



# Africa Needs U, Inc.

## Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! - Psalms 117:1 2011 - Year of Amazing Grace - Praise Report Saturday January 1st, 2011

Happy New Year to you all, we give God all the glory and honor for blessing us and Africa with yet another year. Africa Prays New Year Praise Celebration was a time of thanksgiving, worship and adoration to our Lord this past Saturday at Hope Christian Church in Beltsville, MD. The Executive Director of Africa Needs U, Inc., Rev. O. Paul Taiwo offered thanks to our Lord and Savior and joyfully welcomed and expressed thanks to all who came out to stand in the gap for Africa on New Year's Day. Brother Richard Akwei, gave a powerful opening prayer, drawing from [Acts 11:25](#) where the disciples were first called Christians, he likened the gathering to that of Antioch, where the disciples were first called Christians. A festive time of Praise and Worship filled the air as Brothers Ben Joseph, & Eric Handy led as we entered into the presence of our Lord.



Ministration was by Pastor Abby Daramola, Pastor of Restoration Center, Redeem Christian Church of God, in Greenbelt Maryland and President of African Missions, North America Chapter of RCCG - Missions Ministry. Pastor Daramola in her message titled **A Call to Missions**, encouraged all to sow a seed of love and be a blessing in different areas of need, as there are needs everywhere. She admonished all to remember that Africa needs each and every one especially we Africans in the diasporas to do something to bless others. Pastor Abby, reading from [Matt 25:31-40](#), on the parable of the sheep and the goats, she says that we have to start from our own Jerusalem, where we came from, as there is a lot of need. As Africans helping Africa, we should take up the mantle as God has already blessed many Africans in the Diaspora, we now need to remember to sow back. For every single one you touch, you are touching Christ, she exclaimed. Faith without works is \_\_\_\_\_, she encouraged us not only pray and fast but do the work that our Lord has given us and do this work to His glory, always show love thru sacrifice.

Sister Seun Holmes facilitated a powerful time of prayer. She reminded all that Africa is surely changing, but must be steadfast in our believe in His glory; Thanks was given for the success of the 24 hour of praise in December, 2010. The following are some of the January prayer points that were lifted up;

1. Let us thank God and pray for countries celebrating their independence day in **January**: Sudan 01/01; that Jehovah will surely perfect the works He has started in each country.
2. Let us thank God and pray for success in planning, development and implementation of policies, programs and events geared towards the spiritual & physical development of Africa.
  - World Increase in mission work and desire especially among Africans in the Diaspora.
  - For all **African Diaspora Organizations** that God's grace will be sufficient for all in Africa.
  - Economic Forum, Davos, Switzerland. to focus on Africa. 26 – 30.
3. Thank God for complete destruction of idolatry and spiritual wickedness esp. in the land of Africa, and increased proliferation of the spirit of love and peace across the land and globally.
  - Presidential Elections: Niger; S Sudan's referendum – to usher in greater peace n prosperity for the people.
  - Africa – Sudan-Darfur; Somalia; CAR; Chad; **Ivory Coast – smooth resolution of election disputes**; Nigeria – instead of bombings, tranquility n peace. **Guinea & Guinea Bissau**; Madagascar.
  - World – World - Afghanistan; Iraq; Pakistan; Israel-Palestine – Ongoing meetings; Korea's Peninsula; end to Mexico drug war n Revelation Prayers for divine encounter about our Lord for Muslims. The Peace of Jerusalem.



Come out and join in, let's Praise our Lord at next months Africa Prays session on Saturday Feb 5th, 2011 from 4-6pm.

A beautiful solo dance ministration by Ms. Harmony Porter to 'I Need You Now' by Smokie Norful's, ushered in the thanksgiving Praise segment. Brother Ben accompanied by praise team ministered various praise songs like 'He Has Delivered Paul n Silas', 'How Excellent is Your Name Oh Lord' and rounded out by 'You Are Alpha n Omega', ANU's theme song. Ms. Porter again, spiritually praise danced to 'Oh Lord You're Beautiful' by Michael W. Smith. Rev. Taiwo, in a recap of ANU's vision, prayed that ANU's developmental 2nd Project **Africa Ask** will be felt around Africa this year to God's glory, he again reminded all that this is the **Year of Amazing Grace for Africa** and encouraged us to continue to PUSH for a peaceful resolution to the situation in Ivory Coast and other parts of Africa. Sister Caroline Roberts gave a short closing prayer, thanking God for yet another year that the Lord has Blessed and rejoiced in Him. Light refreshments were served followed by New Year Day's greetings n fellowship. Happy New and Amazing Year to Africa and all. Praise the Lord!

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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**