Dear CPFI Members & Friends,

During this Easter Season, we are reminded of God’s great love for us through the death and resurrection of His Son. ----“You are not your own, you were bought at a price.”---- I Corinthians 6:19-20 (NIV). At a recent missions conference at our church, one of the presentations emphasized our being ransomed by God and the radical commitment we need to demonstrate. Following Jesus’ death and resurrection, the apostles made a radical commitment to Christ - even willing to die for Him. Are we willing to be ransomed radicals (redeemed from sin and willing to turn our world upside down for Jesus)?

Our hearts should be overflowing with radical devotion to our Saviour. We can never get enough of Jesus – prayer, daily devotions, Bible studies, community worship, CPFI conferences – or does Jesus just get the left over minutes from our very busy days? Acts 2:42 (NIV) –“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.”

We should be part of a radical community loving one another as Christ loved us. Invite people into your home – pray together and share a meal. Hospitality is one of the most important parts of evangelism and discipling. When was the last time we have had someone in our home outside the circle of our family and closest friends? I know what my excuses are – the house needs to be cleaned and I don’t have the right food in our home! Christ also calls us to minister to those who are hurting both in acute and chronic situations. God has given Christian pharmacists an amazing ministry to help those in need in the name of Jesus. Acts 2:46 (NIV) “Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread together in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts.”

Our lives should show evidence of radical giving sharing with those in need. Every gift we have is to be enjoyed as from God and to be used to serve God. God tells us that we are prospered when we increase our standard of giving. Acts 4:32 (NIV) “All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they shared everything they had.”

We need to have a radical mission as part of our life’s job description. Wherever God calls us to serve, we need to be passionate about Jesus. When we spend time with Jesus, He changes our life from the inside out. When others look at us do they see Jesus? Acts 4:13 (NIV) “When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.”

May it be our prayer that we would have total surrender of our lives to Jesus for Him to remold and reshape for His honor and glory.

“I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.” Galatians 2:20 (NIV)

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