# HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL NATIONS BOOKLET

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"My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations" Matthew 21:13

### THE ESTABLISHMENT OF HOUSES OF PRAYER

#### THE VISION

In 1995 the Lord showed me a vision of multitudes of people climbing a high mountain. Some were running up the mountain, others were helping others to go up. The vision was so real that it stayed with me. When I enquired about the vision, the Lord led me to *Isaiah 2:1-4* and later to *Micah 4:1-5*. Many years later the Lord revealed to me that we are in the time and season of fulfilment of these prophecies.

#### THE WORD

In 1996 the Lord told me to start a fellowship in my apartment. Unsaved people came from different parts of Johannesburg and got saved in those fellowships. When I enquired from the Lord what to do with the people, He said, "I am building My house with you, for I am looking for people who will obey Me, who will do what I say, then I will come and dwell in them, I will walk among them, I will be their God and they will be My people (2 Corinthians 6:16b-18). In 1997, I started a church with the people of the fellowship. In the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of operation, the Lord brought a shaking in the church. When we enquired, He said "I am stopping this, I am going to build My house according to My pattern and My specification".

In 2007, the Lord stopped the church and He said, "Now people will know me, they will see My Glory". From that time onwards we prayed to the Lord to build His House with us. In February 2009, after much prayer the Lord said "Now I am ready to establish My house (Isaiah 56:1-8). There are many who are waiting for it, when they come they will join themselves to me to serve me. My house shall be called a House of Prayer for all Nations". In May 2010, a month before the Soccer World Cup, He said, "The time of the promise of revival is now, wait for it".

#### THE COMMISSION

In 1998 on my way to Israel the Lord spoke to me and said, "I want you to go and preach the gospel of the Kingdom to the whole world and gave me Daniel 7:18". In 1999 on my first mission to West Africa the Lord told me to declare the word of restoration that, "I am going to restore the church and I am going to restore Africa". In 2010, He said, "As you go, disciple My people, work together with Me to make all people groups My followers, raise altars of prayer and worship, establish Houses of Prayer wherever you go. Establish Houses of Prayer in every nation, on every continent, and in every state in the United States of America. The end time revival will be birthed and sustained through prayer and worship".

As the houses of prayer we continued to pray for the Body of Christ and for doors to open in the nations for the commission of the Lord to establish houses of prayer in the nations.

In 2017 when I was inquiring from the Lord in prayer why as the Body of Christ we neglected the Great Commission. The Lord told me to write a discipleship manual as a resource to give to the houses of prayer to use to disciple nations.

In 2018 the Lord said as you go to the nations awake the church and tell Her to return to the original message, He gave to Her which is the Great Commission. Tell the church to go to the nations:

- 1. Teach and preach the Gospel of the Kingdom of God.
- 2. Make disciples of Christ and disciples of nations.
- 3. Heal the sick, deliver the demon possessed.
- 4. Prepare the Saints for the second coming of the Lord.
- 5. Bring healing to the nations.
- 6. Release nations and people to their divine prophetic destinies.

By the grace of God in 2019 we went to 5 Provinces in SA and to 8 nations in the Continent and to the UK. Every nation we went to, the message was received with gladness and discipleship was started immediately.

May the Lord bless, increase and prosper you for opening your home, your church and ministry to be a House of Prayer for All Nations, in the name of Jesus, Amen.

#### COUNTRIES IN WHICH HOUSES OF PRAYER HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED

SOUTH AFRICA	BOTSWANA	LESOTHO
UNITED KINGDOM	ZIMBABWE	USA
TANZANIA	QATAR	ZAMBIA

#### UGANDA

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# WHAT IS A HOUSE OF PRAYER?

A House of Prayer is Bethel, it is a house of God and a gateway to heaven *(Genesis 28:17-19)*. It is a place where the saints of God / the believers / the church (the Body of Christ) gather together in one mind and in one spirit, in unity and in one accord *(Psalms 50:5; Acts 2:1)*, irrespective of denomination, colour or creed.

They gather in the House of Prayer:

- To seek the face of the Lord through prayer, praise and worship (*Psalm 27:8; Psalm 63:1, 6*).
- 2. To pray for the church (the Body of Christ) in their city, for their neighbourhood, city, state and nation (see the litany of prayer and the prayer points on page).
- 3. To engage in spiritual warfare to drive away the enemies of God (spirits of darkness) from their neighbourhood, city, state or province and nation *(Ephesians 6:10-20; Malachi 4:2, 3)*.
- 4. To intercede and to cry to the Lord for the lost *(Matthew 9:37, 38; Psalm 6:4; Psalm 118:25; Isaiah 49:25, 26).*
- 5. To declare that the mountain of the Lord is high and above all 7 mountains [7 spheres of life] (Isaiah 2:1-4; Micah 4:1-5).
- 6. To do the great commission. To make Disciples of Christ and to send them out to make disciples of nations (*Matthew 28:18 20, Mark 16:14 20*).
- 7. To bring healing to the nations (Psalm 107:20, Ezekiel 47:1 12, Revelation 22:1 2).

Our Lord Jesus Christ, when He came to Jerusalem for the last time before going to the cross, He went to the temple and drove out all those who bought and sold in the temple and He quoted the words of the Prophet Isaiah in the book of Isaiah 56:6, 7 saying *"Is it* 

# not written 'My house shall be called a House of Prayer for all Nations?' But you have made it a den of thieves" (Mark 11:17; Matthew 21:12-17).

We, the saints of the Most High are the temple of the Almighty, we were bought at a price, the blood of Jesus, the Lord God dwells in us by His Spirit (1 Corinthians 3:16,17 6:17-20).

Believers are living stones that God is using to build Himself a spiritual house, His dwelling place in the spirit that they (the living stones) may offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ (*Ephesians 2:19-22; 1 Peter 2:5*). The Lord is building a House of Prayer for all Nations; a Holy Nation.

"But you are the chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. Who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy" (1 Peter 2:9-10).

### HOW DO WE ESTABLISH A HOUSE OF PRAYER?

We pray to God to lead us to the house He has chosen in the city or nation. When you open your home to be a House of Prayer, we consecrate the house with anointing oil and we declare that the house is a House of Prayer, a gateway to heaven and an altar of prayer and worship unto the Lord. The House of Prayer becomes an altar unto the Lord, just like the alter raised by Jacob at Bethel when he recognised the awesomeness of the place where he slept *(Genesis 28:18)*.

When the Lord leads us, we raise an altar in this house unto the Lord. As we raise the altar, we establish the Lordship of Jesus Christ and the Kingdom of God. By the raising of the altar, we establish prayer and worship, righteousness and justice. We connect the altar (which could be your home or church), to the altars of all the other Houses of Prayer that we have established in the nations and to the lamb's altar in heaven *(Revelations 5:8)* and we seal everything with prayer and praise.

We pray and commission the people to gather on a day suitable for them to seek the face of the Lord; to seek understanding of what it means to be God's spiritual house (*Ephesians 2:19-22; 1 Peter 2:2-10*), to praise and to worship Him as they wait for the appointed time, which will be determined by the Lord. People are also commissioned to disciple the people the Lord brings to His House of Prayer. We encourage the people to continue praying in the house and to set aside a day that they will invite family, friends, members of their church, colleagues and neighbours to come and pray together at the House of Prayer. It is important to note that The House of Prayer is led by the Holy Spirit and ALL activities are governed through the leading of the Holy Spirit.

When people come to the House of Prayer (that is if the House of Prayer is in a home), we explain to them that this is a House of Prayer for All Nations, that it is the mountain of the Lord and all that happens in the house is prayer, praise and worship to the Almighty God. It is not a church or an alternative to the church. We encourage those who are in a church to stay in their churches. Not everybody is called to the House of Prayer for All Nations,

therefore, those who are called to the church institution should remain in the church. Only those whom the Lord brings to the House of Prayer will remain in the House of Prayer for All Nations.

