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A NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

IPHC pastor, Josh Hannah, posted the following comment on Facebook on February 13, 2018:

"'Relying on your gifts alone will only get you so far. Relying on the gifts of those around you-there, up ahead, lies great success.' -Book of Josh 1:1

This morning, I'm reminded of how extremely grateful I am for those who have helped me get to where I am in life. Nobody ever arrives at destination-dream achieved by themselves."

In the span of eight days, two people who have had a profound impact on who I am today went to be with the Lord. My mother transitioned to heaven on January 30th and Bishop Leggett transitioned to his heavenly reward on February 8th.

No finite being on earth should love you more than your mother!

I had the special privilege of serving under and alongside Bishop Leggett for 15 years. He was a treasured mentor and confidant just as he was to many of you.

I honor both my mother and Bishop Leggett for helping me become who I am today.

Bishop McGhee represented the EC COB at my mother's funeral. Thank you for honoring her this way. My family was deeply moved by the many friends (EC COB, COB members, WMM Council members, and CMDs) who went out of their way to attend her funeral service. Your being there said more to my children than you will ever know. I am exceptionally grateful and humbled.





Bishop Talmadge Gardner

"Sympathy is no substitute for action."
- David Livingstone

YTD 4 Column Giving by Conference - End of December

Conference	Global Outreach Offering	People to People	WMM Min & Proj. Accts.	WMM Miss. Support & Gift Accts.	Grand Total
Acts2Day Conference	\$14,334.54	\$3,027.68	\$9,867.00	\$14,221.66	\$41,450.88
Alpha Conference	\$3,014.00	\$5,947.34	\$61,047.24	\$144,642.60	\$214,651.18
Appalachian Conference	\$136,285.10	\$65,341.41	\$243,026.66	\$356,794.55	\$801,447.72
Cornerstone Conference	\$243,769.44	\$100,837.00	\$289,726.67	\$554,486.80	\$1,188,819.91
Ephesians 4 Network	\$5,616.45	\$5,952.84	\$13,209.72	\$28,201.35	\$52,980.36
Golden West Conference	\$7,170.02	\$1,368.09	\$4,465.04	\$13,061.00	\$26,064.15
Grace Bible Ministries	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$455.00	\$555.00	\$1,035.00
Great Plains Conference	\$13,406.50	\$7,050.76	\$7,300.00	\$13,835.83	\$41,593.09
Harvest Conference	\$0.00	\$540.00	\$0.00	\$600.00	\$1,140.00
Heartland Conference	\$44,551.11	\$20,713.89	\$117,030.53	\$162,416.87	\$344.712.40
Hong Kong Conference	\$0.00	\$82,325.45	\$111,667.28	\$31,161.00	\$225,153.73
Korean Conference	\$0.00	\$230.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$230.00
LifePoint Ministries	\$12,550.50	\$11,563.82	\$29,348.65	\$131,519.50	\$184,982.47
Mid-Atlantic Conference	\$2,005.00	\$16,390.00	\$38,595.00	\$42,546.00	\$99,536.00
Mississippi Conference	\$2,953.14	\$1,300.00	\$360.00	\$17,205.36	\$21,818.50
New Horizons Ministries	\$51,169.15	\$45,266.59	\$100,910.23	\$160,795.92	\$358,141.89
North Carolina Conference	\$331,713.39	\$141,741.79	\$369,656.90	\$728,420.32	\$1,571,532.40
Northwest Lating-Am Conference	\$3,233.87	\$6,880.00	\$2,590.00	\$4,835.69	\$17,539.56
Pacific Western Network Ministries	\$28,889.03	\$10,127.76	\$21,308.96	\$49,391.00	\$109,716.75
Passion Connection Conference	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$2,120.00	\$500.00	\$6,620.00
PHC Canada	\$0.00	\$2,546.03	\$46,161.75	\$89,320.05	\$138,027.83
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Redemption Ministries	\$29,380.99	\$30,180.86	\$52,161.03	\$148,442.74	\$260,165.62
River of Life Ministries	\$25,000.00	\$2,630.00	\$75,421.54	\$17,068.75	\$120,120.29
Rocky Mountain Conference	\$1,527.46	\$2,972.45	\$551.15	\$19,801.50	\$24,852.56
SonShine Network Ministries	\$60,897.86	\$22,684.00	\$44,398.48	\$163,175.43	\$291,155.77
South Carolina Conference	\$383,300.81	\$118,100.40	\$148,822.93	\$458,627.45	\$1,108,851.59
Spirit Life Ministries	\$46,065.00	\$17,531.09	\$33,490.49	\$168,671.18	\$265,757.76
Tennessee Valley Conference	\$15,998.00	\$885.00	\$102,638.97	\$85,376.00	\$204,897.97
Texas Latin Conference	\$7,761.00	\$3,727.66	\$9,268.00	\$10,365.31	\$31,121.97
Unassigned/Non IPHC	\$8,035.00	\$41,216.98	\$539,384.83	\$793,485.42	\$1,382,122.23
West Coast Hispanic Conference	\$115.50	\$19,173.00	\$390.00	\$4,788.00	\$24,466.50
GRAND TOTAL	\$1,478,742.86	\$792,888.89	\$2,475,424.05	\$4,414,312.28	\$9,161,368.08



