

‘Kingdom Come Conference’: Belfast April 2019. BUT whose ‘KINGDOM’?

Two ‘APPENDIXES’ added 20th March 2019

Details of this ‘Kingdom Come Conference’ which is scheduled to be held 4th–6th April 2019 at Glenmachan Church of God can be accessed on the following link -

<https://www.kingdomcomeconference.com/>

On that link you will learn that this planned conference is a partnership between a local group, ‘Journey Community Church’ and the American ‘Bethel Church Redding’

On this web site <https://journeycommunity.co.uk/> we learn that the ‘Journey Community Church’ meet in Antrim Grammar School at 11.00 am on Sundays and also hold a meeting in Market Street, Downpatrick, likewise at 11.00 am on Sundays. Details of the leadership are given on this link <https://journeycommunity.co.uk/the-team> and once more there appears to be a husband and wife duo sharing the ‘Senior’ leadership roles, something foreign to the teaching of God’s Word for His church.

On this link <https://journeycommunity.co.uk/core-values> details are given of the group’s ‘Core Values’ – amounting to ten in number. I want to comment on number 8

God is Good:

We believe that God is not mad at us, He desires for us to prosper. Jesus reveals the love and priorities of the Father in His life and sacrifice as we see described in Hebrews 1:2-3.

No true believer would deny that ‘God is Good’ but the words that then follow need to be carefully scrutinised. It is true that for genuine believers ‘God is not mad at us’ because the shed blood of our Saviour has propitiated His wrath (Romans 3:25). However, any unbeliever looking at this statement, might mistakenly think this phrase ‘God is not mad at us’ applied to him or her when of course it doesn’t because the words of John 3:36 are quite clear “He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life but the wrath of God ABIDETH on him.” A Daily Devotional called ‘Walking with God, Day by Day’ and which is based on the writings of Martyn Lloyd-Jones says this for 21st February

‘The cross does not only reveal sin for what it is – at one and the same time it pronounces doom on the whole world and everything that belongs to that realm. The cross of Jesus Christ makes this great proclamation. Unless I believe in Him, unless I believe that His death at that hour is the only thing that reconciles me to God, I remain under the wrath of God. If I do not see that the wrath of God against my sin has been borne there by the Son of God, then the alternative is that I must experience the wrath of God. That is the essence of the Christian gospel. I either believe that my sins have been punished in the body of the Son of God, or else they will be punished in me. The world apart from Him is under the wrath of God. It is doomed, it is damned and He alone can save it in that way’.

The next phrase **'He desires for us to prosper'** is quite frankly dangerously vague. It could be construed by some that it is speaking of **'to prosper'** in the material and financial senses, which of course is a central plank in the false teachings of the **Word of Faith/Health and Wealth** so-called gospel. Many true believers in the world today do not **'prosper'** in such ways. It might also imply that we will **'prosper'** by experiencing a trouble-free life-style with no opposition or dangers. Once more, the experience of many faithful but severely oppressed believers in many parts of the world today would expose the error of that suggestion. I believe that God does have a desire for His people **'to prosper'** in a particular area and that is in the **'spiritual'** realm.

Paul when writing to the believers in Philippi said this **"And this I pray that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge (spiritual truth) and in all judgment (discernment)"** (Philippians 1:9).

Peter, in his second epistle wrote **"add to your faith, virtue; and to virtue, knowledge"** (1:5) and later he wrote **"But grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ"** (3:18). Lehman Strauss in his Devotional Studies in Philippians wrote (p 30) **'These verses teach us that Christian growth is dependent first upon knowledge of the Word of God'**.

John, in his third epistle wrote this in verses 1-2 **"The elder unto the well-beloved Gaius, whom I love in the truth. Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth"**. In his Study Bible John MacArthur makes these helpful observations –

'John's prayer for Gaius is significant. Gaius' spiritual state was so excellent that John prayed that his physical health would match his spiritual vigour. To ask about one's health was standard custom in ancient letters, but John adapted this convention in a unique manner to highlight Gaius' vibrant spiritual state'.

Once more, the phraseology that God **'desires for us to prosper'** could readily be misunderstood by both believer and unbeliever alike.

