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Move of God happening in South Wales! - posted by Ceri (), on: 2013/5/18 13:04

Some of you may have heard of a mighty move of God occuring in Cwmbran South Wales since April.

In case some of you have doubts as to this move, I would like to voutch for the Pastor of Cwmbran Victory Outreach. Richard Taylor was a friend of my dad (Yorrie Richards) they had similar testimonies and a lot in common! I know if he w as here Dad would be in floods of tears at this move of God!

Richard is a regular guest at our church and as a fellowship we support the Victory Outreach work among drug adicts an d voung offenders that he founded.

Richard stands very firmly on sound doctrine. He often stresses 'according to scripture - everything according to scriptur e!'

This move of God started out of the blue when a member of the church paralised for ten years after a road accident acte d in faith to the word being preached and to everyone's shock and awe stood out of his wheelchair and walked around th e large hall holding his chair above his head as a trophy!!! The presence of God fell upon that church and has been ther e since!

Last saturday 60 local converts saved in the past month were baptised, during which another 17 came forward in repent ance!

Our assistant Pastor and wife went this past week as they were in Cwmbran on business and were deeply moved by the repentance shown and the heavy presence of God. They have urged us to visit too when we next go to Wales.

We know that Richard has made a stand for the Gospel and has not compromised in the past and feel that God is now b lessing him in a mighty way, he is just as amazed as anyone at the things God is doing and is exersizing wisdom and no t allowing for 'burn out' through overdoing.

Drug addicts are being set free, folk with emotional & phsycological problems being touched by the Lord, their lives chan ging. Atheists coming in to view and mock have ended up on their knees with the power of God! Many folk are claiming healing although Richard wisely advises they be verified medically before informing the church.

Wales has been so desperate for a move of God, each year we go and drive around the Valleys we have felt the oppres sion and desperation in the air. We have seen the decline in areas due to unemployment and our heart as gone out to G od to move again! God is hearing and answering the cry of the heart

Re: Move of God happening in South Wales!, on: 2013/5/18 13:20

This is wonderful sister. Thank you for sharing. Praise the Lord.

Re: Move of God happening in South Wales! - posted by Ceri (), on: 2013/5/18 13:24

As a continuation of my post - here is the latest post today from Cwmbran that I thought you'd like to see - notice also ho w the famous Welsh revival hymn 'Here is love vast as the oceans' was also sang!' very moving! will always remember u s doing that at the Revival conference in Moriah Church, Lougher with Evan Roberts own violin being played!!

At our Cwmbran campus, since April 10th when the "Welsh Outpouring" began, we have now seen over 300 people com mit their lives to Christ! We praise God for every single one and continue to preach the gospel and call people to salvatio n in every single meeting and also via the live-stream link! Salvation is of upmost importance and the Holy Spirit is drawi ng people to deep levels of repentance. Often people are weeping with conviction when giving their lives to Christ and ar e seeking deep change in their lives.

On Wednesday, Pastor Clyde preached a word centred around the blood of Christ and many people responded to be w

ashed from their sin. it was an incredible sight as people poured to the front, crying out for freedom, through the blood of Jesus. After a time of repentance, people were ecstatic as the fire of the Holy Spirit was poured out resulting in great joy, dancing and praise! Prior to the word, 9 people had already responded to the message of salvation, after Pastor Richard proclaimed the Saviour and invited people to give their lives to Jesus.

The worship that night was electric as Pastor Richard led us in the great hymn, 'here is love' and people all around the building passionately reached out to God. The presence of God was thick and tangible and people reported incredible bre akthroughs.

One guy who is on staff at the 'international house of prayer' in Kansas City, said that he hadn't felt such a tangible presence of God in years!

Another couple who are involved in a church in Bath, shared how the love of God, that is at work at Victory Church had affected them deeply. They said its hard to see how so much love can be at work, when so many people are here. Every thing radiates love!

A lady phoned the church on Thursday to say that her hip has been healed and she no longer needs crutches, after 10 y ears of agony and multiple, failed operations! She is pain free, without Morphine and can run with her son! Her only conc ern now is keeping up with him and getting out of breath!

Another gentleman who came to the meeting with his rib sticking out due to a cancerous growth ran up to one of the pas tors to say that his rib was back in place and normal! This had happened during the prayer for the sick! We are awaiting a further update once he gets checked out by the doctors!

On Thursday, the presence of God once again filled the people, many came forward for prayer for sickness and Pastor Kenny preached a powerful word from Luke 4. As he preached, people reached out to God by faith, and several people received Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

A young girl has been in touch to say that she feels completely healed from depression and anxiety, we praise God for t his and continue to believe for her health as time goes on.

As time goes on, more and more people are coming and we are now needing the overflow room most nights of the week . We will continue to ensure that everyone who needs prayer, receives prayer and will always do our best to ensure provision is made for those who are seriously ill.

Re:, on: 2013/5/18 13:50

Praise God!!! May we see suchhappen here.

Bearmaster.

Re: - posted by passerby, on: 2013/5/18 14:22

I hope many will labor so that these new believers will continue in faith in fellowship and discipleship. Let us all welcome them with open arms and see what we can do to help them as they walk in the newness of life. I am wishful that there will be cooperation among the local churches in the area rather than rivalry and cynicism so that they will have a sanctuar y as they face the battle against sin, worldliness, and other temptations or difficulties as christians.

Re: Move of God happening in South Wales!, on: 2013/5/18 14:49

http://www.victorychurch.co.uk/outpouring-update-from-pastor-richard

Re:, on: 2013/5/18 15:01

Re: Move of God happening in South Wales!, on: 2013/5/18 15:16

Thank you Lord Jesus!!!! Your mercy is great. Lord, move here as you are moving again in Wales. We bless you Holy Father!!! Come Holy Spirit.

Thank you Ceri for posting. This will cause tears of joy among many!!!

I can see your dear father shouting praise to our God in the cloud of witnesses. What joyous news to hear this day, dear sister.

In Christ, Leslie

Re: Move of God happening in South Wales - posted by Ceri (), on: 2013/5/18 18:51

Bro Frank - in answer to your question, there has been no mention at all of South Wales on GodTV - I doubt very much Richard would allow it either. The members of his church come first, he is very protective of them and making sure it rem ains a local family church.

Re: Move of God happening in South Wales! - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2013/5/18 20:45

Thank you sister for these wonderful reports of this move of God in Wales.

May The Lord be glorified and cause this revival to break out beyond the church into the community. May revival fire spread throughout the whole region and beyond. May the new converts be confirmed and established in the faith.

Mike

Re:, on: 2013/5/18 22:46

Hi sister Ceri.

Then I am more convinced than ever that it is the real thing:) God bless you sister, I was just reading an old e-mail your dad sent me a few years ago. I still have his notes from one of his sermons somewhere.....bro Frank

Re: - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2013/5/18 23:52

What is also encouraging is that other pastors are getting in this atmosphere of the presence of God. Pastors need to be revived also and to allow the Holy Spirit to spread the fire to their churches.

Mike

Re: Move of God happening in South Wales!, on: 2013/5/19 4:30

On a side note I would heavily recommend the book 'To Catch A Thief' by this Pastor Richard (Richard Taylor).

He grew up into a life of crime and the book tells of his remarkable conversion.

Re: - posted by Firetime, on: 2013/5/19 10:53

I have heard reports about this, including direct accounts from people I know personally, (although I have to say, I do question the clarity of their spiritual discernemt at times). Not to say that what is happening in Wales is counterfeit, I genuin ely dont know, and (post Lakeland) get increasingly skeptical of "revival talk" especially when it is experience or encount er based charismania and not Bible-Jesus centred. Anyway, I havent been to Cwembran Victory Church (or even set foo tin Wales for over 24 years) But I would be very concerned if those Wagnerian ministers get in there, with all the talk ab out submission to NAR apostleship/god tv oversight, cities of refuge, portals, gateways etc etc, then quench the work of God's spirit, and "realign" it with the apostate church instead. You know the scenario, NAR apostles and prophetesses, ministers who operate under a lying spirit, who set it up as an elitist money earning Christ denying family dynasty busine ss....I can sort of imagine a certain preachers wife, she may well be saying right now "I have a great uncles cousins gran dfather who did gardening for Evan Roberts, this proves I have a stake in this move of God...so I should be leading it..."If those folk DO turn up, Pastor would be well advised to make them sit right at the back of the overflow and stay quiet, (an d let God deal with them)-or turn them away if they try it on-which they almost certainly will, one way or another.

Re:, on: 2013/5/19 12:57

Then we need to pray God protect this holy movement in Wales.

Bear

Re: Move of God happening in South Wales!, on: 2013/5/19 14:21

it sure is exciting. i hope it spreads to the whole world. some spread to my room as I was weeping and praising God.

edit: to know God is going to prove himself in these last days. i have family I want to know that God still heals... is worth y and loves people!

Thank you Lord!

Re: - posted by brothagary, on: 2013/5/19 15:36

made me weep with jealously after watching the report from the link that andrew posted "praise god

Re: Move of God happening in South Wales! - posted by Ceri (), on: 2013/5/19 17:39

Bro Frank.

I spoke this morning with our assistant Pastor's wife who attended Cwmbran on Wednesday with her husband. She is a I ady who travels much with her husband especially to Eastern countries as they work in Missions and is a support link to missionaries.

She told me that while driving there the more into Wales she got the more her heart was yearning and crying out to God! She said that the presence of God there is so heavy and tangible, she has never witnessed anything like it in her life! Th ey sang old time songs & hymns and people were running out to the front sobbing in repentance. She said that she coul

d imagine being in the Welsh revival days, saying "this is what it must have been like!!"

She told me that she has never witnessed such repentance in people "No funny business!! absolutely nothing dodgy - n othing at all like you see on TV!!" she emphasised to me!!

Due to many conversions from the Rhondda valley too (approx 1hr drive from Cwmbran) they are opening a branch chur ch next month to cater for those people too. My husband & I and family are visiting them in July. Glad I kept dad's revival books!!

Our hearts are crying out to God to do the same for us here - on the Nottinghamshire/Derbyshire border!!

Frank if you can't find dad's notes we have copies on file that we kept from his PC if ever you would like any emailing - w e also have family collection of CD's of some of his preaching that a family friend recorded for us when dad ministered at his church. You'll have to email me contact details. elainebarnes@hotmail.co.uk

Re: - posted by Heydave (), on: 2013/5/19 18:10

I don't want to be negative, I mean we all want to see genuine revival and if people are truly getting saved (repenting an d receiving new life) we should rejoice.

I've not heard of this 'outpouring' until now and so looked into it. Virtually all the reports I found are positive, however I a m cautious about it. I listened to the Pastor's report, which mostly sounded good, but just a couple of things he said caus ed me to be cautious. He was encouraging everyone from around the world to come to Wales and 'experience' the pres ence of God. This is a common theme with the recent false moves, such as Toronto, Pensecola, etc. He talked about th em sending out prayer clothes for people who needed healing. Again, very faith teaching type practice.

The I saw a clip of one of their song leaders singing the outpouring anthem song 'Just one touch from the King'. Very pop and concert type emotionalism was my feeling.

The there was this clip http://surehopechurch.co.uk/?p=5723 showing a brief overview of the event and it was a lot of lay ing on of hands and people falling over backwards and talk of the 'anointing'.

I cannot make a reasonable and fair judgement based on this brief look, but for me I am very cautious as to the direction it seems to be moving and will watch and see.

Re:, on: 2013/5/19 18:13

http://daibach-welldigger.blogspot.co.uk/2013/04/outpouring-in-cwmbran-2013.html

Re:, on: 2013/5/19 19:24

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V-LdI2d5Y-k

During April I was driving from Cornwall to the north east of England and decided to take a slightly different route than the usual one. This was because my usual route is sometimes partially closed over night for repairs. As I neared the Wels h border I recall seeing a sign for Cwmbran (Newport) and then a little later on I saw a sign telling me that I was just a fe w miles from the welsh border. I was a little surprised and had the thought that I would go into Wales and visit Cardiff (S outh Wales) where I used to live many years ago. It was an unusual 15 mins of driving as I wrestled with this thought trying to rationalise why I would want to drive down into South Wales. The time was also spent praising the Lord and this to had me wondering. In the end I didn't go because I just couldn't comprehend why I would or should go. Nostalgia is not my strong suite.

Any way I have spent most of today researching the town of Cwmbran as well as all of the leadership team at the church at the centre of this move of God. As well I have researched all of the trustees of the supporting ministries of the church and especially the pastor Richard. What I have found has been a real blessing. Richard appears to be a very level head ed and sound. His back ground is that of having been saved when he was 18 years of age in a young offenders institute. Richard attended Elim Bible College and pastored in various positions of increasing responsibility from that time of achie

ving his degree. 3 years ago approximately he began this church and has built up a team of men and women from scrat ch some of whom have a background of having been saved whilst dependant on heroine and other drugs. The whole ch urch is very much orientated to works of compassion and helps for those who are most vulnerable in society. At the sam e time they have not neglected others.

I believe there is an aspect here which does need prayer and hence this post. The reports from the present outpouring i nclude reference to a senior member of the IHOP movement attending as well as Catholic Charismatics coming along to the meetings. This ought not to surprise anyone and ought not to be held in contempt in my view. I share this simple bec ause, whilst the Holy Spirit works sovereignly and will bless and strengthen whosoever He is pleased to bless and strengthen, Richard himself needs to be kept in our prayers. We need to ask the Lord to give him wisdom. He is clearly a man of some merit and I cannot see him being led away by foolishness. Nevertheless there are bound to be opportunities for the evil one to try and infest these meetings and those who attend if only by way of stimulating a few saints to imperso nate, yet whilst believing that they are serving the Lord. The strong social dynamic of the church from its beginning means that it will be vulnerable to those who preach a social gospel. I hope this is received in wisdom.

