

Convergence of Missions and Prayer: IHOP-KC's Role to Serve Others

I. A NEW SEASON IN THE SPIRIT: 2010 THE YEAR OF CONVERGENCE

- A. In terms of our journey at IHOP-KC, I recognize two prophetic seasons that are connected:
May 1983: beginning of the season when God gave us prophetic promises for the nations
May 2010: beginning of the season of the Spirit setting the stage to release what was promised
- B. In 2010, the Body of Christ is entering a **new season of convergence** of three movements: the missions, prayer, and church planting movements. Convergence speaks of bringing together the strengths of many movements. In 2010, the Lord is stirring **senior spiritual fathers and mothers** (most are in their 70s and 80s) **to declare this convergence** to young people across the nations.
- C. **Premise:** The Lord will **change the expression of Christianity** in the earth in one generation. (I received this in Cairo in Sept. 1982). The main work force in the end-time revival will be a global **young adult movement** like the Student Volunteer Movement in the early 20th century.
- D. At the heart of this movement is night-and-day prayer for justice, from **Great Commission prayer watches operating in the spirit of the Tabernacle of David**. This is foundational to doing works of justice (missions, healing the sick, and helping the oppressed, etc.). This will deal aggressively with spiritual forces resisting the gospel in order to accelerate Great Commission activity.
- E. We are praying: “Jesus, establish **10 million prayer watches** across the nations with 10 people and at least one singer and instrument.” Most of these prayer watches will be connected to their local church and others will be hosted in regional prayer rooms. Some will gather one hour a day and others will continue 24/7. In some regions, 24/7 prayer will come from one building; in other places it will come from the collective efforts of many prayer watches in that area.
- F. A catalyst for this convergence will be the **spiritual fathers and mothers** calling forth a global young adult movement to start more prayer watches. Increase happens as the fathers see and say this. This will result in changing the spiritual atmosphere of cities and the culture of the Church.
- G. **IHOP-KC's role:** **Tell part of the story** of a few spiritual fathers and **build a “boot camp”** to train intercessory missionaries to join and serve other ministries. We do not want to start houses of prayer that have our name; we want to send (release/bless) our staff to join other ministries. YWAM's 50-year anniversary lines up with IHOP-KC's 10-year anniversary in which we committed to combine 24/7 prayers for justice with 24/7 works of justice until Jesus returns.
- H. Five things for the fathers to declare to validate and release young adults to lead prayer watches:
1. **Build prayer watches:** 10 people with at least one instrument and singer
 2. **Pray for missions:** ask the Lord for laborers, wisdom, and power during part of the meeting
 3. **Magnify God's love:** in some of the worship songs to cultivate intimacy with God
 4. **Holy Spirit ministry:** receive from the Spirit's ministry by praying for each other
 5. **Culture of honor:** work with and honor those from different backgrounds in the Body

II. TWO SIGNS OF THE TIMES AND CONVERGENCE: GOSPEL TO ALL NATIONS & UNITY

- A. **Sign #1:** Jesus linked the evangelizing of every nation to His return. Top missions leaders say that all 12,000 different ethnic groups will have the gospel preached to them by the year 2020.
¹⁴ ***This gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations [ethnos] and then the end will come. (Mt. 24:14)***
- B. **Sign #2:** Jesus linked unity in the Church to the evangelizing of the nations.
²¹ ***That they all may be one...that the world may believe that You sent Me. (Jn. 17:21)***

III. EARLIER PROPHETIC TOKENS: CONVERGENCE

- A. The highest identity of the redeemed throughout eternity is to be a **“House of Prayer.”** God speaks and moves our heart. Then we speak and move His heart to release His resources
⁷ ***For My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations. (Isa. 56:7)***
- B. In March 2004, Mark and Karen Anderson each received a prophetic word on the same day: **“My house is a House of Prayer; if it is not a House of Prayer then it is not my house.”** On Dec. 25, 2006, Mark Anderson had a prophetic dream in which the Lord revealed to him that **the missions movement and the prayer movement are the same movement in God’s heart.**
- C. Allen Hood’s prophetic dream (Dec. 2007): The Lord will connect international movements
- D. A historic meeting of international missions leaders, prayer leaders, and church planters was held in January 2008 called the **Call2All-Orlando**, led by Mark Anderson and attended by 600 leaders including the ***CEOs of 170 of the primary missions organizations*** in the world. Highlights included the missions leaders and prayer leaders recognizing the Lord's hand in establishing them together in ***strategic alliances*** to complete the task of bringing the gospel to every nation.
- E. In 36 months of Call2All congresses (Jan. 2008 to May 2010), we have seen demonstrations of unity in the commitments made: **5,000,000** new church plants and **600,000** new houses of prayer by 2020. Missions, prayer, and church planting movements and marketplace ministries are working together to bring the gospel to all nations and to impact all seven spheres of society.

