

## Reflecting on the Propel Apostolic Conference

With Rev. Mosy and Gloria Madugba and Pst. Steve Meeks, March 29-31, 2019

**Thesis:** I want to emphasize what God released in us through the apostolic conference, during the weekend of March 29 – 31, so that we can receive what the Lord released and so that we can cooperate with the Lord and bless what he is doing.

**Text:** *Anyone who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and anyone who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward (Matthew 10:41).*

I want us to receive the full blessing and rewards of having apostolic and prophetic people minister among us (Matthew 10:41).

I have been processing through what the Lord said and did during the conference. I have already processed some with the staff and with a couple of elders.

And, I plan for us as pastors and elders to take more time to consider prayerfully the prophetic words which the Lord released so that we can respond appropriately.

Let me begin by explaining what I mean by *apostolic*. The word apostle means “sent one.” The apostolic is about releasing people who are sent, like the Father sent Jesus, our Great Apostle (John 20:21). The first apostles were saved and they were baptized with the Holy Spirit and the fiery passion of Jesus. This is what helped them as apostles to raise up more apostles. The first 12 apostles were called to lay foundations. But they aren't the whole building. They started the race and handed it over to us. God still has apostles today, people who are called to equip us and to work among us until we all come to unity, intimacy, and maturity. Finally, we are called to be an apostolic people. That means we are people of apostolic vision, character, passion, and power.

Here is what I believe the weekend was about. The Lord is...

1. **Releasing and reactivating dormant gifts and DNA** (1 Timothy 4:14; 2 Timothy 1: 6; Genesis 26:18-19)
  - a. *Don't minimize the powerful gift that operates in your life, for it was imparted to you by the laying on of hands of the elders and was activated through the prophecy they spoke over you (1 Timothy 4:14 PassionNTPsa).*
  - b. *I'm writing to encourage you **to fan into a flame and rekindle the fire of the spiritual gift God imparted to you** when I laid my hands upon you (2 Timothy 1:6 PassionNTPsa).*

- c. Through the years, the Lord has released significant gifts and anointings in this church. During the apostolic conference, the Lord released and reactivated dormant gifts and callings among us.
    - i. Our part is to become aware of and to give away what the Lord has imparted to us by his own sovereign bestowal and through his servants. Don't minimize the powerful gifts which operate in our lives and in this church.
    - ii. Our part is to fan into flames and rekindle the fire of the spiritual gifts which the Lord has imparted to us.
  - d. In a meeting with our Ministry Leaders on Sunday afternoon, March 31, Rev. Mosy Madugba told us to redig the wells (Genesis 26:12-19).
  - e. *Now Isaac sowed in that land, and reaped in the same year a hundredfold. And the LORD blessed him, 13 and the man became rich, and continued to grow richer until he became very wealthy; 14 for he had possessions of flocks and herds and a great household, so that the Philistines envied him. 15 Now all the wells which his father's servants had dug in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines stopped up by filling them with earth. 16 Then Abimelech said to Isaac, "Go away from us, for you are too powerful for us." 17 And Isaac departed from there and camped in the valley of Gerar, and settled there. Then Isaac dug again the wells of water which had been dug in the days of his father Abraham, for the Philistines had stopped them up after the death of Abraham; and he gave them the same names which his father had given them. 19 ...when Isaac's servants dug in the valley and [they] found there a well of flowing water... (Genesis 26:12-19 NASB).*
  - f. Redigging the wells is about getting the dirt and other stuff out of the way and removing what has settled, so that what is already there can flow.
    - i. We know where the water source is.
    - ii. We need to remove the clutter that is blocking the source.
    - iii. The water is already there and is flowing. We just need to access the flow again, to redig the wells.
    - iv. Question:
      - 1. Am I willing to remove the obstacles from my life that hinder the flow of the Lord in and through me?
      - 2. That is a personal choice and activity. And, it is a corporate activity.
  - g. Through the apostolic conference, the Lord released and activated dormant gifts and DNA in us.
2. **Releasing anointing and fire** (Matthew 3:11; Acts 2:1-4)
- a. *"I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me will come one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not fit to carry. He will*

baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire" (Matthew 3:11).

