

The Healing Room Prayer Clinics

Healing Room Prayer Clinic is

- A place in a town, where trained intercessors pray for healing. Open at scheduled times
- A place where an ordinary Christian can be obedient to the mission commandment of Jesus
- A place, where anyone can come to be prayed for
- A place, where those that receive Jesus will be forwarded to churches
- A place, where christians learn to undertake prayer service



Healing Room is NOT

- a church
 - but a mission field, where christians work together and pray for healing
- a place for counselling discussions
 - the emphasis is on prayer



Mission



In the Healing Rooms we pray as Jesus has commanded, for physical and mental illness and inner healing.

- You can come to a Healing Room for prayer, if you seek God's help for illnesses, adversities or troubles in your life.
- Healing Rooms are for everybody - an easy place to enter and to be prayed for.
 - In a Healing Room all the glory goes to God alone. The presence of Jesus, through His Holy Spirit, is the one that heals
 - The one prayed for may ask, who healed him and we can answer: Jesus! Jesus is able to love him for Himself.
 - In a three people prayer team nobody can take the glory for himself.



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Vision

- To be a channel for the healing work of God and the love that makes one whole to flow over the sick
- To help people find Christ as their own Saviour
- To see God's miraculous works so that God is given all the glory, and those who believe do not follow signs and wonders, but the signs and wonders follow those who believe
- In Healing Rooms the body of Christ unites to function together
- Healing Rooms equip Christians to be channels for the healing love of Jesus

Healing Room – a joint work of Christians



- People from different churches serve together
- Healing Room is a place where Jesus' fairwell prayer is fulfilled "so that they would be one" (John 17:11-12):

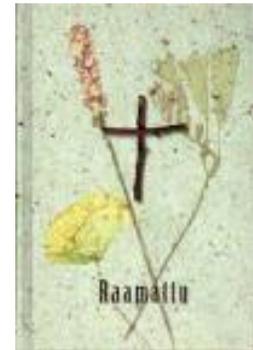
"I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name—the name you gave me—**so that they may be one** as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled."

Healing Room gives an ordinary Christian a possibility to obey Jesus' commandment

- **The Healing Room gives an ordinary Christian the opportunity to fulfill Jesus' mission commandment (Mark 16:15-18):**

(I) He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned."

*(II) And these signs will accompany those who believe: In my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; **they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well.**"*



Healing Rooms around the world

- The Healing Rooms were first founded in the early years of 1900 in the State of Washington in USA
- Functioned till the end of 1930s
- Founded again in 1999, when the Lord called an elder of a Pentecostal Church, Cal Pierce, to this ministry (in the photo left)
- International Association of Healing Rooms was founded in 2001 to help emerging Healing Rooms around the world.
- Since then more than 3000 Healing Room Prayer Clinics have been founded all over the world
- More information: www.healingrooms.com



Healing Rooms in Finland

- The first Healing Room was opened in Espoo, in Alberga Mansion in 24.10.2006
- The Prayer Clinics are open 18.30-20.30.
- Since 2006 the number of people visiting the prayer clinics has been over 28 000
- Over 30 Prayer Clinics have been established in different parts of the country
- God called Markku and Susanne Laitinen to lead this ministry in Finland (photo)



