

## ***Session 9 IHOP–KC’s New Justice and Outreach Initiatives***

### **I. GOD IS CHANGING THE EXPRESSION OF CHRISTIANITY (CAIRO, SEPTEMBER 1982)**

A. We are on a journey to discover how to walk out new expressions of Christianity. This includes functioning as a house of prayer or as the Father’s house with the forerunner spirit of Elijah.

<sup>5</sup> ***I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD. 6 And he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children...*** (Mal. 4:5-6)

<sup>27</sup> ***Pure and undefiled religion...is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble.*** (Jas. 1:27)

B. We honor our ***past outreaches*** which include: focusing on the poor in India (D. Steadman), feeding the poor (R. Calhoun) and reaching the lost (H. Linhardt). ***Our current outreaches include***: seven weekly evangelistic outreaches plus the St. Patrick’s Day and Halloween annual outreaches, healing rooms, inner city (Lisa Stribling), Lou Engle’s voice to the political arena plus our current involvement in pro-life (orphans, adoptions, human trafficking, etc.) and benevolence ministries (Pamela Stead). In our Myanmar outreach (Levi Lim) IHOP–KC donated ***1 million dollars*** to the needy (Aug. 2008-Jul. 2009) to help build new schools, churches, houses, boats, mini-hydropower plants, fund medical projects, and give Bibles to help the victims of Cyclone Nargis.

C. ***Orphan Justice Center*** (children at risk): works to adopt and restore orphaned children including undocumented refugee minors. We are asking the Lord to help us to care for ***10,000 children*** as a vital part of the IHOP–KC family in the context of our missions base in Kansas City.

D. ***Zoe Foundation and Hannah’s Dream*** (adoption agency): *Zoe Foundation* helps fund adoption of children as an alternative to abortion, as well as providing care for the adoptive mothers. *Hannah’s Dream* is our adoption agency that works to ***significantly*** lower the costs of adoption.

E. ***Women’s Life Center*** (Herrnhut Apartments)

1. ***Birth mother homes***: designate apartments to help needy moms (who decide to not abort)
2. ***Group foster homes***: for orphans and providing resources to families who adopt children
3. ***Human trafficking***: with special focus on URM’s (Unaccompanied Refugee Minor) or refugee children who arrive in the United States with no parent or guardian)
4. ***Safe homes***: first response homes for those rescued from human trafficking
5. ***Domestic violence***: ministry to battered women
6. ***Prostitutes***: focus on serving our Hope City inner city outreach
7. ***Drug rehab***: focus on serving our Hope City inner city outreach
8. ***Big Sisters program***: focus on serving our Hope City inner city outreach
9. ***Honoring widows***: helping widows according to 1 Tim. 5:3-16
10. ***Special needs children***: those with physical or developmental disabilities

- F. **Justice Ministry Center** (Red Bridge Center with Shiloh)
1. ***Crisis Pregnancy Center***: providing counseling and support
  2. ***Basic Education***: teach English, GED programs, elementary school (for orphans)
  3. ***Life skills***: financial, hygiene, health, social skills, housing, etc.
  4. ***Occupation skills***: i.e., cleaning, hair cutting, child care, phone banks, warehouse, etc.
  5. ***Emotional healing and Bible training***: with emphasis on foundational truths
  6. ***Justice Prayer Room***: 6–12 hours a day
  7. ***Administration***: for the *Woman's Life Center* and IHOP–KC's justice initiatives: *Exodus Cry* (human trafficking), *Bound4LIFE-KC* (pro-life), *Orphan Justice Center* (children at risk); *Zoe Foundation* (raises money to help fund adoptions); *Hannah's Dream* (adoption agency).
- G. **Hope City inner city outreach** will be an extensive ministry center that will work with other ministries. It will include a network of buildings providing rooms that include:
1. ***IHOP–KC Prayer Room***: with space to seat approximately 500 people
  2. ***Staff housing***: some staff will live in the apartments
  3. ***Soup kitchen***: on-site food distribution
  4. ***Live-in discipleship program***: for new believers
  5. ***Community center***: youth-oriented with a YMCA-type function
  6. ***Health services***: health clinic with some on-site care
  7. ***Warehouse***: facilities to provide the poor with food and clothing
  8. ***Homeless shelter***:
  9. ***Administration***: (office space)
  10. ***Ministry Rooms***: focused on evangelism, discipleship, life training, as well as Bible training, children's ministry, family building, educational (literacy and GED), life rehab (drug and alcohol), high school and jr. high outreaches, Bible programs for kids in the neighborhoods, big brother/big sister programs and an Adopt-A-Block program to provide practical servanthood such as cleaning up neighborhoods, and evangelizing
  11. ***Occupational***: training, helping to start new businesses, etc.
  12. ***Mobile food trucks***: to serve food to starving families
  13. ***Hospice care***: enables patients to continue an alert, pain-free life and to manage other symptoms so their last days are spent with dignity and quality surrounded by loved ones
- H. **Evangelizing Kansas City**: Mark Anderson is committing YWAM's resources and wisdom to help us work with other ministries to systematically evangelize Kansas City starting with Grandview and the inner city. Neighborhood centers will be centers for mission activity within a neighborhood. They will help mobilize believers in each neighborhood to evangelize and disciple according to the ***seven spheres of influence*** in society (business, education, family, government, media and technology, arts, entertainment and sports, and science).
- I. **Healing Rooms/Prophecy Rooms**: Both ministries began at IHOP–KC in 2002. Since that time the Healing Rooms have ministered to 35,000 people (currently, 1,200 people each month) and the Prophecy Rooms have ministered to 75,000 people (currently about 1,500 each month).

