# The Ekklesian

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Message from Prophet Charles Maina

# Welcome!

# Time and Acceleration in the Divine

I know that you would all agree with me if I said that we are all born or created with a desire to do well, to win or be successful. In school when the teacher asked, "what would you want to be when you grow up?" I believe that nobody said he or she wanted to be a robber, a thug, or a failure; we all confidently lifted up our hands and made the teacher and our classmates know that we were aware of some complex careers known to man.

Our internal self-locus yearns for greater things; we desire results. There are two ways of thinking that drive our desire for results:

- Carnal thinking
- Divinely propelled thinking

The carnal way of thinking primarily focuses on things and values that appeal to the flesh. More often than not, these things are motivated by selfish desires, greed and a part of achieving these things involve pulling others down. The world has set up systems that support and glorify this carnal nature and we see these things documented in books such as - Good Girls Don't Get the Corner Office, The Art of War, The Secret and other similar books. We also have this system glorified and documented through other mediums such as movies, podcasts and social media conversations that articulate the ways of the world in regards to how one can be successful.

The Divinely propelled thinking for us who believe in the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, is based on the word of God which outlines for us divine principles that guarantees success in a way that is foreign to the world and glorifies God.

Our corporate and business spaces are driven by carnal thinking and that puts those driven and motivated by the word of God, to wonder if things can ever work for them. Those who are driven by their carnal nature seem to benefit and they do well within the corporate space. I want to encourage you today that the ways that seem right before men tend to end in destruction.

The million-dollar question then becomes; what is it that can give us, the children of God an edge?



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We find the answer in the Word of God,

Exodus 8:23 (NLT)

"23 I will make a clear distinction between my people and your people. This miraculous sign will happen tomorrow."

God has been putting in my heart that we are getting into a season where He is making a clear distinction between his children and the rest through Divine Acceleration.

Divine acceleration is a key indication of the workings of God in our lives that make us distinct from the people who are driven by carnal motivations and ways.

Divine acceleration is heavens interference with our day to day workings to give us advantage or an upper hand in the world. It is God's ability to bring about His purposes at a much faster rate than is humanly possible.

Divine acceleration is the supernatural ability of God applied to your life, your ministry, your job, your business, your time and your circumstances, to bring His plans to pass at a much faster rate than is humanly possible.

Have you suffered delay concerning something you have been trusting God for? Have you encountered spiritual warfare where it seems like the battles are not ending? Have you been looked down on? Know this today: The Lord of Divine acceleration rises to fight for you today and give you victory.

With divine acceleration, there are some elements that we need to understand;

#### I. DIVINE TIME

In the bible, we find two dimensions of time as expressed in the Greek culture that I will unpack;

a. Chronos (mentioned 54 times in the New Testament) This refers to the dimension of time within which we measure our days and our lives quantitatively. It is presented in seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, months and years

b. Kairos (mentioned 86 times in the New Testament) Kairos is a qualitative dimension time marked by moments and experiences in life. The concept has its origins in the practice of Greek archery, representing the moment when the archer finds the perfect opening to shoot his arrow and hit his target. The Greeks considered this expression of time appropriate for something new.

It can also be defined as the appointed time in the purpose of God. The opportune time, moment, or season in which God acts.

Divine acceleration occurs in the Kairos time of God.

Ecclesiastes 9:11 (NIV) tells us that we don't win because we are advantaged, we win because we are in the Kairos time of God:

"I have seen something else under the sun: The race is not to the swift or the battle to the strong, nor does food come to the wise or wealth to the brilliant or favor to the learned; but time and chance happen to them all"

Another demonstration of Kairos time is found in 2 Kings 8:1-6 (NIV)  $\,$ 

8 Elisha had told the woman whose son he had brought back to life, "Take your family and move to some other place, for the LORD has called for a famine on Israel that will last for seven years." 2 So the woman did as the man of God instructed. She took her family and settled in the land of the Philistines for seven years.

3 After the famine ended she returned from the land of the Philistines, and she went to see the king about getting back her house and land. 4 As she came in, the king was talking with Gehazi, the servant of the man of God. The king had just said, "Tell me some stories about the great things Elisha has done." 5 And Gehazi was telling the king about the time Elisha had brought a boy back to life. At that very moment, the mother of the boy walked in to make her appeal to the king about her house and land.