Another area of concern that I noted about the local **'Journey Community Church'** was that in both of their locations they organised **ALPHA COURSES**. Details were posted on this link <https://journeycommunity.co.uk/alpha> Anyone familiar with the ministry of **'Take Heed'** will know that I have spoken publicly against the **ALPHA COURSE** and these links will take you to video of my talk

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n6DjxpYR7mk> (Part one)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LI0A00LqKeM> (Part two)

In addition, a series of warning articles on **ALPHA** can be accessed on these links –

<http://www.takeheed.info/index-for-assorted-articles/alpha/>

<http://www.takeheed.info/index-for-news-from-the-front-articles/alpha/>

On this link <https://journeycommunity.co.uk/journeycounselling> we read the following

‘Journey Counselling is overseen by Dr Julia Muir who has over 25 years counselling experience as a Theotherapist. **Theotherapy** was pioneered by Dr Mark Rivera and is used all over the world, it is governed by Christian Counselling International’.

Possibly you are thinking to yourself – what on earth is **Theotherapy** – well, if so, join the club, for this was also new terminology to me. However, after some research, I have discovered that it is simply the latest re-packaging of **an occultic practice** that has been ‘doing the rounds’ for decades within professing Christendom.

When I was saved back in 1984, one of the then hot topics was ‘**The New Age Movement**’ and one of many practices associated with the **NAM** was ‘**Inner Healing**’. It was of course being passed-off in some ‘Christian’ circles as being a legitimate ‘Christian’ practice but, in reality, **its roots are occultic**. The main proponent for it was a lady called **Agnes Sanford**.

A book that influenced me greatly in my early formative Christian years was ‘**The Seduction of Christianity**’ by Dave Hunt and Tom McMahon. Here are some extracts from it –

Perhaps no woman in this century has had a larger influence upon the Christianity of today than prolific best-selling author and teacher Agnes Sanford. Quoted and recommended widely by Christian leaders, Agnes Sanford was largely responsible for bringing **visualisation** and **“healing of memories”** into the church.... After discussing the healing of the subconscious she calls God **“the very life-force existing in a radiation of energy... from which all things evolved”** and declares that **“God is actually in the flowers and all the little chirping, singing things. He made everything out of Himself and somehow He put a part of Himself into everything”** (p 78)

“Visualisation” and **“guided imagery”** have long been recognised by sorcerers of all kinds as the most powerful and effective methodology for contacting the spirit worlds in order to acquire supernatural power, knowledge and **healing**. Such methods are neither taught nor practiced in the Bible as helps to faith or prayer. Those who attempt to do so ... are practicing an ancient **occultic technique**... Much of the credit for bringing these **occultic methodologies** into Christianity must go to Agnes Sanford ... “inner healing” teachers have said of Agnes Sanford that she was “for all of us the forerunner in the field of inner healing by prayer... In her books which are so blatantly pagan, Agnes Sanford **makes no distinction between truth and error**; anything that seems to tap into what she calls “this flow of energy” this “high voltage of God’s creativity” is acceptable. Saying that “we are part of God... He’s in nature and He is nature and calling Him that “primal energy” and Jesus “that most profound of psychiatrists” ... Though she finds no fault with paganism or Christian Science, which others are perfectly free to follow as far as she is concerned, Mrs Sanford explains that personal preference has led her to adopt a different technique, which she introduced into the church as the key element in what became known as **inner healing** or **healing of the memories** ... **Richard Foster**, who is one of Agnes Sanford’s many admirers and was heavily influenced by her, states “I have been greatly helped in my understanding of the value of **the imagination** in praying for others by Agnes Sanford” ... It is of great concern that Christian leaders such as **Richard Foster** who is a Christian university and seminary lecturer, could embrace what Agnes Sanford has written without rejecting **her blatant occultism** ... Agnes Sanford was a pantheist. This **shamanistic philosophy** colours all of her basic ideas and teaching ... The fact that **Jungian occultism** became the basic framework for the **shamanistic system of inner healing** that she picked up from the metaphysics of the mind-science cults and passed on to the evangelical church is very clear’ (pp 123-128).