The above video shows just how broad the invitation is to the saints and the fact that IHOP and Catholic Charismatic beli evers have come along has not been seen as an issue. Nor could it be if we ourselves are trusting the Lord and want to see His name glorified amongst men. I have also seen reports on the Prophetic Witness Movement web site here in the UK who have a branch just a few miles from this church. I feel sure that we all understand that the Holy Spirit is sovereig n. He is the Lord. Yet we must pray with wisdom submitting to Him in our hearts, especially that He will keep these men and women who are at the centre of this little church free from unreasonable influences, as no doubt many many saints and sinners will be praying with their own agendas.

If it pleases the Lord I have a mind to go to cwmbran this week for a few days. It will be a blessed journey if my last fleeting visit to that border is a measure of what is happening. Please pray for me that my attitude will be right and that the Lord's will be done.

Re: Move of God happening in South Wales! - posted by enid, on: 2013/5/20 2:04

I know of someone who visited this church in South Wales about a week ago.

What's written here is on track with what I've heard.

Haven't been to visit yet, but just might.

God bless.

Re: - posted by murrcolr (), on: 2013/5/20 12:52

Other comments being said....

Welsh Outpouring! Written by Pastor on May 9, 2013

Truth be told the move of God in Cwmbran right now is easily traced back to Rodney Howard Browne. The anointing we nt from Rodney to Randy Clark to Toronto Airport Christian Fellowship. We received the anointing from Christchurch in Cwmbran some eight years ago when they were hosting a speaker whose life had been transformed after he visited TA CF. Everything then broke out with us in Two Locks Church. Then half a dozen of our anointed people started attending Victory Church in Cwmbran and now Victory Church are enjoying the same Holy Ghost visitation as well. The truth is Go d is behind it all and we praise Him and bless Him and together give Him all the glory. Ever since Acts two the anointing has been past from one person to another and from one generation to another. LORD, we ask you for souls, more LOR D.

http://twolocks.com/blog/

I went to Victory Church in the beginning in Jan 2010 with my family back in a very cold church in Pontypool, later in the Leisure Centre and finally in the Warehouse in Cwmbran and it was wonderful to be part of. I have a lot of time for Rich

ard as a preacher and the work of Victory Outreach however in July 2011 we withdrew from this church with Richards bl essing, many others left at the same time.

Still feeling considerably distressed and discomfited in spirit about this supposed "outpouring", I asked the Lord why this should be. He said, "Because it is not of Me. This is of the enemy, to cause division and disunity." Sadly, I have seen it before, with Toronto, etc. The effects are both detrimental and damaging. As a victim, I know only t oo well. I am still picking up the pieces of lives blown apart.

Our Lord warned of greater deceptions to come in the Last Days and this is one of them. It needs those He has appointe d as watchmen to sound the alarm. I am certainly going to!

Can I please add my concern at the events taking place in Cwmbran. The "sermons" are very short, the Word of God is hardly used, it is all about emotions, feelings, impartations, the laying on of hands, and the stress is put heavily on healings and miracles!

I do not think this is the work of the real Holy Spirit, but rather a false spirit which always seems to start the other side of the Atlantic in America, then catch on over here as British pastors and leaders from similar Pentecostal organisations tak e up the reigns

http://www.ziontalywain.blogspot.com.es/2013/05/more-negative-feedback-over-welsh.html

Re:, on: 2013/5/20 13:07

Brother Colin I agree with your discernment. It is not of God. Holiness has not been mentioned as far as I can see.

Re: - posted by murrcolr (), on: 2013/5/20 14:15

Brenda none of those comments are mine they are all from people from South Wales...

Edit:- spelling

Re:, on: 2013/5/20 14:19

I have asked my cousin, who lives about 60 miles from this church, if he would mind attending and report back. I will let everyone know what he says when he gets back to me......bro Frank

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2013/5/20 14:36

God is working and even despite men in most cases is bringing people to Himself.

I personally do not like the showmanship of healings read off like a list. Neither do I like the emphasis of falling under (ba ckward) in the Spirit or shaking.

I do not like people yelling "Fire" and praying for people to fall. But despite these things they are still preaching a clear G ospel message of the cross and blood of Christ. I do not believe you can compare this to todd bentley meetings in anyw ay. But it does have a sense in the terminology and style of those type of meetings or ones of Nathan Morris in the USA.

Either way it is clear there have been over 100 conversions and it seems the Lord is working, we praise Him for this.

Re: - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2013/5/20 14:39

The Word of God exhorts us to "prove all things and to hold fast to that which is good."

In every true move of God, you are going to find the enemy attempting to counterfeit the work. Where there is true fire, t here will also be wild fire. Where there are true manifestations of the Holy Spirit, there will also be the false. This is the w ay that is has always been going back to the Great Awakening, where some of the most notable preachers came agains t the work, because they could not discern what God was doing, only the excesses.

It is too early to judge yet, and many are doing that. Having heard the young pastor speak, it seems to be that he has a heart for souls. There are many people getting saved and healed, and the presence of God is being testified to in the me etings.

There are some right here on this forum that would count any supernatural manifestation as coming from the devil. So y ou are just as guilty of unrighteous judgement as those that have no discernment at all between the true and the counte rfeit.

Any true move of God will revive the Church. Saints who were cold and indifferent will become hot and on fire for God. A ny true move of God will lift up Jesus, and not any man, denomination or organization. Any true move of God will cause bacsliders to come home, and the saints will be convicted of living a superficial life. Jesus is the center and focus of a true move of God, and He is glorified through the work of the Holy Spirit.

Mike

Re:, on: 2013/5/20 14:43

Bro Mike writes......

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Indeed and amen!!!bro Frank

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2013/5/20 15:17

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Amen brother.

The major burden and problem I had was the naming of it as outpouring and calling it revival when it still is organized me etings in many ways. But either way the Lord will work and use these things. We praise God for the reality of what is hap pening that Jesus Christ is being glorified. If I was in Wales I would visit to just sit there and be blessed by the Lord's pre sence at work.

Re: - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2013/5/20 15:19

Excerpt from Frank Bartleman on "How Pentecost Came to Los Angeles."

"In the revival in Wales the great expounders of England had to come and sit at the feet of crude, hard working miners, a nd see the wonderful works of God. I wrote for the "Way of Faith" at this time: "The real thing is appearing among us . The Almighty will again measure swords with PharaohÂ's magicians. But many will reject Him and blaspheme. Many will fail to recognize Him, even among His professed followers. We have been praying and believing for a 'Pentecost,Â' Will we receive it when it comes?

The present Pentecostal manifestation did not break out in a moment, like a huge prairie fire, and set the world on fire. In fact no work of God ever appears that way. There is a necessary time for preparation. The finished article is not realize d at the beginning. Men may wonder where it came from, not being conscious of the preparation, but there is always such. Every movement of the Spirit of God must also run the gauntlet of the devilÂ's forces. The Dragon stands before the bearing mother, ready to swallow up her child. - (Rev. 12:4.) And so with the present Pentecostal work in its beginning. The enemy did much counterfeiting. God kept the young child well hid for a season from the Herods, until it could gain strength and discernment to resist them. The flame was guarded jealously by the hand of the Lord, from the winds of criticis migealously, unbelief, etc. It went through about the same experiences that all revivals have, its foes were both inside and out. Both Luther and Wesley experienced the same difficulties in their time. We have this treasure in Â"earthen vessel s.Â" Every natural birth is surrounded by circumstances not entirely pleasant. GodÂ's perfect work is wrought in human i mperfection. We are creatures of Â"the fall.Â" Then why expect a perfect manifestation in this case? We are coming Â"b ack to God.Â"

John Wesley writes of his time: "Almost as soon as I was gone two or three began to take their imaginations for impres sions from God. Meantime, a flood of reproach came upon me almost from every quarter. Be not alarmed that Satan so ws tares among the wheat of Christ. It has ever been so, especially on any remarkable outpouring of the Spirit; and ever will be, until the devil is chained for a thousand years. Till then he will always ape, and endeavor to counteract the work of the Spirit of Christ." DÂ'Aubigne has said: "A religious movement almost always exceeds a just moderation. In orde r that human nature may make one step in advance, its pioneers must take many."

Another writer says: "Remember with what accompaniments of extravagance and fanaticism the doctrine of justification by faith was brought back under Luther. The wonder was, not that Luther had the courage to face pope and cardinals, but that he had courage to endure the contempt which his own doctrines brought upon him, as espoused and paraded by fanatical advocates. Recall the scandal and offense which attended the revival of heart piety under Wesley. What we denounce as error may be "the refraction of some great truth below the horizon."

John Wesley himself once prayed, after the revival had about died out for the time: "Oh, Lord, send us the old revival, without the defects; but if this cannot be, send it - with all its defects. We must have the revival."

Adam Clark said: Â"Nature will always, and Satan too, mingle themselves as far as they can, in the genuine work of the Spirit, in order to discredit and destroy it. Nevertheless in great revivals of religion, it is almost impossible to prevent wild-fire from getting in among the true fire.Â"

Dr. Seiss says: "Never, indeed, has there been a sowing of God on earth, but it has been oversown by Satan; or a gro wth for Christ, which the plantings of the wicked one did not mingle with and hinder. He who sets out to find a perfect ch urch, in which there are no unworthy elements, and no disfigurations, proposes to himself a hopeless task."

Re: - posted by Heydave (), on: 2013/5/21 4:48

Greg wrote: "Either way it is clear there have been over 100 conversions and it seems the Lord is working, we praise Hi m for this."

How can you make this statement that it is 'clear'? How can we possibly make a judgment that there have been 100 con versions! Surely only God knows and time will evidence if this the case or not, by lasting fruit.

The comment that Murrcolr posted about the connection to Rodney Howard Brown, et al should another warning of extre me caution about this supposed move.

What I don't quite understand is why many folk on here have immediately assumed this is a move of God, with some err or mixed in. It could be the other way around. A false fire, but God may still touch some lives who are sincere in their sea rch for Him.

I have watched a couple of the sermons by Pastor Richard (and maybe I picked the wrong ones), but what I heard was n ot a clear gospel message or preaching on sin and repentance, but a lot of joking (I mean constantly) and stories. My qu estion would be, if there really is the awesome presence of God there, surely there would be a fear and reverence for G od. You just could not joke your way through a sermon. I'm not against humour and the odd joke to make a point, but not

stand up comedy! Were Duncan Campbell or Evan Roberts joking and flippant like a stand up comedian? I don't think so

Re: - posted by Firetime, on: 2013/5/21 7:18

A decisive factor will probably be wether god tv are going to broadcast it!

"Nightly at 7.00 pm" or whatever, as if God will jump to our timetable....These revival efforts can so easily become like lo urdes or Medugorje, must-do pilgrimage sites. I myself raced here there and everywhere to go to Nathan Morris's meetin gs 2 or 3 years ago, (well before Mobile started), but discovered, in reality it was a pointless excercise, better indeed to s pend my time with my own Bible and in prayer (although of course this is the more demanding, less "glamorous" option....) than expect a preacher to do the short cuts for me and get me an anointing.

I dont think there is any mystery, doesnt God always respond to those who are broken, humble, finished, empty, devoid of pride, ambition or self interestedness? Doesnt He always respond to the preaching of the full on gospel of sin, hell, re pentance, the Blood, regeneration etc, by speaking to sinners and being pleased to save thoise that are willing? Someone somewhere, outside of the God tv/NAR axis has to speak up and confront the lying spirit that is behind decad es of charismatic foolishness and deception.

Re: Move of God happening in South Wales!, on: 2013/5/21 7:45

For anyone desiring to make their own judgement or for a better understanding of things here are a few videos posted over 30 months which may reflect something of life at Victory Church. All of these videos are midweek meetings as opposed to Sunday sermons which are much more formal and aimed at teaching.

With regard to the Rodney Howard Brown so-called connection I have found the basis for it. In late 2011 Tod Bentley "ministered" in Cwmbran at the Two Locks Church. This had nothing to do with Victory Church. The only thing which I am still looking into is the reference by the pastor of the Two Locks Church that his "most anointed" members left to join the Victory Church. I still don't know if this was after or before the Visit by Tod Bentley et al. The significance of this may be obvious but I can state it. Bentley always and always makes a point of laying hands on everyone no matter, including little children so that he can "pass on" the fire. In short I am thinking about what prompted members of the Two Locks church to leave and whether they themselves were prayed for by Bentley before they left. There may have been a separation from this false prophet Bentley, nearly 18 months before this outpouring took place. Victory Church began in April 2010.. One thing is for certain the Two Locks Church is completely under a delusion and has become given over to signs and wonders.

See the link: http://twolocks.com

I would encourage anyone who has a mind to speak about this outpouring to exercise some wisdom altogether before following a discernment which in the end may prove to be false. And I don't mean that the outpouring is false either.