"Look, my lord the king!" Gehazi exclaimed. "Here is the woman now, and this is her son—the very one Elisha brought back to life!"

6 "Is this true?" the king asked her. And she told him the story. So he directed one of his officials to see that everything she had lost was restored to her, including the value of any crops that had been harvested during her absence

What sort of coincidence was it that the woman walked in at the very moment the King and Gehazi were talking about her to present her issue?

God orchestrated her movements and she was at the right place at the right time and as a result, her restoration was more way more and way faster than she what she could have expected.

May the Lord order your steps that you would be at the right place at the right time for His purpose.

#### II. DIVINE OPPORTUNITY

Divine opportunity is an event, circumstance, or situation orchestrated and arranged by God that can lead to our salvation, deliverance, healing, lifting, promotion and entry into His promise.

During your time of acceleration, the Lord sets up divine opportunities and appointments.

The story of the four lepers in **2 Kings 7** brings out the component of divine opportunities to life.

Here, the children of God were in famine, (sometimes famine is a divine opportunity as it can be the nudge or the push that moves us into where we need to be.)

The prophet declared that the famine would be brought to an end to men who could scarcely believe that it was possible because the city was under siege as far as they knew and there was no way for supplies to reach them. God used four men who had leprosy which condemned them into being outcasts to actualize this word. He aroused discomfiture regarding their condition, something I like to call, holy discontent. They said to each other, 'what are we doing sitting here at death's door?

If we enter the famine-struck city, we'll die; if we stay here we'll die. So let's take our chances in the camp of Aram and throw ourselves on their mercy.'

During your divine appointment sometimes the Lord will bring discomfort regarding your current position and/or occupation. The Spirit of God will give you a nudge about someone who you need to call even though you might have tried unsuccessfully several times...

The bible says that as they started walking their steps were amplified and it sounded like a mighty army accompanied by chariots was approaching and the enemy who had laid siege to the city, fled.

May the Lord amplify your steps as you make a move, you will not be ignored anymore.

#### **III. DIVINE CONNECTIONS**

Divine connection simply means the connection of an individual to resources that would help fast-track the fulfilment of his/her destiny. God linking you to men and women that are relevant to your glorious destiny in Life.

God has a way of bringing strategic people into your path who have what you need to take you to the next level and unlock divine acceleration. You don't need every other person in your life. You only need the right people; not the people you feel should be there but people that God wants to bring in your life.

Let me speak to someone who has been working really hard to establish some networks and connections with people whom you think you need; God has brought the right people onto your path.

When we look and the Life of Joseph, we can see the divine connections that God set up in Joseph's path that would propel him into his destiny.

- a. The midianites who God used to deliver Joseph from the pit to the land where he would rule (Gen 37:36 NIV)
- b. The cup bearer and the baker these people were imprisoned alongside Joseph in Genesis 40 and we can look at them symbolically. Take mix many different ingredients to make something beautiful. There are people in our lives who function like the baker. They look at the different ingredients we carry such as skills, experiences, temperament etc... and help you form these things into something beautiful. There are also people who function like the cup bearer who had access to the king and therefore could open doors by speaking to people in places we wouldn't ordinarily have access to. It was in prison that God orchestrated these divine connections that would usher Joseph into the Kings presence at the right timwe.

May divine acceleration be your mode of operation this season. God bless

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#### **Acts Movement**

The Acts Movement was born out of a desire to see the body of Christ move to action. We are guided by Psalms 37:23 which states that, "the steps of a righteous man are ordered by the Lord." The Lord orders steps or actions, He does not order intentions. The Church has parked the bus praying, while the world is out there making things happen. We have a mandate to challenge the body of Christ to arise and take up our position so that the influence of the Kingdom of God can be felt in every sector of the society. We charge believers through our Acts Movement fellowships that happen every last Thursday of the month.



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## **UNSTUCK CONFERENCE 2022**

The 10th Annual UNSTUCK Conference 2022 was held virtually on 6th August 2022. The theme was "Access to the Future: Equipped for Impact" which was anchored on 1 Cor 2:9 (NKJV) "But as it is written: Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love him."