Alan Morrison in his book 'The Serpent and the Cross: Religious Corruption in an Evil Age' also addressed this issue and here are some extracts –

'Most of the people being seduced into the practice of **visualisation** – especially those within the Church – have not the faintest conception of the **occultic aim** which lies at its root. In spite of the attractions and harmless benefits put forward by its advocates, **visualisation is a primary gateway for demonic infiltration into human consciousness** – a deception currently being worked on a truly grand scale. That this deception is so complete in relation to the Church can be seen in the large number of Christian writings advocating **visualisation** practices ... One such book, by the Quaker, **Richard Foster**, is widely read within Evangelical circles ... Entitled 'Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth' ... **Richard Foster**, having freely confessed to being influenced by faith-healer **Agnes Sanford**, the psychology of the self-styled gnostic **Carl Jung** and the **Spiritual Exercises of Ignatius Loyola**, writes "the inner world of meditation is most easily entered through the door of **the imagination**". Because the Christian is encouraged to meditate on the Scriptures, **Richard Foster** concludes that one should indulge in **visualisation exercises** so that they can actually enter the stories within its pages – "not as a passive observer but as an active participant". (p 432)

Much more could be said about **Agnes Sanford** and her 'Inner Healing' but for now the next step is to show how the technique has undergone a number of 'name make-overs' – from **INNER HEALING** to **SOZO** and then to **THEOTHERAPY**. The article on the following link should prove helpful in understanding these 'metamorphoses' – <https://christrescuedme.org/2014/03/04/sozo-renamed-theotherapy/> Let me just quote here one brief section from the article –

'The topic of **"theotherapy"** caught my attention recently on the local Christian television station. The speaker said "good theology makes good psychology," which sounded good at first. But the more I listened, the more I realized they were promoting **SOZO**, which is the exact same thing I wrote and warned about over two years ago. They've just renamed it (again) to try to make it sound more theologically sound. Yet, the **"INNER HEALING"** movement is still founded upon the lie that one can use their imagination to hear from God. And the counselling techniques used to conjure up these experiences are the same used in the **occult**, mainly **"guided imagery"** and **"visualization"**. The mediators who assist these experiences are called **"theotherapists"** in order to gain access within Christian circles.

Moving on to the 'partner' in the conference, the American 'Bethel Church Redding', we are now entering an area that is of much grave concern to faithful and discerning believers in many parts of the world. To begin with I'll continue to focus on the subject known variously as **INNER HEALING**, **SOZO** and **THEOTHERAPY**.

Bethel Church has been prominently and very active in promoting **SOZO HEALING**. I'll direct you first to a link that cites testimonies of victims of the **Bethel SOZO** ministry <https://bereanresearch.org/victims-bill-johnsons-sozo-ministry-speak/> The article contains these words

'Many churches are bringing a practice called **SOZO** into their ministry, at the peril of damaging the sheep and possibly shipwrecking their faith. **SOZO PRAYER** is a technique based on psychology and used by so-called "inner healing ministries" sweeping churches today ... The Bethel **SOZO** web site says SOZO will heal your broken connection with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, so that you can walk in the destiny to which you have been called and reach your potential.'

At the foot of this particular article there are links to a number of other **Bethel SOZO Ministry** articles and these should not be overlooked. Another helpful resource (this time on YouTube and which includes footage from **BETHEL TV**) is on this link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w6FVWcvL37o>

On the relevant **Bethel Church SOZO** web site page located on <http://bethelredding.com/content/transformation-center> you will see the names of the two ladies interviewed at the start of the video namely **Dawna DeSilva** and **Teresa Liebscher**. Personally, if I was consulting them for 'ministry', this video would not inspire any confidence.

What is then helpful in the video is a portion from a radio programme broadcast some years ago (begins about 11.06) and featuring **Dave Hunt** and **Tom McMahon** that serves to reaffirm all the inherent **occultic snares** that they and others I have quoted already have drawn attention to.

The presenter of the video also makes other helpful comments along the way. I have endeavoured to discover the name of the presenter but without success. However, on this link https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrriELWlrcgDn5jFwh8k_bQ there are details of other analytical apologetic videos by the same ministry and as best I can judge they are discerningly addressing real problems within professing Christendom.

There are also a few details about the ministry itself located on https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrriELWlrcgDn5jFwh8k_bQ/about

The link to the upcoming conference <https://www.kingdomcomeconference.com/> gives details of those from **Bethel** who will be speaking at the conference, namely **Eric Johnson**, **Chris Cruz**, **Jordan DiMarco** and **Kristene DiMarco**. On this link <http://bethelredding.com/staff/senior-team> you will see that **Eric Johnson's** name is there and he is in fact the son of the main senior leaders, 'Apostle' **Bill Johnson** and his wife, **Beni**. In relation to **Jordan DiMarco** his photo is linked to the **Bethel School of Supernatural Ministry** (listed on this link <http://www.bethelredding.com/ministries>) and then on this link, we learn that students from the **BSSM** will be at the conference <https://www.kingdomcomeconference.com/bssm>

