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## Pope: Life in the Spirit 'for everyone'

### 4,000 meet in Rome for charismatic training and update

By RICHARD DUNSTAN

Pope Francis wants to see the Catholic charismatic renewal offer Life in the Spirit Seminars, the introduction to baptism in the Holy Spirit, "in all places and for everyone."

He would also like to see the gifts of the Holy Spirit promoted throughout the Church, rather than just in the charismatic renewal. And he hopes that CHARIS, the new structure he has created for the renewal, will help Catholics move beyond "limited horizons" in their view of the work of the Spirit.

The Pope was speaking Nov. 4, on the final day of a three-day gathering of CHARIS that brought 4,000 participants to Rome, from 70 countries. The event was titled *Called, Transformed and Sent*, and also featured talks and workshops on topics ranging from prayer groups and evangelization to spiritual warfare and work with the poor.

Speakers included such major figures as Cardinal Raniero Cantalamessa, preacher to the papal household under the last three popes; Patti Mansfield, a pioneer of the Catholic charismatic renewal; Michelle Moran, former international chair; and Alpha founder Nicky Gumbel.

Brian Sullivan of Ontario, co-ordinator of the CHARIS National Service of Communion for Canada, was among Canadian leaders attending the event.

"It was a wonderful experience of the Universal Church," he said. "Even amidst the diversity of culture and languages we experienced a real sense of unity in our prayer and in our purpose."

Pope Francis noted that it has been five years since he decreed the formation of CHARIS,

which replaced two previous bodies and is intended to bring all the "expressions and realities" of the renewal into a single group, to serve as a "current of grace" for the entire Church.

"CHARIS is in some sense a 'window' on the vast and varied world of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal," he said. "Those involved in its work

have an extraordinary opportunity to look out this window, to peer into the distance, beyond local experiences, and to appreciate the rich gifts that the Holy Spirit is bestowing in cultural, social and ecclesial contexts very different from their own."

"One goal that you are proposing, and which I myself

have encouraged, is to expand the 'Life in the Spirit Seminars' in all places and for everyone. These are truly kerygmatic moments, opportunities for the 'initial proclamation' of the Gospel. They make it possible for people to encounter the living Jesus, in His word and His Spirit, and at the same time to experience his Church as a welcoming environment, a place of grace, reconciliation and rebirth. That is why I have encouraged you to make these Seminars more widely available. Today I would ask you: are the Life in the Spirit Seminars being offered in a variety of ecclesial contexts, in small and more remote places, and among the poor and on the peripheries? Each of you can answer this in your hearts. One obstacle to this might be the idea that these Seminars can only be held in large venues and with well-known leaders, whereas in reality even small parish groups and local leaders can organize them and present them to people in their area.

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# Live and work like Jesus

## *Declare His word from the throne room: Kelowna speaker*

When Jesus calmed the storm, saw into people's hearts, and healed their illnesses, He wasn't invoking His divine power as God the incarnate Son.

Instead, He was relying on the same resources that are available to you and me, says Pauline Dumas McGrath, featured speaker for this year's Gathering in the Spirit in Kelowna. And if we follow His example, we will get the same results.

### Gathering in the Spirit

Quoting St. Hilary of Poitiers, a fourth-century doctor of the Church, she said Jesus retained the power of His nature as God, but relinquished that power during His earthly ministry, and walked as man, relying on His Father and the Holy Spirit for the mighty works He did.

"You can live exactly the same way as Jesus did on earth, filled with the power of God," she said.

Nearly 50 people filled St. Elizabeth Seton House of Prayer in Kelowna for the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Our Lady of Pentecost Gathering in the Spirit, sponsored by Nelson Diocese Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services, Aug. 13 to 18. Theme was "For You Alone Are Holy. You Do Great and Marvellous Things."

The gathering, which also featured a healing Mass at St. Charles Garnier parish, ended just as the devastating West Kelowna wildfire was getting under way on the opposite side of Lake Okanagan. Some local residents attending the gathering were evacuated, but none lost their homes, and out-of-town attendees all returned home safely.

Dumas McGrath was trained at Catholic Bible College of Canada, Madonna House, and Encounter School of Ministry. She works as a co-ordinator and teacher Encounter's Ottawa campus and is confirmation leader and co-ordinator of several ministries at her home parish, also in Ottawa.

