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## "Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest ... "

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*by Joe De Leon*

I suppose that all of us have heard the preaching of this verse many times. To the best of my recollection I have only heard "workers are few" and that we must respond to the need. All the messages have been good and welcome, but I believe we have missed the instruction the Lord is giving the disciples and us. We are told to "pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest." Though we are to call out the called and give them a place of ministry, we must never forget that the instruction was to "pray to the Lord ... ."

I have on my Bible margin of this text, "Oh, to see what Jesus sees, to feel what Jesus feels." I have today added another phrase: "To do as He said."

As I traveled to Russia last week and to Mexico last month and to Panama a year or so ago, I kept seeing that the harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. As I survey the needs in California, I find that the scene is the same – an abundant harvest but the workers are few.

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Please join me in daily prayer to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers. Please make it a point at every service you lead to encourage the congregation to join in prayer to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers.

I believe that He will not only send them out, but He will provide for them both physically and spiritually and will provide for new congregations.

***Praise God for the Church Starting Group of California Southern Baptist Convention. To date, there have been 75 new congregations started this year. Keep up the good work and keep praying to the Lord of the harvest.***

## Exciting new church in Vallejo

*Ron Jackson, one of our new African-American Church Starting Strategists, recently reported a new congregation in the Vallejo area. If you are in the area, please drop in to encourage Anthony Summers, pastor of Impact Church.*



You are invited to "Refresh Your Soul" at the Impact Bible Ministries Church of Vallejo. Pastor Anthony Summers and his wife, Denise, have more than 20 years of pastoral experience and believe that the true calling of the church is very simple.

A S.I.M.P.L.E. church is:

- S**ervant minded
- I**nspirational
- M**aximized ministry
- P**astor led
- L**ife applicable
- E**asy policies and procedures

It is the goal and commitment of Impact Church to teach the scriptures with clarity and accuracy; to love people into a deeper relationship with God through the Lord Jesus Christ; to equip God's people in the areas of their strengths and gifts enabling them to live out a life of purpose; and to celebrate God's love in wonderfully new, fresh and creative ways.

Lastly, Impact Bible Ministries is a "Purpose Driven Church" which implements the 5 Purposes of Ministry: Worship, Fellowship, Discipleship, Ministry and Evangelism. As a non-traditional ministry, Impact Church currently holds its preview worship services 10 a.m. Saturday mornings at the North Vallejo Recreation Center, 1121 Whitney Avenue. The church is targeted to officially launch in November 2008. Pastor Summers and his family invite you and your family to come worship and "Experience the IMPACT difference!"



## Thank you for the opportunity

by Greg Kaiser



Greg & Emily  
Kaiser

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*Greg Kaiser, presently the student pastor at El Camino Baptist, Sacramento, is to plant a new congregation this summer in Sacramento, Jacob's Well. To assist him in his mission, he went to Orlando, Florida, for the National New Churches Conference. Below is his testimony regarding the training he received.*

In ministry, as in life, it is always good to know that our time and resources are being put to good use in Christ's Kingdom. I want to let you know that your money was definitely put to good use recently. Last month, through a partnership of Sacramento Association, California Southern Baptist Convention, and El Camino Baptist Church, I was sent to Orlando, Florida to attend National New Churches Conference.

First and foremost, *thank you.*

Here is a condensed list of what I gained that week:

- ❖ I learned to use other senior pastors as my deacons while the plant is young.
- ❖ I received guidance on what preaching should look like for a young church.
- ❖ I learned that my dreams are not crazy; lots of people across the world share them.
- ❖ I learned that people give to vision, not to need.
- ❖ I learned that a plant is four times as likely to see its first birthday if it is planted by a team instead of an individual.
- ❖ I was connected to Generis Ministries. They have plenty of experience in helping planters raise funds.
- ❖ I was connected to three different companies that help mobile churches find portable equipment for worship gatherings and children's ministry.
- ❖ I discovered numerous coaching networks for rookie planters.
- ❖ I was reminded of the unstoppable power of the simple Gospel.

Once again, thank you so much for working together to send me to this conference!

With all the gratitude I can muster,

Greg Kaiser

P.S. Much of NNCC is designed for D.O.M. types, network leaders, and pastors who want their churches to send someone else out to plant. *I could not recommend it more highly* for our D.O.M.s and church planting strategists.

## God is leading in Rialto

*By Joshua Smith*

Under the leadership of God, Promises of God Christian Church in Rialto, was founded by Pastor Markeith L. Smith, Sr. in 2008. The church began services on January 6.

God led Pastor Smith to start Bible studies which grew to a point that demanded him to organize the church. They have a membership of 30 strong. Knowledge of the church has spread by word of mouth and brought visitors from far and near.

They held their first baptism Sunday, June 8, at Perris Lake, in Perris. There were five candidates for baptism but a total of 10 were baptized. "Oh, how God showed His glory and His presence there with us. To God be the glory for all He has done."

With the leadership of Pastor Smith, God has declared Promises of God Christian Church "the church of unity and love." We are thankful and excited about the promises God has in store for our lives.



