

Gate Breaker News Digest

Matthew 16:18 "I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against



Sewing Centers in Pakistan

Gate Breaker Ministries now has six sewing centers in Pakistan in the Punjab region.

These sewing centers are actually one year training centers for women. It gives an opportunity for disadvantaged women to learn a technical skill that can help them get a job.

The centers strengthen the faith of Christians through daily devotions (prayer and Bible reading). They are also somewhat evangelistic for Muslim women who attend the sewing program.

It is through the generous donations to GBM that we are able to provide start up costs and monthly provision for these centers.

The sixth center was started in April in a Christian village called Martinpur in the district of Nankana. The village was colonized in 1898 by a missionary named Dr. Rev. Samuel Martin.

The community, once a thriving place of agriculture, education and economic strength has become a community with a dismal forecast regarding educational opportunities and economic strength.

Below are the unedited comments of what one young woman wrote in April in response to the new sewing center:

"I am Sadia Khokhar. I am 15 years old. I am a student of class 9th in Christian Girl's High School Martinpur. We are 2 sisters and 2 brothers.

We are going to have summer holidays in a month time. It is very difficult for girls to spend summer holidays in village as

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"I also want to add that many girls of this village who are not able to learn technical skills due to financial and social reasons are going to be benefited a lot and this GBM Sewing Center will help them grow in many ways."



Pastor Asher Aziz (second from left) leading the inauguration ceremony

My Pilgrimage to Israel

In May, I fulfilled a life-time desire to travel to the Holy Land. It was an amazing journey, from May 8—19.

I arrived in Jerusalem on Monday, May 9, which coincidentally was their Day of Remembrance, like our Memorial Day. That same evening at 8 pm began their Independence Day celebration.

On May 14, 1948, Israel proclaimed their independence and war immediately broke out with the surrounding Islamic nations. Israel fought and won their independence. Since the Jewish culture uses a lunar rather than a solar (365 day) calendar, the annual celebration falls on different dates each year.

Rather than going with a tour group to Israel, I went by myself. It was the perfect way for me to do it. I was able to join in on short, inexpensive group tours of various sites, but most of the time I was able to go independently to many more places than I could have seen with a larger tour group.

After flying into Tel Aviv, I spent the first few days in Jerusalem, a very modern city. I stayed at a great Bed and Breakfast, located at Allenby Square, within walking distance of the Old City. There was no need of a car, as the city has a great bus system, and many sites are just a few minutes' walk.



In front of the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem. I joined a half-day tour of the Holy City. I am 2nd from the right.

There are free walking tours of the modern city. Many of the tourist attractions are free or reasonably priced. I went on a great bus tour of the city in which I could get off and on at various attractions.

Professional tour guides are located at strategic places, so I joined in on a couple of half-day-group tours of the ancient Holy city of Jerusalem and the Mount of Olives. Among the many sites we saw were the Via Dolorosa, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, the Dome of the Rock, David's Citadel, the Western

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Sewing Centers (Continued)

there are no creative activities for girls available.

I cannot express how much I am happy at the opening of this sewing center. This sewing center will not only help spending summer holidays but will also let me able to become a seamstress and after completing my matriculation I will be very helpful to my father who work so hard to accomplish our basic needs.

I also want to add that many girls of this village who are not able to learn technical skills due to financial and social reasons are going to be benefited a lot and this GBM Sewing Center will help them grow in many ways. Thank you very much."

Sadia also expressed her thanks to GBM, the donators to GBM, and the Pakistan ministries that work with GBM.

As a result of these sewing centers, dozens of woman each month have the opportunity to learn a valuable trade.

The prophet Isaiah prophesied about Jesus saying, "The Lord has anointed Me to preach good tidings to the poor" (Isaiah 61:1). The Lord Jesus cared for the poor, and so should we.

These centers train those who are disadvantaged so that they can earn money to provide for their families. This also helps spread the Good News about the Lord Jesus Christ because Christians who work and prosper are often in a position to share their faith with others. This is a very important ministry in a country that is the second most dominated Muslim country in the world.

The sewing center in Martinpur, along with the five other training centers in the region started in the last two years, depends upon the people who contribute financially to GBM! God bless them for their faithfulness! Would you prayerfully consider becoming a monthly financial partner with GBM?

