

## Reflection: Sunday Service I 28 July 2024



Hi Church family

I am again just in awe of God's grace and His ways after last night's service. I had it on my heart to do a quick reflection and I know I will not be able to do it true justice, nor reflect on everything that was shared and received. We give glory to God and we are thankful when heaven invades earth as it did last night. Thank You Jesus!

We are a people of encounter and we have learned that it is only through encountering Him, that lives are truly changed and that we can grow in authentic Christ-likeness. These encounters are encountering Jesus through His Word, encountering His Holy Spirit and encountering His love and grace through His body, the church. We received all of that last night!

We need to be a people to whom it is absolutely normal that God breaks in and where His fingerprints are on every part of our gatherings, in spite of us.

As Christians and as His church, our focus is always to keep our eyes on Christ and upon God. In moments of great encounter, we also need to reflect on what the Lord has imparted to us and have true cognisance of the great responsibility we have as stewards of His grace, His words and His impartations. In short, do I listen when He speaks or is it just an experience? How will I grow in love and obedience in following Him? I believe with encounter also comes responsibility.

Last night's service was perfectly described by Paul in **1 Corinthians 14:26-29**:

### *Order in Church Meetings*

What then is the conclusion, brothers? **Whenever you come together, each one has a psalm, a teaching, a revelation, another language, or an interpretation. All things must be done for edification.** 27 If any person speaks in another language, there should be only two, or at the most three, each in turn, and someone must interpret. 28 But if there is no interpreter, that person should keep silent in the church and speak to himself and to God. 29 Two or three prophets should speak, and the others should evaluate.

How beautiful is it when the *eklesia* ministers to the *eklesia* by His Spirit in line with His Word?

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In my preparation yesterday, the Lord laid it on my heart that He will be bringing prophetic words. During worship **Cecilia had a public tongue** [1 Corinthians 12:10] after which the following was brought as **interpretations**:

1. Nikki shared scripture and brought the following:

- **Ezekiel 12:26-28** "Furthermore, the word of the Lord came to me, saying, "Son of man, behold, the house of Israel is saying, 'The vision that he sees is for many years from now, and he prophesies of times far off.' Therefore say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God, "None of My words will be delayed any longer. Whatever word I speak will be performed," ' " declares the Lord God."

*Ezekiel was obviously talking about the last days (which we are in), but I felt it was multi-levelled. Firstly, for the people last night - He was going to speak and people would receive, be set free etc. Also, for Shofar Tableview and then the bride as a whole.*

2. I saw the following:

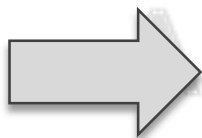
- **Vision:** Golden rain and in particular huge golden rain drops as Cecilia was bringing the word. The sense I got simultaneously with the vision was that the Kingdom will now come in a greater way in this time and season. In a supernatural way and with even more grace. Breakthroughs!

3. Edna heard and sensed the following:

- "**I am a righteous judge.**" God will judge between the righteous and unrighteous in this time. The Father walking through the wheatfields. Weighing the heads of wheat. Seeing what is ripe and ready and what not. What is wheat and what is chaff.

4. Heather shared what she heard. It is also a founding scripture for our congregation:

- **Zachariah 4:6** Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the Lord unto Zerubbabel, saying, **Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit**, saith the Lord of hosts.



God has supernaturally made it clear that He is working out the ways of His Kingdom NOW – that is righteous judgment, supernatural grace and help, breakthrough and change by His Spirit in this season.

Are you ready? How will you respond? We need to posture ourselves and say yes to Him to be used in this time. Prayerfully and personally consider this. May we arise and shine in Him and through Him.

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Furthermore, in our gathering: Jesus laid on my heart that He is busy **preparing His bride** in this season. His preparation of the bride might not always be what we anticipated or what we expected. May we discern well in this time.

Petri, through testimony and Isaiah 58, confirmed that we are all **loved and seen by God**. We are called for Him, His ways and **His plans**. Cecilia, through Jeremiah 29:11, confirmed this word as well. Hallelujah!

The Lord, through Nita and Samantha, brought confirmation of **wells being re-opened and unblocked in people's lives** and we ministered and prayed into that. The best of it all is that we could rejoice with heaven last night as **two people committed their lives to Jesus**. Let's keep on praying for them.

The Lord is surely moving, He is restoring and He is looking for a humble, claylike people to, daily, partner with Him, walk in relationship with Him and fearlessly share the perfect love of the Father with the world. Let's continue to be that people.

Yours in Christ,

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