



# WindSock

*Teaching, Modeling, and Imparting Responsiveness to the Holy Spirit for Life and Ministry.*

*The Logbook of Fresh Wind Ministries*

## TEACHING: Handling Fear

by Mike Flynn

Years ago I was pacing back and forth in front on the altar at St. Jude's in Burbank, stewing about a very real problem facing us. At one point I paused before turning around to pace back the other way. I glanced up at Jesus, Whom I always have sitting on a throne to illustrate His Kingship. And He spoke to me by showing me a comic picture of Himself leaning over the edge of the throne with a ghastly look of fright on His face while wringing His hands in abject distress. The instant I saw it I burst out laughing, for that is surely not how He ever is. Then I relaxed and began having faith for His solution to our problem. Sure enough, He took care of it in fine order.

The problems we have with the economy are very real. But I don't think our God is wringing His hands over them in distress. If He is at all worried, it's probably because we've forgotten how to avail ourselves of His presence and power. So let me remind you of a few ways to "faith up to it."

1. First, thank Him. I spent several pages of my *Mustard Seed Book* on this technique, which is based on Eph. 5.20, "always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." We can thank God for everything--good and bad--because He has the capability to turn anything for good. Don't pretend you *feel* thankful; just do it willfully, remembering that faith operates in

the human will. So you can say things like this: Thank You Lord for the problems in the economy. Thank You that I might lose my job. Thank You that we have less income. Thank You that I'm worried about it. Thank You that I don't feel thankful.

Saying Thank You is one means of having faith, and faith is what turns Him on. He goes to work on whatever you thank Him for whether it is outside or inside you. I once thanked Him for depression, which was my worst enemy as a young adult, for half an hour. It went away. The next time, a few months later, it only took 10 minutes. Thanking God lets Him fulfill a glorious promise in Rom. 8:28, "in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." I have an almost endless list of things God has done for me because I thanked Him.

If something catastrophic occurs, thanking God immediately can get His help going faster than anything else, and His help is always what we need.

2. Second, use your authority. Jesus made some amazing promises to us in the Gospels: e.g., Lk 10.19, "I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you." Because you are a follower of Jesus Christ, He gives you His own authority to do a wide number of things. But you have to start experimenting with how to use it effectively. His authority doesn't

just erupt out of you automatically. You have to remind yourself of who you are and what He has given you. Then you have to speak that authority out over a given situation or need or problem or enemy.

For example, I mentioned in a previous WindSock that I bless drivers in front of me on congested free-ways and that within 5 minutes the traffic is flowing freely. I've done this numerous times. It works! As Bill Johnson says, when we speak out of our authority in faith, those words change the atmosphere of the situation we're dealing with.

Speak out your authority over your job, your employers, your resources, your needs. And then keep your antenna waving to perceive what He does about it.

3. Third, seek His counsel. Decades ago the Lord taught me that His peace was to be the decider in decisions: Col. 3.15, "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts." So, I put propositions to Him like this: "I think You want me to re-fi." Then I pause and perceive what's happening in my heart, beneath my sternum. If I perceive stillness, that is peace which is "yes" to the comment I made. If I perceive agitation

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July 9-12	Diocese of Springfield, in Normal, IL	Healing Course (16 session)	309-454-4903
July 20-24	Nashotah House Seminary	Sure Foundations Intensive Course	770-952-2670
July 27-30	Order of St. Luke National Conf, Berea OH	Keynote talks on Faith	mgieselmann@att.net
Oct 16-18	Diocese of Albany	Deacons Retreat	518-765-4625
Oct 18-22	Diocese of South Carolina	Congregational Revitalization	770-952-2670
Nov 16-27	Province of Uganda	Healing Courses	805-383-1269

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there, that is unpeace which is "no." This simple act has gotten me into some wonderful situations and kept me out of some awful ones. For God foresees the ramifications of present decisions and is willing to advise us about them.

