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A Word from Fr. Tony

Hello, I'm Fr. Tony Robbins. I'm

the pastor of St. Joseph parish in Conway, AR and the General Coordinator of the Charismatic Renewal for the Diocese of Little Rock. I work with Fr. Nobert Rappold and Fr. Mauricio Carrasco as the Bishop's liaisons for the Renewal.

I recently went with Fr. Mauricio to Columbia, South America for a retreat for priests celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Charismatic Renewal in the Church. It was a blessed occasion filled with the Holy Spirit! There were around 300 Spirit-filled priests and over a half dozen bishops praying in the Spirit for the week long retreat at a seminary near Medellin. We heard powerful conference talks that kept us receiving great gifts from God.

God gave me a special gift that really helped me to remember and to put into practice something that I had heard from our last conference here in Arkansas. Do you remember how at the end of the conference there's that feeling that tells us, "Well, that was wonderful now back to reality...". At the conference we reminded each other that God is the reality. Whenever we generously set aside time for God for a retreat or a conference we experience the blessing of God's presence as we make ourselves more available to Him. Needless to say that it is always amazing!

Interesting things also happen that present themselves as possible distractions and challenge us to enter more fully into the experience with God. Let me give some examples. When we got to Columbia and where we were staying at the seminary we quickly learned about how modest our accommodations were. Our rooms had beds that were too short for us. The walls didn't have electrical outlets. There was no heating or cooling to keep the rooms comfortable. The walls were about paper thin so the guy down the hall that was snoring his head off all night was easily heard by all. Also there was no running water in the bathrooms that first night as they were, "cleaning out the tanks." Some of the arriving priests decided to check in to a nearby hotel after that first night when they woke up with sore backs from the tough beds. I asked Fr. Mauricio if he thought that we should do the same. After we talked a little about it we decided that this will be part of the experience that we will accept as part of the invitation that we were responding to that came from God. There was a certain peace that came with staying at the seminary even with the all of the inconveniences. It got a little better when the water was turned back on, but all they had was cold water! We had a lot to offer up as we rejoiced in the Holy Spirit. The worst of what we had to suffer came when we got diarrhea. It was very hard to be present for the retreat and the graces that God wanted us to have when we were having to stay close to toilets! Thankfully it didn't really hit us until the end of the trip.

In the end it was all worth it. God had blessed us with great love, peace, and joy throughout our time there. I got to see beautiful expressions of our faith that I had never seen before. The last Mass that we celebrated there was in the downtown plaza outside of the basilica church. It was filled with people desiring to receive God on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Charismatic

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A Word Con't ...Renewal in the Church. They stayed throughout the Mass even though it was raining. When the time came for the Consecration as the Archbishop raised the Body of Christ an applause broke out in the plaza, and then again when he raised the Chalice!

I admit that I gave into the common mistake of thinking that, “Well that was wonderful now back to reality.” I was sad to think that my adventure with the Holy Spirit was ending as I enjoyed being away with him in Columbia. I shared this experience with my spiritual director and he helped me to see that my adventure doesn't have to end. It came to me like an epiphany! He helped me to see that God is as much present to me when I am on a retreat as when I am not. The difference is in my disposition. When I made the decision to leave the country in order to spend some time with God that was what made me ready to make other sacrifices in order to be present to God and what He had in store for me. I was willing to be patient as I waited for the Holy Spirit to refresh me. The same blessing is available to us in our everyday lives. What we are invited by God to accept are the inconveniences of life as we wait to receive from Him the graces and blessings that He wants to pour out on us every day. God never disappoints, but if we are too disappointed because of unmet expectations in our daily life, then we run the risk of missing how God wants to bless us that day. We all know that some days are harder than others, but if we trust that God still wants to bless us, then we never fail to receive that grace. The best way to end the hard days is to be able to say at the end of it, “Thank you, God it was worth it!”

Let's pray for one another that we may be able to live by the beatitudes and give joyful witness of God's great anointing!

