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*...Serving the Body of Christ by Identifying, Teaching, Training,
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Dear Believer:

May the great joy of this Thanksgiving and Advent season remind you of our Lord's anticipated soon return. Maranatha.

As we were ending the Monthly Prayer Letter last time we shared a report that Christianity is growing at 3.5 times the world population growth. I have seen new information in the same vein of exponential growth of the kingdom. A figure reports an average of **214,000 new believers per day**. That is over 78 million per year. How awesome that is! The Lord brought a scripture to my attention within the last few months. I believe it fits with these reports. It is Acts 7:17 – “But when the time of the promise drew nigh, which God had sworn to Abraham, the people grew and multiplied in Egypt...” Years ago the Lord impressed upon my spirit that there are distinct similarities between Israel coming out of Egypt and the Church before the return of Christ. Another recent report coming to me is that in Israel people generally are saying that something big is coming. In the Messianic communities they believe the something is the return of the Lord. Anticipation is growing among believers throughout the world. Let us be found servants faithful to the labor assigned to us as we are looking for the return of our Lord.

From pastors we are hearing that great humility is necessary and unity is indeed warfare. We need more prayer, not general prayer, but specific quality time with God. Nothing else will give us the kingdom understanding we need.

From intercessors we are hearing that a powerful spirit of repentance is being poured out. God is softening the hearts of His people to seek Him and is also doing so with those who need to know Him. The Lord's hand is moving faster. There is a real sense of Him drawing nearer to His church. The governing aspects of Christ are becoming more evident. This is especially true in local focus target areas assigned to us. More and more people are experiencing the Lord's presence in new and powerful ways. We need to stop worrying about things over which we have no control while at the same time “pray beyond belief” because Jesus is really meeting people at their place of need. We truly do have the authority that Christ has given us and we need to walk in it.

There is no growth without relationship; we must stay in relationship with the Lord and with each other, but do not put your hope in people. It will be deferred and make your heart sick. Live a life of continual thanksgiving. The praise of God through testimonies is increasing. Let it increase in and through you.

This month and looking to a new year let us remember the admonition of II Chron 7:14 which says, “If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray, seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, forgive their sin and heal their land.” Let us also remember 1 Jn 5:14-15 “And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he hears us: and if we know that he hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.” Let us focus on the Lord and seek His heart so that we always ask according to His will.

Sincerely,
William W. Lumry, II

PS: We want to share a gift to this ministry from Pastor Carl Willis. He made a couple of videos for us, one to pastors and one to intercessors. Please check it out at the following web address: <http://spmnius.org/mediashows.html>.

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