Your mind and your gut may be doing flip-flops while you put propositions to the Lord, but you only have to be aware of what your peace is doing. Often, to countercheck it, I restate it in the negative to see what happens: "OK, I think You don't want me to re-fi." If the peace does the opposite, that is confirmation. That is, if I had peace when I said "I think You want me to re-fi" and unpeace or agitation when I say "I think You don't want me to re-fi", that is the same answer. It is confirmation.

These three behaviors have the result of putting fear in its place. When you put fear in its place, it stops having the ability to motivate you.

## UGANDA AGAIN! BIG TIME!

The Archbishop of Uganda, The Most Rev. Henry Orombi, has invited us back to extend, clarify, and refresh the ministry of healing there. On 3 previous missions we have trained 500 clergy and lay leaders how to train others in the ministry of healing. They have done a glorious work. Some individuals we trained have over 2000 testimonies of those who have been healed by their ministries.

Our time in Uganda will be Nov. 14-28. This trip will be as large as all the previous trips put together. A central conference in the capitol of Kampala will host about 100 healing officers and leaders from the 31 dioceses that make up the whole province. This conference will train them in putting on the Healing Course, respond to questions that have emerged about healing, and supply refreshment to a busy and tired group of faithful ministers. Clear teaching on the integration of healing into local church life will be stressed.

Then we will recruit some of them to accompany FreshWind teams from the US and send them to 3 regions in Uganda to put on the 4-day Healing Course for about 150 leaders each. After that we will gather again in Kampala to debrief and celebrate God's accomplishments before heading home. Each team will consist of 4 or 5 FreshWind leaders plus an equal number of Ugandans. On each team will be presenters--to handle the 16 teaching sessions--, hands-on ministry members who will model skills and coach participants, as well as intercessors who will undergird the conferences with prayer and power. Please read this letter from a FreshWind Board Member:

### **FreshWind Mission to Uganda**

Dear Friend of FreshWind Ministries, Since 2003 Mike and Sue Flynn have been to Uganda three times, teaching both Anglican clergy and laity about healing and deliverance. The teaching has been tremendously successful with 28 of the 31 dioceses in Uganda impacted so far. For example one of those trained has had over 2000 healings since then! Another has trained an additional 1030 people in 179 congregations how to pray for the sick. A third trainee goes to high schools where he teaches about chastity. After the talk he gives an altar call. Typically about 150 young people come forward. He has done this in over 100 schools so far! There have been thousands of salvations, healings, and deliverances as a result of FreshWind's ministry in Uganda.

As a result, Archbishop Henry Orombi recently wrote to Mike asking him to come in November to hold four more healing courses. He wants FreshWind to hold a central conference near Kampala, the capital of Uganda. Invited to this conference would be the healing/evangelism officer and several lay leaders from each of the 31 dio-

ceses. Following this conference, the FreshWind team would split and join with local leaders to hold an additional three conferences simultaneously in different parts of the county.

Mike is recruiting a team of about 12 from the States who will travel with him at their own expense to Uganda. The church in Uganda is very poor with the average pastor earning about US\$50 per month. They cannot afford to pay for airfare or honorarium for FreshWind. They are so poor that they cannot even afford to pay for their own room and board when they attend the Healing Conferences that last four days each. FreshWind does ask them to provide their own transportation to the conferences.

FreshWind's expenses for the November trip to Uganda are estimated to be about \$17,000. Of this amount, about \$3500 is for airfare for the Flynn's, the rest is for very simple room and board for the hundreds who will be attending the conferences.

This is one of the most fruitful places that Mike has ever ministered. With his Episcopalian background plus years of ministering in the power of the Holy Spirit, he is ideally suited to teach the church in Uganda. Will you join me in sending a monthly gift from now until November so that the major expenses of this trip can be met? One time gifts are welcome too, of course. This is a kingdom opportunity not to be missed.