Her four days of presentations were focused on getting participants to base their ministry in the heavenly throne room. During

the gathering, she displayed a 15<sup>th</sup> century icon by the painter Andrei Rublev, depicting the Trinity (represented by angels) seated at a table with an empty space. That space is for us, she said—it's "our board meeting" with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, to get our agenda each day from Them, or in more spiritual terms, to get God's heart for our day. We can pray from the throne room too, she said, declaring our prayers from God's presence in heaven

rather than imploring His help from our position on earth.

"Declarations shift the atmosphere, from an earthly atmosphere to a kingdom atmosphere," she said. We are learning to declare God's truth from heaven to earth as priests, prophets and kings, she said—offering sacrifice, listening and speaking God's word, and exercising royal authority.

She compared Christians to police officers. When the police see someone committing a crime, they don't call the chief of police and ask the chief to come arrest the criminal; the chief would just say "I gave *you* the authority to arrest people." Similarly, when we're faced with a prayer need, we shouldn't say "Lord, do something about it." His reply will be "That's *your* job. I gave you authority to do things I do."

A high proportion of her talks focused on the charismatic gift of prophecy, and the closely-related gift called "word of knowledge." She said these are indispensable to our ministry to other people. "Hearing God's word for yourself is called prayer," she said. "Hearing God's word for others is called prophecy." She cited scripture passages that offer this gift to every Christian, beginning in the Old Testament with Numbers 11:29 ("would that all the LORD's people were prophets") and fulfilled in the New Testament with Acts 2:17 ("your sons and your daughters shall prophesy") and 1 Corinthians 14:1 ("pursue love and strive for the spiritual gifts, and especially that you may prophesy.")

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# See the face of God—*now*

Salvation covers every part of our lives, says Fr. Mark Cherry

In Old Testament times, only Moses was allowed to see the LORD face to face. And only the high priest, just once a year, was allowed to enter into the Holy of Holies in the Temple to worship God.

But Jesus has changed everything.

“God has fully revealed His face in the person of Jesus Christ,” says Father Mark Cherry. “Those early apostles looked literally on the face of God.”

And today, we can do the same. We come face to face with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration, at Mass, in Scripture, and through other Christians. “It is now possible for us to go into the Holy of Holies every day.” And people can come face to face with Jesus through us, too.

“Our faces are supposed to be shining with the glory of God,” Father Cherry told a congregation of 200 in Victoria this fall. “We’re designed to live and walk in His presence. In baptism we have the Holy Spirit living in us.”

Father Cherry, a missionary priest based in Halifax, led a retreat entitled Show Us Your Face, Lord, Sept. 29-30 at St. Joseph the Worker parish in Victoria. The retreat was organized by a local committee formed for the purpose, and was filled to capacity.

Raised Catholic, Father Cherry spent 20 years in Evangelical Christian denominations before returning to Catholicism in 1996; he said he was drawn back by the Eucharist, the Blessed Virgin Mary, the apostolic succession and the wisdom of the Saints.

Trained at St. Augustine Seminary in Toronto and ordained in 2005 for the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth, he spent 14 years as a parish priest while also serving as chaplain for various ministries. In 2019 he was appointed to a full-time evangelization and healing ministry by his archbishop.

Father Cherry said we receive a share of the divine nature in baptism, but it is up to us to answer our baptismal call. “We must come to know Jesus because we’ve experienced

Him, not because people have told us,” he said.

Jesus, Father Cherry said, offers us “complete salvation.” The biblical word *salvation*, from the Greek *sōzō*, carries a range of meanings including *made well, restored, preserved, set free* and *healed*; it is not limited to the forgiveness of sins, as Christians often think. And while our baptismal rebirth is a

one-time event, salvation is an ongoing process: Jesus will meet all our spiritual, psychological, emotional physical and temporal needs if we will let Him. “Jesus sets us free from those things that can bind us,” he said. “God did not give us a spirit of fear, but of love, power and a sound mind. (See 2 Timothy 1:7). People may have salvation, but be struggling in other ways. God wants to set us free from all of that.

