

Path Clearer Newsletter

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Influencing Nations with Judeo-Christian Truth

A voice of one calling in the desert: "Prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the wilderness a highway for our God. Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it. For the mouth of the Lord has spoken." A voice says, "Cry out." (Isaiah 40:3-6)

Recent Highlights:

Insights on the Current Season -- US Presidential Election: Several times in recent months folks have asked me if the Lord has revealed anything to me about the Presidential election for 2008. The Holy Spirit chooses to show to me those types of revelations on occasion. I believe that He has only given to me some "hints" and impressions about this year's election. I have some pieces of the puzzle, but not the whole picture. I have not received a definite word about the outcome, but some insights have included:

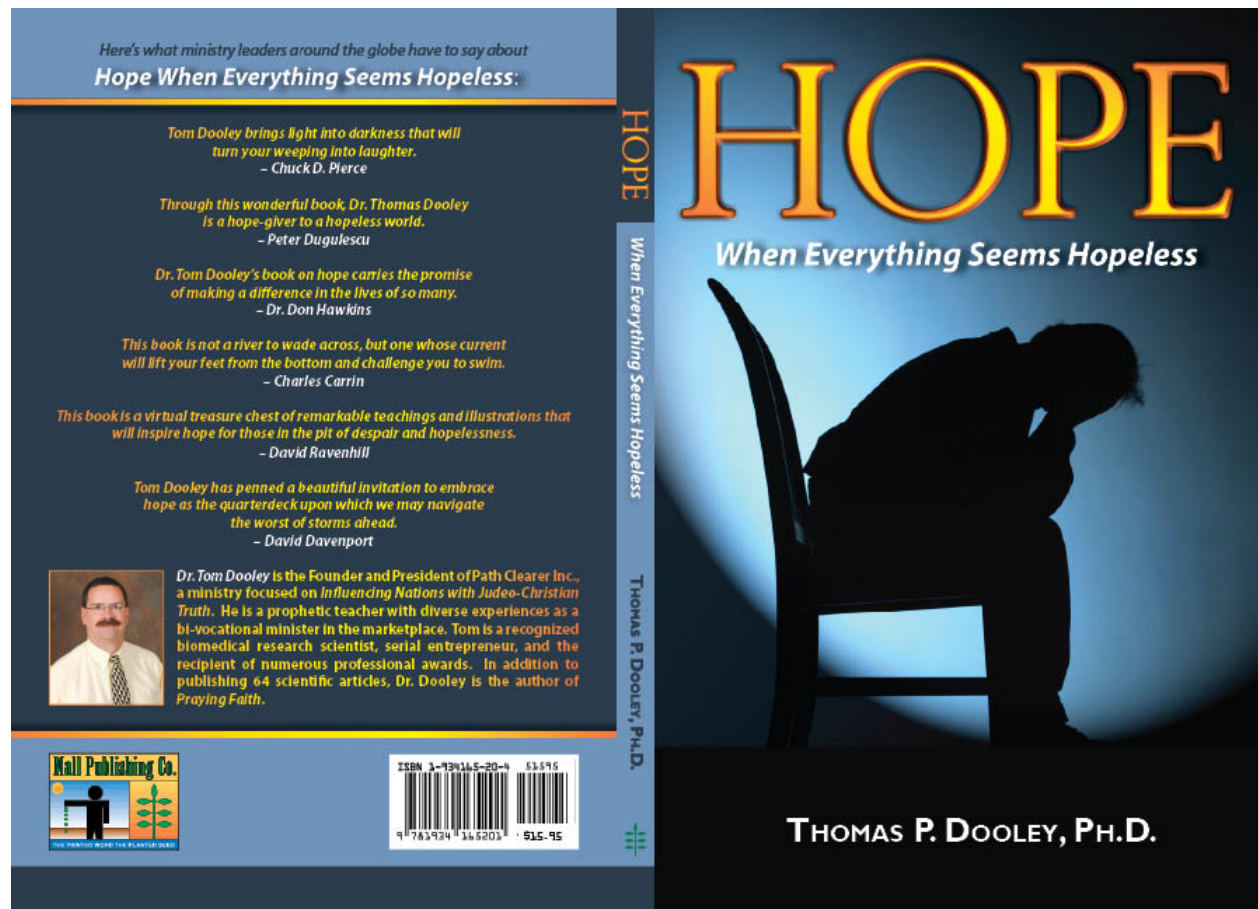
- I sensed well in advance that *the* word for the year 2008 to the USA and UK, and to me in particular, was "Hope". It is very interesting to note that both Obama and Huckabee have associations with this word. Obama authored a book about "Hope" that is a major thrust of his campaign. Huckabee is from Hope, Arkansas. The word "Hope" is bolstering each of their political campaigns and prospects for influence. When we embrace a timely rhema word, even if unintentionally, it propels us forward.
- Last year I prayed in Washington, DC with one of the Presidential candidates at the launch of his political campaign. What I told him then has since come to pass. The individual served as a voice for truth during his campaign, but has since withdrawn from the race.
- Early in this decade I received a prophetic word from an elderly prophet from Atlanta, Mamie Jo Hunter. She predicted that although the doors to world leaders would be open before me, an unnamed *female* world leader would not receive me. I am not yet sure if that prediction refers to Hillary Clinton or to another female leader.

The rest is merely personal opinion and preference. I dislike what I am seeing in many of the stated or anticipated policies from Obama, Clinton, and McCain. When Huckabee first entered the race, I considered that he was unelectable, and I still believe this impression is correct.