Pastor Angie Murenga giving her Convener's Address

Apostle Angie Murenga, a Visionary and Founder of the Kingdom Business Solutions, an Ordained Minister, a Global ICF Certified Executive Leadership and Life Coach in the Market place, an Inspirational Speaker, a Mentor and a Mother. She is an Author of the Purpose and Leadership Forum (PLF) Manual & the Real You Book and she is the Host and Executive Producer of Just Angie, a digital platform. She did an exposition on the Theme "Access to the Future: Equipped for Impact." She noted that the theme was very topical since the Future provided many opportunities, therefore, it was important for all to be equipped on how to Access the Future. She added that the world is rapidly changing and we must all change with it or be left behind, noting the mantra that "All things are possible.". She shared that Access to the future required thinking completely out of the box and from a global standpoint.

She shared the following key points on Accessing the Future;

- Align with the season and determine your vision and values
- ii. Step boldly out of your comfort zone and into the NEXT
- iii. Try different things
- iv. Purpose is the key component
- v. Moving to the Future will be unlocked by connectedness, our character and compassion
- vi. Digital access and technology are critical tools
- vii. Healing of trauma and past experiences is important
- viii. It requires preparation, revelation, action, strategy, speed, changed mindset and beliefs
- ix. Transform others in your scope of influence
- x. Be flexible and adaptable among others

She exhorted the Faith Based Community not to be left behind since we have a covenant with God. Consequently, we have access to God and we will receive downloads, instructions, perceptions and visuals about our future, family, community and world from Him. In addition, we require anointing which means empowerment from the Holy Spirit. The anointing will increase our spiritual vision, accuracy in hearing and we will be able to execute social justice, equity and impact; heal

brokenness in all forms; model, coach, disciple and lead the way; bring hope to others; renew, rebuild, restore; create avenues of wealth creation; and restore justice as written in Isaiah 61:1-9. She urged all to "Move in the Direction of the Anointing."

#### Key Nuggets of Accessing the Future by Dr. Wale Akinyemi

Dr Wale Akinyemi, Chief Transformation Officer, Power Talks. He is a business strategist, newspaper columnist, popular inspirational speaker, mentor, author of 16 books including The Billionaire Within, Why Do Some Creative Thinking, Dream of Success and many others. Dr. Wale in his key note address noted that leaders are defined by crisis. He shared that the authors of the book "Start-Up Nation" examining why Israel was so successful in spite of being surrounded by enemies and in a constant state of war since being founded discovered that the first industry to be established in Israel was military and all other industries were built on it. Therefore, Israel became successful because of hostility. He reiterated that hostility, challenges and problems were pre-requisites to greatness.

He shared that what converts an office holder to a leader is the ability to bring transformation in the office they hold and solving problems. He noted that the human brain is a logical processing machine and most leaders are stuck in the "prison of logic." He expounded on the anchor scripture 1 Cor 2:9. He noted that the passage was talking about giga leaps which is defined as creativity that establishes new platforms that are used as a base to build innovations. He gave examples of giga leaps like electricity, telephone, air travel and internet.

He urged all market place leaders to rebel against logic, think without benchmarking and create platforms; influence action that brings the future to come; have humility to see their students and mentees shine even greater and create the path for others to excel. His parting shot was "If your presence is not making any difference, why are you here?"



Dr. Wale giving his Key Note Address

#### Maudo Jallow Key Note Address

Maudo Jallow, An Economic Development Consultant at the Economic Advantage of Nations team at Boston Consulting Group (BCG), Dubai, UAE. He has experience in strategy, policy and analytical work, providing expert advice and insights on how nations, mostly in Asia, Middle East and Africa, can attract investment, boost economic growth and advance

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their economic development agenda and represents a voice in the area of industry and development. He has established Prime Years, comprising young achievers who are committed to discover and fulfil their full potential. He shared that his biggest passion was providing opportunities for young people to grow and to invest.

He noted that young people everywhere are the same, they wanted opportunities. He added that young people have a lot of energy and genius in them but need some structures, support, guidance and encouragement. He challenged the youth to take advantage of the fact that they are the most educated, exposed, tolerant, empowered young generation there have ever been. In addition, to leverage on the many platforms and networks on which they are connected. He noted that young people need a voice, they need a seat at the table. His ending remarks were that Young people are leaders now and they deserve an opportunity.



