Spiritual Gifts Definitions

Physical Service Gifts:
A. Serving/Helps
   The special ability God gives to some who become moved to action to help or assist people by
   accomplishing practical tasks, giving attention to details; meeting practical needs or allowing
   others to be released of physical responsibilities in order to serve spiritually. (Romans 12, Acts
   6:2-4)

B. Craftsmanship
   The special ability God gives to some to beautify and/or increase function by using hands, tools
   and creativity through building, making designing, decorating, crafting and art. (Exodus 28:3-5,
   31:3-11)

C. Hospitality
   The special ability God gives to some to welcome others into their home in order to serve them by
   feeding, comforting and/or lodging them. Sometimes it is seen as entertaining and making people
   feel special in their home. (Romans 12)

D. Giving
   The special ability God gives to some that enables them to contribute their material resources to
   the Lord’s work, joyfully and liberally. (Romans 12; II Corinthians 8:1-5)

E. Mercy
   The special ability God gives to some to be motivated and effective in expressing empathy and love
   to hurting people which results in hope, encouragement and sometimes alleviation of physical
   suffering. (Romans 12, Luke 10:30-37)

Verbal Service Gifts:
F. Teaching
   The special ability God gives to some to explain the truths of the Bible clearly, which results in
   understanding and the ability to know how to apply those truths effectively, giving attention to
details and placing a great deal of emphasis on accuracy. (Ephesians 4; II Timothy 3:16-17)

G. Exhortation/Encouragement
   The special ability God gives to some to speak boldly with empowering words of comfort, courage
   and counsel which result in change, encouragement and personal growth; is willing to share past
   personal failures to help motivate others toward greater spiritual maturity with logical, step-by-
   step instructions which are easy to follow. (Romans 12; Acts 11: 23-24)

H. Intercession
   The special ability God gives to some to pray fervently and patiently for extended periods of time
   until God releases the urgency from that person’s heart and mind; prayers are used to bring
direct answers to those praying. (Romans 12; James 3:13-17)

I. Wisdom/Knowledge
   The special ability God gives to some to receive unique insights to God’s Word and make effective
   application to everyday life situations; continual emphasis of God’s Word for direction. (I
   Corinthians 12; James 3:13-17)

Supernatural Gifts:
J. Discernment
   The special ability God gives to some to be able to detect slight shades of untruth and deceit in
   action and conversation, as well as having a special awareness of evil and good. (I Corinthians 12;
   Hebrews 5:14)
K. Healing
The special ability God gives to some to bring about a supernatural healing in the physical body; this miraculous occurrence happens through prayer, laying on of hands and God’s creative Power. (I Corinthians 12:9, 28; James 5:13-16)

L. Miracles
The special ability God gives to some in order to accomplish supernatural acts and experiences which change the normal course of nature; this special ability validates God’s Power and His message. (I Corinthians 12:10; Hebrews 2:4)

M. Faith
The special ability God gives to some to have general or specific insight about what God wants to accomplish in a situation and confidently believes that God will make it happen. (I Corinthians 12:9; Romans 4)

Ministry Gifts:
N. Administration
The special ability God gives to some to organize, manage and plan tasks of ministry-goal-oriented; knows how to do things right; organizes and schedules efforts to accomplish tasks, policies and procedures. (I Corinthians 12; Exodus 18)

O. Leadership
The special ability God gives some to stimulate people to set goals in order to accomplish God’s plans; they attract, motivate, mobilize and lead people to reach those goals; they know the right things to do and work with people to do those things; work together to accomplish a vision. (Romans 12)

P. Pastor/Shepherd
The special ability God gives to some to earn and maintain responsibility for a group of believers on an ongoing basis; caring for them, nurturing them and stimulating their sense of vision; inspiring their influence on the world (Ephesians 4; I Peter 5:1-11; Jeremiah 23)

Q. Evangelism
The special ability God gives to some to be able to share the gospel in such a way that people place their faith and trust in Jesus; divine appointments for this happen often in this person’s life. (Ephesians 4; Acts 8:26-40)

R. Prophecy
The special ability God gives to some to have spiritual insight into His heart; the ability to communicate this insight with clarity; the results brings strength, encouragement, comfort and direction to the Body of Believers. (Romans 12; I Corinthians 12:10; I Timothy 4:14)

My Primary Gift: ____________________

My Secondary Gift: __________________________