



Dear COTN Family

In 2017, during a time of seeking God's face for the year, we felt very strongly that we were entering into a time of acceleration.

We knew it was not alluding to the natural effort of trying to work harder or to run faster but rather an alignment with Father, to see a supernatural acceleration.

The year 2018 bore testimony to the Spirit of the Lord coming upon people and changing situations, to 'outrun horses'.

"Meanwhile, the sky grew black with clouds, the wind rose, a heavy rain started falling and Ahab rode off to Jezreel. The power of the Lord came on Elijah and, tucking his cloak into his belt, he ran ahead of Ahab all the way to Jezreel " 1 Kings 18:45 & 46

As Church of the Nations celebrated 40 years as an apostolic family, we also realized the importance of equipping, empowering and sending the next generation to run with Kingdom purpose at this time.

Apart from having a clear vision and mandate as a Kingdom Apostolic Family, God has also given us a very specific word to call, anoint and send the next generation in 2019. The word was "Call and you will be surprised who will come - anoint them and send them to engage and advance the Kingdom, wherever I send them".

As an Apostolic Council, we have agreed to host an event in Jeffreys Bay, South Africa, called "The Sending" to do just that.

This will be a time of worship, prayer, prophetic encouragement and a time of sending the next generation of kingdom sons and daughters to GO! God spoke to us clearly that the next generation is any age or generation that will put their hands up to advance the Kingdom from where it is now, to where God wants to take it, from a young Mary that proclaims, "Behold the handmaiden of the Lord" to a Caleb that says "Give me my mountain".



The Word God gave us was *“I have brought you to, and positioned you at this place, for this time. Find your space and your place quickly. For I am going to put together all that I have spoken in the previous years and shall create a momentum that will propel and accelerate the Body of Christ into a position of favour, authority and power, that will give God the glory and produce an amazing harvest”*

It is very important that we understand that it is NOT our own power, effort or acceleration that we refer to, but the Divine Enablement, Empowerment, Energizing and Quickening of the Lord. It is His Anointing that enables you. The God of fine design, intelligent progression and process causes an acceleration that supersedes natural laws.

“So he answered and said to me: “This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: ‘NOT BY MIGHT NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT’, Says the LORD of hosts. ‘Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain. And e shall bring forth the capstone with shouts of ‘GRACE, GRACE to it!’” Zechariah 4:6-7 NKJV

We trust that as we ALIGN with God and His Word and send the next generation, we will see ACCELERATION in all the Kingdom Mountains, the Church and also in our personal lives that will give Him Glory and bring forth a bountiful Harvest.

May we continue to Advance His Kingdom together!

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