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I was invited to teach and preach on the work of the Spirit in the church by Bishop Frank Agyapong, national overseer of NTA Ghana. What follows is my report of my ministry there, which started on Friday 18th May, and concluded on Sunday 27th May. The outline is as follows:

1. Friday 18th – The Glory Within
2. Sunday 20th – New Creation
3. Monday 21st - People Receive the Baptism with the Spirit
4. Tuesday 22nd - Prophetic Impartation, Miraculous Healing, and God's POWER Invades!!!
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8. Sunday 27th - HEALING EXPLOSION! 50 People Healed, Including a Blind Man!

Here is a picture of the church building in Kumasi, Ghana where I ministered:

1. Friday 18th May – The Glory Within

I was picked up from my hotel in the evening for my first session of ministry. When I arrived, the brethren were worshipping. I had planned to deliver a message about the Spirit as the Parakletos (a Greek word which speaks of a comforter, helper, counsellor and advocate), but I didn't even begin that sermon, as the Holy Spirit gave me an entirely spontaneous message in which I covered the Spirit as God's breath (*ruach*) proceeding with God's word, and the Spirit as the agent through which what God speaks is manifested (Genesis 1:1-3; Psalm 33:6). I then explained that even as a light switch without electricity produces nothing, even so, our lives without the Spirit are nothing. I then began to explain that God wants us to know the riches of the glory He has put in us, and that the devil wants to blindfold us to this reality, and that the glory within us is the same power that raised Jesus from the dead. This was followed by a corporate lifting of hands to receive a special anointing. I asked those who sensed the anointing coming upon them to lift up their hands and come forward. After some translation and explanation from my interpreter, some came forward. The anointing was particular strong on the first person who came forward, I didn't even need to touch her, I sensed the anointing on my hands from where I was and the power of the Lord was moving visibly upon her. This was followed by me laying hands on pretty much all who were present.

There was no meeting on Saturday. The next meeting was the main service on Sunday…

2. Sunday 20th May – New Creation

I was picked up by the host pastor at around 9:55am and I spoke at Kumasi NTA's main service. I had intended to speak on the name of Jesus, but it soon became evident that the Lord was impressing me to speak on who we are in Christ. I therefore spoke on the renewing of the Holy Spirit (Titus 3:5) and explained what it means to be a new creation, and how through being born-again, we have received brand new spirits that are exactly like Jesus Christ. I preached for one hour, concluding with the necessity of looking into the mirror of God's truth, renewing the mind, and casting down the devil's lies. I then handed over, before later being asked to lay hands on those who had come forward. Here are some pictures of that service. The gentleman standing next to me is Bishop Frank Agyapong, who translated the message.

3. Monday 21st May - People Receive the Baptism with the Spirit

In the morning, I taught the pastors and leaders, giving a systematic teaching on who the Spirit is, and what He does. This was received very well and I sensed the Lord ministering to them.

In the evening, I preached on the baptism with the Holy Spirit to the whole congregation. In the midst of the message, I also gave a word about the Lord wanting to release new realms of the Spirit

to them. After preaching, I did an altar call for those who wanted to receive the baptism with the Spirit, and also for those who wanted a fresh filling. I led them through four steps on how to receive, and **people received the baptism with the Holy Spirit**. I didn't have the opportunity to ask how many but, hallelujah, we serve a mighty God! Below is a picture of me ministering to a sister who received the baptism with the Spirit that night:

My hands didn't actually have to touch her, it was as though there was a force field at work!

4. Tuesday 22nd May - Prophetic Impartation, Miraculous Healing, God's POWER Invades!

In the morning, I taught the pastors and leaders on how to hear God's voice. I was feeling quite tired, as I went to bed late the night before. However, the anointing enabled me to minister as though I wasn't tired at all. The first half of the teaching was spontaneously inspired by the Spirit, as I explained that the closer you are located to someone, the quieter you can speak; and seeing as the Spirit lives in our hearts (Galatians 4:6) His voice is very quiet, and comes from our spirits, to which He has been united (1 Corinthians 6:17). I also laid the foundation that we are a spirit (John 3:6); we are not a soul/body, rather we *are* a spirit, and we *have* a soul and a body, and that the key to living a victorious Christian life is to live spirit-conscious. I also shared how our feelings come from our thoughts, and so if we don't like what we are feeling, instead of trying to change our feeling, we should change our thoughts! After the break, I shared and explained four ways that we can hear God speak to us: 1) through peace / unease in our spirit; 2) through a tug in our spirit; 3) through words in our spirit; and 4) through (prophetic) visions. I also shared experiences of the prophetic in my ministry with the pastors and leaders. After concluding the teaching, I called all the pastors and leaders forward to pray for them for 1) increased sensitivity to the Spirit; and 2) that (prophetic) visions would be released to them i.e. that they would see visions. After praying corporately for them, I went to each one to minister to them. The anointing was released, and the Spirit moved powerfully, on some I felt impressed to blow, and the Spirit moved powerfully upon them, one man being laid flat on his back when I blew on him, and various physical reactions were evidenced amongst others. One pastor later said to me that he had studied prophetic ministry, but had never heard it like this and that I made it so simple. He said that people pay thousands of dollars for the kind of teaching that I was giving.

