

NOBLE MARITIME *Ministries*

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Normal Folks – Amazing God

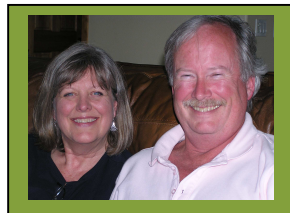
We had no idea the extent of God's program when two years ago we moved into 5220 Anglers Haven Drive, Oak Harbor! Wow!

"Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor has it entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him!" 1Cor. 2:9

Selling our house in Port Townsend just as the housing market started to nose dive was totally a "God-thing" – we certainly weren't smart enough to plan that! Then moving "across the pond" and the subsequent birth of the Three Day Intensive Healing Retreat in this beautiful *rented* waterfront home has been filled with unexpected surprises and blessings. We have found it to be a very effective tool – another thing we couldn't have planned or imagined beforehand! We're so thankful that God is directing this ship, even though sometimes it seems we're just along for the ride and uncertain of our destination!

God has brought to us folks from all over the place (U.S. and Canada) that He wants to heal. We get the privilege of participating with the Holy Spirit in facilitating breakthrough and freedom for many hurting individuals – as well as **just regular and normal folks** who know there is more to this "abundant life" than they are presently experiencing! As an example, we recently had a rewarding weekend with these folks:

As young grandparents and very successful health care professionals, Gary and Cathy had decided to hang up their careers to pursue an intensive one-year ministry training in Redding, California, so as to become more intimate with God and more powerful ambassadors for Christ. Before heading off, they booked a retreat with Noble Maritime Ministries, knowing that resolving woundedness from their past is the best preparation for greater fruitfulness in life and ministry. Below are some of their comments



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News:



Multiplication: We are **excited** about multiplication! Recently, alumni from past NMM Training Seminars have launched their own Basic Training Seminars in prayer counseling! They will begin training other caregivers through a sixteen week home group, followed by an eight month practicum. "Lord, we ask You to increase Your presence and favor on them as they grow in their expertise – and pass it on to others – to bring greater freedom to Your church."

Double your money offer! As an incentive for the spreading of healing, and as a thank-you for a special donation of \$250 or more, we'll send you a gift certificate worth \$500-\$700. Use this certificate yourself, or give it to a loved one to redeem at any Noble Maritime Ministries retreat facility for a life changing, three day "Intensive Healing Retreat"!



Retreat includes:

- double occupancy, waterfront lodging for two nights, seven home-cooked meals, delicious snacks, drinks and hors d'oeuvre
- Up to six prayer counseling sessions
- Rest, edifying discussions, life coaching, hikes, fellowship
- Results: Resolution of past emotion-filled wounds, expanding **peace that passes understanding** and equipping to successfully process future emotional pain

Send a note with your check requesting "Healing Retreat Gift Certificate"

Gary: “This weekend with Neil and Kathy was an interesting encounter with the Lord. There were issues from my past, some of which came to the surface quickly, some of which took considerably more work. But, there was a great deal of healing that took place and a lot of peace that I hadn’t been able to access before – things I’d wanted to set aside, so that I could have a closer walk with the Lord. But, you can’t just set them aside! You need to deal with them. I appreciate Neil and Kathy offering this healing service and offering to be used by the Lord to bring about the peace that only God can bring. So, I thank them for the weekend. It was a **great** weekend!”

Cathy: “I just want to say how surprised and amazed I was at the way the Holy Spirit just came in and showed me the places that needed healing and the Lord just met me there and touched me in a way that just...it was just amazing to me! I barely have words for it. Both Gary & I have had years of counseling...but this is so different when the Lord takes you to a place that’s deep, deep down inside your soul and spirit where you need His touch and healing. That’s so different from the “mind” kind of counseling that I’ve had in the past. This feels so peaceful...like I’m whole again and it’s not something I have to work at anymore. It’s done!”

Gary: “There is now resolution on a lot of issues. I’m not wondering ‘When is this one going to come up again?’ It won’t! It’s over! It’s done! And now I’m not dreading when other issues come up. I know they can be dealt with rather quickly – not necessarily painlessly – but quickly! (chuckle) It’s good to know there are valuable tools like this to help with our healing.”

Cathy: “When some negative emotion comes up, it’s encouraging to know that Jesus can take us in a loving way to where that hurt started and heal that painful thing right in the place where it began a long time ago. Then it doesn’t have power any more to unexpectedly jump out from the shadows of our past to haunt us because He’s already healed it. You guys are amazing! (God is amazing!)”

Prayer Requests:

- ★ The recently launched **prayer ministry training groups** – that each person would grab hold of the concepts quickly and receive the God’s grace and courage to learn, practice and step out in this powerful tool of healing
- ★ Those who have come to us for intensive ministry retreats – that the Lord would continue His ongoing healing process in them that He began while they were with us
- ★ God’s direction for us regarding the planning and execution of a winter Basic Prayer Ministry training in this area
- ★ Wisdom, favor and God’s perspective regarding 1. home re-location; 2. boat acquisition; and 3. income
- ★ Neil needs a replacement MacBook laptop computer



Blessings to you from Capt. Neil and Crew~

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