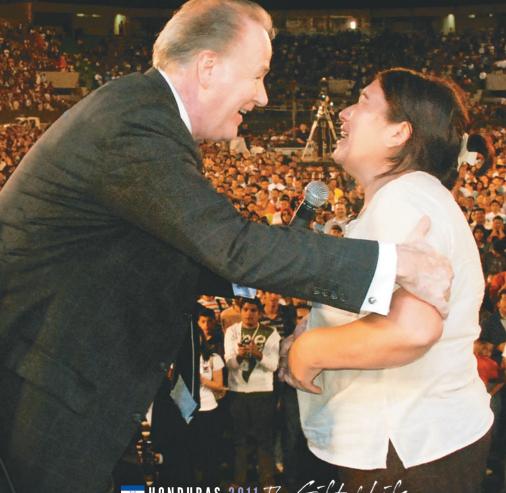
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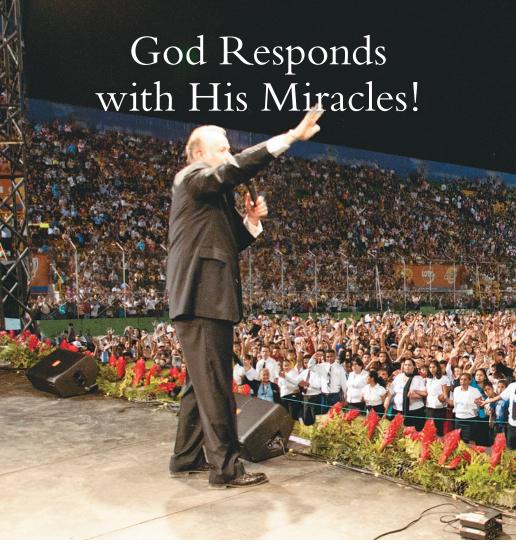
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A S CHRISTIANS, we are God's hands, His feet, and His mouth-piece here on earth. We have the great privilege of sharing the Good News of Jesus with others.

In February, He opened a door for this ministry to the nation of Honduras. I have never seen a crusade quite like it. God is moving in Central America, and the Honduras crusade proves that He does miracles when we do our part to share Him with the world.

The people were so hungry for the Lord! They came by the tens of thousands to hear the Gospel, and the crowds were among the largest Honduras has ever seen. We have received reports that as many as 40,000 people received Jesus as Lord during the crusade week and one of the local churches reported growth of hundreds



of new members overnight because of the way God moved among the people.

The Lord told me I would see some of the greatest miracles I'd ever seen in Honduras. Testimonies continue to come to me of great healings and miracles. Blind people saw, deaf people heard, and crippled people began to walk!

I want to thank everyone who gave their time, prayers, and finan-

cial support toward our crusade in Honduras.

As a partner and friend of this ministry, you share in this harvest! They are credited to your heavenly account (Philippians 4:17). And I'm believing for God to honor the seeds of your partnership with this ministry and increase you in every area of your life, in Jesus' name!

Richard Rolles

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An Outpouring of Salvation and Healing Miracles

BY TEAM MEMBER/STAFF WRITER MICHELE CHIAPPETTA

In February, Richard Roberts and his team shared the Good News of Jesus Christ through medical clinics, food outreaches, and open-air crusade meetings in the three largest cities of Honduras. As a result, thousands of people heard the Gospel, received salvation, and experienced the miracle healing power of God.

The young man wept on the crusade platform. He confessed he was a gang member who had been stabbed in the chest. Although he survived the attack, the wound damaged his lungs and heart. He could not stand up straight and was in constant pain.

When he heard about Richard Roberts' Miracle Healing Crusade, he came. As Richard prayed for healing, the young man realized his pain was gone, and he came forward to tell his story. "The Lord healed me," he declared, his arms raised in gratitude.

"Have you ever accepted the Lord into your heart?" Richard asked. The young man said no, so Richard led him in a prayer to receive Jesus. It was an amazing miracle of salvation and healing!

"This is why I'm in Honduras," Richard declared. "I came for this young man right here...and others



like him. I came to share the Gospel, so Honduras could experience the miracle-working power of God!"

Honduras: A Nation Hungry for God

"This crusade is like no other I've ever had," Richard said. "God told me the people of Honduras have faith for miracles, and He was right!"

Honduras was truly hungry for the Lord. Many Honduran churches prayed and fasted for the crusade, salvations, and miracles. Volunteers invited people from their local neighborhoods to the medical clinics and meetings.

