

## Entering A Season of Great Harvest

You can imagine my struggle, when after 22 years as an itinerant evangelist, late last year, along with my wife Fiona, I felt a strong leading by the Lord to take a huge step of faith, shut down the ministry itinerary for 5 months, relocate to Orlando, Florida and attend a training school for evangelists. What made it extra compelling, was the fact that it was with the most fruit evangelistic ministry in the world, Christ for all Nations, founded by the late Reinhard Bonnke and now directed by the exceptional Evangelist Daniel Kolenda. I have partnered with this ministry since 2006. Obviously, my objective wasn't to learn how to be an evangelist, or even how to do crusades (having conducted dozens already), but rather it was to obey God, go sharpen my tools and align ourselves with CfaN to support them in the fulfillment of their vision for 150,000,000 souls by 2030, and to raise and release 20,000 evangelists.



God confirmed every step and we headed to the US mid-January with Fiona enrolled to attend the School of Evangelism and myself enrolled for the full 5-month Evangelism Bootcamp. We were expecting that a good number of doors for ministry would open during the time we were in the States, which would have helped cover the costs of our adventure. However, as you are aware, the world was shaken by a particular virus, churches were forced to closed their doors and itinerant preachers were temporarily out of business.

Never the less the training continued and we found ourselves right in the centre of the will of God, in the centre of a Covid 19 hotspot, in the most affected country in the world. Even a virus breakout amongst the Bootcamp students and staff at CfaN in the last few weeks didn't stop us completing the course and graduating. Not to mention God provided for us in a surprising and extravagant way.



So, we returned home mid-June, connected, sharpened and ready for the greatest harvest the world has ever seen at a time when the harvest is the ripest it has ever been. We were greeted at the Brisbane airport by police and army personnel and escorted to a new 5-star hotel in the centre of the city where we suffered a two-week quarantine in a King Suite (thank you Jesus). A perfect retreat while I was attending zoom planning meetings for evangelism strategies 5 nights a week and slowly sliding back into the Aussie time zone.

So, as soon as the doors to the nations open again we will be heading to Africa, where I will be involved helping direct gospel crusades and empowering a stream of serious soul winning Graduate Evangelists to win a huge harvest of souls, working hand in hand with the largest combine harvester in the World.

In the mean time we are continuing to embracing the season we are in, preaching in numerous churches here in Australia, stirring them to rise up in faith and power, and to reach the harvest that is in our own back yard.

Jesus said, *"...I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest."* John 4:35

What an honour and privilege it is to serve Him, along with others, in order to win the multitudes.

**I don't care whose name is on the billboard, but I do care whose names are written in the Book of Life.**

***Carl Butler***

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