One of the key points on that list is *power*. Jesus is not only the Lamb of God—He’s also the Lion of the Tribe of Judah. “We need to know beyond all question that Jesus is Lord of heaven and earth.” Jesus has all authority, and He has given us some of it. Father Cherry said we sometimes forget that the Catholic Church was based on supernatural events: The virgin birth, Jesus’ miracles, and above all the resurrection; and in God’s plans, none of that has changed. “To some degree, we’ve lost that sense of the supernatural power of God,” he said. “We need to restore the sense of the supernatural.” Miracles should be a common thing in Christian ministry, and preaching the word should be accompanied by manifestations. “The kingdom of God is not in words, but in power” (See 1 Corinthians 4:20).

And now, he said, is just the time for manifestations of God’s word and His power. He quoted prophecies given by Catholic evangelist Ralph Martin in 1975 and Pope St. John Paul II (who was still a cardinal at the time) in 1976.

## Victoria retreat

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## POPE PROMOTES LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS

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“The Life in the Spirit Seminars are often an engaging and transformative experience that becomes a turning point in people’s lives. A turning point: after a Seminar, people change course! Nonetheless, they are only a beginning, like a fire that burns very intensely but risks dying out unless it is continually fed. Precisely for this reason, the Seminars need to be followed up by suitable methods of continuing formation that can fan into flame the graces received and encourage ongoing growth in faith and prayer, the moral and sacramental life, the practice of charity and cooperation in the Church’s mission.”

He also called for encouraging spiritual deepening and growth in holiness of those who have been baptized in the Spirit. “It should not be taken for granted that once

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Martin said a time of darkness was coming into the world, when supports Catholics have relied on will be taken away, and Pope John Paul said the world was facing a final confrontation between the Church and the anti-church. All this has come true, Father Cherry said. What used to be called “Christendom”—a world shaped by Christian values—is gone, and the Church has been taken into the wilderness. And while we were *facing* the final confrontation in 1976, society has gotten a lot worse since then. “I believe, in 2023, we are *in* the final confrontation.”

Scary as this might be, Father Cherry said, it’s a time of great promise and opportunity for the Church, and for all of us as Catholics. “The Lord wants to remove those things that are holding us back from depending on anything but Him. Only the uncreated God can fulfil the deepest longings of our hearts.”

Our hearts, and everyone’s hearts. “God is preparing to bring in a great final harvest of souls into His kingdom. We are in a time of mercy, but a time of justice is coming. God

someone has received baptism in the Spirit that he or she is already fully Christian. The path to holiness always involves growth in personal conversion and in the generous gift of oneself, a gift to Christ and to others, not merely in a sense of spiritual consolation.”

Before the event, CHARIS held a three-day international general assembly and elected a new international service of communion. Moderator is Pino Scafuro of Argentina; North American representative is Msgr. Joseph Malagrega of Brooklyn, NY.

In Canada, an interim national service of communion was formed last year, and four regional services of communion, including one for Western Canada, are currently in the process of organization. Existing provincial service committees will remain unchanged.

is calling us to be the ones to bring His mercy to others, to bring others to know Him as we have come to know Him.” All of us must be evangelists, he said. We have different personalities and we will share the Gospel in different ways, “but everybody needs to do *something*.”

And we can count on getting some major help from the Lord. Father Cherry said we are nearing the end of the age (though *not* the end of the world), and there will be a great “final Pentecost” even greater than the first, pouring out the Holy Spirit on the world.

“It’s going to be a tsunami,” he said.

Following his talks, Father Cherry was joined by Father Alfredo Monacelli, pastor of the host parish, in offering a healing service with “threefold blessing.” Participants venerated relics of St. Faustina, St. John Paul II, St. Pius X and St. Thérèse of Lisieux; were blessed with a crucifix; and received individual prayer with Father Cherry. With 200 people attending, the scheduled 90-minute healing service stretched to more than four hours, with other parts of the retreat adjusted to accommodate.

—Richard Dunstan

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# Jesus is the God of *today*

Jesus is risen from the grave. Now it's our turn.

"Rise up in splendour. Your light has come" was the theme of the annual Nelson diocesan charismatic conference, and that means *us*, said Father Obi Ibekwe, the featured speaker.

Today. Not just 2,000 years ago, and not tomorrow either. *Now*.

"Jesus didn't tell the thief on the cross, 'I will remember you tomorrow,'" Father Ibekwe told a crowd of 140 at Our Lady of Lourdes parish in West Kelowna April 21-22. "He said today, *this* day, you will be with Me in paradise. He is the God of today."