Origin of the Healing Rooms



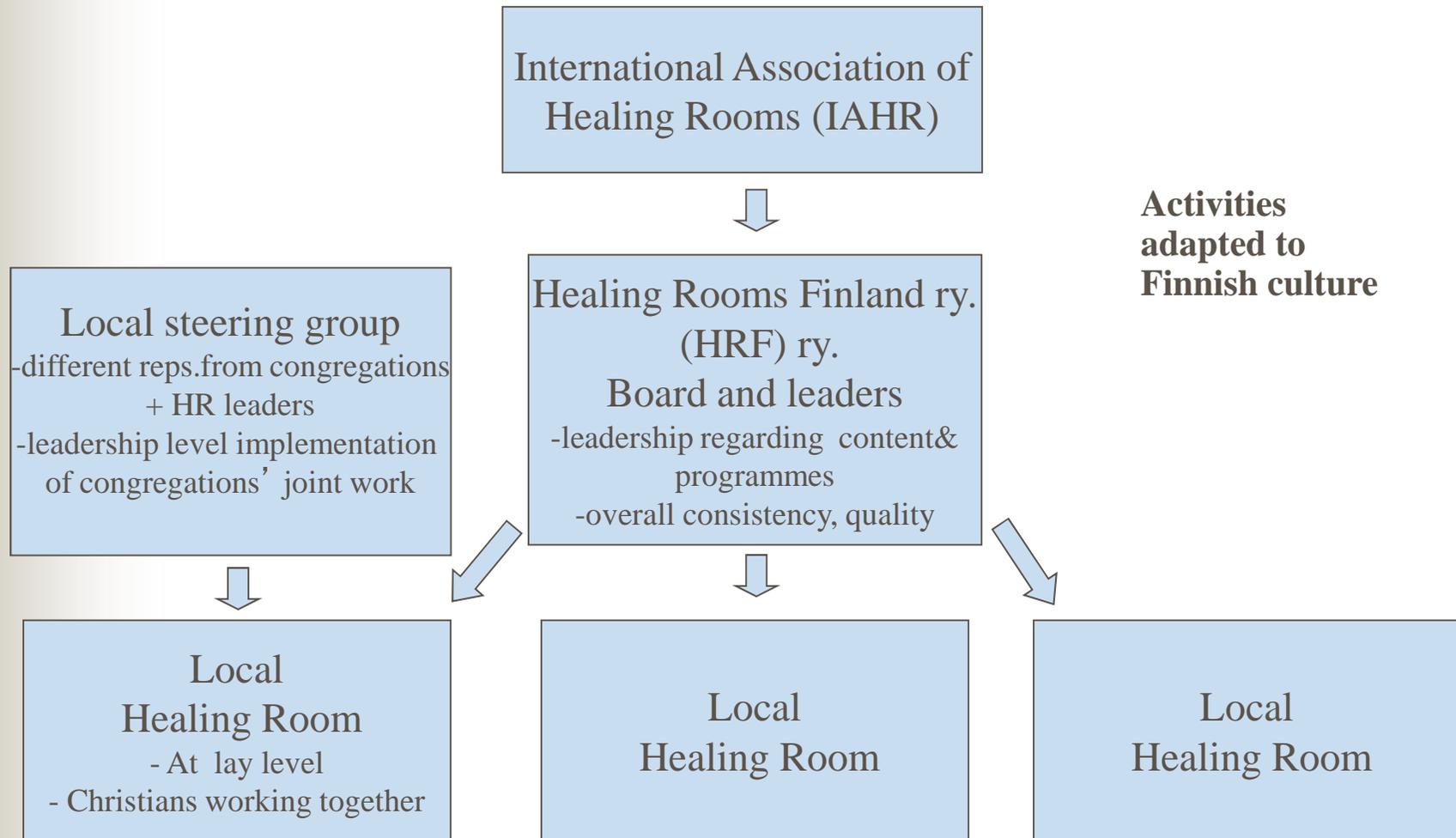
- John G. Lake made his career as a missionary in Africa. When retired, he founded the Healing Rooms in Spokane, Washington 1915 by teaching ordinary Christians to pray for healing
- in 1915-1920 Spokane was declared the healthiest city in USA -> the doctors lost their income
- The Healing Rooms operated till the end of 1930, some time after Lake had passed away
- Lake had a vision the Healing Rooms would spread all over the world -> this did not happen during his lifetime however.
- 1990s Cal Pierce began to study the spiritual heritage of Spokane City
- He founded the Healing Rooms again in 1999

Origin of the Healing Rooms

- On the left Cal Pierce, whom God called to re-establish the Healing Rooms



Healing Rooms Finland ry Association



With assistance services produced by the association, a local clinic can start operations very easily

What happens in a Healing Room?

