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There are some churches around the world where I am not a visiting speaker but a part of the church family. Stairway, in **Melbourne**, **Australia**, is just such a place. It's a congregation that I have watched develop for many years from a good, local church towards becoming an apostolic center.

I was involved with two events. Firstly, a Leadership Advance and then the Deeper Conference plus the Sunday morning gathering. In the advance I spoke on, "Renewing Your Spiritual Lens", a message that is growing in substance and authority. Everyone comes to the Bible and life in the Spirit with a lens.

A lens is a perception, notion or an understanding of something that either produces an increase or a decrease in the reality of our relationship with the Lord. This talk is vital to understand because it determines whether we move into fullness or remain in measure. It's either a truth that sets us free or an error that prevents us from having a fresh encounter with God.



My second talk was, "The Ministry of Reconciliation". It's a message that empowers us to understand how the Father is dealing with the world around us in the temporal realm in order to pull people into the eternal domain of Heaven. It's important to link our discipleship in Jesus with the work of the Holy Spirit in awakening people to the love and beauty of God's nature.

The Deeper Conference followed a similar theme to the Advance meetings. We are engaged in living out our relationship with the Lord before the world in a way that makes our journey into becoming Christ-like compatible with the introduction of the Gospel of Jesus to the pre-Christian community.

I spoke on being "Ambassadors for Christ". Jesus, living as a man, partnered with the Father in everything. He said, "My Father works and I work." There is place of intimacy in relationship with God that empowers us to disciple the world into the Kingdom. An Ambassador represents the power, wealth and excellence of the realm he/she portrays. As representatives, we are ready and prepared to demonstrate the nature of God at the highest point of our ongoing encounter and experience.

"Releasing the Favor of God", my next message, followed on from the first talk in defining our walk with God in the context of His continual love and kindness towards humanity. What we enjoy in Jesus is the essence of our testimony in the world. Favor cannot be stored up it must be spent. Favor given becomes favor multiplied. Favor is an act of Grace that opens people up to the nature of God. Favor has no favorites! The Gospel empowers the goodwill of Heaven to fall like rain on the just and the unjust. I got to tell lots of stories of how people discovered God for the first time in the favor that surrounds my life.

Throughout the event my sickness continued to harass me at every turn. A slight fever, full sinuses and an inability to draw sufficient air into my lungs and talk at the same time resulting in a hacking cough. I wonder what the CD's will sound like!

Theresa was ill, overloaded sinus and a debilitating cough that disturbed our sleep. Reluctantly, I slept in a spare bedroom trying to get enough rest to keep the fight going. It's just another attack on the voice. I hate seeing her unwell but I know she is a fighter also.

My final message was, "Cultivating a Powerful, Influential Lifestyle in the Fruit of the Spirit". What God offers us is His unchanging self so that we become consistent in our way of life. The fruit of the spirit gives us confidence in His relationship with us so that as we commit to practicing the fruit, we are sowing into His character and reaping back from His favor. God will simply not allow a negative to be present in our circumstances without a provision of His grace and nature also being available. He always inserts a fruit of the spirit with every negative situation.

On Sunday morning I spoke to the essential Stairway congregation on, "The Danger of Only Going Halfway", from 2 Kings 13:14-19. I believe that a time for prophetic fulfillment is drawing closer for this community. A window of opportunity is open now for us to move into a more powerful partnership with the Holy Spirit. He is looking for a much more focused intentionality so that He can develop our persona into the character that can attract prophetic release. Prophecy is much more than an event; it is a major invitation to become the next upgrade of Christ within. The continual reshaping of our identity into destiny is critical to our development in the Lord. I don't want this church to miss the opportunity that is becoming available. We must prepare the way of the Lord!

As usual, with Peter and Lyn, we had a review of the event and, in particular, Sunday morning. We worked on a strategy for follow through on what the Lord has released. Our plan is to move to a new time schedule for subsequent trips to Melbourne. An earlier time in the year will provide Stairway leaders with a more significant time line for follow up. So, we are switching to March 2015, as the time of my next visit. Exciting!