The House of Prayer is like a hospital. Some people will come to receive healing or to be discipled, then move on to where the Lord has called them. These can be called and classified as "the people IN the House of Prayer". Then there are "the people OF the House of Prayer". These are the ones who after they are healed and discipled, WILL REMAIN in the House of Prayer. Though the people meet together in a facility be it a home or church building, the House of Prayer remains a spiritual house where Houses of Prayer who are living stones gather together. The House of Prayer for All Nations is the House of the Lord and because of this, it is part of the Body of Christ.

# WHY DO WE OBSERVE THE SABBATH?

#### **Resource by John Piper**

#### Scripture: Exodus 20:8–11 Topic: The Lord's Day

We should observe the seventh day of the week (**Saturday**), from even to even, as the Sabbath of the Lord our God. Evening is at sunset when day ends and another day begins. No other day has ever been sanctified as the day of rest. The Sabbath Day begins at sundown on **Friday** and ends at sundown on **Saturday**.

#### The Old Testament Sabbath Command

To help us understand the need to observe the Sabbath, I want us to try to get an overview of the biblical teaching on the Sabbath. Let's begin at the Ten Commandments, found in *Exodus 20*. The Sabbath commandment is number 4 and is found in verses 8–11.

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labour, and do all your work; but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord God; in it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your manservant, or your maidservant, or your cattle, or the sojourner who is within your gates; for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it."

#### **Five Comments**

At least five things in these verses need special comment.

#### 1. Remembering

First, Israel is to remember the rest day. Sabbath means rest. "Remember the Sabbath day," means, "Don't forget to take a day off."

#### 2. Keeping It Holy

Second, "Keep it holy," means set it aside from all other days as special. Specifically, as verse

10 says, keep it "to the Lord," or "for the Lord." In other words, the rest is not to be aimless rest, but God-centered rest. Attention is to be directed to God in a way that is more concentrated and steady than on ordinary days. Keep the day holy by keeping the focus on the holy God.

#### 3. One Out of Every Seven

Third, the holy rest day should be one out of every seven. Verse 9: "Six days you shall labour, and do all your work; but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God." Work six, rest one. Work six, rest one. That's the pattern prescribed in the Ten Commandments. Note it does not say that the Sabbath ("rest day") has to be the last day of the week or the first day of the week. The concept of weeks is not even mentioned. The command is simply work six, rest one. Every seventh day should be a Sabbath.

#### 4. No Fudging

Fourth, no fudging on the commandment by saying, "Well, I will keep it, but I will put my maid to work, or set my ox to threshing with a carrot in front of his nose at 6 PM the evening of the Sabbath so that it will thresh the grain all day while I rest." God says, No!. You miss the point if you try to keep the business running by using servants or animals or relatives. What point?

#### 5. God's Rest After Creation

Fifth, verse 11 leads us to the basic point of the commandment. It is based on God's rest after creation: "For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it."

This is taken from Genesis 2:2 - 3.

And on the seventh day God finished His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all his work which He had done. So, God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all His work which He had done in creation.

#### God "Blessed" and "Hallowed" the Seventh Day

Both Genesis 2:3 and Exodus 20:11 say that God "blessed" and "hallowed" the rest day. What does it mean for God to bless a day? I think it means that He makes the day a time of blessing. When God blesses a man, the man becomes rich with blessings. When He blesses a land, the land becomes rich with blessings. So when He blesses a day, that day becomes rich with blessings.

And what does it mean that He hallows the day? "Hallows" is the same word as "sanctifies." It means set the day aside for special focus on what is holy, namely, God and His holy works.

Now consider the two words together. He blessed the day and He hallowed the day. How do these fit together? He made it a source of blessing, and He made it to focus on Himself. Isn't it obvious that the hallowing is included in the blessing and the blessing is included in the hallowing? When you hallow God and focus your attention on Him, you receive more blessing than if you keep on busying yourself seven days a week with secular affairs, thinking that professional advancement and money are the route to true happiness. And (the reverse) when you seek your blessing in God rather than in the products of human labour, you hallow Him and honour His holiness as the greater wealth.

#### **God's Rest**

The reason given in both Genesis 2:3 and Exodus 20:11 why God blessed and hallowed the seventh day is that *"on it God rested from all His work which He had done in creation."* What does it mean that God rested? It means at least that He was satisfied that His work of creation was complete and was "very good." His rest means that He wanted to now stand back as it were in leisure and savour the beauty and completeness of His creative work.

This is the real basis of His hallowing and blessing the day of rest. He is saying in effect, "Let my highest creature, the one in my image, stop every seven days and commemorate with Me the fact that I am the creator who has done all this. Let him stop working and focus on Me, that I am the source of all that he has. I am the fountain of blessing. I have made the very hands and mind with which he works. Let one day out of seven demonstrate that all land and all animals and all raw materials and all breath and strength and thought and emotion and everything come from Me. Let man look to

# Me in leisure one day out of seven for the blessing that is so elusive in the affairs of this world."

The beautiful thing about the Sabbath is that God instituted it as a weekly reminder of two things. One is that all true blessing comes from His grace, not our labour. The other is that we hallow Him and honour Him and keep the day holy if we seek the fullness of His blessing by giving our special attention to Him on that day.

#### God as the Source of Salvation

It would be a mistake to conclude from these two texts that the only blessings we should focus on during our Sabbath observance were the blessings of creation. Deuteronomy 5 gives us a second version of the Ten Commandments. Here the basis of the Sabbath observance is different. Verse 15:

"You shall remember that you were a servant in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out thence with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day."

In other words the mighty hand and the outstretched arm of God were not wearied by the work of creation. They are full of strength. God's rest was not for recuperation, but for exultation. Now the same God has shown His power not just to create but also to save. So the focus of the Sabbath is on God not only as the source of creation, but also as the source of salvation. *"Your God brought you up out of the land of Egypt . . . THEREFORE He commanded you to keep the Sabbath day."* One day of rest in every seven, kept holy to the Lord, reminds us and shows the world that GOD is our creator and our deliverer—we did not make ourselves, we cannot sustain or save ourselves without His grace. Be still and know that He is God.

#### The Sabbath as a Sign

What did the Lord say at the exodus from Egypt?

Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the Lord, which he will work for you today; for the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again. The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to be still. Exodus 31:12 - 13 stresses again the truth that the Sabbath signifies our utter reliance on God's grace.

And the Lord said to Moses, "Say to the people of Israel, You shall keep my Sabbaths, for this is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I, the Lord, sanctify you."

The Sabbath is a sign. It points to a truth that we are never to forget. The truth is that God (and not we ourselves) has sanctified us. He has chosen us and set us apart and worked to make us distinct among the peoples of the earth.

#### Summary of the Sabbath Command

In summary then, Exodus 20:11, Deuteronomy 5:15 and Exodus 31:13 teach that the Sabbath is a way of remembering and expressing the truth that God is our creator and deliverer and sanctifier. We are dependent on Him for all we have in the world, for our deliverance from enemies, and for our holiness. He has indeed designed that we work. But our work neither creates, nor saves, nor sanctifies. For these we depend on the blessing of God. All things are from Him and through Him and to Him. Lest we ever forget this and begin to take our strength and thought and work too seriously, we should keep one day in seven to cease from our labors and focus on God as the source of all blessing.

#### **Good News Not Bad News**

Before we leave the Old Testament, there is one other passage that clarifies a common misunderstanding of the Sabbath. It is Isaiah 58:13 - 14. It is a shame that for so many people Sabbath keeping is thought of solely in terms of what you can't do. Its original intention was certainly intended to be good news not bad news. The Sabbath command is in fact a command to experience joy.

If you turn back your foot from the Sabbath, from doing your pleasure on My holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honourable; if you honour it, not going your own ways, or seeking your own pleasure, or talking idly; then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth.

#### God's Purpose for Us on the Sabbath

God's purpose for us on the Sabbath is that we experience the highest and most intense joy that can be experienced, namely, that we "take delight in the Lord." And yet what He finds again and again is professing Christians who prefer little human-sized pleasures from things that have no close relation to God at all.