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MEET THE ROYS

Ron and Phyllis Roy are the Regional Directors of Mexico. They are active in church planting, training, and outreach. Over the last few years, the Roys and their team have planted three churches. They also work with a local School of Ministry helping to train future leaders, and with Dynamic Church Planting International, training leaders for church planting when opportunity avails. Their goal is to reach the unreached, tell the untold, and love the unloved.

Please pray that the Roys will be able to continue impacting lives and winning souls for the Kingdom of God. Pray that their supporters, both in prayer and funding, will continue in their faithfulness. Lastly, pray that Ron and Phyllis will both continue to live in good health until the Lord has completed His work in them.



FAITH COMMITMENT

By REV. STEVE COFER, DIRECTOR OF MISSIONARY CARE

Many of today's conversations focus on our changing times. No doubt there is much to discuss and many challenges to face. I am so glad that for us, as Christian believers, there are still absolutes. I continue to rejoice that our faith is grounded in God's word and our salvation in Jesus, the Father's greatest gift to mankind. That is one thing that will never change. It is settled and set in the true Rock.



As we navigate through life in these changing times, let's ask ourselves:

Why do so many unbelievers exist in a global community of vast communication, media, and travel? One could argue that there is a lack of missionaries on the fields of those unreached, and that is true. Though there are numerous reports of souls saved daily, for which we thank God, multitudes remain lost without hope, swept away in the current of cultural influence.

Like any topic or issue, there are many perspectives and practical solutions that surface in regards to this question. By no means do I think the answer to reaching the lost is a simple one. However, one solution stands out, and I believe it is one that can be put into immediate action. As members of God's family with purpose and responsibility, a good place to start is through Faith Commitment. This is a way to be obedient to God's command to go into all the world.

Faith Commitment is based on communication between God and His children. As missionaries hear God's voice to GO, God's children must listen to the Father's voice to SEND. Could there be a listening issue in the body of Christ? Sometimes, I, too, allow things to hinder "having ears to hear" the Lord's voice. Faith Commitments are made by simply trusting God to provide, being disciplined to obey, and giving as directed by the Holy Spirit. This is not like making a pledge to men or women, but trusting the voice of God, making a commitment to *Him*, and believing for the provision.

Before one can GO, there must be those who will SEND. Let's join our efforts and resources this coming Faith Commitment Sunday, March 4th, committing to spread the gospel to the four corners of the earth. Together, we can reach our changing world where the lost and unreached live.

Let's be a people of promise and hope, who heed the voice of God.

March 4, 2018 FAITH COMMITMENT SUNDAY

Emmanuel College SEND Week

SEND at Emmanuel College was an impactful week for the students, faculty, and staff. The conference began at Tuesday morning's convocation, and Seth and Madeline Nix were honored to be there to speak to the students and begin making connections. That evening, Ron and Sharon Wooten (IPHC regional directors and missionaries in East Africa) joined them at an event called "Coffee and Conversation" with a group of students who desired to know more about long and short-term missions. On Wednesday afternoon, they hosted a forum called "Why Go?" That evening, they were honored to have guests, Maryam and Marziyeh, on campus to share with the students about their experiences of being held captive in Iran for their faith in Jesus Christ. SEND week concluded at Thursday morning's chapel service in which Ron Wooten shared stories and a challenging message about what it means to live for others rather than ourselves.

