

NEWS FROM DAVID AND GRETA

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We hope that you will take a few minutes to read what has been happening in our ministry recently and be encouraged. The Perspectives section summarises some recent prophecies about a coming great spiritual awakening in the earth.

She stood at the front of Frontline Church in Northland, along with many others. Greta and I had just asked the Holy Spirit to release **the fire of greater hunger for God, for prayer, and for mission** and many had responded. As she was prayed for, tears flowed down her cheeks. She later explained that she had felt literal heat flowing into her hands and saw a vision of angels. We could see that this encounter had been profound and would no doubt help shape the rest of her life. The young girl was probably around 10 years old, but she knew God had deeply touched her.

We are seeing these scenes repeated in many churches at present, and there is a marked increase of God's power and presence among those hungry for him. People are responding to the prophetic revelations God is releasing at this time (see Perspectives section).

During February and March, we ministered in **10 churches**, conducting numerous leadership meetings, Sunday services, and encounter nights: Eastgate Christian Centre, Auckland; Church Unlimited, Whangarei; Causeway Church, Mangawhai; Church Unlimited, Kaitaia; Living Faith Church, Orewa; Whangarei Baptist; Frontline Church, Kerikeri; Hills Church, Auckland; Tauranga City Elim; and St. Paul's Anglican, Auckland.

Testimonies

Salvation

- "You spoke at Church Unlimited some time ago. My daughter went forward to declare Jesus as Lord. She had been addicted to methamphetamine for two years prior to that, and had been doing drugs for a solid 24 hours before she came with me to the church service that night. She looked very unkempt and it was a struggle for me not to feel embarrassed with her by my side. But if she wanted to be at a church service, then who was I to say no when I had been praying for her salvation her whole life? After she gave her life to the Lord she never touched drugs again, never craved for it again. Her life has taken a stunning 180-degree turn. She and I are closer than ever."

Healing

- "I am just writing to thank you for praying for me. I asked you to pray for healing for my brain function in regards to mathematics, logic and technical jargon, as I had previously been an engineer but had suffered a blunt force trauma to my frontal lobe. I kept forgetting words and couldn't remember my times tables. But I have now enrolled in a civil engineering diploma for this year and have had to study a remedial comprehensive math paper before my course starts. So far, I have been able to retain all course information and have been getting 90+% in every daily maths assignment."
- A woman recently shared with us that she had suffered from fibroids, and had endured six miscarriages. God sovereignly healed her some years ago in a seminar we conducted. She now has a daughter.

ITINERARY FOR APRIL-JULY

April 8: The Upper Room, Auckland. Sunday.

April 11: Assembly of God regional pastors' meeting, Tauranga.

April 13 -15: River Church, Howick, Auckland. Leaders' meeting, Encounter day, plus Sunday.

April 19-21: NZ and Beyond Conference, Auckland. Attend.

April 23 – July 12: Travelling in Europe.

July 14-15: Kingdom Community Church, Singapore. Leaders' day plus Sunday.

July 29: Church Unlimited, Auckland. Sunday.

PERSPECTIVES

In last December's newsletter, I stated that 2018 and 2019 will be years of adjustment and positioning in preparation for the 2020's which could be one of the greatest decades of church history ever. In February's newsletter, Greta discussed some signs pointing towards a powerful move of God coming soon. Since then, we have learned of other prophetic voices saying similar things. First a little revision:

Deployment is a key word for 2018 and beyond. These next two years will see many deployed by God into positions of influence in all spheres of leadership - political, business, media, entertainment, education, sport and church. Many who have been hidden for protection and character development will be revealed in these coming years.

God is not only positioning his church, but he is also releasing fire. Position is no good without power. In the last few years, Greta and I have noticed the release of greater **fire** in the church in three areas: **prayer, mission, and hunger for God and his presence and power.**

Twenty years ago, there were only a few 24/7 **houses of prayer or prayer rooms**; today there are an estimated 20,000 globally. This constant prayer is having an effect. All these factors point towards an unprecedented spiritual awakening exploding upon the earth in the coming years. Other apostolic and prophetic ministries are saying the same thing. Here are a few examples:

Healing evangelist **Benny Hinn** prophesied in 1989 that when two great generals of the faith died, a great move of God would come. He named healing evangelist Oral Roberts and evangelist Billy Graham as the generals. Roberts died in 15/12/09 and Billy Graham 21/2/18. Hinn predicted that their deaths would be the sign of the beginning of the greatest revival the world has ever seen.



Toronto Outpouring leaders, **John & Carol Arnott**, in their new book *Preparing for the Glory*, predict that a tsunami move of the Spirit will break in these next few years. It will be a move of glory and the fear of the Lord, preparing the church for Christ's return and gathering a massive harvest of lost souls.

US prophet **Mark Chironna** says that these coming days will be the most significant in church history. There is a convergence of signs pointing to this. Hidden people will be brought out to stand in the courts of pharaoh and challenge worldly powers. The 21st century will know a manifestation of power not seen before.

Another US prophet **Dutch Sheets**: *"God is saying to us, 'What I used then is what I'll use now: **prayer**. If you'll appeal to me, you can turn this nation around.' There's another level of intercession, prophetic declaration, and making decrees for Him that is going to now launch us into what we've been asking for, for 25, 30 years: a Third Great Awakening in America, another great awakening around the world. The greatest harvest in history begins now.*



Dutch Sheets

This is all about what God wants to do around the world. I believe we'll see more people saved in the next 20 years than we have in the previous 2,000. I think it'll be in the billions. Not the 'm,' but the 'b.' Billions. I think Asia is about to get hit with a tidal wave of revival. And I think it's going right into the Middle East. I believe it's this incredible harvest that has been prophesied for so long, we're moving into now. The best days of the Church are not behind us. They are ahead of us."

Every prophecy is an invitation to intercession, so let's go beyond where we are this year in our seeking of God in prayer and cry out for him to move in an unprecedented way. And this is not just sitting around waiting for God to move. As we pray, may we also go and reach others now for Jesus. Fire is coming. Ask for it upon your life, family, church, nation and nations. May we echo the early Salvation Army who constantly prayed, "Lord, send the fire!"

Blessings,



David and Greta

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