## We are starting churches in California

CSBC, especially the Church Starting Group, would like to thank you for your giving to the Cooperative Program. Because of your gifts we have been able to start 68 new congregations the first half of 2008.

Please remember these new and newly affiliated churches and missions, their pastors, and members in your prayers as they begin their journey with our Lord.

### **Church Name**

1st IU-Mein SBC  
Catalyst Church  
Center of Truth Ministries  
Centro Familiar Cristiano  
Challenge for Asia Campus  
Chinese Mission  
Community Fellowship  
Crest Memorial Baptist Church  
Cross Church  
Eclessia Bible Church  
Elevate Church  
Good News Community  
Great Park Church  
Harei Yeshua  
Holy Temple Community M.B.  
Iglesia Bautista Amigos de Israel  
Iglesia Bautista de Stratford  
Iglesia Bautista del Valle

### **Pastor Name**

Kao Saelee  
John Worcester  
Henry Oliverrez  
Erwin Valdebenito  
Young Gil Kim  
Jack Hu  
Robert White  
Ray Watkins  
Brad Graves  
Adam Miller  
Kevin Campbell  
Sanh Chi Doan  
Eric Busby  
Samuel Walker  
C.C. Coatney  
Joe Quijano  
Carlos Rubiano  
Alberto Morales

### **Location City**

Shasta Lake  
San Diego  
Los Angeles  
Hawthorne  
South San Francisco  
Alameda  
Long Beach  
Tulare  
San Diego  
San Jose  
San Diego  
Westminster  
Irvine  
Magalia  
Los Angeles  
Whittier  
Stratford  
Valley Center

Iglesia Bautista Hispana Emanuel	Juan Sanchez	Claremont
Iglesia Bautista Un Nuevo Dia	Walter Orellana	West Hills
Iglesia Cristiana de Riverside	Apolinar Rios	Riverside
Iglesia Cristiana Emanuel	David Lozada	San Leandro
Iglesia de Edificacion	Jose Alejandro Monroy	Fullerton
Iglesia familiar Chula Vista	Esteban Tapia	Chula Vista
Iglesia Familiar Clairemont	Carlos Kateztain	San Diego
Iglesia Familiar Heritage Park	Ricardo Vargas	Chula Vista
Iglesia Hispana Granada Baptist	Frelic Tapia	Livermore
Iglesia Horeb	Francisco Argueta	Tujunga
Iglesia Mision de Cristo	Luis Alegre	San Diego
Immanuel Gospel Baptist Church	Edward I Kim	Victorville
Iranian Christian Church	Hamid-Reza Aziz-Mohammadi	El Cajon
Jesus Christ of Nazareth Church	Dr. Gamaliek O P Onnyemaobi	Murrieta
Jewels Community Church	Joshua Smith	Fresno
Koinonia Community Baptist	YouShin Kim	La Jolla
La Huerta	Carlos Vazquez	Riverside
Life Bridge Church	Scott Reeve	Folsom
Living Vine Fellowship	Paul Moxon	Pleasanton
Living Word Korean Baptist Church	Sang Ho Pae	Milpitas
Messianic Congregation	Anatoliy Chorneyy	Sacramento
Ministerio Hispano	Tony Vargas	Richmond
Mision Bautista Ebenezer	Raymer Barrientos	Palmdale
Mission Trails Church	Joey White	San Diego
Mountain House Mission Fellowship	Tony Santiago	Mountain House
New Hope Fellowship	Jeff Eitzen	San Ramon
New Life Christian Center	Kyu Do Yang	Los Angeles
Omega Community Baptist church	Samuel G. Thomas	Bakersfield
Page Street Church	Joshua Rudd	San Francisco
Palau Islanders For Christ	Mason Soaladaob	Stockton
Pathway Church	Roger Bowers	Baldwin Park
Promises of God Christian Fellowship	Markeith Smith	Riata
Roca de Salvacion	Jorge Bonilla	Fresno
Service Fellowship	Jim Powell	Yucaipa
Set Free Church	Rocky Harper	Yermo
Shepherd of the Hills-Antelope Valley	David Macer	Quartz Hills
Shepherd of the Hills	Raymond Causly	Compton
Slavic Baptist Church Bethel	Grigoriy Lohno	Sacramento
Slavic Baptist Church	Ivan Mileyev	Fresno
Songs of Joy	Ben Bautista	San Diego
Speranta Romanian Baptist Church	John Bilti	Oroville
Spirit of Life Baptist	Damon Byrd	Covina
The High Desert Ekklesia	Darrell Long	Hesperia
The Mind of Jesus Church	Kwang Gene Chung	Walnut
The Way Fellowship	Jack Rager	Sherman Oaks
Unity Ministries & Community Center	Mychael William	Santa Nella
Vision Community Church of Riverside	Dae Young Kim	Riverside
Waypointe Christian Fellowship	Gary Cooper	Same
Wooltaree Evangelical Church	Donghee Shin	Fullerton
Zion Christian Fellowship	Don Hamer	San Diego