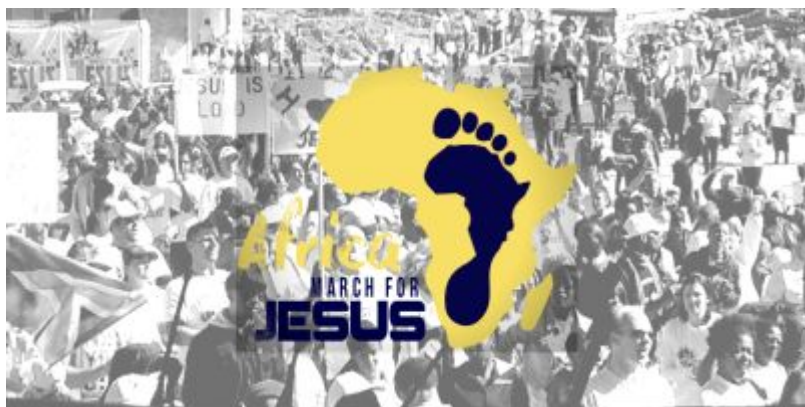


'Kingdom of God will be on display at Africa March For Jesus on June 16'



"I truly believe that the Church has a responsibility in this season to put the Kingdom of God on display and to proclaim with authority that we have a solution – a message of hope and peace," said Dr Nico Landman ahead of the 5th annual Africa March For Jesus in Johannesburg on June 16.

The march from the corner of Green Hills and Sam Green Road, Meadowvale to Mount Zion Prayer Hill, Beula Park, Ekurhuleni, will not be over a long distance – nor is it about the size of the crowd – but it will be a prophetic action and a display of Kingdom unity, said Landman who initiated the first Africa March For Jesus in 2014 after experiencing the amazing March for Jesus in Brazil the previous year.



Dr Nico Landman.

At the time he was contacted by the organisers of the Brazil march in 2013 and invited to attend, he had not yet heard of the event in that nation and his immediate response was that it would not be possible to attend. But God stirred something in his spirit and he felt he had to go to Brazil and within two hours of his invitation arrangements were made to go there.

He said he was overwhelmed by what he experienced in the Brazilian capital São Paulo where more than 800 000 Christians marched through the city in a column that stretched for 5km. "It was not a man thing but a divine movement – there was an open heaven," he said.

The March for Jesus in Brazil, now in its 26th year, is supported by millions of people in cities throughout the nation. In the 25th anniversary march last year there were two million participants in São Paulo alone. According to the march's official website "...it is a prophetic act, marked by the praises and cries of a people who believe in the transforming power of the Gospel". The next march in Brazil is set for next Thursday, May 31.

Landman, who is the founder and visionary of the Beulah

Park/Mount Zion CPR (conference, prayer and resource) Centre, said the Brazilian march hosts asked South Africans at the 2013 march if they would like to duplicate the march in SA.

Landman said he realised that he could not duplicate the march in South Africa but that he could “plant a seed” and so in 2014, the same year that marches started in the Congo and Zambia, he launched the first march in Johannesburg. Mindful that South Africa is destined by God to be a divine gateway to Africa, and because the Beulah Park/Mount Zion CPR has participants from around Africa, he positioned it as the Africa March For Jesus. There were representatives from about 15 African countries at the inaugural march.



Last year's march.

The day before last year's march, which was scheduled for June 24, the organisers received a word from a Congolese pastor: *Haggai 1:14-15 – And the Lord stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah...and the spirit of the whole remnant of the people...on the **twenty-fourth day of the sixth month.***

This word inspired them to open the March 4 Jesus nationally in 2018 and they sent details to 150 cities and towns inviting them to participate. They also experienced a technological

breakthrough which has enabled them to livestream the June 16 march which gave them a vehicle to share the march nationally irrespective of what happens on the ground around the country. Radio stations were also coming on board.

Landman said it was easy to become disheartened when people did not appear to respond in numbers to a divine call to action but he believed the important thing for him was to be obedient to the call to clearly proclaim healing and hope in Jesus. Significantly, the March 4 Jesus campaign has joined hands with the [Healing the Nations prayer campaign](#) launched by Linda Gobodo of Vuka Africa on June 16 last year, he said.