You can give on-line at www.gatebreakers.com or send monthly contributions to Gate Breaker Ministries; 2508 S. Abaco Way, Meridian, Idaho 83642.

Also, we need those who will pray for GBM and its involvement in Pakistan and all of the places that it has influence. Thanks.



Sadia Khokhar unpacking a new sewing machine

My Pilgrimage to Israel (Continued)

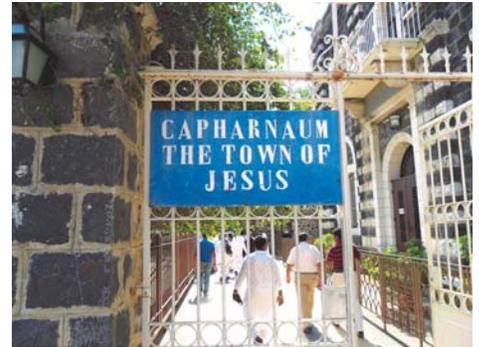
Wall, the Mount of Zion, the Church of the Last Supper, the Valley of Jehoshaphat, the Garden of Gethsemane, and a small church on the Mount of Olives at the spot where people believe that Jesus ascended into heaven.

It is true that the roads upon which Jesus would have walked were many feet deeper than where I was standing, and the ancient churches built over the Holy places are actually built upon the foundations of even more ancient churches.

It is difficult to describe the feeling of wonder that I felt as I saw and experienced the very places that our Lord lived, died, rose from the dead, and ascended into heaven.

However, it also true that visitors actually get to touch the hill of Golgotha upon which Jesus was crucified. There were also structures that are thousands of

years old that visitors can see and touch, such as the Western Wall, from the era of the Second temple. One amazing thing I did was to walk on the walls of ancient Jerusalem.



Capernaum, on the Sea of Galilee is where Peter lived and Jesus did many miracles

This surrounds a portion of the city and takes about an hour. The views are breathtaking.

It is difficult to describe the feeling of wonder that I felt as I saw and experienced the very places that our Lord lived, died, rose from the dead, and ascended into heaven. I will say that it certainly adds context to the numerous communities and places that the Bible mentions.

For instance, I always imagined Nazareth to be in a valley or on a plain, but it is actually on a mountain. After Jesus, visited the synagogue in

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Family News



Samuel, my second grand child. Born 4/27/11, 7 lbs. 13 ounces, 19 1/2 inches long. Congratulations to my daughter Amber and her husband Joe Lynn. Good job!

It has been a lively and busy spring in our family. My daughter Amber gave birth to her second child, Samuel, on April 27. His sister, Emily, almost two, is quite excited about a baby brother. Amber and her husband, Joe Lynn, live in Blowing Rock, North Carolina. Congratulations!

My daughter, Liberty, graduated from Capital high school in Boise in May. She was very active in school all three years, but this last year she was editor of the news paper for the first semester, photographer, student council member, and a rugby player. She was honored as a rotary scholar, and she won a gold medal in interview competition and a silver medal in photography at the Idaho Skills USA competition. Liberty plans on being involved in the Capital Christian Center intern program next year. This is a nine month course that helps young people learn to focus on serving the Lord, the local church, and the community.

The photograph below was taken when Liberty was visiting her sister, Susanna, in Paris at Christmas.

Susanna recently returned from serving Pastors Robert and Kathryn Baxter and their church, The Bon Berger, in Paris, France. Susanna spent almost 9 months there doing all types of service and ministry-related activities. This fall, she will be attending Treasure Valley Community College at it's beautiful campus in Ontario, Oregon. Susanna is an outstanding student, and she received a nice scholarship to TVCC for running cross country and track. A big congratulations to our girls!

While I have been globe trotting to Africa, Israel, and other places, Kathleen has just finished her second year as an English composition teacher at Lone Star Middle School in Nampa, Idaho. She does a great job teaching about 150 sixth graders how to write well. Now, that's a tough job!



Congratulations to our daughter, Liberty, who graduated from Capital High School in Boise on May 24, 2011.