CONFERENCE 2017

WADE IN THE WATER

The 2017 Arkansas Catholic Charismatic Conference, sponsored by Arkansas Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services of the Diocese of Little Rock, was held at the Wyndham Riverfront Hotel in North Little Rock on July 28 through July 30. Over 300 Catholics from Arkansas and surrounding states gathered for this annual event. This year's theme was “*Come Wade in the Water*”, based on scriptures passages from Revelation 22:17 and Ezekiel 47.

Fr. Mark Goring, Assistant General Superior of the Companions of the Cross and Director of the Catholic Charismatic Center in Houston, Texas, was the homilist at mass on Friday night to open the conference. Throughout the weekend, Fr. Goring spoke on “*Baptism in the Holy Spirit*”, “*The Secret Garden of the Soul*”, and “*The Battle for Peace*”. He encouraged all in attendance to rely upon the Holy Spirit and God's Word to guide and nurture them in their faith, and to not let anyone or anything steal their peace, which is our gift from Jesus.



Dr. Carol Razza, faculty member and advisor at St. Vincent de Paul Seminary in Boynton Beach, Florida, spoke on Saturday and Sunday. Dr. Carol's humorous yet wise examples of how to share our faith with others were quite inspiring. Her enthusiasm for God's Word as a means to refresh our souls and strengthen our faith was explained through her three talks, “*Wellsprings of Living Water*”, “*Dry Bones Come Alive*”, and “*House of Jacob, Come, Let us Walk In the Light of the Lord*”.

On Saturday afternoon, conference participants had the opportunity to choose between two workshop offerings. Fr. Norbert Rappold, the Diocese of Little Rock's Charismatic liaison, gave a presentation entitled “*Slaying Dragons*”, based on Eph. 6:12, and Dr. Dennis Holt from Pocahontas spoke on “*The Gift of Tongues: Embracing the* [Con't on next page](#)”

Conference Con't...Supernatural", based on Col. 3:1-2.

This conference always produces a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit's presence and gifts among its attendees. Many people experienced a renewal, were reinvigorated physically, emotionally and spiritually, and were inspired to grow in holiness and service to God and His Church. Some of the comments from those who attended this year's conference reflect this renewed feeling.

-“I was truly blessed each day of the conference. It was an inspiring, motivating and invigorating experience for me! It was exactly what I needed . . .”

-“I've always had this little bit of me. When I was prayed for on Saturday hearing is “freedom”. I do strong-gone.”

-“I had been feeling blocked, not Graces. Even after going to Confes-clear that feeling. I prayed to be ing service on Saturday night . . . I Thanks be to God!”

To support the ongoing efforts of matic Renewal, sponsor of the annual

pealed to those in attendance to consider giving a monthly tithe of any amount. This offering, payable to ACCC, should be sent to the Diocese of Little Rock, ATTN: AR Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services, 2500 North Tyler, Little Rock, AR 72207.

The 2018 Arkansas Catholic Charismatic Conference will be held on July 27th through 29th at St. Joseph Catholic Church's new Parish Center in Conway, AR. Please refer to www.arkcc.org for more details and to keep informed on upcoming charismatic events and activities throughout the state. You may also “like” us on Facebook at [AR Catholic Charismatic Renewal](https://www.facebook.com/AR-Catholic-Charismatic-Renewal/) to receive notifications.

~~Jerri Miller



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Conference 2018

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who has taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that by the gift of the same Spirit we may be always truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Greetings in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ!

