

Acts 6-7: The Honeymoon is Over

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“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1:8

The Purity in the Church

- The danger of division
 - If Satan’s attacks from the outside are not effective, he will attack from the inside. (Acts 5:1-10; 6:1, 8-15; 7:1, 54-60)
 - There will always be issues in the church because there are people in the church. (Mt. 13:31-32)
 - A unified church is a mature church. (Eph. 4:11-16)
- The wisdom of delegation
 - Elders must not leave the work of prayer and study (Acts 6:2-4)
 - Creation of Deacons to serve the daily needs of people (Acts 6:3-7)
 - Abundant Life Elders and Deacons

The Power in the World

- When God moves outward miracles occur. (Acts 5:12-16; 6:8)
- When we surrender inward miracles occur. (Acts 5:40-42; 7:59-60)
- People who have been with Jesus are obvious to the world. (Acts 5:27-32; 6:15)

The Persecution vs the Power

- Whenever God moves, His church will experience opposition.
- Real church doesn’t shrink back from opposition but rejoices in suffering.



Praise Reports

- The Verkerks, Praise our almighty God for His merciful heart, full of grace for healing our son Sem's color blindness permanently and giving him an opportunity to share his testimony with others.
- Lilian Chung, We praise you for healing for Elaine, Kendra and Carla.
- Lavinia Tuipulotu, Praise God.
- Vann Ky, Praise God for His patience as He guides me through life decisions and growth.

Prayer Requests

- Daphne Chen, pray for people in Ukraine. Strength at work.
- Lilian Chung, prayers for the people in Ukraine. We lift up Gulnar Spurlock's mother and sister. They live in Ukraine. Prayers for wisdom and love for the leaders of nations to make righteous decisions. Prayers for Eric Olcott's recovery.
- Mathias Girke, pray for people in Ukraine. Mom's health and Nici's job.
- Don Kirk, prayer for coworker Todd who was let go, wisdom to understand changes he needs to make before he is ready to find a new job or fight for his job back, for my sore left foot.
- Kimi, Kai, Miya, Prayer for Ukrainian families divided.
- Vann Ky, pray for salvation for my father, mother, brother, and favor in growing relationships with coworkers so they may know the Lord.
- Bobbie Wendschlag, we're ALL praying for the dear families in the Ukraine!!
- Barbara Maselli, health and finances.
- David and Perry Pugel, prayer for Perry as she steps into added responsibilities at work and continued healing for David's brother, Tom, from pneumonia.
- Elise Sedgwick, the time has come for us to truly search for a work truck for JR. I ask for a solid and reliable option for JR. One that he will enjoy since he works so hard. He deserves it. God is good!
- Lavinia Tuipulotu, Please pray for family. Thank you.
- Carlos and Sheila Zuniga, my nephew Steven who has cancer continues to live. He has experienced some set backs but is getting well. Our prayers are that he accepts the Lord as his savior 100%+ and will give his testimony to all who will listen. Thank You for your prayers. We are watching online.
- Cathy Brendli, let's ask our Lord that He would touch our neighbors with His provisions and His blessings.
- Lisa Kirk, prayer for God's peace at work as challenges continue. Pray for issue with our accounting software would be resolved this week as tech teams from 2 software companies work on our issue. Pray that we would be able to process checks again and get back to financial processing as usual.