Large numbers of people rode to the nightly meetings on buses provided at no charge by ORM. An estimated 40,000 people raised their hands for salvation, and countless others received miracles of healing.

Healing in the Capital City of Tegucigalpa

The first crusade meeting took place in Chochi Sosa Baseball Stadium where thousands came to hear God's Word. Local pastors said it was the biggest crowd they had ever seen in the stadium.

Latin American Christian singer Ricardo Rodriguez performed, followed by the ORM Singers who led praise and worship.

Then, Richard explained how the man lying at the pool of Bethesda was healed after he responded to Jesus and picked up his bed and walked (John 5:1–9). He challenged the crowd to respond to Jesus in faith too, saying:

"People are sick...whether spiritually, physically, in our family, financially, or



Delsia walks for the first time in 2 years

some other way. Jesus asked the man, 'Will you be made whole?' That's the question you must answer tonight. Do you want to be well? Will you allow God to make you whole?"

The crowd responded with great faith... And the miracles that took place were powerful!

A woman suffering from *asthma for over 12 years* was able to breathe freely, without pain.

Dilia had horrible migraine headaches for 13 years, but after Richard prayed, the pain left.

Delsia came to the crusade *in a* wheelchair. She said, "For two years, I haven't walked. I couldn't move or go anywhere. I've received my healing now!" She pushed her wheelchair to show what God did for her.

A woman wept for joy as she explained how she had suffered for four years with a tumor in her stomach the size of a grapefruit. "I always had a

Woman with tumor healed!



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strong pain, and I couldn't do anything," she said. "The Lord healed me! The tumor is gone now!"

Raul was thrilled to be *free of back pain* that limited his movements for ten years. He bent over and twisted to show that he could move freely. "There's no pain now," Raul declared. "It's gone!"

Miracle Outpouring in San Pedro Sula

Next, Richard and his team traveled to San Pedro Sula, the second largest city in Honduras. The day began with a downpour, but then the sky cleared. Thousands gathered in the soccer stadium to believe God for miracles.

The local pastors presented Richard with a plaque recognizing him for his work in Honduras. Then Richard and his daughter, Jordan, greeted the people.

"God loves Honduras," Richard said. "This is your night for a miracle!"

He spoke about the woman in Luke 13:11–17 who was bound for 18 years and unable to stand up, until Jesus healed her. "The Bible says this was a woman whom *Satan had bound*," Richard said. "Some of you are bound, but there is a freedom...a healing...a victory...coming to you tonight. You



Raul shows he has free range of back motion

have a God-given right to be healed because of what Jesus did for you on the Cross!"

Richard prayed for the crowd's healing. A large number of people shared their testimonies.

Isis had been in pain from scoliosis for four years. "Tonight, when you prayed," she told Richard, "all the pain went away."

Earlier in the day, Victor had attended the medical clinic at San Pedro Sula. *He couldn't move his arm* because it had been damaged by a gunshot. ORM team member Dr. Jose Coto invited him to the crusade meeting. Victor heard Richard preach, reached out to God for a miracle, and was able to move his arm up and down.

Twenty-year-old Luis had been *deaf in his left ear*, but he began to hear as Richard prayed.

Isis delivered from scoliosis pain

Victor's arm miraculously restored





Luis can hear now out of his left ear

Richard shares the Gospel in La Ceiba Park

Then 4-year-old Jennifer came to the front in her mother's arms. Jennifer was *unable to see clearly out of both* **eyes** for two years because of a sickness. Richard asked Jennifer's mother, "How can you tell that she is healed?"

The mother answered, "She can see the lights in the stadium now. She says they are too bright."

Exalting God in La Ceiba

Then Richard took his team to La Ceiba, a city on the Mediterranean coast. The meeting was held in an open field. People climbed trees, stood on rooftops, and sat atop their cars to hear God's Word.

The local officials were amazed, including the police commandant, who said, "I have been here 40 years. I've never seen a crowd like this in my life."

The mayor presented Richard with a key to the city. The ORM Singers led the people in worship. Richard shared testimonies from Tegucigalpa and San Pedro Sula as he encouraged the crowd: "What God did in those cities, He can do here! This is your night!"

As Richard preached, the lights and sound suddenly went out. But he kept preaching, while local pastors and ORM team members prayed.

The power came back on, just as the miracles began.

A huge crowd of people came forward...including a woman who had *asthma*. The crusade was the first time in five years that she could breathe normally...

A man *crippled and on crutches* for four years walked freely...

