

## “Be Filled With The Spirit”

*“And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit.”*

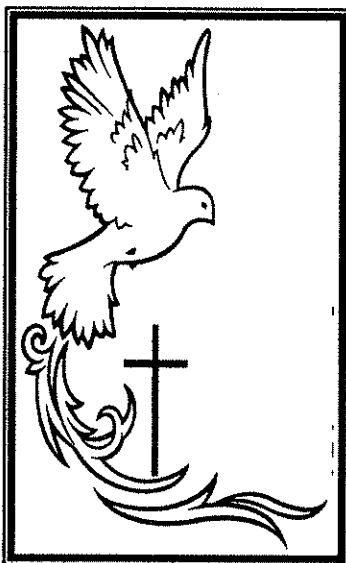
Ephesians 5:18 NKJV

How much we need the Presence and the Power and the Purity of the Holy Spirit in our day. The following is from “What Meaneth This?” by Carl Braumbach. We highly recommend this book for those seeking to be filled with the Spirit and to be able to share with others who ask “What Meaneth This?”

“And suddenly,” the Word declares, “there came a SOUND. . . .” It was a deep, strange sound that seemed to come from above—from heaven.” Voices raised in prayer were instantly hushed, and a profound stillness filled the room. A still, small voice whispered to each disciple, “The hour is come!” The sound, which perhaps at first seemed far away, now appeared to be coming closer. It was like the roaring of a whirlwind, the howling of a tempest—as of a rushing, mighty wind!”

Nearer and nearer it came. Louder and louder its volume. At last, with an all-pervading, majestic roar it burst into the room, “and it filled all the house where they were sitting.”

What overpowering feelings must have gripped the disciples as they realized that God Himself, the Holy Ghost, was there in the room with them! No doubt the soul of each one echoed the cry of Jacob at Bethel, “Surely the Lord is in this place!” Unlike Jacob, however, they were not frightened. Nor were they as Moses, who at Sinai cried, “I exceedingly fear and quake!” They remembered the words of their Lord, “I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you. . . . I will pray the Father and He shall give you another Comforter.” This “sound as of a rushing mighty wind,” they knew, only accompanied their new Friend, the *Paracletos*, in His descent from heaven.



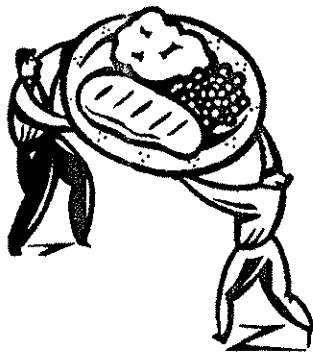
It was not long, however, before that which their ears heard became secondary to that which their eyes saw. There appeared to their startled gaze a lambent flame of fire, suspended above their heads. As they watched, the mass of fire was cleft asunder, broken up into separate parts, and distributed throughout the room. And lo, every flaming fragment assumed the shape of a cloven tongue, and “sat upon each of them”!

The disciples were only beginning to consider this second manifestation of the Holy Spirit *with* them when, suddenly, they felt a strange power moving *within* them. Some spiritual force was breaking up the fountains of the great deep in their souls, and at the same time the windows of heaven were being opened upon them. The words of Jesus were brought to their remembrance, “Ye know Him; for He dwelleth *with* you and shall be *in* you.” And that Holy One, who came into these disciples, was not content to occupy only the inner sanctum of their souls. As in Solomon’s day the glory of the Lord filled the temple, so now the Holy Spirit filled these true temples. “They were all filled with the Holy Ghost.”

The Gift had come! The disciples, in the midst of mighty manifestations of power, and overwhelmed by holy emotions, nevertheless knew that the most

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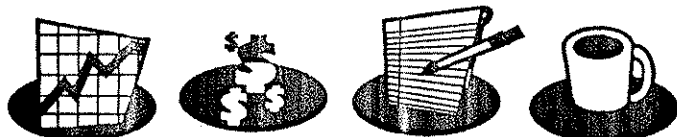
# Men's Fellowship Dinner



**Friday,  
February 18  
at 6:00 PM**

The Men's Fellowship Dinner will be held at Breezy Point Campground on Friday, February 18 at 6:00 p.m. The guest speaker will be Rev. Richard Bendelewski of Hallsport Christian Church. Come and join us for dinner, fellowship and the Word. All men are welcome—please feel free to invite a guest. A sign up sheet will be available soon.

## ANNUAL BUSINESS



## MEETING

**Monday, February 28, 2011**

The Annual Business Meeting will be held on Monday, February 27 at 7:00 p.m. Please make the meeting a priority. A quorum (over half) of the membership must be present in order to conduct business. On the agenda are affirmation of Bruce Kornhaus as Treasurer and Ed Waasdorp as Board Secretary for another year, election of one Trustee for a three-year term, and other important business.

All are welcome to attend the meeting; however, voting privileges are limited to members.

## Nursing Home Ministry

Several times during the year we have the privilege of bringing a Sunday morning service to the local nursing homes. On Sunday, February 20 at 1:30 p.m. we will meet at the Wellsville Manor and at 2:15 p.m. at Highland Healthcare to share in worship and the Word. All are welcome to come and experience God's love as we share with those who are unable to get out and attend church. Also, you are encouraged to bring your little ones as they bring a special joy to the residents.

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important fact of all was that the Spirit of Truth had come. As at Mt. Sinai it was not the thunder nor the lightnings nor the fire nor the trumpet which was paramount, but the giving of the Law; so at Pentecost it was not the sound of fire nor the speaking with which was par- giving of the manifestations were but subservient and symbolical. The signs at Pentecost, though clearly supernatural, were only the accompaniments of the gift of the Spirit. They were but the physical and visible revelations of spiritual and invisible realities. The tremendous truth was that "He" had come!



He, the blessed Holy Spirit, had distained to descend on the temple of Herod, the center of worship for Christ-crucifying Israel. Instead, He would honor this unpretentious upper room with His presence. He, the gracious Spirit of God, had refused to fill with Himself the ritualistic rabbis, or the pompous priests, or the sanctimonious scribes. He would incarnate Himself in humble Galileans. What marvelous, infinite, matchless grace! How confounding to the proud! How reassuring to the lowly! Yea, how true the words of the prophet, "For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy: I dwell in the high place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit!"

*Thanking the Lord that what had been promised by the prophet Joel is for us today.*

**— Pastor Mason**



During periods of hazardous weather conditions, please call the church (593-5136) or the parsonage (593-2537) before coming to a service. A message will be left on the answering machine if a service has been cancelled.

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