

Building on the Rocks

How do we go about touching heaven and changing the earth?

1 There is a word

Prophecies on the Philippines being transformed have been declared...

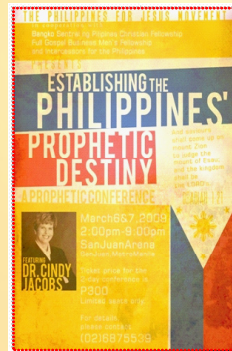


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These are premised on the country and people doing their share to repent, pray, fast and wage warfare.

What was the word? Taking off from Cindy Jacobs, for instance, the word is summarized, thus:

The next two years will be critical.
Spirit of corruption will be pulled down.
There will be a release of spirit of truth and righteousness.
The Philippines will be one of the wealthiest nations on earth.
The spirit of poverty will be broken.
Out of darkness, there will be transformation movement that will be a world model.
The Filipino people need to fast and pray without ceasing.
Love your nation!



What is to be done?

We need to prepare the people of God for this important undertaking. We should teach them the importance of the following:

1. Taking dominion and occupying, Gen 1:26
2. Fathering nations and churches,* Mal 4:5-6
3. Speaking life, Ezek 37
4. Declaring and decreeing, Job 22:28



The task is for the Church to truly **take leadership in the governance of the Philippines**. If the Church is united, the people of God can elect righteous, just, competent and honest leaders in both the national and local levels, help appoint equally righteous, just, competent and honest leaders in the judiciary and the executive departments of Government. **The Church should always be the gatekeeper of the Philippines**: not sparing words of admonition to those who are abandoning God's principles, nor encouraging words to those who keep to the statutes of the Living God.

2 There is a burden

The Philippines has been left behind by many countries in the region and beyond. There is so much social conflict, there is a breakdown of social order. Poverty continues to oppress people and families and the nation in general.

If Nehemiah **begged God for forgiveness** and **reminded Him of His promise** to Moses about His faithfulness to those who choose to return to Him:

"...I will gather them from there, and bring them to the place which I have chosen as a dwelling place for my name." Nehemiah 1:9

and **prepared a blueprint for rebuilding**; brought all the materials for rebuilding; sought help; never compromised with Tobiah, Geshem and Sanballat; **dealt with oppression**; caused the book of the law to be read and instituted reforms—Then, **we should do no less**. We all need to intercede for the Philippines.

3 There is a problem

The Body of Christ in the Philippines is yet to come to convergence. **We need to get involved**—not just within the four walls of our respective sanctuaries, but more importantly, outside. **We cannot allow the people of the world to drive the pace of development, or the lack of it; we cannot allow the Church to simply witness the erosion of national values of righteousness, truth and justice** because it simply chose to remain narrowly confined in ecclesiastical affairs. Spirituality means ensuring that godly values are transmitted to the rest of the community.

As in the days of Esther, the Church should be emboldened because their God is a God of miracle and grace.

"...If you remain completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" Esther 4:14

The Call

The Philippines is a blessed nation of God. It is rich in natural resources, it has vast army of highly educated, trainable Filipinos and it is filled with so much culture and heroism as a nation to be left behind in the march to national progress. It was second only to Japan in the 1960's in terms of economic progress. It was the first Asian nation to win independence from Western colonialism. Filipinos have distinguished themselves



in various fields from sciences and technology to arts and painting to sports and to political institutions and infrastructure. Many Filipinos have lost sight of these important facts.

As a result, we do not seem to mind having what people call damaged culture. We compete against ourselves in the spirit of what people call crab mentality, we fancy shooting ourselves in the foot, we have very little respect for authority, we have very little respect for private property. The blessings have turned into curse.

This is the thrust of this Movement: **to unite the Body of Christ and help redeem the Philippines from the oppressive spirit of poverty and disunity.** Touching the heart of God can change the fate and destiny of the Philippines.



in the Philippines are invited to join.

We have coordinated in the past with the Philippines for Jesus Movement, the Intercessors for the Philippines, Philippine Council of Evangelical Churches (PCEC) and other national and local pastoral movements.



What is our vision for the future?

It is a simple vision for our children and their children, something that should be pursued at all costs:

- * **High growth, high employment, high income**
- * **Public infrastructure, services excellent**
- * **Respect for law and authority**
- * **Illegal occupancy unnecessary, a thing of the past**
- * **High moral standard in public service**
- * **Strong air, sea and land defenses**
- * **Overseas employment limited to missionaries**
- * **A respected member of the league of nations**



How is this going to be delivered?

We are just beginning. We shall be launching the following:

1. **Series of provincial / city "Touching Heaven..."**
2. **Island Congresses** with agenda for Church unity and nation transformation
3. **National Congress** to launch Church as a social force for nation transformation: good and responsible governance, values formation, economic revolution, educational competitiveness and cultural renaissance.



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Touching Heaven, Changing Earth Movement

Touching Heaven, Changing Earth Movement **envisions the Philippines worshipping Jesus as a nation.** It aims to expand the kingdom of God, take the forces of darkness out of the marketplace and to help transform the Philippines by impressing the importance of touching the heart of God.

This was launched on 15 September 2005 at the Philippine International Convention Centre in Manila, Philippines, followed by another conference at the BSP Assembly Hall in 2006. Since then, hundreds of churches represented by hundreds of pastors and elders and church leaders were reached in a series of provincial conferences between 2007 and 2012 in San Fernando, La Union; Davao City; Cebu City; Tagbilaran, Bohol; Dumaguete, Negros Oriental; Urduyaya, Pangasinan, Legaspi, Albay; Naga, Camarines Sur; Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija, San Jose, Nueva Ecija; Tanauan, Batangas; Olongapo City; and Puerto Princesa, Palawan.



A national movement of like-minded Christians representing more than 100 churches initiated by members of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Christian Fellowship.