The main activities on the march would be to pray, proclaim and praise. More information on how to participate in the Beulah Park/Mount Zion march, or how to be involved in your area, or how to access the livestream, is available on the website www.africamarchforjesus.co.za or by calling 087 701 0893.

**More than 1 100 young people
commissioned at Empowered21
congress**



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The Empowered21 Africa Congress came to a close on Saturday May 19 as more than 1 100 young people came forward to be anointed for ministry.

“To see the altar filled with young leaders under the age of 35 ready to accept their destiny to make a spiritual impact as Spirit-empowered leaders was amazing,” said Dr Billy Wilson, president of Oral Roberts University and global co-chair of Empowered21. “It was an honor to pray over them as the future doctors, lawyers, presidents, evangelists, pastors, bishops, government officials and professors... the next generation of leaders for the nations of Africa.”

The commissioning service was the culmination of the four-day Congress, which attracted delegates from 50 countries. A 2 400-voice children’s choir, all dressed in white shirts, packed the stage and overflow areas of the auditorium and captivated the delegates with animated praise and worship songs native to South Africa. Wilson and Apostle Professor Opoku Onyinah, E21 Africa Co-chair, prayed over the children in the commissioning moment for these young lives.

“It moved me to the core of my being and brought tears to hear these children commit their love to Christ in song and spoken word to the 2033 challenge of Empowered21—to see every person on earth have an authentic encounter with the Holy Spirit by 2033,” said Onyinah.

Co-chairs of the Africa Empowered21 Next Generation Network (NGN), Apostle David Hayforn from the Church of Pentecost in Ghana and Pastor Thandanani Savhasa of the Apostolic Faith Mission of South Africa, shared the stage in a powerful exchange of messages echoing the same theme as a cry from the next generation: "Give us the baton, we are ready!"

Sessions and educational tracks were offered at the event site, Word and Life Church, outside Johannesburg. Ministry tracks, many filled to overflowing with delegates, were held during the afternoons of May 17 and 18. Sessions on Thursday included Advocacy and Prophetic Voice to the Nations, Christian Business Ethics and Networking, Reaching People with Disabilities and Children's Ministry. On Friday, delegates flocked to tracks dealing with discipleship, humanitarian aid and disaster relief, prayer, theology and a session dealing with deliverance and prophetic ministry challenges.

Prior to the afternoon track sessions on Friday afternoon, delegates to the Congress heard powerful messages from Dave Burrows (Bahamas), Claudio Freidzon (Argentina), LaDonna Osborn (U.S.), and Michel Ouedraogo (Burkina Faso). Wilson challenged the delegates to live in a new dimension by "burying your past, surrendering your present, and accelerating your future" as a climax to the Friday evening general session.

Earlier in the Friday service, E21 Africa Cabinet Co-chair Frank Chikane recognised members of the Africa Cabinet and also reported registration figures that included a country roll call. "I was moved with emotion reading the list of countries and heard attendees shout out country names from onsite registration," said Chikane. "Clearly, this was the work of the Lord as Africa is on a new path of significance."

The Empowered21 celebration of Pentecost 2019 will be held for the Latin America regions in Guatemala City, Guatemala, from June 5 to 7 2019.

SA will be known for reconciliation, says Cindy Jacobs at Empowered21 congress



Cindy Jacobs (PHOTO: File picture, Facebook).

“South Africa will be known as the country of reconciliation,” Cindy Jacobs, respected American prophetess, teacher and author, prophesied over the country. [[See full prophecy here](#)]

She gave a riveting talk on the importance of the gift of prophecy, and then proceeded to demonstrate the gift by giving Word on Africa and South Africa. This all happened at the Empowered21 African Congress that is taking place in Johannesburg until Saturday.

“God wants to heal the land; we just have to trust him. He heard the cries of the land,” she said.

There was not a dry eye in the house as Jacobs said the land

in South Africa is groaning under the indignities and violence of the past, "and there has been a lot of bloodshed here."

She said the people of the country should not look to the government for a workable solution but rather trust that God will bring healing, especially through a movement that is going to start through the church.

"I also see various trading routes throughout Africa that will be established to break the cycle of poverty over the continent."

Jacobs said churches must not be scared to embrace the gifts of the Holy Spirit, especially prophecy.