Twelve-year-old Angela said that for eight years, she had *trouble reading* and seeing small letters. When Richard prayed, her eyesight improved.

"I can see small letters now!" she said. When a team member tested her, Angela was able to read the words: "I love Jesus."

When Richard invited people to receive Jesus as Lord, *thousands raised their hands for salvation*. It was a miracle healing crusade in every way, and Honduras will never be the same! \oplus

Close to 5,000 ministers and their spouses attended the pastors conferences. Richard laid hands on the pastors and encouraged them to minister God's healing power.



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Extending Healing Hands to the People of Honduras

BY TEAM MEMBER/STAFF WRITER MICHELE CHIAPPETTA

The Oral Roberts Ministries provided five medical clinics in Tegucigalpa, San Pedro Sula, and La Ceiba. Doctors, nurses, and prayer counselors from the U.S., El Salvador, and Honduras worked with Honduran families who were among the poorest of the poor, and ministered to them medically and spiritually.

The Greatest Goal Is to Share Jesus

As the medical team prepared to receive the clinic's first patients, clinic leader Dr. Jose Coto reminded everyone of the purpose behind their work.

"People come to these clinics to receive food and medicine," he said. "But our greatest goal is to help them to receive Jesus. We are called to help the hungry and the sick so that through us, they may see the Lord."

With this goal in mind, the doctors, nurses, and prayer counselors began

meeting the immediate needs of Hondurans who normally can't afford to see a doctor. In five days, the medical team treated and fed more than 2,500 individuals and families

We handed out *a million meals* of rice, beans, cornmeal, dried fruit, and fortified baby formula supplied through *Hunger Needs A Voice®*, and gave away Spanish New Testaments and bus tickets for transportation to the nightly crusades.

Tegucigalpa: Meeting Needs in the Heart of the City

The first two clinics took place in the capital city of Tegucigalpa. Local churches invited the poor in their communities to attend. People came as early as four in the morning to wait in line for the doctors.

The first patients of the day were Glenda and her three children—Ed-

A mother and baby wait to see a doctor

Dr. Stephanie Gillette with Doris and her children





ORM medical team member, Dr. Nelson Garcia, examines sick infant brought to clinic

uardo (11), Janette (5), and Glenda Paola (4). Glenda takes care of her wheelchair-bound mother and sells tortillas to make a living. She doesn't always make enough money to care for her family. The local clinic that treats her children often runs short on medicines, so Glenda was glad to receive OR M's help for her children.

Sadly, the situation Glenda faces is not unique. Others have similar stories, like Doris, the 43-year-old mother of eight children. She came to our medical clinic with her youngest

children—Edwin (17), Kimberly (14), Gerson (10), Luz (6), Eric (2), and Nilson (8 months).

Doris lives day to day, with no steady income. She makes her living through the generosity of others, who give her things to sell in the markets. Her children sometimes go to bed without a meal.

The children have parasite infections because they don't have clean water to drink. Doris also has parasites, but she doesn't take medicine, because she spends her money on her children's needs.

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For Doris and her children, our clinic and gift of food makes a huge difference in their daily life. "When you come, it's a blessing to us because we can get free food and medicine here." she said.

San Pedro Sula: An Area of High Risk and Floods

San Pedro Sula is the second largest city in Honduras, a center of industry. The region suffers greatly from floods during the rainy season. A two-day medical clinic was held in the Bordos, a poverty-stricken series of neighborhoods where the floods are so bad that people are forced out of their homes for weeks as they wait for the waters to recede.

Many clinic patients in the Bordos were elderly, such as Cristina, who doesn't usually go to the doctor because the local clinic is too far away.

Our doctors also saw many young children suffering from poor nutrition. 22-month-old Angel is malnourished and because she isn't getting needed nutrients, Angel is not yet walking. Her father earns only \$6 a day—not enough to provide healthy foods for his family on a regular basis.

One of the saddest stories of the day was that of 59-year-old Maria, who came in with her two young grandsons. She became their guardian after their mother died. Her son also died recently, leaving her to care for the grandchildren on her own. Maria sometimes has no food to feed the two little boys.

A teacher in the Bordos knew of Maria's need and invited her to the clinic to get medicine, vitamins, food, and prayer. We sent her home with extra food to help her in her desperate situation.

Thanks to partner support, we were able to send this boy, and many others, home with food





Every clinic had large crowds of those needing medical care

Pastor Oscar, who has a church in the Bordos, told us that it is a high risk area due to drugs and crime. He was grateful we came to help reach his people for the Lord.