If you worked seven days a week in the hot sun to keep life and limb together, with scarcely any time for leisure and reflection, would you consider it burdensome if your God came to you with omnipotent authority and said, "I don't want you to have to work so much. I want you to have a day a week to rest and enjoy what really counts in life. I promise to meet your needs with just six days of work"? That is not a cruel command. It is a gracious gift.

#### Why So Many People Think of the Sabbath as a Burden

The reason that so many people feel it as a burden is partly that we have so much leisure, we don't feel the need for the Sabbath rest; but more important, I think, is the fact that not many people really enjoy what God intended us to enjoy on the Sabbath, namely, Himself. Many professing Christians enjoy sports and television and secular books and magazines and recreation and hobbies and games far more than they enjoy direct interaction with God in His Word or in worship or in reading Christian books or in meditative strolls.

Therefore, inevitably people whose hearts are set more on the pleasures of the world than on the enjoyment of God will feel the Sabbath command as a burden not a blessing. This is what John says in 1 John 5:3, *"For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome."* The measure of your love for God is the measure of the joy you get in focusing on Him on the day of rest. For most people the Sabbath command is really a demand to repent. It invites us to enjoy what we don't enjoy and therefore shows us the evil of hearts, and our need to repent and be changed.

#### Jesus' View of the Sabbath

When we come over to the New Testament we find that in the intervening centuries the rabbis have added a lot of details to the Sabbath command and have missed the spirit of it as

a wonderful gift for man's good. So Jesus slams head on into these traditions with a very different view than the one shared by the Pharisees. Let's look at this in Matthew 12:1 - 2.

At that time Jesus went through the grain fields on the Sabbath; His disciples were hungry, and they began to pluck ears of grain and to eat. But when the Pharisees saw it, they said to him, "Look, your disciples are doing what is not lawful to do on the Sabbath." He said to them, "Have you not read what David did, when he was hungry and those who were with him: how he entered the house of God and ate the bread of the Presence, which it was not lawful for him to eat nor for those who were with him, but only for the priests? Or have you not read in the law how on the Sabbath the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath, and are guiltless? I tell you, something greater than the temple is here. And if you had known what this means, 'I desire mercy and not sacrifice,' you would not have condemned the guiltless. For the Son of man is Lord of the Sabbath."

And He went on from there, and entered their synagogue. And behold, there was a man with a withered hand. And they asked him, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?" so that they might accuse Him. He said to them, "What man of you, if he has one sheep and it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will not lay hold of it and lift it out? Of how much more value is a man than a sheep! So it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath."

#### You Must Have a Loving Heart

What was wrong with the Pharisees? Why couldn't they see the Old Testament the way Jesus did? Why didn't they see David's eating the bread of the Presence and the priest's Sabbath work in the temple as an indictment of their Sabbath traditions the way Jesus did? According to Jesus the Pharisees could only condemn the innocent because they never had understood Hosea 6:6. He quotes it in verse 7: God says, *"I desire mercy and not sacrifice."* In other words the whole law exists for the sake of mercy. All the law is summed up in this one word: You shall love your neighbour as yourself. The Pharisees couldn't see the true meaning of the Sabbath because they didn't have hearts of love. *"The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath,"* Jesus says in Mark 2:27. So if your heart isn't a heart for man—if it is not a heart of love—you cannot see the meaning of the Sabbath. For the Sabbath is a gift of love to meet man's need, not an oppressive burden to make him miserable or proud.

#### Jesus Didn't Abolish the Sabbath

So Jesus didn't come to abolish the Sabbath but to dig it out from under the mountain of legalistic sediment, and give it to us again as a blessing rather than a burden. It is a day for showing mercy and a day for doing good (verse 12). It should not be governed rigidly by narrow definitions of what is work and what is not. It is a day to focus on the Lord. And now Jesus is the Lord of the Sabbath (according to verse 8), so it is a day to focus on Jesus. And it is impossible that a day focused on Jesus should be a burden to the believing heart—"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest!"

#### Summary

#### In summary:

1. Accept the gift of one day's rest a week. Humble yourself to believe you need it. And be willing to admit that your wealth and your significance and your true advancement in life depend far more on God's labor than on yours.

2. Devote one day a week to focus your attention on God in a special way. Keep a holy day and devote yourself to those things that deepen your love for God.

### WHY DO WE CELEBRATE THE NEW MOON?

#### The Significance of the New Moon Celebration

The word used for New Moon in Hebrew is 'Rosh Chodesh' which literally means "beginning, head, or renewal" and thus, the beginning or head of the month; It is a time of spiritual renewal.

All through the scriptural record, the New Moon was a day when the prophets heard from God, being a day designated for waiting upon God, for discerning His purposes and for prophetic revelation - *Ezekiel 26:1; 29:17; Haggai 1:1*.

They were days of assembly and God dealt with Israel at these times, speaking through His servants, the Prophets.

We are also told in the New Testament these days are prophetic and foreshadow future events - *Colossians 2:16-17*. The celebration of the new moon has great prophetic significance for Israel as the Bride of God and it was/is an appointed time of His choosing to give prophetic revelation to His people of His purposes for them.

The New Moon and the Sabbath were closely linked as both were holy, set-apart days unto God Himself and the celebration of the new moon is placed in importance in the scriptures alongside keeping the Sabbath. It is not cited in the bible until Numbers chapter 10 because it is a celebration based upon the testimony of God's corporate people being established as His luminary in the world. God called Israel to be a light to the Gentiles, a holy, set-apart nation which reflected His glorious light - *Exodus 19: ; 1 Peter 2: 4-5*. At the beginning of each month they were called to come aside from their normal functions for existence in this world, to reflect upon their ordained purpose of reflecting His presence in the world and revitalizing their spiritual lives in Him.

Joseph was given a dream of the sun, moon and stars as it related to their initial household of faith - *Genesis 37: 9.* This is carried through into its fulfillment in Revelation 12 with the woman (God's corporate people) arrayed with the glory of the sun (representing the glory of

the Father), with her feet standing upon the moon (the reflected light of the sun), and the deputation of the twelve stars of His government assigned to her. This portrays that the woman (God's Bride) in the end days will have come into the glory of the Father in her witness and testimony as the light-bearer of the Son (sun) in her earthly commission (standing upon the moon - i.e. established in her testimony as being THE light to this world).

As His Bride keeps this feast of her appointment with God and comes into alignment with Him, she will reflect His light in ever increasing degrees of magnitude, until she actually shines with the glory of the Son of righteousness. "But we all with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of God." - 2 Corinthians 3:18

#### Celebrating the New Moon

The beginning of the month is determined by the first visible sighting after the conjunction of the moon and for its commencement, the shofar is blown in one long blast. Numbers 10:10 states that the trumpets should be blown at all New Moons to sanctify the day and the offerings. The new month is announced and brethren commence to fellowship.

It is a time of fresh dedication of ourselves to God and of blessing Him and seeking His direction for the new month ahead. We also take this time to ask His blessings on the planned endeavours for the coming month.

God keeps His appointments with those who choose to meet with Him at His designated times and He enters His assembly at these times on these holy days of the Sabbaths and the New Moons to fulfill the spiritual reality of these feasts in the lives of His people. (Ezekiel 46: 1-6)

### HOW DO CHRISTIANS OBSERVE THE BIBLICAL FESTIVALS?

The progression of the biblical festivals throughout the year vividly portrays the glorious plan of God to bring many children to glory in His family.

The Bible lists seven festivals that God gave to the nation of Israel for them to celebrate each year (*Leviticus 23*). The New Testament shows many examples of Jesus, His apostles and the Church of God observing them as well. Each festival is full of rich Christian symbolism, pointing to God's plan for humanity and Jesus Christ's role in each step.

Most of the festivals are also special annual Sabbath rest days, which are observed in addition to the weekly Sabbath day.

