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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR CHURCH?

Making Room for the Next Generation Words from Apostle Les Bowling

“We are going to believe for the outpouring of the Spirit of God on these young people. Your child is going to learn the things of God here. Your children's children are going to learn the things of God here. We are going to go for it; we're going to give it with everything we've got. We have put our stake in the ground and we just want to let the devil to know that there is not enough room in the east side of Columbus in Pickerington and on this land for us and for him both and we ain't going nowhere so he's got to go. He's got to go. He ain't going to be able to do his thing here. He's got to go. We are going to build for the glory of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ. He's got to go.

Father in the name of Jesus, God we thank You and we magnify You. God, as You so prophetically spoke by your servant, "It's time for us to shift". We shift. We shift. We enlarge our tents. We stretch out the cords God in the name of Jesus. God we are making room for the next generation. We are making room for our sons and daughters and the children. Father in the name Jesus, I pray for them but I pray and ask God that she would continue to use them and raise up anointed “disciplers” and teachers and put it in our hearts. Turn our hearts towards the children and turn the children's hearts towards us that we will pour into them and invest in them to the glory of God and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, in Jesus name, Amen.”

Source: From Ground Breaking Ceremony 7/29/2012



Isaiah 54:2. *“Enlarge the place of your tent, and let them stretch out the curtains of your dwellings; do not spare; lengthen your cords, and strengthen your stakes. For you shall expand to the right and to the left and your descendants will inherit the nations and make the desolate cities inhabited.”*

Psalms 144:12. *“That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that our daughters made be pillars sculptured in palace style; that are barns may be full supplying all kinds of produce; that our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our fields. (Speaking of maturity, accelerated maturity, maturity in the young people.)”*

Joel 2:28. *“And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out of my spirit unto all flesh, your sons and your daughters shall prophesy your old men shall dream dreams and your young men shall see visions also on my men servants and maid servants I will pour out my spirit in those days”.*

Let's all be in agreement with what Pastor Les has already said and continue to call those things that be not as though they were as we believe God for the completion of our new addition for the generations to come.

Thoughts from Pastor Sheila

We are experiencing a powerful move of God at Eagle Rock Church through prayer. I pray the following teaching on prayer/intercession will help you understand the power that is within you to release God's will on the earth. When we pray with Godly authority, we can issue prophetic proclamations that shift heaven and earth.

When we gather together praying for our regions we should be strategic, praying with purposes these are just a few: (1) to gather God's people for agreement in prayer; (2) to discern Satan's strong-holds over a given region and what caused them; (3) to discern the Lord's strategies for breaking those strongholds, and also His strategy for moving the church forward toward revival; (4) to release priestly intercession through corporate repentance and prayer; and (5) to release kingly, governmental intercession through prophetic decrees. Kingly intercession is released through decrees. With them we "legislate" God's will on earth, in much the same way an earthly king would dictate his.

In *Releasing the Prophetic Destiny of a Nation*, Chuck Pierce talked about the following about prophetic revelation and decrees: "God has chosen us as the necessary link to bring His will from heaven to earth. He wants us to commune with Him, listen carefully to His voice, gain prophetic revelation, and decree that revelation into the earth. This will unlock miracles and release His blessings. "Once we hear God, we can intercede, but we can also prophesy. Prophesying is declaring His mind and His heart. As we speak, He forms His will in the earth. "We should always be willing to say 'yes and amen' to His promises. When we receive prophetic revelation, we need to decree the prophetic revelation.

There are two types of prophetic activity, Prophesying is more than foretelling—predicting the future. It is also forth telling—speaking forth the plans and will of God for the present and the future. This is still classified biblically as prophetic because of the discernment required for us to know His plans and will. John the Baptist was called a prophet, yet as far as we know he did no foretelling or predicting of future events. He did, however, discern the times and speak forth what God was saying about the present. Accordingly, this forth telling aspect of the prophetic is also referred to as "prophetic intercession."

I usually hear from the Lord during my times in prayer and write down the prophetic word he gives me and release that word publically. Then there are times the Lord has said, " prophesy what I give you—and don't think about it." When I have heard that before leading prayer I know that the word I will speak, I may not have released it if I had heard it before.

When we pray for our city we need to have prayed earnestly so that we have prophetic discernment of one of God's overall purposes for our city. Through prayer and also media we are able to also see what is the territorial spirit that is holding our region back from fulfilling its purpose.

This prepares the way for a prophetic word concerning His specific desire at that moment. Then the word prompts us to seek prophetic instructions, and those will led us to release prophetic decrees—a type of govern-mental intercession or legislating from the heavens.

All this works together to become kingly intercession made by the *ekklesia*, the legislative body of Christ, ruling for Him on earth. It is kingdom authority releasing kingdom power, just as Jesus instructed us to do: "Your kingdom come, Your will be done!" We are gathering an army of intercessors that will join us in this prophetic, kingly intercession. You can and should release this type of intercession, not only for the world at large but also for your private and immediate world. Do it for individuals, your family, your business, your church and your city. He is under your feet!

THE POWER OF WORDS

What are decrees, declarations and proclamations? "A decree is an official order, edict, or decision. A decree is something that seems to be foreordained. This is what makes a decree prophetic. "Decree can also mean to order, decide, or officially appoint a group or person to accomplish something. A decree is linked with setting apart or ordaining something or someone.