"I have worked with other ministries, but your clinic is unique," Pastor Oscar said. "You give attention to doctors, food, medicine, and prayer. It's comprehensive." He expected many people would visit his church as a result of seeing God's love through the clinic.

La Ceiba: Healing and Prayer in the City Dump

In La Ceiba, the third city we visited, our team held a one-day medical clinic at a public school on the edge of the Basural, the city's garbage dump. Many poor people make their homes in makeshift dwellings at the edge of the Basural, and they scav-

enge through the garbage for food and items to sell.

There are local medical clinics in La Ceiba, but the cost of seeing a doctor and buying medicine often keeps people from getting help. The local hospitals sometimes run short on medicines. And many people in La Ceiba are unemployed. "There are simply no jobs right now," a clinic volunteer told us.

These nine young girls are orphans living in a local children's home called Love, Hope, and Faith. After they all saw our doctors, they thanked our team and sang a song for us. Then they left with several boxes of food from *Hunger Needs a Voice*®.



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Among the patients in La Ceiba were many mothers who felt depressed and troubled by the cares of life. Often, these women are left to raise their children alone—some because their husbands leave, others because their husbands have died. These women struggle to provide food and safety for their children, and the pressure takes its toll.

The Power of Prayer Comes Alive in the Clinics

For the people who come to the clinics, medical care and food are important...but spiritual ministry is what matters most. Prayer plays a crucial role at every ORM medical clinic. And many people receive healing as they pray with the prayer counselors.

Blanca, age 36, came to the clinic suffering from pain and poor eyesight. She met with a doctor, got a prescrip-

tion, and then went to see Ruth, an ORM singer who also served as a prayer counselor.

Ruth shared the Gospel with Blanca and prayed for her. After prayer, Blanca was thrilled. Her pain had vanished, and she was seeing better. As she left the clinic, she took food, medicine, and the knowledge that God loves her and wants her to be well—spirit, soul, and body.

Many salvations took place during the clinics. One precious story of salvation began when a local woman saw the crowds as she was passing by. When she found out they were in line for a clinic providing medical care and food, she decided to wait too. By the time she finished at the clinic, she received Jesus as her Lord.

Thank you, partners and friends, for helping us bring the power of medicine, healing, and prayer to the people of Honduras! (*)





Seeing the Hearts of People Open Up to the Lord: Hunger Needs A Voice® Feeds the Hungry in Honduras

BY JORDAN ROBERTS

Honduras is a beautiful country, and the families who live there are so precious to the Lord. He knows every single one of them, and He cares about their spirits, their minds, their physical bodies, and their daily needs.

It was such a privilege to help the people of Honduras by bringing them food through *Hunger Needs a Voice*[®]. We fed hundreds of mothers, fathers, and children, and many of them opened

their hearts to the Lord as a result of seeing His love in action through the outreaches of Oral Roberts Ministries.

On behalf of these precious families, I thank you so much for your prayers and financial support. Jesus said, "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me" (Matthew 25:40). I believe God will reward you richly for your giving. Thank you! \(\ext{\theta} \)

Jordan Roberts in Honduras

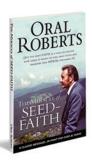
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He's a Healing Jesus

by Richard Roberts

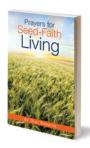
Many people feel isolated in their struggles. They wonder if God knows and cares about what they're going through. In his newest book, Richard Roberts definitively shows God's answer is a resounding "Yes!" When you understand what God reveals about healing in His Word, you can also see that He has the desire and power to set you free and make you whole again. \$15



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RICHARD ROBERTS SCHOOL of the SPIRIT

Miracle Living Highlights from Lindsay Roberts' Miracle Living Series

The Richard Roberts School of the SpiritTM teaches students in person, online, by video-on-demand and DVD how to walk in the power of God and be led by the Holy Spirit. Lindsay Roberts teaches this popular course on Miracle Living.

Lindsay Roberts drew on her vibrant teaching style, humorous stories, and wealth of personal experience to ignite students' faith for the miraculous. The "Miracle Living Series" was a jam-packed course designed to help students experience miracles and successful living through the principles of Seed-Faith, as God revealed them to Oral Roberts years ago.

