

FirstFruits Gathering At Harvest Christian Church

Heaven Invading Detroit February 27, 2018 Suzi Armstrong

It is a NEW DAY! The Lord brings new focus and new ways to do things. Firstfruits is a place where we gather to worship the Lord as an offering. Exodus 23.18 says, "Bring the best of the firstfruits of your soil to the house of the Lord your God." We bring the best of our worship and present our worship to God on behalf of Detroit. Proverbs 3.9-10 says, "Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine." As we give our firstfruits of worship to the Lord, Detroit is filled to overflowing with His presence. God becomes enthroned over the City in our praises. New wine will flow through the streets of Detroit blessing the people of Detroit. There is great impact in the communities. Through worship, heaven invades Detroit bringing change and aligning Detroit to its destiny as a City. Romans 11.6 says, "If the part of the dough offered as firstfruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; if the root is holy, so are the branches." We are born again believers redeemed by the blood of Jesus being made holy as He is holy through Christ in us the hope of glory. Prophetically we stand in the gap for our City releasing the sound of worship from our lips. The sound of pure worship is holy to God. He consumes our worship. Our worship is a sweet aroma to God and the smell of death to powers and principalities of the air.

We follow the leading of Holy Spirit in the release of our firstfruits worship that is an intercessory act on behalf of the City of Detroit. Holy Spirit is leading us into a shift of how we release the word of the Lord during our worship. The scriptures will be "rewritten" to direct the word of the Lord specifically to the City and its communities. Christina Wilson shared with me that she heard the declarations of the word of God over Detroit as the beat of drums, releasing the sound of God throughout the City. In the cadence of the drum beat, the very landscape of our City was changing and being transformed.

Holy Spirit is saying to shift into speaking the clear declarative word of the Lord to Detroit. This word will have great impact in the City. It is a legislative word that will bring a new order into our City.

Psalm 8.1-2 NIV reworded

¹ LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all of Detroit!
You have set your glory
above our City.

² Through the sound of praise on the lips of Detroit
you have established a stronghold against your enemies,
to silence the foe and the avenger.

- We declare the sound of worship is over Detroit. It is the sound of truth and the sound of holiness.
- We declare that Detroit resounds with sound of heaven.



Psalm 29 NIV reworded

¹ Ascribe to the LORD, Detroit,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
² Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.
³ The voice of the LORD is over Detroit;
the God of glory thunders,
the LORD thunders over the mighty waters.
⁴ The voice of the LORD is powerful;
the voice of the LORD is majestic.
⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
the LORD breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.
⁶ He makes Lebanon leap like a calf,
Sirion like a young wild ox.
⁷ The voice of the LORD strikes
with flashes of lightning.
⁸ The voice of the LORD shakes Detroit;
the LORD shakes the neighborhoods and communities in
the City.
⁹ The voice of the LORD twists the oaks
and strips the forests bare.
And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"
¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned over Detroit;
the LORD is enthroned as King forever.
¹¹ The LORD gives strength to his people in the City of Detroit;
the LORD blesses his people with peace.

- Detroit, the voice of the Lord shatters the enemy in your midst.
- The kingdom of God has come to this City and it is shaking everything that can be shaken.
- There is a new order and a new alignment in Detroit – the old is being shattered and the new is being formed!



Isaiah 60.1-3 reworded

¹ "Arise, shine; for your light has come Detroit,
And the glory of the LORD has risen upon you Detroit.
² "For behold, darkness will cover the earth
And deep darkness the peoples;
But the LORD will rise upon you Detroit
And His glory will appear upon you Detroit.
³ "Nations will come to your light,
And kings to the brightness of your rising.

- Detroit, you are a city set on a hill. You are be a model city that influences this nation for truth as God Himself defines it.
- There is a new alignment in you Detroit – alignment to righteousness

Psalm 99.1-5 reworded

¹ The LORD reigns over Detroit, let the peoples tremble;
God is enthroned *above* Detroit, let Detroit shake!
² The LORD is great in Zion,
And He is exalted above all the peoples.
³ Let them praise Your great and awesome name in the City;
Holy is He.

