



Faithfulness Amid Uncertain Times

God has obviously sent you to me today,” Hossain said, after we had prayed with him, during the first day of our October 2020 World Street Experience mission trip. He gladly accepted a prayer tract before we left.

Was anything about 2020 obvious? Nearly all our plans for the year had changed. Having a robust conference with guests from all over the world was no longer possible. All international travel to Cuba, India, the US: cancelled. Overnight, the global church had to go online, with church leaders bearing the weight of their communities’ fears and feeling responsible for their safety.

And yet, here was Hossain, claiming something remarkable: God is still in control.

After 20 years of seeing God work mightily and faithfully, it remains obvious that COVID-19 is no match for the awesome power of kingdom

prayer, in the lives of individuals, as the centering force of churches, and the life-blood of kingdom movements.

Despite adjusting our programs and walking in uncertainty, alongside the rest of the globe, we have seen the faithfulness of God continue, undisturbed by our temporary trials.

Prayer Current is now two decades old, and we are witnessing seeds that were planted 20 years ago, many of them watered by your prayers and generosity, bearing fruit for such a time as this. The international church—which North Americans once saw as “ours to reach”—is now taking the lead on equipping and encouraging the North American church. Personal relationships that began decades ago have blossomed into city- and nationwide prayer movements stable enough to not just withstand, but thrive amid the uncertainties of the day.

We know that when prayer is primary, God works. A small but powerful example: just recently, John prayed with a friend for three of his neighbors. Within 24 hours, he’d had a prayer conversation with each one!

Thank you for your part in the stability and growth of Prayer Current. We know that the prayers and gifts of our supporters are a grounding force for this work. Much of the fruit we are seeing this year was possible because of your faithful participation over the years, and **we are grateful for your ongoing desire to help people to discover Jesus and experience his life-changing power through prayer evangelism and prayer training.**

Father, Alpha and Omega, we praise you for your rich provision and growth. We thank you for our brothers and sisters who have so faithfully supported your work. Renew and strengthen them to know you better in prayer and mission.



World Street Prayer Experience Bears Fruit

Our plans for the year were big. We were preparing for up to 60 leaders from around the world to join us in Vancouver for three days of prayer training and evangelism through our World Street Experience mission trip. Then, COVID-19 hit.

Instead, under the direction of much prayer, we gathered eight local (BC) leaders at a Vancouver hotel to focus on prayer evangelism for three days this October.

Though different than we had planned, God was faithful, giving us clarity about our mission and focus. Each morning, we studied the specifics of Kingdom prayer and leadership skills training. Each afternoon, we practiced what we'd learned through prayer walks and prayer evangelism on the streets of downtown Vancouver. Despite the smaller group, rainy skies, and a city shuttered by COVID-19, God opened the door to 19 prayer evangelism conversations. Many of

those we talked to seemed lonely and happy for someone to talk with. One man even asked for a bible, and several wanted a written prayer testimony.

The result was three rich days of prayer evangelism, and a group of invigorated prayer leaders who are equipped to train their own people to reach the world through Kingdom prayer.

The unexpected fruits of prayer

On the final day of World Street Experience, we gave the hotel staff cards and a small gift to thank them for their helpfulness over the three days. Cesar, a concierge, approached. He had read our banners and looked up our website, intrigued. "How can an organization be founded only on prayer?" he asked. We gave Cesar a Journey in Prayer gospel-filled primer on the Lord's Prayer, which he promptly took to show Liz, his manager. She then approached us as well, asking, "Can I get one too?"

Word on the street, from the participants

"The city is filled with lonely people needing someone to talk to. People were surprisingly open. They didn't shy away, block us, or run away. They were actually encouraged and thankful someone noticed them."

"I was skeptical of prayer evangelism. But it was a refreshing experience, to start a conversation with people about their spiritual practices. There was a receptivity... I had greater depth in conversation than I've had with some of my long relationships. I feel emboldened, excited to go home, and start prayer conversations and pray for people."