Drawing from several of Oral Roberts' classic books, the Miracle Living Series gave students a clearer understanding that God is a good God, and that He desires to provide us with His miracles every day. In the very first session, Lindsay shared the story of how the Lord spoke to Evelyn Roberts and told her that He would use her in the "Everydayness of Life"—something just as miraculous as the healings that her husband Oral was seeing in his crusade meetings. Lindsay built on this concept during the classes, sharing powerful truths from God's Word on how we can live in the miraculous

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Lindsay Roberts shares insights about miracle living





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—Sonja from Virginia

"The Lord has been working MIRACLES in my life, thanks to this class. This class has given me the ability to sow my faith seed, and MY SEED HAS BEEN SPROUTING!"

-Al from North Carolina

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and experience the fullness of God in the *everydayness of life*.

Each session, students found their faith rising and their understanding growing as they listened to the teaching. Bill, a student taking the course in Tulsa said, "I have gained a greater understanding that miracles are a normal part of my everyday life. It is abnormal for a Christian to not expect miracles every day." Ginger commented that as a result of the course, she came to see that God is her source in *every area*. "He is my emotional source, my financial source, my healer, my protector, and my advocate," she said.

Lucendia, who also participated in the live classes remarked, "I am more convinced than ever that nothing less than a miracle will do for me, my family, my friends, and my loved ones. It's as if my eyes have been opened in the realm of the spirit to a deeper level of faith."

Lindsay emphasized that God wants us to act boldly in faith. "Years ago, God told Oral Roberts that He wants to heal us... God said, 'Tell them to rise up and make a demand for it...for I will heal the people. I want to heal people." Then she challenged the class to step out in faith and make a demand on the anointing for healing. "Be bold in your faith," she said. "Declare it out loud: 'Yes, Lord, it is your will for me to be healed. I will not take no for an answer. Healing is my heritage. I will not give up!""

In each session, Lindsay encouraged students to really think deeply about what the work of Jesus on the

Cross has provided for them—and then to make use of it. "You have all the tools of faith," she said. "You just have to use them. Why use a dull butter knife when He's given you power tools?" She emphasized that we can use our faith not only for healing, but for restoration, prosperity, and fullness in every area of life.

In discussing what they learned in class, many students said they gained a revelation that the concept of Seed-Faith is about much more than just money. Susan, an online student wrote, "Giving my time as a seed, expecting miracles, and trusting God faithfully as my Source has truly changed me. My eyes have been opened to a whole new world!"

Mary said, "I've never had a problem with giving, but this course has helped me to reinforce my need to name my seed with a purpose and claim my harvest and expect a miracle." She also appreciated the question-and-answer time at the end of each session, saying it was "always very interesting and seemed to tap into a fresh vein of revelation."

At the end of the course sessions, students felt empowered to live their lives to the fullest, embracing the tried and true principles of Seed-Faith and having a new awareness that God truly wants us to prosper and be in health, as our souls prosper (3 John 2).

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Miracle Healing and New Home!

A dear partner of this ministry spoke to Richard and Lindsay during a recent episode of *The Place for Miracles*™. Marcelia from Lafayette, Louisiana, wanted to share her amazing testimony of God's faithfulness to bless and encourage others



to reach out in faith for their own miracle. Through a combination of medical treatments, the prayer of faith, and partnership with the Oral Roberts Ministries, Marcelia was healed and restored from three different bouts with cancer, and then she won a \$400,000 home!

Richard: Hello, Marcelia.

Marcelia: Hello, Richard and Lindsay. I'm so happy to finally talk to you!
R: Marcelia, tell me what has happened.
What has God done in your life?

M: He has healed me and delivered me from three different types of cancer. Twenty-three years ago I had colon cancer. I survived and remained cancer-free until 2008. Then I had breast cancer, and had a mastectomy, all while I was taking care of my husband who had dementia and has since passed away. After that, the doctors did another test and found I had thyroid cancer. I had to have surgery for that.

And while I was in the hospital, undergoing radiation, someone turned the TV on and there you were. I felt the Spirit of God just take over, and I started watching you. That's when I began supporting your ministry and planting my financial seeds. For two and a half years I've been doing this. And then on December 6, 2010, I had a good report from my oncologist. He said, "You're squeaky clean. Go home and start living!"

R: Oh, hallelujah!

M: I'm not finished, Richard! On December 16, I bought a raffle ticket to support various charities. You have taught me well saying, "Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord... He will reward them for what they have done." Guess what? I won a \$400,000 home, and I just moved into it!

Lindsay: You won a \$400,000 house?

M: Yes, I did!

L: Oh, praise the Lord!