From the perspective of those who pray(1)

- Before the prayer clinic is opened for clients initial preparations are made: the premises and individual rooms are prepared. In the rooms are baskets which include anointing oil and handkerchiefs
- A joint prayer and praise moment, also giving encouragement / short teaching 17.30-18.30
- At 18.30 the doors are opened for people to come to be prayed for
- The prayer for each person lasts on average 10-20 min



What happens in a Healing Room?

From the perspective of those who pray(2)

- A prayer team consists of a team leader and two team members
- Team leader is the host/hostess: tells those who are prayed for what is going to happen during the prayer time
- Every prayer clinic has its own local leader



What happens in a Healing Room?

From the perspective of those who pray(3)

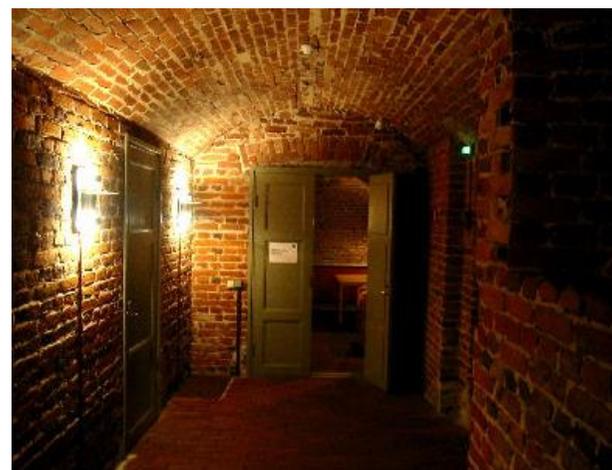
- Throughout the prayer time, in the background and in a separate room there is a team of intercessors formed of other HR team members
- After the Healing Room is closed at 20.30 a common prayer time is held for about 30 minutes, where burdens are left to Jesus, and all the team members may go home in peace.



What happens in a Healing Room?

From the perspective of the one being prayed for (1)

- When a person comes to a Healing Room, s/he first meets the person responsible for the reception
- The first time a form is filled in, where various details and the prayer request are recorded. After that s/he goes to the waiting room
- In the waiting room there is quiet praise and gospel music and there the person can relax in the presence of the Holy Spirit



What happens in a Healing Room?

From the perspective of the one being prayed for (2)

- People are called in to be prayed for in the order of their arrival. Children and those in very poor condition may go ahead of the queue
- The prayer team leader collects the person from the waiting room and directs him/her to the prayer room
- In the prayer room the person briefly repeats the prayer request, thereafter prayer commences



What happens in a Healing Room?

From the perspective of the one being prayed for (3)

- In the Healing Room prayer is carried out while standing, as it has been noticed that when sitting down, the situation has often gone more towards the direction of counselling
- The one being prayed for closes his/her eyes and rests in the presence of the Holy Spirit
- Those praying do so with eyes open



What happens in a Healing Room?

From the perspective of the one being prayed for (4)

- The team leader tells the person the principles of the Healing Room:
 - we pray standing
 - confidentiality
 - asks if those praying may lay their hands on the shoulder or on the painful place
 - asks if the person wants anointing oil to be used
 - nobody promises healing, but we direct the person to focus on Christ by reminding him/her that it is the presence of Jesus that is healing



What happens in a Healing Room?