Maudo Jallow

#### **Panel Discussion**

This year's panel discussion featured impactful people working in various sectors who shared their respective view points on Accessing the Future. On the panel was;

Sheila Cheyne, Senior Manager, Performance Marketing & Growth, M-PESA, Safaricom PLC. She is driven by a passion to mentor up-coming start-ups and create impact through technology and she has a background in marketing with her career expanding over several industries including FMCG, telecommunications and fintech. She shared on "Future of Innovation and Technology." She noted the need to leverage on technology in Africa to find solutions for socio-economic development. She shared that Information Communication and Technology had brought about numerous solutions in Communication through gadgets and internet that gives opportunities to access the world; Artificial Intelligence (AI) and machinery that helped in coming up with personalized solutions for customers; and robotics that helped in automating mundane repetitive activities. She noted, that with automation there is a lot of disruption, some people will lose jobs while some jobs will be created.

May Kaptuiya, Founder & CEO of KOTOEIA Solutions which offers Strategic and Operational Workforce Planning as well as Workforce Planning Software. She runs Worker's Light Program, a training and mentorship program for the youth to enable youth to create innovative avenues of work for themselves. She shared on "Future of Work and workforce planning." She defined Work Force Planning (WFP) as getting

the right people, with the right skills and placing them in the right job. She noted that the Government should take stock of the skills we have as a country currently, determine the skills we will need in the future and bridge this gap by building these skills. She added that there is a mismatch of skills and jobs in Kenya with a very learned population who cannot find jobs. In this regard, gig economy which is characterized by temporary work, is task based and is paid per gig can resolve the unemployment issue. She shared that currently there are 100,000 gig workers and gig economy of \$350Mn in Kenya.

Dr Teckla Muhoro, Lecturer at The Centre for Urban Studies in the School of Architecture and Building Sciences at JKUAT. She is First female doctorate graduate of JKUAT School of Architecture & Building Sciences and Founding member of the JKUAT Centre for Urban Studies. She shared on "Future of Cities and Government." She noted that to make urban development training and development relevant to the changing times required revision of curricula to incorporate emerging issues, investment in research and exposure of students to understand what sustainable urban development is. To manage cities effectively, she noted the need to incorporate and explore emerging technology to address the more persistent issues e.g. affordable housing, clean water, and sanitation; using data to create better cities, and allowing the city to be 'a laboratory' to implement what has been learnt.

The moderator was Jackie Kimeu, who is an Events Planner and Strategist. She is passionate about the details and believes in delivering with excellence and learning environments where there is acquiring new knowledge and skills.

You can watch the replay at www.unstuckconference.org



L to R - Jakie Kimeu, May Kaptuiya, Sheila Cheyne  $\&\, \mathrm{Dr}.$  Teckla Muhoro

See you at Next Years' Annual UNSTUCK Conference on Saturday 5th August 2023 and the theme is "Breaking Barriers."

Written by Shellmith Mugo.



Apostle Angie Murenga & Dr. Wale Akinyemi



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Apostle Angie Murenga & Panel Team



Apostle Angie Murenga & UNSTUCK 2022 Team



May Kaptuiya



Sheila Cheyne receives gift from Apostle Angie Murenga



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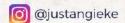
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# TAKING A STEP BACK: REBUILDING RELATIONSHIPS, ONE STEP AT A TIME



We have lost our balance, our true North and our purpose for which these sacred unions were meant. We have hurt each other so badly, to the extent that some people have permanent emotional scars as a result of our engaging with each other, in the pursuit of this ultimate relationship...

By Dr. Oscar W. Githua



Dr. Oscar Githua

I have been known (shockingly) to speak to groups of men and on two occasions, women, through the gracious invitation of Apostle Pastor Angie. During those occasions, I have been blessed to learn a lot from us as a people, especially regarding the issue of our preparedness for serious relationships. For instance, it is apparent to me, that both men and women are not the same, regarding their expectations, preparation and expression of relationships. In my experience, women are more prepared about the roles that they will be expected to play as romantic partners in a relationship, while men are more prepared in terms of the role that they will play as a provider in the home. There is nothing wrong with these two sets of preparation, it is only that it creates a problem and imbalance, with women turning out to be sophisticated and advanced emotional and romantic beings on one hand, and men being emotional Zinjanthropus on the other. While it may be a bit exaggerated, it is not so far from the truth, when we consider the genesis of majority of romantic conflict, distress and trauma as being from men.