#### 1. Passover

The first, the Passover, is a memorial of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ for our sins. The original Passover was a reminder of how God spared the firstborn of His people from death in Egypt. As the ultimate fulfillment of what the Passover pictures, the New Covenant Passover reminds us that Christians are saved from sin's penalty of eternal death by Christ's sacrifice as the Lamb of God - See: *Exodus 12:1-50; Leviticus 23:5; Matthew 26:17-30; Mark 14:22-24; 1 Corinthians 11:23-28* 

#### 2. Day of Pentecost

God's third annual festival is Pentecost. It's also called the Feast of Harvest or First fruits and the Feast of Weeks. On this Holy Day Church members meet for a special annual Sabbath service. This festival was the day God gave His Spirit to those He called together.

On this day we remember that God's Holy Spirit empowers us with the love of God, the motivation to obey Him and a sound mind to discern His truth. Those who are led by God's Spirit are called the children of God. These Christians have a pledge or down payment on eternal life and can look forward to the first resurrection to eternal life in God's family -

Exodus 23:16; Exodus 34:22; Leviticus 23:16-21; Acts 2:1 41; 2 Timothy 1:7; John 15:26; John 16:13; Romans 8:9, Romans 14; 2 Corinthians 5:5; Revelation20: 5-6.

#### 3. Day of Atonement

The Day of Atonement is unique among the other annual festivals because it is a day of fasting. Following shortly after the Feast of Trumpets, Christians observe the day by fasting, which means not eating or drinking for the day. This solemn day of reflection portrays the human race finally becoming reconciled with God after millennia of rebellion against Him.

The Day of Atonement also pictures that Satan the devil, who now leads all of mankind astray, will be bound for 1,000 years so all humans of all nations can be reconciled to God - Leviticus 23:26 32; Isaiah 58:3; Esther 4:16; Ephesians 2:2; Revelation 12:9; Revelation 20:1-15

#### 4. Feast of Tabernacles

When God gave the Feasts to Moses He gave him 3 feasts when the children of Israel should go up to Jerusalem to celebrate them. The two have already been mentioned. The feast of Tabernacles also called Booths or Ingathering is one of the three.

During this week Christians from the city of the Great King ask the nations of the world to go up to Jerusalem, for the All Nations Convention, for prayer, worship and the word to fulfil biblical prophecy. The feast is celebrated at the end of Sept/ October. It is a thanksgiving festival to the Lord for His divine guidance, the end-time harvest of souls, Ex 23:16, 17; Lev 23:33-44; Ezra 3:4; Zech 14:16-19; John 7:2-8. (**Apostle Linda Gobodo's input**)

## CONCLUSION

The testimonies we have received from the existing houses of prayer is that every time they come together to pray the Holy Spirit comes and He helps them to pray and He reveals things to pray regarding their neighbourhood, city, state/province and nation. As they pray, led of the spirit they see answers to their prayers, they see change and transformation. The changes they see encourages them to press even more in prayer. Whenever they gather, they feel the presence of God and they are changed daily.

#### PRAYER

Oh Lord release the spirit of grace to pray upon Your people, endow them with a mantle of prayer, may the fire of prayer fill your house and spread to the neighbourhood and the whole city. May Houses of Prayer be established throughout your city. May a prayer revival break out to the entire church in your city and may the church reap a harvest of souls. May people gather in homes, in churches, in the workplace (during their lunch hour) in schools (during break time) may the city be saturated with prayer until there is change and transformation in the name of Jesus Christ,

Amen.

#### Christian Holy Days

- 1. Passover (see above)
- 2. Ascension Day

When the Lord rose from the dead, He appeared only to His disciples for 40 days and was speaking to them about things pertaining to the Kingdom.

On the 40<sup>th</sup> day He was taken to heaven and He sat on the right hand of the father.

He inaugurated a new ministry, the ministry of intercession. He is interceding for His Body day and night, Psalm 110:1; Acts 1:9-11; Luke 24:50-53; Romans 8:34; Hebrews 7:25.

3. Pentecost (see above)

#### Conclusion

There are 7 main biblical feasts, some of which as believers we celebrate as well.

We have 3 main Holy Days which we have to celebrate as we remember what our Lord did for our redemption. Believers should keep these Holy Days even when they are removed from the Gregorian Calendar by their Governments as in the case in South Africa.

Ascension Day is no longer an official holiday but the Body of Christ must keep it as a memorial to the Lord and have a celebration service. Believers should be encouraged to take leave on Ascension Day.

### LITANY OF PRAYER

- And he said unto them, it is written, My house shall be called the House of Prayer. -Matthew 21:13a
- 2. Be careful for nothing; but *in* everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God *Philippians 4:6*
- Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice *Psalms 141:2*
- The Lord is far from the wicked: but he heareth the prayer of the righteous *Proverbs* 15:29
- But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word Acts 6:4
- And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive Matthew 21:22
- Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much - *James 5:16*
- 8. Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints *Ephesians 6:18*
- 9. But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer 1
  Peter 4:7
- 10. Pray without ceasing 1 Thessalonians 5:17

- 11. Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving *Colossians 4:2*
- 12. But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer 1Peter 4:7
- **13.** And the **prayer of faith** shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he has committed sins, they shall be forgiven him *James 5:15*
- 14. If my people, which are called by My name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. Now Mine eyes shall be open, and Mine ears attend unto the prayer that is made in this place 2 Chronicles 7:14, 1
- 15. And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened *Luke 11:9-10*
- 16. Arise, cry out in the night, as the watches of the night begin; pour out your heart like water in the presence of the Lord. Lift up your hands to him for the lives of your children, who faint from hunger at the head of every street *Lamentations 2:19*
- 17. And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples *Luke 11:1*
- 18. And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes Daniel 9:3
- 19. Even them will I bring to My holy mountain, and make them joyful in My House of Prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon Mine altar; for Mine house shall be called an House of Prayer for all people *Isaiah 56:7*
- 20. Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting Matthew 17:21

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- 21. And it came to pass in those days, that He went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God *Luke 6:12*
- 22. These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren Acts 1:14
- 23. Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour Acts 3:1
- 24. But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word -Acts 6:4
- 25. Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer Romans 12:12
- 26. Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed.The Effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much *James 5:16*

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### PRAYER POINTS FOR THE HOUSES OF PRAYER

These prayer points are not cast in stone – they are guidelines. We encourage the house of prayer to follow the Holy Spirit to lead them. He is the one who knows what the Lord wants to hear from us when we seek Him. The Holy Spirit is our helper - Romans 8:26; Jeremiah 33:3.

- 1. Pray that repentance for the sins of the city and the nation be sought by individuals and leaders Zechariah 12:10; Joel 2:12-17; Matthew 4:17.
- 2. Pray for the peace of the city Jeremiah 29:7.
- 3. Pray for understanding of being a house of prayer Isaiah 56:1-8; Matthew 21:13; Ephesians 2:19-22; 1Peter 2:2-10.
- 4. Pray a declaration that Jesus Christ is Lord over your life, family, city and nations *Acts* 2:34-36; Luke 6:46.
- 5. Pray for the establishment of the Kingdom of God (rulership of Christ) over your life, family, city and nation *Psalms 22:3; Matthew 6; 10; Luke 10:9.*
- 6. Pray to know God's prophetic destiny for your life, family, city and nation Jeremiah 29:11-14; Isaiah 62:1-7.
- 7. Pray for the revival to break out in your life, family, church, city and nation 2 Chronicles 7:14; Zechariah 8:18-23; Psalm 90:16, 17; Psalm 85:4.
- 8. Pray for the lost to be saved Matthew 9:37-38; 1Timothy 2:1-4.

