



## Praise Report on Africa Prays

Saturday February 2, 2008

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

Yet another glorious Africa Prays session this Month, first Saturday, the 2nd of February. Our Lord and savior Jesus Christ was glorified and praised concerning Africa, we thank the almighty for His mercy and grace that continues to endure throughout the land and prayed that His favor and love be permanent in Africa. We prayed that God bless the works of our hands giving us great vision and focus on our projects for Africa.

Paul Taiwo, gave the welcoming remarks and introduced the facilitator Brother Akin Ajuwon. The opening prayer was led by Brother Chuck Apugo. Pastor Emmanuel Epongo, gave a short remark on God's design for Africa as a land of new beginning to birth the Israeli nation, from Joseph been sold into slavery to Moses leading the Israelites out of Egypt and Jesus taken to Egypt to avoid Herod's decree of killing the new born males.

This was followed again by another powerful time of praise and worship led by Pastor Niyi Adams. The word says in Exodus 23:25 "*Worship the LORD your God, and his blessing will be on your food and water... I will give you a full life span*". The praise and worship time was powerful and revealing, thanking God always for His kindness. The prayer session was facilitated by Sister Toyin Oguntolu, highlighting each prayer point, starting with prayers for the Country of Gambia in West Africa celebrating their independence on the 18th of February. Some of the prayer points for the month of February are as follows;

- For countries celebrating their independence day in the month of February: Gambia (02/18).
- Peace talks between the governing and opposition bodies in Kenya to yield permanent and peaceful resolution to the post-election conflict.
- For a change in the heart of the people against greed in all ways, that they would humble themselves and seek after the heart of God and that Godly leadership will be the norm in all African countries.
- Continue to pray for breakthrough in the implementation of developmental policies in Africa;
  - For the Peacekeeping Africa Summit (02/12) in Johannesburg, will yield strategic and effective plans for deploying peacekeepers to areas suffering strife in Africa.
  - For the 1<sup>st</sup> US-Africa Tourism & Sports seminar (02/27) whose vision is to showcase and promote opportunities for tourism and investing in Africa .
  - For all developmental and African Diaspora Organizations that God will open doors, grant them favor and make resources available to accomplish their vision for the development of Africa.
  - Continuous prayer for the cure, treatment and eradication of HIV/AIDS, TB, Polio, Ebola and other diseases in Africa and other parts of the world.
- For our Families - For an economic/cultural change that will allow more women to become productive and proactive in the development of Africa.
- Pray for Africa Needs U, Inc. (ANU) - Resources for day to day operations and the upcoming Africa Prays annual Prayer & Praise Concert in 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday, May/June 2008.

As always, please continue to lift these points up in prayer until Saturday March 1st, 2008 our next gathering.

The Praise Reports was given by the Executive Director, ANU, Paul Taiwo. He encouraged each and every one present to remember the charge Paul the apostle gave in Philippians 4:6-7 "*Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*" He appealed to all to always be thankful for Africa despite some of the distractions and news from there. We should pray and fast continually also for God's permanent healing grace to hold firm in Africa.

Again he thanked all those present, especially the children . At his request, Pastor Niyi blessed all present with the rendition of 'Do something new in Africa' and 'You Are Alpha & Omega' the theme song of ANU. Afterwards, he talked about Kenya and what our Lord is doing concerning the situation there. Also, about the ongoing situation in Chad, Congo, and Darfur in Sudan, Paul told all to remember what God did in Sierra Leone, Liberia and Ivory Coast, claiming these season will come to pass also. Sister Donna Mazyck said the closing prayers which was followed with some light refreshments and a getting to know you time.

\*\*\* Again, special thanks to Hope Christian Church, Beltsville, MD for the use of their Youth Worship Hall.

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**Praise the LORD! O give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever! - Psalms 106:1**