9th December 2010
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mkfcRGn9WW0
13th January 2011
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jClOsLlw3sc
1st September 2012
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bBpv_S_1Ig8&NR=1&feature=endscreer
29th March 2013
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=btYpFnl0TrE

20th April 2013

Preached on the 10th April 2013 this is the start of the present outpouring.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SMfGGSFBUQw

This is a video produced in October 2012 which gives a brief back drop to the Victory Church Campus Ministry and their vision

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UAkqrtZxOgY

The Lord knows. So does SermonIndex LOL. See link:

https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/newbb/viewtopic.php?topic_id=42069&forum=48&4

Edit Addition:

For clarification the reference to Two Locks Church, Cwmbran and Rodney Howard Brown was shared in the post by brother murrcoir earlier in the thread. It was not his comment but was taken from the blog of the Pastor of that Church seeking to have a part in this work of God.

Quote: -----Other comments being said....

Welsh Outpouring! Written by Pastor on May 9, 2013

Truth be told the move of God in Cwmbran right now is easily traced back to Rodney Howard Browne. The anointing went from Rodney to Randy Clar k to Toronto Airport Christian Fellowship. We received the anointing from Christchurch in Cwmbran some eight years ago when they were hosting a sp eaker whose life had been transformed after he visited TACF. Everything then broke out with us in Two Locks Church. Then half a dozen of our anoint ed people started attending Victory Church in Cwmbran and now Victory Church are enjoying the same Holy Ghost visitation as well. The truth is God is behind it all and we praise Him and bless Him and together give Him all the glory. Ever since Acts two the anointing has been past from one person to another and from one generation to another. LORD, we ask you for souls, more LORD.

http://twolocks.com/blog/

Re: - posted by murrcolr (), on: 2013/5/21 9:02

I watched the online stream last night and I can't fault the preaching last night...

But I was also watching carefully those who went out to get prayed for, there was a little old woman sitting in view of the camera, she went out for prayer for healing at the end of the service you see her sitting there were arms shaking uncontrollably and she looked distressed about it so much that the man next to her had to give her a hug...

So here we have a church that message that's preaching is good, but another group of Christins have came in that are a ttached to Tod Bentley's Fresh Fire, a outpouring has started with signs similar to Tod Bentley's fresh Fire/Toronto Bless ing type..

Watch it on live stream... for yourself.

Edit spelling

Re:, on: 2013/5/21 9:32

I have been watching this unfold and I will be honest, I do not like this hand on the head and falling over. It seems to be a formula foreign to genuine revival, and more similar to Toronto blessing. The reason I do not care for it is for a couple of simple reasons, this kind of ministry is not found in Scripture and it puts the onus on the " anointed one," who is puttin g the hand on the head and shouting something to the effect of " fire."

I have no problems with people being "prayed" for and in the process a laying on of hands, but this is not what we see. This attempt at impartation has always been attractive to those who seek "the power," and who consider themselves an ointed.

It would be good for one of the brothers in Britain to be able to go there and give a first hand account. I believe my cousi n will be going, at my request, this coming weekend. I do know something of the Elim pentecostal church in Britian. I know that in Scotland, for the most part, Todd Bentley was completly embraced in Elim circles and this was indicative of a general lack of discernment.bro Frank

Re: - posted by Ceri (), on: 2013/5/21 10:42

My family & I are feeling saddened by the negativity now happening to my post and horrified with the comparisons to the Toronto blessing and Todd Bentley of all people!!

There is absolutely no comparison here!

To share a little of our history with you, my husband & I was deeply hurt by the Toronto outpouring years ago, my husband, who was a leader in our (then) church, and myself were the only couple that stood up for the truth of scripture and ex perienced such hatred that after a year we were asked to leave. This broke my husband's heart as he cared so deeply for our church and fought to keep the truth, we left deeply depressed and in complete shock at the hatred experienced. For the next ten years we were out of church as there wasn't another in our locality we could attend. The Pastor of my family church, which I had left when marrying my husband and moving, showed us such love and concern at the time. Even though we were not members (although my mum & dad were) he loved us and supported us so much and kept a link going. We are now happy back in that church and have moved back.

We asked the Lord to heal that gap of ten years in our family and to have no ill affect on our children, which God has do ne in an amazing way and is even like it had never happened!

Our children are strong with the Lord, our daughter even going this year on missions to Thailand and is having a huge ef fect on the locals in her job as a check out assistant, customers are starting to attend church.

About 5 years ago another storm enterd our lives as this Pastor who cared for us so much retired, and one of our own y oung men became our Pastor. Yet because this young Pastor was born and grew up in our church this caused a rift with the older folk who couldn't, or rather 'wouldn't' come under his leadership.

Folk left and a barrage of critism was aimed at our church, even though our retired Pastor was happy with him and is still with us.

Some folk visiting our house at the time would start this critism of our church but we would ask them not to do so in our home, as how could we expect our kids to be happy and flourish in a church that is being critised in our own home! Today we have outgrown the church building and meet in a school theatre and have a building project. The church has a lot of r espect in the town and has a lot of input socially.

After moving back to my home town to be near man & dad, Victory Outreach Cwmbran came to visit our church as they do regularly, and brought a mini bus full of boys from one of their rehab homes that had given their lives to the Lord. The re wasn't a dry eye as they shared testimonies and sang.

After they went out for lunch (as my parents were away on ministry and know Richard & Cwmbran Victory church) we w ere so honoured to be the home for the group to relax and have a time of sharing with us.

My husband & I were deeply impressed with how the lads were protected by the group leader (now himself a Pastor) and the bible knowledge they had already gained. They were not to take anything we said at face value but were encouraged to question us further on what we shared and to think for themselves if it agreed with scripture.

They meet regularly for bible study but every day scripture teaching and study is essential in the homes. Of course these sessions are not filmed so you won't see them on you tube!!

You say there is no teaching of holiness, sin, repentance but I can assure you there is a deep understanding of such ma tters in that church. How often do hear nowadays preaching on 'the power of the blood of Jesus'?? yet that is what was preached last week when our assistant Pastor & wife were there. Richard is not one to show off the work he does in that church to the world! He is very protective of the community. Richard is such a stickler for the truth of Scripture. He was a sked by the government to remove scripture teaching from their rehab homes, which he point blank refused to do, sayin g that the scripture was the very foundation of these young people's rehabilitation as it was in his life too and is the only way to change lives. Because of his stand on refusing to drop scripture, he lost government funding but The Archbishop of Canterbury office stepped in to support.

Richard would not compromise on the word of God in order to keep his funding! We know God is blessing Richard and h is commitment and stand. He is just as stunned with what is happening!

As I have shared in a previous post our assistant Pastor's wife told me this week that this is nothing at all like you see on TV - no funny business! The presence of God is so heavy that she has never ever experienced anything like this (she's also experienced Benny Hinn meetings!!) She and her husband were deeply moved by the presence of God and the lev el of repentance shown among those going forward - folk were breaking down sobbing during the meeting.

Please don't nit pick due to phraseolgy, wording, humour (our Welsh humour is unique to us! Richard being Welsh,know s how to reach the Welsh) Don't forget even Evan Roberts had his critics and folk set against him - you wouldn't believe i t! Even Lewis Revival had Christians in Lewis praying against it.

Down through history, the Wesleys were kicked out of church and had to preach in fields and market places - William Bo oth treated badly by the church because he cared for the poor and homeless. We are horrified at these accounts in history, yet can end up being the same if not careful.

I say this to myself too, we fought against Toronto in our ex church and we paid a heavy price for the fight! Yet the Lord knows that my hubby & I certainly would not want to be guilty of fighting a genuine move, as many Christians have done in history, we are going to attend to witness this for ourselves and my hubby is praying that he meets with the real prese nce of God and will be healed of the effects of the heart break that he suffered 20 years ago due to Toronto.

Re: - posted by pilgrim777, on: 2013/5/21 11:02

Quote:

------How can you make this statement that it is 'clear'? How can we possibly make a judgment that there have been 100 conversions! S urely only God knows and time will evidence if this the case or not, by lasting fruit.

The Church has been "conditioned" to believe that the manifestation of revival is the number of conversions rather than an uncompromising holy life that is being presently tested.

I will take notice of a "revival" when I see the fruit of it. Liquor and porn businesses closing, church officials and city officials repenting, churches on opposite sides of the street becoming one, divorced christians, reconciling, etc, etc.

Revival is not revival if it is just about nickels, noses and numbers within the church walls and everything remains the sa me outside of them amongst the people of the town and the 3 churches on the other corners of the block.

My comments are general in nature and are not directed to what is happening in Wales. I have not seen any videos, but just wanted to make a comment on the nature of "revival".

There is a "revival" franchising today whose goal only seems to be to stir up the folks within the church to be better churc h-goers and tithers and bring their friends and families in. Almost like a multi-level marketing business.

I think if people saw true revival where entire towns were turned upside down for Christ and people truly started living ho ly lives, that many Christians (who are religious and worldly) would persecute the revival and say they are being too "extreme".

True revival would actually scare a lot of "church-goers" and they would not buy into it. Because it would mean they would have to give up their idols and come clean.

If large portions of the town's unbelievers did get saved, many of them would shine the light on so-called "Christians" tha

t were cavorting with them (in darkness), yet going to church.

Ceri, if God is moving you don't have defend the movement of the Holy Spirit. This is just an insignificant forum and I would not let what is written here cause you to lose your peace or rest in God.

Pilgrim

BE CAREFUL ABOUT THE TRAJECTORY IT IS TAKING... - posted by Renoncer, on: 2013/5/21 12:13

Whether what is happening is a work of God, the flesh, or the devil, I do not know.

What I do know is that we must be careful about the transformation that is currently happening, or in other words, the traj ectory it is taking.

You see, let's assume that God really did heal a man on that first day. That would be wonderful! However, does that me an that God will continue healing while there is a buzz going on? I mean, really, why do we assume that God works best where there is a buzz? There was no buzz when that man was healed! (assuming he was really healed)

We should be careful, lest those with bad doctrine take over the "movement" which in the end will result in delusion due to the nonsense that goes under the name of a work of God.

Why do you think Jonathan Edwards called for discernment during the Great Awakening? Why do you think he didn't want things to take an ugly turn? It's because there is the real danger that enthusiasts will take over and turn people away from the central Christian faith.

If God is really moving powerfully, then GREAT! Just continue preaching the GOSPEL (not miracles), administering the sacraments, keeping ORDER in the Church (both during the assembly and in terms of the officers of the Church shephe rding and disciplining the flock), and keep everything in proper proportions.

Otherwise, the result will be a perversion of the Christian faith, an emphasis on that which attracts but does not save.

The point is: Be careful of the trajectory that the "movement" is taking...

In Christ, Renoncer

Re:, on: 2013/5/21 12:13

Sister Ceri writes......

"Yet the Lord knows that my hubby & I certainly would not want to be guilty of fighting a genuine move, as many Christia ns have done in history, we are going to attend to witness this for ourselves and my hubby is praying that he meets with the real presence of God and will be healed of the effects of the heart break that he suffered 20 years ago due to Toront o."

Amen sister, I look forward to your report.....bro Frank

Can I be honest? - posted by dohzman (), on: 2013/5/21 13:38

I believe we tend to get to superstitious when it comes to the things of God and the church. Just look at what it has endu red over the last 20 years let alone 2000. Jesus said "He" would build "HIS" church and the gates of hell would not.......T he major trouble is that while discernment, I believe, is necessary those individuals who seem to speak out the most do not seem to have any relevant move of God in their lives. So we end up micro managing the move of God and help ship wreck the faith of many with a doctrine of doubt. Now that is not to say that what some are saying is not relevant, but the fruit is in the leadership, the souls being saved, the lives being touched and transformed, and honestly? It really is to soo n to make any real judgement call. It would be wonderful if just once we saw the Christian community stand together with nothing to gain from this move, and simply pray that he Lord would be Honored and glorified in this, that those present would simply fall in Love with who Jesus is, was and will be.

Re: Can I be honest? - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2013/5/21 16:01

Sister Ceri writes.....

"Yet the Lord knows that my hubby & I certainly would not want to be guilty of fighting a genuine move, as many Christia ns have done in history"

Amen sister.

What's in a name?, on: 2013/5/21 16:11

Calling these events 'Outpourings' is an attempt to mitigate the discrepencies between what goes on and historical reports of true revivals. I believe the last true revival was the Hebredian one.

In true revival, one or two persons are entirely sanctified, and begin to teach this doctrine and witness to a pure heart. This brings repentance to believers when they hear that their sins are not tolerable in the eyes of God. The effect in the surrounding area is astounding. Unbelievers are drawn in and converted but the emphasis is on the revial of believers and holiness. Not healing, or anything else. It is all about Jesus being Sanctifier, now and in an instant.

Since the holiness movement began to disintergrate, we have the pseudo revivals going on. I am sure the men involved are genuine and devout believers (though they will reject ES) and I am not being judgemental or kill joy, as I have been subject to Satans deceptions myself and would love to see revival.

The name has changed but the game is still supposed to be the same. It is not. It is an outbreak of Pentecostalism/chari smania. Wesley would turn in his grave.

Can We Call a Spade a Spade? - posted by Oracio (), on: 2013/5/21 16:13

After watching and listening to a few sermons from Richard Taylor and a few other preachers there, and having watched some of the footage of the services, I hate to sound like a naysayer but I believe HeyDave and pilgrim777 and brother Fr ank have raised valid concerns.

I don't see any serious heresies being preached there though there are concerns on some questionable statements. But I don't believe it is genuine revival preaching. Some of the themes they preach on will no doubt encourage the saints in some ways, but they will not hear much truth which they need to hear.