"As a church, we should take advantage of the gifts. Who would not want to know the future? The millennials have a hunger for the supernatural; that is why they are so interested in witchcraft, tarot card readings and mediums. We should present them with the real thing, and not let them be deceived by the counterfeit powers out there!

"I know there are a lot of prophets out, who's prophecies did not come to light, but we should take up the challenge and release a teaching gift, to strengthen and support their gift, rather than avoiding it."

Reverend Frank Chikane, Africa co-chair of Empowered21, had the audience on fire. He said people should take care not to be seduced by the power of God. "It is not for us to misuse or show off God's power. Power can be destructive or it can be used to build the Kingdom of God – for God's glory only."

He said a good sermon had its role to play, but in an instant it can be irrelevant, when the people are touched by the power of God.



Dr Goodwill Shana.

Dr Goodwill Shana of Word of Life International Ministries in Zimbabwe supported Chikane's talk by highlighting the dangers of power, when it is showcased without the foundation of God's principles.

"That is why we get churches who are in chaos, ordering their congregation to eat grass, and spraying them with insecticide. The word of God should always support what we do," he said.

Dr Fakry Hanna, a theologian and evangelist from Egypt shared heartfelt testimonies from missionaries who ministered to refugees in the Middle East. "Even if you are deserted, lost most of your family, God has not forsaken you. We have seen countless times how God carried these people- and heard their desperate cries."

He believes God plans a great revival in the Middle East, especially Egypt.

Dr George Wood, Global co-chair of Empowered21, said God will almost always show off his power when we think it's impossible. "The enemy wants to limit your resources and maximise your discomfort but if you trust in God and obey Him, He will reveal the bigger plan. He is the God of the impossible and He wants us to grow in faith."

Dr Niko Njotorahardjo, chair of Empowered21 in Asia, said he

believed a new Pentacost will come where masses will be touched by an authentic encounter with the Holy Spirit.

The main goal of the Empowered21 movement is to equip the body of Christ to reach out to their community and to the nations of world. "Our vision is that every person on earth would have an authentic encounter with Jesus Christ through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit by Pentecost 2033," states its vision statement.

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JSE prayer report: Time to exchange 'begging bowl' for 'bowl of riches'



Battle of the markets (bull and bear) statue at the entrance to the Johannesburg Stock Exchange.

Special report by Pastor John Osa

Seven days after a team of intercessors held a prayer meeting for economic release in Cape Town, members of the group heeded a call from God to take the prayer battle to the gate of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE).

The Lord gave me Job 20:15 – He hath swallowed down riches, and he shall vomit them up again: God shall cast them out of his belly – as a word for the prayer assignment to reclaim the wealth and riches of Africa for the King of Glory.

While the group prayed outside the JSE another prayer meeting was being held in front of the Reserve Bank in Cape Town led by Vuyokazi Matu who initiated the original economic release prayer event in Cape Town on April 30.

The JSE prayer gathering comprised Rev Kenneth Meshoe, Apostle Linda Gobodo, Apostle Ono and Nosizwe Abada, Dr Dithoto Modungwa, Pastor Tambo Lehlohinolo, Pastor Olubodun Ehinloju, Pastor Sam Oluwaseeki, Luyanda and Nontokozo Mangquku , John and Pearl Osa.

I proceeded to raise the altar for the transaction of the day, stating before the courts of heavens our response to the summons for the gathering and our desire before the throne .

Apostle Linda Gobodo took the baton to announce the word of the Lord from the Cape Town meeting – that economic oppression in SA has been broken – to the powers over the economic hub of Sandton represented by the JSE.

When she had finished her first round of prayer, Rev Meshoe began to lead. After this, I remembered and shared with the group how Dr Emeka Nwanpka, the chairman of the Africa House of Prayer had told us of an international conference in Cape Town years ago, where a minister from outside Africa shared a word from the Lord that He had hidden a bowl of riches in South Africa. This bowl contained riches to fund a large part

of the end-time gospel

Apostle Gobodo then took it up in prayer before the Lord that we had come to take that bowl of riches now, using the grounds of the JSE as a point of contact.

The wrong bowl

While Apostle Gobodo was praying, the Lord showed Pearl Osa that we were holding the wrong bowl; we were holding a begging bowl instead of the bowl of riches. “Until you drop the beggars bowl, you can’t take the real bowl meant for you,” the Lord said through her. “Your priests, governments, and others are carrying a begging bowl everywhere.”

