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Obey And Wait Upon The Lord, (The Saga Of The New Copy Machine.)

Since August 1999 I have been blessed with dreams and visions from the Lord. In January 2003 I was instructed to assemble into a book part of the messages from the Lord. I put together a manuscript as guided by the Holy Spirit even down to sentence structure and Scriptures.

When the Lord said make a book, I investigated and bought a book on publishers and how to go about get a book published. With prayer this was not the way the Lord wanted me to go. I looked into local commercial printing and copy places for prices to print a 150 page book with comb binding. With more prayer I was instructed to purchase a comb binding machine and supplies to make ten books on our inkjet printers. I did this and found out that each book was more than having it done commercially. Then the Lord said to use our current copier and make some books. I was thinking 10 or 15 copies and the Lord said 25 copies. I proceeded to make the 25 copies one page at a time. I would make 25 copies and then copy the back side for 25 copies. I did this for all 150 some pages. In the process of finishing up the copies the service man icon came on. I prayed Lord in the name of Jesus let this machine finish the job. I got the job completed.

Then I lay on the floor seeking the Lord's advice and instructions. I asked the Lord if I was to get our copy machine serviced or run it until it quit or replace the copy machine. The Lord started asking me questions on what I would do. I explained my thoughts and actions to the Lord. I said Lord you know the future and what we need and my thoughts are only human thoughts. Then the Lord said to replace the copy machine. With

the machine we owned, the nearest dealer was 30 to 40 miles away. I called them and got rough price on a new digital copy machine. I looked in the yellow pages for a dealer here in the Rogers area and went to a local dealer the following Monday February 10, 2003.

Going into the store I meet the owner and he asked me what I did. Even without thinking I said 'I work for God'. Are you a minister and I said yes. Do you pastor a church and I said no. Then what church to you go to and I said the Lord has taken me out of the church at this present time. The owner and all the employees were Christians and most go to the Baptist Church. I witnessed to the owner about what the Lord wanted me to do. I gave him the requirements of what I wanted in a copier. He quoted me a price. I told him I was going down to the other dealer who had serviced my old machine the next day to get a price.

That night in prayer before going to bed this is what the Lord spoke—"You are to buy the machine from the local dealer. You are to give him your old copier. Tomorrow go into town and purchase supplies to make 100 books and go to the dealer and you will witness about me." The next day I did as commanded. Arriving at the dealer, the owner was out. I thought to myself, okay what now Lord. Standing at the receptionist's desk she starting asking me questions about what the Lord was doing in my life and about tongues and the gifts of the Spirit. At that time the company controller came by the desk and just stood there listening as I spoke. I also explained what the Lord said about buying the copier from them. I witnessed for about an hour and went home. Later the owner called me at home and I told him what the Lord said. The next day, February 12, 2003, I went to town paid for the copier as agreed.

From that day until today is where we had to stand and wait on the Lord to fulfill his plans. Things did not go as I expected, but by obeying and waiting with patience, the Lord blessed us above and beyond our expectations.

On February 20, 2003 the owner delivered the new copier. But he had forgotten to order the duplexer unit for it and he did not bring the extra toner cartridges for the machine. He demonstrated the machine's operation and left with the promise to bring out the duplexer and install it as soon as it came in. We were busy with other things until Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup>. We decided that was a good day to learn and read the manuals on the machine. I loaded the driver for the machine into my laptop so we could print from the laptop to the copier. Problems, the two units would not communicate.

Also as we tried to use the other functions with the copier we had three other problems in addition to the computer.

Margaret and I decided we would load up the copier and arrive at the store early Monday morning. The service men confirmed the problems. Hooking up the copier to one of their computers it would print. They went to work trying to find out why our laptop which was purchased new in January 2003 would not work. We waited and watched until noon and left and told them we would be back the next morning. The next morning the computer problem had not been solved. Talking with the owner we decided to upgrade to the next model copier. He said he would sell the copier upgrade at his cost. Later that day it was decided the computer had a driver problem and would need to have its hard drive reformatted. We took the laptop to the chain store when we purchased it and left it overnight for reformatting. Wednesday February the 26<sup>th</sup> we picked up the laptop and went back to the copier dealer. The problem was not fixed. With another phone call by the dealer serviceman to tech support, he struck pay dirt. That tech had seen the problem before and knew the fix. A change in the bios setting of the computer and the problem was solved.

On the 18<sup>th</sup> of March our new copier was delivered. With the duplexer installed and extra toner as I requested. The serviceman made the delivery and showed us how to run the copier. But it would not do duplex printing as promised from our laptop. It did single sided print jobs from our laptop. In trying to make the copier do as promised the serviceman added other software sent with the copier and then the laptop and the copier would not longer talk to one another. All attempts to fix the problem failed. Calling tech support, the serviceman found out the copier needed the duplex pc board installed to do duplex printing from the laptop. He called the owner and the owner said he would order and install the board at no cost.

While the serviceman was trying to fix the computer/copier problem, I was praying to the Lord. To begin with I heard nothing from the Lord. I prayed a second time, and said Lord this is only my thoughts as what I would have done in the pass before serving you. That would have been telling the current company to pack everything up and go home and refund me my money and I would go elsewhere. The only thing the Lord said was to investigate other options. It was late in the day at this time and I told the serviceman to load the copier up and take it back to the store and I would bring in my laptop in the morning. He suggested taking my laptop and I let him.

The next day March 19<sup>th</sup> the serviceman called early in the morning and said he had the problem fixed. I suggested he bring back the copier and our laptop. On delivery, everything worked. All that is left to do is the duplexer pc board. The serviceman said the owner told him that the board is very expensive, but because they had never hooked up a copier to a single computer before to do duplex printing they did not know what all was needed and that they would absorb the cost.

The moral to this saga is, we must obey what the Holy Spirit says and wait on the Lord's plans for us to be fulfilled in his time frame. By obeying the Lord, he blessed us with an upgraded copier model at dealer cost and received the expensive pc duplexer board at no cost. Praise the Lord for his blessings and love. If we don't obey, more Ishmaels will be born. Oh, yes I did call the other dealer and asked questions, but that is all I did.

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