IV. PROPHECIES OF THE END-TIME RESTORATION OF DAVID’S TABERNACLE

- A. In May 1983 the Lord said audibly: **“*I will establish 24-hour-a-day prayer in the spirit of the tabernacle of David.*”** This was a prophecy for the Church in the nations about God’s determination to establish 24/7 prayer in the cities of the earth. It was not mostly a reference to IHOP-KC, which is but a tiny subunit of this global end-time prophecy.
- B. We must not reduce “the spirit of the tabernacle of David” to prayer meetings led by worship teams. It is more. It is a summary statement of the new expression of Christianity. There are three biblical promises to restore David’s tabernacle (Isa. 16:5; Amos 9:11-12; Acts 15:16-17).

- C. In 750 BC, Amos prophesied of the restoration of David's tabernacle. He linked the timing to the generation in which Israel would be restored to the land, never to be pulled up. This time frame began in May 1948. This is the only time frame in history when this prophecy could be fulfilled. The time when Israel was restored to the land signaled the time when a new measure of the spirit of the tabernacle of David reality would be released, connected to the great harvest.
- ¹¹ I will raise up the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down, and repair its damages; I will raise up its ruins, and rebuild it as in the days of old; ¹² that they may possess the remnant of Edom [Islam] and all the Gentiles [nations, Mt. 24:14]...called by My name...¹⁴ I will bring back the captives of My people Israel [1948]; they shall build the waste cities...¹⁵ I will plant them in their land, and no longer shall they be pulled up from the land... (Amos 9:11-15)***
- D. One result of the tabernacle of David is that Jesus may possess the remnant of Edom. Edom speaks of the Arab nations, specifically the Islamic nations. Therefore, a key to winning Islam is for the Church to function in the spirit of David's tabernacle. We are in that hour of history.
- E. In about 50 AD, James quoted Amos' prophecy about David's tabernacle being restored.
- ¹⁶ After this I will return and will rebuild the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down; I will rebuild its ruins, and I will set it up; ¹⁷ So that the rest of mankind may seek the LORD, even all the Gentiles [nations, Mt. 24:14] who are called by My name... (Acts 15:16-17)***
- F. The fullness of God's promise to restore the tabernacle of David speaks of the full release of Jesus' government across all the nations in the context of prophetic worship with intercession. It will only be completely restored in Jesus' millennial government based on 24/7 Davidic worship.
- G. After Jesus returns as a Jewish king, the Son of David, He will rule all nations from Jerusalem and operate in all the facets of the tabernacle of David. This is more than a prayer movement; it is a governmental movement fueled by prayer. The spirit of David's tabernacle is operating now.
- H. The spirit of the tabernacle of David includes:
1. Prayer for the harvest, for the "rest of mankind." The first application in the Scripture of the restoration of David's tabernacle was related to Gentiles receiving salvation.
 2. Prayer led by prophetic worship, by singers and musicians with a prophetic spirit (1 Chr. 23:5; 25:7). The key to enjoyable prayer is to mix it with prophetic worship.
 3. Prayer energized by intimacy with God and fascination with God (beholding His beauty).
⁴ ...To behold the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in His temple. (Ps. 27:4)
 4. Prayer that values prophetic revelation (inquiring the Lord) with strategic prayer.