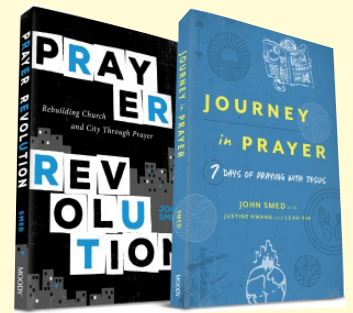
Thank you Father, for rich prayers and conversations, guided by your Spirit. Grow the seeds planted in those we met, as well as in us, that your people may have courage and faith to seek and pray for the lost. Let your kingdom come in our hearts and in our cities.



We hit the streets, two by two, by prayer and the Holy Spirit, to start spiritual conversations and pray for people.



Praying together in unity with a diverse multi-ethnic group of mission leaders every week online for 20 weeks became a life line for all.



This May, *Prayer Revolution* and *Journey in Prayer* were officially released by Moody Publishers, our first titles with a major publisher. Thank you for your support, which faithfully prepared us to reach a wider audience and serve more churches. John has done 15 radio and television interviews. The initial response has been strong, so please pray this forward with us!

Revitalizing a Weary Church Through Prayer

This summer, we hosted 2 online *Prayer Revolution* book studies, attended by 60 multi-ethnic mission and prayer leaders.

This summer, the church and her people were exhausted. Leaders were bearing the weight of the suffering of their congregants, aggravated by COVID-19. Many were grappling with the legacy of racial injustice in their nations, their churches, and their own selves. Americans in ministry, in particular, faced politically divided congregations that mirrored a fraying national fabric. The church and her leaders were, simply put, weary.

Along with Christ, we issued a simple invitation: come.

Together, these diverse groups of leaders fellowshiped, they shared each others' burdens, and most importantly, they prayed. They went deep into prayer for Black Lives Matter, indigenous peoples, the

persecuted church, global evangelism, church renewal and more.

Many came weary, all left energized and moved.

"I was reminded and encouraged that God's work truly is unstoppable," said one participant.

Revival begins when even a handful consecrate themselves to pray for an awakening. We are seeing this revival, a new wave of hope-filled prayer washing over our churches, as these prayer-filled leaders take what they've learned through *Prayer Revolution* and share it with a new group of disciples.

Thank you for coming alongside us to richly invest in these leaders who will be part of inciting exponential growth in prayer in the church.

Karen, director of a theological training center, came through our first online study. She led it in her church, which included the pastor's wife. The pastor Kevin joined our second group. *"I came in burned out, running on fumes."* After an outdoor prayer

meeting, two different cars broke down in front of the church parking lot. Kevin shared Christ with both. *"I want more of that, evangelizing, seeing people come to Jesus. I need that like I need air! I'm crying out for a prayer revolution in my own heart."*

"I was convicted as never before to pray for my city and the connection between the health of the church and the church of the city," said Axa Carnes, the Prayer Leader of Cornerstone PCA in Columbia, SC. Axa is applying what she learned this summer by leading a *Prayer Revolution* study via Zoom in Ecuador for about 15 women. She also helped us in our training of leaders in Cuba.

LaToya, a Bible Study Fellowship Leader, also applied her experience to her own ministry. *"They're getting excited about prayer,"* she said, of the women she leads at BSF. *"They are now seeing that they need to go deeper in their prayer life with the Lord. I really can see the fruit of it."*

Father, thank you for the restoration and multiplication of prayer amidst the challenges. We pray for a growing spirit of prayer in all nations. Come, Jesus, and bring revival!

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Rich Soil in Cuba

Borders closed. Gatherings cancelled. There was no flying to Cuba this year.

But, thanks to years of prayerful work in this island nation, much of it enabled by your faithful support, the soil in Cuba is rich for planting the seeds of prayer. The churches of Cuba already have a culture of discipleship and thirst for deeper prayer for their churches and their countrymen.

In November, sixty participants from eight Cuban cities gathered for an online training, as God granted technological miracles. Despite the distance, the Holy Spirit moved. Throughout, we prayed for the Spirit of Christ to be present, for the church to be strengthened, and for men, women and children to come to faith in Christ. We look forward to following up with another online training this spring and working with leaders there to develop a prayer discipleship plan for the thriving kingdom movement flourishing in Cuba.