M: And God is using me to minister to

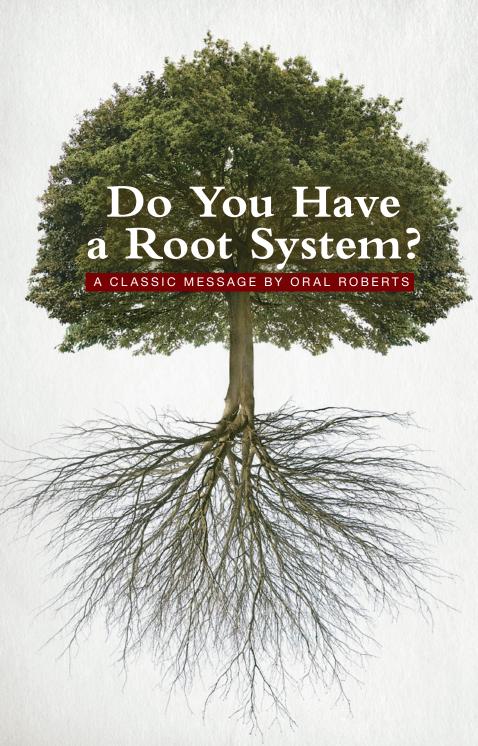
people with this testimony. I've been on local TV and in the newspapers. People are curious, and I can tell them it's the Lord who has done this! And it all began when I started watching your program from that hospital bed and I began connecting with your ministry and planting my seeds of faith.

L: I look at it this way. All those times that you were in the hospital, and you were healed, and then it repeated and repeated, and then you turned on the television set and you saw Richard, you had a choice. The Bible says, "Whose report will you believe?" You had a choice to believe the report of the Lord, or to say, "I am so low, the thought of getting up never crossed my mind." But you received the anointing. You received the Word, you received the healing power of God, and then you sowed seed. You had a choice to make: "I can live the way I want to live, or I can live according to the Bible principles of Seed-Faith." You chose to operate in Seed-Faith, and because you did, you won a house!

M: I won a house, and I'm still winning things! It's just amazing what God has done. It's like the end of the book of Job. God blessed Job with twice as much as he had before. And He has blessed me that way!

We rejoice with Marcelia for the blessings God has sent her. And we pray for you as well, that you would prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers according to 3 John 2!

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If you take a piece of wood and hammer it into the ground, it might *support* something. But the wood wouldn't *reproduce or multiply* because it can't. It is removed from its source, so it has no *root system*.

But if you look at the tree from which the wood was cut, you will see that it has grown deep into the ground, its roots have connected with the soil and water table, and it has become a living thing, a producer of fruit, a multiplier of itself.

There's something else you would notice about this living tree. Its seeds seldom fall at the base of the tree, because they could never grow there. Under the tree there's too much shade—too much shelter.

No, the winds blow the seeds hundreds of feet or yards, or even farther. And there, those seeds grow and develop a *root system* of their own. They become new trees, which in turn produce fruit and multiply by giving their seeds to the winds.

Your life works the same way. You must not build only around yourself. Your fruit—the product of your life—must be carried by the winds of the Spirit away from yourself so it can reproduce and multiply.

How Can You Be Fruitful?

In Genesis 1:28 God said to man: Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth. But how can you be fruitful unless you have a root system in God? He is the Source of your supply!

The company you work for can be a channel for you, but don't expect it to be your ultimate source. You have no guar-



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antee in this world that your employer will exist even a year from now. You've got to have a better source than that!

Your *root system* must be firmly planted in God, who is eternal, and who supplies your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19). The company you work for should not be your source—or your *root system*—God should!

God Made His Love an Act

Once when I was talking to a young woman about giving, I startled her by saying, "You give out of your need. God did."

She said, "I didn't know God had any needs."

I said, "He does. He created humanity in His own image, and the devil stole humanity away. How would you feel to have children and then have someone steal them away? God was grieved. And His great need is to get people back."

I asked the young lady to look at John 3:16: For God so loved the world,

that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. God—the root system—did something. He so loved that He gave. He made his love an act of giving.

Then I asked, "Why do you suppose God didn't give an angel, a prophet, or one of His saints? He has millions of them. Why did He give His only begotten Son?"

While she thought on that, I said, "God gave His only Son because that was the best that He had. He didn't give His second best. He planted His best seed."

When we give, we should also give our best. This is God's way of doing it. And we should do it His way—we should give our best.

Only as you give God your best in some way do you have a promise from His Word that He can supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

Giving Is What We Do First

Luke 6:38 says, Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye [give] it shall be [given] to you again. Jesus' first word was not "Receive." He said, "Give."

