



Africa Needs U, Inc.

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

2011 - Year of Amazing Grace - Praise Report

Saturday March 5th, 2011

We shouted, danced and praised our Lord powerfully this past Saturday at March **Africa Prays** session at Hope Christian Church in Beltsville, MD. The Executive Director of Africa Needs U, Inc., Rev. O. Paul Taiwo, gladly rejoiced with all who came out to stand in the gap and thanked them for their faithfulness. He called on Sister Hazel Thomas who gave a short opening prayer. He reminded all about the faith passage in **Hebrew 11**, to do something in their space, even if it is just praying for Africa and believe that **change** has come to Africa. Brother Mathurin Lokpo, Ben Joseph and the praise team led a glorious thanksgiving worship time.



A graceful dance ministration by Ms. Mayowa Taiwo to the song **Shout to the Lord** prepared all for a holistic thanksgiving prayer led by Sister Gladys Egbo, who charged us all to believe that truly Africa is changing and prayed for protection, grace n favor for US and President Obama's, South Sudan upcoming Independence in July and Egypt's constitutional referendum on March 16. She then ended with a powerful rendition of the song **Indescribable** by Chris Tomlin. As usually done, all African Countries celebrating their independence day each Month, as in March were prayed for, such as Ghana on March 6th; Mauritius -12th; Tunisia -20th and Namibia -21st. Prayers were lifted up for a successful 100th International Women's Day, while thanking all the mothers and ladies for their faithfulness and support. Ongoing prayers for the fruit of the spirit especially those of **LOVE** and **PEACE** to replenish the land of Africa. A reminder about the **4th Annual Thanksgiving Praise Worship Celebration coming up on Saturday May 7th 2011 from 4 - 7pm**, rounded out by constant prayer for the Peace of JerUSAlem.

A Distinguished Visiting Fellow at the Brookings Institute in DC, Dr. Ezra Suruma, an African specialist and economist, informed all that truly, Africa is changing. Change comes with a price, at times with sacrifice, he said. He encouraged us all to be bold, that as Christians, we need to be in the fore front of change, that as Christ has conquered death, we should be not afraid to do mighty exploits for His glory in faith n works, **Heb 2:14**. He encouraged all that we shall stand in our believe to be free in Africa as long as we remain righteous and steadfast in our faith. As praise through dance ministration is the focus this Amazing Grace Year 2011 at Africa Prays, another of Chris Tomlin's song, **God of Wonders** was beautifully danced by Ms. Mayowa again, with ecstatic stepping and this was followed by another round of thanksgiving praise time by Brother Ben's and the riveting praise team.

In the Praise Report, Rev. Paul Taiwo reminded all that faith without works is dead, while he gave updates on the progress of ANU's 2nd Project, **Africa Ask** - a missions tool. He claimed with gratitude that five projects were approved across Africa, this past week; two in Cameroon, a hostel for an orphanage and a broilers chicken farm; a primary school project in Zombe village in Kenya; another primary school renovation in Mlandizi, Tanzania; and a water borehole at an educational institution in Owo, Ondo State, Nigeria. With Gods grace, much favor and hard work he prayed that these projects will all be completed within a year. He reiterated further, that Africa's development should come first from massive rural development of basic core human needs area in health, education, water and agriculture spearheaded by proper basic road infrastructure linking villages to villages and towns across the landscape of Africa. He charged all to continue to PUSH, that our prayers are being answered in the spirit realms, and that what we see now is just the beginning of a greater tomorrow for our beloved Africa, as ordained by Almighty God.



Minister Paul, read from **Acts 16:25-26**, when Apostle Paul and Silas were thrown in prison for no particular crime or cause. He encouraged all to praise and worship our Lord when faced with tough times and difficult situations, rather than complain, whine, blame, criticize all but one-self as we all usually do, the blame game. He pleaded that we should all wake up and use our God given talents, wisdom, knowledge and energy to plant a seed of love in doing something, anything to bless others. In closing, he again thanked all who came out on a beautiful Saturday evening to stand in the gap for Africa, thanking God for the continued changes taking shape in Africa, and welcomed all first time visitors. Brother Akin Adeosun, led a gentle time of closing prayers for our Lord's grace and mercy upon all. A wonderful time of fellowship aided by refreshments. Alleluia, Bless the Lord!

Please join us in a **Monthly three 3 day fast**, Thursday-Friday-Saturday leading to ANU's next Africa Prays on **April 2nd, 2011**.

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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