5. Prayer that contends for the ***fullness of God's purposes***. David vowed to contend for the fullness of God's purposes (Ps. 132:1-5). We pray that the Church is filled with glory (Eph. 5:27) as the nations are won to Jesus and the kingdom is on earth as in heaven. This goes far beyond only focusing our prayers on getting a breakthrough for personal needs.
6. Prayer that values the manifestation of ***God's glory***—the Spirit's power (2 Chr. 5:13-14; 7:1-3; Hab. 2:14; Isa. 2:2-4). When Solomon's temple was dedicated, God's glory fell on the priests, including 120 trumpeters as a prototype of 120 intercessors in Acts 2 when God's manifest presence (Spirit's wind, fire, and wine) was released through the Church.
7. Prayer for ***justice in mercy*** is foundational to David's tabernacle being restored.
In mercy the throne will be established; and One will sit on it in truth, in the tabernacle of David, judging and seeking justice and hastening righteousness. (Isa 16:5)
8. Prayer with an attitude of ***generous openhandedness*** with God's blessing. David's reign was characterized by investing in the kingdom, not just his personal sphere of influence. We use resources that God gives us to build the kingdom, not just our personal ministry.
9. Prayer that results in ***divine protection*** (Ps. 91:1-14; Phil. 1:19). Nearly all of Psalm 27 is about David receiving God's protection. A key part of the end-time prayer movement is to walk in the place of immunity from judgment; I refer to this as the "Goshen principle."
10. God's purpose for ***Israel*** to exalt Jesus in the nations (Isa. 2:3; 4:4-6; 24:23; 62:1, 7; 65:18; 66:20; Jer. 3:17; Joel 3:17; Mic. 4:2; Zech. 6:12-13; 8:2-3; Mt. 5:35). The spirit of the tabernacle of David emphasizes the son of David reigning in Jerusalem and being exalted over all nations.

V. LOREN CUNNINGHAM: AN ANTIOCH CALLING (ACTS 13:1-3)

- A. The Lord spoke to IHOP-KC leaders about making ***YWAM*** our primary missions organization to cover in prayer (January 2004). At that time I made a commitment to stand with John Dawson.
- B. Loren and I both received the prophetic word "convergence" before we met.
- C. YWAM has over ***1,400 locations*** in nearly 200 nations, and ***600 locations*** for the University of the Nations (UofN) in 140 countries. In 2010, over ***400,000 people*** will be involved in their training and ministry events (over ***4,000,000*** have been involved in the last 50 years). YWAM has emphasized hearing from God (prophetic) with strategic prayer (intercession) and intimacy.
- D. Today, there are about ***300,000 missionaries*** from all the nations in about 10,000 small missions organizations. There are about ***ten very large missions organizations*** that represent ***90%*** of the missions activity. Campus Crusade and YWAM each have nearly ***25,000*** staff. Every Home for Christ, the Southern Baptists, Assemblies of God, and Wycliffe each have about ***5,000*** on staff.

- E. On April 28, 2010, I gave a prophetic word to Loren about his role in the nations, as the Body of Christ functions in the fullness of grace that was given to Antioch. Their multi-ethnic leadership team emphasized worship, prayer, fasting, prophetic ministry, and sending missionaries.
- ¹ *...At Antioch there were certain prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.* ² *As they ministered to the Lord [worshiped] and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, "Now separate to Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them."* ³ *Then, having fasted and prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent them away.* (Acts 13:1-3)
- F. In 1960, when Loren started YWAM, the Lord gave him a leadership calling to the nations with parallels to King David. The Lord called him to confront a giant and put five stones in his pouch (1 Sam. 17:40). The number five may also speak of the 5-fold ministry. YWAM is the first stone that Loren used. For 50 years they have stood against many giants in mobilizing world missions. David defeated the giant with the first stone. Israel celebrated his victory, singing, "David has slain his ten thousands" (1 Sam. 18:7). In a similar way God's people have celebrated YWAM's victories. About 20 years after David killed Goliath, he was promoted to king over Israel, thus, having a premier governmental position among God's people.
- G. YWAM is Loren's first and favorite stone. The Lord has given four more stones to Loren. There are four other stones or international ministries (representing many more ministries that are relationally connected to them) that will serve the Antioch assignment given to Loren.
- H. The global Body of Christ is approaching "Antioch hour" in church history. The Lord has called Loren to a new measure of authority. He will be catalytic in helping the missions movement cultivate the spiritual culture that was in Antioch. No one has more authority with international missionary leaders than Loren Cunningham. No one is afraid of his agenda. No one fears that he will call people to prayer that is disengaged from the harvest.
- I. In the summer of 2004, prior to the 50 days of intercession in Colorado Springs, the Lord spoke to Lou Engle about YWAM's place and its strategic role to fill the earth with prayer.
- J. IHOP-KC is not joining YWAM, nor seeking to be like YWAM. The strength of this convergence is in maintaining the real distinctions in the many ministries that are involved.

