

A REPORT ON THE JOSHUA GENERATION YOUTH CONFERENCE AT PERIYAKULAM 14th and 15th JANUARY 2011.

When David's brothers accused of him being but a youth, as he stood visualizing Goliath's defeat, little did they know what a youth led by the Spirit of God could do.



David knew his potential; he knew the kind of God he served. We at the United Pentecostal Church in Ayanavaram also were burdened for the youth all over our state. Partnering with us in Prayer and in vision, Pastor Paulraj from Periyakulam invited us to come and minister to the youth at his Church, in a small village in Tamil Nadu. This time around, he chose to carry on our vision of the Joshua Generation and called it such. The Lord has promised us an enlargement of our territory like he did Jabez, and he started out by proving for the

countless time that he is a faithful God. Churches from Bodi, Theni,

The morning session of the conference opened with praise and worship by Bro. Gerald and team, followed by heartwarming testimonies from two of our brethren. This was followed by introducing all 22 members of the mission trip by Bro. Andrew. Sis. Sandhya then greeted the congregation, and urged the young people not to bow down to the Golden images that they think are important at the prime of their lives. This was followed by Pastor Hobday's powerful message on Setting the Doves Free. The Holy ghost was not to go around in circles anymore in the church, the Spirit of God spoke through the anointed



preacher and many were refilled and the Lord led the service in a powerful way.



The afternoon session was dedicated to the Joshua Generation Apostolic Training Ministry for equipping leaders of the future. Sis. Sandhya and Pastor Hobday commenced the session with prayer and an introduction into what the potential for the future was. Pastor Hobday divided the 30-strong classroom into 5 batches and made them to break the ice, with forming teams, naming their teams, making

them one with the body of Christ and forgetting their difference. With renewed energy, the Miracle of Learning was taught to the group by Sis. Sandhya. She used many

examples from within and outside the church and the students were really astounded that each one of them were fearfully and wonderfully made by the Creator. Knowing that the students were ready to receive, she went into the Defining the Ministry and knowing the call of God in their lives. She spoke on the power of the ministry, the purpose, the fivefold ministry, and the blessing of the ministry. Every heart was stirred and we understood that God has released a new meaning and dimension to the called people of God in the room. We could almost feel that they were ready to go out into the field right then and win souls for his Kingdom. Pastor Hobday then closed the session with re-emphasizing the need for doing more than what is just the basic requirement for the Lord and he also encouraged the leaders to be in constant touch with each other before the start of the Joshua Generation National Conference on May 8th.



New mercies, New dawning and the morning of 15th held immense promise. Worship was followed by a powerful exhortation by Bro. Solomon. The Teens for Christ youth team from UPC Ayanvaram presented an “All Nations Worship” Song sequence which convinced the team that every tongue and tribe that is chosen of the Lord is chosen to worship Him in all His glory. The visiting team from Chennai then enacted a small skit and Pastor Hobday came to release the word of God. He spoke on “Carry the Bones”, where Moses carries the Bones of Joseph, out of Egypt as



promised. Many came and many were buried in the wilderness, but Moses held on to his Commitment. There was one night which was to be the night of deliverance, the people hardly had enough time to prepare for the Mighty Exodus, some thought of water, some of jewelry, some of food to sustain their arduous journey through the desert, but one man thought of the Bones of Joseph, that he promised to carry, and take out of Egypt. He equated the bones with Apostolic Doctrine, the Truth that set a generation free, he asked the

young people to carry the Bones, onward, until generation after generation gets to inherit the great legacy that the apostles chose to pass on to us. The congregation was stirred in their hearts, and it was a time of rededication to the cause and the cross by all those who came to the conference.

Delivered, enlightened, ignited, and liberated, it remains to be seen what results these young men and women will produce in their labor towards the Kingdom of the Lion of the Tribe of Judah. All Glory and Honor to HIM alone. Amen.