I really hate to put it this way but what I believe I discerned was much emotional hype and a watered down gospel being preached with background music catering to the emotions mainly. This whole thing seems typical of many mainline Pent ecostal churches; a lot of emphasis on healing and signs and wonders, no preaching on sin righteousness and judgment, no preaching of repentance and holiness(Richard Taylor seems to have a distaste for such kind of preaching). He emphasizes preaching only "good news". ItÂ's not the whole counsel of GodÂ's Word. ItÂ's a feel good ear tickling messa ge with a lot of joking and emotional appeals.

I'm not against the emphasis pentecostalism places on being on fire for God, I believe that's good. I'm not a cessationist regarding the gifts of the Spirit. And I too would love to see a true move of God, a true revival or awakening. But I've bee n duped by a lot of false revivals and church experiences within Pentecostalism. I've come to learn that it's okay to quest ion certain things and test them in light of the truth. It's not legalism or phariseeism or quenching the Spirit. If it's genuine it will stand up against scrutiny.

Regarding supposed conversions, I do not believe itÂ's wise to say automatically that 100s of people were saved simply because they went forward during an altar call, even if they showed tears. I have seen too many times how such hype of supposed conversions causes more damage than good. This is typical of modern day evangelistic crusades or church o utreaches. I have known firsthand how most of the people who go forward fall away shortly afterward.

May God grant us all discernment in these last days of great deception within churches.

Re: Can We Call a Spade a Spade?, on: 2013/5/21 18:54

I arrived in Cwmbran this evening UK time at 21:00 towards the end of this evenings meeting. The atmosphere was dign ified and sober and the worship was peaceful and anointed. I was immediately able to enter in and felt no anxiety whats oever. I stayed for one hour and went back to my hotel room for the night.

The Lord was worshiped and there was no excess or familiarity, everything was peaceful and in order. I will stay for tom orrow as the Lord leads and share again.

I would like to say that Richard has openly stated that this is not yet a revival. He understands very well the difference be tween what is happening here at the moment and what happened in the 1905 Welsh revival. The term outpouring may well be misleading in the sense that it could be made to mean revival as some have understood that way of God moving on a people or a city or a nation. I have lived in the Hebrides and met several men and women who were saved in that revival. Even when I lived there it was possible to comprehend a unique sense of God's presence when in the spirit. I haven't borne witness to that here, but I was blessed and bear witness to a peace, calmness and dignity. I saw a number of young men who looked as though they could individually fight a whole rugby team. They were clearly the rough diamonds of the Lord. As an ex offender myself I knew who they were. Yet they were sober, clean, manly and pleasing.

Praise the Lord. It reminds me of the old style pentecostal meetings of 30 years ago. There were mothers with babies, gr andmothers, fathers and many children and teenagers. It was a real family of men and women in the Lord. Very pleasing

Re: - posted by brothagary, on: 2013/5/21 21:19

im looking forward to hear about what you witness brother Andrew wile there ,,,,,, blessings

Re: - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2013/5/21 22:52

"The Lord was worshiped and there was no excess or familiarity, everything was peaceful and in order. I will stay for tom orrow as the Lord leads and share again."

Thank you brother and sister Ceri for first hand reports, not mere speculation, of what is going on in Cwmbran.

Mike

Re:, on: 2013/5/21 23:21

Great report from bro Andrew. I look forward to hearing more. They will be blessed to have you there as well brother.Bro Frank

Ps If it were old style Pentecostal meetings from 30 years ago that would be a great blessing in and of itself.

Re:, on: 2013/5/22 1:17

Pleased to hear it is not being called a revival by the church itself though many others may be doing so. In the past this has resulted in folk not understanding what true revival is, and therefore not seeking it. What dark days we are in but ho pefully holiness will be sought.

Re: - posted by Ceri (), on: 2013/5/22 6:25

AMRKelly - Thank you! Thank You! Thank you! for your positive feedback. So thrilled you visited and had a blest time. I will share your news with my husband & brother.

I know I felt so upset at people going down the line of likening it to Toronto & Todd Bentley as I know Richard is not of th at line and was panicing that his reputation was being unjustly tainted here, as I mentioned in my previous post, the you ng men you mentioned had a day at our house, relaxing and chatting - so true they are as rough diamonds - but still dia monds! They were brilliant and I was so touched at how they couldn't thank us enough for opening up our home to them and sharing hospitality.

Thank you too PILGRIM for your statement that I do not have to defend the work of the Holy Spirit, I'm afraid I'm my fath er's daugher on times and get as passionate as he did - it's the Welsh blood! and sometimes I need reminding of that fac

t! My husband says the same to me too on times.

Re: - posted by Heydave (), on: 2013/5/22 7:38

Hi Ceri,

I'm sorry if you thought I was likening it to Todd Bently or Toronto. What I have seen is not the same as those, However what I said was that encouraging (Christian) folk to come and visit from all around the world to get an impartation is akin to Toronto and Pensecola etc.

I have not visited as amrkelly, but I did watch the live link last night and probably saw more that amrkelly as he only got t here at 9.00 for 1 hour. I am not doubting the sincerity of those involved like Richard or the young men mentioned, but ju st commenting on what I have seen. I don't think you have to visit to make a clear call on what you can clearly see on the live link.

This is my appraisal of what I watched live last night:

The worship which was led by the guest preacher went on for over an hour and was very much repeating contemporary song verses over and over again. He then shared his testimony, which I thought was OK and then gave an invitation for people to pray a prayer of salvation, which resulted in a number coming forward for counselling. He then preached a me ssage which was all focused around having faith for healing, signs and wonders etc. Around 9.30 I switched off, so don't know what happened after this.

I have now watched 4 sermons (including last nights) and what I have seen does not seem to match what is being report ed by those claiming a move of God. As Oracio said, I have also seen too many of these supposed outpourings become just a signs and wonders focused event.

Just to make clear, I was born again through a charismatic house church movement over 30 years ago and I know and h ave experience a lot of similar stuff, although I never accepted any of the hype that has dogged this and the Pentecostal movement over recent years. I still believe the gifts are for today and enjoy many contemporary worship songs. So I am not an anti-Pentecostal, but most Pentecostal and charismatic churches today have become un-biblical in their doctrines and practice.

Re: - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2013/5/22 8:26

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2013/5/22 9:40

Even the pastor of this church in Wales is not claiming that a revival is taking place. One thing that you cannot imitate is the true presence of God. Where the Sprit of the Lord is there is liberty. Men and women will be saved, they will be set fr ee, and they will be healed both inwardly and outwardly. The true presence of God cannot be hyped up. So once again, I et's not throw out the baby with the bathwater.

Mike

Quote: 	Ps If it were old style Pentecostal meetings from 30 years ago that would be a great blessing in and of itself.
I would rathe	r be in one 100 years ago :)

Re:, on: 2013/5/22 9:51

Hi sister Ceri.

I am afraid that nowadays everything has to be verified, especially in the States. We are living in days of great confusion , and scrutiny and discernment is certainly needed. If one's heart is right, one should never have to apologize for being c areful. 20 years ago, so many were attacked for being critical of the Toronto movement. Just recently the same thing ha ppened again with Todd Bentley. It was suggested that those critical of these people and movements were Spirit quench ers, Pharisees and legalists. And , while there are such people and they are always busy about their work, being critical of anything that is emotional or has the sign gifts, there are good people, like Andrew Strom and others, pentecostals for lack of another adjective, who bravely defend Biblical truths and refuse to be swayed by anything that is not Biblically so und. I too count myself in that number, believing and operating in the sign gifts of the Holy Spirit and unashamed of that.................................bro Frank

Re:, on: 2013/5/22 10:13

This morning I have spent a few hours sharing with a sister who manages one the the Victory Outreach UK centres which houses and mentors ex-offenders. We shared across a number of subjects. Lisa was very interested with my question s regarding Tod Bentley and his visit to Cwmbran 18 months ago. As I had realised Victory church had no part in that visit. In fact Lisa shared that four years ago when Richard became National Director for Victory Outreach UK he took her to one side and specifically shared about Tod Bentley and warned her to have no part in his ministry. So it seems that Rich ard separated himself from Bentley over two years before Bentley even came to Cwmbran. Thats quiet something when you think about it.

I am open minded to what is happening here and realise from what I have seen today that everyone here are simple me n and women. People are just going about their day to day lives and trusting the Lord to finish what he started on the 10t h April, whatever that turns out to be. No one has hyped anything to me and I have spoken with the senior pastor here a s well. My discernment is that there is a desire for this to be the beginning of something akin to a genuine revival, but a r ealisation that nothing can be achieved by hyping events up. In the end I have no doubt that it is the heart which matters and discernment of those who are leading this work in Cwmbran. The willingness of the members of this church to supp ort their pastors is really evident. As is the trust and respect. In the end the Lord knows the heart and He will do that whi ch He will do. I don't doubt that there is a field prepared for anything the Lord intends to do here in Cwmbran. To that en d we need to pray that the enemy does not come in, and that the Lord has His way with men.

Re: - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2013/5/22 10:43

Ps If it were old style Pentecostal meetings from 30 years ago that would be a great blessing in and of itself.

I would rather be in one 100 years ago :)

Amen Greg! Because back then there was such an awesome presence of God, that the pretenders did not have a chanc e. It was obvious to everyone when there was showmanship and hype displayed.

I have been in some very loud meetings, and some of them were of God and others were not. I have also been in meetings where there was an awesome silence that came over the place for a long period of time. You were afraid to move, for you felt that anything of man would quench the Spirit. I was in an AOG church one time when the presence of God was so very powerful, there was no preaching, but much prayer and worshipping the Lord. I felt like something extraordinary was going to happen, then the pastor said, "it's time to take up the offering." It felt like he had just taken a large hose a nd quenched any fire that was in the place.

Mike

Re: - posted by dohzman (), on: 2013/5/22 10:59

Thank you for these reports from Wales. They have indeed been very precious to my soul, you have no idea.

Re: Tommy Tenney - posted by murrcolr (), on: 2013/5/22 12:22

It was at this time that Pastor Richard's friend Tommy Tenney visited. Tommy took Richard with him to London to visit a Black church. He invited Richard to share in the meeting, and as he did so the Spirit of God came powerfully upon the p eople. An amazing time in to presence of God followed, which went beyond what Richard had experienced before. He tri ed to hand the meeting back to Tommy, but the older man encouraged him to keep going for it. The church experienced a powerful time of encountering the presence of God, which brought many into wholeness and a new experience of free dom.

Afterwards, sitting in a car together, Tommy explained at length to Richard all that he had learned from God concerning t he message of the book of Esther – specifically about bringing your enemy Haman into the presence of the king in ord er to know release and freedom. It was a special time of impartation for Richard in which Tommy encouraged him to pre ss in with Victory Church to more of the presence of God; and it provided Pastor Richard with vital insight to facilitate bre akthrough.

Meanwhile, Victory had been going through difficult times. In addition to the loss of impetus in the all-important Encounte r meetings, there were a number of serious illnesses and pastoral challenges among the congregation. Richard felt they were under spiritual attack, and felt that they church needed to go on the offensive. The lessons from Tommy concerning the Book of Esther seemed to provide a key. Richard decided to call the church together at the next Encounter meeting to press in together to God to see fresh breakthrough come. They would tackle head on the outbreak of serious illness, and Richard would pray for the sick for healing.

After sharing the Haman message from the Book of Esther, Pastor Richard went to lay hands on an older man called Pa ul. Paul had been in a car accident ten years before which had left him completely unable to use his legs. He was confin ed to a wheelchair, unable even to stand. As Pastor Richard laid hands on him, he felt tremendous heat in his hands. He prayed, and noticed a short while, noticed that Paul was moving his legs from side to side. Paul then suddenly stood up f or the first time in ten years. He realised God had completely and totally healed him. Amazed and overjoyed, he lifted th e wheelchair in which he had been imprisoned for so many years above his head and ran with it halfway round the churc h before putting it down, and continuing the rest of the way at full speed. It was the moment that the Outpouring effective ly began.

http://daibach-welldigger.blogspot.com.es/2013/04/the-cwmbran-outpouring-continues.html#!/2013/04/the-cwmbran-outpouring-continues.html

Armkelly just a few questions, don't know if you will get the chance to ask...

1. It was a special time of impartation for Richard in which Tommy encouraged him to press in with Victory Church to mo re of the presence of God

What was this impartation..? Did he recieve it from Tommy Tenney?

2. The church experienced a powerful time of encountering the presence of God.

I have heard them say at there meetings seeking the presence, how do the seek it?

3. I have heard them mentioning soaking in his precence.

What do they mean by soaking in his precence. How do they practise soaking...

4. I hear them say a lot in the meetings only Jesus

Are they oneness pentecostals? Do they baptize people in Jesus name only...

5. Tommy Tenney

Are they aware that Tommy Tenney is connected with Toronto Airport Vineyard and was a speaker at one of the leaders hip confrences?

6. Are there ex-members of Two-locks church now attending Victory church as reported?

Edit:- Spelling

Re: brother Colin wrote:, on: 2013/5/22 13:19

QUOTE: I am afraid that nowadays everything has to be verified, especially in the States. We are living in days of great confusion, and scrutiny and discernment is certainly needed. If one's heart is right, one should never have to apologize f or being careful. 20 years ago, so many were attacked for being critical of the Toronto movement. Just recently the sam e thing happened again with Todd Bentley. It was suggested that those critical of these people and movements were Spi rit quenchers, Pharisees and legalists.QUOTE

Discerning the spirits is not just a modern day phenomena, it should be expected by those involved in any potential move of God at any time or place, and more so welcomed. Any reluctance makes one think that the people involved are of the attitude that the events belong to them somehow and any questioning, is rather like someone coming into your home and questioning the decor. If God is moving then all believers are deeply impacted and involved and especially those in the UK who may have to answer questions by unbelievers about what is going on.