- 9. Pray for righteousness and justice in the seven mountains, in your city and nation *Isaiah* 26:2; Amos 5:24.
- 10. Pray for the restoration of the church to the fullness of the Body of Christ Matthew 16:18-19; Luke 16:16; Psalm 80.
- 11. Pray for the advancement of the Kingdom of God *Daniel 7:14; Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:14-20; Luke 24:44-49; John 20:19-23; Matthew 24:14.*
- 12. Pray for open doors of ministry in the nations Revelations 3:7-8; Colossians 4:2-5.
- 13. Pray for the fuller revelation of the glory of God to His people John 17:22; Numbers 14:21; Habakkuk 2:14; Isaiah 11:9; Zechariah 2.
- 14. Pray to be filled daily with the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:4-13; Romans 8:12-17).
- 15. Pray for the seven (7) spirits of God, the nine (9) fruit and the nine (9) gifts of the Holy Spirit to manifest in your life Isaiah 11:1 -3. Galatians 5: 23, 24, 1 Corinthians 12:1 11.
- 16. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6).

### THE LORDS PRAYER

In December 2017, the Lord instructed the Houses of Prayer to intensify prayer as we prayed for the nation of South Africa. During this time, the Lord instructed the Saints to go to praying the Lord's Prayer and to ensure that we do so in our private prayer times, our homes and churches.

Below, please find the Lord's Prayer for ease of reference:

Our Father, who art in heaven Hallowed by Thy name They kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven Give us this day, our daily bread And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who tress pass against us And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil For Thine is Thy kingdom The power and the Glory, Forever and ever

#### Amen

### PRAYING AT THE GATES OF TIME

# I. THE EARLY NIGHT WATCH or FIRST WATCH OF THE NIGHT - 6.00 PM - 9.00 PM

Lamentations. 2:18-19; Exodus. 27:21; Psalm 119:148

#### TIME FOR DIVINE BEGINNINGS – Genesis. 1:5, 8, 13

#### THE MANIFESTATION OF THE FATHERHOOD OF GOD

God said in Matt. 16:16-19 that the thing you must possess is the GATES, and one of the keys we need to possess the gates is the key of the knowledge of TIME. **Our day has a gate**, our week has a gate, our month has a gate and our year has a gate. We must possess these gates, because whoever possesses the gates possesses and controls everything. The very first watch is the gate for the beginning of the new day.

During the first watch, pray along these lines:

1. Time to Pray and Silence all the Voices (Curses) of the Enemies on our life, family, church, city and nation.

Witches start flying during this watch, going around the precincts of the city (Psalm 59), because they intend to take hold of the gates of the day. We must possess the gate of our new day. Otherwise it will be the enemies possessing them, releasing curses on our day/s.

It is the time to release judgment on the wicked, because this is the time we have the evening tide in line with Isaiah. 17:12-14 and Psalm 59. We need to release and proclaim into the new day God's blessings, changing the environment or spiritual equation in our life, family, church, city and nation.

#### 2. Period for Covenant Renewal with God.

It was the watch during which Jesus broke bread with His covenant between God and Israel. It is the time to appropriate the provisions in the Blood Covenant. Every covenant you have with God can be renewed at this time.

#### 3. Time for the Nature of the Lamb of God - Revelations. 5.

This speaks of ability to do what others can't:

Behold the Lamb, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah who is able to break every yoke and the seals and open the Title Deed of the Universe (*power, wealth, strength, wisdom, honour, glory and blessings*). Humility is the greatest secret of His strength: that is the reason why during this watch, He tied the towel around His waist and washed His disciples" feet. *Leadership is service.* 

#### 4. Time for Preservation of the Fruits of your Life.

Especially the fruits of the body. Every executive/leader can begin to pray for every project he starts to live out its divinely ordained lifespan.

# II. THE LATE NIGHT WATCH OR SECOND WATCH OF THE NIGHT - 9.00 PM - 12 Midnight

Revelations. 9:16; Acts 23:23; Exo. 3:21; 11:3, 4; 12:35, 36; Psalm 119:148

#### TIME TO HALLOW AND EXALT THE NAME OF THE LORD

#### TIME OF PRAYER FOR MINISTRIES, RELIGION

1. Special time for divine favour - *Exodus.3:21-22, 11:3-4, 12:35-36, Psalm 5:12; 45:12; Esther 2:9, 15, 17.* 

This is the time to receive your provision or supply (*strength, abilities, freedom from all limitations, etc.*). This is also the time for plundering your oppressors. This is also the time for favour from men; time for respect from men. If you read Exodus 3:21- 22; 11:3-4; 12:35-36; you will see that God made the Egyptians favourably disposed towards the Israelites so that the Egyptians gave them whatever they asked for. This must definitely have been before midnight since by then the angel of death passed through Egypt and no one could go on to the neighbours. It also had to be after supper, since it was after the Passover feast. Automatically it had to be during this watch of the night between 9.00pm and 12.00 midnight. In Acts 23:23 we see Paul enjoying favour from the captain of the soldiers during this same period.

# 2. Pray for the Outpouring of the Spirit of Prayer upon you and the Church - Zechariah. 9:12

PRAYER ALSO FOR THE SPIRIT OF GRACE AND SUPPLICATION. It is the time to pray for the release or outpouring of the Spirit of Grace, of Prayer and Supplication - *Matthew. 26:33*. Recall that on the day Jesus was betrayed, He started praying for God's grace at 9.00 pm. At 10.00 pm, He came back to His disciples and said, "*Could you not watch with me one hour*?" At 11.00 pm, He came a second time and said "*Are you still sleeping*?" He left them and went back. Then the third time that was 12 midnight, He said, "*Rise, and let us go for my betrayer is at hand*." This period is the time to pray for strength against all temptation and trials.

#### 3. Pray for Divine Protection - Psalm 3:1-7; 17:8-14, Acts 23:23; Zech. 1:10.

This is also the period to pray and ask for the release of the troops of God to be on patrol and give angelic escort (Zechariah 1:10, Acts 9:23). Acts 23:23, the same army General that had arrested Paul, now ended up protecting Paul! As you pray today, God would cause the people who have arrested us before to protect His purpose for our lives. What the governor could not enjoy was given to Paul as he was given 470 soldiers as escort. So every provision we need to do God's work would be released at this time. That is why even in Hollywood this is the time they show all the bad films to make provision for your being affected in the next watch.

#### 4. Prayer for Provision to do God's Work - Exodus 11:3-4

Time for the Supply of all Resources needed for every God-given project – see Exodus 35 and 36 cf. 12:35, 36.

Pray for the Provision. It was the time that the Israelites got everything that they had to use to build the Tabernacle in the wilderness.

This is also the time to ask for the sense of urgency to accomplish whatever God wants us to do. The Israelites ate the Passover standing with their tunics tucked with belts around their waists ready to move!

# II. THE MIDNIGHT WATCH OR THIRD WATCH OF THE NIGHT - 12.00 MIDNIGHT - 3.00 AM

Psalm 119:62; Isa. 42:22; Psalm 68; Acts 16:25; 27:25-44; Exodus 12:29

# *This is a special time for divine governments, overruling human decrees* - exodus 12 - 14

 TIME FOR SPIRITUAL WARFARE. This is the third watch of the night and one of the most important times to keep watch. THIS IS A SPECIAL TIME FOR DIVINE GOVERNMENT OVERRULING HUMAN DECREES! (Exodus 12 – 14). This is when the deep sleep falls upon men according to Acts 20:7-12. Remember, according to Matthew 13:25, while men slept the enemy went to sow tares.

This is therefore a period of *heightened satanic activities*. The devil operates at this time because this is the time that men are sleep and there are not so many people praying to oppose him. (Matthew 13:24; 1 King 3:20) [This watch is the weak link for

Islam – only a few Sufis praying at this time!!! The story is different during the month of Ramadan when every Muslim is encouraged to pray the "Tahajjud."]

It is also the **time for slaying**; when the destroying angel goes through the camp, neighbourhood, community, city, or nation (Exodus 12:29 cf. 2 Kings 19:35). Time to declare Psalm 91:5, 6 for Divine Protection for yourself, family, church, city and nation. This period is also the time that rapists increase their activity, according to Judges 19, the Levite's concubine was raped about this period and was only left to go before dawn, so pray and silence them (Judges 19:25).

