

NOBLE MARITIME

Ministries

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"Come aside by yourselves...and rest awhile. So they departed to a deserted place in the boat by themselves."

Mark 6: 30-31



It was like I had always imagined... sparkling ocean, snow capped mountains, Orca whales, bald eagles, porpoise, quiet anchorages & moon beams on the water. All this as the backdrop for providing healing and rest for leaders! We were witnessing the birthing of the vision God has been ‘incubating’ in Neil for nearly 15 years!! The favor of God was all over this pilot program – the first Noble Maritime Boat Retreat!

The following excerpts from interviews with retreat guests will give you a peek into our 7 day adventure: (shared with their permission)

“The food has been great, the company has been great; it has been fun to get to know Neil and Kathy better and also Julie and Betsy... Very relaxing, but even more importantly, it has been a very spiritually healing vacation. I had a really great breakthrough this morning in a [prayer ministry] session with Neil and my wife also had a great session this afternoon. We really reconnected after that, so I feel like we are leaving off on a real good note.” *Don J - CTK lay leadership Anacortes, WA*



Enjoying the view from the flybridge



How about fresh salmon from the BBQ with roasted red potatoes and seasoned green beans?

“I’ve had two [prayer ministry] sessions ... I’m amazed at how God can enter any of those memories and rebuild His truth about who I am and who He has created me to be. I am looking forward to walking in this new light and new revelation and seeing how this changes my relationships with my mom, my girls and my husband. It has been incredible scenery and rejuvenation; a time to reflect. It’s just been great. I’m really grateful for this opportunity.”

Kim J - CTK lay leadership Anacortes, WA



“The comfort, the care, and the hospitality that your whole family provided set the tone and the stage for a readiness to go to prayer and a trust with you, Neil, to go and seek the Lord for healing of emotional pain in the wounds I had with my father. So, I thank you for the blessing and for allowing God to minister through you to me. I think you guys have a wonderful vision here with this ministry.”

Vic W - founder In Focus Family Ministries Friday Harbor, WA



One short lesson and he’s sailing like a pro!

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“We truly have been touched and changed by the ministry here on the boat – very, very unique in its ministry to us...I want to encourage others to step out and experience the ministry of Noble Maritime Ministries and receive what they have available, and you’ll be surprised. I woke up this morning with a light heart and joy bubbling that I truly hadn’t felt before. Neil, Kathy, ladies, we thank you so much for this time.”

*Carlene D - co-founder Pacific Ministries,
Gresham, OR*



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“[It has been said that] God does not put a dream in a man but God has a dream and then He wraps a man around that dream. I feel there are assignments/dreams which are, in the natural impossible, but in the supernatural, they are fully possible. Not only fully possible but obtainable through obedience and faith - the kind of faith Abraham had when God said ‘Step out, even though you don’t know where you are going’ This voyage has been the first step of a journey ...a defining of the vision.

This ministry is so vital and I pray that the Lord will continue to unwrap the gift [to the body of Christ] that is ahead. We bless you and will partner with you in this endeavor.”

*Darrell D - founder Pacific Ministries,
Gresham, OR*

*Thanks and blessings,
Neil, Kathy and crew*

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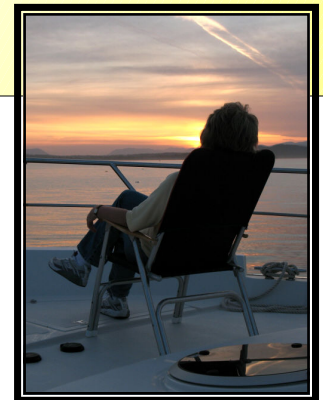
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Prayer Requests and Praises

- ✂ Our hearts are full and overflowing! As Darrell expressed, we have **only begun** to unwrap the gift that is ahead!
- ✂ We are grateful for the privilege of serving the King as a family. The awesome boat crew (Julie & Betsy) did a fantastic job! Neil is so blessed he can hardly stand it!
- ✂ Thanks team, for your prayers and giving that made the Boat Retreat a success. Even though the diesel fuel price rose 45¢ per gallon during our week long trip we still came within \$603 of having all funds in hand to cover all costs.
- ✂ Another couple joined the team as a monthly prayer and financial supporter!
- ✂ We’ve had one helper with gardening. Lord, please send more.
- ✂ Pray with us re: the next step for the Boat Retreat program. The pilot program made it clear to us that having a boat under our care and management (vs. chartering / renting) is critically important.
- ✂ Pray for wisdom re: offering a prayer ministry Training Seminar in the fall. Leaders can’t commit to the 16 week program now recommended, yet many want training. How can we make it shorter but still effective?
- ✂ Pray for finances to hire an administrative assistant (and Kathy’s request is for an onboard chef!)
- ✂ We need rest and balance in the increasingly demanding schedule.



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