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From Our Pastor's heart

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Linda Stanton (Kresge UMC's Lay Delegate to Annual Conference) and I attended a Revival Service at Norcross First UMC, Sunday evening February 26th. Bring the Fire Home was the label given to this event hosted by the North Georgia Wesleyan Covenant Association. Musical Worship was led by students from UGA Wesley Foundation. Students from Asbury University and Asbury Theological Seminary led prayer and gave their Witness and Testimony concerning the recent revival break out in Wilmore, Ky. Reportedly a thousand people came together to worship God, to experience a move of God and prepare to Bring the Fire Home! At one point in the service worshippers were asked to share a scripture, lines of worshipers formed at the microphones scattered around the sanctuary. In an orderly fashion turns were taken, scriptures read and after each the familiar saying, "The Word of God for the people of God," was spoken and the congregation replied, Thanks Be to God!

The children of God young and old, children, youth, young adults, seniors stood in line to share a favorite scripture or one the Lord showed them to share – It was beautiful, powerful, orderly but not arranged.

A thousand people from all over North Georgia and many from out of state came together in unity to worship God. Perfect unity in glorious diversity as described by Apostle John in Revelation 7:9-10, "I looked again, I saw a huge a crowd, too huge to count. Everyone was there – all nations and tribes, all races and languages. And they were *standing*, dressed in white robes and waving palm branches, standing before the Thorne and the lamb and heartily singing; Salvation too ur God on his Throne! Salvation to the Lamb!" (The Message)

Worshiping in unity and agreement the flames of God's Holy Spirit were fanned repeatedly, the strength of the movement of God was thick but not overbearing. What a joy and breath of fresh air to be part of something so wonderful, so selfless!

A huge room full of sisters and brothers in Christ praying prayers of adoration, prayers of confession, prayers of repentance and crying out to God fro a mighty move! Not only in that room on Sunday Evening but throughout out our Annual Conference, spilling out into the world! A move that seemingly started in Wilmore, Kentucky a few weeks ago and is spreading throughout this country and beyond.

Several Years ago, the organizers of the New Room Conference began praying for the next Great Awakening, there have been, and are now many individuals and groups actively praying for the next great Awakening. I think what we are seeing is the start of this movement. Will you, Will we, be a part of it? Or will you choose to go it alone, hiding in a room all by yourself, being disagreeable, ornery, self-centered thereby quenching Holy Spirit in you and those around you?



The Sower's Creed

Today, I sow for a great awakening.

Today, I stake everything on the promise of the Word of God. I depend entirely on the power of the Holy Spirit. Whave the same raind in me that was in Christ Jesus. Because lesus is Good news and Jesus is in me, I am good news.

Today, I will sow the extravagance of the gospel everywhere I go and into every on I meet.

Today, I will love others as Jesus has loved me.

Today, I will remember that the tiniest seeds become the tallest trees; that the seeds of today become the shade of tomorrow; that the faith of right now becomes The future of the everlasting kingdom.

Today, I sow for a great awakening.





April 6 – Maundy Thursday Remembrance



April7 – Good Friday(*a*) 5:00 pm