From the perspective of the one being prayed for (5)

- At the conclusion of the prayer the person is told that s/he is welcome to come again and be prayed for



Principles of the Healing Room

- In the Healing Room the three-person team prays for healing
- Every team member is recommended and authorised by the pastors of his/her own local church, has gone through the Healing Room training and has been interviewed
- Those who pray are not the once healing, but Jesus through His Holy Spirit. Jesus said “where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am in their midst”



Principles of the Healing Rooms

- The person prayed for is treated respectfully
- We ask permission to touch, anoint with oil etc.
- We pray according to the request(s) made
- You may lay a hand or the hand of the person on the affected/diseased area
- Both those praying and the person being prayed for stand
- We pray with open eyes
- We do not give counselling / advice
- Confidentiality
- The person is encouraged to come again





Why are the Healing Rooms important to a church?

- Specialized in one thing – a special clinic
- Training – for prayer servants and for equipping congregation members
- Does not require any resources from the church
- Strengthens the churches
- Encourages and develops prayer service within the individual churches
- Strengthens the prayer life of the church
- Those that have come to faith go to churches -> churches grow



Why are the Healing Rooms important to a church?

- Gives an ordinary Christian a place where s/he can serve
 - Due to the ministry work a Christian will be built up, prayer life and Bible reading increase
- Strengthens unity between Christians in different churches
- A joint activity reinforces the connection between Christians and the functioning of the Body of Christ
- Healing Room is an easy access place to come to be prayed for. Many people come from outside the churches
 - Healing Room is a channel, through which people who are not members of a local church and those who have just come to faith may find their own place in churches



The relation between a Healing Room and a church

- The Healing Room is a mission field in our own country, and the mission is to heal the sick and proclaim the gospel
- God is calling every Christian to do mission work in his/her own country. Some are called to work in a Healing Room
- The instrument to forward the gospel in the Healing Room is the prayer for healing
- Churches authorize their own members to carry out the great commandment in a Healing Room
- The goal is, that anyone who has come to faith in the Healing Room, will find his/her own spiritual home in a church

Does anyone get healed?

- Prayer can do much! Always when we pray, something happens. We just do not always know what
- Those who pray know but a small part of what the Father has done
- Trust in God, do not lean on your own understanding, look towards Christ and pray. We cannot help, but we know Him who can. Signs and wonders show, that Jesus Christ is alive!



Healing testimonies

■ Ulcerative colitis was healed by prayer

A mother tells how God's healing touched her daughter:

- My daughter had been suffering from severe ulcerative colitis for two years.

There was a lot of pain, bloody diarrhea, medicine experiments, cytostic experiment - and missing school, fear and a negative image of her own body. As a mother, in my role as cancer nurse, I had begun to be cynical.

- I thought of God mostly as an interesting historical figure, who does not interfere in the lives of suffering people. I thought that suffering is our portion here. I had seen that a lot.

- After prayer we immediately found the fears had gone and that peace had come instead. That really happened instantly and we thought we should not even expect more – that was enough reason for joy. But now, after the summer I can only wonder at the latest laboratory results: Our daughter has not had such low inflammation values like these during the course of her sickness. Although we have continually reduced her medicine, she has only improved.



Healing testimonies

- I had headache coming from my neck and shoulders. After I had been prayed for, all the pain disappeared. I have got back my joy of life and the courage to live. Life looks brighter than it has done for a long, long time!



Healing testimonies



- When I first came to a Healing Room, I was really anxious, tired and depressed. I had had an 8-month sick leave, and there was not much hope for the future. I felt very strongly the presence of the Holy Spirit and cried a lot. The prayers were warm, understanding and safe. There was really a lot of breaking going on.
The second time I cried less. The third time I did not cry at all. I felt that there was a terrible sore lump inside, that I did not dare to even let Jesus touch. But during the prayer I got the feeling that I was now in the best hands in the world.
The fourth time, there were many words of knowledge which were just for me and that really only Almighty God could know concerning my inner brokenness, past and marriage. Also I received encouragement and light for the future.
Now I wonder at this feeling! The terrible guilt, anxiety, the pressure of bad feeling is gone. A black thick blanket of depression has been replaced with joy, light and brightness. The shocking tiredness is gone and I feel God will carry me to the future, which he has already prepared. I am thankful to Jesus Christ and to those in the Healing Room, that this kind of opportunity has been made possible in Finland!