For years, I didn't know those words of Jesus were in the Bible. I had always been taught that you receive first, and then you give the tenth part as a tithe that you *owe* to God. And that was true in the Old Testament.

But in the New Testament—the New Covenant that Christ purchased

on the Cross of Calvary—Jesus gave us a whole new way of life. He taught us to give, not as a debt we owe, but as a seed we sow. He taught us as Christians to give first. Receiving follows giving, just as harvest follows seed-sowing.

If we make God our Source—our root system—and we start giving, He can multiply our seed back in the form we need it the most. What you give may be your money, your talent, your time, or something else.

But whatever you give, give it out of love and give the best you have. This act of giving becomes the seed of faith you have planted toward your harvest. And when you have planted your seed, then you can begin to expect your harvest to come.

From Poverty to Riches

In 1952, a man named Bill came to one of our crusades. He was in his sixties and working for 75 cents an hour at what was called an "old folks' home." He received Christ in the crusade and listened to virtually the same message you are reading right now.

At that time, Bill was poverty stricken, but he listened and he began to give. His first gift was ten dollars. And I tell you, ten dollars from him, especially in the 1950s, was a powerful lot of money.

A couple of years went by, and Bill had an amazing harvest. He told us, "I've always been of an inventive nature. I've invented things and they never worked. But after I began to give to God and to expect back from Him, I decided once more to try to perfect an invention I'd been working on that never got off the drawing board."

Bill invented a special kind of hub gear for a jeep to disengage the front-wheel power. He took it to a company, and they tried it, and it worked. He got his patent, and he began to invent other things. He began to give and give and give, and God began to give back to him and prosper him in a way that was beyond his fondest dreams.

Whenever I saw Bill, I would say, "Brother, you amaze me."

He'd say, "Brother Roberts, why do I amaze you? I'm only doing what you told me. I'm planting my seed, and every time I do, God multiplies it."

He went on to his reward at the age of 90, leaving a great harvest from the small seed he planted nearly 25 years before, and other seeds he kept planting. He wasn't rich, but he sure wasn't poverty stricken anymore.

Bill prospered, but he also knew what real riches were. Real riches is having a root system, a Source for your life. Real riches is planting your seeds of faith, love, time, money, and whatever you have to give...and giving your best out of your heart's desire to do so.

Real riches is expecting miracles and getting them.

God Knows Your Due Season

Galatians 6:9 says: Let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season

we shall reap, if we faint not. Don't get discouraged in your seed planting, for you shall have a due season for your seed to become a harvest if you don't give up.

Now, there's a due season for the seed you plant, for the giving that you do. God has a time, a place, and a way to multiply your seed back. And He alone determines it. I have tried to determine it, but it doesn't work. Many times I've planted seed and told God when to do

it and how to do it and where to do it, and He hasn't done it yet!

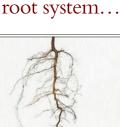
Sometimes I get my harvest back the same day I plant, but most of the time I don't. I have to trust my Source, my root system, that He will supply my need when He thinks it's best for me, how He thinks it's best for me, and where He thinks it's best for me.

And sometimes I have a hard time with God on that. Sometimes

I say, "Where are You, Lord? Why aren't You doing such and such?"

On the other hand, every time I have a little patience—which is the hardest thing for me—God multiplies that seed. When He does, I'm so happy because it's just right. It's always perfect when He does it.

So, connect yourself to God—who is your Source of all life, your *root system*—sow your seed, and believe with expectation for God to provide the miracle you need! �



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We serve a good God! And according to His Word, what He has done for these partners of our ministry, He can do for you!

Healed in a Meeting in Omaha

Richard and Lindsay Roberts were ministering in my church in Omaha when Richard called for people to come to the front who needed healing in their right knee. I went forward for prayer, and the power of God was so strong that I just shook and cried. I went back to my seat believing God for my healing.

When the service was over, I walked down some stairs and realized the pain in my right knee was gone. I started jumping up and down and doing high knee lifts! Thank You, God, for my healing!

-Cicely from Nebraska

Family Relationships Restored

I have experienced miracles in my relationships since attending the *Richard Roberts School of the Spirit* $^{\text{TM}}$. After learning new things from the Word of

God and after prayer, I had a wonderful restoration in my family. Only God could have orchestrated this. Thank You, Jesus!

—Cheryl from Indiana

God Provides a Better Job

I lost my job and was out of work for a few months. Then I called the *Abundant Life® Prayer Group*. After prayer, my old boss called me to return to work, and I was blessed with a better position than before, with better pay! Praise the Lord!