We began to bring repentance before the Lord on behalf of the Church leaders in Africa who go around the world with the begging bowl.



We pleaded with the Lord and began to drop the beggarly bowl on behalf of Africa and to take back the right bowl. This was a milestone revelation that shifted the gear of the meeting to apprehend the purpose of for which we had been summoned by the Lord .

It seemed the enemy had exchanged the bowl of riches meant for us with a poverty bowl and the stock exchange was a strategic place to rectify the error and thievery as a place of business

exchange.

After that round of prayer, Rev Meshoe shared how he had a vision two years ago in which he saw African leaders carrying begging bowls around the world asking for help everywhere. Then all of a sudden, the vision changed and he saw a new generation of Africans with cheque books in their pockets, smartly dressed, going to Europe and asking the Europeans: "How can we help you?" He said he rejoiced to see the beginning of this new generation through the vision the Lord has just given about exchanging the bowls.

Then we began to walk strategically on the approximately 70m-long image of a serpent depicted on the pathway to the entrance of the JSE . We proclaimed Job 20:15 over the image as we walked, to cast out the wealth and riches that belong to the body of Christ that the serpent had swallowed.

Then we gathered around a silver statue of the of the battle of the markets (bull and bear) just a few metres from the reception, and we prayed and sprinkled the anointing oil, especially on its horn. We proclaimed the victory of the blood of the Lamb of God over the statue.

Dr Dithoto, a seer, shared some of the visions she saw, including one of the image of the lion emblem of the Queen of England at the entrance to the JSE. We dealt with that in prayer and ushered the King of Glory, our Lord Jesus Christ, to take His place over the exchange.

She also shared a vision of hands shaped in a beggarly posture at the entrance of JSE. This could depict the hands of Africans in a begging posture at the gate of the JSE.

The meeting ended on a high note of joy and thanksgiving to the Lord for His help and direction to assembly before Him.

When I got home, the Lord showed me a vision of a hand taking away the crown that was on the head of the silver statue.

Physically, there was no visible crown but in the spirit, the serpent had a crown. But its removal means the beast has been dethroned from his seat of power over the resource gate of South Africa and Africa.

It is important that every believer and minister of Christ of African descent receive this word and begin to renounce the beggarly bowl imposed on our cities and nations through witchcraft exchanges, and we begin to receive on the behalf of our families, cities, ministries, businesses, the bowl of riches and wealth to contribute our portion to the financing of the end time gospel in Africa.

It should be noted that Gauteng Province with Johannesburg as it's business hub, holds 10% of the gross domestic product of Africa.

10% represents the tithe in the Melchizedek priesthood. The battle to restore the wealth and riches of Africa will first be won in the city of Johannesburg by the order of the Melchizedek priesthood that has the grace to oversee the gates of the city. We believe this is part of the revival fire that will flow out of South Africa to the rest of Africa and to the uttermost parts of the world, it will restore economic and political justice amongst others. Thank

**Bringing real change to
Tshwane through visionary
Kingdom programme**



Mayor of Tshwane Solly Msimanga with
Pastor Jimmy Wright.

In a country where poverty is rife and unemployment high, it will take real change to overcome these complex challenges. Solly Msimanga, the mayor of the Tshwane Metro takes these challenges seriously. Under his leadership a special mayoral task team was established in October 2016 with a renewed commitment to alleviate poverty in the heart of the city.

The mayor works closely with Pastor Jimmy Wright, who is the chief executive officer of The CROSSing Lion Gate Group of Companies, who is also part of the task team. The goal of the task team is to implement what was dubbed the “City Transformation Programme” to address some of these pressing issues.

Louis Gerber, Managing Director for the group and Operational Manager for the Christian Business Chamber Chapters in South Africa on behalf of CROSSing Lion Gate Group of Companies talked to Gateway News about their plans.

“It is the communities that struggle with a myriad of issues, which is at the heart of the city.

“In these communities there are people who are left trapped in a poverty-stricken system which offers them limited to no real solutions to their problems,” he said.

One of the main goals of the programme is to establish at least 60 community care centres across the city over a period of two years – ultimately to have one in every ward.

