MANIFESTATION: Words and Wonders

January 7th - January 28th

Please read this consecration guideline thoroughly and refer back to it throughout your fast in order that we might all remain on the same accord. May God richly bless you as you undertake this special time of drawing closer to Him!

Manifestation (n) – the public display of emotion or feeling, or something theoretical made real.

Manifestation's origins are in religion and spirituality because if something spiritual becomes real, it is said to be a manifestation.

Wonder (n) – a feeling of surprise mingled with admiration, caused by something beautiful, unexpected, unfamiliar, or inexplicable.

Words (n) - a command, password, or signal.

WORDS are powerful! They are spirit carriers. Out of the spiritual comes the natural; for out of the unseen comes the things that are seen or **MANIFESTED**. God could have brought forth the world with HIS thoughts, or a wave of His hand, but God spoke the world into existence. In Genesis, chapter 1, we find the words, "God said" ten times. God is a God of speech, a God of **WORDS**. All things are made by the **WORD** of God and **MANIFESTED** in the earth. Throughout the bible God through Jesus Christ performs multiple **WONDERS** with His **WORDS**. His words gave hope, encouragement, and the promise of eternal life.

- Jesus proclaimed the kingdom of heaven with words. Matthew 3:2
- Jesus forgave sins with His words. Luke 7:48
- He commanded evil spirits to leave with His words. Luke 4:35 41
- He healed sickness and disease with His words.
- He raised Lazarus from the dead with His words. John 11:43
- He calmed the angry waves with His words. Mark 4:39
- He encourages us in John 15:7 that if we abide in Him and His word abides in us, we can ask what we will, and it shall be done.
- He reminds us in John 5:24 if we hear His word and believe in the one that sent Him, we shall have eternal life.

Before God created man, He said, "Let us make man in our own image". God is a God of speech, a God **WORDS**. With this knowledge we have the power to speak into the spiritual rheme and watch it **MANIFEST** in the earthly rheme.

It has been said that "Whenever God intends great blessings for His people, He first sets them to a time or praying and fasting." It has also been noted that prayer and fasting are two of the most powerful weapons in a Christian's walk; they have the power to transform nations and to change the course of history! We are embarking upon this season of prayer and fasting precisely because

we are ready for the **MANIFESTATION** of God's **WONDER** on earth. Take this time to connect with God on a deeper level, than ever before. Seek God for direction, wisdom, and His will over your life. Ask God to change your vocabulary as you, watch the **WORDS** you speak over your life and the lives of others. With your **WORDS** you can bring blessings and life or curses and death. The saying that, "sticks and stones can break my bones, but words will never hurt me", is untrue. Your words can hurt, so vow to watch your words in this season. The human body is designed to respond to words. Negative words have ill effects, Faith-filled words produce godly effects. The word of faith brings victory. The word of fear brings defeat.

This is the year of **MANIFESTATION!** We will begin to see God's **WONDERS**, **MANIFESTED** in our lives with the power of our **WORDS!**

This year we are praying and believing God for the **MANIFESTATION** of our Creed to come alive in our lives!

I am what God says I am.

I am the head and not the tail.

I am above only and not beneath.

I am the first and not the last.

I am the lender and not the borrower.

I am more than a conqueror.

I am debt free, sin free and guilt free.

My worst days are behind me, and my best days are before me.

I am kept.

I am anointed.

I am blessed.

I am favored.

I am CREATED FOR SO MUCH MORE!

I can do all things through Christ that strengths me.

Guidelines

Matthew 6 speaks of three duties of every believe: Prayer, Fasting and Giving. On this consecration, we as a church are being challenged to offer God our best in each of these areas.