It is also rather arrogant to think one cannot be deceived and this is a danger when one is deep in the midst of it and out side views should be welcomed especially from those who have studied revival for a long time and in depth.

Checking out the history of the leaders and influences is part of this. Tommey Tenney has some question marks over him especially over his quotes that the written word is `old love letters in a dusty book`. Although it is to be applauded for be elievers to want to know the presence of God, it is a slippery slope to think that there can be anything which cannot be verified by scripture and Tenney skirts the issue too closely for me.

I am not a cessationist, nor a charismatic though I have attended charismatic and Pentecostal churches, enough to kno w that both sides are biased.

Colin's questions are very relevent and important.

QUOTE:

TenneyÂ's View of the Holy Scriptures John 17:17

Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

God chasers have a lot in common. Primarily, they are not interested in camping out on some dusty truth known to everyone. They are after the fresh presence of the Almighty. . .If youÂ're a God chaser, you wonÂ't be happy to simply follow GodÂ's tracks. You will follow them until you apprehend His presence. (Introduction, bold type added).

Biblical truth and doctrinal truth are denigrated from the bookÂ's introduction to its last chapter. Tenney believes in the erroneous concept of "Present Day Truth" (PDT).

The Bible is where God has been, but the goal of TenneyA's God Chaser is to go beyond the Bible to where God is.

The difference between the truth of God and revelation is very simple. Truth is where GodÂ's been. Revelation is whe re God is. Truth is GodÂ's tracks. ItÂ's His trail, His path, but it leads to what? It leads to Him. Perhaps the masses of pe ople are happy to know where God has been, but true God chasers are not content just to study GodÂ's trail, His truths; they want to know Him. (Introduction, bold type added).

The Bible is the past, it is where God has been. Biblical truth is GodÂ's tracks, the trail He has left. However, true God

Chasers are not content just to study GodÂ's truths (the Bible), they want to know Him.

To begin with Mr. TenneyÂ's view of truth is incorrect. God & truth are inseparable. Truth is one of the aspects of God Â's nature, theologically referred to as His verity:

When God is called the truth, this is to be understood in its most comprehensive sense. He is the truth first of all in a metaphysical sense, that is, in Him the idea of the Godhead is perfectly realized; He is all that He as God should be. . .H e is also the truth in an ethical sense, and as such reveals Himself as He really is, so that His revelation is absolutely reli able. (Systematic Theology, Louis, Berkhof, pg. 69).

Truth by its very nature is eternal and unchanging. If something was ever true, it is true today. Somehow the God Cha ser (who is not content to study the passé truth of the Bible) is seeking a direct experience of God apart from the Script ures. The God Chaser, according to Tenney, knows there is more to knowing God than the Bible can supply.

A true God chaser is not happy with just past truth he must have present truth. God chasers donÂ't want to just study from the moldy pages of what God has done; theyÂ're anxious to see what God is doing. (Introduction, bold type added)

The Bible is more than enough to satisfy the soul of this variety of God Chaser. TenneyÂ's God Chaser must be fed a diet of present truth. Where does this truth come from? What form does it take? How can it be verified as being true? These are questions Mr. Tenney does not answer.

What is especially upsetting is the manner in which he continually refers to the Bible. In just two pages he has referre d to it as: (1) dusty truth and (2) the moldy pages of what God has done. The past is interesting and it has its place in Te nneyÂ's thinking, but what is of paramount importance is to see what God is doing now.

There is a vast difference between present truth and past truth. IÂ'm afraid that most of what the Church has studied is past truth, and very little of what we know is present truth. (Introduction).

Tenney makes a non-existent distinction between "past" and "present" truth. Since God Himself is the fount of all truth , and He is eternal, neither past, present or future — how can "truth" be considered past or present? To believe such a thing is epistemological suicide!

According to the "Tenney interpretation" most of what the Church has studied is the Bible (aka past/dusty/moldy truth) but knows little of present truth. Present truth accordingly exists somewhere outside the confines of the 66 books which all truly orthodox Christians call the "Bible."

We have studied GodÂ's Word and His old love letters to the churches so much that some of us claim to know all about God. (Pg. 1, bold type added).

I have never heard anyone claim to know all about God. Tenney is advocating some other means than biblical study a s the method by which we can know God. As a former charismatic extremist I am very familiar with his line of reasoning which can be boiled down to the following statement:

By studying the Bible one can at best know about God. There is a vast difference between knowing God and knowing about God. Knowing God comes through direct power encounters and through biblical study. These power encounters a re usually of a variety which cannot be found within the context of the dusty moldy pages of GodÂ's past tracks.

This is a false argument, it presupposes that knowing about God through His Word is something different than really k nowing God. The only manner in which any believer can know truly know God is through His Word. It is by His Word that we are to judge any and all spiritual experiences. The reason for the confusion and heresy within any Christian group is very simple — they have sought to know God apart from the scriptures and the end result has always been disastrous.

I donÂ't care how much you know about the Bible, or what you know about Him. . .IÂ'm afraid we have satiated our hunger for Him by reading old love letters from Him in the Epistles of the New Testament. (Pg. 15, bold type added).

Tenney continues to downplay the centrality of biblical study in the life of the believer. He continues to refer to GodÂ's holy and inerrant Word as "old" love letters. What he does not tell the reader is what they are to study in order to come t o this subjective alleged knowledge of God. Tenney, like all extremists bases his argument solely on experience and not solid biblical footings:

But a man with an experience is never at the mercy of a man with only an argument. . . If we can lead people into the manifest presence of God, all false theological houses of cards will tumble down. (Pg. 20, bold type added).

This is one of the favorite arguments of the extremist "personal experience is superior to rationality." TenneyÂ's view c an be restated in the following manner: "lÂ've had an experience and you cannot talk me out of it regardless of what the old love letters may state to the contrary."

Muhammad had an "experience." Joseph Smith alleged to have seen an angel, Kenneth Hagin claims Jesus appeared to him 9 times, Mary K. Baxter claims Jesus took her to hell for 40 days, "Rev." Moon claims Jesus appeared to him and told him complete His "failed" mission. All these folks had "experiences" and all of them were deceived by them, and we nt on to deceive others based on the powerful effect their experiences had on them.

Experience is not the final court of appeal. In fact, experience is the weakest argument anyone can make.

• Personal experiences are just that, personal and thus subjective and as such they are unable to be independently verified.

• All of our personal experiences are perceived through fallen corrupted senses which are untrustworthy. Thus any s piritual experience should be closely questioned. How? By seeking verification within the context of scripture.

WeÂ've become satisfied with church proceeding in the dim "normal and status quo" mode. We just keep going through the motions, lighting the lamps and shuffling from dusty room to dusty room as if God was still speaking to us. (Pg. 31, boldtype added).

The Church has become "satisfied" with merely reading the Word of God, studying the Bible (shuffling from dusty room to dusty room, i.e. the books of the Bible). . .as if God was still speaking to as! That is a blasphemous concept of the Church and of GodÂ's Word. The last time I checked into a "dusty mom" called Ephesians I learned Jesus Christ is still in control of His Church: QUOTE

http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/GodChasers.htm

Re: - posted by Firetime, on: 2013/5/22 14:17

I just wanted to clarify, when I said earlier

"Someone somewhere, outside of the God tv/NAR axis has to speak up and confront the lying spirit that is behind decad es of charismatic foolishness and deception"

Please note this wasnt directed at the leadership of Victory church Cwmbran. I was not and am not definately accusing t hem of operating under a lying spirit, or of promoting foolishness and deception. (MAYBE they are, maybe NOT, that still needs to be considered). But I have learned to be skeptical nowadays. I will trust my Bible and time spent in prayer over any "experience" or "manifestation", I no longer feel the need to chase after a new experience or spiritual high at the late st "hotspot". If that works for other people fine (LOL When Mobile kicked off I actually seriously considered travelling out there....)

Lets not forget in the very same passage where Jesus mentioned the narrow path to life and the broad road to destructions, he warns about the false prophets, the wolves in sheeps clothing, inwardly ravening wolves. There HAVE been decades of charismatic foolishness, HTB, Sunderland, Toronto, Lakeland etc the result of which has been a steady and inexorable downgrading and weakening of the full gospel message in favour of experience, encounter and manifestations-an alpha course gospel and a purpose driven church....

Re: - posted by pilgrim777, on: 2013/5/22 15:17 Quote: -----Quote: Ps If it were old style Pentecostal meetings from 30 years ago that would be a great blessing in and of itself. Quote: -----I would rather be in one 100 years ago :) Better still, why not 2,000 years ago? What was it about the "early church" that is not characteristic of today's church? Hmmm, where do we start? Re: - posted by ADisciple (), on: 2013/5/22 15:47 "Better still, why not 2,000 years ago?" Even better still, let's look to what God has ahead. Re: - posted by pilgrim777, on: 2013/5/22 15:48 Quote: -----"Better still, why not 2,000 years ago?" Even better still, let's look to what God has ahead. I was hoping someone would latch onto that thought! "The glory of the latter house...."

Re: , on: 2013/5/22 17:15

Yes brother, I fully expect to see the glory of God manifested in His people the likes of which the world has never seen. When the enemy comes in like a flood The Lord will raise up a mighty standard so that the world will see the glory of Go d and His children's love for one another.bro Frank

Re:, on: 2013/5/22 19:06

Hi Murrcoir. I will ask the questions about Tommy Tenney in the morning before I set off back home to Cornwall. Before I left the meeting this evening I had a conversation with two ladies. Mother and daughter. They were typically shy welsh w omen, but unstoppable once you got them started. LOL. Actually they were really very nice and genuine women. The m om shared a few things which relate to the article in the link you provided regarding the children who came under the po wer of the holy spirit a year ago.

She asked her son afterwards what had happened to him after he fell on to the floor at that meeting along with a number of other children without having hands laid on them at all. He described a sense of being unable to move but was at pea ce and he shared with his mom that a light was shinning into his eyes which were closed. It grew stronger until he event ually felt a need to ask "someone" to stop shinning the torch in his eyes. He found that he could open his eyes. Then aft er a while he was on his feet and went home quiet normal. His sister was also blessed at the same meeting and betwee n the mom, daughter and son they ganged up on their (unbelieving) dad to press him to accept Christ. The boy hasn't be en the same since and is apparently just nine years old. This week the dad got saved as well. So in one year the whole f

amily has been saved.

I have to say that this move is so matter of fact it almost belies what is happening. Without speaking to these folks perso nally it would be easy to miss what has happened. Even the meeting this evening was so matter of fact. I found myself w ondering where the anointing was. Yet there were approximately 400 people of which at least 100 came forward for pray er. Of these a number, but by no means a great many do end up on the floor. I happened to be right behind the pastors chairs this evening because although I took a seat at the very back (normal for me) I was specifically asked to sit at the f ront with the leaders. I have no idea why, except that the sister who asked me had spent several hours with me during the day. She like everyone here is so down to earth. They are all to a man straight forward ordinary and real people. I thin k I was probably the most well dressed person there.

The team work is really visible, yet discreet. The lads who have been saved from the prison ministry do all the common t asks. There are four pastors and several others who seem to join in as the need arises. The remarkable thing tonight is t his. Richard is away fishing! Really he is having a few days fishing. He has left everything in the hands of others and gon e off for a rest. In contrast in the first two weeks he moved a bed into his office so he could sleep there.

It would be so easy to simply say that things are just as they were 30 years ago when I attended meetings every week w hich were as full as this evenings meeting was. And whilst that is true, one cannot help but wonder what this will become . Will it become more truly revival or is it a learning process. A time of learning! I still have to say that my own discernme nt is that this is a learning process in the sense that it may be teaching this church how to conduct themselves in a mann er which does not lead to stumbling. Having said this the scotsman who preached tonight, a former heroin addict, did em ploy a form of words which placed a great deal of emphasis on healing. Then at another moment he shared about the bl ood of Jesus in a really sound way. The whole truth is here, but there is a learning process taking place.

I found myself thinking more than once that the gospel could have been preached in a more focused and simple way wit h out making reference to healing's or personal past problems contrasting present problems as a basis for receiving Chri st. I have always believed that Christ Himself should be preached and nothing else whatsoever. Then the Holy Spirit trul y is Sovereign and people who are saved ought to be truly saved. There were seven people who responded to the preaching tonight and I observed most of them come forwards after they had indicated with their hands that they wanted to receive Christ. I have to say that I saw no repentance of sins and no visible reason to suppose that they had just had an encounter with God. Then I had the thought, "what did I look like after I was saved?". I realised that to others probably not a lot different to these folks tonight. So it isn't possible to judge things in this way.

What is possible to say however, is that were this a revival after the likes of the Isle of Lewis and Wales 1905 the differe nce would be visible. This is why I say that I feel these brethren are in a learning process. I was even mad enough to all ow the main pastor to lay hands on me. I felt it was the least I could do having spent some of the day in his face. He kne w I was testing, but he was gracious enough to overlook it. So he got to lay hands on me as a kind of revenge. LOL. Nee dless to say I didn't hit the deck! All in all I was in fact really blessed. The worship was good and especially so when one realises that very few of the local church were there. It was almost entirely brethren unknown to one another. Yet there was an undoubted peace and unity throughout.