Should we have any concerns about this **Bethel School of Supernatural Ministry**? The answer is most definitely 'yes'. This link will take you to an informative article - <https://bereanresearch.org/bethel-school-of-supernatural-ministry-soaking-declaring-and-spinning-into-delusion/> and the article begins with these words –

'Rick Becker exposes the **occult practices** that are going on inside Bethel Church in Redding CA through its **School of Supernatural Ministry (BSSM)**, or as students like to call it "Christian Hogwarts." Becker shows the ways in which undiscerning "Christians," especially the younger generation, are being deceived by wolves in sheep's clothing who are looked up to, some even idolized, because of their celebrity status. Two highly esteemed Bethel Church celebs are Bethel's Senior Wizard Pastor and so-called "apostle" **Bill Johnson**, and Senior Associate Wizard Leader and one of BSSM's founders **Kris Vallotton**.'

Another helpful article that shows how **BSSM** is '**normalising mysticism**' can be accessed on this link <https://churchwatchcentral.com/2018/04/12/bethel-school-of-supernatural-ministry-normalizing-mysticism/>

Apparently the **BSSM** do not tolerate any challenge to what they believe and teach as you can read on <https://reformationcharlotte.org/2019/03/10/breaking-bethel-school-of-ministry-student-expelled-for-opposing-false-doctrine/>

One of the most comprehensive rebuttals of what goes on at **BSSM** is by someone who for years was heavily involved in 'heavy-duty' supposed signs and wonders/ supposed miraculous healing and eventually enrolled for the 3-year course at **BSSM**.

This is a lengthy but very revealing and helpful testimony and can be viewed partly and initially on <http://jesuscultureawakening.blogspot.com/2011/04/saved-from-bethel-church-jesus-culture.html#.XlwHxij7SUK> and then completely and fully on <https://www.facebook.com/notes/bethel-church-and-christianity/saved-from-the-deception-of-charismania/160778463948581> (it should be noted that several of the links in the article no longer function but that does not detract from the core message of the article).

Another disturbing first-hand report of **Bethel Church** and their **BSSM** can be viewed on this link - <https://brucegerencser.net/2016/02/bethel-redding-dangerous-evangelical-cult/> Sadly the author of this report, after many years of serving as a pastor, has 'departed from the faith', but, nevertheless his observations are astute and worth 'taking on board'.

There is also a link at the bottom of this article to another report compiled by a secular journalist and it can be seen on <https://www.buzzfeednews.com/article/mollyhensleyclancy/meet-the-young-saints-of-bethel-who-go-to-college-to#.qgadJEp5m> and it simply goes to show that quite often non-Christians can see the absurdness of teaching and practices that other supposed believers cannot see. I hope that it is clear by now that both **Bethel Church** and their **BSSM** constitute spiritually-speaking very dangerous territory!

Let me turn now to another **Bethel Church** ministry known as **FIRESTARTERS** which is listed on this link <http://www.bethelredding.com/ministries?page=1> This is apparently designed as a 12-week 'crash course' for those who do not have the time or money to sign up for the much longer, and presumably more expensive **BSSM**.

The article on this link is the first of three very revealing articles about **FIRESTARTERS** <http://www.spiritoferror.org/2017/06/the-problem-with-the-firestarters-prophetic-activation-class-at-bethel-redding/6727>

I was particularly interested to read these words contained in the third article on <http://www.spiritoferror.org/2017/07/getting-wasted-with-the-holy-spirit-at-bethel-redding/6796>

'When I recently attended the FIRESTARTERS adult Sunday School class at Bethel Church in Redding, California, I was shocked by the teacher's announcement at the start of the class. **"There are only three rules in this class. Rule 1: Get drunk. Rule 2: Stay drunk. Rule 3: Get other people drunk."** Those are not exactly words you expect to hear at a church. **Yet the encouragement to "get drunk" was a theme that ran through the entire two-hour class. "Let's get drunk. Let's enjoy ourselves," the teacher said.** He also told the students, who were standing at the time, to hold out their hands in the air in front of their bodies to form the outline of imaginary, huge bottles of "heavenly wine," then pretend to chug from them. Many of the students responded gleefully to the teacher's directions. **They acted as if they were actually drunk — laughing uncontrollably, staggering, and some even falling down.** One middle-aged woman, at a table near mine, lay back in her chair, as if passed out, for much of the class ... To defend this description, they would point, no doubt, to the verse in Scripture: "And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18).