FAQ(1)

- Do you need to be a Christian/in faith to come and pray for others?
 - *Yes you do. Everyone who wants to join the activity, must go through the Healing Room basic training. One 's own church authorises and sends a person to serve in the Healing Room. In the Healing Room s/he will be interviewed by the local leaders, before s/he can join the team.*
- Do you need to be a believer, so that you can come to be prayed?
 - *You do not. Healing Room is open for everyone, a place of easy access to seek for help from God in life 's adversities, problems and diseases.*
- How much does it cost to be prayed for?
 - *Coming to Healing Room is free. The work is on a voluntary basis and those who pray are people who love Jesus Christ. Volunteers wish to give their time and effort to serve Him and their neighbours in a Healing Room. Christians want to share the good that they themselves have received: "Freely you have received; freely give." Jesus, in the Gospel of Matthew.*

FAQ(2)

- Do I need to give up medicine in faith?
 - *Your medication and other treatments the doctor has prescribed should not be interrupted without permission from your doctor. Go to your doctor ,and if your condition is found to have been healed, the doctor or other professional will stop your medication and verify the healing. Take your time and do not act hastily. Medical science and medication are also a gift from God.*
- **Why did I not get healed?**
 - *Not everybody gets healed and those praying do not know why. God has His own timing and we must trust He knows best. Sometimes the healing is immediate, sometimes it comes during the next day and sometimes it comes slowly, as a process. It is good to be prayed for e.g. weekly during some months. Sometimes God finds it necessary that the person needs to have inner healing first, and that often happens little by little. This could involve e.g. forgiving others or giving up conscious living in sin.*



FAQ (3)



- If I did not get healed, may I come again to be prayed for?
 - *You may come again at any time and we encourage that. We do not know what Jesus wants to do and when, but we can continue in prayer. Healing may also be a process, which proceeds little by little and needs lots of prayer. In the bible there is also Jesus' example how the blind man was not completely healed at first. Jesus touched him again, and then the healing was complete ([Mark.8:22-25](#)).*
- Why do we use an English name: Healing Room? (suom.rukousklinikka):
 - *We wanted to keep the name Healing Room in the association, because the name Healing Room identifies the work as being a part of the international context.*
 - *Moreover, the name Healing Room shows that real healing comes from Jesus Christ. We wish to take back the term Healing from the New Age movement and put it into its original setting.*



FAQ (4)

- How does the Healing Room differ from other prayer service?
 - **Many serve:** *Many churches pray for the sick, but often only a few people are serving others. Healing Room trains ordinary Christians to step forward. In the prayer clinic there are many teams serving and each consists of three people who pray. Healing Rooms enables ordinary Christians, authorised by their churches, to serve in the ministry.*
 - *Healing the sick is not meant just for few Christians, but according to Bible it is a task for every Christian. Those who pray do not know who is healed and who not . The power does not lie with those who pray. Jesus is the healer*
 - **Easy access:** *It may be too high a threshold for many people to come to be prayed for in the church, but it is easier to come to the Healing Room*

FAQ (5)

- Do we promise the person something?
 - *The person is not promised healing or anything else, because that is not in the power of those who pray.*
 - *Those who pray, act according to the Word of God and believe that the Word is true as it is written: "they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well." Mark 16:18*





How can I take part in the Healing Room's work?

Steps to take now to found a Healing Room or to become a team member:

- Pray that God's will be done in your own life and gather people together who have the same vision to give birth to a Healing Room in your own town. Begin to pray that God's will be done for your own town.
- More information: www.healingrooms.fi
- Order training CDs (Listening to CD does not compensate for not taking part in the training) or order a CD in the info session to get to know more
- Join the Healing Room basic training
- Visit a functioning Healing Room
- Get yourself interviewed to be a leader or team member

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Come boldly into this work!

The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few!

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