

District Meeting, 5th April 2008

This quarter's District Meeting was held at the Church in Druids Heath on Saturday 5th April 2008. It was moderated by Pastor Frances Prince and the theme was "Pray, Always Pray." After a lively devotional, Pastor Prince did an effective demonstration which involved her passing a stale loaf of bread around the congregation. Everyone touched it and when asked what was wrong with it, the general consensus was that the bread was stale and tough. The reason for this was that the protective cellophane had been removed and left the bread exposed to the air. Pastor Prince used this demonstration to show the congregation that when we refuse to pray, we become like that loaf of bread, dried out. Without prayer we become coarse and lose spiritual gravity. We need praying Christians in the army of the Lord!

The brethren testified about the goodness of the Lord before Pastor Prince delivered the night's message about Paul and Silas, taken from Acts 16 verses 25 - 26. Praise God for what happened in the prison at midnight that evening! The congregation were encouraged that when we pray, there has to be movement. Men must know that there is a God somewhere! We were reminded that Jesus Himself was a praying man and to be His disciples, we have to be a praying people.

The message was followed by a session of fervent prayer. The congregation was split into three groups, youth, women and men. As each group prayed, the presence of the Lord could be felt and we thank Him for visiting us.

We are also thankful to the Lord that three new members were joined to the glorious Church of God at our District Meeting when Sis Koreen Wilson, Sis Riah Prince and Bro Nathan Prince took the covenant and were given the right hand of fellowship by our National Overseer. Sis Koreen testified of how she came to the Church and we rejoiced with her as she thanked the Lord for his goodness. Pastor Prince acknowledged the hard work of all those who have worked with Sis Riah and Bro Nathan, namely their parents Bro Ray and Sis Claudia Prince, their Sunday School teacher Sis Debra Browne and Sis Karen Richards who taught them the 29 prominent teachings of the Church in an age appropriate manner.

The meeting ended in rejoicing and sweet fellowship amongst the brethren as they greeted the new members.

The Church is moving on saints! Let us remember the theme and pray without ceasing.

Keep an eye on the website for the date of the next meeting.