

Covenant Life

- Our next Gathering is **TODAY** at **3pm**. We will not have a Gathering on the 4th Sunday this month as we will be celebrating our Jubilee. Please pray for our Gatherings, be open to the spiritual gifts, and come ready to share (or email words to info@GodsDelight.org).
- Our 50th Anniversary Jubilee
 - If you have not RSVP's, please click [HERE](#) so we have a lunch count.
 - Ordered shirts may be picked up today before or after the Gathering. You may also contact Terry McDowell to pick them up from her home, otherwise they will be distributed on Saturday March 25th at the Jubilee.
 - The Jubilee agenda is attached to this letter.
- If you were unable to attend our last prayer meeting, you can listen to the audio [here](#), and read the Word Gift summary [here](#) and the transcript [here](#).
- Your ongoing financial support to the Community is sincerely appreciated. Please donate online [here](#) or mail your donations to P.O. Box 225008 Dallas, Tx 75222.
- **NOVENA**: We continue Jubilee preparation with a nine-week novena asking what God has for us. Try to spend quality time daily praying and reflecting, attentive to prophetic words. We want the Lord to reveal His plan for us, individually and as a Community. This week's topic is **Witness**. Each day this week is a new invitation from the Lord to turn to Him. If you know someone who is without email, please print a copy and visit them so we can be united in seeking our Lord. Please continue prayers for Gretchen and the Jubilee team.

The readings today speak of thirst. Meditating on this word brought to mind how basic and foundational this is to life. It led to reflecting on our response to God's call upon our lives. Do I treat my response to His call as an option, a box to check, a job for someone else or already completed...or is my response as fundamental to who I am as thirst or hunger?

Jesus' words in the [Gospel](#) speak to this clearly: "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work." Would that we would have this same attitude and live by it. Imagine our day so constantly driven by His will that our attention to His will occupies us more than our thirst and hunger.

"Lord, what are You asking of me right now? How can I serve You unreservedly?"
May this prayer fill our day and may we hear Him clearly and respond with zeal.

The Gospel reading goes on to tell of the result of the Samaritan women's response to her encounter with Jesus. She could not help but tell everyone how Jesus changed her life, spreading the Good News through her witness. This is the theme of our novena meditation this week (attached). This must be our response to our encounter also. We are told to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth...specifically to cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those suffering from virulent skin diseases, drive out devils.

This of course is not a new message to CCGD. From our first days we have heard this call and responded (recalling one of our conference themes: *Be My Witnesses*). We are well aware of the verse that explains *"the harvest is rich, but the laborers are few"* but maybe we are comfortable with that being something that others are called to...those with gifts for outreach. The example of the Samaritan woman and the passages in our novena this week exhort us to own this. We are individually and collectively called to Be His Witnesses today and every day. God is asking us to share our encounter, to share the transformation of what happened to us when we were changed by His Spirit. He so wants the world to know Him and He is counting on our Yes!

Let us pray together this week's novena prayer: "Jesus, you have blessed us so abundantly calling us "Your Delight". You have given us a name, gathered us together to be your people, joined together as brothers and sisters, to accomplish your mission to love and serve each other and spread your Kingdom throughout the world. We ask that you send upon us the Fire of your Holy Spirit to reawaken our sleepy spirits and renew in us the fervor of our first love. Set our hearts ablaze once again as we witness through your power...love...signs and wonders, to gather in your harvest!"

God Bless,
David