—James from Oklahoma

Years of Back Pain Are Over!

I have had really bad back pain for 38 years due to heavy lifting and hard labor. While watching *The Place for Miracles*™ the other night, I heard Richard Roberts give a word of knowledge from God regarding backs

being healed. I placed my hands on Richard's hands on the television screen as a point of contact and I was instantly healed. I am now totally pain free!

—Delbert from Nevada

Job Comes as a Result of Prayer and Seed-Sowing

A few months ago, I called the *Abundant Life*® *Prayer Group* to pray for my son Emmanuel to receive a job after being unemployed for a long time. I sowed a seed-faith gift also, and the prayer partner agreed with me that my son would have favor at his job interviews. About a month later, he was offered a full-time job and has been working ever since!

-Veronica from Canada

I Got Saved While Watching Your Program

I have just accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior, and I am so thankful that your TV show, *The Place for Miracles*™, led me to your ministry website. I am sowing a seed of thanksgiving to you for telling me how to be saved and to God for saving me. Thank you so much, and may God richly bless you and your ministry.

—Brent from Michigan

My Back Is Healed!

I was watching *The Place for Miracles*™ last Friday night. I had been having horrible low back pain for two weeks, and I was bent over. I could not move or sleep without pain.

As I was getting ready for bed, Richard Roberts called out that someone

was suffering from low back pain on the left side. I raised my hands and thanked God that He was healing me. Then I went to bed and I had a good night's rest.

In the morning, I was able to move like I had not moved in weeks. The next day I was able to attend an important meeting without that horrible pain. I thank the Lord! May God bless you!

—Wanda from Michigan

Thank You for Your Letters

I have been suffering from depression, anxiety, and pain after enduring amputation of both my legs. I live in a nursing home, and I recently received Richard Roberts' monthly letter, which was highly anointed. I was refreshed and ministered to by the letter. The depression and anxiety have left, and the pain has been decreasing. Thank you!

—Joe from North Carolina

So Grateful for the Oral Roberts Ministries

Every time we've called the ministry or read your letters, we have gotten wonderful words of encouragement to lift us up. We have decided to begin sending seed-faith offerings to the Oral Roberts Ministries each month. You have helped us learn so much about walking in God's anointing and praying for the sick! God bless you in all you do. We love you and your programs. Keep up the good work!

—Pam and Harold via Facebook

A Plan to Bless Your Loved Ones *and* the Kingdom of God

You may be asking, why is planning my financial future important to me and to my family? Because failure to plan may result in accidental disinheritance. It can happen when you have no will or your will doesn't function properly. To keep from risking harm to those you love and subjecting your estate to needless tax, you need to make a legal plan for the future.

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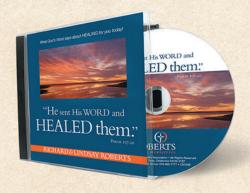
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The miracle you need can come to you in many ways! The Abundant Life® Prayer Group receives so many calls that we sometimes have to place callers on hold. While on hold, we play the CD *He Sent His Word and Healed Them*, a collection of healing prayers from Richard and Lindsay, healing Scriptures, and testimonies of people who have been healed.

He Sent His Word and Healed Them is so powerful and encouraging, many callers receive their healing before they ever talk to a prayer partner! And you, too, can enjoy the benefit of being built up by the power of God's Word and healing prayer as you listen to your own copy of this CD.

I WAS ABLE TO FALL ASLEEP

I want to thank you for playing the scripture CD He Sent His Word and Healed Them for people on hold with the ALPG. One night when I was having trouble sleeping, I called the ALPG. I was put on hold, and as I listened to the Scriptures, I fell asleep before even talking to a prayer partner.

—Husie from Georgia

I CAN MOVE MY KNEE FREELY

I had been dealing with a knee problem for at least a year when I decided to call the ALPG for prayer. While on hold, I listened to the CD He Sent His Word and Healed Them. It just so happened that I heard the section where testimonies are given, including the testimony of a woman whose knee was healed. I received that word for my own healing. The pain has decreased, and I'm able to move my knee freely for the first time in a year.

—Janet from Nebraska

I FEEL ALIVE AGAIN!

I was in the hospital, and it was a difficult time. I wasn't feeling spiritually alive or energized. I called the ALPG and listened to the Scriptures while on hold. Now I feel alive again, and my prayer request has turned into a praise report!

—Angela from Pennsylvania

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