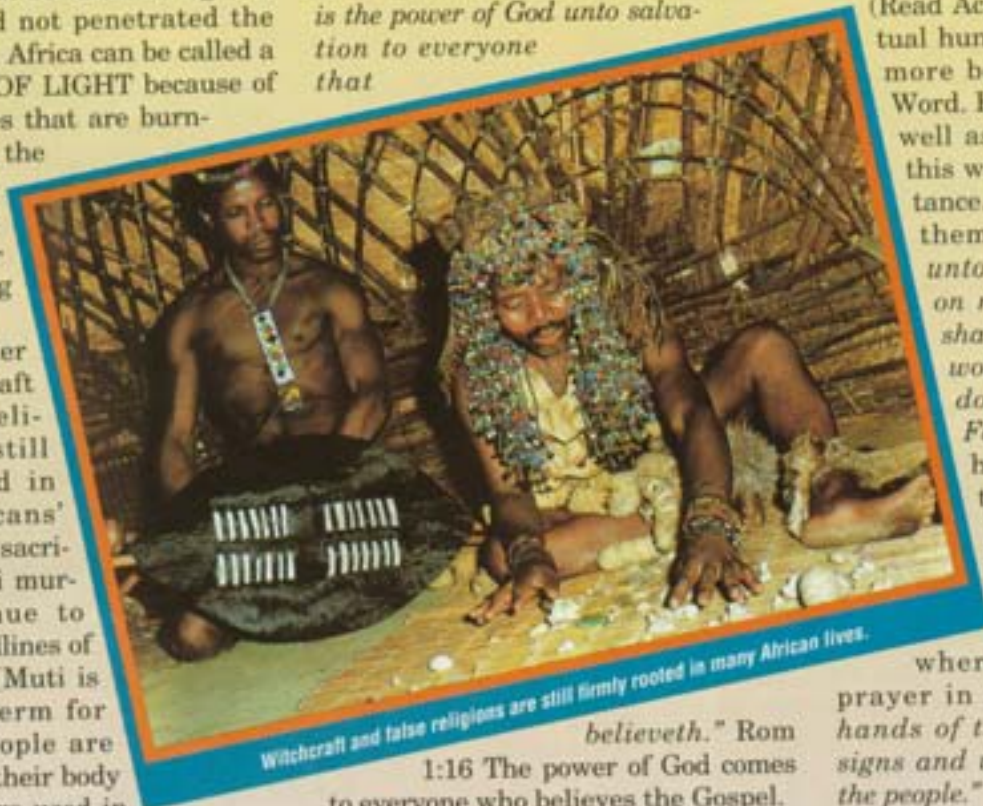
love and acceptance, backed by His power to save, heal and deliver. The Apostle Paul says, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that

and assist them in evangelizing the world, as Jesus had commissioned them to do, that we see their desperate cry to God for more of His power. (Read Acts 4: 29-31.) Their spiritual hunger cried out to God for more boldness to preach the Word. Healings and miracles as well as signs and wonders — this was their spiritual inheritance. Did not the Lord say to them, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father." John 14:12 They had seen the works and they had been used to perform the same works. This was their way of life and they were addicted to it. We see

where God answered their prayer in Acts 5:12 "And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people."

A close examination of the early church will show us that they preached FOR something, not against something.

Acts 8:5-8 "Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them. And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out



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believeth." Rom 1:16 The power of God comes to everyone who believes the Gospel.

As you read through the New Testament, especially the book of Acts, you see a dramatic change take place every time the Gospel is preached. Thousands were added to the church, great miracles of healing astounded many and the very foundations of false religions were shaken to the core with the reality of Jesus Christ.

So dependent was the early church on the power of God to help

of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed. And there was great joy in that city."

Philip's success was based on the fact that he preached the gospel, good news to people who were lost and bound in sin. He did not preach against witchcraft or dead religion but he preached Christ! He told them about Jesus and the new life that God offers to those who will believe in His Son. Philip did more than just preach, he demonstrated the power of God to those that were in Samaria. They saw the proof of what Philip was saying. He did not argue that his God was bigger than their god but he showed the people that his God was bigger. Over the years, I have watched people argue for the cause of Christ and many times they seemed to win the argument but lost the convert. The Gospel that we preach is a message of power. Jesus promised us that power if we will be bold enough to preach it. Mark 16:15-20 "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen."

