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Awakening, Revival, and Reformation



In the book of Ezra, there was a wonderful Awakening, Revival, and Reformation after the reading of the Word of God and much prayer. In book of Nehemiah, there was another Awakening, Revival, and Reformation in answer to Nehemiah's prayer. The coming of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost was preceded by prayer, and the Church Age was born. Awakening, Revival, and Reformation followed. In the 1730's in America, after much prayer and preaching of the Word of God, Awakening, Revival, and Reformation took place, and the Early to mid 1800's saw a similar experience. In the early 1900's in Wales, there was a mighty moving of God that has gone down in history as the Welch Revival. There was Awakening, Revival, and Reformation.

So what does "awakening" mean? Well, dictionary.com gives us two definitions. Of course, the act of wakening from sleep is the first one, but the second one describes what would best be referred to as a spiritual awakening. The second definition is "the act or moment of becoming suddenly aware of something." So for someone who is not a believer in Jesus Christ, an Awakening is to suddenly become aware of their spiritual condition of being a sinner who is separated from God and in need of God's forgiveness. When a person learns that Jesus has died to pay for their sins and trusts Him as their Savior, they become a Christian, and that results in Reformation. Reformation simply means a change. They have a new life in Christ and now they are reformed. They have left their old way of thinking and living, and they begin to live a new and different life. Likewise, when a believer realizes that he has left his first love and is in need of revival and then asks God to restore him to a place of putting God first in his life, revival (new life) begins in his life. He then returns to the faithful love and service for Jesus that he knew when he first became a Christian. In that sense, his life is reformed.

Can that happen today? Well, it just did at Langston Baptist Church in Horry county, South Carolina. What began as a four day youth revival with 170 people grew into the main sanctuary being filled to capacity with 2500 people and approximately 1200 people receiving Christ as their Savior in about two and half weeks! WOW! That's what God can do!

It can happen to you, your church, and your neighborhood. But how? Well, the same way it happened in Ezra's day, Nehemiah's day, the early days of America, in Wales, and in many other parts of the world over the centuries. These Awakenings are always preceded by prayer. But not just any kind of prayer. God tells us in Jeremiah 29:13 that, "And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart." And in James 5:16, we read, "...the effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much." Also, Ephesians 5:14, "...Awake, you who sleep, arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light."

We must realize that we are in need of depending completely upon God who alone can bring Awakening, Revival, and Reformation, and we must begin asking God for Awakening, Revival, and Reformation in our own lives and in the lives of those in our community.

Will you pray fervently and daily with me for God to bring about a mighty Awakening, Revival, and Reformation so that many people will be saved and God would be glorified?

Pastor Tommy Hutto



Parents and Grandparents:

We would like to highlight our children and grandchildren's accomplishments during the last year. Please give Jean Miles a list of their activities by June 17 for the July newsletter.

Happy birthday to our June birthdays. May God richly bless you with many years to come.



Homecoming

We are having Homecoming on June 24. Please invite your family and friends. Give Jean Miles names and addresses of people you want to invite.



Women's Bible Study
Ladies Bible Study

Save the following dates and joins us for a 6 week study on "Living a Spiritually Intentional Life". The teacher is Janis Newell, who has been a speaker/teacher at one of our past women's retreats.

Here are the dates and time: Tuesday evenings 6pm to 7:30pm. We will begin June 12th, then June 19th, June 26, July 10th, July 17th, and end on July 24th.

Please call Cora, 803-718-0671 to sign up for this study.



Understanding the Times

Where are the answers you need for the problems of today?
For the world, for our country, state, its cities and towns, church, family, work, neighborhood, schools . . .
First in God's Word, then in good Christian writings.

Plan to read and learn and grow this summer. CRBC Summer Reading Club starts Sunday, June 10.

June 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5WMU	6Prayer Meeting	7	8	9
10 Reading Club begins	11	12 Ladies Bible Study	13 Missions	14	15	16
17 Father's Day	18 Council	19 Ladies Bible Study	20Prayer Meeting	21	22	23
24 Homecoming	25	26 Ladies Bible Study	27Prayer Meeting/Men's Fellowship	28	29	30

July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Lord's Supper	2	3WMU	4Prayer Meeting	5	6	7
8	9	10	11Fellowship Meal Missions	12	13	14
15	16	17	18Prayer Meeting	19	20	21
22Business Meeting	23	24	25Prayer Meeting Men's Fellowship	26	27	28
29	30	31				