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# Divine Visitation, Proclamation (Self) Evaluation



**In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a ...virgin named Mary...and said unto her thou art highly favored. Blessed art thou among women (Lk. 1: 26-28).**

***Then the Lord spoke to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not your peace. For I am with you, and because I have much people in this city. (Acts 18: 9-10).***

We bless the Lord for the awesome revelations and events of the past month. We saw and experienced God's great power, grace, and justice in diverse facets of our lives in many nations of the world. The Lord's great name be praised.

This is our month of divine visitation. In the same way the Lord visited a young spinster over 2000 years ago, He is sending His angels to visit us in this new month. He is visiting to remind us of His purpose for our calling us to Himself. Also to encourage us to speak out and not keep quiet as we had tended to do up to now. This silence has cost the Lord's Kingdom agenda to suffer everywhere but especially in the western world. Younger generations without any clear spiritually grounded directions are leaving the church in droves and accepting what is referred as a secular or woke agenda.

When the Lord promised to send the Holy Spirit and Power to His disciples, it was to make us to become witnesses of His goodness, greatness, and glory. Unfortunately for some strange reasons we have kept quiet. In the meantime, the enemies of the gospel of Christ have occupied the most important social, economic and even political spaces to declare with boldness and courage their anti-God and anti-Christian agenda and the world has not only listened but followed them!!!

It is our opportunity this month to begin to take back grounds already lost. But it must start with a deep self- reflection as individuals and social units on why we have chosen to keep quiet. We also need to determine the best way to communicate the message of this gospel, not only with our mouths but with our lives, in a way that makes the gospel compelling and convincing. Joseph in Portipha's house and at the service of Pharaoh in Egypt; Daniel who refused to defile himself even as a top staff in the king's palace , Ruth, Cornelius and several others are great examples besides the Lord's mother who received divine commendation at the time of their visitation. May this month be your own month of divine commendation as the Lord visits you. .

We also can learn from the Christians of the past who at great cost to themselves declared this gospel and brought the

nations to a sound knowledge of the Lord's mission and His goodness. One of them brought great joy to a city in Samaria. He subsequently assisted the first missionary to the African continent, by proclaiming Christ and complete dependence on the Holy Spirit. One outcome was that the first

Bibles were published in Ethiopia. And within only four centuries, the Roman civilization that nailed the Lord to the cross and fed his disciples to lions bowed to the Lordship of Christ. Alleluia.

We can do it again: as we prepare for the Conference on Global Evangelization as leaders and followers across the world gather in the city of Amsterdam from June 21 to 24. Please be a part of the action either in person or virtually especially as we meet at the Olympic Stadium in Amsterdam on Saturday June 24 to declare that Jesus is the Lord of the whole earth. This would be preceded by leadership seminars in the first few days (21-23) at the Amsterdam RAI Center.

***Welcome to the month of Divine Visitation, Proclamation and (Self) Evaluation.***

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