**Time of Release from every Prison -** Isaiah. 42:22; Jude 16:3; Acts 16:25; Psalm 18:27-28; 2 Kings 19:35

This is also the time people are generally released. According to the scriptures, God released the people of Israel to leave Egypt at this time. It was also midnight that Samson according to Judges 16:3-4 carried the gates of the city and went out. This is also the time the wicked are wiped out. Pray also for greater level of concentration (Mark 1:35; Isaiah. 17:14). This is also the time for angelic intervention. This is also the time you could employ the land to fight for you. <u>This is the time to rule in the midst of your enemies.</u>

#### 2. Freedom for His Bride - Exodus 12:29; Judges 19:25.

This is the time to pray for the freedom of the bride, especially those who are trusting God for their marriage partners. Therefore, those of you who are not married, this is a good time to pray for marriages, so you can also get married. For those who are married too, this probably the best time to pray for your marriage. According to Matthew 25:6, it was at midnight that the Bridegroom came. In the case of Ruth, though she had been sleeping at Boaz's feet, it was at midnight that he noticed that a woman was sleeping there.

This is also time for marriages. Pray for God to show you things to make your marriage a happy one (Ruth 3:1-10). Pray also for the discovery of new and beautiful things in your spouse. This period is also the time to keep the lamps burning. This watch is also the time to enter your rest (Psalm 67).
You can pray that God will cause the nations to be noticed at this time.

# Best time to make your case in prayer - *Mark 13:35; Luke 11:5-13; Acts 16:25-34; Acts 20:7-12.*

This is the time to pray to God and make your case in prayer. This is also the period to pray for every emergency provision God makes to be released (Luke 11:5-13; Acts 16:3). It is also time for most dreams (Job 4:13-14); time for miracles or covenants; time for apply the Blood of Jesus. This is the time to awake out of sleep and confront every storm of destruction and distraction. Also it is the time to speak peace and calm into every situation of turbulence and confusion.

### IV. THE DAWN OR EARLY MORNING WATCH - 3.00 AM-6.00 AM

Isaiah. 58:8, 8:19-22, 62:1-12; Revelation 22:76; Psalm 18:28; Job 3:9

### YOUR WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN...

(Mark 1:35; Genesis 19:15, 32:25-27; Job 38:12-13 cf. Isaiah 17:14; 1 Samuel 11:11) The significance of this watch can be seen in Mark 1:35, where we see Jesus rising a great while before day and finding a solitary place to pray.

### 1. THIS IS A SPECIAL TIME FOR DIVINE JUDGMENTS.

This is the last watch of the night.

This fourth watch is always important because this is the last lap of the night race: this was when Israel was released from Egypt. This watch is the time that those satanic agents who went out to perform their activities are returning back to their bases. This is the time the devil and his cohorts are running back *home*" so that they are not caught.

This is the time to release judgment on the wicked, who remain stiff-necked after many warnings and rebukes in line with Proverbs 29:1.

This is the time every enemy chariot would have their wheels removed (Exodus 14:24-28) and all their plans, programmes and policies would fail.

This is the period to release the manifestation of the full intensity of the dayspring shaking out the wicked (Job 38:12, 13 cf. Isaiah 17:14 – Proclaiming before morning).

Though some scholars believe the dayspring falls between 12 midnight stretching up to 6.00 am, the full impact of its intensity is felt in the final watch of this period (3.00 – 6.00 am) when it begins to shake everything out. This explains why the agents of the kingdom of darkness: those linked with Satan, heighten their activities, especially between the hours of 12 midnight and 3.00am, knowing that by the next watch (3.00 am – 6.00 am) they'll have to cease their activities lest they caught by the full intensity of the dayspring.

Testimonies of former witches converted to Christianity attest to this. They tell of experiences, where when they went out of their bodies on witchcraft operation, they had to return into their bodies before 6.00 am, otherwise they wouldn't have been able to. This is because they will have been shaken out by the dayspring in line with Job 38:13 quoted above. It must be because no spirit is supposed to remain in this state by daybreak, we see this demonstrated by Jacob's encounter with the Angel of the Lord in Genesis. 32:24-30.

2. It is also the time for Deliverance, to Rise and Shine, for Resurrection. This is time for deliverance according to Exodus 12 and 14. This is also the time Jesus came walking on the water to release the disciples from the storms according to Matthew 14:25. This is the time to ask the new day to speak into your life according to God's will (Psalm 19:2). This is also the time of declaration of the word.

This is also the time for resurrection power. This is the time we have to pray that everything that has died in the nations in terms of potentials should be released. This is the time to rise and begin to shine (Isaiah 60:1-5). It is also the time for resurrection of every dormant gift. Every redemptive gift is to rise and shine, that is why,

immediately after this watch the sun rises, and shines (Psalms 18:28). The Lord would light the candle of the nations, He would enlighten our darkness and our morning star would no more be dark. This is the time the stone in front of the tomb of Jesus was rolled away. Every reproach must be rolled away. God says He has a covenant with the day and also with the night.

### V. THE LATE MORNING OR FIRST WATCH OF THE DAY - 6.00 AM - 9.00 AM

Acts 2:15; Proverbs 4:16

### THE OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY GHOST ... Acts 2:4, 17, 18

The Holy Spirit came before the Third Hour. This is the first watch of the day. This is the watch for the beginning of sunrise.

- 1. Time of Declaration and Utterances. (Acts 2:15; Psalm 2:7-9) The spiritual significance of sunrise is having Jesus Christ the King of Kings and the Lord of lords' rise over us. Instruct the sun that, as it rises over people, it should accurately represent Jesus Christ the Sun of righteousness and bring healings for the soul: the *heart, emotions, minds, bodies, families, and relationships, marriages in our land and also for the land*. Pray that the sun of righteousness would rise with healing in his wings. There shall be healing in your prayer life, health, relationships, family, government, economy, etc.
- This is also the time for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit for Equipping for Service and for your Light to Shine this day - 2 Corinthians 9:3; Acts 1:8; Isaiah. 60:1-22; Matthew. 5:16

It was between 6:00 am and 9:00 am that the Holy Spirit came. So you notice that it was after that people said "they were drunk" and Peter said "we are not drunk because it is just 9.00 in the morning." What is the implication? That it is the time for equipment for service. That is why, generally speaking for those who have regular work schedules, people start work between the hours of 6.00 and 9.00 AM. God gives the necessary equipment. As you step out, ask God for equipment for the day, "Give us this day...

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## VI. THE EXIT AND ENTRY WATCH OR SECOND WATCH OF THE DAY - 9.00 AM-12.00 Noon

1 Kings 18, 8:56; Joshua 23:14; Matt. 20:3; Acts 2:15)

### FOR A CRUCIFIED LIFE... Galatians. 2:20; Colossians. 3:5

### TIME FOR FORGIVENESS AND HEALING OF RELATIONSHIPS

This is the second hour of the day. This watch begins at the third hour (i.e. 9.00 am)...and it appears from Matt. 20:2-3, so that if you've not started working by this time you'll be considered idle. Just being busy with something doesn't give any assurance of any accomplishment. There's the need to identify God's purpose for each moment of your life and pursue it. Otherwise, you could find yourself wasting effort and energy like the prophets of Baal in 1 Kings 18:26-29, who after six hours of calling on their god were worse off than when they started: bleeding and exhausted. By 9.00 am, you should start fulfilling the purpose for which you came to earth.

### 1. Time for Harvest - Acts 2:41

Promises, this is the time to expect the manifestation of God's promises for your life as in the case of David in 2 Sam. 7:25-29. Also appropriate the promises for cleansing, a new heart, and willingness to work, increase and fruitfulness, as contained in Ezekiel 36:25-38.

# 2. Time to pray and appropriate the Benefits of the Cross (*healing*, *prosperity*, *forgiveness*, *strength*, *etc*.).