- 1. Prayer this will be a season of prayer and fasting for the manifestation of God's perfected will concerning you. This will be a time of hearing from the Lord and for you to speak to Him. This is a time to come clean with yourself and the Lord about what is hindering you from seeing the manifestations of God in your life. I encourage you to carry your Bible and notebook or journal into your prayer time. Be open to what is speaking concerning you.
 - **A.** Each member is asked to designate a daily prayer time. Set achievable daily appointments with God and be faithful to those times of prayer. The key is to make prayer a priority. Make an appointment with God and keep it.
 - a. **Congregational Prayer.** There will be altar prayer each <u>Sunday morning at 9:45 am</u>. All members and especially leaders are expected to be in attendance. <u>Tuesday prayer</u> will be from <u>7:00 7:30 pm</u> on zoom. There will be altar prayer each <u>Thursday at 12:00 pm and 7:00 pm</u>. If we pray together, we stay together.
- 2. Giving each member is asked to pray and bring a special offering of obedience and faith during this fast. Remember, the three-fold cord of giving, praying, and fasting that Jesus spoke of in Matthew 6 may well be the key to your hundredfold return in this year! Allow God to challenge you to trust Him in new dimensions in your giving. Please keep in mind that if what you bring doesn't mean anything to you, it won't mean anything to God either. Give God your best gift!
- 3. **Fasting** everyone is asked to unite during this month in one of three biblical methods of fating. The church will fast through midnight Monday through Friday starting midnight on January 7th, you can use your own discretion on Saturday and Sunday.
 - a. The "Divine Intervention Fast" the total abstinence from food and water (Acts 9:8,9; Ezra 10:6; Esther 4:16) This is a fast that was observed biblically in times of great crisis. It was a fast for life threatening situations or during times of great travail for a city or a people. You may choose to participate in this powerful form of fasting from 9pm til 4pm daily. Remember, it is recommended that one should never go without water for more than about 3 days, and it is highly recommended that you drink as much purified water as possible during the hours between fasting to cleanse your system.
 - b. The "Warfare and Wisdom Fast" the fast that restricts the diet to vegetables, fruits, water, and pure unsweetened fruit or vegetable juices (Daniel 1:12, 15, 17 and 10:2,3,12,14). No breads, meat, pasta, desserts, sweets, or sweet drinks. This fast, also known as the "Daniel Fast," is for times of conflict and spiritual warfare when supernatural wisdom and understanding are needed.

- c. The "Children of Victory Fast" for our children under the age of 13, parents should use their discretion, but encourage their children to experience the joy of a lifestyle of fasting and prayer. Children can easily and successfully complete the Daniel Fast. They may also be encouraged to fast until lunchtime with no snacks between lunch and dinner, or to fast with just water and juices until dinner daily. The important thing is that they make a sacrifice that means something to them.
- **4.** Every member is asked to participate in the consecration for its **entirety January 7**th **January 28**th. We will end our fast together with a family style meal in the fellowship hall immediately following morning service on the 28th.
- 5. Participating members should cut back on secular television and other secular media (other than Christian music or ministry) during the time of this consecration. Allow God to lead you in this. The same should apply to frivolous emails, social media, or web surfing. The goal is not just to go on a diet or "health fast," but also to really position us to hear from God by placing Him at the center of our attention.
- 6. "Martial relations" may be cut back at the discretion of each married couple

Prayer Focal Points – please see additional information for scriptures to read and meditate on

Week of January 7th – Focus on Family Miracles (*Church Family, Individual Family and Extended Family*)

Week of January 14th – Focus on Divine Favor, Health, and Healing (*Personally and for the CFSMM Family*)

Week of January 21st – Focus on Lifetime Harvest (Spiritually, Emotionally, Mentally and Financially) Pray for a revival at CFSMM

Additional Prayer Points

- Pray for Apostle Saunders, Lady Saunders and the leadership at CFSMM
- Pray for the membership at CFSMM. The present members and those that are on their way.

Anticipated Results

The results and rewards of properly seeking God in fasting and prayer are too numerous to detail here. Allow me to summarize them in the words of Jack Frost, author of <u>Pulling Down Strong-Holds</u>

- "If you desire to minister to your family, you will fast."
- "If you desire to break bonds of wickedness, you will fast."
- "If you truly desire to minister to the broken-hearted, you will fast."
- "If you desire to stand in the gap for others, you will fast."
- "If you desire to restore and rebuild, you will fast."
- "If you desire to walk in authority over darkness, you will fast."

