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**A SEASON OF REFRESHING:  
MOVING FORWARD**



Greetings New Birth Charlotte Family,

Once again it is time for us to embark upon the Road to Pentecost. Over the next 50 days, the Holy Spirit will take us on a journey that leads to a glorious encounter on Pentecost Sunday, May 20, 2018.

This journey led to the greatest outpouring of God's spirit upon the followers of Jesus, and launched the start and establishing of the church in the earth.

I encourage you to be open and allow the power of God to have full access to you, so that your spirit, soul, and body can be changed. As you set aside consecrated time with Him, He will give illumination and impartation in unimaginable ways.

Our journey will lead us along the paths of prayer, our calling, forgiveness, unity and power. I urge you to closely follow along in this devotional guide so that we can all grow together on one accord and experience the amazing Kingdom exploits that await us.

**The Prayer Focus is in five 10-day segments that include:**

- **10 Days of Moving Forward Refreshed By Prayer**
- **10 Days of Moving Forward In Your Calling**
- **10 Days of Moving Forward In Forgiveness**
- **10 Days of Moving Forward In Unity**
- **10 Days of Moving Forward In the Power of God**



Every 10 days, for the next 5 weeks, you will receive the Prayer Focus for the week. During this time of prayer and meditation, I encourage you to record the revelations of God onto your journal sheets.

Be ready and prepared to hear his voice!

Diligently Seeking Him,  
Pastor Horatious Harris, Lead Pastor  
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The word 'Pentecost' means fifty days. It is a translation of the Greek word *pentekostos*, which means "fifty." In the Christian church, the day of Pentecost is 50 days after Resurrection Sunday, the day Jesus was resurrected. It is the day the Holy Spirit descended onto all the gathered Christians as described in Acts chapter 2. It is also ten days after Ascension Day, when Jesus ascended bodily into heaven. Jesus had walked with His disciples for 40 days after He rose from the dead. Pentecost is also celebrated as Shavout, a Jewish holiday, was known as the Festival of Weeks, simply, Weeks or (*Shavuot* in Hebrew) or Feast of Harvest.

Three very unusual things happened on the day of Pentecost - the mighty rushing wind, the tongues of fire and the actual speaking in tongues. Those three things draws our attention to the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples. If we focus on just the signs, we miss that the coming of the Holy Spirit the important event – the receiving of POWER!

Explosive power - the Greek word *dunamis* "dynamite."

*Dunamis* is the same word that Jesus used when He told His disciples, "**But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth**" (Acts 1:8). In other words, "You shall receive explosive, dynamite power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you."

This power is for a purpose. It is power for us to be a witness . . . power for us to have the courage to tell someone about Jesus Christ, power to tell people about what Jesus has done for you.



## FASTING

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*“But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you do not appear to men to be fasting, but to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.” (Matthew 6:17-18)*

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· **Our time of dedicated fasting is as follows:**

- **Day 43 - Sunday – May 13, 2018** – Eating one meal per day
- **Day 44 – Monday - May 14, 2018** – Eating one meal per day
- **Day 45 – Tuesday - May 15, 2018** – Eating one meal per day
- **Day 46 – Wednesday – May 16, 2018** – Eating one meal per day
- **Day 47 – Thursday – May 17, 2018** - Liquids only (as doctor permits)
- **Day 48 – Friday – May 18, 2018** - Liquids only (as doctor permits)
- **Day 49 – Saturday – May 19, 2018**- Liquids only (as doctor permits)

· **Consult with your physician about fasting**

- Before beginning a fast, increase your water intake, begin cutting back on caffeine and sugar. Ease on and off a fast.
- Medication should be withdrawn only with your physician's supervision and or approval.
- Rest as much as your schedule will permit.
- Make a deliberate increase in worship, prayer and study of the Word.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

*Pastor Horatious Harris and the New Birth Charlotte Empowerment Church advise all member and participants of this consecration to consider their personal health needs and to consult their personal physician prior to beginning this fast. Therefore, New Birth Charlotte specifically disclaims any responsibility of any physical or medical reaction from this fast.*



## **Moving Forward In The Power of God (Days 41-50)**

### **Day # 41 Friday May 11, 2018**

Key Scriptures: Isaiah 40:31; Psalms 18:32-39

**Targets:** While on the road to Pentecost we have been discarding the old wineskins and preparing to receive new ones. As we enter into seven days of Consecration before the Father, we anticipate renewed fellowship with Him and each other, fresh anointing, deeper passion, and power to effectively carry out our assignments.

### **Day # 42 Saturday May 12, 2018**

Key Scriptures: Genesis 1:26-28; Proverbs 13:4; Matthew 28:19-20

**Targets:** Today is a great day to reflect on the timely message given to us by God through Pastor Horatious Harris, "4 Ingredients to Success." God has charged each of us to 1. Be Fruitful 2. Multiply 3. Replenish 4. Subdue. We must be diligent producers and fill the earth with those things that pertain to God. We can do it because: We are born to Rule!

### **Day # 43 Sunday May 13, 2018**

Key Scripture: Isaiah 58:6-14

**Targets:** Today is the first of seven days of fasting and prayer. As we move closer to Pentecost, posture yourself to hear and receive instruction from the Father like never before.

### **Day # 44 Monday May 14, 2018**

Key Scriptures: Philippians 4:6-7; 1Peter 5:6-7

**Targets:** Tell God about everything that's in your heart. Lay all cares and concerns at His feet. As you empty out He will pour back into you, strength, courage, peace and more.

### **Day # 45 Tuesday May 15, 2018**

Key Scripture: 2 Corinthians 4:13

**Targets:** Faith causes you to speak. After his conversion Paul was a zealous witness for Christ. He preached with fervor because he believed. Pray that the Holy Spirit will come upon you and fill you with power to speak about your faith so that others will hear you and believe in God.



### **Day # 46 Wednesday May 16, 2018**

Key Scripture: Roman 12:1-2

**Targets:** Offer yourself as a sacrifice to God today. Give Him your whole life, everything. When we live like a Christian should, we can expect resistance and persecution. Be of good cheer! God has overcome the world, and will help you. Allow Him to control your entire life by His Spirit.

### **Day # 47 Thursday May 17, 2018**

Key Scripture: 1 John 5:19-20; Ephesians 6:10-18

**Targets:** We can break personal strongholds in our lives during this time of fasting and prayer. Also we are called to pray and seek justice on behalf of others. We see much evil, and we can make a difference by exercising our authority, and allowing God to change things on the earth through us! Ask God to use you to change our nation, government, schools, and communities.

### **Day # 48 Friday May 18, 2018**

Key Scriptures: Psalm 118:24; Isaiah 55:12; Nehemiah 8:10; James 1:2-4

**Targets:** Don't let the enemy steal your joy! There will be attempts to distract, overwhelm, frustrate, stir up worry, and cause strife. Just say "no", don't let him win.

### **Day # 49 Saturday May 19, 2019**

Key Scriptures: Psalm 37:4-5, 7a

**Targets:** Delight yourself in the Lord today, Meditate on his word and all the great and mighty things he's done in and through you during this time of consecration, rest in him. Tomorrow we will celebrate. Prepare your feast offering and anticipate a glorious encounter as we assemble ourselves together.

### **Day # 50 Sunday May 20, 2018**

Key scriptures: Acts 2:1-4; Acts 1:8;

**Targets:** Celebrate! Pentecost is here! We have been given power to be Witnesses!



**May 11, 2018 – May 20, 2018: Moving Forward In The Power Of God  
What is God Revealing To Me?**