Jesus was crucified at the third hour (Mark 15:25, Matthew 27:45). After having been on the cross for three hours, darkness came upon the face of the earth at 12 noon, and then at 3.00pm, the period of darkness ended. Did you notice that even God worked according to the watches of the day especially pertaining to the crucifixion events?

- **3. Pray for a Crucified Life**. Because of the crucifixion, let us ask God to help us manifest all of the values of crucified life, by mortifying the deeds of our flesh as stated in Rom. 8:12-15. This is the time to put off the old man, and put on the Lord Jesus Christ (Colossians 3:2-11). This is the time to nail witchcraft, bitterness, jealousy, anger, backbiting, gossip, slander, lying, deception, hypocrisy and in fact all the properties and personality traits of the devil and all the works of the flesh to the Cross in line with Galatians 2:20, 5:19-21.
- 4. Pray for Forgiveness, Healing of Relationships, Pray for the Release of Others. "Forgive Us for our Trespasses...as We Forgive..." This is the best time to pray this portion of the model prayer the Lord Jesus Christ taught His disciples. In other words it is time to pray for Healing of Relationship. Let this power of love and unity (in one accord) produce the same effect of people asking, "How come that we all hear them speaking in our own language?" Pray for the healing of diseases, which are spiritual. This is also the time for harvest that is for prayers prayed at dawn.

### VII. THE WATCH OF SHAKING OF FOUNDATIONS & JUDGMENT - 12:00 Noon - 3:00 PM

John 4:6; Matt. 27:45; Acts 26:13; Jeremiah 15:8, Job 11:13-20; Psalm 37:20; Daniel. 6:13)

### TIME TO CHANGE THE MEDIA LANDSCAPE...

### TIME FOR DIVINE GUIDANCE AND DELIVERANCE FROM EVIL

This is the watch that introduces the Midday, otherwise known as the Noon, or the Sixth Hour or the Fullness of Day (Psalm. 55:17, Proverbs 4:18, Isaiah 58:10, Job 11:15, Psalm 37:3, Jeremiah 20:16). Both the midday and the midnight are very important. A full treatise on this will be the subject of another book. Let us look at the Significance of this watch:

#### 1. Time of the Secret Place of the Most High - Psalm 91:1

This is very important to pray in line with Acts 10:9 and Psalm 91:5, 6, and 14. It is the time to pray to dwell in the secret place of the Most High, abiding under the shadow of the Almighty, and making the Most High your habitation.

It is also the time of exercising your God given dominion, operating in love and receiving a divine lift, and letting your light shine brighter until the full light of day is attained (Proverbs 4:18).

The midday is the fullness of the day and it is the beginning of the Sixth hour. This is the time that the sun is at its fullest, and should yield its optimum best. Pray that the sun will yield its best and precious fruit to you, in line with Deuteronomy. 33:4. Pray that your life would be bright. This is the time to pray not to be led into any temptation, trap or snare of the enemy.

#### 2. Pray against Destruction that stalks at noon time - Psalm 91:5

Destruction is released at midday according to Psalm 92:6-7.

Pray and cut off all satanic arrows that are released at this time.

This is the time Justice shall come to you (Isaiah 7:14). This is the time of the secret place of the Most High. In Psalm 91, it says that I will not be afraid of destruction that stalks at noonday nor the arrows that fly by night.

The destruction at this time will not get you, family, Philippines, etc. because we declare that the mystery of the secret place of the Most High would begin to speak.

# VIII. THE TRANSFORMATION WATCH OR FOURTH WATCH - 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Matthew. 27:45, 46; Luke 23:44-46; Acts 3:1; 10:3, 30-32)

The Hour of Prayer: 3:00 PM! Acts 3:1 cf. 10:30.

This watch ushers in and begins at the hour of prayer according to Acts 3:1, Acts 10:30, Isa. 60:11-22. The one single most important characteristic or practice that identifies the church is Prayer. The most important privilege of the entire church is prayer and the only hour in the Bible that is specifically referred to as the Hour of Prayer begins at 3:00 PM. This was the time that the veil in front of the Holy of Holies tore from top to bottom. This watch is therefore the time for access!

# 1. The Hour of Prayer, Covenant, Power and Triumphant Glory. Time to Remove Limiting

**Factors.** This time is an hour of Revelation, hour of Grace, hour of Removing Veils (Luke 23:45-46), hour of Power, hour of Glory, hour of the voice of the Lord, hour of Triumph. This is the time to die to the world (self). This time is also the time of seeking the Lord in Truth. This is the hour of the establishment of the Kingdom, why? Righteousness and Justice are the foundation of His Throne.

This is the time when Jesus said "It is finished." At 3:00 pm Jesus gave up the ghost. Jesus went through 6 hours of suffering for the deliverance of humankind and the universe. Pray for **deliverance** during this watch. It is also the time for the miraculous and angelic visitation (Zechariah 1:10-11, 18-21).

This time also the time of the evening sacrifice. It was at this time that Elijah called forth fire from Heaven to consume the prophets of Baal on Mt. Carmel (1 Kings 18:29, 30, 36-39). Isa. 17:12-14, Matthew 27:45-61, Luke 27:45-47, Mark 15:33-39, Daniel. 3:8-30, Genesis 24:63, Revelation 6 and 1 Samuel 17. Scriptures to Pray: Ephesians 1:15-23, 3:14-22, John 17, Joshua 7:6, 8:29-34. Isaiah 17:12-14, Daniel 2:20-22. Also study Matthew 27:50-54, Mark 15:37-39, Luke 23:45-47, Daniel 3:25, 9:21, Genesis 24:63, Acts 3:1, 10:1-32, 1 Kings 18:41-46, Zechariah 6:1, Revelations. 6:1.

### 2. Time to Change / Shape History.

This was the time God changed history because this watch happens to be the time that Jesus gave up the ghost with a loud voice. When Jesus gave up the ghost, history was changed forever because He now cut a covenant for us with God and there was a triumphant Glory over hell, death and the grave and the Bible says at that hour darkness departed. The covering of darkness cast over the nations of Philippines shall be broken! Pray Psalm 29. He said "*Eloi, Eloi, Lama Sabachthani*" meaning "*My God, my God, why have you forsaken me*?" This is because the Father turned His back on sin. We must pray the Church in Philippines will turn her back on sin; so that leadership in family, government, church, economy, etc. will turn their back on sin.

Possess this gate of the day, just like in the other watches not only for yourself, but also for your family, your village, your neighbourhood, community, the city, the nation, the church and God's Kingdom.

## ANNUAL AFRICA PRAYER REVIVAL CAMPAIGN

ALL *HOUSES OF PRAYER FOR ALL NATIONS*, IN AFRICA, GATHER EVERY THIRD WEEK OF THE EIGHTH MONTH (AUGUST) FOR A WEEK OF PRAYER IN JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA.

### PRAY SOUTH AFRICA PRAY!!!!

### IF SOUTH AFRICA IS LIKENED TO A HUMAN BEING. SOUTH AFRICA IS THE FEET OF AFRICA TO TAKE AFRICA TO HER DEVINE PROPHETIC DESTINY

### MOVE SOUTH AFRICA, MOVE!

### When you move, Africa will move, just arise and pray.

Africa Arise and Pray

Lift your hands to the Lord

Princes, Governors will come out of Africa. Africa will quickly stretch out her hand to God – *Psalm 68:31* 

# DIVINE PROPHETIC DESTINY OF SOUTH AFRICA AND AFRICA

#### **DECREE CONCERNING AFRICA**

#### By Gunnar Olsen At the SOMA Conference on 2 November 2000, in South Africa

At our ICCC Conference 2000 in South Africa, the Lord gave me a decree concerning Africa. If you are African, join with me in the spirit as you read it:

"Africa – this is your kairos moment; therefore arise and take your destiny!

Africa – be released and accept your divine mandate from heaven.

Africa – your shackles of slavery, poverty, limitations, idolatry, paganism, discrimination, exploitation, servitude, perversion, discord, witchcraft, ancestor worship, Satanism and all evil is crushed. Arise! Arise! Arise!