We serve a Lord of new beginnings and for Arkansas Catholic Charismatics the time has come to embark on a mission so huge that it will not be accomplished without the leadership and power of the precious Holy Spirit. We are going to take Arkansas for our Lord Jesus and assist the Holy Spirit in building the Kingdom of God in this state. How? God says with one prayer group at a time! Now is the time to start or re-start your prayer group. There is an anointing from the Holy Spirit for this time. God is opening a door that will be favorable for anyone who starts a prayer group, but (and this is important), it must be done the old fashioned way. By that I mean following the Father's original plan. What is the original plan? It is what happened on the Day of Pentecost and that is why the Father has chosen the Charismatics. For years we have "sat" quietly in the corner of the room, enjoying our yearly meeting and then going home to a parish where the Mass was about as exciting as a funeral wake. "No longer," says the Spirit of God. "I am calling my children from every corner of this state and stirring their hearts for a new wave of My Spirit." Many Charismatics have given up and dropped out of the Renewal activity, thinking this time would never come but the Lord says He is stirring their hearts also. Many who left the Renewal will be called back to help train and prepare the new ones once they are Baptized in the Spirit.

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This newsletter is the first of many. It will serve to bind us together all around the state. We will use every ounce of technology that can further the work of the Kingdom. We will support every prayer group in the state to the best of our ability. We will communicate with each other, pray for each other, meet with each other and, again, support each other. It is our goal to provide music CD's and teaching DVD's that each group can use for their praise and worship time and for their teaching. We plan to offer local workshops for the leadership in the areas most needed and we plan for our state-wide conferences to be packed to overflowing.

How can you help? First, pray for our plan every day. Spend most of that time praying in Tongues for us, as the Holy Spirit is directing your prayer and giving you the utterance. Secondly, ask the Holy Spirit what you can do. Once you hear something, ask the Holy Spirit for a confirmation. When it is received, then move! Thirdly, this will not happen without adequate funding so we need your financial support. Whatever you can give each month will be used 100% for this effort. No one on our team receives any funds from your financial support. Every penny is used for our mission. Every team member works gratis so that our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in Arkansas.

Will we meet resistance? If we don't, our vision is not of the Lord. Satan will use anyone and everyone to discourage and to stop us; but the graces offered by God at this time will be greater than we have ever experienced. That does not mean it will be easy. As Bishop Taylor shared in his homily at this year's conference, the Pearl of great price costs us something.

There is not enough room to share with you all that the Spirit of God has planned but, with time, it will be shared. Start now with the three things I listed and enjoy the rest of the newsletter. Come Holy Spirit (See article page 6 – Calling ALL Charismatics)~~Dr. Dennis Holt

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Marion Hotz's Testimony Conference 2017

The healing that I would like to share is a healing of my thinking. I gave my personal testimony here about 6 years ago. In that, I shared that I had been sexually molested as a young child. I also shared that at age 30, I had sought healing of that wound through both prayer and professional counseling. And, praise God, I was able to forgive. As a direct result of that forgiveness, I was physically healed of severe hay fever allergies.

Well, the Lord was not finished with me. For you see, I had held this man in judgement. **I** thought that he deserved to go to hell and he has been dead for over 20 years now. So, I was fairly certain that he went to hell. You see, I was sitting on the judgement seat of God, a place that only God belongs.

I was in for a surprise. About 2 years ago as I was sitting in our chapel in Russellville waiting for daily mass to begin, the Lord took me to heaven. There I was kneeling with my head bowed down to the ground worshipping the Father—who I only saw as a great ball of light. Even though I felt as though I was in the front row, I knew that there was an entire ocean of people praising along with me. (I am fairly certain that each person in heaven feels like they are in the front row.)

I felt wrapped in love. Then He spoke to me. “Marion, do you know where you are?”

“Oh, yes! I’m in heaven.” I replied.

“Do you like it here?” He asked.

“Yes!” was my reply.

He allowed me to remain in that position praising for a few minutes. Then he asked me if I wanted to stand up and take a look at **all** the other people who had made it to heaven. I said, “Yes”.

So, I stood up and turned around to see **all** those people in heaven. And guess who I saw? The man who molested me. I promptly put my hands on my hips and said, with attitude, “What the hell is he doing here?”

The kind Father replied in all sweetness, “Well, he repented and made it to heaven. And **I** am happy that he did for he is one of my beloved sons. **And I want you** to be **happy** that **he** is **here!**” “Yes, Father” was my reply. Then I was back in the chapel.