--Gary Watts M.D., member of the FreshWind Board

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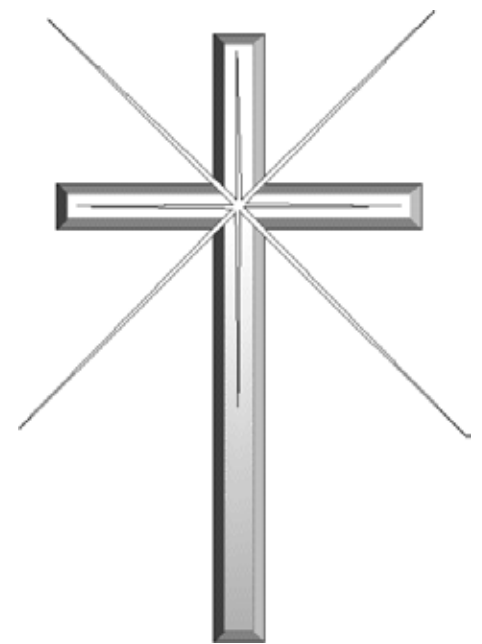
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Thanks a million for your consideration,

--The Board of FreshWind Ministries

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# THE BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

(a partial excerpt from Mike's How To Be Good Without Really Trying)

## I. THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IS FORETOLD IN ALL FOUR GOSPELS

- Matthew 3:11, "He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire."
- Mark 1:7f, "I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."
- Luke 3:16, "He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire."
- John 1:33, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is he who will baptize with the Holy Spirit."

## II. EACH GOSPEL HAS A FORM OF THE GREAT COMMISSION, AND EACH COMMISSION HAS A PROCLAMATION COMPONENT AND A POWER COMPONENT.

### Proclamation Component

- Mt. 28:19, "make disciples"  
Mk.16:15, "Go...and preach"  
Lk. 24:47, "repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached"  
Jn. 20:23, "If you remit ... sins"

### Power Component

- Mt. 28:18, "All authority ..."  
Mk.16:17, "And these signs..."  
Lk. 24:49, "I am going to send you what my Father has promised... power"  
Jn. 20:22, "Receive the Holy Spirit"

## III. JESUS SAID HE WOULD SEND THE HOLY SPIRIT

- John 14:15-17, 26, "I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor..."
- John 15:26, "When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father..."
- John 16:7, 13-15, 24, "I will send him to you."

## IV. LATER STILL, JESUS TOLD THEM NOT TO GO ANYWHERE UNTIL THEY RECEIVED (MORE) POWER. It appears that Jesus' attitude

is that it takes God's power to do God's work.

- Luke 24:49, "but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."
- Acts 1:4-5, 8, "but wait for the gift my Father promised..." "...but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." ... "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you."

## V. THE PROMISE OF JESUS AND JOEL 2:28 IS FULFILLED ON THE DAY OF PENTECOST

• Acts 2 tells of tongues, prophesy, empowered preaching

• Acts 2:41 previously frightened Peter is now used to boldly save 3000

## VI. THE REST OF ACTS TELLS OF POWER BREAKING OUT.

## VII. APPARENTLY ALL BELIEVERS ARE MEANT TO RECEIVE THIS BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

- Acts 8:14-17 Philip in Samaria
- Acts 19:1-7 Paul in Ephesus

## VIII. VARIETIES OF GIFTS CAN BE EXPERIENCED (JESUS' ABILITIES)

- 1 Corinthians 12:7 *phaneroosis* = manifestations
- 1 Corinthians 14:12 *pneumatoon* = lit. spirituals
- Romans 12:6 *charismata* = gifts or graces
- Ephesians 4:7 *dorea s* = person-gifts or gifted persons

## IX. THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT CAN BE EXPERIENCED (JESUS' CHARACTER QUALITIES)

- Galatians 5:22, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control."

## X. WAYS IN WHICH PEOPLE ARE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT VARY

- *at the same moment* as conversion, Acts 19:5ff
- *after* having received Jesus as Savior, Acts 8.15f, Acts 9:17f

- *before* having confessed Jesus as Savior, Acts 10:44
- *sovereignly*, Acts 2:1-4, Acts 10:44
- *through the laying on of hands*, Acts 8:15, Acts 9:17, Acts 19:5

## XI. A CLARIFICATION

• All who have received Jesus as Savior already have the Holy Spirit *in* them. This is for salvation, becoming a child of God, standing to inherit eternal life, and for membership in the universal Body of Christ. The appropriate sacrament is baptism.

