Dear Friends in Christ.

Praise the name of Jesus who has filled us with "CAN DO". I am glad I can say with the apostle Paul; "I **can do** all things through Christ who strengthens me." Php 4:13. Paul's prayer for the believers in the church at Ephesus was; that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man. Eph 3:16. Paul also prayed for the Colossians that they would be strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy; Col 1:11.

I guess the best advice I ever received was; "you can't do." It seemed every time God would instruct me to do something, the pastors, ministers and deacons would tell me all the reasons I couldn't do what God was calling me to do. Often they would tell me to "forget about it and leave it to those who were better educated and talented do the work." The problem was I was reading the Bible and came across statements like: With men *it is* impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible. Mark 10:27b.

And we have such trust through Christ toward God. Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as *being* from ourselves, but our sufficiency *is* from God, 2Co 3:4-5

And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. 2Co 12:9

He gives power to the weak, And to *those who have* no might He increases strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, And the young men shall utterly fall, But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew *their* strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

Isa 40:29-31

Fear not, for I *am* with you; Be not dismayed, for I *am* your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand. Isa 41:10

But you shall receive power (dunamis)(can do)(ability, efficiency, and might) when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be My witnesses in Jerusalem and all Judea and Samaria and to the ends (the very bounds) of the earth. Acts 1:8 Amp.

So He (Jesus) asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do (dunamai) anything, have compassion on us and help us." Jesus said to him, "If you can (dunamai) believe, all things *are* possible to him who believes." Mark 9:21-23

You shall receive "can do" when the Holy Spirit has come upon you. I pray that you will be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

Thanks again for all your love, prayers, friendship and support.

Your Servant in Christ. ><> Wayne Brooke<><