With covid, and other challenges, Christians may feel they have been in the grave, Father Ibekwe said. But there's nothing new about that. The conference's theme scripture verse, Isaiah 60:1—"arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you"—was written in dark times, more than 2,500 years ago, when God was about to call the ancient Israelites back from exile in Babylon.

"They felt rejected, they felt abandoned, they felt that God had abandoned them," he said. "And God speaks in the midst of darkness, their brokenness, their abandonment. God says rise and shine, My people, for your light has come."

"Rise," he said, implies that we are sitting, or lying down, or maybe even dead. Well, enough of that. "Don't be dormant, don't be hibernating. Rise and shine. Let us reactivate the Church in the diocese of Nelson."

By "reactivate," he meant *rejuvenate*. For starters, he brought a good-sized contingent of young people from his own parishes in Penticton. Several of them gave their testimonies during the course of the conference.

But rejuvenation isn't limited to the young. The conference, like most parishes, was full of grey heads, but demographics don't really matter, Father Ibekwe said. What matters is Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. "Whatever He touches becomes alive, whatever He touches becomes young, whatever He touches becomes new.... We want Jesus to

touch our parishes in a new way, so that they become young again, they become new again, and experience youthfulness in every parish.

"There is no place for lukewarmness in the Church today. Jesus wants people who are on fire. Jesus doesn't ask Peter 'do you like Me?' [John 21:15, at the Sea of Galilee after the resurrection]. God wants people who love the Lord. That love may not be perfect, but that's OK."

Perfect or not, our love must make us all missionaries. Jesus began His mission at His baptism, and our baptism makes us missionaries too. "Any friend of Jesus must also rise from the River Jordan and go out on mission, for and with the Lord. Every missionary must bring Jesus—bring joy and hope for the world. We must tell the world the hope in our hearts."

Father Ibekwe said we must not be afraid to speak out, nor to swim against the tide of society. We should never be embarrassed to be "weird Catholics" in public. "We must stand up for the things of God. Say it with love and humility, but with courage. We don't want silent Catholics any more, who do their thing in their own corner of the church and go home."

We don't need to be theologians, loaded with explanations. As Pope St. Paul VI said in the encyclical *Evangeliium Nuntiandi* in 1975, we are to be witnesses, rather than teachers; and as Pope Francis has said, we must go forth with joy and not look as if we had just come from a funeral. But at the same time, we must be sure not to miss the main point.

"We must not presume that people have been told that Jesus loves them," Father Ibekwe said. "We must proclaim that anew to everyone we see.

"I simply want to say to them that Jesus loves you, and He walks by your side to strengthen you, to free you, and to give you hope. That's enough."

The conference was also livestreamed, with about 40 people tuning in. The sessions are available on YouTube—search Rise Up In Splendour Conference on the YouTube site.

—Richard Dunstan

## Nelson conference

# GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT: HOW

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Prophecy is for “building up and encouragement and consolation” (1 Corinthians 14:3), she said; word of knowledge offers even more detail and opens the door to ministry to individuals. “Word of knowledge is information about another person that only they would know. When you give that, their attention is there!”

## GETTING READY

While spiritual gifts are for every Christian—“if you have a beating heart and you are breathing, you’re qualified”—they do require an appropriate attitude and preparation. We need to seek God with all our hearts (see Jeremiah 29:11). Dumas McGrath listed seven keys to exercising spiritual gifts:

**Intimacy with Jesus.** We need to spend time with the Lord, in prayer, attending Mass, adoration, Bible reading, and living a holy life. We must truly know Him so that we will not be like those to whom He will say, “I never knew you.” (Matthew 7:23).

**God’s heart for the lost.** Ask God what is on His heart for a given group or individual. “If we don’t seek this first, we may not have much effect,”

**Ask, seek, knock** (Matthew 7:7). The Greek verbs literally mean “keep asking, keep seeking, keep knocking” for what we need in our ministry and in our prayer lives

**Know your authority and identity in Christ.** During the temptation in the desert, Satan tried to undermine Jesus’ confidence in His own identity (“if you are the Son of God,” Luke 4:3), but he didn’t succeed, and we need to resist as Jesus did. “We share the very life and mission of Jesus.”

