# Cecil and Lisa Paxton Ministries May 2022





Her children rise up and call her blessed; Her husband also, and he praises her.

Proverbs 31:28 (NKJV)

Dear Partners and Friends,

## Casting off of the Old to Receive the New

Some Christians do not understand the importance of casting off the old beliefs by putting on the new beliefs in experiencing a manifestation of healing in Christ.

In Mark 10:46-52 is an example of a man who was a blind beggar. He cast off the old identity in putting on the new:

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- <sup>46</sup> Now they came to Jericho. As He went out of Jericho with His disciples and a great multitude, blind Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus, sat by the road begging.
- <sup>47</sup> And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"
- <sup>48</sup> Then many warned him to be quiet; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"
- <sup>49</sup> So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be called. Then they called the blind man, saying to him, "Be of good cheer. Rise, He is calling you."
- <sup>50</sup> And throwing aside his garment, he rose and came to Jesus.
- 51 So Jesus answered and said to him, "What do you want Me to do for you?" The blind man said to Him, "Rabboni, that I may receive my sight."
- 52 Then Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus on the road.

In verse 46, the blind man is introduced as "blind Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus." In our culture, we are used to a first name and a last name, but in the Jewish culture and in many

places throughout the Middle East, this is a person's name, as the family line is a part of who they are.

Jesus was recognized in His culture as Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph. He did not identify with Joseph; instead, by revelation, He came to know that His heavenly Father was where His true identity was.

In verse 47, Bartimaeus heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth and cried out to Him for mercy. Asking for mercy means that a person is asking for a compassion that involves forgiveness and freedom from punishment. This was the identity that was within his heart, and it was put there through the influence of the religious beliefs within his culture. It was believed that a physical problem was judgment from God for either the person's sin or the sin of that person's parents. This is why his cry was for mercy!

Verse 48 reveals his determination for physical freedom. He cried out so much and so loudly that the very people he was dependent upon for financial support were irritated by his noise and tried to make him shut up.

Instead, he got louder. This is why after the manifestation of healing, Jesus told him that his faith had made him well. Faith in Jesus was revealed in that he was not susceptible to people's insensitive communication, because he was not trusting in himself. This is amazing in that all of his life, he'd had to live with the influence of people's religious attitudes.

When the man realized that he was not rejected but accepted by Jesus, as he was told Jesus was calling him, he threw aside his garment, rose, and went to Jesus. The garment is significant in that he was no longer focused on an old identity of bondage but on receiving a new identity in freedom. The old was now a part of his past as his spiritual eyes were on Jesus for physical freedom.

#### **Testimonies**

Hello, Cecil & Lisa,

I talked with Cecil a couple of times back in 2019 when I was first diagnosed with cancer and again about a month or two ago. I had gone through a lot for about 18 months, but here I am, doing astonishingly well. There was nothing in my last scan back in February. My PSA was extremely low. It was so funny; the doctor looked at me, shrugged his shoulders, and said, "I don't know what to tell you..." I now get checked about every six months as standard procedure.

Now, I am working out again and building my business (I was laid off at the end of 2020). How God helped me with that situation is another great story. I am so blessed to have met you and learned about your ministry years ago.

Anyway, thank you so much for your ministry. I appreciated you taking the time out of your busy schedule to call and minister to me. [When] I talked with you again about a month or two ago, you suggested that I pray for cancer patients. I told a friend of mine my cancer journey, and he suggested the same thing. I figured I had better get on the move. Being a tech guy as I am, I created the website <a href="https://www.iprayforcancerpatients.com">www.iprayforcancerpatients.com</a> as my first attempt to make your suggestion a reality. So, thanks for that. I'm wired to help people anyway.

Thanks again for your support through the most difficult time in my life. God bless you always, Cecil and Lisa!

#### - Reggie

I just have to tell you how blown away I am with your book on healing. My husband has been battling cancer, and as I have been reading your book, I saw how I have taken on his problem and hindered his healing.

This all began last July, and I think I have read literally scores of books on healing, listened to scores of teachings, and sought God daily. I have quit listening to anything but the Word. But I never got the understanding I [later] received about how I was taking this problem on. I kept struggling with fear and faith, but in reading your book, [I] realized that I was hanging on to this and not fully giving it over to the Lord.

Thank you.

#### Thank You!

Lisa and I are very grateful to you, our friends and partners of this ministry, as together we are seeing lives changed. We believe that you, our partners, are greatly prospering—spirit, soul, and body—as you experience increase in the seed you have sown multiplying and increase in the fruits of your righteousness. God's richest blessings in Christ are already yours. Believe and establish this truth in your hearts and have open hearts to receive all that God has given you in Christ Jesus.

Happy Mother's Day! Blessings always,

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In this month of May, as you read this letter, we have finished ministering in Scotland and are now beginning the ministry in England. As we did in Scotland, we will be in churches, at Healing Is Here Conferences, and at Bible colleges.

We are very grateful to you, our friends and partners of the ministry, whose financial support has made you a partaker of all that the Lord is accomplishing through us, as together we are seeing lives changed in Christ.

You have sown into your future not only for here on the earth but also in heaven. There, we will see all the fruit of the lives that were spiritually changed, with so many testimonies of the Lord's goodness.

We are believing that our needs will be met not only as we minister overseas throughout the month of May but also for all the ministry expenses that continue here in the U.S. All expenses will be taken out of our ministry's general fund account.

For those who still desire to give, donations can be made via our website, by phone, or through the mail (make checks payable to CLPMI):

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#### **Healing is Here Conference Walsall**

Thursday May 5, 2022 9am to 8:30pm Friday May 6, 2022 9am to 8:30pm Charis Bible College Walsall The event is free but please register at: enquiries@awme.net

#### **Healing is Here Conference Exeter**

Friday May 13, 2022 7pm to 9:30pm Saturday May 14, 2022 10am to 5:30pm Charis Bible College Exeter Register at: exeter@charisbiblecollege.org.uk

#### **Revelation Church**

Sunday May 22, 2022 at 10:30am Personal Ministry to follow Pastors Mike & Gail Griffiths 1911 Bellevue Ave Bettendorf, IA 52722

#### **Rivers of Restoration Church**

Wednesday May 25, 2022 at 7:15PM 605 E Algonquin Road Suite # 130 Arlington Heights, IL. 60005 (847) 806-0499

#### **Gateway Church**

Thursday May 26, 2022 at 7pm 7605 W 126th Avenue Cedar Lakes, IN 46303 (219) 374-7730

#### **Foundations of Faith Ministries**

Sunday June 5, 2022 Pastor Larry Romero 50 Orchard Park Drive Greenville, SC 29615 (864) 313-2590

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