Auckland, New Zealand

We stayed in a beautiful home on a tidal estuary close to the sea. It was wonderfully quiet and we had the house to ourselves. Both Theresa and I had been fighting off head colds and chest coughs. It was the usual attack on my voice with the predictable result of an upgrade in anointing, and a significant impact of truth and revelation on several hundred pastors and leaders from around the country. Suffering = power multiplied. The more we hold onto God physically the more He give us in the spirit. When we are weak **then** we are strong. It's a no brainer!

I spoke on:

- Renewing Your Spiritual Lens
- Establishing a New Culture
- > Turning the Church Around
- > Cultivating a Leadership Style
- Developing the Fruit of the Spirit
- > The Prophecy of Scripture

My intention was to build into several levels of leadership and development. To go high in terms of our perceptions about the Lord, the Kingdom and ourselves; then to go deep regarding laying a foundation for moving in the new man and creating a vehicle for a strong Kingdom message. Then, to stay deep and look at how we work with and develop people in order that we can cultivate a more powerful and robust community. Then going to a higher place in the spirit to talk about how we, as leaders, can cultivate a leadership team using influence as a powerful key in the fathering and mentoring of God's people. Staying in a high place, the fifth message, is concerned with developing an influential lifestyle using the fruit of the spirit to take higher ground in our walk with God in the course of life. My final message on how God uses Scripture to develop our lifestyle in Christ was an object lesson in how vital it is for us to understand the personal promises that we are travelling with on this journey in the spirit, and how those words can shape our identity and destiny in the Lord Jesus.

Theresa and I had a couple of days off to drive through the beautiful New Zealand countryside and visit Hobbiton, one of the Lord of the Rings movie sets near Matamata. A fully restored movie set that evoked some of the scenes in those amazing films. We moved on to the Rotorua to take part in a cultural evening with a Maori tribe. It was fascinating to learn different aspects of their history, heritage, culture and language. Their customs and music were presented with great pride and humor. The evening culminated in a hangi (feast) with this tribe, the Ngati Tama. It reminded me of days spent with my friends, the Lakota Sioux, in the drum circle, eating buffalo. A great experience.

When we returned to Auckland on Saturday, I spoke at a business meal. A great Indian feast full of a wonderful array of beautifully presented dishes; butter chicken, gobi aloo, lamb jalfrezi, chicken korma and tikka masala. Great food, good company.

I spoke on "Doing Business In the Presence of God", which was very well received with lots of interesting questions and some powerful moments of insight in prayer.

On Sunday, the final meetings were in the morning for Encounter and an open, public meeting for several churches in the evening. In the morning I wanted to deliver a message that was a mixture of, "Turning Passivity Into Prophecy" and "Home Blessings" designed to mobilize the Church to act as a corporate man moving in unity and one mind/heart.

In the evening I gave a message on "Becoming Christ Like 101". Choosing an aspect of God's nature, goodness, I gave story after story of how God establishes His nature in us until we are not only overwhelmed in ourselves but our circumstances are overpowered, and we become established in our own personality and identity. It was a great way to sign off on an excellent series of messages and to reflect on a job well done and hopefully a door that will continue to be open.

We flew back into Australia, arriving in a thunderstorm over **Brisbane**, hiring a car and driving to Mooloolaba on the Sunshine Coast for a few days of much needed rest. Theresa and I were both really unwell. Sleep punctuated by hacking coughs, chest pain and sore throats. The battle continued. My throat was raw from continual coughing but my sinuses dried up; I felt lightheaded and very tired. Theresa was so unwell but I love her fighting spirit. We met up with Murray and Jane Averill, leaders of Nexus Church, our next event venue. They overnighted in Mooloolaba and we had a splendid meal in a beautiful resort further up the coast. The conversation is exceptional as we renew a relationship that began in 2011. The next morning Murray and I met for coffee and talked about leadership and church development.