"If you desire: spiritual strength, answered prayer, divine health, spiritual guidance, wisdom from above, knowledge becoming understanding, refreshing and restoration, supernatural protection, favor with God and favor with man, fruitfulness in ministry, dying to the self-life – Then You Will Pray and Fast! The supernatural flows forth from a lifestyle of prayer and fasting."

Let's prepare to **See God Manifested at Created For So Much More!** When we come together on one accord pray, fast and seek the face of God, cancers are healed, terminal diseases are obliterated, lost family members are saved, addictions are broken, relationships are restored, ministry assignments are birth or confirmed and poverty is destroyed.

"It Is Time for the MANIFESTATION of MORE!!

Additional Prayer Information

Prayer is not an obligation – it is an opportunity

Prayer is not just a requirement – it is a privilege

It is an invitation to experience the Power of God!

Prayer should be a conversation, a dialogue between a child and a father, between a friend and a heavenly friend. Take time to listen, listening is every bit as important as talking. Listen to the Lord I Samuel 3:9 - 10

Your prayer can shake the ground around you Acts 4:31

As you pray don't pray for materialistic things. God knows what you need but as Luke 12:30-31 says, "Seek ye the Kingdom of God and all things (needed things) shall be added unto you."

Prayer not only changes things, It changes ME!

Pray through your doubts, through your fears and refuse to give up.

Prayer is not about changing God's mind, but finding God's mind. Prayer is the key to maintain a godly perspective.

- 1. The Purpose of Prayer Ephesians 3:14
- 2. The Necessity of Prayer Psalms 37:4
- 3. The Command to Pray Luke 18:1, Luke 11:2, James 4:2
- 4. Knowing God Through Prayer Nehemiah 1:5 6
- 5. Hearing from God through Prayer Psalms 143:8. I Samuel 3:10, John 10:27
- 6. Strengthening Your Faith Through Prayer Jeremiah 33:3
- 7. Seeking Forgiveness Through Prayer 1 John 1:9, Luke 5:10, Psalms 51:2
- 8. Gaining Perspective Through Prayer 1 Peter 4:7, Ephesians 3:20, James 1:5
- 9. Receiving God's Provisions Through Prayer Philippians 4:19, Psalms 37:25
- 10. Asking for God's Protecting Through Prayer Psalms 46:1, 1 Corinthians 10:12

- 11. Making a Prayer a Priority Matthew 6:33
- 12. Bring Every Situation to God Psalms 55:22, John 4:29 30
- 13. Pray with A Sincere Heart 2 Chronicles 7:14, Matthew 6:5 6
- 14. Pray Constantly I Thessalonians 5:16 18, Romans 8:27
- 15. Pray Persistently Colossians 4:2, Luke 11 5:10
- 16. Pray Boldly Hebrews 4:16
- 17. Pray Using Scriptures John 15:7, Proverbs 3:5 6, Psalms 119:105
- 18. Pray for Others I Timothy 2:1 4, Psalms 33:12
- 19. Pray for God's Will to Be Done Matthew 7:10, Johns 4:34, Luke 22:42
- 20. Seek God's Will Romans 12:2, Psalms 143:10
- 21. Answers from God Isaiah 30:18
- 22. A Heart for Obedience Psalms 40:8
- 23. Deliverance from Temptation Matthew 6:13, I Corinthians 10:13, John 16:33
- 24. Strength in Times of Weakness Psalms 62:8, 2 Corinthians 12:9
- 25. Greater Love for Others Ephesians 3:17 18, Ephesians 1:15 21, Johns 15:13
- 26. A Spirit of Gratitude Nehemiah 8:10, Thessalonians 5:18, Philippians 1:21