

## ***IHOPKC: Key Events in 1983 and 1999***

### **I. MOVING TO KANSAS CITY, MEETING BOB JONES, AND THE SOLEMN ASSEMBLY**

- A. In October 1982, while I was pastoring in St. Louis, Augustine Alcalá, a man with a proven prophetic ministry, gave me four words related to starting a new young adult church in Kansas City.
1. Thousands of young people will gather in Kansas City.
  2. The full manifestation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit will operate.
  3. A false prophet will arise in your midst in the early days (he was discovered).
  4. A controversy will arise against you; do not fight back with answers, but trust the Lord.
- B. I first met Bob Jones on March 7, 1983. He said, “On the first of spring when the snow melts they will accept me.” He explained that God gives prophetic signs in the heavens (including comets and weather patterns, etc.) to confirm prophetic visions and dreams (Acts 2:17-21).
- <sup>17</sup>I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh...your young men shall see visions, your old men shall dream dreams...<sup>19</sup>I will show wonders in heaven and signs in the earth... (Acts 2:17-19)***
- C. Bob Jones said, “You are a youth pastor and an intercessor. You will lead a youth movement of singers and musicians that will be used in power evangelism and will receive abundant grace in ‘prophetic and intercession’ and will be connected to many in Asia by ‘unplugged TVs’ that will be held in the hands of many in rice patties (smart phones, etc.)” He said that at that time an abortion pill would be perfected and sold over the counter and that homosexuals would come out of the closet and parade in the streets with the support of the government.
- D. Bob said, “This movement will mobilize intercession for Israel, and the Lord will place you next to Harry S. Truman’s property in Grandview as a prophetic sign.” As President Truman was a “political intercessor” for Israel, *so this movement will be spiritual intercessors for Israel*. Truman helped to establish the state of Israel in May 1948. Many biblical prophecies indicate that Israel would dwell in their land in the end times (Joel 3:2, 12; Zeph. 3:8; Zech. 12:2-3; 14:2). On January 27, 2008, we closed on purchasing a 125-acre property that Truman had sold to a Jewish family exactly fifty years earlier—that property deal had closed on January 27, 1958.
- E. Bob gave me the same four prophetic words that Augustine had given me in October 1982.
- F. God confirmed Bob Jones’ prophetic role on March 21, 1983. I met with Bob and Art Katz at my house from 9pm until 4am. The snow came as a prophetic sign, as Bob had prophesied.
- G. On April 13, 1983, the Lord spoke to me about Dan. 9-10 and calling a 21-day fast (May 7-28). On April 14, Bob said that Gabriel visited him saying, “Give the young man Daniel 9 and he will understand;” the fast would be confirmed on May 7 by a comet unpredicted by scientists. On May 7, a local newspaper reported a comet unpredicted by scientists. The article “1983: May’s Surprise Comet” (Harvard Center for Astrophysics) said it was first seen on April 25th.

- H. God spoke two promises to us about the future youth movement during the solemn assembly.
1. The Lord said, *“I will establish 24-hour prayer in the spirit of the tabernacle of David”* (in context to Ps. 27:4). An angel told Bob that we would *grow from 500 to 5,000 intercessors* overnight by the flood of the Spirit and it would be confirmed as we watched Mississippi.
  2. God promised to release a great healing anointing on the end-time Church saying, *“No disease known to man will stand before His people.”* This will be seen in many ministries.
- I. On May 28, Bob said the Lord had good news and bad news. The bad news: revival was not coming immediately; the spiritual drought over America would continue until God’s appointed time to send the rains of the Spirit. Bob prophesied of a natural drought in Kansas City lasting three months (July 1–October 1, 1983). Good news: rain was coming on exactly August 23rd to show that God had an appointed day when the “spiritual drought” in America would end.
- J. On August 23, it rained hard for about 20-30 minutes as we gathered at 7pm; it came in the midst of a 3-month drought in KC (July 1–Oct. 1) that was the second worst drought on record for KC. In 1983, five prophetic signs in the heavens were given in advance: *unusual snow* (March 21), a *comet* (May 7), a *flood* (Mississippi, May 23), *drought* (July 1–Oct. 1) and *rain* (Aug 23).
- K. On November 7, Bob told me that God would give me a revelation directly from His throne on November 15 and that afterwards I would never again doubt that God sovereignly called the solemn assembly on May 7, 1983 to birth a youth movement that would touch the ends of earth. In August 1979, Howard Pittman had had a heavenly experience in which God told him that He was raising up a people like “Gideon’s army” whom He would anoint with great miracles. God showed him that He would ***“begin to recruit this army in earnest”*** on May 7, 1983, accompanied by a heavenly sign. Howard wrote the story in his book *Placebo* published in May 1980.

## II. SIXTEEN YEARS LATER: JANUARY 1999 AND MAY 1999

- A. On Sunday, January 24, 1999, a prophetic person gave me Hag. 1:2. It did not seem right to me. That Wednesday (Jan. 27) in Colorado Springs, Kingsley Fletcher prophesied Hag. 1:2 to me.  
*<sup>1</sup>This people says, “The time has not come...that the Lord’s house should be built.” (Hag. 1:2)*
- B. *I asked for a 3-fold confirmation:* To provide a building without my telling anyone, to send a senior pastor to replace me (with 100% unity among our leaders), and to tell Noel Alexander in a supernatural way that it was time for me to start the house of prayer.
- C. On February 20, 1999, Noel told me that after preaching in Sunderland, England, a man he did not know told him to tell Mike Bickle it was time to start the 24-hour house of prayer. The next day after preaching in Peterborough (about 200 miles away), another man he did not know prophesied that he was to tell Mike Bickle to start the house of prayer.
- D. *I made a 3-fold agreement* with the Lord that He has honored since May 7, 1999. I will not travel to recruit leaders, raise money, or be responsible for creative ideas in leading. I committed to work long hours, say unpopular things, and not quit under the pressure of growth or of criticism.