Word on the Street from Cuban leaders

"This is not just another training. It is not a preaching to tell us to pray, it is a time where we are encouraged to pray. The leaders in Camagüey are very encouraged and challenged to put into practice in their groups and church. It will surely be of great use to the expansion of the kingdom!"

~Aliesky

"The workshop has been profitable, fruitful, motivating. In short: excellent. It has challenged us to practice Kingdom prayer, to involve the church and develop a ministry from and supported by the prayer of the body of Christ. It challenges us ministerially, but also personally."

~Hèctor

"The Word has once again penetrated my life. Thank my Lord! Prayer is revival because it fills the Spirit, gives power, gives grace, opens doors, tears down walls, and brings reconciliation; people turn to the Lord, families are converted, and an entire nation can be changed. To God the Glory."

~Judith

The kingdom of God, like the waves He commands, relentlessly advances.

Kingdom Multiplication at Work

In Luke 9, Jesus says to his disciples, "You give them something to eat." "They" were 5,000 men, plus children and their families. How could they all be fed? "We have no more than five loaves and two fish," the disciples answered. Jesus started with five loaves and two fish, broke the crowd up into groups of fifty, and from there fed the 5,000. And they all ate and were satisfied.

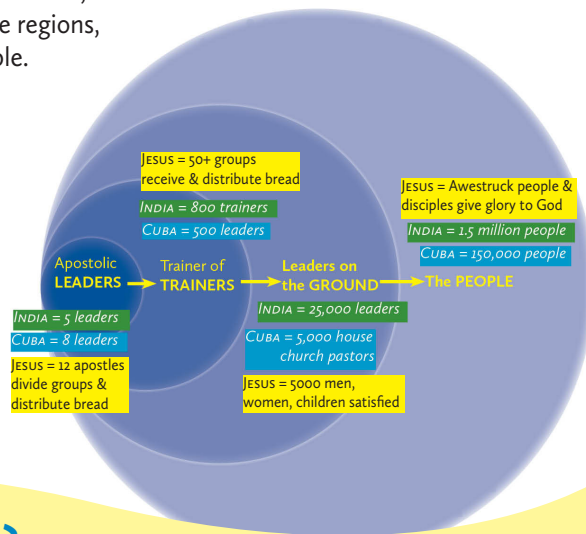
The fruit of Prayer Current comes from such a multiplication model: we invest in a small group of Apostolic leaders (the strategists, visionaries, and movement leaders), teaching them to train trainers. These strategic trainers then go on to train the ground-level workers—pastors, ministry leaders, missionaries—in their home regions, who in turn reach the people.

God's work in Cuba exemplifies this model. We've intensively trained a small group of Apostolic leaders in 8 cities in prayer. They in turn have trained 80 field leaders in other cities and regions using Prayer Revolution and other Prayer Current evangelism materials.

These 80 or so field leaders have trained 800 more leaders in various cities, who have the potential to reach up to 20,000 people.

We see these multiplication opportunities around the world.

- In India, the fruit of our training trip in 2018 continues to multiply.
- Leaders we've trained in China are about to start a two-year prayer training.
- In North America, we are forming prayer discipleship plans for Redeemer City to City and Operation Mobilization that have come from our training of Apostolic leaders in North America.



Will you join us?

We are asking you, with humble gratitude, to help us reach our faith goal of \$46,000 raised or pledged by Dec. 31 to continue our work reaching people for Jesus through prayer.

Will you pray about how God might call you to join with us so that we can disciple the church to reach the lost through prayer?

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP IN THE GOSPEL!

Will you prayerfully consider how God calls you to join us in this work of reaching people for Jesus through prayer?
Will you invest in partnering with us to:



• REACH THE NATIONS

- \$50 => training materials for 15 pastors
- \$500 => train a city network
- \$1000 => establish a city training center



• TRAIN THE TRAINERS Online

- \$100 => train 10 trainers India
- \$500 => train 5 trainers N. America



• EXPAND WORLD STREET EXPERIENCE

- \$150 => sponsor a Cuban leader
- \$600 => sponsor global trainer
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