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## Hymn

### *There is a Redeemer*

There is a Redeemer  
Jesus God's own Son  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah  
Holy One

#### CHORUS

Thank You, oh, my Father  
For giving us Your Son  
And leaving Your Spirit 'til  
Your work on earth is done

Jesus, my Redeemer  
Name above all names  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah  
O for sinners slain

#### CHORUS

When I stand in glory  
I will see His face  
There I'll serve my King forever  
In that holy place

#### CHORUS

## “You Must Be Born Again” JESUS said

In JOHN 3, JESUS said, “Unless a man is born again, he or she cannot see (be aware of or understand) the Kingdom of GOD.”

JESUS further says, not only will you not understand the Kingdom but you can't even enter into it.

This is because GOD is perfect, and HIS Kingdom is perfect. Sinners cannot enter. ROMANS 3 writes that everyone has sinned: there is none righteous, including you and me.

Being born again is obviously important. But was does it mean?

The first time that you are born, your mum gives birth to you. You are a little baby made out of flesh. But, what's the second birth?

When you are born the second time, you are “born from above” or “born of the Spirit”. So to be born again (or born of the Spirit), you have to receive the Holy Spirit. JOHN 14 describes the Holy Spirit as the Comforter and the Spirit of Truth. It will live inside of you and teach you. It is the Spirit that JESUS promised HE would send back to HIS followers after HIS resurrection (JOHN 16:7).

You are then adopted as children of GOD, and you can call GOD your Father (ROMANS 8). Only then can you even see GOD's Kingdom.

In ACTS 1, it is written that JESUS told HIS followers that they shouldn't go out and witness to the world

until they receive the Holy Ghost (the Holy Spirit). They had to be born again of the Spirit first before they continue on with the work of GOD.

Nicodemus asks JESUS an important question in JOHN 3. He asked, “How can you be born again?”

JESUS explains that when someone is born of the Spirit it's like the wind blowing – you cannot know where it comes from or where it goes but you can hear the sound that it makes.

So, you know that you are born again when you hear the sound. What sound? Speaking in tongues is that sound. (For more information see the article on page 4 called *Ni-Vans receiving the Holy Spirit in NZ*).

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# Signs of the True Church

Identifying GOD's true church was something I had wondered about for years. My search for the truth in the scriptures and talking to those who confessed to be Christians only added to my confusion on how to identify GOD's church or HIS people.

Because of my desire to know the truth, GOD revealed HIS word to me by placing someone in my path to provide the answer that I had searched for so long.

I know now that the bible is

clear on how to find the truth when the heart desires to hear it.

John the Baptist sent his disciples to ask JESUS if he was the Messiah (Matthew 11).

How did JESUS respond? Did HE lift HIS hands in the air and proclaim HIS greatness? No, HE simply said, "Go and tell John of the signs that you see and hear. The blind receive their sight, the lame

walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them."

After JESUS died and then rose again, HE spoke to HIS followers. HE told them to preach the gospel to everyone and stated that signs would follow them. Mark 16 lists a number of these signs, including praying for the sick, speaking in tongues,

and casting out devils.

Further, it is written in JOHN 13 that JESUS has commanded us to love one another. HE said that this is how people will recognize HIS disciples.

The New Testament is filled with examples of signs that follow the followers of CHRIST. These signs still exist today because GOD hasn't changed.

– By Peter (Vanuatu)

## Leipakoa's Testimony

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*"My doctor told me that I would be dead by the end of July 2002."*

The Lord found me on the 29/07/02. Before that I was a very sick woman in the hospital with a very bad disease which affected my whole system so that my body wouldn't function and all the white and red blood cells were dying.

I spent all of my time lying in bed with no strength to walk. I had a very big sore in my lungs and lost all my hair - not even a single hair on my head. I also had a very bad smell so that no-one would come close to me.

My doctor told me that I would be dead by the end of July 2002: no more life in me.

However, during that time I was in hospital, some Christians from Australia came to Port Vila Hospital. One sister asked me if I wanted a healing and I said yes. We prayed together. She also asked me about been baptized and I said that I was baptized when I was small. She explained that I needed to be baptized like it was written in the bible. I agreed. We prayed together again before she left for the day.

The next day the Christians returned and I was baptized at the Medical Ward in Vila Central Hospital. Praise the Lord! After the baptism I came out of

the water speaking in another tongue and knowing fully that the Lord had healed me.

The next morning my doctor also noticed a change. I told her that a big healing took place.

I want to thank the LORD because I'm alive today and have all my normal body back and my lovely hair has grown back. Praise the LORD that I can talk to you all now, if not, then I'd be somewhere else that I don't know. Everyday I'm praising the LORD for this wonderful healing.

If the LORD can heal me, HE can do the same for anyone.



## Activities on Santo

In May, Ps. Errol, Br. Benson and I visited our fellowship at Mango Station near Luganville to encourage and strengthen the people and to appoint Willie Rouvouné as pastor.