• The Baptism in the Holy Spirit is for empowerment and for fruit-bearing. This is being *filled* with the Spirit. The appropriate sacrament in liturgical churches is confirmation, which can also be called the "ordination of the laity."

## XII. A SUGGESTED PRAYER

"Lord Jesus, I now affirm that You are my Savior and that I have professed You as my Savior and Lord. I acknowledge that You are the only way to the Father and that You have entered my heart, given me new birth, and that You pledge to forgive my sins every time I confess them. "What's more, You are also the Baptizer in the Holy Spirit. In preparation for asking You to fill me with the Holy Spirit,

- "I confess my sins and ask You to forgive me
- "I repent of and renounce any involvement in spiritual forces that are not of You (astrology, transcendental meditation, shakras, palm reading, divination, tarot cards, occult religions/practices, new age spirituality, auras, healing by means other than those sanctioned by Scripture, etc.)

• "I wish to be empowered by the Holy Spirit for fruitfulness and giftedness in relationship with and service to You.

• "Therefore, Lord Jesus, I ask You to fill me with the Holy Spirit. And by faith—as exercised by my will—I declare that You are filling me with the Holy Spirit, whether or not I feel anything. And I thank You."

## XIII. FUNCTIONS OF THE SPIRIT

A. Gifts – Romans 12, 1 Corinthians 12-14, Ephesians 4.

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B. Fruit - Galatians 5:22

C. And much more:

Romans 2:29, 5:5, 8:48:9, 8:14, 8:26, 8:27, 14: 15:13, 15:16, 15:19, 1 Cor-  
inthians 2:10, 2:12 2:13, 3:16, 6:11,  
12:312:4, 12:7; 2 Corinthians 1:22, 3:6,  
3:17, 3:18, 13:14, Galatians 3:2, 3:5,  
3:144:6, 5:22, 6:8, Ephesians 1:13,  
1:17, 2:18, 3:5, 3:16, 4:3, 4:30, 5:18,  
6:18,

#### XIV. THINGS THE SPIRIT DOES

A. Convicts (not condemns) -  
“When the people heard this, they  
were cut to the heart” (Acts 2:37)

B. Heals - “Does God give you  
His Spirit and work miracles among  
you because you observe the law or  
because you believe what you heard?”  
(Galatians 3:5)

C. Blesses - “joy given by the Holy  
Spirit” (1 Thessalonians 1:6).

D. Comforts - “and encouraged by  
the Holy Spirit, it [the church] grew in  
numbers...

E. Anoints - “Do not neglect your  
gift, which was given you through a  
prophetic message when the body of  
elders laid their hands on you”  
(2 Timothy 4:14).

F. Directs - “Set apart Barnabas  
and Saul for the work to which I have  
called them” (Acts 13:2)

G. A comment: the Spirit works in  
agreement with Scriptures, but is not  
limited to them. The Bible is the menu,  
not the meal; it points to the kinds of  
things we can do with the direction,  
empowerment, and collaboration of  
God. With the Spirit, we can be doers  
of a living Word and not merely hear-  
ers of the Word.

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### Here’s the bottom line:

+ renewed, disciplined, and anointed people produce ministry and mission

+ FreshWind produces renewed, disciplined and anointed followers

### We ask you to help us “produce” FreshWind.

We highly value all forms of aid: prayer, finances, and ministry team participation. Please look over this response form and see if the Lord would speak to you about your support of this ministry.

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If you would like to receive Mike’s monthly Intercessor’s letter and pray regularly for this ministry, please log onto [www.freshwindministries.org](http://www.freshwindministries.org) and click on the “Contact” heading. In the box for questions or comments, please state you’d like to receive the letter.

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