“We want to start by giving the communities access to basic and essential services that will empower them to find real solutions to their challenges,” said Gerber.

Gerber is already doing ground-breaking work, acting as wealth coach with CROSSing Community Chest Platform to implement a community banking platform to assist members of the community to get out of debt, with the help of interest-free loans.

“Members of this platform can pay off interest-bearing debt, saving between 18-26% interest annually, to get out of the financial slavery system of the world,” he said.

“We want to appoint wealth coaches at each of the centres as part of a dynamic team to help the people to change their way of thinking about finances and help them manage their resources better,” said Gerber.



Louis Gerber

The model of the community banking platform is based on Scripture, such as: Proverbs 13:22 – “A good man leaves an inheritance for their children’s children, but a sinner’s wealth is stored up for the righteous”, which Gerber says, is

at the centre of it all.

“We all have a responsibility to manage our resources so well that our grandchildren can benefit from it,” he said.

The Christian Business Chamber is a non-profit entrepreneurial platform used to assist small business owners, NGOs and communities to participate in service delivery and develop workers and financial co-operatives with a mandate to help other groups to start their own community banking platforms.

These community centres will mainly be funded by local Christian Business Chamber Trusts supported by local businesses in the ward.

“The plan is for each ward to have a Christian Business Chamber that then establishes a trust. From out the trust each community centre should be funded,” said Gerber.

He said by using this model they actively engaged in transforming dysfunctional and consumer-minded societies back to thriving and functional Kingdom-minded societies.

“We want to use a basic model that is built on Kingdom principles. This model can easily be rolled out throughout the country and in various regions, and wards,” Gerber said.

He said they want the wards to adopt the CROSSing Community Care Centre model. “We respect the existing structures of government (both municipal, regional and national), the business industry, and church society support structures (NGO’s, incubator centres, religious institutions and educational infrastructure such as schools). These community entities need to be commended for the great work they are doing in building the economy and addressing the ills of society, but we have more.

“Many of these efforts fail as there is no solid model to work from. We need to establish a hub/platform, from where all

these services can be accessed more easily, and all the different sectors of society can work together. This will enable us to have a more organised and holistic approach in addressing the unique challenges of each community.”

Gerber said each centre would be run by a team of experts in the community, who have the communities’ interest at heart.

The greater vision is summed up by the slogan “One Child... One Family... One Community... One City at a time, Transformed!”, he said.

Chikane and Molapo address One Love Tshwane event



Rev Frank Chikane preaching at the One Love event.

Tshwane pastors united last week Wednesday at the Choose Life Church in Moreleta Park, Pretoria to attend the One Love Tshwane pastors' gathering organised by the Love Pretoria East Christian Leaders' Network (LPE).

The aim of the One Love Tshwane movement is to motivate leaders from across historical doctrinal, territorial and racial divides to come together in May to preach on the same theme. The objective is to give pastors an opportunity to broaden their horizons and move out of their comfort zones.

The initiative encourages pastors to swap pulpits (preaching in one another's services), engage in corporate, unified prayer for the city and participate in city outreach events. The initiative is facilitated by the Tshwane Leaders Forum (TLF), a gathering of church fraternal leaders from several

church fraternals from every corner of Tshwane, representing hundreds of churches from most denominations in the city. More information about the initiative and a detailed prayer guide can be found on their website: www.onetshwane.co.za

The meeting

The highly-respected Rev Frank Chikane and entertaining Dr David Molapo were the main speakers of the event. They left the pastors with some food for thought. The Choose Life worship team led the audience into a fervent worship session after which Rev Chikane took to the stage. His humble spirit was evident in the way he shared with enthusiasm the experiences of his latest outreach in North Korea.

“There are people in North and South Korea, who just want peace. They want to unite with their long-lost families and be free of the ideologies the world’s super powers imprinted on their countries.” His heart went out for the people in these countries. “The world wants to tell us to rather act against the threat they pose, but I am telling you – God loves our enemies ever more, when we want to get rid of them.”

He said his life is a testament to God’s character. “The Lord has a way of walking us through life, allowing certain trials and events to teach us more about who He is. We can trust that He always has a purpose even if we don’t understand it.” Chikane exclaimed: “If you think you understand God, you are mistaken. He works in mysterious ways!”