I understand the point about deception and false prophets and so on as well as anyone does. I have dealt with such me n who were truly destructive a number of times head on. I don't take prisoners when I can see real abuse and deception. I haven't discerned any adverse thoughts or had an real concerns other than the fact that the preaching is a bit useless f or a true revival. Yet were this or indeed if revival came then there would be a very good reason to be truly humbled and dependant on God in the fear of the Lord. In short these are genuine brethren ministering just as they always have done and seem determined not to fake it. Let God be God and men be faithful.

Re:, on: 2013/5/22 20:08

Great report brother Andrew, I was blessed by the soundness of it, may The Lord bless you,.....bro Frank

Re: - posted by Oracio (), on: 2013/5/22 23:17

Thanks Amrkelly, I believe your report was honest and well-balanced.

Just felt I should clarify a few things lest I be misunderstood. I do not doubt that the man in the wheelchair was healed by God and I praise God for that! And it seems that that powerful event has played a huge part in igniting the faith of belie vers in that church and others who are aware of it. This is great! We need more child-like faith in God! He is the same ye sterday today and forever! Supposedly there have been other miraculous healings though there is no concrete verification for them.

That said, I cannot help having serious reservations for a number of reasons, especially after knowing that Richard Tayl or has close ties with Tommy Tenney and that he received an "impartation" and "revelation" directly from him just prior to this "outpouring". Tenney does indeed have a background in the oneness pentecostal demonination which denies the Tr inity. Victory Church does not hold to the oneness doctrine according to their church website. Tenney is known for placin g too much emphasis on personal experiences and denegrating God's Word. Sadly to say that is all too often the case in many pentecostal/charismatic churches. Here is an article that goes into some detail on Tenney's beliefs and teachings(Disclaimer: I do not fully agree with the article's seeming denegration of powerful encounters with God; I believe balance is needed; but I believe it raises and deals good with valid concerns on the need for reverence of God's Word)

http://www.equip.org/articles/the-god-chaser/

I believe Amrkelly is spot on regarding the weak preaching of the leaders there. For example, in this sermon Richard Ta ylor bases his message on the account of Noah and the flood, and puts a sad twist on that account:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zsDHYP6LTtw

In that sermon Richard Taylor completely avoids any mention of the severe judgment that took place in that account. Ins tead, at the start of the sermon he likens the flood rain to the outpouring of the Spirit upon believers. Then, throughout the sermon he goes off on a tangent of past church experiences as a leader.

Sadly, that kind of man-centered preaching seems to be typical of Richard Taylor. I am not saying he is a false teacher. But he is not much different than many preachers you see on tv who preach a soft message mostly.

On another positive note I will say this; out of all the preachers there I liked Kenny Brandie the most:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u-TYf2SoMik&list=PLA261D5D569B6EE4F

Kenny Brandie seems to almost get it in terms of preaching on the holiness of God and the sinfulness of man. I say almo st because he seems a bit reserved or as if holding back from boldly proclaiming those truths. I can symphathize with hi m because many Christians and churches are not used to hearing those truths and sometimes get offended by the prea ching of them.

I will be praying that Richard Taylor and other leaders there would realize the need to preach other needed truths from G od's Word, so that God may be glorified all the more in their midst.

Re: - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2013/5/22 23:48

Brother Andrew,

Thank you very much for your report from these meetings in Wales.

I would like to make a few comments about Tommy Tenny. He lives in Louisiana, and I have been to several services w here he ministered, and also have read his book "God Chasers". Tommy Tenny was raised in a oneness Pentecostal Ch urch, but no longer holds to that doctrine. Also, he does emphasize very much, seeking after God and entering into the p resence of the Lord. I have not found that he taught anything that is not in line with the Word of God.

As far as the laying on of hands and impartation is concerned, this is very scriptural and is one of the basic doctrines of the faith according to Hebrews 6:2. Spiritual gifts are imparted by the laying on of hands. (1 Timothy 4:14), as well as the baptism of the Holy Spirit. (Acts 8:17).

Mike

Re: - posted by Oracio (), on: 2013/5/22 23:56

AbideinHim wrote:

Quote:					
Tommy	Tenny was raised in a	oneness Pentecostal	Church, but no l	onger holds to th	nat doctrine

Brother, are you absolutely sure about that? Have you read or heard him clearly affirming the Trinity? I ask because it se ems that the evidence points to him still holding to oneness theology even though he's not connected with the UPC any more.

Re:, on: 2013/5/23 5:53

breaking my heart with Joy!!!!

"Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!" Psalm 107:8

Re: - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2013/5/23 7:31

"Brother, are you absolutely sure about that? Have you read or heard him clearly affirming the Trinity? I ask because it s eems that the evidence points to him still holding to oneness theology even though he's not connected with the UPC any more."

Brother,

Tommy Tenny gets many invitations to Non Denominational and AOG Churches. I can assure you that he would not be invited if he were holding to the Oneness Pentecostal doctrine. I have never heard him teach clearly on the Trinity but have also not heard him say anything that would lead me to believe that he still held to the oneness Pentecostal beliefs.

Tommy Tenny has a heart for revival, pursuing God, hungering and thirsting after God, knowing God in an intimate relationship, and if that is wrong then I am guilty of all of the above.

Mike

Re: - posted by rufnrust (), on: 2013/5/23 7:35

HeyDave is complaining about repeating contemporary songs at these meetings.

I have read several accounts where there are 'beings' who do nothing but repeat themselves saying 'Holy Holy Lor d God Almighty which was and is and is to come!

That is just one of the repeated anthems we get to know about.

Russell

Mike "AbideinHim", on: 2013/5/23 8:00

My dear brother,

my prayers are that the physical weather done in LA, spare the saints, and that you be full of God the Holy Spirit, and the Love and Grace and the Mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

When I see the contention inherent among God's children, and imbibe of the Word as given in John 17...I know nothing but grief.

I realize one must be very vigilant to those who desire to make a mockery of this Most Holy Faith, but why...o why, does it seem to be, that always, men used of God, are subjected to the most intemperate testimony, to the bashing of reputations?

I CAN understand when one sees obvious fleshings and wolves, intent on lining their pockets, but if we DO Trust God, w hy not Let Jesus take care of any imposter?

Did not Uzziah, well meaning as he was, DIE, because he dared to steady the Ark? Did the LORD's Arm grow short?...is He not the same yesterday today and forever?

My prayer is brother Tenny be USED of God in Truth and in Love...have not we grown weary of seeing millions of souls pass this life without KNOWING Messiah Jesus?

May God do this, everyone who reads these words I write, May God come to you in your dreams, and may you see that terrible sight of millions and millions of souls streaming into hell....give that nightmare to me, I pray, knowing full and well the horror such a vision bring.

Much love to you down there, brother Michael

Re: Mike "AbideinHim" - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2013/5/23 8:43

I realize one must be very vigilant to those who desire to make a mockery of this Most Holy Faith, but why...o why, does it seem to be, that always, men used of God, are subjected to the most intemperate testimony, to the bashing of reputati ons?"

Thank you very much for your kind and gracious words dear brother.

Sound doctrine is important. We should contend earnestly for the faith that was once delivered to the saints, but the prob lem comes when our beliefs don't line up on all points, and we begin to call each other "false teachers" or "false prophet s".

There is a false unity movement in the church today, and in this movement truth is not valued, but there is a kind of grea sy grace in which just about anything goes.

The Lord does put a high priority on unity as seen by the prayer of Jesus in John 17. The enemey as the accuser of the brethren fights unrelentlessly to bring division within the Body of Christ. We might not agree on everything, but if you are born again, washed in the blood, and are walking in the light as He is in the light, then you are my brother.

Mike

i am your brother....here's the "Evidence", on: 2013/5/23 9:30

"When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these? " He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." He said to him a secon d time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved bec ause he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

John 21:15-17

ALL Glory to the Lamb of God!!!

Re: the meetings, on: 2013/5/23 17:32

I have watched the meetings for two nights. I can't see a revival coming - not with the preaching taking place. It is not re vival preaching. Maybe someone will come along who has been entirely sanctified and therefore able to preach with the true annointing but I doubt it as I have yet to meet a charismatic who even understands holiness doctrine let alone has t he experience of entire sanctification. I have not seen anything like that, after hearing three preachers so far. It just soun ds like the preaching one would hear in any charismatic church any Sunday but with an emphasis on evangelism.

Of course evangelism is good and encouraging to see people respond. There is too much emotionalism and that music - God help anyone elderly or sick like me who cannot take so much noise. Meetings should be accessible to anyone. The y are certainly not to anyone with neurological problems and sensitive to so much noise.

(edit - this is the end of my message shown after pressing the edit button. I am unable to remove the phrase which bear master dislikes)

If Jesus is present like they say He is, why in God's name are they not on their knees in silence waiting to hear Him spe ak to their hearts? He doesn't get even a few minutes to speak - its either that repetitive droning music or a preacher yell ing.

If there was a real revival going on I would be there tomorrow and moving my home there asap.

I do hope something will come of it. Satan does not mind too much if people get saved just so long as they dont hear that God hates sin even in a believer and has provided the means to deliver us. Not just a `washing in the blood` whatever was meant by that, it sounded like merely an improvement like reading Bibles more. There is no preaching that death is required to enter in.

Re: - posted by murrcolr (), on: 2013/5/23 17:48

Quote: If there was a real revival going on I would be there tomorrow and moving my home there asap.

Amen

Re:, on: 2013/5/23 19:08

Brenda I appreciat your desire for a holy movement of God. But I was grieved in ny spirit over your use of the expression "in God's name". I would encourage you to be prayerful when you post as we all should.

Bearmaster

Re: - posted by murrcolr (), on: 2013/5/23 21:06

Quote: Tenney is known for placing too much emphasis on personal experiences and denegrating God's Word.

GodÂ's goal is to have us know and live by His Word. SatanÂ's goal has always been to stop the proclamation of GodÂ's Word from the pulpit. What began in the laughing revival continues to be done in various ways today.

Mark 4:14-15 says, Â"The sower sows the Word. And these are the ones by the wayside where the Word is sown. When they hear, Satan comes immediately and takes away the Word that was sown in their hearts.Â" Luke 8:11 states that the seed is the Word of God.

If the preaching of the Word is stopped or distorted no matter how one explains it, its not God.

Re: - posted by Oracio (), on: 2013/5/24 15:22

Just found out that Tommy Tenney is a Word of Faith, Positive Confession, Name it and Claim it teacher. In the below s ermon (preached not long ago at Victory Church), at around the 33:30 mark he starts getting into that teaching:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m_U3skJbhEY

These are a few brief articles that expose that false teaching:

http://www.gotquestions.org/Word-Faith.html

http://www.gotquestions.org/positive-confession.html

Please saints, donÂ't fall for this trap. I was caught up in it for a while and it caused much spiritual damage in my walk.

If there is false teaching coming out from this church, the thought naturally comes to mind, "Why would God allow or perform powerful healings in a church that espouses heresy?" Could it be that God is testing us, to see if we will prefer signs and wonders at the expense of His truth? Just thinking and praying. May He grant us ears to hear and eyes to see.

Re: The Cross, the Cross, The Cross, on: 2013/5/24 15:23

Below is a report of the meetings my cousin attended this week in the church in question. My cousin is a man of integrity and discernment. Some may have met him at the last revival conference in Atlanta. I think particular attention should be noted to what he says in the last part of his report but my heart was glad to hear a good report though.......bro Frank

had a prompting from the Lord to go before the weekend so I have been to Cwmbran twice now. The Lord is certainly at work there and I got a touch myself! I was also challenged by the Lord on a few things. Clearly there are a number of pe ople who have been baptised as they had a special service. The main pastor was not there so I heard two different chap s speaking. One Scot and the other Welsh.

I was told by a chap who was stewarding that the main pastor Richard is away speaking elsewhere and he gave me a fr ee book. He also told me that he was from the West Midlands and he had been given a vision that the Lord would pour o ut His Presence in Cwmbran and the surrounding area. He told me that the pastor had been given a similar word and the Lord had guided him to plant a church in Cwmbran. I know that the pastor was previously assistant pastor at a church in Solihull, hence the West Midlands connection. It is Elim in denomination.

I expect he is in demand as others try to find out "what have you done to bring the presence". The presence of the Lord was there and the Word was preached. They begin with praise and worship and then move into a time of praying for the sick and ministry. The Holy Spirit came and a few folks were crying out as they were being set free. A word is shared wh ich on the two times I was there centred around the personal testimonies of the speakers leading to an altar call. Both w ere fired up and proclaiming the power of the Lord and the focus was very much on Jesus being at the centre. In my time I have known the presence of God in other churches and I think a key element is always wisdom and balance.

I do believe that the pastor and his young team are full of passion which is energising in itself and they seem very keen and sincere to ground things in the Word. They all seem to have come from desperate lifestyles of drug and alcohol addictions and know the power of God firsthand. It was great to see young men there who had been through the Victory Outreach drug rehab get out of a mini bus. There was a focus on freedom and liberty and being set free. There was not a part icular emphasis on the two nights I was there on our status as sinners before God leading to an old style Gospel message, but the blood of Jesus was spoken of and I am aware from other reports that folks have called out in repentance as a result of Gods presence.

I did not personally witness scores of people crying out in repentance. I have always had this in my mind as a real mark of a deep work of God but I have seen on Sermon Index that others say they have witnessed this. I tend to think that it is the fruits in the longer run that is always important. Those that get saved will show the fruit of whether it has been a dee p work in the long run. The word "disciple" was used by one of the speakers as being the desire of the leadership in the context of what the aim should be and this is refreshing.