This vision has taught me a great deal. Never judge another person’s life. You never know how God is working in their life. And, that **ALL** people are God’s beloved sons and daughters! I feel like I have new eyes to see people.

*Additional note: not given at the conference. Even though I did not visit this man in his later years, my younger sister Cathy did. After I told her about this vision, she confirmed his repentance. She said that for the last couple of years of his life, each time she visited him, he would sit in his chair and cry about how awful he had treated people in his younger years. His wife was also a daily communicant; especially in the 40 years that this man refused to go to mass because “he was angry at the priest”. The prayers of a good woman worked wonders!!!!

Mission Statement

The mission of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Arkansas is to share in and support the ongoing work of the Holy Spirit in the Church, that is, to stir into flame the grace of Pentecost. We strive to do this by:

- **Coming together in prayer groups to celebrate and experience the Father's love, grace, and mercy as it comes to us in the person of Jesus Christ and by gift of the Holy Spirit.**
- **Leading others to the release of the Spirit in their lives.**
- **Identifying, fostering, and using the particular charisms each has received.**
- **Serving one another, families, community, Church, and the world.**
- **Evangelizing, sharing the Good News by word and example.**

Calling ALL Charismatics

But when the **fullness of time** had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons – Galatians 4:4-7.

In the “fullness of time.” God’s timing is always perfect. He’s never late but He’s never early either. During the July Conference we received revelation from the Holy Spirit about a huge adventure that God was starting. It was confirmed by at least three of the team. Here is the word:

God is going to use the Charismatics to take the State of Arkansas for the Kingdom of God.

“Whoa! That’s big!”

I know, I thought the same thing, but He has given us a great game plan:

“Take this State for My Kingdom **“one prayer group at a time.”**”

I know what you’re thinking. “We’ve tried this before.”

Things are different this time. All those attempts before were just training and preparation for NOW. Father God is releasing a tremendous anointing to make this happen. Now is the time.

Your Arkansas Catholic Charismatic team is committed to God, to this project, and to you. The Father has given us specific instructions on how to approach this adventure. As a team we will do our best to encourage, train, support and equip every prayer group that is in the State. We will supply CDs for your time of praise and worship like the red album that was given away at the conference a few years ago. We are planning at least four or five more so that you can have a viable selection and repetition does not lead to dullness. We are also planning DVDs for your time of teaching. Learning the Word of God and growing in intimacy with our Father is crucial. The teachings will be offered by the Team and will be produced by team members on various topics and subjects that help to build strength and power in the lives of anyone who wants a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.



We will offer one day seminars for the prayer groups around the State that teach leaders and members how to understand the *charis-ma* or gifts of grace given to us by the Holy Spirit. We will even provide CD’s with background music for your prayer and meditation time.

Nothing like this has ever been done, but the Team is committed to the vision and we will do our best to support the prayer group in your parish.

Question: Why now and why Arkansas?

Answer: I cannot answer the “why now?” I just know that God’s timing is again perfect. Why Arkansas? “The eyes of the Lord roam to and fro upon the earth, looking for someone in whom He can reveal Himself strong” – 2 Chronicles 16:9. Here is one reason I know. Arkansas has probably the strictest abortion law in the country. We do not understand how abortion grieves the heart of our Father. This movement may be a reward for our stance on abortion. (Hebrews 11:6).

Question: Why the Charismatics?

Answer: I can only share what I received. The Father said the church has become compromised and has intellectualized themselves to the point that they had become ineffective in ushering in the Kingdom. Since 1967 the Lord has been preparing His remnant for this time. Here is part of the Word given in the chapel before the July conference in Little Rock:

“Now is not the time to be complacent; not the time for laziness, apathy or *Con’t next page Calling all Con’t....*idleness. A darkness covers the land and a gross darkness the people. But it should not be that way with you (Charismatics) for you are my chosen people, my royal priesthood, my holy nation that I have called out of darkness into My marvelous light. You are My light.”

Read and mediate on Luke 10 verses 1-24. I think that will explain more than anything why He has chosen the Charismatics.