Back in Brisbane, I did training sessions for both Murray's staff and also a full morning for senior pastors and ministries in the greater Brisbane area. Again, the "Lens" message is very well received with some great questions.

Theresa was very sick and hardly left her hotel room for the next three days. The tour is a paradox of brilliance and misery. Every event each message creates a release of revelation, breakthrough and empowerment. Each day is a battle to speak, overcome chronic fatigue and a debilitating cough. The warrior within keeps getting back up and I break up my belief pattern into morning, afternoon and evening so that I concentrate all favor and faith to a high level for a short space of time and then repeat it throughout each day. It gives me focus and locks me into the fight at a more stubborn level. I want the enemy to pay. The hardest thing is to see Theresa so unwell. I love and admire her fighting spirit. She knows we're in a battle and is uncomplaining, releasing me to fight and being as upbeat as she can.

I do the sessions in a daytime event that starts at 9 am and finishes at 3:30. A packed house is rocking to these three messages:

"Relational Thinking", which looks at how the Lord thinks in alignment with the primary purpose of making us in His image. We come to Him in a functional manner wanting rescue, breakthrough and resources. He comes to us relationally wanting to use our circumstances to empower us to become like Him. For Him, the functional release is a by-product of an identity upgrade. The key that unlocks our situations is the empowerment to discover who God is for us in any particular circumstance.

"Spiritual Appraisal" is the capacity to understand the nuances of what is happening in the Spirit around our lives. We simply must get above the natural mind with it's logic and rational perspective that overrides faith and prevents us from seeing in the Spirit and coming into the wisdom of God for our life situations. Some answers cannot come to us on the natural level of our understanding. The foolishness of the natural mind becomes hostile to the intentionality of God. The key in this session is knowing how to unlock the insights of God so that we are compelled to see them as Jesus would in our spirit.

"The Fruit of the Spirit" talk is received rapturously in every place it is given! When we really understand how the Father has allocated specific elements of His nature to particular crisis in our life and relationships, then our lives take on power in an unprecedented way. This is a key that opens every human relationship to the Presence of God. It prevents us from being wounded and empowers us to become a focal point of blessing for people who are for us or against us.

After three sessions I gave an interview on the prophetic gift and ministry for a Christian magazine. On Sunday morning I spoke on, "Everything Is a Possibility", parts 1 and 2 at the 8 am and 10 am services, telling stories of how God empowers us to convert problems into possibilities so that we live above the negative influences of the world, flesh and devil and learn to receive under pressure and practice our overcoming nature in Christ.

Theresa made it to the 10 am service and we were all delighted to see her. It's been a huge learning curve in the constant battle around Brilliant Perspectives for Theresa. Since taking on the role of Event Director for our own conferences, she has experienced some frontline fighting because she has come to the attention of the enemy in a specific way. She has taken to the fight really well. She is resilient, uncomplaining and fights with a quiet determination. She does not feel sorry for herself and has deliberately not been a distraction for me in the small war we have fought on this tour. Twenty-three messages, plus numerous interviews and constant Q&A at every meal and coffee break. All delivered in my new wheezing, coughing, spluttering for breath method of speaking. ©

My final session was to an audience of mainly 18-30's people. The Bible is a book of encounters and experiences. It's the narrative of God walking with mankind and how He inserts himself into our story and journey.

Using the analogy of movie making, I spoke about God as a director overseeing our role; Jesus as Author and Finisher writing us into His script for our lives, and the Holy Spirit as producer working tirelessly to provide resources and develop each scene of our lives.

I turned the stories of Joseph (drama), Esther (chick-flick) and David (Troy-like epic) into a series of movie scenes using prophecy and dreams as script insertions to tell the story of how God directs our lives, and how each scene is important for us to understand our role; be in character and nail the shot!

It was a lot of fun and had everyone riveted. I could see the lights going on all over the room as people began to see plotlines of their own story being upgraded.