My next statement I do believe is prophetically inspired: there are measures of the Presence and before the Lords return there is yet a much deeper level of Presence to be made manifest. I believe this will come through preaching the absolut e centrality of the Cross and Christ crucified. Even as I write this I see a vision of the Cross and how it stands supreme. I see the absolute power and authority of what was achieved at the Cross. I observe the world today and whilst this gay m arriage issue is being brought into law in the UK, I just see the mass of humanity rejecting in absolute terms the ways of God. Today I see that all will be judged by the Cross of Calvary. I fear for mankind in their actions in rejecting the Son if Man. I am filled with true and holy fear that there is a righteous Judge and mankind is intent on outright rejection of His w ays on all fronts and not just through this issue. God will not be moved away from the Cross of Calvary. The impudence of men astounds me. The Cross is going to come forth again in such power. The Cross, the Cross, the Cross.

Re: - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2013/5/24 17:56

Thank you Brother Frank for posting this report from your cousin.

This is what we need to determine what is truly going on in the meetings, trusted men that are going to the services, and that know what a true move of the Spirit is.

This report is very encouraging that indeed this is a true work of God, not a full blown revival yet, but it very well could le ad to one, especially since the impact is being seen in other churches in the region.

Mike

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Brother, I can name you most of the teachers that are involved in the positive confession movement, because I was involved in this movement at one time, but Tommy Tenny is not one of them. As I have said in other posts, I have probably been to 5 or 6 of his meetings, and none of the teachings that he did had anyting to do with what you are accusing him of.

Mike

Re: - posted by pilgrim777, on: 2013/5/24 21:55

Too bad "positive thinking" and "positive confession" get a bad rap like the word "gay".

"For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he:" Pro 23:7

A person is literally what he thinks and believes. His personality is the sum total of his thoughts. We are today what our t houghts, beliefs and convictions have made us. Many times we are not defeated by our circumstances but by our attitud e towards our circumstances. How we approach them and what we think of them is of vital importance in overcoming the m. I suppose that is why I love Richard and Sabina Wurmbrand's testimonies along with Corrie Ten Boom and other sain ts that have overcome difficulties.

There is an inseparable relationship between what we think and what we say. So, "positive thinking" and "positive confe ssion" are very important. Satan works through the mind and much of our sickness, trouble and failure begins in the mind and results from listening to lying, deceiving spirits from the Enemy.

Positive confession does not mean "I can walk just fine" when I have a compound fracture of my leg.

I would like to know what kind of negative thinking is good for us.

Now, I don't know Tommy Tenney and this is not about him. I only wanted to comment on "positive thinking" and "confes sion" which in my opinion has gotten a bad rap.

I will now return your channel to the regularly scheduled program.

Pilgrim

Re: - posted by Oracio (), on: 2013/5/24 22:48

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Brother, I didn't need to go to any "heresy hunting" website. It is crystal clear in that video. Not only is he teaching word of faith regarding healing, but also the prosperity gospel(listen at the the 46:20 mark). Brother, did you listen to that whole section with an open and honest heart and mind?

Are we really willing to accept this Word of Faith Prosperity gospel here? Are we that gullible?

It is both interesting and sad how those who love the truth and are careful about falling into deception are labeled "heres y hunters" and "religious". I guess it's part of the sign of the times of apostasy we are living in. May God help us.

Re: - posted by Oracio (), on: 2013/5/24 22:53

pilgrim, did you watch that video clip before posting about positive confession and Tommy Tenney? I ask because if you did watch it, I don't see how you could have missed this guy's clear false teaching and then seemingly come in his defense.

Re: - posted by pilgrim777, on: 2013/5/25 0:45

Hi Oracio,

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I appreciate the fact that you are searching after the truth, but brother the devil is not in the business of saving people. He is not setting drug addicts free, and he is not healing people, and why don't we praise and thank the Lord where we see the Holy Spirit moving. From what I have seen and heard of the testimonies of those that have been in these meetings is that the pastor is real, there are sinners going to the meetings, and young converts, so give them some slack. I believe that this young pastor has a heart for God and just as he was delivered from drugs, he wants to see others set free, and they are getting set free and coming to Jesus.

Mike

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You are actually proving my point, krautfrau.
Whether men believe God's word or Satan's word, they are what they think. If they believe a lie or the truth, the result is the same but the fruit is different.
Php_4:8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.
The wickedness of man was great because the thoughts of his heart were evil. Gen_6:5 And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.
Re: - posted by Oracio (), on: 2013/5/25 10:24
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These are a few brief articles that expose that false teaching:

http://www.gotquestions.org/positive-confession.html

Please saints, donÂ't fall for this trap. I was caught up in it for a while and it caused much spiritual damage in my walk.

If there is false teaching coming out from this church, the thought naturally comes to mind, "Why would God allow or perform powerful healings in a c hurch that espouses heresy?" Could it be that God is testing us, to see if we will prefer signs and wonders at the expense of His truth? Just thinking a nd praying. May He grant us ears to hear and eyes to see

The reason I came at you like that brother is because I really felt the Lord was leading me to expose Tommy Tenney an d this whole church for what it is. I know what it's like to be caught up in the word of faith and my heart goes out to others who are caught up in it.

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Mike, in answer to your question, I've watched maybe around three or four of their services. I believe it's enough for me to see that this is not really what some make it out to be, but rather much of it is a show with watered down preaching.

Regarding the pastor/s coming out from a life of crime and drugs, that really is irrelevant. Remember, Todd Bently, with all his tatoos, is supposedly a former hell's angels gang member.

As far as diverting the attention to Tenney, I believe it is very relevant, since Richard Taylor gives Tenney much of a plat form at the church. Obviously Taylor has no problem with Tenney's word of faith prosperity message. Again, supposedly Taylor got this impartation and revelation from Tenney. It's all connected brother.

As far as Richard himself, he is into having people "slain in the spirit" and preaches a watered down gospel and shows a dislike for the preaching of repentance and holiness. Though it's not much, it's enough for me to want nothing to do with this church. Maybe my standards are too high, but I'm too tired of modern day man-centered churchianity.

Regarding souls being saved, again, there is no evidence souls are really being saved other than people coming forward after a watered down message and emotional appeal. You can see this type of thing at many modern day crusades, and it is not what they make it out to be in terms of people really getting saved. There are multitudes of false conversions that have taken place due to watered down messages and appeals at these kinds of events. I used to fall for the hype when I used to see many coming forward, but then I realized most of those people going forward were not really converted. They were, as Leonard Ravenhill used to say, stillborn. It is tragic.

Mike, we may have to agree to disagree brother. I still have high regard and respect for you as a brother in Christ. God b less you in your desire and search for intimacy with Him.

I'll end this post with this scripture:

"29 For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. 30 Also from a mong yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves. 31 Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears. 32 So now, brethre n, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified."-Acts 20:29-32

Re: - posted by murrcolr (), on: 2013/5/25 10:48

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Quote: We just heard that Lou Engle and a team of intercessors from California will be in Cwmbran this week from the 2 0 - 24th..

Re:, on: 2013/5/25 11:15

Quote:

Brother I have selected this part of your post to reply to although no doubt my thoughts will cover other aspects of the posts as well.

Over the past 2 weeks or so I have listened to parts of about ten preaching sessions at Victory Church, as well as watch ed videos relating to Victory Outreach UK as well as several sessions by Tommy Tenney at Victory Church.

There is no doubt that Tommy Tenney does hold to a form of positivism in his teaching and there is equally no doubt that the qualifies what he says when he makes such assertions which of themselves take the form of WOF type declarations and ideas. The two sessions which I have listened to by Tommy were both preached in the absence of Richard Taylor. In fact in the first session this year just 6 weeks before this current move Tenney actually says that Richard must either really trust him or else believe that he can undo any harm he may do. As with most familiar jokes there is a point. In this case I wouldn't like to say what it may be. I am reminded however that all such statements do carry a real meaning.

Tommy's involvement in this church has to be qualified as do most things. In this case the qualification is Richard himsel f. At the moment there are 120 preaching sessions on the internet from Victory Church. Listening to them across the last 38 months makes for a better balance than just listening to more recent sermons. For example just over a year ago ther e was a move of the Holy Spirit in Victory in which Richard expressly asked for the children to come into the main hall so he could pray for them. There were about 80 children and I spoke with the mother and grandmother of two of these child ren for over an hour. Before Richard even reached the children several of them were overcome and fell onto the floor. The mom I spoke to had one of her children in that group of children. There was no laying on of hands at this point and so no transference issues at all.

I have seen the preaching session which followed one week after this occurrence and it is easy to see that Richard is ve ry fired up. He makes a strong statement about those who come into the church to police it, saying "no apostles, prophet, evangelist, pastor or teacher is given to police the church". He then says "so don't come here with your pocket book and handcuffs". Richard's general physiognomy, both physiologically and apparent facial (appearance and dress) very clearly speak of a strong desire to deal with something which was happening in the church as a result of the previous week. He expressly states that what happened the previous week was the most profound experience of the presence of God and anointing which he had ever experienced. He also says that he himself had been changed to the point that when he a woke in the morning now he was in the mind of Christ the moment he opened his eyes (my emphasis).

It is very easy for anyone to judge a situation from a distance and strangely much more difficult to judge close up. Close up requires a reality of discernment without which only a wicked man or a fool would claim to comprehend anything which was in essence contrary to God. Even in saying this who is able to discern between a man and an evil spirit? Men can not be discerned, only unclean spirits can be discerned. The man has to be understood by a different means altogether. This is because there is a difference between the foolishness of a man and the endless evil intent of an unclean spirit given over to malevolence. Men gets things wrong sometimes, even often, unclean spirits never get things wrong they alway sintend to do harm. Men do not intend to do harm unless they are themselves given over to unclean spirits and are be come demonic in their own thinking, yet they may from time to timeÂ..... even a righteous manÂ...Â....feel such pressur

e or else stumble into pride, that they also harm the flock of God as well. The difference is an obvious one, but it is singularly telling when we consider that God Himself will always forgive the repentant man, never the unclean spirit who is de nied any possibility of repentance.

I have been against the positive confession movement, WOF and all those heretical doctrines since the mid 1980's. I ne ver once believed a single word of it and by God I never will. Yet I read such a confused understanding in some of these posts as to why these doctrines are wrong. It s primarily confused because there is a failure to distinguish between a man and an unclean spirit. Men almost always get things wrong. Unclean spirits never get things wrong. Richard has laid himself out in the open in one sense, no doubt informed by the fact that he once presented a BBC documentary about protecting oneself from thieves and burglars. In doing that he has made available all the material one could desire to see all the imperfections of the man. Apart from this there are several pastors as well as others who minister and so although I have concerns for the likes of Tommy Tenney they are trivial and don't amount to anything worth questioning what is happening.

Finally Brother although I agree that being an ex convict isn't a thing to boast about I would say one thing to you in this r egard. The man who is truly saved from such a life and goes on to do good things is a man who will never lose sight of what manner of man he was before he met Christ. If he does he will be brought to nothing. As he must be, given the fool ishness of believers to run after such men. My own prior life before I was saved make Richards look like a children's tea party. Yet I have never so much as spoken about it except on this website. Even when I first came out of prison I only bo re witness of my past to the elders of the church in private. In contrast another brother who was saved at the same time I was came out of prison, was put on a pedestal, fell away, lost his first born son, in judgement of God, threw away his go dly wife, adulterated and eventually fell into apostasy. At the time I was burdened to share with this brother many times to beware the foolish praises of men. This is the measure of a man who has such a back ground. Is he become proud of it or is he yet ashamed, comprehending that others with similar difficult lives did not fall into theft, violence and hatred of others.

In short it is more of a miracle when a bank manager gets saved than a thief. The thief knows he a thief. The bank mana ger yet thinks he is righteous. Think the apostle Paul. Here in lies wisdom in this circumstance and herein lies our prayer s for this man.

Re:, on: 2013/5/25 13:27

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One thing I would pray is man keep his hands off what the Spirit is doing in Cwmbran. That would include the religionist s and the celebrities.

Bearmaster.

Re: - posted by pilgrim777, on: 2013/5/25 13:53

Ok, Oracio,

I listened to the youtube video of Tommy Tenney.

I really don't see where Ichabod was "in the ministry", by the way.

Well, probably most importantly, I was not "arrested by the Spirit of God" as I was listening to him. On the contrary, cam e away with an uneasy feeling in my spirit.

But, we all have our biases which makes it even more important to hear the Holy Spirit on a matter.

I am very reluctant to exposit a detailed analysis of his message at this time, so I will only say that that type of preaching and how he uses the Scriptures are not really my "cup of tea". But there was something else other than his style of preaching. I really cannot put into words right now.

I did not look at the other videos, because when I listen to someone "new" for the first time, I like to get my first impressio ns from the Holy Spirit.

It would probably be helpful to listen to him a little more to get a clearer picture of what he is all about. If I have time, I m ay listen to a few more messages.

I wish what he said left me with the feeling that I can't wait to hear more, but that didn't happen.

Thanks for going to the trouble of posting them again.

Pilgrim

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Amen brother! That is exactly the way that I see it, and aren't we glad that God does not disqualify us because of our im perfections, but He waits patiently for us to mature, and so it is with a move of God. God is not moved by the mess, He is out to change hearts, and He will use an imperfect vessel who is allowing the Lord to mold him into a vessel of honor.