Dr David Molapo speaking at the One Love event.

Second session

The second session was kicked in gear with a powerful prayer time. The audience prayed for a better relationship between the wealthy and the poor, for unity among all in the city, and for the city itself. Dr Molapo, a renowned motivational speaker then took to the stage. He holds two of South Africa's most prestigious awards, the Young Achiever of the Year – South Africa Award and Four Outstanding South African's Awards (FOYSA) and has consulted for more than a 100 companies.

Molapo inspired the audience with a message of hope. "Light always wins, when it stands against darkness. We all know the world is darkened by sin, and it attempts to bring us light-bearers down, but we should not let the world define us. In a world of Facebook, Twitter and an array of social media it is difficult for us not to be branded and labelled by the world, but we should remember who we are. Jesus defines us – not the world.

“We are children of God, ordained to be light-bearers to the world. Jesus still delivers us from sin, he still heals us in these dark times – #darkness must fall!”

He said we should remember there is only one light and we should always search for new ways to unite as the body of Christ – “Those of us still searching for fame, take heed so that the flame of fame will not consume you. We should always seek unity in building God’s Kingdom, for His purposes and glory.”

He encouraged pastors and preachers who are burnt out, who work hard but see no results, that God will give them rest. “We must just trust in His ways and not only seek God’s power, but relish in the treasures within His presence. Sometimes He chooses to speak in a whisper, rather than showing off His power. There is a time for both.”

The day ended with a network opportunity to build new partnerships and to unite, to change Tshwane. “May we see our one and only God be glorified in the one Church of which Christ is the head and may this one city together see the power of His transformation,” the One Love Tshwane website states.

**Empowered 21 holding historic
African congress in
Johannesburg next week**



A gathering of leaders and laypeople from the Spirit-empowered movement will gather in Johannesburg for the historic Empowered21 African Congress from May 16 to 19 at the Word & Life Church in Boksburg.

On Saturday May 19 there will be a special youth program that will focus on intergenerational impartation.

Open to all, but geared especially for Spirit-empowered Christians who reside on the African continent, the event will be a time of community, blessing, learning, and impartation.

“This is a historic time for Africa,” said Frank Chikane, Empowered21 Co-Chair for the African Congress. “We welcome the world to join us as we seek to fan the flames of the Holy Spirit and encounter the Lord at this Congress.”

Over 30 prominent global and African leaders, pastors, ministers, and musicians will be arriving in Johannesburg to serve and network with other African leaders. All African Spirit-empowered pastors, volunteers, and leaders—including youth, women’s, and children’s ministry leaders—are invited to attend.

“We know that a new day is dawning on the continent,” said Opoku Onyinah, the other African Congress Co-Chair. “For two years we have been praying that God would use this four-day Congress to raise up the next generation of Spirit-empowered leaders throughout Africa.”

Empowered21 has identified 10 crucial areas of focus for the

African church in the 21st century: evangelism, women's ministry, theological scholarship, discipleship, children's ministry, advocacy and prophetic leadership, prayer networks, humanitarian aid and disaster relief, Christian business networking, and the Next Generation Youth Network. These diverse areas will be the focus of breakout sessions during the African Congress.

There will also be two additional special sessions on reaching people with disabilities and deliverance and prophetic ministry challenges.

In attendance will be a wide array of ministry leaders from around the world, including Billy Wilson and George Wood, the Global Co-Chairs of Empowered21; Onyinah and Chikane; Michel Ouédraogo, a Francophone Africa Co-Chair; Dave Burrows; Omar Cabrera; Ishmael Charles; Edward Grabovenko; Wayne Hilsden; Rob Hoskins; Cindy Jacobs; Daniel Kolenda; Ron Luce; Gordon McDonald; and Nick Park.

Registrations for the congress can be made either on the www.empowered21.com website or with iTickets at <https://itickets.co.za/events/383130> . For congress inquiries and assistance email admin@e21africa.co.za or call +27 63 050 0089. For more information about the Empowered21 movement visit www.empowered21.com

'Kingdom Come SA' birthed to highlight message of Kingdom

of God – John Crumpton



John Crumpton at Kingdom Come SA.

Last week Gateway published Moss Nthla's 30 year old dream beginning to be fulfilled through the recent Kingdom Come South Africa conference held in Gauteng in April. This week I spoke to John Crumpton, co-convenor of the conference.