Vietnam Development

By Russell Board

In answer to much prayer, Vietnam has now become the 20th country with IPHC ministry in the Asia/Pacific region. For many years, we have prayed for personnel, contacts, and open doors to reach into this closed nation, where the Communist government prohibits missionaries and severely restricts the activities of churches. The breakthrough came through the efforts of Pastor Sunit, a leader in IPHC Thailand, who caught the vision for outreach into the neighboring Indochina region. From his base at the northern tip of Thailand, Pastor Sunit has now established Bible training operations in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City! Please pray for God's blessing on these initial efforts to raise up pastors and plant churches.



SEND Week at Emmanuel College

"GOD IS MOST GLORIFIED IN US WHEN WE ARE MOST SATISFIED IN HIM"

- John Piper



Russell and Sandra Board

Continental Directors of Asia/Pacific



Dr. Terry Tramel
Great Commission Meal 2018

"TO BE A CHRISTIAN WITHOUT PRAYER IS NO MORE POSSIBLE THAN TO BE ALIVE WITHOUT BREATHING."

- MARTIN LUTHER



Great Commission Meals 2018

Great Commission Meals have been completed or are under way in the Heartland, Cornerstone, LifePoint Ministries, and South Carolina conferences. Attendance has been strong at most of these meals as excitement is building toward making 2018 a banner year for missions giving in the IPHC. The river is flowing and the streams are making glad the recipients, the givers, and the heart of our God (Psalm 46:4). These events will continue in several other conferences in the coming weeks.

LAMCAR Quest

Every two years, young and emerging leaders from across Latin America gather to encounter God, be equipped for the task, and empowered to be all they have been called to be. During the 3rd week of February, in the city of Buenos Aires, The Awakening hosted the fourth Edition of the Conferencia Hispanoamericana de Lideres. With an attendance in the hundreds, representing TI different nations, we can truly say "look what the Lord has done!"

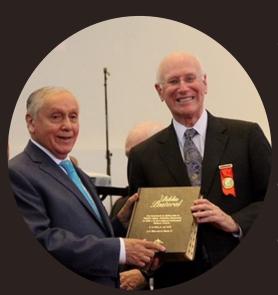
It was an honor to have Bishop Beacham ministering in the plenary sessions as well as in the workshops. Bishop Eduardo Duran came from Chile to speak on Pastoral Ministry.

Missionaries Aaron Helland (Brazil) and Misael Lucano (Bolivia) joined the lineup, as well as pastors Sergio Castro (Colombia), Diego Passuelo (Argentina), and David Lopez (Mexico). The Awakening also had Max Barroso, Madeline and Seth Nix, Janene Wooten, and Krisztina Revesz among the speakers and presenters.

God is doing incredible things in this generation and we are already looking forward to the next edition in 2020!

HISTORIC MERGE IN CHILE

By Bishop Doug Beacham



Sunday night, Feb. 4, was a historic evening in Santiago, Chile, with the official merger of the International Pentecostal Holiness Church (IPHC) and the First Methodist Pentecostal Church of Chile, along with the mother church, the Evangelical Cathedral (Jotabeche Church). With several hundred thousand members primarily in Chile, the IPHC global membership for the first time is more than 2 million members. The Jotabeche Church, one of the largest in the world with an estimated one hundred thousand members, is now the largest IPHC congregation in the world. This Chilean denomination and congregation are the foundation of Pentecostalism in Chile that began in 1909.

Following 51 years of affiliation which began in 1967, the two denominations have experienced excellent relationships that have mutually enhanced their ministries. The 1967 agreement was led by Bishop J.A. Synan, Dr. Vinson Synan, and Dr. R.O. Corvin from the United States, and Bishop Vasquez from Chile.

In 1967, several students from Chile enrolled at Emmanuel College, including the current bishop of the FMPC, Bishop Eduardo Duran. In that 1967 freshman class were also now IPHC General Superintendent, Doug Beacham, and now president of Emmanuel College, Dr. Ron White.

Since 1967, IPHC General Superintendents and others have often visited with the church leaders in Santiago. The Chilean leaders have attended the IPHC General Conference during these years. In the past six years, IPHC World Missions Ministries, through Rev. Max Barroso and The Awakening, has been engaged in developing the growing youth and young adult focus of the Chilean Church. Chilean students continue to attend IPHC educational institutions in the United States.