## II. OUTREACHES AND JUSTICE INITIATIVES: NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL

- A. **Crisis Response International (CRI)**: CRI is a disaster relief organization committed to training end-time prophetic mercy missionaries mobilized in the forerunner spirit of night and day prayer. CRI seeks to reach the harvest in crisis and rebuild cities through demonstrations of God's power and His kingdom. CRI provides response relief to those affected by disasters or emergency situations by giving immediate access to clean water, food, shelter, medical care, and security, as well as helping those affected by such crises to rebuild their lives and the cities they live in.
- B. **Exodus Cry**: works for the ending of human trafficking and the restoration of those caught in the web of the sex industry. It seeks to bring widespread awareness on the issues of modern slavery while reaching out to those caught in the sex industry.
- C. **Bound4LIFE** (pro-life): works for the ending of abortion, the increase of adoptions, and the reformation of government and society through spiritual awakening. It began in May 2006.
- D. **African America Forerunner Alliance**: Believing that the Lord has given a divine mandate to African Americans to give significant leadership to the prayer movement, AAFA serves the black community and works to see those of African descent walk in the fullness of their leadership calling.
- E. **TheCall**: Launched by Lou Engle, it gathers believers in stadiums and arenas in the spirit of Joel 2:15 to contend for revival and to target false ideologies through mass prayer and fasting. The first Call took place in Washington, DC, in September 2000 gathering nearly 400,000 people to the National Mall. Since that time, TheCall has hosted solemn assemblies in over a dozen cities in the US and internationally, filling stadiums and arenas with worship and prayer.
- F. **Luke 18 Project**: trains young adults to plant prayer furnaces on college campuses and equip them to live out the Sacred Charge. Our vision is to work with other ministries to establish prayer ministries on all 2,600 college campuses in America. We currently have over 150 prayer groups.
- G. **I Love Myanmar**: In response to the devastation that Cyclone Nargis brought to the nation of Myanmar, Levi Lim launched a humanitarian relief organization to serve its victims: to continue to help build schools, churches, homes, boats, mini-hydropower plants, fund medical projects and to provide Bibles to help the victims of Cyclone Nargis.
- H. **Praying Church**: a local church movement committed to preaching the gospel and doing works of justice while rooted in night and day prayer, and modeled on Acts and Revelation. It intentionally works to prepare the Church as a Bride (Rev. 19:7) who actively participates with Jesus' plan as seen in Revelation, to transform every nation on the earth as it comes under His leadership. It builds churches that prioritize intimacy with God, intercession for transformation, and the raising up of forerunner messengers (Mal. 4:5-6) with a prayer room at the center of its ministry life, while seeking to establish God's kingdom in the seven spheres of society (business, education, family, government, media and technology, arts and entertainment, and science).

- I. **Call2All:** We will support the Call2All ministry. Call2All-Orlando was attended by 600 leaders (CEOs of 170 of the primary missions organizations in the world with many international prayer ministries). Call2All is led by the two largest missions organizations, ***Campus Crusade for Christ*** and ***Youth With A Mission***, who together have 50,000 full-time and 500,000 part-time staff. At Orlando, the missions leaders and prayer leaders recognized God's hand in establishing them in a strategic alliance to bring the gospel to every nation. Missions leaders define 4,000 geo-political zones on earth. Each missions organization must be covered in prayer. We are calling each prayer ministry and intercessor across the earth to adopt one missions organization, three missionaries, and one of the 4,000 zones to cover in prayer. The organizations we cover in prayer are YWAM (Jan. 2004) and GOD TV (Jan. 2007); Egypt is our zone (Feb. 2008).
- J. **Israel:** The Church is to obey Jesus' leadership in loving the Jewish people in practical ways, including sharing resources, praying for their salvation, and standing with them in persecution.

### **III. KEYS TO MAINTAINING THE IHOP-KC DNA**

- A. IHOP-KC's core foundation is to do ***outreach from prayer*** instead of ***outreach without prayer***. Our primary mandate is to ***"keep a 24/7 sanctuary of worship and prayer"*** (Ezek. 44:15), not to be a traditional missions organization. It has taken us ten years to grow to 500 people who have set their heart to do this. By *this*, I refer to intercession that is led by worship flowing from intimacy (Father's heart and bridal paradigm), with faith for the release of God's power, in the context of eschatological truths (forerunner spirit), motivated by compassion that turns our hearts to the children (Mal. 4:6), and coming from those who embrace the fasted lifestyle, who seek to walk in 100-fold obedience.
- B. Our tension will consist of people joining us without having our values. Key to our vision is the ***occupation of full-time intercessors***. Each staff member commits to invest 50 hours a week (25 hours in the prayer room and 25 hours in service/outreach). Our two essential commitments are:
  1. ***Commitment #1:*** All full-time staff must keep a sacred trust (12 prayer meetings a week). All the top ministry leadership in all our outreaches must keep this commitment. Exceptions include our operations staff, and professionals who are required by the State.
  2. ***Commitment #2:*** As a rule, do not take large groups on ministry trips outside of the KC area. There will be exceptions to this (*especially in CRI outreaches*). Our leaders will do many ministry trips. However, we ask the local ministries in other cities to provide the ***"work force"*** from the Body of Christ in their area. This is a practical necessity in terms of time and money for us to maintain our sacred trust commitments and, thus, to fulfill our primary mandate to ***keep a 24/7 sanctuary of worship and prayer*** (Ezek. 44:15).

**Our justice commitment:** By the grace of God, we commit to combine the 24/7 prayers for justice with 24/7 works of justice until the Lord returns. We commit to give time, money, prayer, and verbal support.