VI. JOHN ARNOTT AND TORONTO

- A. In April 1984, I heard the audible voice of God say, "***I have a revelation for you. Call Bob Jones.***" He said to Bob Jones, "***It will begin in 10 years with the wine of the Spirit and it will require great humility.***" For years, I thought "it" meant a youth movement in Kansas City.
- B. The Lord showed Bob that He would bring an increase of humility by releasing His wine. God's purpose for releasing the "wine of the Spirit" is to renew hearts and impart the Father's love. The Lord uses wine to create a context for pride and/or humility to surface.

- C. God's manifest presence includes the Spirit's wind, fire, and wine (Acts 2:1-13). They are a stumbling block to many, but are essential to God's plan to release healing and humility. The Lord wanted us to know that He insists on the wine. Paul Cain received a prophetic warning in 1994: *some would resist the wine and others would exaggerate it as expressions of their pride.*
- D. Jesus' ministry began with wine (Jn. 2) and the Church's public ministry began with wine (Acts 2). The end-time prayer movement begins with wine.
- E. The prophetic word started in Cairo in September 1982, the next installment was in May 1983, and the third part of was given in April 1984. These three words are really one message: ***I will change the understanding and expression of Christianity in one generation by establishing 24/7 prayer in the spirit of the tabernacle of David. It will begin in 10 years with wine and it will require great humility!*** It was like the Lord paused for a year between each installment of this one prophetic paragraph.
- F. In January 1994, the Lord began to release the wine of His Spirit to the nations from Toronto. It was ten years after the spring of 1984.
- G. In October 1996, Frank Damazio spoke a prophetic message at Toronto connecting this "wine" to intercession. That night was the first public declaration of the transition to start IHOP-KC.
- H. Patricia Bootsma, a leader with John sent me a prophetic word (Nov. 16, 2009), ***"The River and the tabernacle of David are going to meet and cause a beautiful 'spontaneous combustion.'"***
- I. John and Carol Arnott lead the Partner in Harvest network of churches, with 10,000 churches in 25 nations (mostly SE Africa). John recently called the Partner in Harvest network churches to establish houses of prayer.
- J. John has great respect in the renewal movement, as Loren does in the missions movement.
- K. God has chosen Toronto to have a special prophetic role in His worldwide purposes. It is the most multi-ethnic city on earth alongside London. Yonggi Cho prophesied in 1977 that God was raising up Canada to prepare the nations for the end-time move of God.

VII. DICK EASTMAN AND COLORADO SPRINGS

- A. I know of no one on earth who is more consistent or bolder than Dick Eastman in calling for prayer watches in the spirit of the tabernacle of David connected to the Great Commission. ***Summary:*** Every Home for Christ (EHC) is a ministry that mobilizes multitudes in evangelism, prayer, discipleship, and church planting. Its vision is to present the gospel to every home on earth by systematically going home to home in every nation. Their staff includes **4,000** full-time and 16,000 part-time workers. They form alliances with many ministries to train national leaders.