Last March, the two denominations met at the Jotabeche Church to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the affiliation. Along with members of the IPHC Executive Committee, Bishop James Leggett and Dr. Vinson Synan were present. Following that meeting, conversations began between Bishops Duran and Beacham about the possibility of a merger between the two denominations. Those conversations continued through most of 2017 and were finalized in early 2018. The leadership of the Chilean denomination and the Jotabeche Church agreed to the merger proposal from the IPHC. The IPHC Executive Committee and the Council of Bishops also agreed to the proposal.

While the Chilean Church keeps its own name and internal government and structure, it has now become a full member of the IPHC. The IPHC's ministries around the world will be avenues of mutual assistance and growth as Chileans will have greater opportunities to connect with the global IPHC family. The Chileans are well-known for their anointed street evangelism and music. We believe this will be a source of encouragement and preparation for various IPHC ministry efforts around the world. Our mutual educational efforts will expand through youth ministry and church planting trainings.

The IPHC Global Leadership Council held its annual meeting in Santiago in preparation for the 2019 Sixth IPHC Global Assembly, February 20-22, at the Jotabeche Church. The Global Leadership Council is the executive group that directs the World Pentecostal Holiness Fellowship (WPHF). It is chaired by the IPHC General Superintendent and comprised of the four members of the IPHC Executive Committee, and IPHC delegates from Europe (Teo Bulzan), Asia (Donavan Ng), Latin America (Atilio Chavez), Africa (Joel Dibetsoe), and Canada (Gordon McDonald). In addition, our previous two South American affiliates have been members of the Global Leadership Council: Bishop Jamir Cavalho, representing the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Brazil (Pentecostal), and Bishop Eduardo Duran, representing the Chilean Church. As part of the merger agreement, the First Methodist Pentecostal Church of Chile will have a permanent seat on the Global Leadership Council as an IPHC full member.

The World Pentecostal Holiness Fellowship began under the leadership of Bishop James D. Leggett. It was a significant step in bringing together the global family for fellowship, prayer, vision casting, and interaction of how we can mutually serve one another to advance Christ's kingdom.

All the members of the Global Council were present for the historic merger except for Bishop Tommy McGhee, Bishop Talmadge Gardner, and Rev. Teo Bulzan. Bulzan encountered flight disruptions and was unable to attend. Gardner's late mother's memorial service was held during this time, and McGhee was requested to represent the denominational leadership at this important service.







THE AWAKENING



THIS GENERATION WILL CHANGE THE WORLD

THE DRAMA OF MISSIONS IN THE BIBLE

Act 4: Missions in the Gospels
Part 4 of 7
By Dr. Terry Tramel

When at last the pages of Scripture turn to the New Testament, the long-awaited promised One comes. Each of the four writers shines a special light on the missionary flavor of Jesus' ministry. Matthew records the Savior's emphasis on reaching the harvest early in His discourse (9:35-38) and concludes his narrative with the most-used version of the Great Commission for His disciples to reach "all nations" (28:19-20).

While Matthew clearly writes to a Jewish audience to convince them that Jesus is the promised Messiah, Mark, in contrast, pens his account to Gentile readers. This is evident from the fact that he frequently explains Jewish customs in his writing (7:2-4; 15:42). Mark emphasizes that Jesus paid the ransom, not just for the Jews, but for "many" (10:45). He highlights this with the Roman centurion declaring at the end of his book that "truly, Jesus was the Son of God" (15:39).

The historian Luke powerfully portrays the missional truth that the gospel is for "all people" (Luke 2:10). Luke himself may have been a Gentile. If so, he would have the distinction of being the only non-Jewish author of Holy Scripture. How fitting it would be that the Lord would use such a writer to emphasize the "all peoples" perspective of Christ's message. In the prequel, Jesus is the sent one with the Spirit upon Him (Luke 4:18-19); in the sequel, He sends His church forth with the Spirit upon them (Acts 1:8).

Finally, John adds his contribution to the four-fold composite portrait of Jesus and His mission. He uses the word "send" and its derivatives almost sixty times in his gospel account. John reveals that the Father sent the Son (John 20:21); the Son then sent the Spirit (John 16:7); and now the Son and Spirit send forth the followers of Christ with the good news of salvation (John 20:21-22).

"For this is what the Lord has commanded us: 'I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.'"

Acts 13:47