Pakistan 2011 The Important Trip

In late October, GBM is planning its second ministry trip to Pakistan. Pastors Asher Aziz and Rizwan Fazal of Lahore are both desirous that I would return. They were instrumental in my first trip in May, 2009. Yet, things are changing quickly in Pakistan as news comes forth from that unstable country.

The door is still open for visiting ministry, but it may be closing soon. Pakistan's Islamist party, Jamiat-Ulema-e-Islami (JUI), has just petitioned to have the Bible banned from Pakistan because it supposedly violates the nation's blasphemy laws. JUI acknowledged that it's request is in response to the Koran burning done in Florida in March, 2011, organized by Pastor Terry Jones. His publicized action has caused harm to Christians in Islamic-dominated nations like Pakistan.

JUI's request is radical and not really in alignment with their own Koran, since it states that Muslims

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should also believe in the "Book" that God sent down before the Koran, the Bible (Sura 4:136). However, JUI's actions are just one more example of on-going persecution against Christians. For example, a Pakistani anti-terrorism court acquitted 70 Muslims accused of setting fire to over fifty Christian houses and two churches in July, 2009, killing eight Christians.¹

My first trip to Pakistan was just prior to that attack, in May, 2009, but in the same region. The ministry was very fruitful. Many people gave their lives to Christ, healings occurred, Pastors and Christians were encouraged, and the first GBM sewing training center was established. James Fish, of Spokane, Washington, went with me and was a great help and assistant.

This time I would like to take a small team to do more ministry in terms of pastor conferences, outreaches, and Christian encouragement. We need your help! There is also an opportunity to get involved in a church planting operation.

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Metamorphosis

Question: what can a butterfly do that a caterpillar cannot? The answer, of course, is fly!

School children are taught about the scientific process known as metamorphosis.

For caterpillars, this is the transformation process in the appropriate season, creating a cocoon around itself, waiting, changing, and then emerging from the cocoon as a creature with wings, a butterfly. These beautiful flying insects see life from a whole different perspective than their former selves (as earth-bound caterpillars).



For Christians, our transformation comes when we let the Lord renew our minds. Romans 12:2 "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your

mind, that you may be able to prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

The Greek word metamorpho is here translated "transformed", so Christians also must go through a transformation of change into order to see and understand God from a better, higher perspective.

How is this accomplished? Through "the renewing of your mind" is the biblical answer, but what does that mean and why do we need it?

The word renewal means renovation. Have you ever renovated a house? I have; I stripped the walls down to the studs, altered room size, updated wiring, plumbing, floors, doors, windows, etc. It is a lot of work.



Well, just imagine the work that the Holy Spirit must do in your life in order for you to think from a better perspective. He must change out your old-man, earth-bound, flesh-driven ideas about reality and God. That is what transformation means.

There may be numerous reasons that we need to be transformed, but the one that Romans 12 mentions is so that we will be able to prove (discern) the will of God. Transformed Christians fly, in a sense, because they can see God's will from a better angle and in a whole new light of revelation, knowing what is good, acceptable and perfect to Him.

Jesus taught us to pray, "Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven" (Matthew 6:10). This idea about God's will is not just His approval or disapproval on some subject or something that we want to do.

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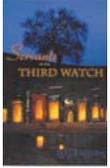
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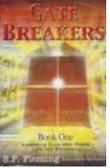
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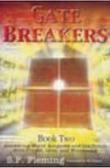


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My Pilgrimage to Israel (Continued)

Nazareth and read from Isaiah 61 (Luke 4:16-27), the men of the synagogue attempted to "throw Him down over the cliff. Then passing through them, He went His way" (Luke 4:29-30). This cliff is known as Mount Precipice and is very high. I looked down over the side of it.

I spent four days in Tiberius, seeing everything that I could around the Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, Bethsaida, the hill of Beatitudes, the Golan Heights, Magdala, the Jordan River, where Jesus was baptized, Tabgha, where Jesus fed the multitudes, and the place where the disciples saw and met with the resurrected Christ when He was on the shore (John 21). Around that area, I also visited Caesarea Philippi, where Peter proclaimed that Jesus was the Christ (Matthew 16:13-18), Megiddo, the ancient city of many battles, where the Bible prophecies that the future battle of Armageddon is to be fought, and Acre, on the Mediterranean Sea, where the crusaders and the Knight's Templar built a fortress.