**Step out of your comfort zone** (for example, your prayer group) and take risks. “Faith is only faith if you take a risk.”

**Follow the insight of Mary** by obeying Jesus. “Do whatever He tells you” (John 2:5).

**Move outward.** Take your ministry to whatever area you find yourself in. “Whatever area you come into contact with, you have influence in. If we’re only using the gifts within the small group we’re in, they may dry up.”

## EXERCISING THE GIFTS

Prophecy and word of knowledge need to be exercised with faith, care, and above all love. Dumas McGrath offered extensive guidance on how to use these gifts, and how to avoid misusing them.

**Seek God’s agenda, and prophecy from His heart.** Like the apostle John, we must lean on Jesus’ heart (see John 13:23) and learn to hear the whisper of His plans. Then follow through with what He puts on *your* heart (“to whomever I send you, you shall go”—Jeremiah 1:7); you don’t need to plan it out.

**Prophecy from Scripture** when it suits the need, and memorize as much Scripture as you can; you won’t always have a Bible at hand, or want to intimidate people by opening the Bible. But you aren’t limited to Scripture. If something comes to mind from a secular source that would be meaningful to the person you’re praying for, such as a movie, use that—“God will use anything.”

**“Press in” for details.** If you hear “back pain,” ask God for more information. He may show you “L3, slipped disk.” God will also “highlight” important elements of a situation, making them stand out from other factors.

**Ask permission.** “Do you want to hear this?”

**Be humble.** Don’t tell people “God says,” but rather “I think I hear God saying.” Leave it to the recipient to discern whether the prophecy is actually right for them—that’s not your call as the prophet. And remember, word of knowledge will not always be 100 per cent accurate, so if you’re wrong, be apologetic.

**Don’t overwhelm people.** Watch your gestures and facial expressions—avoid intensity. Also avoid physical contact, and never touch anyone without permission.

**Don’t prophecy births, deaths, dates, offices or vocations.**

**Prophecy only positive things.** If God gives you something negative, ask Him how to deal with it in a positive manner. As an example, one person prayed over a man and was given the word “pornography.” Pressing in for more direction, he was led to pray for the man’s purity, and when he did the man

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himself volunteered that he had a problem with pornography.

And despite all these warnings, **don't be afraid.** Be willing to step out in faith. As the late Father Bob Bedard, founder of the Companions of the Cross, used to say, you don't have to be ready—just willing.

## DECLARING IN POWER

Prophecy and word of knowledge are more than just information. They are a program for action. Our next job is to pray for whatever is needed. But we aren't just asking, wishing and hoping. We are *declaring* the power of God in a situation.

"We receive the abundance of God and spread it to everyone," she said. "Jesus never sent anyone away—'you're blind? Go home and offer it up for all the other blind people.' He's not the God of just enough—He's the God of abundance."

We declare God's power and will in Jesus' name. "I declare rain over the fires of Kelowna, in Jesus' name," or "In Jesus' name, I declare that I am a child of God." And we are to expect results. Healings may be immediate, or progressive (like the blind man over whom Jesus prayed twice because he just saw "people like trees" the first time, Mark 8:24), or delayed, but the seed has been sown.

Barriers to healing include, among others, unforgiveness toward other people, our own unrepented sins, or control and fear (two sides of the same coin: we may be afraid of the new and uncontrollable situation that might follow healing, for example in the loss of benefits.) We should encourage people to renounce these barriers by prayer.

**Unforgiveness:** "In the name of Jesus, I forgive [name] for [sin, harm or offence], and I release him/her from all anger and bitterness, in Jesus' name."

**Personal sin:** "Jesus, is there any sin I need to repent of right now?" And after listening to God, "Jesus, I'm sorry for [sin]. Please forgive me and wash me with Your blood and water."

**Fear:** "I command fear of change, fear of newness, to go now in Jesus' name. Jesus, please give me the grace to renew my mind and live in a new normal. Lord, I may not be ready, but I am willing. I give You permission to do what You want to do and say what You want to say."  
—*Richard Dunstan*

## Dumas McGrath to return in '24

Pauline Dumas McGrath, featured speaker at the 2023 Gathering in the Spirit in Kelowna, will return for the 2024 gathering.

The event will take place Aug. 11-16 at St. Elizabeth Seton House of Prayer.

