

FirstFruits Gathering At Harvest Christian Church

Blessings Declared In A Brand-New Day January 21, 2025 Suzi Armstrong

Yesterday a brand-new day was ushered in through the inauguration of a new President in our Nation. A new wind blows across our Nation and much change continues to be at hand. A local Detroit Pastor was asked to speak over our Nation as he released a prayer of benediction. Benediction is the place to release the blessing of the Lord. This was an honor for the City of Detroit – not only to be invited to speak at this significant event, but also to release the voice of God in blessing over our Nation. Pastor Sewell did an outstanding job representing Detroit and what Detroit stands for, and more importantly, releasing the heart of God to bless our Nation. Freedom was the central word spoken in a blessing over our Nation. The scripture that is above the Spirit of Detroit statue was spoken over our Nation – “Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom”. Detroit and Michigan’s voice was a declaration of freedom over our Nation and over the people.

Releasing blessings breaks the status quo to bring in the better. It changes how you walk and how you live. May the blessing of freedom break the chains of injustice, manipulation, deception, and control. True freedom comes through Jesus Christ – He whom the Son sets free is free indeed. From Detroit we decree freedom and great revival to our Nation, that the power of the Gospel is breaking forth across our land from sea to shining sea.

Song of Songs 2.13 TPT

¹³ **Can you not discern this new day of destiny breaking forth around you?**

The early signs of my purposes and plans are bursting forth.

The budding vines of new life are now blooming everywhere.

The fragrance of their flowers whispers, “**There is change in the air.**”

Arise, my love, my beautiful companion, and run with me to the higher place.

For now is the time to arise and come away with me.

Colossians 1.13-14 NIV

¹³ For he has **rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves**, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

- **The Gospel is raw and unadulterated dunamis power – the explosive, miraculous power of God that changes your life.** The power of the Gospel encompasses all of redemption. It is the power of transformation. The Gospel is full of the life of God – life that is full of joy and hope; life that is filled with the blessings of God. We carry that in us.

Hosea 13.14 NKJV

¹⁴ **I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death. O Death, I will be your plagues! O Grave, I will be your destruction!**

- Prophecy of the coming Gospel and its power over death.
- God says that He will be death’s plague.

1 Corinthians 15.1-4, 20-22, 44-46, 54-55 NKJV

¹ Moreover, brethren, **I declare to you the gospel** which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, ² **by which also you are saved**, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

³ For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that **Christ died for our sins** according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that **He was buried**, and that **He rose again** the third day according to the Scriptures,

²⁰ But **now Christ is risen from the dead**, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ **For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead.** ²² **For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive.**

⁴⁴ It is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. **There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.** ⁴⁵ And so it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.

⁴⁶ However, **the spiritual is not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual.**

⁵⁴ **So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory."**

⁵⁵ **"O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?"**

Psalm 60.5-6 TPT

⁵ Come to your beloved ones and gently draw us out.

For **Lord, you save those whom you love.**

Come with your might and strength!

⁶ Then I heard the Lord speak in his holy splendor.

From his sanctuary **I heard the Lord promise:**

"In my triumph I will be the one to measure out

the portion of my inheritance to my people,

and I will secure the land as I promised you.

John 3.5-8 NIV

⁵ Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. ⁶ **Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.** ⁷ You should not be surprised at my saying, '**You must be born again.**' ⁸ **The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."**

1 Timothy 2.1-4 TPT

¹ Most of all, I'm writing to encourage you to **pray with gratitude to God. Pray for all men with all forms of prayers and requests as you intercede with intense passion.** ² And **pray for every political leader and representative**, so that we would be able to live tranquil, undisturbed lives, as we worship the awe-inspiring God with pure hearts. ³ **It is pleasing to our Savior-God to pray for them.**

⁴ **He longs for everyone to embrace his life and return to the full knowledge of the truth.**

PRAYER AND DECLARATION:

Psalm 32.8-11 NIV Reworded for Detroit

⁸ **I will instruct and teach you, Detroit, in the way you should go; I will counsel you** with My loving eye on you. ⁹ Do not be like the horse or the mule, which have no understanding but must be controlled by bit and bridle or they will not come to you. ¹⁰ Many are the woes of the wicked, but **the LORD's unfailing love surrounds the city and nation who trusts in Him.** ¹¹ Rejoice in the LORD and **be glad, you righteous;** sing, all you who are upright in heart!

The Lord has released His winds of change. He is blowing a fresh wind into the foundations of our Nation. And on the wings of the wind are His BLUEPRINTS filled with His righteousness and justice. Deep change is in progress as the wind of God blows into the death structures lying deep in our Nation. The prevailing winds of God Almighty are **HERE** and they are **NOW**. Breathe deep Detroit and the United States, of the **FRESH NEW WIND** sent from the storehouse of God for you. **Expand your lungs. BREATHE! BREATHE!! It is the blessing of the Lord upon you.**