## FULL GOSPEL ASSEMBLIES

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"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

Global Ministry

## Stir Up The Gift Of God

In the first chapter of II Timothy and verse 6 Paul recalls with joy in his heart the legacy passed down to Timothy from his grandmother Lois and his mother Eunice as well. The virtue of sincere faith is one that should be demonstrated in those who are entrusted to lead. Paul knew that this virtue existed in Timothy and that it was necessary to keep it stirred up. The apostle was quite aware of the fact that any gift must be kept in use and exercised otherwise it can become dormant. There were many compelling reasons to allow the gift to become quiet or even suppressed such as the opposition the gospel had in many places where Paul preached and Timothy had been a witness to that and the fact that Paul is writing this letter while he is suffering imprisonment.

Also the work in the church at times may have become overwhelming without seeing expected results and patience could have been depleting. There are three different times in which Paul mentions suffering hardships in II Timothy, 1:8, 2:3 and 4:5. We all are affected by external circumstances we have no control over, we just need to be mindful that the work is the Holy Spirit's and God's time in not influenced by ours nor is it within our time frames. Paul knew that the stirring up was possible and he reminds Timothy that God did not give him a spirit of fear, but of power, of love and a sound mind or self-control. In other words Paul is saying to Timothy, "You can do this!" The epistle reads like a coach's halftime peptalk to a team that is discouraged by the opposing team's overwhelming dominance. Pep-talks with our Timothy's are going to be a reoccurring activity. Those that you have selected as your Timothy's will have a target on their backs and you can be sure Satan won't make it easy for them. However, as Paul says in verse 7, God has given us the tools to make this work and they must be reminded about it on a consistent basis. The success stories that we hear of in the secular world today have all come with a price and it was not an overnight occurrence, but accomplished through dedication, hard work and perseverance; it's just a fact of life. (continued reverse side)

## October Leadership Summits -Raising the Standard-



PA East Summit Workshop

The Pennsylvania East Summit in the first week of October brought together FG pastors and ministers from WI, PA, MA, NJ and guests from India and the Philippines. The central theme for the conference was 'To Speak Boldly'. Building the Church, Standing on His Word, Reaching the Hopeless and The Timothy Factor workshops and teachings challenged all for year ahead in the work of the Lord throughout Full Gospel Assemblies.



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Philippines Central Region Leadership

The latter part of October brought together leadership in need of building up and encouragement from the central and southern regions of the Philippines. The central region Summit was held in the Tagaytay area, uniting more than 50 pastors and ministers. For the southern region, with services held in the city of Bacolod, FG Chairman Simeon Strauser and



Alliance of Full Gospel Churches Philippines Southern Region Worship

Pastor Ed Popovich, Dir. of Ministry, witnessed the Lord bless with over 100 participants. With evangelistic and revival services held in 5 cities, hundreds gathered with many making commitments before the Lord Jesus. To God be the glory!! Do keep the Philippine Church in your prayer as they give Christ to their country.