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Growing People Expanding Borders

The **Full Gospel Assemblies 2017 National Conference** will be held this October 19-21 in Chester County, Pennsylvania. Clergy and ministry representatives from throughout the United States & Mexico are assembling together for fellowship, prayer, encouragement and strategic planning.

This year's theme is 'Growing People, Expanding Borders', with sessions that will focus on the necessity of raising up the next

generation of leaders for FG congregations and the worldwide ministry of the FG fellowship. Ministry strengthening workshops will touch the calling of all participants with platforms on discipling, education, worship ministry and changing lives through prayer. All clergy will be invited to participate with strategic consideration for the expansion of domestic and international missions. As FG clergy and ministry representation come together, may we join one with another, praying as Jabez prayed before the Lord, 'Oh that you would bless me and enlarge my border, and that your hand might be with me...' 1 Chronicles 4:10 ESV

This Month: Malawi Group of Congregations Holds Pastor's Conference

Pastor TJ Mapira along with other local FG Malawian pastors and ministers under the Bride of Christ Pentecostal Church fellowship have recently held their annual Pastoral Conference August 4-9. For all pastors, this is a time of encouragement, prayer and worship. This comes after their recent outreach gospel campaign in the Balaka District, where God moved mightily in an intense time of intercessory prayer. Pastor Mapira is the Chairman of the FG Bride of Christ Pentecostal Church fellowship whose ministry regularly reaches the Blantyre, Mwanza, Chikwawa and Nkhotakota districts of the country of Malawi, located in southeast Africa. Let us continue to pray for God's mighty hand of protection upon Bride of Christ Pentecostal church leadership and clergy, and all parishioners as well, as they continue to give the gospel throughout this nation of great need.

Update... Coming Next Month: Puerto Rico September 18-25

The expansion of Spanish FG representation continues with the FG Leadership Team headed to Camuy, Puerto Rico this September for a series of revival services and outreach ministry. FG East - Spanish Representatives, Pastors Juan and Mayra Feliciano are leading this trip, joined by FG Chairman Simeon Strauser, Vice-Chairman Pastor Edward Popovich and Pastora Marissa Strauser. The congregation of Iglesia Cristiana Transformados por la Cruz (ICT) will be hosting the missions team as FG officially welcomes Pastors Robert Irizarry and Dr. Maria A. Quintero into the church fellowship. Prayers are requested for God's hand upon this mission as FG seeks to be used of the Lord for His work into Puerto Rico and throughout Central America.

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Full Gospel Assemblies Welcomes Center Court Ministry

Last month, Full Gospel Assemblies welcomed the newly formed Center Court Ministry, located in Drums, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, into the church fellowship. Under the leadership of FG Minister John Reviello, CCM is active in community ministry develop and ongoing Senior's ministries. Our prayer is that as CCM labors to bring about the full vision of the work of the Lord, God will supply every needed provision.

Down An Unfamiliar Road | by Dr. Robert Seyda

William Blake, English poet, painter, and visual artistry pioneer (1757–1827), wrote this proverb in one of his books: "The eagle never lost so much time as when he submitted to learn from the crow." 1

The lesson is elementary. The eagle is much stronger, can fly higher, and is considered a more advanced species in the bird world. Trying to copy the habits of a crow would lessen its ability to find food and defend itself against predators.

In the spiritual world, we see a comparison. The prophet Isaiah said that those who wait upon the Lord will be renewed in strength so they can fly as high as an eagle.² So it seems just as inadvisable for a child of God to seek counsel on how to cope with life's moral and ethical challenges from people who have never been born again and are spiritually dead inside. So why do we see so many Christians today imitating the lifestyle habits and moral attitudes of the world? God has given believers the Holy Spirit to be their guide and comforter to take them higher.

The Apostle Paul put it quite succinctly: "Be not conformed to this world: but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." You were reborn to fly like an eagle toward the heavens. 4 Don't try to imitate the world, so you feel like you belong more down here than you do up there. 5 – Dr. Robert R Seyda

<u>1</u> William Blake: Marriage of Heaven and Hell (Composed 1790-1793) p.17 <u>2</u> Isaiah 40:31 <u>3</u>Romans 12:2 <u>4</u>Ephesians 2:6-7 <u>5</u> John 15:18-18; 17:16; 1 John 2:15-17

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