- i. **The power of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the fiery passion of the Lord Jesus were prophesied and promised in the Scripture.**
- ii. The prophesy and promise are fulfilled with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and fire on the day of Pentecost and the birth of the church.
- iii. *When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. 2 Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them* [observable manifestations] (Acts 2:1-4).
- b. Rev. Mosy Madugba said, "Calvary, you operated by taking territory, making sacrifices. God says you need to come back to that. Catch afresh your fire and begin to spread it. That is what God is saying to me."
- c. **During the conference, Rev. Mosy prayed for release of anointing and fire.**
- d. In light of what God did, whether we feel "anointed" or not, there is new grace, power, and anointing to do kingdom work and to be who we are called to be. I want to encourage you to step up in new ways to pray for people, to give witness to the Lord, etc.
- e. During the apostolic conference, the Lord released fresh anointing and fire.

### 3. **Releasing apostolic grace** (1 Corinthians 3:10)

- a. Pastor Steve Meeks, Saturday, March 30, 9:00am
- b. *By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as an expert builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should be careful how he builds (1 Corinthians 3:10).*
- c. Paul had an apostolic grace from the Lord which we need to honor and receive. Grace is the power or help of God to do what God has asked us to be and do.
- d. There is an apostolic grace that can be imparted, inspired, and released to us to help us walk as Christ.
- e. Paul said, *"I am in travail until Christ is formed in you" (Galatians 4:19).* That is an apostolic burden.
- f. The church needs all 5 of these gifts identified in Ephesians 4:11 until we come to the unity of the faith, to experiential intimacy with the Son of God, and to maturity-- the full measure of the stature of Christ (Ephesians 4:13).
- g. God gives apostolic grace, character, passion, and power, and he gives

prophetic vision and wisdom so that we can lay a foundation big enough for God to build his super structure.

- i. *Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. 21 In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. 22 And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit (Ephesians 2:19-22).*
  - ii. What is at stake here is the fullness of Christ in the church.
  - h. God has purposes in our generation.
    - i. *...David served God's purpose in his own generation... (Acts 13:36).*
    - ii. There are purposes of God in our generation.
    - iii. These gifted people in Ephesians 4:11, especially the apostolic and prophetic, help us to tap into the current words of the Lord.
    - iv. Pastor Steve said: "I believe that the establishment and recognition of apostolic and prophetic ministry is a part of helping us to get in on God's purposes in our generation."
  - i. We need the same attitude and perspective as Paul.
    - i. *Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me (Philippians 3:12).*
    - ii. **Here is the challenge:** Don't stay where you are. Don't settle. Don't stop short. Don't quit. Stir up a lifetime passionate of pursuit of the Lord and his purposes for your life and for our generation.
    - iii. **Calvary, I believe that Pastor Steve gave us a significant word, to serve the purposes of the Lord in our generation and to stir up a lifetime passionate of pursuit of the Lord and his purposes for our lives and for our generation.**
  - j. During the apostolic conference, the Lord released apostolic grace to us.
4. **Releasing faith** (Isaiah 43:18-19)
- a. Rev. Gloria Madugba, introduction to sermon on Sunday, 10:00am, 3'31'19
    - i. Gloria said: "This word is for Calvary. God woke me up at 3:00am this morning.
    - ii. "God says to tell you it is the dawning of a new day for Calvary.
      1. It is a new day according to Isaiah 43:18-19.
      2. **Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. 19 See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you**

*not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland (Isaiah 43:18-19).*

- iii. "I want to encourage Calvary this morning. God has begun a new work, a good work this weekend.
  - iv. "One of the major things God has begun is to stir up the great things that you are loaded with here to be a blessing to this generation."
  - b. So, we declare: **This is a new day.**
  - c. During the apostolic conference, the Lord released faith among us.
- 5. Releasing renewed apostolic vision (kingdom of God), character, passion, and power.**
- a. God is renewing and reminding us of our apostolic calling as a church.
  - b. Rev. Mosy Madugba, Saturday, 3'30'19, 11:00am
    - i. "God has let us know the front-line role of Calvary. This is an apostolic role, without you calling it apostolic.
    - ii. "You have that role.
    - iii. "Apostolic means being focused on the kingdom of God in the nations and the city (Rev. Mosy on the way to the airport, 4'1'19). Apostolic leadership is focused on the kingdom of God in the nations and city.
    - iv. "I thank God for Calvary. You have been a model of a church with a global heart. With your loving heart. With the way you do things.
    - v. "I want to thank all of you. You may not know how much you impact your community."
  - c. Rev. Mosy Madugba, Saturday, 3:45pm, 3'30'19
    - i. Talking about Apostolic Leadership
    - ii. "I have a word for Calvary: Calvary, take up your place to do apostolic leadership. This city needs you.
    - iii. "In times past, people looked at this place as the nearest place to find God.
    - iv. "Take responsibility."
  - d. Rev. Mosy Madugba, The Apostolic, sermon on Sunday, 10:00am, 3'31'19
    - i. "God starts with catalysts of the strong moves of God. [Rev. Mosy had rehearsed great moves of God in history.]
    - ii. "In praying for Calvary: God had raised Calvary as a lighthouse, as a landmark, as a catalyst of these moves. God has raised up in your midst an Apostolic Pastor and a Prophetic Pastor to put things in place, to lay foundations, so you can be a model for neighboring church communities.
    - iii. "You need to be a model of demonstrating apostolic grace and

