

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 in Ministries:

Therefore I glory in Christ Jesus in my service to God. I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me in leading the Gentiles to obey God by what I have said and done by the power of signs and miracles, through the power of the Spirit. (Romans 15:17-19).

IRS Tax Exemption: We are grateful to the Almighty for receiving the formal notice from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service that Path Clearer Inc. has qualified as a Tax-Exempt Public Charity. This important milestone provides our donors with assurance that donations (cash, checks, stocks, bonds, real estate, vehicles, aircraft, etc.) to PC are tax-exempt from the IRS.

Nigeria – December 2005: My second ministry trip to Nigeria was arranged by two friends, Pastors Brown Oyitso and Samuel Sorinmade (a PC board member) within the leadership of the Redeemed Christian Church of God (<http://www.rccg.org>). We were in Lagos on December 8-19th attending their annual *Holy Ghost Congress* that draws the world's largest on-site audience of millions of people covering 700 acres of land. In addition to Samuel Sorinmade and myself, we brought along a noteworthy guest, Colonel Stone Johnson (Birmingham). He was a former bodyguard and assistant to various Civil Rights leaders starting in 1954, including Martin Luther King, Jr. and Fred Shuttlesworth. The conference theme was entitled "Ultimate Breakthroughs". Several highlights are worth noting:

- At this conference the 87-year old Colonel Stone Johnson was honored as I interviewed him briefly before an audience of perhaps two million people on Thursday December 15th in the evening. It had been the "desire of his heart" to go to Africa once in his lifetime. Colonel Johnson's experienced Psalm 37:4, as the desire of his heart was fulfilled by the Lord through PC.
- In 1987 when the Holy Spirit's rhema revelation was starting to be revealed in my life, I had a vision (i.e., a mental "picture") of standing on a stage at a conference speaking before more than a million dark-skinned people, presumably Africans. I believed it was true for my future. To the best of my knowledge back in 1987 no one had yet addressed an audience that large. Then in 2000, a prophetic woman from Washington DC met me for the first time while I was preaching and I "coincidentally" mentioned this vision. She said that she knew it would happen in Nigeria, and she subsequently introduced me to a new Nigerian friend, Pastor Sorinmade. This long-enduring vision and statement of faith for 18 years came true (for the first time) as I interviewed Colonel Johnson on the stage. I concluded the brief interview by declaring blessings over the RCCG leadership, Nigeria, and President Obasanjo of Nigeria (indirectly, as he was not attending). However, a friend of his family agreed to deliver a signed copy of *Praying Faith* to the President. The lesson is – Don't give up on true prophetic words...keep faith alive! God delights in those who are earnestly seeking after His Kingdom's agenda. He'll clear a path to fulfill His plans, even if it takes many years.
- I spoke or prayed blessings over a top military general, an ambassador to UNESCO, and the RCCG General Overseer Enoch Adeboye. The latter is an amazing man of faith, prayer, and leadership. He is training a spiritual army in effective prayer and risk-taking belief in action.
- The site of the annual congress is the RCCG Redemption Camp, a "Christian" city outside of Lagos that has experienced tremendous growth since my first visit in 2001.

- The thing that most impressed me was that none of the invited speakers for the conference were named in the conference brochure. Maximal glory was lifted up to Jesus!
- Friday night perhaps ~10 million were in attendance and ~200,000 made decisions for Christ. We didn't return to our "hotel" until 5 am. There were dozens of babies born on-site.
- Every night we danced with joy and sang songs of praise. There were enthusiastic bands and musicians, mostly of the West African genre accompanied by talking drums.



Photos: (1) The stage lights viewed from ~ 1/4th of the one mile length of the 700 acre conference area; (2) Colonel Stone Johnson and Tom Dooley on the bus at Redemption Camp.

Brookside Church of God: On Sunday January 29th, we took a team of ~15 to Brookside Church of God, in NW Birmingham. Pastor Brad Lindsey had invited me to preach, and the message focused on "What is Faith?" and "What is the Cost of being a Disciple?" We had a wonderful time of ministry together. We especially enjoyed praying for individuals at the conclusion of the meeting. The gift of discernment was evident, as the Holy Spirit provided encouragement and clear "words" tailor-made for most individuals seeking prayer.