Throughout our time with Nexus, it was delightful to spend time with Murray and Jane plus key members of staff in meals and coffee breaks. It's a great church with massive potential. I feel a really strong connection with this community. I want to come back. I want to play a part in their development.

It's been a hard tour. Incessant opposition. Strong personal attacks on our health and my voice. In each place God kept us. We stayed in the flow of His anointing by His grace and we saw Him move through our weakness in a powerful way. Some new doors have opened and we got to know the stance required for warfare at the Pacific Rim.

As ever, thanks for standing with us shoulder to shoulder.

Graham

Explorers in Prophetic Intercession

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TWC has never been about business as usual. Graham's Australia tour was one of incessant opposition, but what we are learning and seeing will be incredibly valuable in better imagining and understanding more of our key questions in any landscape:

"What is the level of worship needed for this battle?"

"Who does God want to be for us individually, for Graham, for Theresa and TWC that He couldn't be at any other time?"

"What permissions and provisions are available for the next level of the fight?"

Graham is upgrading and so are we. The fight we started with three years ago and the one we are in now are very different. We have learned *tremendous* amounts on the journey and we continue to learn.

We are pioneering prophetic intercession in a way that no one else has. There is no map; we're creating it. Look at the first maps of any country and compare them today to the sharp, satellite images we have from above the earth. There's a big difference. And it's a great example of how we are moving from a land-based cartography to one that has a truly elevated perspective. (for more on this, read Graham's article in the last Training Journal, "Establishing a Culture", p. 2)

A couple of years ago, after yet another refining conversation with Graham on our intercession, I wondered if I would ever get the preparation of his intel "right". Graham's style of mentoring is to give you some very significant bits and then let you discover how it works on your own. He doesn't lecture - he supports your process with God. So I assumed he knew exactly how all of this worked and was waiting for me to figure it out.

The Holy Spirit must have had compassion in that moment because He dropped a light bulb over my head and prompted me to ask something I had never thought of: "Graham, do you know how all of this works?". He roared in laughter. "Of course not! That's what we're discovering!"

That day set me free to completely love the learning in prophetic intercession. Obviously, Graham has gained great understanding of spiritual warfare and the dynamics of the fight. But exactly how it works in the battle to "slay a religious dragon and wake a sleeping giant?" Those are the details that all of us are finding out together.

And it's why we so appreciate your flexibility and your courage. You understand that we will adapt as we go and you step out and take risks. It's not about just getting it "right", it's about *everything* being a learning opportunity. We'll learn as much on our best days as on our most challenging. That's what makes them all Days of Grace.

So as you focus on conversations with God during our meditative Worship Ebb, engage the Holy Spirit in the questions I mentioned above. **Continue in prayer for Graham & Theresa as our coverage for them continues.** And gather yourself to run with joy into all 2014 holds for us to discover together.

With love and great expectancy, Allison

our TESTIMONIES



Theresa, Graham and Erika von Kaschke Nexus Church, Brisbane, Australia



TWC Light Bearers
Therese Jeffs, Graham, Janice Stephenson and Neil
Hardisty
Stairway Church, Melbourne, Australia



PODCAST:

http://www.cccw.org.au/media.php?pageID=6



Brisbane, Australia

PODCAST:

http://www.nexuschurch.com.au/resources/sermon-audio



Encounter Church Auckland, New Zealand

PODCAST:

http://media.encounter.org.nz/video.html

Graham in Australia

Neil Hardisty Team Leader - Light Bearers

On the first day of the three day conference, Graham spoke with great clarity and anointing on returning to the early church roots of power, authority and the expectation of divine encounters.

Talking about our need to see through new lenses, Graham used Peter and Paul as examples of how one can get an entirely new perspective, and the enormous impact when we act on new insight. He introduced identity as the key to transformation with the story of the dream about the three cars and drivers.

"Direction is not just the journey, but the height we attain and abide in along the way."

I loved his insight of how the size of the enemy we confront is how big we become when the conflict has been won. Such clarity. It was very powerful!