We have lost our balance, our true North and our purpose for which these sacred unions were meant. We have hurt each

other so badly, to the extent that some people have permanent emotional scars as a result of our engaging with each other, in the pursuit of this ultimate relationship. It is true that we pray for

our partners, and hope that God will transform them and ourselves for the better. It can happen and it has happened; however, we will need to rely on more than just believing. In any case, if I recall correctly, isn't it true that "Faith without actions, is dead?"

This is why I am asking us to take a step back, stop engaging each other (men and women) as enemies, and possibly try to understand ourselves first, and to empathize with each other's predicaments. We have to understand that there was a reason as to why God created us as women and men, different from each other, but complimentary and in harmony. Only then, can we begin the work of rebuilding what has been destroyed and crushed, the hopes and the years that have been lost in our lives, the resentment for each other that has built over time, and the disillusionment that is sadly, now part of our DNA.

The restoration and rebuilding that we need in our romantic relationships will have to come from deliberate seeking the knowledge that we have, but have never interrogated deeply. This is why when I speak to the groups of men and women

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separately, it sounds like something completely new to all of us. Am I surprised? To some extent, I am and it has led me to believe, now more than ever, that we can heal our land, we can heal our relationships and we can get divine healing in our lives.

It is critically important that we become deliberate, in learning the way that we are created, how we interact with our environment as well as our cultures and the times within which we live, for us to make any meaningful gains. Due to the scope of this article, I will give us a few pointers that can get us on the path to recovery, rebuilding, restoration and complete healing in our relationships.

First of all, we need to be deliberate about the growth, rebuilding and recovery that we want to see in our lives and in our relationships. Without being intentional, we will not rebuild, rather, we will find ourselves ruminating on all the wrongs that other people have done to us and remain in our current predicament forever.

Secondly, we have to be brave enough to look inwards. To introspect. We have to entertain the idea that possibly, a lot of the issues that we are facing in our lives might actually be partially caused by us.

Third, we must commit to getting objective information about our situation. It is very tempting to get feedback from our close friends or people in similar situations like we are in. This may delay our healing. We must step out of our comfort zones, and know that healing is in objective information, many times, carried by a complete stranger, who may not be like you.

Fourth, and possibly the most important of all, we need to understand the role of Biology, Socialization, Society, Psychology and our experiences, in the current situation that we are in. We need to be open to learn that we may not have as much control of some aspects of our lives as we may have previously thought, and that instead of fighting them, we may need to learn the information, so that we can be wise in how to engage with each other during the various seasons that we are in. To learn more about these factors, make sure to attend the events organized for both men and women, by Kingdom Business Solutions addressing these issues. I promise you, you will not be disappointed!

Fifth, we must be deliberate about seeking the proper form of social support. People who do not judge us for our mistakes, or ridicule and rebuke us for being human. We need to actively seek empathetic social support, with people that we can develop mutual and deep relationships, for both accountability and encouragement.

Lastly, but not least in any way, remain plugged into this community of faith. My experience connecting with the lovely women and men of Kingdom Business Solutions, both in Women Rising and Men Impacting Differently has left me with no doubt that this is a community of faith that cares about you in a holistic and dynamic way. You do not need to go very far to test this claim; for me to agree to be associated with them, is a testament that God is using them to heal people and serve people in practical and helpful ways! Do not despair, help is finally here for you.

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He is one of the authorities in Psychological Trauma in East Africa. He is notable for his work as a Leader responding to the Westgate Mall Terrorist Attack, Garissa University College Terror Attack, 14 Riverside Complex Terror Attack and others, providing Trauma and Psychosocial Interventions to the affected people, security forces and their families in Kenya. He has a professional history spanning over 20 years, providing consultation for both government and non-governmental entities in the areas of his expertise. He also serves on Boards of professional organizations in Kenya.



Dr. Githua was awarded as one of the Top 40 under 40 Men in Kenya in 2014/2015, for his contribution in the field of Psychology in Kenya. He is passionate about Mental Wellness of Families, Security Officers, Prevention, Disruption and Countering Violent Extremism in all forms, Prevention and Treatment of Substance Use Disorders, Men's Mental Wellness, building healthy relationships and involving youth in Mental Health Awareness. He is a renown speaker, and has been part of many events, focusing on Men and their mental health and wellness, as well as navigating their lives more meaningfully.

