



Healing the Whole Person 5-day Retreat Event Report Tallahassee, FL March 16-20, 2015

This past week we welcomed people from all parts of North America including every corner of the United States, as well as Mexico and Canada to our *Healing the Whole Person* five-day retreat in Tallahassee. From the outset our team sensed an unusual openness and anticipation on the part of the participants, and heaven responded with an amazing outpouring of the Father's love and healing upon us.



Love filled the atmosphere for the five days we were together. We saw displays of it everywhere; in the worship, teaching, prayer ministry, intercessors, in the celebration of sacraments, and in the ordinary day to day interactions. A few comments from the participants reveal the many ways God's love revealed itself throughout the week:

- *"I loved sharing a table with religious and priests. It was very healing."*
- *"My heart feels alive again. It was so good to be with a whole room of warm, loving people all week."*
- *"I made friendships I will treasure forever."*
- *"The Holy Spirit is alive and present in this ministry."*

Particularly touching, were the reports from our on-site intercessors, who spent much of the week interceding before Jesus in the chapel. They described a powerful sense of being "in labor", carrying the healing of specific ones the Lord placed on their hearts, until "giving birth" by the end of the week. Several saw their specific prayers answered through divine appointments throughout the week. Others heard the fruit of their intercession during the sharing of graces and evaluation feedback.





The fruits were abundant. A woman and her adopted daughter, who attended together, experienced a major breakthrough in their capacity to give and receive love with each other, as a result of their individual healing experiences. Many others reported powerful healing encounters throughout the week. One remarked: *“I had an amazing and powerful healing experience of God’s love. I now know “I AM LOVED.”* Another said: *“This was truly a life-changing experience. I received deep healing throughout the week, at the end I literally feel like a new person.”* And a third testified: *“This experience has changed my life forever.”* Even those who struggled throughout the week found new hope: *“This week was the hardest week of my life, but I am grateful that I am now on a path to healing.”*

These are the words that many of the participants shared with us when we asked them to describe their overall experience of the week:

“Beautiful, Spirit-led, grace-filled, merciful, restful, prayerful, nurturing, painful, joyful, healing, restoring, renewing, life-changing, peaceful, affirming, transforming, taxing, cleansing, revealing, challenging, learning, grieving, loving, amazing...”



We also continue to see God confirm things that we have sensed for the ministry. Many team members have long carried a deep passion for working with clergy and religious. We had numerous priests in attendance, including priests from several different dioceses, Franciscan TOR, and Legion of Christ. We also had sisters from multiple religious orders in attendance. Their presence seemed to enliven the atmosphere with an increased sense of spiritual covering and receptivity. It’s also encouraging to hear the “after” reports from priests and religious.



Those of us who were privileged to be present for the retreat are grateful for the wealth of intercessory prayer during the week. Your prayers, even from the remotest locations, are felt during the week. There was a particular “lightness” during this conference that could best be described as an expectant faith. It gave us all hope, even as participants touched some deeper hurts. Your prayers are such a gift as they open Heaven!

We have a number of very busy months ahead of us, including trips to South Florida, Texas and Seattle! Sandwiched in between are the Therapists Conference, the Restoring the Glory retreat, and the month long seminarian program. Know that we appreciate everything that you do to support us!

Have a Blessed Holy Week and Happy Easter!

Bob and the JP11 Healing Center Team

