



IMPACT PRAYER – DECEMBER 2015

BLESSING OUR CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

“The woman then left her water pot, and went her way into **the city**, and said to the men, come, see a man, who told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ? Then they went out of **the city**, and came unto him. And many of the Samaritans of **that city** believed on him for the saying of the woman, which testified, He told me all that ever I did. So when the Samaritans were come unto him, they besought him that he would tarry with them: and he abode there two days. And many more believed because of his own word; and said unto the woman, now we believe, not because of thy saying: for we have heard him ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world”.

John 4:28 - 30; 39 – 42 (KJV)

We have gone a long way in pursuing the mission of ‘belting of the globe’ with relative success. It is important that we celebrate this fact and in particular be grateful to God. However, I believe there is more to do, particularly in penetrating the various ‘worlds’ right here in the UK. These include the world of politics, local government, education, culture and media and we need to lay our stakes and let God work through us, so from within our bellies will flow rivers of living water to the thirsty ‘worlds’ around us.

It took the testimony of just one woman and her encounter with Jesus to draw a whole city to Him and the message of the gospel. What are you desiring and expecting God to do in your city, town and community? I believe our expectations will not be cut off, so agree with me as we pray and proclaim blessing over our towns, cities and communities and its people.

KEY PRAYER POINTS

1. The City:

That God will give us a burden and passion for our cities and towns, love for its people and desire to see thousands saved.

(Job 24:12, John 4:28-30, 39-42).

2. The Community:

a. That God will open doors of opportunity, break up fallow ground and bring healing to our immediate community through us.

(1 Corinth 16:8-9; Revelation 3:7-14).

b. God will open people's eyes to the truth of the gospel.

c. God will release captives from oppression

(Job 9:32; Psalm 2:8; Psalm 146:7-8; 2 Corinthians 4:1-6; 2 Timothy 2:24-26).

3. The Church:

That we will be prepared in diverse ways for effective witness by being:

a. Empowered to be a blessing

b. Equipped to be effective and efficient and to make a real difference

c. Encouraged so we will be motivated and inspired

d. Supplied with provision (resources, logistics and labourers including evangelists).

4. Strategic Positioning:

That God will lead us at the National, Regional and Local levels, to identify strategic locations (cities and towns) that will serve as staging grounds for gospel penetration by way of church plants and other innovative approaches.

In line with this, pray that God will enlarge our territories and spheres of influence as a movement not for denominational purposes but for kingdom expansion. Pray that God will increase our capacity to believe and receive from Him and be channels of His blessing.

God richly bless you and remain blessed

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