Mike

Re: - posted by pilgrim777, on: 2013/5/25 14:05

It is so true that if you are patient and let time go by, you will eventually see the fruit of a movement. But, don't forget that even if the fruit is bad, the Lord may have touched a couple of people in a very special way who go on to impact the Kin gdom of God in memorable ways.

That is why Matthew 13 is so true. Don't try to separate the wheat from the tares. We will damage some wheat if we try to do what only God is able to do.

David would rather run away than overturn the reign of Saul and he was being led of the Lord to do that.

Re: Lou Engle and 10th April 2013 date line., on: 2013/5/25 15:00

Quote:
-----Seems like Lou Engle has been at Victory Church, Wales.

We just heard that Lou Engle and a team of intercessors from California will be in Cwmbran this week from the 20 - 24th.Â...â....murrcoir

Lou Engle held a prayer and fast from 1st March through to the 9th April 2013. The express aim of this fast and prayer w as in hope of revival. The outpouring in Wales stared on the 10th April the day after this fast ended. The fast itself was h eld in Pasadena, California and was a residential community fast which involved 24/7 fasting a praying for the period of 40 days.

http://www.charismamag.com/blogs/prophetic-insight/16954-a-prophetic-cry-for-ekballo-fast-that-could-spark-revival

Perhaps this explains why Lou was in Cwmbran during last week. One of the things I asked the sister from Victory Outre ach UK whilst I was there was whether any intercessory prayer was taking place in the building or with regard to the wor k. I was told that the intercession had been curbed in the main hall because of concerns over who might be entering into prayer. I asked about the pastors because I had seen them most of the day coming and going as well as doing various p ractical tasks. I was told that the pastors met several times a day for antirecessionary prayer. No mention was made of L ou Engle at that time. However, on the evening meeting a few "brethren from California" were made mention of and wer e said to be very welcome. No link was made public between the event in California and the outpouring in Wales in my h earing.

Re: - posted by Firetime, on: 2013/5/25 15:35

"Seems like Lou Engle has been at Victory Church, Wales.

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It doesnt surprise me in the least, I expect next up to gatecrash will be Julie, or Cindy and Dutch?? Or Ken and Lois??

A snippet from what I posted on 19-5-13

"....But I would be very concerned if those Wagnerian ministers get in there, with all the talk about submission to NAR ap ostleship/god tv oversight, cities of refuge, portals, gateways etc etc, then quench the work of God's spirit, and "realign" it with the apostate church instead. You know the scenario, NAR apostles and prophetesses, ministers who operate und er a lying spirit, who set it up as an elitist money earning Christ denying family dynasty business....."

There will certainly be perceived a significant and reinvigorating link between Lou, his 40 day fast, and the "Cwmbran ou tpouring"....because in the false prophetic/NAR parallel universe community, the "powerful ones" see "spectacular result s" it boosts their credibility. Personally, I'd be kinda perplexed as to why an outpouring didnt start in California, if that was where they were while fasting and what they were praying about, and apparently, started 6 or 7 thousand miles away in Wales instead?? But thats just me....!

Re: - posted by Heydave (), on: 2013/5/25 15:46

Brother Oracio,

I for one appreciate what you have posted regarding Tommy Tenny. I was aware that he was a major influence on the P astor of Victory church (their website tells us this), but I did not know much about him or his teaching.

For some to say that the connection to Tommy Tenny is not important, is to ignore what the Pastor himself says on his w ebsite about him being his 'mentor'. It is clear that the main emphasis of the messages are very much in line with Tomm y Tenny's 'God Chasers' teaching. The message by Pastor Richard about Esther and the 'Favour of the King' is a direct copy of Tommy's message. Not that there is anything wrong with repeating someone else's message, but it shows us the strong connection.

Regarding Lou Engles, this is another worrying connection and it's no good saying 'they just happened to show up and are not taken notice of', because their presence there is flagged up on the church website and it also makes a comment about them having fasted for 40 days prior to the 'outpouring'. It is clear that the church considers Lou Engle and his tea m as a significant connection to this outpouring, otherwise why mention it on their website so clearly.

As I said previously, I think it is possible that God will meet with some folk who are here, but this I believe is in spite of w hat is going on, not because of it.

I know we will be accused of being judgmental or grieving the spirit of revival, but hey, that's nothing new! Just surprised it is happening on SI. There is a lot of confusion being posted here. In these days I for one will check everything out and be very careful what I accept. Others can just go with the flow if they want, but beware not everything is as it seems on the surface.

Many of the reports of folk who visited are based on 'feelings' that it is of God. I can't take your feelings as a basis for ac cepting this. For what it's worth my 'feeling' based on what I've seen and heard on-line is that this may not be a spontane ous event, but to some extent planned and prepared for. But this is just my feeling and you don't have to accept that. Ti me will tell though.

I don't like to write these things as I really would have liked this to have been a genuine outpouring of God.

Re: - posted by Oracio (), on: 2013/5/25 16:28

Brother Heydave, thanks for your encouragement. I was starting to feel a bit ostracized and discouraged here.

I can sort of sympathize with some brethren who fall prey to these kinds of things because I've been there myself. Durin g that time if you even started to question certain things you were warned, "Touch NOT God's anointed or else." And of course, who in their right mind would want to speak against a person or work that God is really behind.

Thankfully, God used men like Hank Haanagraph and John MacArthur to open my eyes to the serious deception within Charismania. Granted, I may not agree with MacArthur and Hank on many secondary theological subjects, but I really a ppreciate their faithful and bold exposure of the serious error in the counterfeit revivals of this day and age.

Like you stated so well, much of the defense for this kind of thing is based on feelings and not truth.

In the end, I do realize I need to be careful not to be quick to condemn any sincere believers who fall prey to these kinds of influences. I guess a certain level of patience is a virtue in this type of situation.

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Last week I attended the wednesday meeting from 21:00 Hrs until 22:00 Hrs BST approximately. At that time the meetin g was already well underway and it was largely a time of worship and ministry. The Thursday meeting started at 19:00 H rs BST and I left at 22:30 Hrs BST. At the beginning of this Thursday meeting it was stated that there were a number of brethren in the meeting from California. Because I was taken to sit with the pastors at the very front row by the sister who had been with me most of the day, I stood next to at least one of the sisters from the USA throughout the meeting. No one had any part in directing that meeting other than three of the four pastors and the worship leader. The brethren from the USA played no part whatsoever. The only time I heard from the sister next to me, from this team from the USA, was when she made verbal encouragements of agreement with the preacher. I discerned nothing about her whatsoever.

Until I read the name of Lou Engle here on SI today, I don't believe I have heard the name before. Neither was their pres ence mentioned to me or advertised in a public way other than in the terms I have stated. Moreover the comments about them on the web site were posted well after this outpouring began. In short without having a deep reason to know all of this it is unlikely that one would have known. The fact that there is a connection between Victory Church and Lou Engle does not surprise me and may amount to no more than a positive assertion of identification given the fact that this outpour ing started the very next day after the fast ended. Further, the article I posted from CharismaMagazine on line site was written and posted long before the start of the outpouring as well. Further, the fast itself was and still is advertised as a fast for the USA in particular, although it does include the world. This is stated on their website as reflecting a desire to see all the tribes of the world evangelised so as to hasten the day of the Lord' return.

Lastly, my question regarding intercession for the work was based on an observation that all of the pastors seemed to be round and about, even answering the phones and doing mundane tasks throughout the morning whilst I was sharing we ith the sister who is the General Manager of the Victory Outreach UK charity. It was informed by the thought that I was surprised at the everydayness of events. This sister explained to me that when this outpouring began and for several weeks no other work was done because everyone was focused on what had happened and could not think of other work. In the end it was decided that they could not neglect the mundane things and felt a need to discipline themselves to do those things as well. To which I asked the question. Who is undertaking the intercession for this work. I was told that the pastors met several times a day and prayed together for this purpose. The sister then advised me, perhaps because she thought I was seeking to be involved, that there had been a number of people who had turned up and were allowed to interceded in the main hall. She did not explain the details but told me that this had led to a concern about the possible content of some brethren and therefore the practise of open intercession in the main hall was stopped.

Whether that means that Lou and his so-called team of intercessors undertook this task or not I have no knowledge. Aga in this as with everything has to be a matter of discernment in the first place and knowledge and fact in the second and third. Even then knowledge and fact are subjective to an individuals understanding, so that in the end discernment alone will stand the test of certainty. Let me say something plainly for the sake of reason. If I wanted to I could make a very go od case for saying that there are reasons to be concerned. Yet my concern is not with a man called Richard Taylor. It is with other men seeking to influence him. I have read some of Tommy Tenney's teachings and can see why there is concern. I also understand the occult very well and am in no way inclined to believing that which stands in contradiction to the scriptures. However, it is often nearly impossible to pin point precisely why a particular man needs to be understood in the present time as well as the past. The following link presents a good understanding of Tommy Tenney and why there is concern with his personal understanding of what constitutes closeness to the Father. http://www.equip.org/PDF/DT25 2.pdf

Having looked at Richard Taylor's personal life story and the events leading up to his conversionÂ...Â....to his first pasto ral work at Tipton in the west Midlands through to his taking over the Victory Outreach UK ministry, and then the start of the Victory Church in Cwmbran, including many details easily missed, I can see why he would be vulnerable to a man su ch a Tommy Tenney. My concern in all of this is in that context and I will press the matter until I have the answer or else am openly rejected having stated what needs to be stated. Until then I have no intentions of making judgements which a mount to rejecting the clear testimony of at least 100 men and women who have given their hearts to the Lord. Not to m ention some very genuine miracles which have been verified by reasonable means. I happen to know the first church wh ich Richard pastored and have the advantage of many family members living within that specific area. I also was saved in prison precisely in the context of first knowing the Father, only after which did I know Christ. So Mr Tenney can have his book I have the real thing. Moreover I will use what the Father gave me when He was pleased to save me in the mann or He did, to finger this man and the situation for the sake of another man who has a sincere heart for the lost and a driving passion. His name is Richard Taylor. He needs our prayers and that is the sum of it.

Re: - posted by pilgrim777, on: 2013/5/25 22:19

We have to remember that God does not have relationships with movements, or groups, or denominations, He has relationships with individuals and He is adding "living stones" continuously to His House (the Body of Christ). He finds these "lively stones" everywhere. For those with ears to hear, He is calling them out of the world and unto Himself.

Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2013/5/27 8:22

QUOTE

" that music - God help anyone elderly or sick like me who cannot take so much noise. Meetings should be accessible to anyone. They are certainly not to anyone with neurological problems and sensitive to so much noise."

Bear, noise like this is really irritating to some - it drives some people about crazy. It is akin to taking your fingernails acr oss a blackboard. Maybe if you are hard of hearing you cannot hear it. But God created sound and nothing in his creation n mimics these sounds that one hears produced by some "Christians". Sound should be pleasant - just go outside and listen to nature - the birds, the animals, water - beautiful! Can man not take lessons from them? These creatures make the sound God made them to do.

I do not know if this revival is from God but I do know if the sounds produced are hard on the physical body that some will not be attracted but will be repulsed by it.

God bless.

Re: - posted by murrcolr (), on: 2014/11/30 10:50

I was at a church today in my city - one of the pastors that was there in the welsh outpouring has moved here. So we had a good discussion about different things.

One of the things I found out was that the senior pastor Richard Taylor of this welsh outpouring fell into deep and moral sin...

Such a shame - that God's name that was held up so high is once again trashed.

Help us Jesus - to be a holy people.

edit:- to add welsh outpouring so there was no confusion about what i was writing about.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2014/11/30 16:22

Unfortunately this is true.

http://thejonahreport.wordpress.com/2014/08/14/richard-taylor-steps-down-as-pastor-of-victory-church-after-a-moral-fail ure/

Re: background about Jonah - posted by Jeremy221, on: 2014/12/1 0:22

This is Alex Jonah of the Jonah Report blog's first post. It refers to how the Lord used Victory Church's recovery progra m to set him free of a lifestyle of alcohol, drugs, casual sex and petty crimes. I too am grieved by what has happened wit h the pastor who has fallen but fear that we can get distracted from the work the Lord done among them. God is the one who saves.

I post this for your consideration.

http://thejonahreport.wordpress.com/2014/06/14/jesus-delivered-me-from-alcohol-addiction-depression-and-crime-a-pro digal-son-returns/

Re: We have been warned - posted by Sidewalk (), on: 2014/12/1 11:38

Back in the mid-80's I was involved with a church in a small Wisconsin town that revolved around the powerful teaching of a young Lutheran pastor who had been shown the door by his denomination when he was baptized in the Spirit. In a very short time the church exploded to several hundred, an amazing number in this very small town.

Didn't last. Same old story, the man of God led away through lusts whose power he had severely underestimated.

But in it all, many came to Christ, many were filled with the Spirit, many continue to this day. I have friends in Christ who I would otherwise never known. The battle for the kingdom goes on and on.

Paul makes that heartfelt statement to the Corinthians, "I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest after preaching to others I might be disqualified."

Such a shame, to lead others to salvation and the good things of God- then like a dog returning to vomit seek fleshly fulfillment in the traps of the world.

But even Paul knew how real that all was, and took pains to avoid it.

Re: - posted by murrcolr (), on: 2014/12/1 11:43

Distracted - that an understatement.

I would say he had never allowed the Holy Spirit in to do deal with that area of his life - I hope he allows the Spirit to wor k from here on and I hope none of the people recovering from all there different ailments don't fall away through discoura gement.