power to your city and other churches.

iv. “You need to reach out with the uncommon love of God that you have in this church to your community.”

e. During the apostolic conference, the Lord released renewed apostolic vision (kingdom of God), character, passion, and power.

**6. Returning to our first love (Revelation 2:4-5)**

a. Rev. Mosy brought a reproof and corrective word to us from the Lord.

i. Rev. Mosy Madugba, Saturday, 3’30’19, 11:00am

ii. “I have a word for Calvary from Revelation 2 regarding the church at Ephesus. While we were praying for this conference, God said tell Calvary. ‘You love the things I love. You hate the things I hate. You need to do something about your first love.’

iii. “You have a bunch of godly people in right standing with God. Give me back your passionate love.

iv. **“I bring this to you as a now word. Give me back your fiery love.**

v. “I am not done with you yet. I am yet to use to reach the four corners of your city.

vi. “I will cause you to have a voice in your region and nation. I will raise from among you forerunners, beacons of light, apostolic and prophetic voices.

vii. “Tell the weary to be strong.

viii. **“God says to Calvary: ‘Give me back that fiery passion which you gave to me before.’”**

b. *“To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand and walks among the seven golden lampstands: 2 I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked men, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. 3 You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary. 4 **Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken your first love. 5 Remember the height from which you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place. 6 But you have this in your favor: You hate the practices of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. 7 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God” (Revelation 2:1-7).***

c. *4 “But I have this [charge] against you, that you have left your first love [you have lost the depth of love that you first had for Me]. 5 So remember the heights from which you have fallen, and repent [change your inner self—your old way of thinking, your sinful behavior—seek God’s will] and do the works you did at first [when you first knew Me];*

*otherwise, I will visit you and remove your lampstand (the church, its impact) from its place—unless you repent” (Revelation 2:4-5 Amplified).*

- d. **This corrective word is a First Commandment issue of passion, zeal, and expressive love for the Lord** (Matthew 22:37-39).
- e. NT Wright and New Living Translation both pick up on loving God and loving others as what they did at first. So, they connect that you cannot love Jesus without loving others through hospitality, action, and deed.
  - i. *4 But I have this complaint against you. You don't love me or each other as you did at first! 5 Look how far you have fallen from your first love! Turn back to me again and work as you did at first. If you don't, I will come and remove your lampstand from its place among the churches (Revelation 2:4-5 NLT).*
  - ii. Loving devotion to Jesus and it is expressed tangibly to Jesus in affection, worship, prayer; it is also expressed to others in hospitality, kindness, service, evangelism, etc. (Rev. 2:4-5).
- f. Application
  - i. Each of us needs to pray through this word and consider what it means to return to our first love and to “give me back that fiery passion which you gave to me before,” as Rev. Mosy said.
  - ii. We will also process this word as elders and pastors to see what the Lord is saying to us about a corporate response.
- g. During the apostolic conference, the Lord called us to return to our first love.

Today, I have shared what I believe that the apostolic weekend was about for us as a congregation.

**Question: What is the Lord saying to you? What is the Lord doing in you?**

I encourage you to get in action around what the Lord is stirring up you and saying to you.

Through this message, I wanted to give you some “rails” or context for your processing corporately. And, I wanted to encourage you to process what the Lord was stirring in you.

As we close, I wanted to share with you the apostolic burden which Rev. Mosy has for Calvary.

Rev. Mosy Madugba text on Thursday, 4'4'19, 7:20pm, which was 1:25am on Friday in Nigeria

"It's 1:25am in Nigeria. We are in a night Prayer Vigil praying for you and Calvary. We are crying out to God that your people shall be willing and obedient to translate hearing to ACTIONS!"

What a gift of grace to us as a church!

**Ministry Time**