

FirstFruits Gathering At Harvest Christian Church

A New Commissioning August 26, 2025 Suzi Armstrong

Psalm 115.14-16 NIV

¹⁴ **May the Lord cause you to flourish,
both you and your children.**

¹⁵ **May you be blessed by the Lord,**
the Maker of heaven and earth.

¹⁶ **The highest heavens belong to the Lord,
but the earth he has given to mankind.**

This scripture passage reiterates what God told Adam in the Garden of Eden. We have dominion through the delegated authority given to the sons and daughters of God in the earth. Jesus told His disciples that He would build His church – the Ekklesia – which is God’s governing voice of authority. Jesus went on to say that the gates of Hades would not be able to prevail against the Ekklesia that God has put into position to rule and reign with Him. Paul shares in Ephesians 3, that through the Ekklesia, God’s governing voice, the wisdom of God, would be made known to the rulers and authorities in the Heavenly realms.

This past Saturday I had a very significant God encounter that is relevant to all of us here in Michigan and especially in the Detroit area. I had been worshipping and enjoying the presence of God when the Spirit of God came and laid the sword of the Lord on one of my shoulders and then the other shoulder. God chose that moment to release a fresh commissioning. I could see fire coming out of my mouth and in the atmosphere around me. Holy Spirit reminded me that He had me prophesy Jeremaih 5.14 over Detroit in 2017. I wrote a prophetic manual based upon that scripture, and we at Harvest released this over Detroit and Michigan. The encounter I had was not just for me, but for us corporately, and specifically for this Region and State. The Lord is commissioning us with fire. This is a new place of release.

This experience was confirmed by Apostle Ellis Smith who was our guest speaker this past Sunday. He preached out of the last few verses of Hebrews 12 that ends with “our God is a consuming fire.” Apostle Ellis’ main message was to deal with any bitter root that is in you. A bitter root carries defilement or corruption in it. Any bitterness must be removed for you to be commissioned in this new fire of God. Ellis had four points – they are all relevant to being newly commissioned to speak the Word of God with fire. Those four points were: 1) extreme thankfulness, 2) offer pure worship to God, 3) absolute surrender to God, and 4) be filled with awe for Him, also known as walking in the fear of the Lord.

To be commissioned by God means that you have been chosen and equipped by God for a specific assignment. You were born for this, called to this, set in Michigan and Detroit to carry out this assignment – it is in your DNA. This is a divine mandate that can only be accomplished through the empowerment of Holy Spirit. It is not by your flesh but by moving through Christ in you the hope of glory – through humility and a surrendered heart to God. Jesus is the Way. He is the foundation, the cornerstone, and the door. He is the gate; He is the access.

Jeremiah 5.14 NIV

¹⁴ **Therefore this is what the Lord God Almighty says: “Because the people have spoken these words, I will make my words in your mouth a fire and these people the wood it consumes.**

- In this scripture passage the “people” are the false narratives being released as if these narratives were the very Words of God Almighty.

- In chapter 1, Jeremiah had been told that God had put His Word in his mouth to root out and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant.
- In this verse God is commissioning His Word through Jeremiah to come forth with fire. This is a new place of releasing God's Word.
- God is commissioning us with His fire.

Psalm 97.1-5 NASB

¹ **The Lord reigns, may the earth rejoice;**

May the many islands be joyful.

² Clouds and thick darkness surround Him;

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of His throne.

³ **Fire goes before Him**

And burns up His enemies all around.

⁴ **His lightning lit up the world;**

The earth saw it and trembled.

⁵ **The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the Lord,**

At the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

- The Lord reigns through His Ekklesia – His governing body on the earth speaking His Word that He puts in their mouth.
- Revelation 8 says that an angel takes the smoke of God's incense along with the prayers of the saints and it goes up before God. Then an angel puts fire from the altar in front of God and hurls it to the earth. That Word comes with thunder, lightning, rumbling and shakes the earth.
 - The Word of the Lord breaks apart, initiates, forms, fills, releases, equips – all of this shakes or moves the earth. Why? Because His Kingdom has come with that governing Word.

Psalm 103.15-22 NASB

¹⁹ The Lord has established His throne in the heavens,

And **His sovereignty rules over all.**

²⁰ Bless the Lord, **you His angels,**

Mighty in strength, who perform His word,

Obeys the voice of His word!

²¹ Bless the Lord, **all you His angels,**

You who serve Him, doing His will.

²² Bless the Lord, all you works of His,

In all places of His dominion;

Bless the Lord, my soul!

- There are mighty angels that perform God's Word. The Ekklesia speaks the word God puts in their mouth. The angels take that word and perform it or execute it.
- This happens as part of the dominion of God. In the earth God gave dominion to man.

PRAYER AND DECLARATION:

Psalm 37.5-8 TPT Reworded

⁵ **Detroit, we decree that God is directing your life, and rebuilding you as His city, and as you trust him along the way, you'll find he pulled it off perfectly!**

⁶ He will appear as your righteousness, Detroit, as sure as the dawning of this new day.

He will manifest as your justice, as sure and strong as the noonday sun.

⁷ Quiet your heart in his presence and pray; **keep hope alive** as you long for God to come through for you. And don't think for a moment that the wicked in their prosperity are better off than you.

⁸ Stay away from anger and revenge. Keep envy far from you, for it only leads you into lies.

For the fire of God's Word is coming into you, Michigan, and it is shaking this State with rumbling, thunder and lightning. The fire goes before Him and burns up all that would oppose God. All other gods are idols.

Michigan belongs to the Lord God Almighty.