

## Shiloh Messenger

## Code Blue

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"Strengthen the people you love, the people of your choice. Then we will never abandon you again. Revive us so we can call on your name once more. Turn us again to yourself, O LORD God of Heaven's Armies. Make your face shine down upon us. Only then will we be saved" (Psalms 80:17-19)

Webster's defines Freedom as the quality or state of being free, moreover Liberty is defined as the state or condition of people who are able to act and speak freely, a political right.

As July 4th Celebrations begin this 2014, we have opportunity if you will, a choice to ponder the definition of Freedom and Liberty from the foundation of which our Nation was established as a reference to where we are today and then truly desire to take action before it is too late, or we can just party heartily, and close our eyes and ears to our very Homeland crumbling before us. Solomon penned under the Inspiration of The Holy Spirit Proverbs 14:34, "Uprightness and right standing with God (which is moral and spiritual rectitude in every area and relation) elevate a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people."

The moral fabric of our Nation has and is being shredded at a tenacious rate, with atrocities and abominations' occurring as this note is being typed with things happening that would flabbergast those who have already passed into eternity. A few News headlines that are more than shocking are as follows, Marriage between the same sexes is taken on a norm in this Society with now seventeen States recognizing and giving approval with a lawful pursuit of this evil that is being recognized as good. Isaiah states in chapter 5 and verse 20."Woe unto those who call evil good and good evil."

There have been approximately fifty million babies aborted since Roe versus Wade in 1973. Super Bowl is no longer just a National Football event but is used for the exploitation for masses of human trafficking to take place right here in the good ole USA with the kidnapping of many young girls and boys to be sold and used as sexual objects. Startling mounting of shootings in schools and other public places are increasing with also a vast up rise of murders of parents and or siblings. Marijuana has now been legalized as recreational use and is producing on a larger scale lazy, apathetic, individuals with poor and diminished work ethics in this Nation, not surprising that almost half of all American High School students smoke, drink alcohol or use drugs. An elementary school in Wisconsin stirred up a great deal of controversy by hosting "Gender Bender Day" which encouraged the children to come to school dressed up as the opposite sex. As I was typing this note, my cell phone went off very loudly with an Amber Alert, (a bulletin that alerts the public to a recent child abduction) And meanwhile our Leaders in Washington are negotiating with our enemies and setting free terrorist who have a major objective and that is to kill Americans. This list could obviously go on and on for these are but a very few reports of what is going on in this Nation which is mind boggling to say the least.

For there to be a remedy to resolve this plight we are in, we first have to admit we indeed have a problem, and confess that it is no less than a sin problem and oh how we desperately need help from Him. Jesus said, "Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of many has waxed cold," Matthew 24:12.

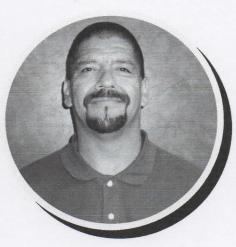
Code blue is medical terminology used to define someone who is not breathing and or their heart has stopped whom medical professionals attempt to resuscitate. Having said this now what is it that we must we do as a Nation to be resuscitated from death and for this Nation to truly take on life again with a heart that is vibrant? God's Word holds HIS BODY responsible as 2Chronicles 7:14 vividly expounds, "Then if my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and restore their land."

If we are indeed His, we cannot sit idly by as our Nation decays. We have a mandate from God and to whom much is given much is required. (Luke 12:48) After we accepted Jesus as Lord and Savior, (there is a difference) we are to be salt and light (Matthew 5:13-16) taking on His attributes. We are in a major war and our fight is not against flesh and blood but principalities and powers. (Ephesians 6:12) In these days which we live many in The Body are becoming deceived through doors that they have opened from offenses, resentments, bitterness, Un-forgiveness, jealousies, (Hebrews 12:15) selfish ambition, and materialistic gain. (James 3:16) We must be in unity as His Body. Disunity amongst us is grieving His heart. (Psalm 133)

"Father in heaven forgive us of our complacency. Purge us and purify us, cause our heart to beat vibrantly again for You before it is to late. Resuscitate us oh God we pray. Bring revival Sir to this USA. To whom the Son sets free is free indeed, let us not use our freedom but for no other reason and that is to exalt Your Name, for when You are lifted up, You will draw all men to You. Forgive us Sir for being lukewarm and for our many misplaced priorities. Give us a revived heart Sir, one that beats to Your Heartbeat in Jesus Name."

## **Graduates Testimony**

2 Corinthians 5:17 says "Therefore if anyone is in Christ the new creation has come: The old is gone and the new is here!" Hello my name is Angel Flores. I am 44 years old and I was born again by accepting Jesus Christ as Lord of my life on July 2nd 2013. I came to Shiloh a truly broken man. Consumed with anger, depression and suicidal thoughts due to a lifetime of hard drug abuse I was a walking dead man. I'd used drugs such as huffing gasoline to snorting cocaine since the age of 11. However my life took on a new form of self-destruction when I began using heroin. To support my habit I started selling other drugs. I found myself constantly stealing, robbing people and using many forms of violence as a means to get money. At one point I fell so low as to find myself involved in the prostitution of women. Then 3 ½ years ago I had finally come to the end of my rope. In a state of utter desperation I cried out for help to a God who, in my deluded mind may or may not have been real, saying "God if you exist I need your help!" A week later I was arrested for selling stolen property. I didn't know this was an answered prayer. My Lord Jesus Christ had shown me His awesome grace and mercy as I was sentenced to prison for 2 years for a crime that



should've gotten me 7. Without this intervention I would have surely died in my sin. After serving my time in prison I began to go to work and spend time with my daughter and grand-daughter. However without any spiritual foundation or guidance in my life I became lonely. I grew desperate to fill a void in my life where something was missing. Finally after 4 months of not knowing what I needed to fill this void I turned to alcohol. Drinking led to cocaine use and soon enough I was back to using heroin. I had returned to my former self as a dog returns to his vomit. Three weeks later all of my money was gone, hope was lost and thoughts of suicide surfaced intensely. Again in desperation for help I wrote a letter to my sister, then I got down on my hands and knees and begged God to help me. This time a week later I arrived at Shiloh Ministries. Within a week of coming to Shiloh I knew the Lord had brought me to the place where my life would be changed forever. I was now on my path to becoming a man after God's own heart. This year at Shiloh has taught me to see with spiritual eyes. God has given me a life with purpose, a solid foundation from which I will serve Him. He has restored my relationship with my daughter and shown me what it means to be a father. By His Word I have finally learned how to love others. The "old is gone and the new is here." Thank you so much Pastor Rocky, Sister Debbie and staff for your servitude and encouragement. May the Lord continue to bless all that you do for the Kingdom of God.

We want to thank everyone who financially partners with us in this Supernatural Ministry. It is because of special people like you, men have the opportunity to encounter the "Presence of God." Since the year 2000, we have been participating with the Lord in seeing men restored back to Him, so their destiny can be fulfilled. We are thrilled to hear from our graduates testifying about their experiences of advancing the Kingdom of God in their families, the market places and foreign countries where many are serving as missionaries. We would also like to invite others to help us financially in this ministry of reconciliation for restoration. Please consider Shiloh Ministries as good ground for your financial seed. We would also like to ask Pastor's for the opportunity for the students to come & share with their congregation. We invite everyone to come and take a tour of the Shiloh Campus, if you are in the Liberty area (located 45 miles east of downtown Houston). We would be glad to meet you and show you what extraordinary things the Lord is doing at Shiloh. Thanks again, for co-laboring with us and prayerfully considering financially supporting The Lord's Ministry at Shiloh.

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