The Whole Counsel of the Lord: In the midst of writing my next book entitled *Hope When Everything Seems Hopeless*, I have been drawn toward two provocative topics that seem to be quite important for this current critical season in the Kingdom of God. The first deals with exposing and correcting the Biblical imbalance in the teaching of so-called "Prosperity Theology". This chapter will be entitled "*Right on the Money!*" The other deals with recognizing the "*Hidden Faces of God*", which reveal His less-desirable attributes as the *God of Adversity*. Jesus desires for us to have greater understanding of the *whole counsel of the Lord*, rather than just selected Scriptures that conveniently reinforce the theological bents of our own choosing. We need a more complete understanding of the attributes and character of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We need to restore understanding of the *Hidden Faces of God*. Pray for the hand of God to guide me in exposing and correcting these two very common theological errors in the Western church. Also pray that this timely book will give hope and encouragement. "*But as for me, I will always have hope; I will praise you more and more.*" (Psalm 71:14).

Prayer Requests & Future Events & Other News:

Free Scripture Verse Songs: Our friend and composer, Dave Cook, has prepared 24 songs from popular Scripture verses. They are available as FREE online downloads (mp3/zip files) along with the accompanying sheet music. This is a very helpful tool for learning Scripture verses. Please see --

<http://www.scripturerelease.com> . Dave and Becky have recently relocated to Branson, Missouri. Please pray for God to continue to use them in ministry, as He opens key doors of influence for them. If you know of any ministries that could benefit from Dave's giftings and calling, contact him via the website.

Kingdom Ministries International: KMI's fifth annual *Panim el Panim* gathering will be held on April 21-23rd in Atlanta, Georgia. I've attended all of the prior *Panim* meetings hosted by our friends Howard & Janet Morgan. Many friends of Path Clearer ministries attend each year. If you are eager to delve deeper into the things of the Kingdom of God and power of the Holy Spirit (e.g., contemporary prophecy and passionate worship), then check it out -- <http://www.hmmin.com/panim06.htm>

2006 Path Clearer Conference: Join us in prayer about the Holy Spirit's desires as we plan for a weekend conference for the fall of 2006 in the Birmingham area. Your suggestions are welcome. On a related note, a request was made to a corporation for a donation of commercial property for the construction of a future PC Conference Center. Pray for His will concerning a retreat center, and for the needed funds.

The Middle East: During the past year I began speaking about a serious concern in my spirit with Iran based upon insights from spiritual dreams/visions. I submit to you for prayer that President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad poses a substantial danger to Israel (and thus the USA and allies). This "new" President's regime is not merely one of political rhetoric; it is very much "spiritual" at its core and with great power. It resembles the *spirit of the Amalekites, Philistines, and Haman*, which sought Israel's destruction. Tied to this is a concern with US Secretary of State Condi Rice, in particular that she would make *and has since made* serious errors concerning pressuring concessions by Israel (e.g., the *Road Map to Peace*, the borders of Israel, the Gaza pull out, opening the borders to Egypt permitting weapons to enter, etc.). It should not be a surprise that the Hamas terrorists were elected into power. This calls for repentance! I urge you to neither underestimate this new Iranian President, nor the culpability of the US State Department. However, God is sovereign and He is actively aligning nations for shaking (Heb. 12:25-29).

Catherine Dooley Progress: Catherine's fractured bones have healed following the skydiving injuries in September. She resumed walking in late December. Pray for complete recovery for her entire body. She had the opportunity to share her testimony with two youth groups, making a real impact with her faith.



Photos: (1) In September following fractures to her right arm and left heel; (2) "SpiderCat"!

Recommended Resources:

- John Bevere – *The Fear of the Lord*
 - Enoch A. Adeboye – *Let Somebody Shout Hallelujah!*
 - Bill Johnson – *The Supernatural Power of a Transformed Mind*
 - Jim Goll – *God Encounters*
 - Tracey Armstrong – *Becoming a Pioneer of Success*
 - Hans Christian Andersen – *The Emperor’s New Clothes*
 - Mike Bickle – *Growing in the Prophetic*
 - Drayton Nabers – *The Case for Character*
 - William Carey – *An Enquiry into the Obligations of Christians, to Use Means for the Conversion of the Heathens: In Which the Religious State of the Different Nations of the World, the Success of Former Undertakings, and the Practicability of Further Undertakings, are Considered* (Originally published in 1792; Republished by the Baptist Missionary Society of Great Britain)...*Yes, that’s the booklet’s title!*
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