## **Bio – Len Donaldson National President**



Len Donaldson, a man transformed by the awesome power of God from being a public nuisance number one, living a self centred life of drunkenness and waist to a born again, Holy Spirit Filled, God Anointed, Bible Reading, Public Minded, Gospel Preaching, People Serving, Praying Man of Almighty God and now National President of the Full Gospel Business Man's Fellowship International. His massage is, "What God has done for me and my life, He is more than willing to do for you and all who turn to Him through Jesus Christ".

My life started in a house of seven sisters the only son of an Irish Timber Miller and Joiner who was a Church Warden raising his family with a strong hand and ridged Victorian outlook in Northland Country New Zealand. It was a good life although hard at times, we as a family were brought up in an atmosphere of genuine love. Both Mother and Father provided for us well, educating each of us in collages in Auckland city. I only saw my father rarely under the influence of alcohol once in my life although drinks were always in the house. Mother was a different story and suffered from over indulgence.

I left home after working with my father for eight good years, in an attempt to find my own way in life, to go and find my fortune if you like; I had been well trained in all aspects of construction from standing trees to completed projects. Possessing a good work ethic, that has stood me in good stead with all who employed me. First blessing that I discovered in Australia was Carolyn my wife a lovely Christian girl who had been looking for a husband so she could get on with her God given roll of having babies, of which we had five. "Thank you Lord". The problem in our marriage was I was still a drunk, lost soul living selfishly hand to mouth and only for myself. It took a lot of prayer by Carolyn's family and friends and in particular her Mother to set the scene that put an end to ten years of hell that I had put them through.

Finally, their prayers where answered and I got gloriously saved, one night after a big night on the booze, dear old Pastor Job, under a personal instruction from God came and ministered to me in spite of my drunken condition. (O how brave he was, even knowing that God would protect him from my violence). On my knees, I made my confession to Christ that night under a vision of the Cross of Calvary with the realisation that Christ had to die to take away my sin. When I stood up I was stone cold sober praising God with my hands raised above my head giving God all the glory for the things He had done. I had finally found God, yes the God I only heard others talking about, the God I tried to find in Collage and at other times in my life. That night for the first time in my life I had done business with God and here was the deal, I gave Him my heart, He gave me a new life, He took away my sin, I would from that night serve Him. Best deal I ever experienced. Life from that night on has been one awesome adventure under the mighty hand of God, with all its ups and downs; one never stops learning the ways of God. Yes we have good times and bad. As a Christian I've experienced firstly the tragic loss of a sixteen year old son in an auto accident (He was not driving) than car and aeroplane crashes, been flush with money one day and broke the next, learning how to walk in the Spirit and not in the flesh. Building High Rise Buildings and Churches all over South East Queensland, but more importantly building into other men's lives by sharing the love of Jesus with them, seeing the transforming power of God as He takes ship wrecked lives of near destitute men and makes them good upstanding men that can hold their heads up high and overcome the obstacles that beset them.

I have served as both a fulltime and part Pastor, but never found the fulfilment I was looking for, I had a Church with a congregation of one hundred and thirty souls, ministered on sites in the Construction Industry, spoken at Union Rallies with gatherings of two and three thousand Hard Core Construction Workers, seen the power of God change lives, have had signs and wonders following Ministry, seen men and their children miraculously healed, but have still felt there was more. Re Joined FGBMFI in the hope I could use their Ministry to Men to expand what's I felt God was doing in the Construction Industry, became the National President and now, finally I feel that I'm where God wants' me to be and all that has gone before has been preparation for this most exciting end time adventure.