Expectations were high for the remaining two days. Graham has brought revelation and hope of great things to the church leaders. His joke about how Jesus turned water into wine and how the evangelical movement has been trying to turn it back ever since made me laugh out loud. Each day was filled with powerful insight and illustrations to bring clarity. Graham used his dream of Jesus marching up the hill and demanding back His stuff to such great effect that I doubt anyone will ever forget it.

Meeting Therese and Janice has been such a rare treat! We are going to be so much stronger as a group now that we have sat down together and talked. Graham's influence and ministry is growing strongly here. He certainly made great strides yesterday. It was a very good day.

Much love to you in Jesus,

Neil



Janice Stephenson and Therese Jeffs

Graham in New Zealand

Therese Jeffs
Team Partner-Light Bearers Team

We were three proud NZ Warriors as we had the privilege of listening to Graham in person together at the Radiant Kingdom Conference in Auckland, NZ, November 12-14, 2013. It was great to be with Neil and Janice, to talk with them and to get to know them better. I loved having the opportunity to meet not only Graham but also Theresa. Wow, what an amazing woman. Thank you, Theresa for coming to NZ! Theresa shared with my sister, a new Christian, who also attended the conference. That was special for me personally. We loved her spirit.

It has been 12 years since Graham was here. NZ was ready. The conference was aimed at leaders, an influential group that can take away the many, many gems Graham shared.

I was particularly excited during the first session to hear Graham talk about reformation for NZ - the need for NZ to think like the Mind of a Saint. YES! NZ needs warriors, game changers and people of a different spirit. Identity being the key to transformation came up often, as did seeing with the lens of heaven.

On day two, Graham encouraged leaders to start mentoring people, to bring out their passion. He talked about initiators, enablers and resisters and encouraged leaders to be influencers, to be someone else's hero.

Day three started with more anticipation, you could feel the expectancy in the air. We were full, but ready to stuff more gems into our suitcases; ready for our journey of wondrous discovery of who we are in the Beloved. Graham shared on love and recapturing a sense of astonishment, the language of heaven, choosing joy, and practicing the fruit of the Spirit. He shared an amazing explanation of each fruit. It was short and to the point. I couldn't write fast enough! I have the CDs and will definitely listen to that again. We were encouraged to focus on the particular fruit that our Father is developing in us right now. In the evening Graham talked about promises being the currency of heaven. He encouraged people in their inheritance words and the importance of using them to navigate our way.

On several occasions, Graham talked about Not For Sale, an organization I also especially love.

Therese



Graham in Melbourne Tanya Fletcher – Light Bearers Team

What a privilege to see Graham at Stairway Church in Melbourne last week! He shared over 3 days in an atmosphere where God poured out both His love and His majesty during worship just as we had declared He would.

The sessions:

Renewing/upgrading our spiritual lens (*eyes of our heart*) so that we can perceive what God is doing; then we are released to change our thinking, language and actions.

Favorite quotes:

- When we have the lens of MAJESTY, we are intrigued, not afraid.
- > Don't pull the confusion card: "I don't understand what's going on here so it can't really be God."
- ➤ What if Jesus is more interested in possibilities than problems?
- ➤ What we are empowered to do: create atmospheres/environments and release redemption.
- Revival means we are aware of our own greatness.
- We keep and increase by giving away as much as possible as quickly as possible.
- Joy is a maximum security prison you can't get out of.
- We practice our favour best on people who don't like us.
- > Favour compels us to give divine advantage to others sponsor them into the Kingdom.
- Favour is like manna it has to be used, not stored.
- ➤ Are the Father and the Holy Spirit in Heaven operating on a budget?
- ➤ If you are pessimistic, sarcastic, and cynical STOP IT!
- > On joy: there are no Eeyores in heaven.
- > Exhaust the enemy with LOVE.

On behalf of all who will be blessed and released through this conference – THANK YOU so much for ploughing the ground!