Solomon wisely wrote **"there is no new thing under the sun"** (Ecclesiastes 1:9) for in truth this is the same old heretical nonsense that was peddled at the time of the so-called **'Toronto Blessing'**. To see my reaction to that 'drunken phenomenon' then you can go to this link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kCEr3hKOxkE> and watch from 11.39 to 18.02.

Another **Bethel Church** ministry relates to **'Prophecy and Dreams'** as you can read on this link <http://www.bethelredding.com/content/prophetic-ministry> The format for the **'Prophetic Sessions'** is 'fleshed out' on this link <http://www.bethelredding.com/ministries/prophetic/sessions>

In recent months Northern Ireland has been awash with so-called **'prophets'** coming here to **'prophecy'** and to supposedly teach others how to do likewise. I'll just copy something I wrote in my article on <http://www.takeheed.info/pdf/2019/February/a-stark-warning-for-ballymena.pdf> and it has application not only to self-styled **'prophets'** but also to self-styled **'apostles'**.

The foundation of the Christian church rests partly upon God's revelation given through Old Testament prophets and New Testament Apostles but supremely on the person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ – **Paul wrote in Ephesians 2:20 of "the household of God [that's the Church] ...built upon the FOUNDATION of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone"**. In a building you only have ONE FOUNDATION so today we no longer have apostles or prophets but pastors/evangelists/elders who preach and teach "the apostles' doctrine" [see Acts 2:42]. Once the foundation of a building is laid you then add upon it 'bricks' – believers today are the 'bricks' that are being built upon the foundation of the Apostles, Prophets and the Lord Himself – this is how Peter puts it in 1 Peter 2:5 "Ye [believers] as living stones ['bricks'] are built up a spiritual house". In the Old Testament the Lord had a Temple for His people – in this age He has a people for His Temple – **the foundation was laid by the Apostles, the Prophets and the Lord Himself and so there is no need today of another foundation hence no need for Apostles and Prophets.**

As regards **'Dreams'** again let me copy something I wrote on this subject in an article located on <http://www.takeheed.info/news-from-the-front-june-2006/> and I said **'I believe that Hebrews 1:1-2 teaches that God no longer appears or communicates in 'divers manners' as in times past such as 'dreams and visions'**. To reject that biblical truth is to reject **'Sola Scriptura'**.

On the **Bethel 'Prophetic Sessions'** web site page it also stated – '**Your appointment will begin at either 2:30pm or 3:30pm. It will include a brief orientation regarding receiving prophetic ministry, a soaking time in the encounter room, followed by 8-10 minutes of prophetic ministry with our team members**'. So, what is this '**soaking time**'?

Well, I think I can safely say that it is not a matter of taking a hot shower. From the article located on <https://truetohisways.com/articles/slain-in-the-spirit-soaking-in-the-spirit/> let me quote the following –

'Being slain in the spirit and **soaking in the spirit** are occult because they involve seeking direct contact with supernatural spirit, and they seek the action, power, presence, enchantments and influence of supernatural spirit. It's that simple. These practices are all counterfeits of true, biblical spirituality. Among other things, they (a) lead people away from the life-giving Scriptures, the Word of God, and (b) distract them from the issue of their sin; for it is only the spiritual infirmity of sin which is of eternal consequence and significance'.

As I have done in the past, I would HIGHLY recommend the book '**True to His Ways**' by **Ruth Davis** and purchase options are available on this link <https://baruchhousepublishing.com/true-to-his-ways/>

Next to '**Apostle**' **Bill Johnson** probably the next best-known **Bethel Church** leader is '**Prophet**' **Kris Vallotton**. Although neither of these men are listed to be personally taking part in this upcoming Belfast conference, their influence will surely be felt there by those attending the conference and listening to the **Bethel Church** speakers actually present. On **Kris Vallotton** there is a helpful article on this link <http://www.piratechristian.com/museum-of-idolatry/2017/12/kris-vallotton-and-bethel-cannot-escape-link-to-new-age-occultism> and it begins with these words –

'**Kris Vallotton and Bill Johnson are in a quagmire of New Age Occultism of their own making, but no matter how many posts they erase, or how much they tell their own cover stories, the truth is that they don't teach biblical Christianity and it's (hopefully) starting to become more obvious.**'

Kris Vallotton is also a clearly devoted and deluded fan of **Pope Francis** as you can read on this link <https://krisvallotton.com/pope-francis/> His closing words highlight the depth of his delusion –