Theme will be Come Encounter the Lord. (Jesus has a plan for you, be transformed, receive His joy.) Scripture for the presentation is Luke 19:10, For the Son of Man Came to Seek Out and to Save the Lost.

More information will be available in the spring *B.C. Renewal* newsletter, and at <https://www.holyspiritbaptizer.com/>, the diocesan committee website.

## April conference set in Penticton

The 2024 Nelson diocesan charismatic conference will be held April 26-27 at St. Ann's church in Penticton.

Speaker will be Rachel Herbeck, director of young adult discipleship for Renewal Ministries. For more details see the website, <https://www.holyspiritbaptizer.com/>.

Theme is I Came That You Might Have Life. Scripture verse is Psalm 117:2.

## Zoom meetings to resume

Nelson Diocese Catholic Charismatic Renewal Service Committee will resume Thursday online prayer meetings Jan. 18, 25 and Feb. 1, and May 2, 9 and 16, 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. Pacific time.

The January sessions will focus on Hope and the May sessions on love. They include prayer and praise, teaching, small group breakout rooms, and intercessory prayer. Everyone from anywhere in B.C or beyond is welcome. For the link, email [lore.renwick@gmail.com](mailto:lore.renwick@gmail.com).

## Prophetic words from Gathering in the Spirit

**Discerned by the word gift team at Our Lady of Pentecost Gathering in the Spirit Aug. 13-18 in Kelowna (see Page 2)**

I have called you, My people, to come to the top of this mountain. I have come to prepare you. I have come to change you. I've come to transform you. I have come to turn you into power houses of My power, because I need you to go back down from this mountain and minister to My people. I need you to be a visible sign of my presence of My joy and of all that I want to give My people. Let Me prepare you. Open yourself to Me this week, my people, that I may truly transform you for My glory.

*He said "I am going to remake you from the bottom up." As He said that, I saw everything emptying right down to my feet. "This weekend is going to be a week of infilling and layering, one experience, one healing at a time. You are all hungry, you all have a need and I am going to answer that need, but you need to ask Me to work in you. Give Me permission to do the work I need to do in your life and I will make you new again. You will be made new."*

The word the word the Lord gave me this morning was "will you again dedicate yourself to Me?" I heard the Lord asking us to surrender and to bring the gifts that He has given us and to dedicate them to the rebuilding of His kingdom. He says "I have nurtured you, I have fed you, and I have built you up into a people of God. You are my Church, you are My people, you are the children of God, and I have gifted you, every one of you. Don't think for one moment that I have not given you a gift to use in the building up of My kingdom. I need all of your gifts."

*Jesus says you belong here. You've heard it before that you've been called and you've been chosen. It is no accident that you are here; each and every one of you have been called here by Jesus. Jesus says "Whether you're saying you're here because you're always here or perhaps you're here because you were just curious and you wanted to find out what this is all about, or whether you're here because you accompanied someone else or did them a favour and came to help them. But you need to know that it was I Myself who called you. It*

*was I Myself who brought you here." The goodness of God is running after you, we heard last night, but Jesus says "I meet you right where you are, with all your insecurities and anxieties. Do not be afraid. It is I who called you. But have an open heart, because I do expect you to change. I do expect your obedience and your surrender, but know that I have called you and I am with you and I will equip you."*

We had a word given to us that the Lord was asking us to prophesy over the city of Kelowna. [Ezekiel 37:1-14, the account of the dry bones] We are praying this not only over this city but over every city in our province and in our country. The Lord wants this land to be glorious and free. We heard this morning that the cloud of smoke covering the city was a reflection of the Shekinah glory, and we're going to pray right now that that Shekinah glory will fall upon this land. That people will know that they will know that God lives here. So we declare the Shekinah glory over the city of Kelowna. We pray and we declare that there will be a new holy fire of the Holy Spirit that will fall upon this land. In the valleys there are people who are hurting, people who are in need of healing, and we declare that the Shekinah glory of God will fall upon them and will bring healing to every need. We need to declare the Shekinah glory and the extinguishing of all that is harming the people of Canada and the USA. We declare against the fires and against the floods and against the abuse and against the spirit of hopelessness. We declare the name of Jesus! We shout the name of Jesus! Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lord over this province and over our country. Jesus is Lord of all.

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