The son of Derek Crumpton who initiated, organised and convened two of the first multiracial "Come Holy Spirit" conferences in South Africa, in 1977 and 1980, John too has a global view of God's Kingdom. Through the years he has become aware that a large portion of the church in South Africa and the continent of Africa, is largely focused on the Gospel of salvation, rather than on the Gospel of the Kingdom of God.

When John first read this message of the Kingdom of God in Bill Johnson's books, he immediately identified with the passion to bring "heaven to earth" through releasing God's influence into every aspect of society. He realised that the revelation of this truth has the power to transform not only individuals, but communities, cities and nations.

Hungry for more, John first visited Bethel Church in Redding, California in 2008 and during the last decade, he has

travelled there numerous times accompanied by interested leaders. He has found unprecedented favour as well as some meaningful friendships in the Bethel community. In 2017 (as related in our earlier story) he invited Moss Nthla, head of the Evangelical Alliance of South Africa, to accompany a tour group to Redding, to get a “behind the scenes” view of the life-transforming effect of this message – expressed through individuals, the local congregation as well as into their city.

God gave John a vision to establish a new initiative called Kingdom Come South Africa to expose as many local South African church leaders to the message of the Kingdom of God. It was to embrace as many believers as possible across the board, without the baggage or history that may exclude or threaten any segment of the body of Christ. It would not be connected to any individual church, denomination, cultural or racial group but hopefully include them all!

In 2007, before Bethel Church became as well-known as it is now, a close colleague of John’s had a dream about a rugby match between the Springboks and the British & Irish Lions. In the dream Bill Johnson pulls on a Springbok rugby jersey and is introduced as an “impact player”. The Lord spoke clearly to John of the impact Bill Johnson was to make in this nation.

John saw that Bill was uniquely equipped to address two evident weaknesses in the South African church. Firstly he would speak as a spiritual father to the orphan spirit/fatherlessness of the church and would help us to establish our identity as sons and daughters of the King. Secondly, he would be able to release a revelation of spiritual legacy into the church – the partnering of multi-generational leaders who honour and embrace each other’s anointing and gifts, rather than being threatened by the emerging generation.

Finally Bill accepted John's request to speak at the first Kingdom Come South Africa in February 2017. At the same time, John invited Moss and Khumo Nthla to be part of the first conference because he felt that Moss is uniquely positioned to be a bridge builder across various communities in South Africa.

And in 2018 John asked Moss to co-convene the conference with him and this time he invited Bill's son, Eric to accompany Bill and to demonstrate "what honour and legacy between generations looks like." Despite Bill not being in the building, the culture of father and sons flowing together (Banning Liebscher being another son of the house) was clearly illustrated.

Watch this space for "Kingdom Come South Africa 2019" ...!
After all, isn't that our heart cry as a nation?

**30-year-old dream came alive
at Kingdom Come SA – Moss
Nthla**



Moss Nthla at Kingdom Come SA 2018.

If you attended the life-impacting Kingdom Come South Africa 2018 event in Gauteng a month ago, you would have heard Moss Nthla, the co-convenor of the conference, speak about this conference being the beginning of the fulfilment of a dream he had carried for more than 30 years.

I spent a few minutes with Moss to find out more ... and he told me his story, confirming again how God answers the cry of the heart and brings about divine connections to accomplish His purposes.

Moss was born again in 1976 and shortly afterwards, as a university student, attended the SACLA conference (convened by Michael Cassidy of African Enterprise) where he first encountered black and white delegates relating together in a Christian context. He also encountered Derek Crumpton, a speaker at the conference who was spearheading the charismatic renewal in South Africa at the time. A vision stirred in Moss's heart for a united church.

The country was still in the ugly grip of "separate development" and young Moss and his fellow students were trying to reconcile the God of the Bible with the white church which seemed largely supportive of apartheid, sometimes even theologically. He says: "To survive in the faith one had to

intentionally figure out how to be a Christian in that context.”

Fast-forward some 20 years and Moss, now heading up TEASA – the Evangelical Alliance of South Africa – is having a conference call with a couple of leaders including Derek Crumpton. John, Derek’s son, happens to be in the room although not participating in the conversation.