'**Pope Francis**, thank you for having the guts to brave the religious system, and reach beyond the borders of tradition to love a group of people, some of whom refuse to love you back. God bless you! **You have become one of my heroes.**'

Just 'in passing', in that piece that he wrote, **Kris Vallotton** mentioned another unstable man by the name of **Mike Bickle** who heads up **IHOP** (No – not the pancake place) but the **International House of Prayer**. **Mike Bickle** has for years been in the '**prophecy**' business having led a previous group known as the **Kansas City Prophets**. Many groups (especially cults) flourish because people are not familiar with their 'roots' and the same can happen with aberrant pseudo-Christian groups. This article traces the 'chequered' roots and history of the **Kansas City Prophets** <http://www.banner.org.uk/kcp/kcp-roots.html>

Today **Mike Bickle** has virtually a fawning admiration for ‘**apostle**’ **Bill Johnson**, for ‘**things Roman Catholic**’ and also a penchant for **very large sums of money** as you can see on this video link - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=whZ6Sn0HZ_s

A very suitable critique of **Kris Vallotton** is located on this link <https://www.christianpost.com/news/benny-hinns-nephew-calls-bethel-church-leader-kris-vallotton-false-prophet-who-deceives-people-222731/>

and my reason for describing it as ‘very suitable’ is that it was written by **COSTI HINN** the nephew of **Benny Hinn**. **COSTI** in times past travelled the world assisting his uncle at his ‘**crusades**’ but then a wonderful thing happened – **COSTI** got saved and today he is a ‘**solid**’ pastor. A helpful link in the article will take you to where **COSTI** shares his testimony with my good friend, **Justin Peters** and this is that link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kDu-FKWweU8&t=563s>

Bill Johnson views **Benny Hinn** as a close friend and fellow Christian and they have ‘**ministered**’ together – the short video on this link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BsE7nclaWVA> demonstrates that and the helpful concluding biblical analysis is by **David Pawson** (a conservative Pentecostal).

A more recent photograph of **Bill** and **Benny** sharing a platform is from the ‘**faith healing ceremony at "The Send" conference in Florida February 2019**’. Other questionable speakers in the photo included **TODD WHITE** who is kneeling between **BENNY HINN** and **BILL JOHNSON**. Other dubious speakers at the event but not in the photo included **Francis Chan**, **Lou Engle** and **Todd Bentley**.



Another dangerous **Bethel Church** resource is their online bookshop. I wrote earlier about ‘**Inner Healing**’ and they have a section devoted to that dangerous practice.

Books available in that section include those by **John** and **Lisa Bevere**; 'The shack' author **William P Young**; One of the co-founders of **GOD TV**, **Wendy Alec** (if you want to see how unstable she is go to this link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6KHWTW1thL4> and watch from 4.58 – she later divorced her husband Rory who is also in the video). When the **Todd Bentley** Lakeland, Florida fiasco was happening **Wendy** and **Rory** actively promoted and broadcast it on **GOD TV** – so much for discernment!

Other authors whose books are available under other sections include **John and Carol Arnott** (host pastor and his wife for the infamous 'Toronto Blessing') who also dined with **Pope Francis** in the company of **Kenneth Copeland** as you can read on <https://www.charismanews.com/opinion/44555-why-did-copeland-robison-meet-with-pope-francis> Books by **Wes** and **Stacey Campbell** are also advertised – I refer to **Stacey Campbell** as the 'shaking prophetess' of the 'Toronto Blessing' and this is why.

If you go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vTEEURiKzqw&list=UUY6K5SN-Z7IIOKmXclB51jQ> and scroll to **5.15** you will see a lady in a green trouser suit on stage and she begins to 'prophesy' - that is **Stacey Campbell** - the man behind her in the white shirt with the moustache is her husband **Wes**. She speaks until **8.25** but you might want also to watch the last couple of minutes of video after that.

I then assess the various folks that have featured in the video **and my assessment of Stacey runs from 16.30 until 18.40**. Incidentally the lady who speaks after Stacey is **Carol Arnott** - wife of the big guy on stage, **John Arnott**, the pastor at Toronto- and as I said earlier they were with **Kenneth Copeland** when he met with **Pope Francis**.