Africa – bring forth your sons and daughters who will arise and take their rightful place among the kings, princes and nobles of the earth. Let them execute the righteousness of God and advance the purposes of God to bring healing, prosperity and manifestations of majesty, excellence and glory!

Africa – the Lord will build a highway of holiness and righteousness and everyone who walks on this highway will find refuge, strength and purpose!

Africa – all the nations of the earth will come to marvel at your wisdom and glory!

Africa or Africa – the deepest fountains and resources of heaven that have been hidden deep in your belly because of the deeds of evil men, are now breaking forth because of the righteous remnant that has regarded the will of God higher than the opinions of men.

Africa – Arise! Arise! For God has risen upon you and your enemies are scattered!"

# **PROPHETIC WORDS OVER SOUTH AFRICA**

In this season the Lord is calling the Church in South Africa to arise and to declare and herald all the words of prophecy that have been released over the nation in recent years. The Lord is ready to perform His word and He is looking for those who will believe and stand on the side of the Lord.

The Lord has chosen the Church to lead in this season and He has given Her the grace to govern. For too long, the baby has been in the birth canal, it is time for the Church to bring forth. It is time to birth the move of the Spirit in South Africa and there has never been a better time than this. As evil is abound, grace is also abound and God is raising the standard.

The Church must not be quiet when She hears what the enemy is planning to do, She must rise and refute the plan of the enemy and proclaim what the Lord has said He will do in South Africa.

Herewith, please find the summarized versions of some of the prophecies received over South Africa. We are to herald, declare, proclaim and utter these words over the Nation of South Africa in this season. (If you need the full prophecies please write to: info@vukaafricafoundation.co.za)

Make the word of the Lord known, share it with your family, friends and colleagues. Speak it and post it on every platform that is at your disposal.

Speak the word of the Lord with boldness, knowing that the Lord who declared these things is well able to perform His word and that there will be fulfilment of those things which were spoken from the Lord. *(Psalm 89:34;Isaiah 46:8-11;48:3 6,20;55:10,11;Jeremiah 1:12;Luke 1:45)* 

### Declare and Say:

1. The Lord has been visiting Nations but now He has visited South Africa.

- 2. He has sent Angels to help the church in South Africa in this fierce war of His presence. The Angels have arrived and they are here to work with the Church.
- 3. The Land of South Africa is secure, do not fear what you hear or what you see.
- 4. The river of healing, which is the move of the Holy Spirit to birth the revival has begun to flow in this nation bringing healing wherever it goes. South Africans are called to bring healing to the nations, *"This is My healing and miracle power that will flow from South Africa to the rest of the world. It will start there. I have a plan and no one will stop Me."*
- 5. The fires of revival will soon breakout, the fire will spread to every Province of South Africa. From the nation of South Africa, it will spread to the whole continent up to North Africa and to the Nations of the World.
- 6. A prayer movement is rising in this nation, to birth a revival of prayer which will usher one of the greatest moves the world has ever seen. A prophetic word is going forth; an instruction is given to the people so they will undergird it in prayer. The word spoken in prophecy is going to be birthed in prayer and carried into a place of fulfilment.
- 7. The revival will be birthed and sustained through prayer and worship. Songs of healing and restoration will be released in every province; *"The glory of the Lord will arise over you South Africa and will be seen upon you, because you are My glory bowl and your people are My glory vessels."*
- 8. South Africans will go out to preach the Gospel of the Kingdom of God to the whole world. When they go, Africa will be saved and Africa will evangelize the world, and this initiative will start from South Africa.
- 9. God is going to break corruption and root it out. He is going to send the power of His Spirit to crush those who do illegal things under legal pretenses. Those who say it is legal to do evil will have no power to do that anymore.

- 10. God is going to dismantle the works of the enemy. The church has a major role to play in all this. The Church will lead the process of change in the Nation.
- 11. There will be no political party against this move of the Spirit of God. It will suddenly arise beyond political decisions. It is a non-partisan, Spirit-Led Movement.
- 12. South Africans of every colour will join forces, and a people movement will arise which will keep the enemy out and push evil out. The movement of the people is growing in momentum and spirit. This movement is led by the Spirit. God is releasing a template and a model pattern of running the Nation to fulfill Her divine destiny showing the way to the rest of Africa and the world.
- 13. There will be a change of government in this nation, for God will raise a godly man that will institute godliness in the laws of this country; godliness in prisons, godliness in our hospitals. The Spirit of the Lord will breathe upon the people that have been oppressed, *"And I will turn this Nation towards Israel again, and I will breath upon this Nation and this giant shall be waken again. Says the Lord.* More people who serve and know the Lord will enter parliament; healed, delivered and set free.
- 14. The Church holds the major key in doing what needs to be done beginning now until the elections in 2019. In the church, people's minds are going to change, they will want to see the nation being blessed.
- 15. God is restoring hope in you South Africa, so that you no longer need to fear. The Spirit of Hope is released and is commanding the spirit of devastation, corruption and destruction to leave in Jesus name. Hope will rise in Africa and Africa will turn. The wind of the Spirit is coming, Africa is going to change and will become a clear model.
- 16. South Africa will be a new Nation and new things are about to happen. It's time to Arise! This is not the time to run out of South Africa. Do not let your heart be troubled, don't flee; God is bringing knowledge back to this country.

- 17. South Africa will rise again! The economy will turn around, become stronger, the wealth of the Nation will not be found in the pockets of the wicked, but rather it will be shared so all communities will rise. God will stabilize the South African currency; it will not go into free fall. God is the God of currencies, He holds the destinies of nations in His hands.
- 18. In the next three years 2017-2019, God is going to dismantle the power of the enemy and begin to usher in the Kingdom of God: Daniel 2:44-45 "And in the days of these Kings the God of heaven will set up a Kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the Kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these Kingdoms, and it shall stand forever. In as much as you saw that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold the Great God has made known to the King what will come to pass after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation is sure." 2017 is the year of the coming of God's Government into South Africa Isaiah 9:1-7.
- 19. I am sending three angels in the year 2008 into the Continent of Africa; one shall be called the Angel of Fire, the next shall be called the Angels of Winds of the Lord and the third shall be called the Angel of Judgement. The wind that I am bringing is a mighty wind, the Ruach of God. And the angels shall open the doors of heaven and allow my Spirit to blow from the North, South, East, and West. What shall this wind do? It shall blow every demon off this Continent of Africa. It will blow into the Nations that have oppressed Me. It will blow in the Nations and there will be a season of change.
- 20. After 60 years of the so called "liberation of Africa", the Lord has remembered you Africa to do you good. He has visited you to bring you out completely from the Babylonian system. On the other hand, 2018 marks the completion of 70 years after the establishment of the system of apartheid in South Africa. This is the season of the completion of the liberation of Africa. South Africa shall play a major role in the process of the liberation of Africa.

The Vision seen at the Union Buildings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017 during a time of wailing for the sins of the Nation and for the fulfilment of the prophecies over South Africa:

A clock hanging on the building with both arms of the clock on the number 12.

The Word of the Lord: "I hold the times and seasons in my hand. The time for this land has come and I have determined a season of transition in this Nation. What was before shall not be in the day to come for I have raised for Myself a new leadership after my pattern and order. A leadership that will be given spiritual authority and governance. Leadership that will understand and establish eldership pattern in the land. I will release resources and wealth upon them for my people. They shall be like shepherds in the land and My people will no longer oppressed. The vision you saw you saw speaks of the times that have been ordained by My Word over this Nation." Says the Lord!

"Get Ready South Africa for what is about to happen, says the Lord." Get ready! Get ready! Get ready!

#### Note Well:

The above are extracts have been taken from the prophecies which were released by the following Prophets and Apostles:

- 1. Kim Clement: 2008
- 2. Pastor Amaka Abe: 2011
- 3. Chuck Pierce and Apostle Kure: 2015, 2016
- 4. Dr Jonathan David: 2016, 2017
- 5. Pastor Mpho Mosoeu: 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017

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