Also on my trip, I spent a couple of days exploring the area of the Dead Sea. Swimming in the Dead Sea, touring Masada, and visiting Qumran were on my agenda.

The Dead Sea is the lowest place in the world. It lies approximately 1,300 ft below sea level. The shore is caked with several inches of salt, and people really do float in the sea because of the high salt content.

Masada, which means *fortress* in Hebrew, is located on the top of a cliff in the Judean desert. It was built by Herod the Great (31–37 BCE) but became famous as the place where the Jews fought the last battles against the Romans, during the Jewish revolt of 60–70 AD. Masada itself was finally conquered in 74 AD.

Qumran became famous as the place where caves were discovered in the 1940's in which were found the Dead Sea Scrolls. It was considered the greatest archaeological discovery of the 20th century. These scrolls, dated from 200 BCE–66 AD, were copies of ancient Hebrew books, including most of the Old Testament. These became the oldest known copies of the Old Testament. The archaeological dig reveals a community that faithfully copied the books of ancient Israel.

Israel was an amazing place. In the future, I may lead a group there. We would pray, take tours, and explore the amazing sites of the Holy Land in an independent fashion. It is a life changing, transforming experience!



A part of the dig at Qumran. It was truly an impressive place.

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Dr. Stan Fleming



Standing next to the Garden of Gethsemane

Metamorphosis (continued)

Rather, it is much larger; it is gaining an understanding of how God thinks, what He sees as good, acceptable, and perfect.

This is, after all, God's universe and His creation. People should have a desire to understand it from His perspective.

The Lord does not change, according to Malachi 3:6, but we do, and in some ways, we are constantly changing. As Christians, we may not like change, but we do need to change. We need to grow and mature in our understanding of the Lord and in what pleases Him. This is a life-time process!

Even mature Christians may come into a spiritual season in which they need to cocoon into the next level of understanding. What I mean by this idea of cocooning is a season of an inward closer examination of one's attitudes and relationship with the Lord Jesus. He may be drawing you into a deeper, private place with Him in which He can renovate some of your thoughts and ways. Christians are not really supposed to grow old; they are supposed to grow new in Christ. Plants grow towards the light. We also are supposed to grow towards the light of Christ. As we do, we are changed, transformed, renewed in our thoughts!

One of the amazing things about God is that He can take a person who is in a very difficult, dark, and painful season of life, and, if that person will cocoon in God's love and warmth, he or she will be transformed. This will produce a season that is far more beautiful and majestic.

This often is demonstrated in the life of a new believer, who changes by repenting and becoming humble before the Lord. God loves all

people. He sent His Son, Jesus, to show people the way to eternal life with Him. Jesus died on the cross for the sins of all men, He rose from the dead, and someday He will return to judge our lives.

If you have never asked Jesus Christ to be your Lord and Savior, why not do so right now? Jesus accepts you as you are. He wants you to receive Him and His gift of eternal life. John 1:12 "But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name." He can teach you to fly! Take some time to cocoon in God's love for you whether you are a new Christian or one who has known the Lord for years.

Pakistan 2011 The Important Trip

Perhaps you or your church would prayerfully consider sponsoring church-planting efforts in villages of an Islamic-dominated nation. What a great way to impact the world for Christ! Please let me know if you are interested.

GBM is seeking both donations and prayer for the upcoming trip.

Prayers: We need prayers for the following:

- Favor from God and men.
- God's chosen team.
- Power, protection, and provision.
- Timely preparation and organization for both the team going and the organizing ministries in Pakistan.
- Open doors and a great harvest of souls for Christ.

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Donations: This is a financial step-of-faith for GBM. The last trip cost \$10,000. This will be more. The reality is that the more we have the more we can do. You may not be able to go to Pakistan but you can help bring about evangelism, outreach, encouragement, and possibly even church planting through your donation to GBM. Please help! Every contribution counts. God bless you!

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End Notes

1. "Pakistan's Bible Ban", Frontpagemag.com, June 16, 2011.