

## WHO WE ARE – OSL

(The International Order of St. Luke the Physician)

OSL is an international, inter-denominational, Christian healing organization made up of small healing communities (Chapters) dedicated to offering healing prayer in Jesus' name to all who are in need. We are a Christian community of faith, prayer and service. We are a network of individual believers who come together to learn more about God's healing love and the power of the Holy Spirit to transform lives and bring wholeness. Once trained, we offer healing prayer in our communities. This is our unique mission and ministry.

## OUR MISSION

**OSL empowers God's people throughout the world with Jesus' healing ministry.**

We do this by:

1. Training people in the healing ministry of Jesus
2. Learning to pray for others
3. Providing opportunities to experience the healing power of Jesus
4. Empowering members to confidently pray for anyone, anywhere, anytime in the name of Jesus

## THE VALUE OF BEING AN OSL MEMBER

1. Sound training in Jesus' healing ministry
2. A supportive environment to explore Jesus' healing ministry in the Scriptures
3. A knowledgeable leadership team available to offer ideas and answer questions about the healing ministry
4. A subscription to Sharing: A Journal of Christian Healing, filled with inspiring articles and testimonies
5. Information on healing conferences
6. Resources on healing and wholeness
7. A strong spiritual covering as we pray with others for healing
8. Intercessors to back up our healing prayer, wherever we minister
9. Opportunities for the impartation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit
10. Being a part of a life-changing ministry
11. A local group with whom we can share, pray and form life-long friendships
12. A family of people who care for and encourage each other
13. Supportive people when we face resistance to the healing ministry



## OUR CORE VALUES

As members of OSL we value:

1. Personal surrender to Jesus
2. Christ-like compassion and a joyful obedience to God
3. Heart-felt worship of God
4. Openness to the fruit, the gifts, and the empowering of the Holy Spirit
5. Healing prayer ministry modeled on Jesus' ministry
6. Boldness in demonstrating the healing power of Jesus
7. Forming and joining a healing community
8. Mutual respect, kindness, and courtesy

## OUR BIBLICAL ROOTS

OSL is a multi-denominational Christian organization and accepts the Scriptures as our guide for our healing practice.

In Jesus, we meet God as God really is, the way God has revealed himself to be, as the God who is for us, because we are in Christ and are his children. We find that the Father loves us unconditionally, that he sent Jesus not out of anger and a need to punish someone, but out of his immeasurable love and his unbending commitment to our redemption. The love we see in Jesus is none other than the love of the Father, because the Father is in the Son and the Son is in the Father and they are one. That means that when we know Jesus Christ, we know the Father.

Therefore, in the healing ministry, we value grace, and want to be living expressions of the grace, the Love of God. That is our starting point in all we do. We seek to demonstrate this love of God every time we pray or engage in our ministry. We seek to carry on what Jesus began.

In the gospels, we see that Jesus radiated the love of the Father and the power of his Spirit which cured people. He often offered these cures in order to invite people into an eternal relationship with the Father, which scripture calls the fullness of life or salvation.

When Jesus sent out his disciples to continue his ministry he "gave them power and authority to drive out demons, and to cure diseases. He sent them out to proclaim the reign of God and to heal the sick." The belief of OSL is that his commissioning is still very relevant and important to Christians today. The gift of healing, the ministry of healing, is available to those who will ask God, who seek the anointing of the Holy Spirit, open to all the gifts of the Spirit.

OSL affirms the medical and behavioral health ministries, as they are also ways in which God's healing power is manifest. The power of Jesus' love augments and goes beyond the human means of healing to bring people to the fullness of life.

## OUR INVITATION

If you are called to participate in the awesome healing mission of Jesus, then join others with the same calling and become a member of OSL. Speak with an OSL member, call the OSL office at (210) 492-5222 or visit our website at [www.OSLToday.org](http://www.OSLToday.org).

