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“Watching God Work”

Twenty-one years ago, just one year after MCM was organized, a group gathering for prayer generated a list of 27 nations: “everywhere you want to go and see God work.” For a fledging ministry that task seemed out of reach; and then, the first two nations, Venezuela and India, were not even on the list! But MCM World Missions was born and walking.

Today, MCM World Missions has grown into a full team trained in spiritual warfare missions. Wanda Barlow heads up the missions work stateside as Home-based Strategy Coordinator. As prophetic words are received and the call comes to “GO,” they are examined for the commission, the commands, and the commitment of God. As we say, the trip happens before the trip. All the scriptures pertaining to the words received are researched and declared out over the target nation(s) and region of the world. God has given us a strategy for “breaking the blood curse,” a strategy for researching the history of a location, and strategies to meet the call as it has grown over the years.

In 1993, starting with the U.S.A., the call to me was to call the nation to repentance. Of course, this call goes out in churches everywhere, but in this case, it is an apostolic call. As we were faithful in that, the call was extended in 2000 to call the nations to resurrection. That began in Brazil as we saw God work amazingly, opening doors, selecting congregations whose pastors hear the Holy Spirit, and carrying goods to orphanages and the poor on the Amazon River system. In 2009 the apostolic call extended to the Last Judgment and in 2011 to call the nations to restoration under a mantle of revival and restoration along with a mantle to purify the people of God in preparation for the return of Christ.

Today MCM World Missions has been sent to 83 nations and all seven continents. The obedience of both the team going and the team at home is key. MCM measures success by obedience to do the will of the Father with the mind of Christ and the heart of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit’s attention of late has been, for us, to the islands and isles of the world. We just completed a call to Mauritius and the Seychelles, two islands off the coast of Africa. These make a total of 10 nations in Africa to which we have been sent.

Prior to the trip, there was much opposition, especially concerning the logistics of air travel and little details needing to be worked out. Everything must be thought through in advance in order to generate the most complete itinerary possible. Over the years the prayer concerning logistics has lengthened due to various experiences. Prayer is key. This type of praying even includes who sits next to team members on the planes, etc.

Man makes his plans but God orders his steps. Marcia Murray, who accompanied me, and I both know this. So how did we see God work on this latest Africa mission?

1. Tail winds allowed us to arrive early and give extra time between flights.
2. God worked out the seats on the plane. Going from Paris to Mauritius, a man and his daughter sat next to me. After eating, the man fell asleep during this 11 hour flight, but I was not able to sleep and that turned out to be a blessing. I heard this man make a noise that told me from experience (caring for elderly parents for 29 years) that the man was in trouble. It didn't look like he was breathing. I awakened his sleeping daughter and told her we had about four minutes to act. We called the flight attendant. God's grace was that a cardiologist and two other doctors were sitting close by on this huge airplane. I was able to help the man's daughter and calm her down. After some scary minutes, the man revived. He had passed out, unconscious. The doctors took over, examining him in the first class section of the plane.
3. God worked out the weather in every location to the benefit of the mission.
4. God answered prayers concerning logistics, the anointing and His presence, a specific list concerning African nations, the various strategies He had provided, the commitments He had given through the prophetic word.
5. Arriving in Mauritius, and later, trying to sleep, I was awakened and wide awake at 6:00 a.m. local time. Internet and wireless service had been random and for the most part useless, but suddenly everything worked re my device. The LORD led me to Bambous Assembly of God church there in Mauritius and I was able to locate it on a map. We had our plans, to go to the Mahebourg waterfront, but as to after that, the plan changed. The word was, change of plans! Bambous AOG had a 3:30 p.m. service; we were to go to that service.
6. Bambous Assembly of God Church. We took a taxi to this church. I had some landmarks, like Flic-n-Flac and a food market and a gas station, but the taxi driver turned one direction instead of the other direction and had to call the church. Pastor Devin Rajiah answered. When we arrived, we were warmly greeted by Pastor Devin. After an initial conversation and after showing him the words I had received for Mauritius, Seychelles, and Africa, he graciously made way for the calling in of Mauritius and for the prophetic word.