Moss shares his vision: to build a discipleship platform in the nation to equip the church – black and white – to emerge from its apartheid past and to move forward into its post-apartheid future *together*. Moss was aware that the gifts God had given to His people were locked in the different race groups which robbed and paralysed the church at a time in the history of South Africa when it was sorely needed to be salt and light and united; not sick, inferior and divided.

Whilst Derek was sympathetic and supportive of the vision, it was not God’s “kairos” and Moss had to wait two decades before he began to see it come to pass....

In December 2016, Moss and the leaders of his church were focused on *Acts 1:8* “*You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you....*” Moss had been baptised in the Holy Spirit some years before, but believed that most black churches had not been influenced by the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. Now he realised that his church needed to appropriate the power of God more intentionally. Recognising that John Crumpton carried a similar call to his father’s – to unite the body of Christ in the nation and that he was also a “Holy Spirit man” – Moss invited John to speak at his church conference

John ignited hunger in the congregation and afterwards he asked Moss: “Have you heard of a man called Bill Johnson?” “No” said Moss with disinterest (slightly wary of American preachers). John invited Moss to attend Kingdom Come South

Africa in February 2017 .

Moss brought a few of his leaders and they were hugely impacted by the depth of teaching, fresh revelation and stature of Bill Johnson. Seeing his interest, John invited Moss and his wife Khumo to join his US tour later in the year to visit Bethel Church in Redding and the Mission Church in Vaccaville. Again Moss was “blown away” by his God encounters there. He says he saw the practical reality of a lifestyle steeped in the presence of God and the supernatural power of the Holy Spirit. It was exactly what he had been longing for.

So at Kingdom Come South Africa this year, Moss co-convened the conference with John who wrote in the information booklet: “Surely if we encounter the King in a new way, we cannot remain the same. And the country needs changed believers to effect Kingdom change in society.”

Moss told me of an AFM pastor from Soweto who had been at the conference for the first time and has been forever changed. He reported that he was amazed that God showed up in a very unusual way in his congregation the following Sunday. And a Vineyard pastor in South Gauteng said his life has been greatly impacted by Kingdom Come.

Moss marvelled how conversations with Derek Crumpton in the nineties have been answered through his son two decades later. Both John and Moss recognise that their commitment to a united, Holy Spirit-led church is not a sprint or an occasional conference together, but a lifelong marathon. Let’s keep the vision in our prayers.

Next week John Crumpton will tell his side of the story ...

Africa-Israel Chamber of Commerce launching in Gauteng



Mayor of Jerusalem Nir Barkat cutting the African fabric ribbon to officially open the Africa Israel Chamber of Commerce in August last year.

South Africa will be launching its first city chamber of the Africa-Israel Chamber of Commerce (AICC) in Johannesburg on June 30, joining other African nations who have been getting on board since the [continental launch](#) of the AICC in Jerusalem last August.

Calabar, Nigeria, was the first to launch a city chamber – with more than 60 business members on the platform – and Nairobi and Nankuru chambers in Kenya are preparing for their launch, while a chamber in Mozambique is being registered, says executive member of the SACC Segun Olanipekun.

Business people, companies and professionals who are interested in attending the Gauteng chamber launch in Johannesburg on June 30 – at a venue to be confirmed later –

are invited to contact aicc@icld.co.za or visit www.africa-israelchamber.com for more information. The launch programme will include introducing the executive members of the chamber, and speeches by Israeli business leaders and authorities.

The vision of AICC is to build a highway of business between African cities and Israel so that Africa can connect to the Abrahamic covenant, operate in the Abrahamic mantle and benefit from the Abrahamic blessings, says Olanipekun.

An offshoot of the [Africa Leadership Summit](#) , the AICC is an initiative owned and led by Africans, which uses a bottom- up approach, with city chambers owned by local entrepreneurs.

“Members of the Calabar chamber are already importing products from Israel to Nigeria. We look forward to African chambers being able to export as well in the near future.

“Since the 2017 launch African countries established the African Continental Free Trade Agreement – a vast market embracing all of Africa with its 1.07 billion people. This, in itself, is a major breakthrough in Africa and for Africa.

“AICC facilitates the highway of business among African cities in line with the free trade agreement as well as between African cities and Israel,” says Olanipekun.