



Eagle Vision Partner Letter
Faithfulness

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Dear Partner,
I pray this letter finds you reaching toward greater heights in God.

According to **Proverbs 28:20** the Bible says that a faithful man shall abound in blessings. I believe more people in the Body of Christ would experience more blessings upon their lives if we would learn to master this vital area called faithfulness. You see, Jesus went to the cross so that we would have covenant rights to healing, deliverance, prosperity and much more. But because of a lack of faithfulness, many fall short of the victory that has already be established for us. Faithfulness can be defined as strict and thorough in the performance of duties; to be trustworthy, dependable and loyal. Being faithful is when you are willing to forget your plans in order to meet the plans of another. Being faithful is actively doing the last thing that the Lord has instructed you to do. **I Corinthians 4:2** says **Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.** God requires us to be faithful and in order to be faithful, we must have and maintain a good attitude. **Having the commitment to be faithful and having a good attitude are both matters of the heart. This starts with making a decision and being willing to change.**

You see some start out faithful, but they sometimes get side-tracked and allow Satan to talk them out of their destiny. You have come too far to be talked out of your destiny. Some people have had bad experiences and some have focused more on people, circumstances and past disappointments but the Bible tells us in **Psalms 118:8** **It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.** I realize that God uses people, but we must realize that God is not limited to people.

Anyone that can feed a man with ravens (**I Kings 17:6**), open the Red Sea (**Exodus 14:21**), speak through a donkey (**Numbers 22:28-30**) is capable of handling your situations. But our part is to be faithful. In **Proverbs 20:6** it says **Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: but a faithful man who can find?** I realize that people have different gifts and talents and calls, but whatever we are doing, we should be faithful.. When the Lord comes back, He is going to expect us to be doing the last thing that He told us to do. I don't do what I do for glory, for money or for the approval of men, I do what I do because that is what God has instructed me to do. I take pride in being faithful. **Psalms 31:23-24** says **O love the LORD, all ye his saints: for the LORD preserveth the faithful, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer. 24 Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD.**

You see, to being faithful will set you up for great promotion. You may not always get a thank you from people but God says what you do in secret He will reward you openly. The Word also says in **Colossians 2:23** **And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men;**

My faithfulness did not start when I started preaching. I was faithful when I was an usher, an altar worker and when I had an opportunity to serve my Pastor. I remember traveling from a Creflo Dollar meeting 2:00am in the morning just so I could get back to my church to help my Pastor do what the Lord put in his heart. Sometimes I would pull over on the side of the road to do jumping jacks just to keep myself awake,

just to get back to be there for Sunday service. Faithfulness sometimes can be a sacrifice but don't faint and give up in well doing. Continue to be faithful. Not because you feel you have to and not because you want to abound in blessings. Do it because you desire to please God. Be determined to finish strong. It's not about how you start, it is about how you finish. At the end of Apostle Paul's life in **II Timothy 4:6-7**, he said ⁶For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. ⁷I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Faith is the root word for faithfulness. In other words, the Apostle Paul was saying that he maintained his heartfelt commitment of faithfulness until the end.

Steps to Faithfulness

1. Have a desire to please God.
2. Make a decision to be faithful.
3. Be willing to submit to your leader---your boss, your pastor, your husband, etc.
4. Purify your heart of any hidden agendas and focus on what the Lord has spoken to you to do.
5. Commit to enjoy every level until you arrive at your destiny.
6. Remember your faithfulness is a seed that will result in an abundant harvest of blessings.

In His Righteousness,

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Ministry Update

Micah celebrated his 8th birthday on July 8th. Pastor Deirdre's birthday is August 15th. If you desire to sow into Pastor Deirdre for her birthday, please send your seed to the PO Box address and address it to Bro. Jarrod Turner by August 10, 2007. All donations will be presented to her on August 12, 2007. We had a good time ministering at the Family Empowerment Conference at Dimensions in Christ Fellowship Church in LaGrange, NC. The Women of Excellence enjoyed their Pottery event that was held downtown Raleigh. ECCI still continues to minister monthly at a Rest Home in Raleigh. Also, we held a Family Fun Night at Frankie's Fun Park for a night of fun and laughter for the family.