Tanya



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TWC wide Worship Ebb begins

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"What is a "Worship Ebb"?

A time for focusing on our life of worship, meditation and intimacy with God.

It's a season to:

Put aside the training portion of The Warrior Class. Take a break from processing and knowledge and embrace the intimacy of encounter in His presence.

Continue to pray. The battle that surrounds Graham does not take a holiday. Our intel is in place for the next month, so the focus can be rejoicing over what we know the Father's will is for Graham and Theresa. Use Psalm 91 and the Crafted Prayer for Graham's health as you pray and rejoice over them.

Develop your devotional and relational lifestyle with God. The articles in this resource will inspire and encourage you in developing this essential part of your life.

Be refreshed and renewed. Take a long walk, sit in a still place or take a dedicated day to soak in being His beloved. Rest is something that requires intentionality, but it is essential for endurance. Find a place or activity that renews you and enjoy it hand in hand with Him.

Reflect on your journey in The Warrior Class. Think about where were you in your life at this time last year? How have you seen God's faithfulness? Review your Identity Statement if you've written it. Consider your Kingdom assignments. Is The Warrior Class still yours? Are there new aspects of your assignment that you can embrace... or are there ones to release?

Think Present/Future: Both for you personally and for us corporately, have a relational conversation about your life as a warrior and for us as a Kingdom community. Journal your insights with the Lord.

This is a journey that is meant to be joyful and renewing as much as it is challenging.

Enjoy a time of delight with family and friends, days of majesty & drawing close to the One who adores you.

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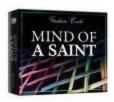
"It is an absolute delight to wait on the Lord".

"It creates such a natural relationship with Him that we begin to carve out more and more opportunities to simply dialogue with Him. Suddenly, we begin to talk to the Lord about everything. Our cars become charismatic chat rooms where we talk to God. We look around and are reminded constantly of His beauty and grace".

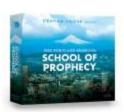
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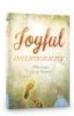
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The Warrior Class Prayer for Graham

We bless Graham as a wise master builder, constructing a habitation for the people of God.

Laying a fresh foundation for the Mind of Christ, what began small will finish with eternal impact.

We declare "Grace" that shatters religious strongholds.

Let the Water Level Rise in Graham's words, written and spoken. Opposition will only bring amplification.

We call up communities and ministries to match Graham's Forerunner spirit, a new breed who build with passion and live powerfully in the Presence of God.

We bless him as a Kingdom plumb line of fullness,

An accurate image of an Apostolic father in the earth.

A resonate voice that cannot be silenced.

Zech. 4:6-10 & Romans 15:20

The Warrior Class Prayer for Team Brilliant

Thank you that you have gathered this team and hand-picked every person.

Thank you for clarity in your leading for the new year.

Thank you for financial abundance, creative communication and expansion into new markets.

You set the course in 2014 for business and as a team. . Prov. 21:1

Thank you for favor and everlasting joy will be shown to this team that partners with Graham and Theresa.

Thank you for your Spirit of gratitude amongst the team for what Graham has done to pave the way for others to become rich in the Spirit.

T hank you for your Spirit of gratitude amongst the team as their thanksgiving and rejoicing paves the way for others to become rich in the Spirit.

Thank you for the plans for Team Brilliant in 2014

The Warrior Class Prayer for Theresa Cooke

We rejoice that Theresa is a brilliant strategist and wise negotiator. She identifies and empowers the divine destinies of people and events. We bless her gift of administration that makes her a front line champion. She is prepared for each battle from an elevated perspective. We rejoice in her new levels of tenacity, boldness, wisdom and peace.

Thank you that she offers Graham and the team fresh insight and fierce protection. We bless her as a rare jewel, worthy of refinement.

A conduit of heaven to earth in her creativity and worship.

A ruler of atmospheres, imparting passion, intimacy and peace.

A delight to the Father and one whom He trusts.



Theresa Cooke