One other author listed is **Brian Houston** who heads up **HILLSONG**, a group that clearly has a good 'working relationship' with the **Bethel Church**. I referred to that in this article about **Carl Lentz**, a pastor in **Hillsong NYC** - http://www.takeheed.info/Assorted_Articles/Contemporary/carl-lentz-hillsong-nyc.pdf

As for the 'pedigree' of **Brian Houston** you can gauge his (and others) views on 'money' by watching the short video on this link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8HXC2EpfQ1U>

Just one other point about this conference before I close. It is being hosted by the **Glenmachan Church of God** who are part of the local **Church of God** denomination. This group are not orthodox Trinitarian in their beliefs but are 'Oneness Pentecostals'. This link takes you to what I hope is a helpful article on that subject - http://www.takeheed.info/Assorted_Articles/Charismatic/The-central-error-of-oneness.pdf It could well be that the **Glenmachan Church of God** are merely facilitating this conference and do not endorse the matters I have detailed in this article but I would suspect that some of their members might well attend the conference, if only out of curiosity.

In closing let me direct you to one more article that gives **10 reasons** as to why the **Bethel Church** should be avoided and it is located on <http://www.piratechristian.com/messedupchurch/2018/2/10-reasons-why-bethel-redding-is-a-false-church>

In the title to this article I posed the question '**But whose Kingdom?**' I am fully persuaded that this conference will do nothing to build the **Kingdom of God** (unless of course God Himself sovereignly and graciously overrules and saves souls IN SPITE of what is said and done). If it is not His '**Kingdom**', as I firmly believe to be the case, then that only leaves one alternative and precious souls need to be "**delivered**" by God, as Paul puts it in **Colossians 1:13**, "**from the power of darkness and ... translated into the kingdom of his dear Son**". May we as God's people pray to that end.

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APPENDIX 1:

Reaction from JOHN ASHE of 'Journey Community Church'

I am often asked if I receive adverse comment/feedback/criticism when I write about a subject. Well, within a few hours of the article being posted on Saturday (certainly not enough time for anyone to read through and to follow and 'digest' all the links in the article) I received the following super-sarcastic email from **Pastor JOHN ASHE** of the '**Journey Community Church**' – (reproduced as received). In publishing this email I am certainly not seeking to 'solicit sympathy' but rather it will I believe serve as another warning to "take heed" where this man is concerned.

Oh Cecil, how you made my day!

Such an honour to finally be included in one of your articles. We have now joined an elite bunch of heretics!

I suppose it's never been more true in these days that 1. we should should never let the truth get in the way of a good story and 2. we should never let a bad exegesis get in the way of a good theology!

Thanks for being the theology police for us all here in N Ireland. I pray the lord will bless all you do!

John

This is not the first occasion that I have drawn attention to the activities of **JOHN ASHE** and his '**Journey Community Church**', Back in September 2018 I posted on Facebook concerning the ecumenical '**Healing the Land**' prayer event being held at Nutts Corner that he was encouraging support for and I will repost here what I wrote back then, or if you are on Facebook you can access it on this link -

<https://www.facebook.com/cecil.andrews.5/posts/1456169014486046>

This was the text of that post -

This short video (it can only be viewed by going to my Facebook post itself) gives detail of the 'broad' ecumenical nature of the prayer event planned for Saturday (8th September) that I referred to in the APPENDIX added recently to my statement concerning DAVID LEGGE that can be accessed on this link –

<http://www.takeheed.info/pdf/2014/October/David-Legge.pdf>

Those of a 'Protestant persuasion' who are heading up and prominently taking part in this event have sadly lost any right to refer to themselves as 'Evangelical' Christians.

My Facebook friend, Maurice Warburton has also given the following additional warning details about some of those taking part -

'While the cause is noble the means are flawed for this event is Ecumenical in nature and is an example of the increasing spiritual compromise of so called 'evangelicals' who should know better.

The video clip shared features Patrick McCrystal of Human Life International. HLI is a Roman Catholic organisation that seeks to protect the unborn from abortion and while we share a common view on the sanctity of life we as Bible Believing Christians ought never to share in spiritual communion with Roman Catholics no matter how worthy the cause. The Roman Church propagates a false gospel of works plus grace and is damning souls. 'Have NO fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.' Ephesians 5 v11.

Other videos on the Heal the Land Facebook page feature other ecumenical groups. David McClay of Willowfield Church in Belfast also encourages attendance. Willowfield hosts the worship rooms where meditative prayer is encouraged, the sort of prayer more akin to Buddhism or Hinduism.