I will never forget a few years ago when we were in the country of Mozambique. We were holding cru-

sades in the capital city of Maputo, preaching the gospel to a crowd of over fifty thousand people. At that time, the country had been in a civil war for over twenty years. The evidence of

and Savior! They were kneeling and praising God for over forty-five minutes. We saw God do outstanding miracles as cripples, blind and deaf people were healed. The keys of the kingdom were opening the prison doors and the people were running out of darkness as fast as their hearts could take them. The following day, these pre-

precious people began to bring their items of witchcraft and idols for us to burn. By the end of the week, we had a small mountain of things to burn. We had over twelve witchdoctors bring all the instruments of their practice to be burned. They had seen the power of God heal people that they could not heal and they were now ready to serve Jesus.

On the final day of the crusade, we burned all these items of witchcraft and false religions and there was a great praise service as we sent Satan's deception back to hell.

Now, I know that the religious people of the world will fight and debate whether miracles are for today or if they are really necessary. Some even believe that they have passed away all together. They boldly claim that the day of miracles is over! But I have news for them, there never was a day of miracles, only a GOD of miracles and HE said, "For I am the LORD, I change not" Mal 3:6. "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever." Heb 13:8.

Explaining away the power of God will not cause us to be more effective. Man's wisdom is a poor substitute for the power of God.

1 Thess. 1:5 "For our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in POWER, and in the Holy Ghost."

1 Cor. 4:20 "For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in POWER."

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Almost immediately the following day these precious people began to bring their items of witchcraft and idols for us to burn. By the end of the week we had a small mountain of things to burn.

war was all around. Burnt and shot up vehicles littered the road, fear and hopelessness filled the eyes of the people. A state of emergency was in force. It seemed like someone on every corner was carrying a gun. Each night, as we went to sleep, we would hear gun shots throughout the night. It was the way of life during that time.

Each evening, we would proclaim the Gospel to a sea of hungry people. Their dreams were shattered by the war and many of them had lost a family member or close friend. They were well acquainted with death and misery. The sound system blared the promises of God across the field to people who were searching for something they had not yet found. God's love began to penetrate the hearts that had been hardened by many years of war. The Holy Spirit was doing His wonderful work in drawing people to the Father through the Son. The Gospel was becoming alive in the people and discouragement was being replaced with faith and hope. Each night, thousands would respond to the altar call. On one particular night, over forty thousand people received Jesus as their Lord



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Ed and Laurie Elliott, missionaries to Southern and Central Africa, are committed to taking the gospel of Jesus Christ to the world. They have been working and living in Africa for the past 11 years. Their ministry is two-fold.

**EVANGELISM** — Ed and Laurie have traveled into the countries of Zambia, Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Botswana, Swaziland, Namibia, Malawi and South Africa holding crusades and establishing churches. They currently have a ministry base in Johannesburg, South Africa. It is strategically located to reach the countries God has called them to reach.

**TEACHING SEMINARS** — Ed's teaching ministry focuses on the African pastors and other nationals who feel the call of God on their lives. Teaching and training the African people is the key to revival in Africa.

Many of you have asked how to write Ed and Laurie directly. Their new Africa office is:

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# HOW TO SPONSOR A MAJOR GOSPEL CRUSADE IN AFRICA



The gospel is free. Jesus does not charge for the free gift of salvation. It is offered to all who will accept it but it does cost to spread the gospel across the world. The great crusades, which are being held throughout Southern and Central Africa, are reaping a great harvest for the Lord but there is a cost; fuel for the trucks, stadium rental, teaching aides, follow up material, food for our team, fuel for the generator, upkeep and repair, maintenance, posters, handbills and many other items too numerous to mention.

The cost for a major gospel crusade is only \$5000. Tens of thousands of people are eternally affected by the impact of God's love and power. If you or your church would like to sponsor a major Gospel crusade in Africa for \$5,000 please contact our U.S.A. office and let them know your desire.

As a sponsor, we will send you a video with highlights of that particular crusade so that you will be able to see what your investment produced for the Kingdom of God. We will also send you a flag of that nation and other information that will help you pray for the upcoming crusade that you sponsor.



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