"A **declaration** is an announcement, a formal statement. This statement is what a plaintiff sometimes releases in his complaint, which results in a court action. "A **proclamation** actually brings something into a more official realm. A proclamation can ban, outlaw, or restrict. This is linked with the process of binding and loosing." The power of words is amazing. Job alluded to this power when he said, "How forceful are right words!" (Job 6:25, NKJV). The word translated "forceful" actually means "to press" in Hebrew. One of its biblical uses describes a king pressing his seal of authority onto a decree or legal document with his signet ring, making it legally binding (the law of the land). Words seal deals and decree laws. They are powerful, even influencing life and death (see Prov. 18:20-21). The New Testament says we are justified or con-demned by them (see Matt. 12:37).

Words may be the most powerful conduit of authority and power in the world. God's, "Let there be ...," created the world and everything in it. Ecclesiastes 12:11 says, "The words of the wise are as goads, and as nails fastened by the masters of assemblies" (KJV). Nails help us build, construct, assemble and hold things together. So do words. God, the master craftsman, used them to build the earth and its seas and mountains, and all the other amazing elements and dimensions of creation. Hebrews 1:3 tells us He holds it all together by the power of His words and decrees!

The power of God's inspired words is extraordinary. He rules through words and so must we. *In fact, you will never truly rule your world until you learn the force of words.* Thank God for leaders and intercessors who understand this spiritual authority and know how to pray! Keep Praying! Keep Pressing! Keep declaring, proclaiming, decreeing God's word

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD?

Dealing with the Spirit of Abortion

Words from Ryan Hallquist

Taking Our City Prayer – June 2013

"I was praying against abortion and I learned that there was a false God over abortion and I called him out by name, it's Molech. I said be bound over Columbus and in the spirit I heard wince in pain. The children of Israel would put up his statue outside of the gates outside of the city and they would throw their babies into the oven that was in his belly. And basically, it was a sacrifice of their children for a better future. So the lie is the same today because a lot of women go and get an abortion because they think they can have a life if they don't have this kid. If they think it was a mistake and that if I give this up I will be able to have my life and my future, but it's obviously a lie."



Pickerington Abortion Clinic Update

Last month, the community joined together in a prayer vigil on the sidewalk of the abortion clinic at 670 Hill Road in Pickerington.

MORE ON ABORTION

- On Sunday night, Ohio Gov. John Kasich signed into law the state's new \$62 billion budget that includes as amendments some of the most prohibitive abortion measures in the country.
(More info available on MSNBC 7/1/13 issue.)
- Two weeks ago, the U.S. House of Representatives passed a bill that would ban abortions at 20 weeks after fertilization.
(More info available on MSNBC 7/1/13 issue)



Photo from the Hallway Project.com

On Human Trafficking...

Ohio law enforcement investigated 30 human-trafficking cases in the past year involving 38 victims, including some from Kentucky and Florida, according to the state's first report on the subject released yesterday by Attorney General Mike DeWine.

Most victims were between 18 and 29 years old; one was younger than 18, and three older than 30. All but one were female.

DeWine reported that seven convictions resulted from 15 arrests and 17 prosecutions statewide.

Of the 38 victims, 21 had alcohol or drug problems, and 12 were listed as "oppressed, marginalized, or impoverished." Only one was a runaway.

Source: *Columbus Dispatch* – Friday June 28, 2013

PRAYER FOCUS – Pray that the police will continue to make arrest and get these victims off the street and back home safely.

NEW LAW PASSED in Trafficking

The Human Trafficking Commission helped pass House Bill 262, also known as the Safe Labor Law. This law was sponsored by Human Trafficking Commission member Representative Teresa Fedor (D-Toledo) and focuses on human trafficking and will increase the penalties for traffickers and improve care for victims.

Defense of Marriage Act – DOMA Update

On June 26, 2013, the United States Supreme Court ruled in *Windsor v. United States* that Section 3 of the so-called Defense of Marriage Act, the 1996 law that denies legally married same-sex couples over 1,100 protections and responsibilities of marriage, is unconstitutional. By striking down Section 3 of DOMA, the Supreme Court has affirmed that all loving and committed couples who marry deserve equal legal respect and treatment. (freedomtomarry.org)

Christopher Long of the Ohio Christian Alliance said, "This decision is not a direct threat to Ohio's State constitution that states that a marriage is between one man and one woman. The Ohio Christian Alliance is developing a marriage pledge for candidates and office holders to affirm their position on traditional marriage that states that a marriage is between one man and one woman." (www.10tv.com – July 26, 2013.)

The real question is, "Where do you stand as the Church of the living God?" Take your stand and pray.

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PRAYER POINTS FOR ERC

- GWOG Conference – Cincinnati July 12 -13
Please fast Thursday, July 11, 2013
- Acceleration Conference – July 25-26
Apostle Les Bowling & Apostle Dutch Sheets
- Immersion Youth Camp – Aug. 5 - 9
- Miraculous healings
- Room Additions for the next generation
- Eagle Rock Preparatory Academy
- Kingdom Express

Pray for the Government



"When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn" (Prov. 29:2, KJV).

We must come alongside and fervently support those in seats of government whose goal is to set God's Word as the plumb line and use spiritual laws, principles and activities to affect political decisions.

Church, it's time to arise in God's governmental authority—to direct, control, regulate, influence, restrain, steer and regulate the future course of this great nation—to maintain the status of superiority that God has given to us.

Our mandate is nothing less than this: "Behold, I have put My words in your mouth. See, I have appointed you this day over the nations and over the kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant" (Jer. 1:9-10, NASB).

We must shift from petition prayer to declarative prayer. We must engage in authoritative governmental intercession, laying hold of God's Word and making it the sword that divides what is permissible from what cannot be!"

Excerpt above was taken from June 26 issue of *Charisma Magazine* titled "Dutch Sheets Urges Prophetic Generation to Arise with Governmental Intercession"