Question: Does the Lord only mean Catholic Charismatics?

Answer: I don’t think so. Charismatics are charismatics whether they are Catholic or Protestant. Read Ephesians 4 verses 11- 16. Unity is critical and the Holy Spirit will call anyone interested in our vision to help build His kingdom in Arkansas. But, having said that, He has given the Catholics the opportunity to lead and to be the tip of the spear. Sadly, if we don’t do it, He will find someone else who will. This is an opportunity that happens only once in many years, but it is only an opportunity. If we stay complacent and stuck in our mire of hedonism and apathy we will miss our time of visitation.

Question: What can I do; I am only one person?

Answer: Stop thinking like that. You have a team of committed people who have your back. Remember Jesus said where there are two or more of you I AM in your midst. Surely you can find one more Charismatic in your community. Start there. Hopefully very soon we will have put together a prayer group packet that contains the materials you will need to start and maintain a viable prayer group in your parish or community.

Question: What if I meet resistance from those in authority?

Answer: You’re in good company. Jesus did too. Pray to the Holy Spirit for your need. If you can’t meet in your church; meet in your home or find a community building that allows Christian meetings. You will have resistance in some form. I promise that. Satan will not let us do this huge project without offering a fight, and who he uses will surprise many. Read Acts 4; the entire chapter. It will be no different today. The same Satan who resisted them will resist us. But, there is an anointing that is going before us like none since the turn of the century.

Question: Some of the people that need to see the newsletter do not have a computer or e-mail.

Answer: The Newsletter is sent out through e-mail, but it can be printed on hard copy and given to any and every one. We encourage each prayer group to print the newsletter on hard copy and make it available at your prayer meetings.

Question: Can I invite non-Charismatics to our prayer group?

Answer: Absolutely. Evangelization is the name of the game. But if they are offended by praying and singing in Tongues; praying for people for healing and deliverance; people raising their hands and even shouting the victory in praise and worship, then it would be better to exclude them. They will intimidate the group and exude an atmosphere of unbelief which will hamper the work of the Spirit. I don’t mean to be unkind but again, Satan will use anyone and anything to stop our vision.

Question: How often should our group meet?

Answer: How great is the darkness and the need in your community? Read Isaiah 60 then follow-up with John, Chapter 1 verses 1- 4. Pay special attention to verse 4. You are that light!!!

This brings up a very important understanding. It is our Father’s responsibility to make this happen. Not ours! All we have to do is be obedient to the promptings of the Holy Spirit and we will succeed. Jesus has already borne the pressure in Gethsemane, the place of the press. If He does not build this vision we labor in vain. We just need the courage to do what he told the disciples; “Launch out into deeper water” - Luke 5:4.

Question: What if we have questions?

Answer: The Team is only an e-mail away.

I encourage each of you to spend time in prayer. You will notice a difference because the anointing is being released to empower those who will say “yes” to being used by the Spirit of God.

~~ Dr. Dennis Holt





Upcoming Events 2017-2018

Journey through the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary into the Uncreated Love of God— [a Retreat with Fr Jose Uppani](#)

Friday, November 3, 2017 - Sunday, November 5, 2017

Sisters of Mercy Convent, Mount St. Mary's
Little Rock, AR

[Fr. McAlear Healing Service following Mass](#)

Saturday, March 3, 2018 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Immaculate Conception
North Little Rock

[Fr. McAlear Healing Mass in Hot Springs](#)

Monday, March 5, 2018 6:00 PM—8:30 PM

St. Mary of the Springs
Hot Springs

[Fr. McAlear Healing Mass](#)

Wednesday, March 7, 2018 6:00 PM—8:30 PM

St. Joseph Church
Conway

[Arkansas Catholic Charismatic Conference](#)

“I Will Pour Out My Spirit Upon All Flesh”

Friday, July 27, 2018 6:00 PM - Sunday, July 29, 2018 1:00 PM

St. Joseph Catholic Church — **THIS IS A NEW LOCATION!!**
Conway, AR

[Starting a Charismatic prayer group](#)

I could say this is simple. It just takes two Charismatics to start, but that is the short answer.