After the session was concluded, a lady was brought to me, who for 2 years had suffered with a condition that caused her to have pain in her stomach, chest, and right eye. I ministered first to her stomach. I sensed the healing anointing strong, and I said 'OUT' in Jesus name. The pain instantly left her stomach. I then ministered to her chest, and her chest was healed too! First the pain went a bit, and then it all went right there and then. Next, I ministered to her eye, and yes, that was healed

too! First the pain decreased ,and then it all went right there and then! Hallelujah! What a mighty God we serve!

Before leaving for the church in the evening, whilst in my hotel room, I found myself singing the song that goes "And I will serve no foreign god, or any other treasure". As I wondered why I was singing it, the reason became clear when I started singing the following line: "You are my heart's desire, Your Spirit without measure…". I then realised what it was that the Lord and I were to speak about that evening. So I preached a message entitled the Seven Spirits of God (Revelation 5:6) which looks at the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord (see Isaiah 11:1-2). As I preached on the spirit of wisdom, I sensed a strong anointing as the Lord and I ministered on what the spirit of wisdom will do, sharing how God has ordained them to be the head and not the tail, and how the spirit of wisdom will enable them to invent things that have never been invented. After I finished the message, I did an altar call for those who wanted an impartation of the seven Spirits of God, and wow, the altar was packed! I had to organise the people so I could minister to each one. I first prayed corporately, and then laid hands on the people. What happened next was simply phenomenal, and I doubt my words can do it any justice. The **POWER OF GOD INVADED** that place. As I laid hands on people, many of their bodies were going all over the place! I remember the last person I ministered to was rolling up and down the floor and running all over the place! Even a lady who had a baby strapped to her back started going under the power – the baby had to be quickly removed before she went down!! I was also able to minister prophetic words to individuals. But my brief description simply does not communicate well enough what transpired. It was a glorious and powerful moment, perhaps too marvellous for words. Here are a few photos of that evening:

5. Wednesday 23rd May – It's All About Love!

In the morning, I taught the pastors and leaders on the Anointing. Again, I was feeling quite tired, having gone to bed late, and being awoken early by the sound of someone outside my hotel room. It was also very hot that day. However, the grace of our Lord Jesus was with me, and he enabled me to minister with great clarity, and I was very aware of the Spirit's leading as I taught. For those of you who have sat under my teaching on the anointing, I covered the first and second stage of the general anointing (indwelling and baptism with the Spirit, all based on my book ***The Anointing***). Several people expressed their gratitude for my teaching, two pastors expressing how simple I make it, insomuch that anyone could understand it. I thank God for that, as I do make effort to express profound truths in as simple a way as possible, but without watering it down.

In the evening, I spoke about having a love-relationship with the Lord and making Him our number one priority, calling the congregation to a greater level of intimacy with the Lord, and sharing how our relationship with God is one of spiritual affection: we are not to withhold our spirits from Jesus, even as husband and wife are not to withhold their bodies from each other. I also called for a kindling of romance in their marriages! ;-) The power of the Lord was again manifest during the altar ministry, as people came forward who wanted to offer themselves up to God. Here are a few pics:

6. Thursday 24th May – More Teaching, Another Healing Miracle

In the morning, I continued to teach the pastors and leaders on the Anointing. I covered ministerial anointings, the danger of ministering outside of your ministerial anointing(s), and the importance of knowing when a particular anointing is on you, and when it is not (all based on my book ***The Anointing***).

After the session was concluded, a lady was brought to me who had pain in her stomach. I asked her what she believed would happen when I prayed for her, and she smiled and said that she believed she would be healed. Well, **Jesus healed her instantly**! Hallelujah! What a mighty God we serve!

I decided to take the evening off as a time of rest for my body, soul, and voice! Over the past four days, including this day, I had ministered seven times, and a total of nine times since arriving.

Here are two pics of me teaching the pastors and leaders that morning:

7. Friday 25th May – Impartation of Anointing, Deliverance, Baptism with the Spirit Received

In the morning, I continued to teach the pastors and leaders on the Anointing. I briefly explained special anointings, imparted anointings, inherited anointings, and corporate anointings. I then explained what the anointing feels like, and how we can release it (all based on my book ***The Anointing***). This was followed by a time of ministering to each pastor and leader. Persons came

forward with various requests, including the impartation of specific gifts. One person said they wanted my gift! I replied by asking what she felt God has called *her* to do, and she responded that she was to win souls, so I prayed for her along those lines. As the anointing was released to the pastors and leaders, it was very evident on their bodies, several of them spinning round in circles as the anointing was released on them.

A lady came forward who said she had a spirit of infirmity which caused her to feel weak. She felt weak when she came to me. I commanded the spirit of infirmity out of her, and **she immediately felt better**. Praise be to God!

Also, two people came forward to receive the baptism with the Spirit, both received. Hallelujah, what a mighty God we serve!