- B. EHC initiatives have been conducted in 205 nations. Over **75 million decisions** for Christ have been made, forming nearly **150,000 Christ Groups** (home churches) and sending out **80 million discipleship courses**. They have given out **2.8 billion gospel booklets** in their 64-year history. Currently, they average **35,000 decisions** each day. Over the last five years they have received reports of approximately **40 million decisions** for Christ, with **12 million** in 2009. On an average, each day they share the gospel with **900,000 individuals** in 180,000 homes and have started over **10,000 Walls of Prayer** (mostly in Asia). A Wall of Prayer is like a prayer chain made up of many committing to one or more hours in the 168-hour week.
- C. Murray and Deborah Hiebert, senior leaders at IHOP-KC during our first seven years, are responsible to mobilize prayer for the harvest in Colorado Springs and for EHC in the nations.
- D. Jericho Center is their HQ and prayer center with state-of-the-art facilities to host consultations that seek to unite many prayer and evangelism efforts. They broke ground September 19, 1999 the very day that IHOP-KC began 24/7 prayer with worship.
- E. Dick Eastman, Joy Dawson, and Leonard Ravenhill impacted me and Lou Engle greatly in our prayer life in our early years.
- F. In July 2004, Lou Engle had a prophetic dream of being in Dick's living room and the Lord showed him that Dick's ministry of birthing sixteen international movements that would join prayer and evangelism. In the dream, Dick was radiating in the glory of God as he asked Lou and Brian Kim to take a walk with him. The Lord said to Lou, "The Call prayer movement sprang out of Dick Eastman's ministry and is connected to his calling."

VIII. THE END-TIME PRAYER MOVEMENT IN ASIA: KOREA AND CHINA, ETC

- A. South Korea is smaller than the state of Missouri and was ranked as the second poorest nation in the world following the Korean War (1950-1953).
- B. What Korea has done in the last 50 years in prayer is unprecedented in history. The largest prayer ministry from any one nation in history happened in South Korea.
- C. For about 50 years (1960-2010) South Korea has had a corporate prayer ministry second to none in history. It is the mightiest corporate prayer ministry in history for its size. There are two large prayer mountains, one with a 10,000-seat sanctuary and the other with a 3,000-seat sanctuary. Both sanctuaries have usually been full on a daily basis for 20 years, since about 1990. There are over 200 prayer mountains. I see the prayer ministry in Korea as having taken the lead in the Spirit in birthing the prayer movement that we are witnessing in the nations in this hour.

- D. The intense prayer in 1960-90 was in response to the Korean War that left so many orphans and widows in poverty. They were motivated by injustice and the pain of loss and destitution after the Korean War. The Koreans prayed out of desperation and not in the spirit of the tabernacle of David. The message on the love of God is new and radical to many. When they get it, they will fill Asia and the Middle East with prayer watches in the spirit of the tabernacle of David.
- E. China will have the mightiest spiritual army in all history before Jesus returns, by virtue of its size and the 60 years of difficulty (since 1949), plus the Lord's calling on China. China will be the mightiest force before the Lord returns.
- F. The prayer movement in this generation has bookends in Asia. In other words, two of the largest prayer movements in history are both in the same generation and both in Asia. They will both have significant leadership in the worldwide prayer movement.

IX. THE ROLE OF THE SPIRITUAL FATHERS AND MOTHERS: TO PROCLAIM IT

- A. When a small number of spiritual fathers call forth this convergence, then many leaders will also publicly support it. Their influence is far greater than just the people in their organizations. The fathers need to ***say it boldly and regularly***. They do not need to organize events together or share databases or conferences or anything, but just say it on the platform that God has given them.
- B. The fathers will proclaim to young adults that it is biblical, doable, and essential to establish.
It is doable: with 10 people and at least one musical instrument
It is biblical: the fathers will validate intercessors, giving them dignity and honor
It is essential: justice will not go forth in the same measure without night-and-day prayer

X. A HISTORIC MODEL: THE STUDENT VOLUNTEER MOVEMENT (1885-1935)

- A. Over 100 years ago, God raised up the Student Volunteer Movement out of North America and Europe that touched the ends of the earth. The Student Volunteer Movement mobilized 20,000 students to preach the gospel in foreign lands and to evangelize the world in one generation.
- B. We believe that the Lord is again raising up a young adult movement committed to unrelenting prayer and aggressive missions so that the Lamb may receive the reward of His suffering.
- C. In July 1886, the Mt. Hermon conference birthed the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Mission. The movement was strong for 50 years (1885-1935). John R. Mott was its main leader. Over 20,000 missionaries were launched into foreign mission fields within 50 years (1890-1920), with another 100,000 mobilized to pray for missions.
- D. This year, 2010, is a year of convergence. It is the 100-year anniversary of the great convergence that occurred in 1910. A climactic moment for this movement was the 1910 World Missionary Conference in Edinburgh, Scotland, when 1,200 delegates committed themselves to finishing the task of world evangelization.



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