First, you need a vision. Proverbs 29:18 says where there is no vision the people perish, so first there needs to be a vision. In other words, what do you want to accomplish with your prayer group?

Your answer might be, “Well, we just want to pray.” That is to be commended. If intercession is your intent then people would meet at a predetermined time and pray silently or together using some form of written prayer, the rosary, or praying in Tongues.

For most Charismatic prayer groups, intercession is a part of the program but a format including other elements is usually followed. Our prayer group used the following format and it was very successful for many years.

First, we met in a home. We have met in church, but we found there was not as much freedom in church as there is in a private home. People have different ideas on the word “reverence” and the church atmosphere tends to intimidate many souls. But, if that’s where you feel the Holy Spirit is leading you, then you will have to obtain permission from your pastor.

One obstacle to meeting in church is that having refreshments after the meeting is very, very important. It is the time when most people will seek to get their questions answered so a parish hall would be better served here than in the actual sanctuary. I cannot stress this enough, a time for refreshments must be included as part of the meeting. Trust me.

A leadership team needs to be appointed for each meeting. The leadership can vary from [Con't next page](#)

Starting a con't... meeting to meeting, but the leaders are more like facilitators to make sure the prayer group is following the set agenda and staying within the allotted time frame. Many people want to know when the prayer meeting will start and when it will end. If the meeting is too flexible, many will stop coming because it becomes too hard for them to coordinate all that has to be done so they can attend. If it looks like the meeting is going to run overtime, the leader should stop things for a moment, announce the meeting is closing, and give those people permission to leave that need to leave. Announce that anyone who wants to stay and continue is welcome to stay.

“But what if the Holy Spirit is moving?” Then the leadership might announce at the beginning of the meeting that rather than interrupt the flow, if anyone needs to leave feel free to quietly depart. The Holy Spirit is a gentleman and He knows above everyone else that people have family and work obligations that need to be addressed.

The meeting should start with a prayer in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. The leadership usually says this prayer, but may elect to ask a member IF THEY KNOW THAT MEMBER IS COMFORTABLE with this type of prayer. Do not ask a new person. Remember that speaking in public is the number one fear people have. Respect people’s limitations.

After the opening prayer, most groups start with about 30-40 minutes of praise and worship. This creates the atmosphere for the entire meeting. God inhabits the praises of His people (Psalm 22). During the p & w there should be time for singing in Tongues and offering spontaneous praise to God. Also know that the more comfortable the people are with the praise songs the freer they can be in worship. New songs are good, but you will see that concentrating on learning new music cuts down on a soul’s ability to worship. More teaching on praise and worship will follow in later teachings in the newsletter.

Immediately after the worship time, there should be a time for listening to the Holy Spirit for words of knowledge, words of wisdom, speaking in Tongues with interpretation, and prophecy. Soft music played in the background helps continue the atmosphere for the anointing to stay strong.

After the Holy Spirit has finished speaking to the group, a time of teaching and learning the Word is appropriate. This can be accomplished by a teacher or on a CD or with a discussion group, with the leadership picking the topic and making sure that the group stays on topic. We are currently recording teachings on CDs to be used for prayer meeting teachings.

Next comes the time for prayer. Most of the time in a Charismatic group this means praying for individual souls. A comfortable chair is placed and the other members either stand or sit around where they can lay hands on the person (Mark 16:18). It’s okay for a person praying to simply make contact with someone who is touching the person being prayed for. One of the leaders usually starts the prayer either verbally or in Tongues. The group can join the leader in praying in the Spirit. At this time someone may offer the person a word, a scripture reference, a vision, or any other revelation that the Holy Spirit is imparting. If anyone receives a revelation that seems of a private nature, share that word with the person afterwards, in private. All words should be uplifting and honoring. (Romans 8:1). Nothing condemning or of an uncomfortable nature.

