

Africa Needs U, Inc.



Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! - Psalms 117:1

2011 - Year of Amazing Grace - Praise Report

Saturday July 2nd, 2011

Our Lord is Mighty to Save, awesome and amazing. This was the title of the song to which Ms. Mayowa Taiwo ministered in dance at July's Africa Prays session on Saturday July 2nd at Hope Christian Church in Beltsville, MD. Earlier, was a short opening prayer by Ms. Dawn Bakare and a joyful welcome to all by Rev. Paul Taiwo, Executive Director of ANU, who appreciated all who came out to stand in the gap for Africa on the weekend of US Independence Day cele-

brations. The ever faithful praise team led by Sister Dola Ashamu and Brother Ben Joseph rendered various worship songs which glorified God and energized all present.



Sister Toyin Oguntolu led the thanksgiving prayers for continued change in Africa; grace to remain steadfast in prayer and continue to PUSH; all countries celebrating their independence day in July especially South Sudan, the newest on July 9th, that the future will usher in greater peace n prosperity for the people; Nelson Mandela's Day on 18th; and one year anniversary of the release of ANU end goal vision, Redeemer Man Plan - MIDA project, a massive infrastructural development of the continent, likened to the Marshall Plan for Europe.

This project emphasizing that it is only thru massive rural development in Africa and provision of basic human capital needs in the areas of health, education, water resources, agriculture, transportation, telecoms and energy that Africa could attain, spread and maintain progressive development to reduce poverty. Again, Rev. Taiwo, said instead of complaining and whinny about the issues and problems on the continent, it is now time that we the sons of Africa articulate a different path in moving the continent forward. He said we should see everything else as a distraction and believe in the word that faith without works is nothing. He encouraged all to sow a seed of love, saying there is much to be done and we need to be the ones to do something despite all these distractions, just believe with much works and PUSH.

Rev. Paul called on two young damsels who just came back from mission trips. Ms. Ifeoluwa Ajuwon, who returned with four of her friends from a Global Expedition - Teen Mania missions camp in Glen Valley, Texas, where they ministered to youths in Tyler. He also called on Ms. Rachael Odunlami, whose church group went to San Juan, Puerto Rico, where they ministered to the people and participated in the phase two construction of a home. He reminded us that it is what we do towards His Kingdom that really matters, and blessed n thanked the parents for their support and encouragement in laying n investing toward the foundation of love for tomorrow.

Praise Thanksgiving rent the air as Sister Dola and Brother Ben's Praise team captivated all with powerful praise songs like Unquestionable You R the Lord, Jehovah You R the most High and many more thanking our Lord for His mercy that endures forever upon us all especially on Africa. A repeated clip on you tube showing the mercurial rendition by Whitney Phipps of Amazing Grace, reminded all of the faithfulness and mercifulness of our great God. Rev Paul, once again thanked all those Saints that have joined in every 1st Saturday of each Month since October 2007

to stand in the gap for Africa thru Praise in ANU's 1st Project Africa Prays, giving thanks for what our Lord is doing in Africa. He admonished us all to remember that in Matt 9, all the miracles that our Lord Jesus Christ performed were all preceded by much distractions, and that as Christians we ought to be well soaked in His Spirit always to not be distracted, but remain strong.

He reminded all that a tree does not make a forest, saying one country or two cannot move Africa forward, that what is needed is a consortium of nations about 15-20 (out of 54), to rise up strong enough to pull up their neighbors to transform Africa along. He said this is why we need a MIDA plan for Africa, it has been done around the globe in few places and it could be done for Africa starting in 2015 thru 20-25, kind of a 5 to 10 years developmental plan for Africa; the time is ripe and it is now. He said one recurring question he gets when he talks about the MIDA Plan is, where is the funds going to come from? But with God all things are possible, he said, and reminds all that Africa is endowed and blessed, that within the land is more than oil, gold n diamonds. Brother Deji Odunlami led closing prayers testifying that ANU is part of the new revival to birth a new Africa. Great fellowship and refreshments ensued. Praise the Lord! Please join us in a Monthly three 3 day fast, Thursday-Friday-Saturday leading to our next Africa Prays Monthly on Aug 6, 2011.

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