The small fellowship, largely extended family members, is being noticed by others because of the clear salvation testimony and orderly church practice including the gifts of the Holy Spirit. They are building a small shelter and attached pastor's house with funds raised in Canberra.

The village has always been Anglican and this is the first time another fellowship has been established. During our first visit in October 2007 it was a new thing for white people to stay in the village. For me it is basic that we stay with the people but I did not realize how important it was for the people there.

We also traveled to Fanafo where the government is building a large hydro-electric powerplant and where Ps. Willie visits an old friend whom he and

Benson had known in previous fellowships including NTM. He was very excited to see us and I really enjoyed talking with him about GOD. He received the Holy Spirit very quickly after we started to pray and he is committed to the Revival Fellowship. He was already holding prayer meetings twice a week for local people and will now build a small shelter on his vast land for regular meetings. Ps. Willie will look after both places at this time.  
*-Written by Ps. Bob visiting from Canberra*



## Tanna Update

After a few days back in Vila, I said goodbye to my wife who flew home to Canberra. The next day Br. Benson and I visited our assembly at Green Point, which is under the care of Ps. Jeffed Konapo since 2005. This is a small but strong assembly of largely extended family members but with associated assemblies in other local villages.

Largely due to the ministry of Br. Benson there was an important reconciliation between Ps. Jeffed's brother Jimmy and myself due to misunderstanding and wrong thinking on his

part and he with his family returned to the assembly. Br. Jimmy gave a very moving and humble apology to me before GOD and the assembly that was a wonderful example of the way CHRIST would want us to resolve our differences.

I made the decision to provide funds from Vila's church account to purchase pipe and fittings to bring water to the village; and to allow Ps. Jeffed to purchase materials to build and stock a small store to supply his village and adjacent villages. This will also generate

savings and small income for him and the LORD's work.

As with Santo I am confident that in time there will be more assemblies in Tanna but there are difficulties with communication, access, and strongly entrenched "kastom" practices in people's lives that Christian churches in the last 100 years have not really been able to effectively deal with. Nevertheless I believe the simple and uncompromising message of salvation and way of life we preach will succeed.  
*-By Ps. Bob (Canberra)*



# Ni-Vans Receiving Holy Spirit in New Zealand

In NZ over 90 Ni-Vans and 10 Solomon Islanders working as fruit pickers attended the fellowship.

So far 18 have received the Holy Spirit. We know this because they spoke in tongues like people did in the bible.

For example, while the apostle Peter was speaking to Cornelius and his family (ACTS 10:44), they received the gift of the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues. There are many such examples.

But what is the purpose of speaking in tongues?

In JOHN 4:24, JESUS explained that GOD is a Spirit and you must worship HIM in Spirit. To worship HIM in Spirit, you must be born again of the Spirit.

(See also the article on page 1)

JESUS explained in JOHN 3 that when a person is born of the Spirit, you can hear the sound. The bible is clear that speaking in tongues

is that sound.

ROMANS 8:26 describes that when we speak in tongues, it is the Holy Spirit praying to GOD on our behalf. How awesome!

1 CORINTHIANS 14:2 shows that a person speaking in tongues

speaks unto God. Other people can't understand the language. Paul, the apostle, said in verse 18 that he speaks in tongues more than others. He was obviously a person that prayed a lot in tongues to GOD – and he had a very blessed ministry.



## Question & Answer

### JOKE

#### **Which Way to Heaven?**

*A Reverend arrives in a small town to preach a sermon. Wanting to mail a letter, he asked a young boy where the post office was.*

*When the boy had told him, the Reverend thanked him and said, "If you'll come to church this evening, you can hear me telling everyone how to get to heaven."*

*The boy replied, "I don't think I'll be there... **You don't even know your way to the post office.**"*

***Question: Once I receive the gift of the Holy Ghost and speak in tongues, why shouldn't I...***

- a) Go back to my old church?***
- b) Just worship GOD at home?***

Answer:

The best way to answer Part A is to ask you: If the church you went to before couldn't explain the full truth, then how can it help you continue in the truth? Also,

wouldn't you want to bring family and friends to a church where they can hear the full truth?

For Part B, if you don't go to church it doesn't mean you're not saved. Equally, if you do go to church, it doesn't mean you are saved. So why go to church?

Firstly, you need to go to the right church. Not all churches are the same. Once you are at the right church, it's important to keep

fellowshipping there. GOD established this method of worship and support. In ACTS, JESUS directs HIS people to be together, and GOD brought new people to the church.

GOD established the church also as a place to encourage each other. We can worship together and learn from one another. It helps us put GOD first, and to invest our time for HIM and HIS people.

## Coming Events

The Port Vila fellowship will soon be presenting topics like:

- What Must I do to be Saved?
- Lost Tribes of Israel

- Stone of Scone
- Health
- 70 Weeks
- Pyramids

New people are welcome to come along

to these sessions, and also to every Sunday meeting.

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