

THREE MOVES OF GOD, and FIVE GRACES for SEVEN DAYS OF TRANSITION
The awesome grace of God to and through this present generation!

Over the last years I have perceived and expected various trends and developments in the journey of the people who walk with God in these islands. The following is an attempt to précis what was, is, and may yet be our experience in what I suggest is the most significant ‘fullness of times’.

The bigger-picture background to our present journey cannot be ignored. Though we could helpfully include so much more from our corporate past, I return here to the extraordinary 3-fold outpouring, in a global arena, of the Holy Spirit as our most recently significant backdrop. These events are historic and objective, but their significance must be evaluated and interpreted for the church to grow into her maturity as a result.

The Spirit of God is poured out 3-fold in a progressive restoration and reconfiguration of his people in the world.

I am particularly persuaded that, though these outpourings are all of the one and same Holy Spirit, who is the resurrected and glorified Spirit of Jesus, it is important for Christ’s contemporary body to be aware of their different distinctives and purposes. As David was anointed three times, and Jesus received three ministries of the Holy Spirit (‘born’, ‘baptised’ and ‘designated’) the church must expect to receive and move in different oils in different seasons. Essential therefore to both honour the past and receive from the different streams of grace!

Beginning 1904-6 ff	(and ending 1950s)	Beginning 1960 ff	(and waning 1990s)	Beginning 1994 ff
<p>Azusa street/ Wales/Pentecostal</p> <p>*Restoration of Godly justice (black/women/poor) *The gift of evangelism manifest particularly among the disempowered; *Power and power structures begin to be reconfigured, but how quickly does it default....</p>	<p>The ‘Power movement’ becomes focused on a few ‘famous’ names; though we are grateful for their perseverance, they are corrupted by it and it dies back.</p>	<p>Nine O’clock in the morning/Charismatic</p> <p>*Restoration of relationship with God and each other (all effective members of one body; worship renewed) *The gift of pastor/teacher shared throughout the body *Love re-ignited ... but structures?</p>	<p>Cell groups & worship now mainstream; the ‘New Church movt.’ now a series of denominations with ‘apostles’ at heads... the world stays largely the same ...</p>	<p>Toronto/the Father’s blessing</p> <p>*Restoration of his body to the world *The gift of apostle/prophet scatters *Gift redefined (those who receive become gifts/are given). Structures begin to crack, first in church, then in society.</p>

The Discipleship process of the people of God as the work of the Spirit comes to its fullness.

In 1994 I began to perceive the following timeline when prophesying to an individual in prayer. Since explaining it on numerous occasions since then I have been staggered by the resonance whenever it is outlined and the extraordinary numbers of people who physically moved in 1996/97, and again in 2004/7, including us in both time slots! I suggest the 2 year periods become 4 to indicate the covenant [2] with God’s people who receive grace intercessorily, then the direction of travel is into all creation[4].

Five graces which are worked in us, ready to be given with and through us to the whole of creation!

Note the **two distinct and progressive** parables of seed and sower: first the word of the kingdom comes to the individual who becomes him/herself a relatively useful [or not? 30, 60 or 100 % genetically modified] seed, a child of the kingdom who is the subject, the seed of the second parable, sown into the field/world.

90-1	92-3	94-5	96-7	98-99
Hunger All hungering and thirsting for something fresh in the church	Intercession Spiritual warfare and 'all prayer' moves from 'parachurch' into local church experience	Intervention 'I want my church back' Restoration of all five-fold min. gifts to the body (Eph 2) The shaking of the of church begins	Repositioning Everything changes! Moving house, local church, job, changing relationships	Perseverance What was that all about? Business as usual?
2016-2019	2012-2015	2008-2011	2004-2007	2000-2003
Hunger Fully identifying with needs of nations and peoples in an even greater shaking for intense change!	Intercession From prayer to incarnation ... Christ became intercessor in his lifestyle for the world. New strategies for participating as servants in inclusive community.	Interventions Not to the people of God but through . The shaking of the nations begins The body as a gift in Eph 3: "that through the church, the manifest wisdom of God be made known..." New theological insights must emerge	Repositioning Ecclesia into the world; New jobs, new geography, new ways of engaging with society, new effects. 'The wind blows ... and you see the effects'	Perseverance of faith 'When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?' Beginning to look at the bigger picture; 'Rolling up the Roman way' begins.

Seven 'days of the cross'

That which we have received, we also pass on ...

The graces released into the earth via the connectors of heaven and earth, the people of the 3 fold Spirit, the first fruits of, and poured into, the whole earth....

In 2007 I began to perceive the intensity of the next four years, which became a sight of seven years, using the narrative of the fullness of times when Jesus led his disciples into the passing over of one season to another to understand the discipleship God is using in a similar way today as we negotiate a similar fullness. Their transition was perhaps the most radical and dynamic change/fullness/completion of a season totally giving way to a new one in all of history. The change was not only for Jesus himself, but equally totally for his followers, who missed understanding it then as we risk doing so today!

'The seven days of the cross'						
2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
The day of Passover	The day of Preparation	The day of Sabbath	The day of Resurrection	The day of Discipleship in Galilee	The day of The Challenge of the Kingdom	The day of Word and Spirit
Developed in 'Facing 2009'			Developed further in 'Facing 2012'			