A blessed



family

Marcia, Pastor Devin, and myself.

7. From experience, I know that God chooses a specific congregation in each nation where I am sent. This congregation is one that has a heart for the nation as a whole and a pastor who hears

the Holy Spirit. God blessed those who came at this odd time. Many come to this church for its morning service. God told us to come to the afternoon service. I could also see God work in their worship, for their worship exalted God and not man. Pastor Devin graciously had the worship partly in English so we could participate. When they sang “To Him Who Sits on the Throne,” I knew God was going to move powerfully in that service. The prophetic word was delivered with the people participating. The nation was called in with the people participating. We watched God touch hearts in that service. We know from experience that those who came, and particularly Pastor Devin, will be greatly blessed.

8. Pastor Devin contacted Rev. David Olawale in our behalf. Pastor David had been at Bambous Assembly of God church just the week prior to our coming there. Arriving in Bel Ombre, Seychelles, only our phones worked. After some “this and that,” we connected with Pastor David in Seychelles.



Marcia and I at the National History Museum, Victoria

9. When we mentioned that we had planned to take the bus into Victoria, Pastor David was like “No!” He graciously picked us up the next day, took us around Victoria, and then took us to a pastors’ conference of the Pentecostal Assembly of Seychelles. Pastors were gathered from all over the Seychelles Islands. Pastor Eddy Payet is the pastor there in Mahe. I picked up the bulletin for March 15, 2015, Sunday. On the front is John 8:32, “Then you will know the Truth, and the truth will set you free”: and Daniel 11:32, “The people who know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.” They were preparing for a “Revival of Hope.”



God at work at the pastor’s conference; Rev. David Olawale; a little bird watching in Seychelles

10. We were warmly accepted. In the room were 12 pastors and two others. The pastors listened closely to the prophetic words. They participated as Seychelles was called in. Then I heard that the pastors were to pray for me; they did. Then they asked that I pray for them; I did. The fact that they took time out of their conference to accommodate the apostolic commission was totally a God thing. After all, I am just the messenger.

11. The next night, Pastor David picked us up and took us to a house church, the Prophetic Church of Jesus Christ, in St. Louis, Mahe, Seychelles. This church extended out into a large driveway covered by a canopy. As we came in, the people were already worshipping. The Holy Spirit was moving in the midst. Pastor Simon Barreau graciously accommodated the reading of

the prophetic word to the people, the message God gave me for them, and ministry of the Holy Spirit following. Again, this involved their changing their plans as well.



Pastor David, Pastor Simon, Marcy; worshiper, Jovana, Pastor Simon, baby, Pastor David

12. As I encouraged the people to believe in Jesus, believe Jesus, and believe what Jesus believes and went through five aspects of the atoning work of Jesus Christ, interest grew. Then I shared something about the leper (Luke 5) healed by Jesus. Jesus responds to the level of revelation He perceives someone has and increases it. This leper called Jesus “Kurie, Lord.” The leper said, Whenever you are willing, whenever you intend, whenever you determine, whenever you want, you can, you have the ability and power, to make me clean, clean physically, spiritually, and ceremonially. Jesus said that He did so determine, and He touched the leper. In Greek, the word translated “touch” is “hapto.” It means Jesus didn’t just lightly touch the man; He took hold of the man; He took a firm grip on the man. I say, Jesus “haptoed” him. He got hold of that man, and after touching him, told the man to go to the priests. The priests were the ones to declare that indeed someone was clean and therefore could be re-introduced into covenant community life and worship. (Go to www.mcmtffr.org for the teaching series “Believe in Jesus...”)

13. After being asked to pray for everyone there, we watched God work as Jesus “haptoed” the people. The Holy Spirit moved powerfully, so much so that afterwards people said they had never experienced the power of the Holy Spirit like that before. The people kept coming and coming from the area, a steady stream of all these babies to small children, to teens, to young adults, to adults. For three hours or more we watched God work!

14. The words which I believe I received from the Holy Spirit for Africa, its islands, Mauritius, and Seychelles are attached.

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Just the messenger,

Mary Craig

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There is a wide-open door for a great work here, although many oppose me.

Paul, 1 Corinthians 16:9

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