

20th ANNIVERSARY OF HOUSES OF LIGHT: CELEBRATING GOD'S GRACE

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1 Cor. 15:10 *"But by the grace of God [we are what we are], and His grace for [us] was not futile; Rather [we] have worked hard... although [not us], but the grace of God in [us]."*

- I. INTRODUCTION:** Not every day a church celebrates its twentieth anniversary. We are very grateful to God for the grace that He has been granted to us to have reached this moment. We recognize that it has been His unmerited favor that has sustained Houses of Light to this day. In the midst of different challenges, God has shown that this work belongs to Him; therefore we remain expectant of what He has prepared for this new decade.
- II. WE WILL REMAIN FIRM IN OUR CALL!** In view of what has happened, our commitment and determination is to continue being faithful to the assignment that God has entrusted to us:
1. **Continue Cultivating Passion for God:** Making the First Commandment our first priority: Loving the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength (**Deut. 6: 4-5; Mt. 22: 37-38**). Knowing Him through the revelation of His Word by His Holy Spirit, growing in love for Him by responding to His love and by expressing it in obedience to His Word (**John 14:23**).
 - a) **Continue growing the culture of the House of Prayer:** Boosting the growth of singers, musicians, intercessors throughout the teaching and our **Blüm** Music Academy.
 2. **Continue Cultivating compassion for others:** This growth in love for God has its expression in loving others:
 - a) **Loving the natural and spiritual family:** That is to say those who live with us and loving our church. We will continue to promote the organic growth of support programs: Friendship Groups, Inner Healing Retreats; **CR** (Restoration House), **CAF** (Family Counseling Center) and School for Parents.
 - b) **Loving those who do not know Jesus** to the point that we reach them with the love of God, with the gospel and with acts of compassion both those who are close and those who are far away through missionary work locally and in the nations.
 3. **Continue to faithfully proclaim the message of the word:** Systematic preaching of the Word brings us understanding and depth.
 - a) **Teaching the fundamental doctrines and principles for the family in our SOD** (School of Discipleship). Including the 4th level aimed at preparing future Friendship Group leaders.
 - b) **Teaching everyone the message that announces the return of the Lord in the CEMP** (Training Center of the Forerunner Message).

Os. 6:3 *'We will know and continue to know the Lord! If we do, we can be sure that he will come to meet us. That is as certain as the fact that the sun shines every day. That will be so, as certain as the fact that the rain falls in a timely manner and irrigates the earth.'*

III. WHATS NEXT? We know that all that He has done in our midst with weak and fallible people is the preparation for what is coming. We know that all these years have been an experience and learning that will take us to the place God wants us to go to.

A. Growth in every aspect: Promoting the constant training of all who serve in the different ministries.

2 Ped. 1:5-8 *"For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; 6 and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; 7 and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. 8 For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." (NIV)*

B. The expansion and improvement of our facilities: The construction project of Building 1 and our place for retreats in Palmdale. Our goal is to better serve the Houses family by optimizing our facilities for different, ministries and programs.

IV. WE WILL SEE THE FULFILLMENT OF ALL THE PROMISES FOR HOUSES OF LIGHT AND FOR EACH FAMILY.

A. On September 2, 2012 God gave us a word through Cindy Jacobs which talks about His plans and everything has been fulfilled and will continue to be fulfilled.

B. In September 2014 God told us through Andy Byrd: *"This church is an Antioch, who loves His presence and minister to Him, and you will go deeper, He has spoken and you have obeyed. It will only increase. You will go to a new level, and will send missionaries and they will be sent with the Holy Spirit. You will not burn out, you know where to go to minister to His heart. You will affect the US and you will see the map of all the missionaries that have sent. If you are an Antioch, the Word is taught, you are multicultural and this is going to increase."*

C. On October 5, 2014 Juan Lee confirmed exactly what Andy Byrd had said that we are an Antioch church: *"Here in Houses of Light there is a move from God; when the Holy Spirit works, what he always produces are the missionary movements that glorify God and bring a social transformation."*

D. On July 16, 2018 Amanda Fray said: *"The Lord loves what you guys are building in Him. Your house is a prophetic house and a house of freedom... there are new dreams that the Lord is giving you and is not go to feel like more work but as an opportunity to walk with Him."*

E. On March 1, 2019 Mariano Senewald spoke of the time of abundance (7 years) of revelation in which we are living and the time in which all this must be given to those who will come (7 years), not necessarily a literal time but seasons.

V. CONCLUSION: We will remain firm in faith by believing and declaring God's promises both those He has given to Houses of Light and those He has given to each one on a personal and family level. We hope that everyone is an active part of this plan that God has drawn up as you guys have been so far.