In the evening, I spoke to the whole congregation about finding your place in God's kingdom. The Lord enabled me to explain clearly and simply how we can discover what God has called us to do. I explained how we are to position ourselves by putting God first, having the right motive, being planted in the church, and using the gifts God has given us. In the midst of this, I also detoured and spoke about the mercy of God and how we should forgive those who have sinned against us. I then explained three ways that God may reveal what He has called us to do: He may speak to us clearly and directly like He did to Jeremiah, He may put a desire in our heart like He did to Nehemiah, and He can speak to us through others like He did to Timothy. I then explained that we must take one step at a time (we don't have to know all the details before we obey), allow God to prepare us, and not run ahead of God's timing. During, the message, the congregation really were engaged and responded very well. I did an altar call for those who wanted to discover what God had called them to do, and the altar was packed! After ministering to about two rows of people, everyone else was lined up in a queue so that they could come to me one by one. The picture on the left is of some of those gathered at the altar. On the right is a picture of me addressing them corporately:

It was a different anointing on me during the altar call this night. Like the message itself, everything was calm and gentle! It was a joy to minister to them, and I left feeling very satisfied that the assignment for that evening had been completed.

There was no meetings on Saturday.

Next was the mains service on Sunday…

8. Sunday 27th May – HEALING EXPLOSION! 50 People Healed, Including a Blind Man!

I was picked up from my hotel in the morning, to go to the main service. I look forward to worshipping with our Ghanaian brethren in heaven, because they really rejoice! Here is a picture of some of the worship that morning:

I preached about the power of Holy Spirit in healing the sick. I shared that Jesus heals people because He loves them, and that He is the same yesterday, today and forever; and showed from the Scriptures that not only did Jesus heal the sick, but He gave the same healing power to His original twelve apostles, 70 other disciples, and also promised that the all believers would do the same. I then shared principles from the healing ministry of Jesus, namely that 1) He was completely dependent on the Spirit's power, 2) that He knew that God wants people well (on this point I shared that Paul's 'thorn in the flesh' was not a sickness, but was an idiom similar to our phrase 'pain in the neck' and was used in the Old Testament of Israel's enemies - 'thorns in your sides'. I also shared that Job was healed!) 3) that He understood that things can hear (sickness and disease can hear us) and 4) that He understand that God wants people to participate in their healing (including having faith!). I also shared that as we are the body of Jesus Christ, Jesus continues to heal the sick through us. I also shared that after His resurrection, Jesus said that ALL authority has been given to Him, and that if He has ALL authority, the devil has none! Therefore sickness and disease are illegal. Hallelujah!

After preaching, I called forward those who desired to heal the sick and prayed for the healing anointing to be released and laid hands on them.

After, this I called all the sick forward and over 50 people came forward. I ministered to them one by one, asking them what their condition was and what they believed would happen when I prayed. I asked the Holy Spirit to come on their bodies, and commanded whatever was wrong 'OUT' in Jesus' name, and then got them to straightaway test the condition. **100% of the people were healed**. Yes, 100% of them!!! There was not one person who came to me, who was in pain, and went away from me in pain. Every single person, both young children, young adults, middle aged, and elders, every single one who came for prayer was healed!!! 100% of them!!!! **Glory to God!** Conditions included various pains in different areas, asthma, diabetes, numbness, increased heart rate, and blindness! There was **a man who couldn't see**. I asked him to what extent he couldn't see, and he said that he couldn't see at all. After ministering to him, we got him to test his sight, and **behold, he could see**!!! There was another woman who could only see partially who also testified to healing. Oh Hallelujah, what a mighty God we serve!!!! The healing anointing was at work mightily. My right hand was gently shaking as the healing anointing was flowing through me through the time of ministry. Oh I

tell you, **the healing anointing flowed so effortlessly to each one.** Only on one or two did I have to say 'OUT in Jesus name' more than once. It was a **joyful** time. Plenty of smiles! :- D As each person was healed, I sent them to a line to queue up. After I finished ministering healing to them, **I counted those in the line, and there were 50 people.** I only sent to the line those who had measurable symptoms that could be tested there and then, so the number is really above 50. Oh glory to God, what a mighty God we serve! I then told them to stay healed and not to let the devil bring back any symptoms, and told them what to do if he tried to. Here are some snapshots of some of the different parts of the line of people who were healed:

Many of the photos in this report were taken by a young man (26) who is also a pastor. After the service, he asked if I could pray for him regarding his ministry, and I did so. He is a great guy with a lovely spirit.

Thus concluded my time of ministry in Kumasi, Ghana! Indeed, Jesus saved the best wine till last! I tell you, the anointing is real! And let this report testify to the glory of God, that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever! Hallelujah! Thanks to all those who prayed for this ministry trip, look what your prayers have done! Thanks also to those who financially sponsor my full-time

ministry, you're support is so appreciated! And a special thanks to my lovely wife, Minister Andrea, for her on-going support in this ministry :-) And most of all, thanks and glory be to the God of heaven and earth, through our Lord Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. Amen.

Shalom,

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