You will have healings. I can promise you that. The Father will reward your effort (Hebrews 11:6). It is not your job to determine who is healed and who is not; it is your job to pray. Everything else is left to the Father. Just pray.

After prayer time, one of the leaders closes the meeting with prayer again in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Thank everyone for coming, encourage them to invite a new person next time and wish everyone God’s speed. Announce at this time that if anyone would like to receive their prayer language (Praying in Tongues) the leaders will remain after the meeting closes. (Always offer this special opportunity. You are a Charismatic prayer group).

At some time this idea needs to be conveyed to the entire group: The prayer group is a CLASSROOM for learning to flow in the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. This gives each person the opportunity to TRY without receiving a put down or condemnation for something said or done wrong. Tongues is the doorway for learning to hear the Voice of the Holy Spirit. Learning to hear His Voice is like learning a new language; it takes time and practice. The prayer group is the place to practice.

Finally, as I said, a time for fellowship and refreshments should follow. Casual conversation leads to many important discussions.

To enable you to use this format described, here is what the ACCC Team will offer your prayer group: We will offer a CD for your praise and worship, a CD for your background music, and a DVD with a twenty to thirty-five minute teaching. These are offered for free. Just make contact with the ACCC office in Little Rock. Their contact info is included in this newsletter.

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Starting a con't... Once you begin your prayer meetings, a member or members of the ACCC Team will also offer a day of leadership training in your area. Again arrangements can be made with the ACCC office.

We have been offered the opportunity by the Holy Spirit to take the state of Arkansas for the Kingdom of God, one prayer group at a time. Now is the time to start a prayer group in your parish or area. We are committed to helping you in any way possible. Your success blesses everyone in the state of Arkansas so we are behind you 110%.

I encourage you to go ahead and start your prayer meeting. Even if you start with two members, it will grow. I pray that you will begin your plans today. God bless. ~ Dr. Dennis Holt



Hello! My name is Todd section of the newsletter tips on how to set up for

cally concerning tech-nize that some of this information ous. However, I want to help the small groups around the state have an easier time utilizing technology to make their small groups sessions even more effective.

First, I want to suggest that every small group have a laptop or tablet available for the group. A desktop will work but I am going to assume that every group may not meet at the same location. A mobile device, such as a laptop or tablet will help each group utilize educational and worship aids. An additional point: your laptop should have a cd/dvd drive. If your laptop does not, a USB-compatible cd/dvd player can be purchased.

Second, every group should have access to a TV and DVD player. UNLESS, you have a Smart TV. If you have a Smart TV, this does not apply to you. This will help every small group be able to watch and hear the video lectures comfortably. Third, someone in every group should have access to the internet. This is so future newsletters can be accessed as well as some of the Renewal's content.

That is it for this section of *The Nuts and Bolts* this month. I am going to try each month to give you short checklists that you can develop over the course of a month. This way it is not overwhelming. I want to right now walk you through an exercise to close out this section: You have just received your first DVD from the Renewal. You have also just received your first new cd from the Praise Band in Pochontas, AR, led by Dr. Dennis Holt (shhhhh, it is a secret). To play the cd, you will need either a standalone CD-player OR a computer with both a disk drive and speakers. Insert the cd into either device. On the CD-player, just press play. With your computer, if using Windows, go to **My Computer**, right-click on the CD icon, and select **play with Windows Media Player**. You may also double-click on the CD icon. Turn your speakers off mute on your computer and congratulations! You are now worshipping to a new CD (shhhhh, it is a secret).

I hope this *Nuts and Bolts* section helps get you thinking about using technology to make your small group more effective. Just remember, you can handle the technology that it is out there. It was built for you! Besides, God told Adam (and by extension us) in Genesis to go out and take dominion over the earth. Technology is a part of the earth and so we as Christians have dominion over it! Have a great month and see you next time. *If you have any questions getting your small group set up technology-wise, please do not hesitate to text me at 870-378-6800 or email me at todd.baltz@gmail.com to set up a phone call.*

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