But, God is sovereign and He will rule over this nation, even if the outcome does not suit many so-called "Conservative Christians". This is a year to recognize that He is sovereign. Times of His demonstration of sovereignty typically are accompanied by disruptive events. This is a *season of shaking* and of increased *confusion and hopelessness*. This is a season to have an anchor of hope that is not swayed by the winds of uncertainty and change. Let us fix our eyes upon Jesus, the Author and Perfector of our faith! Changes provide us with opportunities to live by faith, rather than relying on the autopilot of comfortable lives.

Mini-Conference: We hosted a prophetic mini-conference in January in Birmingham entitled "*Finding Hope in a Season of Shaking*". The invited speakers were John Manwell (UK), Tani Omedeyi (UK), Gene Carey (AL), Steve Sampson (AL), and David Davenport (OH).

New Book: The first printing of the book on the theme of “Hope” should be available for purchase soon. This is a timely prescient word! It will bring encouragement during times of despair and hopelessness.



To purchase copies of *Hope When Everything Seems Hopeless*, please mail checks payable to Path Clearer Inc. for \$19.00 (including shipping) or for volume discounts on 5+ copies for \$15.00 each (including shipping). Designate if you want any copies signed. At the same time you may also order copies of *Praying Faith* from PC as well for \$18.00 each (including shipping) or for volume discounts on 5+ copies for \$14.00 each (including shipping).

Life Perspectives Radio: In January I was the invited guest on *Life Perspectives*, a nationally broadcast radio program hosted by Dr. Don Hawkins, the President of Southeastern Bible College. The next interview in our series on the theme of “*Finding Hope When Facing Cancer*” will be on March 24th at 10:00 PM Central. See www.lifeperspectives.org for local station call letters or online broadcast information.

Sacramento, CA: I was invited by Scott Smith to speak in February at the *Fellowship Chamber* on the topic of “*Bi-vocational Ministry in the Marketplace 24/7*”. The *Fellowship Chamber* is a monthly luncheon forum for Christians working in the marketplace. In the evening I was hosted by Scott and Erin Bertoni (formerly of Birmingham) at their home for a teaching and time of fellowship with friends.

US Senate Approves the Native American Apology Resolution: US Senator Sam Brownback was finally successful after several prior attempts to see the *Native American Apology Resolution* pass the US Senate. The companion Resolution still requires the approval by the US House of Representatives during

this Congressional session. Path Clearer has been involved some with Senator Brownback on this and related issues, and we had prayed and advocated for the passage of this Resolution. Please note that it is a Resolution in “word only”, and does not carry any language regarding intentions of restoration or compensation to Native Americans. However, those of us associated with Path Clearer consider it to be a long overdue official statement of “apology” by the US government for five centuries of North European colonial and subsequent American actions that were oppressive, disruptive, and harmful to the First Nations Peoples and their lands. Note that a chapter on the theme of governmental oppression was included within *Hope When Everything Seems Hopeless*.



US Senator Sam Brownback & Tom Dooley - January 2007



PC Board Meeting - April 2007

Updates from Path Clearer Board Members:

John Manwell has been asked to lead an organization that networks churches in the Northwest of England, based in Liverpool. The organization is called *Together for the Harvest* (TFH) and as the name implies, is a network of 150 churches, individuals, and Christian organizations, who are committed to working together to see a whole region reached with the good news of Jesus. The network includes most major evangelical and charismatic church groups as well as many traditional churches. TFH is focused on helping the whole church to work together through corporate prayer, evangelistic programs, leaders’ events, effective communication – including a quarterly magazine, and support for each other. The work of TFH is motivated by a big vision, and over ten years has seen significant change in the level of unity amongst churches in the region.

During 2008 TFH is supporting *Merseyfest* in a major region-wide project to host an event called ***Festival of Hope***, on Hope Street on Saturday 14th June. Path Clearer has taken ministry teams into Liverpool on many occasions, including a former *Merseyfest*. We intend to take a PC team into Liverpool in June for the *Festival of Hope*, further underscoring the significance of the “word” for the year of 2008. Further information is available on www.tfh.org.uk.

John would cherish your prayers and intercession for his family, as he continues to balance the responsibilities of a bi-vocational professional career plus leadership of TFH and The Well.

Debbie Hughett was delighted to read that the Red Light District of Amsterdam is likely to experience a positive change. There is movement within the city government of Amsterdam to shut down prostitution businesses that are prominently displayed within this tourist district. Debbie was part of a Path Clearer ministry team from the USA and UK in Amsterdam for intercession and declarations about the sin of that city in the summer of 2006. Coincidentally the name of the trip was *Piercing the Darkness Over Europe*.

Paul Griffiths has committed to a new work of evangelism and outreach in Kirby, a community near Liverpool with a population of ~ 40,000. At present the four 'evangelical' churches have a combined attendance of only ~ 100 people. So, there is a clear spiritual need in the region and this work faces a tough challenge. Paul and Diane are working with Kirby Baptist Church and are praying for 20 people to become believers this year.

Brad Lindsey wrote, *"In just two years Brookside Church of God has seen many 'paths' cleared. What began as a desperate cry for a genuine move of God, has opened the nations to our fellowship and increased our faith. Since that time we have hosted or visited eight different countries and seen numerous lives transformed. God has linked our arms with true disciples to do battle. During a service in January we were challenged by David Davenport to begin praying around the clock for thirty days. By faith we have begun and are already reaping the benefits. We definitely believe we are being prepared to 'stand' during the times of shaking that are coming to the nations."*

Prayer Requests, Future Events, News:

Future Trips:

- Libby, Montana (March)
 - Liverpool & London, England (June)
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Recommended Resources:

- Douglas S. Freeman – *Lee*
 - Marc Lawson – *It's the End of the Church as we Know It*
 - Center for Science in the Public Interest – *Nutrition Action (Health Letter)*
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Financial Contributions Welcome:

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