John Ashe from Journey Community Church in Antrim also exhorts attendance on the 8th. Journey Church in Antrim is closely associated with Bethel Church in Redding, California which is a hot-bed of extreme Pentecostal error and confusion.

Also featured is a video by Alan Emerson representing 24-7 prayer Ireland. 24-7 prayer is an international network with strong ecumenical links and has a page on its website called '24-7 prayer in a Catholic context' These signs of departure and compromise should not surprise Bible Believers. Paul warned Timothy in 1 Timothy 4 v1....

'Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of demons'

Take this as a warning in love from someone with a shepherd's heart for God's people. 1 John 1 v 4 **'Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God.'**

How do I personally view the email that I have received from **JOHN ASHE**? As I have said on other such occasions, I view such criticisms as 'campaign medals' in the light of **Matthew 5:11-12 "Blessed are ye when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. REJOICE and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven"**.

But more importantly it serves to underscore the need for much prayer for the people in '**Journey Community Church**' who sit under this man's 'ministry'. I walked very much a similar path for the first 3 years after my conversion but thankfully the Lord opened my eyes to the deceptions I was being exposed to and rescued me from them. May He be pleased to do so again for many in Antrim (and Downpatrick).

APPENDIX 2:

The BILL JOHNSON – TODD BENTLEY connection.

Back in 2008 there was supposedly a great 'Revival' in Lakeland, Florida, spearheaded by a man called **TODD BENTLEY** and as well as writing several articles about him, I also took part in a radio panel discussion broadcast on BBC Radio Ulster's 'Sunday Sequence'. **TODD BENTLEY** credited his 'calling' to an experience he had whilst attending a meeting in Seattle where **BILL JOHNSON** was speaking. You can read details of this by going to the following link I will give and reading the portions found on page 3.

This is the link http://www.takeheed.info/Assorted_Articles/Charismatic/florida-belfast-healing-revival-debate.pdf and this is the relevant portion from page 3 -

Todd Bentley claims that at the meeting in Seattle where Bill Johnson was speaking, he was confronted by a 'pillar of fire' and God told him to step into this open 'portal'. He did and was 'transported' up into heaven where he ended up on an 'operating table' with 4 men in white coats. They then proceeded to 'gut' him and insert boxes of 'truth' into his stomach – Todd Bentley quotes Psalm 51:6 "Thou desirest truth in the inward parts" as justification for this bizarre procedure – he was then told that God didn't have time to train people up over years as He did with Moses and so Todd Bentley is to return to earth and distribute this "truth" that has been implanted into him as a 'quick-fix transfer of knowledge' to others

When the so-called 'Revival' was in full-flow a number of self-appointed 'apostles' and 'prophets' flew in to hold a great commissioning service for **TODD BENTLEY**. I am grateful to one of my Facebook friends for directing me to this very helpful article that details the absurdity of what took place that day and subsequently. This is the link –

http://www.piratechristian.com/messedupchurch/2016/2/the-charismatic-day-of-infamy-june-28th-2008?fbclid=IwAR2bLbWGEuFZUrJmndmuCzhRn_103PciljVRWvQytgL1zqJ8IQscF1lGeLc

There is also a link in this article that is worth going to as well this is it

<https://www.qty.org/library/blog/B131121>

The following words from the article on this second link are VERY important to note –

Peter Wagner is the first speaker during Bentley's commissioning. He asks three of the other assembled apostles—Bill Johnson (pastor of Bethel Church in Redding, California), Che Ahn (pastor of HRock Church in Pasadena, California), and John Arnott (founding pastor of the Toronto Airport Christian Fellowship, home of the notorious Toronto Blessing)—if they "perceive the grace of God given to Todd Bentley as an evangelist to lead the Lakeland outpouring?" Each affirms that they do.

The so-called '**Lakeland Revival**' was in many ways just a re-run of the discredited so-called '**Toronto Blessing**' as I pointed out in my article on this link –

<http://www.takeheed.info/todd-bentley-simply-a-new-strain-of-the-so-called-toronto-blessing/>

BILL JOHNSON was fully 'sold' on **TODD BENTLEY** and '**LAKELAND**'.

In closing, let me give a link to another video involving **BILL JOHNSON** and the appearance at his **Bethel Church** of a so-called '**glory cloud**' complete with what appears to be '**gold dust**' and also on other occasions '**falling feathers**'. I leave it to you to judge whether these claimed '**divine manifestations**' are real and of God or simply deceptions, diabolical or otherwise. This is the link

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tcPkOR4Lwj0>

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