## A TIME TO PRAY. A TIME TO PLAY.

Of Prayer & Seasons

Ecclesiastes 3:1 New King James Version

To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under Heaven ...

#### By Danny Kiondo



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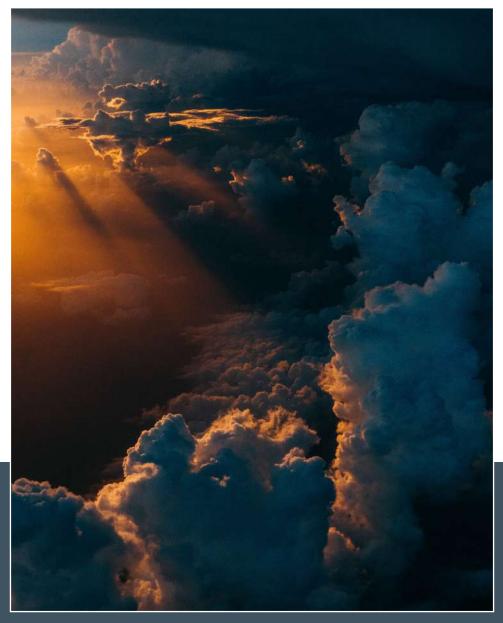
#### **DEMYSTIFYING PRAYER**

1 Thessalonians 5:17 New King James Version Pray without ceasing ...

Prayer need not and should not be complicated. Prayer is, first and foremost a means of communication between a child of God and their Heavenly Father. And like

any good and effective communication, it should be a two-way street. One of the places where many falter is the inability to 'listen.' Picture, if you will, a 'conversation' where only one person speaks and allows no opportunity for the other to get a word in. Yes, I know you're thinking of that particular individual or individuals who 'fit the bill.' Focus. Listening is as much, and at times more so, an integral part of good and effective communication. That's probably the reason why God, in His infinite and unsearchable wisdom, gave us one mouth and two ears.

Prayer is a foundation upon which the believer's relationship with the Creator is built. Prayer is a privilege that God has granted to whosoever believes and seeks Him in Spirit and in truth. Prayer is the answer to many of life's questions. Prayer is the bridge between God's supernatural and our natural. Prayer is a key that opens doors. Prayer is a power that shifts our focus and changes the atmosphere. Prayer is a means of inviting God and involving God. And inasmuch as the foundation of prayer



is 'communication' between the Creator and His creation, and the importance of intentionally devoting time to prayer cannot be overstated, prayer is, in fact much broader.

There are many ways we 'pray' without necessarily being conscious that we are in fact 'praying.' When we praise, we are praying. When we worship, we are praying. When we speak words of encouragement over others (and ourselves), we are praying. When we use our words to bless and edify others, we are praying. When we meet another's need, as led by the Holy Spirit, we are praying. When we extend compassion, grace and mercy to others, we are praying. When we confess and profess God's Word, we are praying. This is what Scripture exhorts us to do when we are called to 'pray without ceasing.' It is to live in a continued state of connectivity and communication with the Godhead.

Simply put, we cannot do anything that reflects the character of God without touching the heart of God. And for those times when we find it hard to articulate our prayers, to clearly verbalize the innermost desires and petitions of our hearts, for those times, the Word of God reassures us that the Spirit of the Living God Himself, 'intercedes for us with groanings that are too deep for words.' (Romans 8:26-27).

# DISCERNING THE TIMES. UNDERSTANDING THE SEASONS.

1 Chronicles 12:32 New King James Version
Of the sons of Issachar who had understanding of the times, to know
what Israel ought to do ...

Discernment, revelation, understanding and wisdom - these are some of the 'keys' to the Kingdom that have been made available to us as mature 'sons' of the Most High God. He is a 'dynamic' God and His Kingdom is a 'dynamic' Kingdom. He is the Sovereign LORD, Creator of the heavens and the earth, who is always 'up to something.' He is ELOHIM HAYYIM, the Living God, who created us in His own image and likeness and gave us dominion, power and authority that we might establish and make manifest His Kingdom on Earth.

"Thy Kingdom come; Thy Will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven." As believers and sons, our first and topmost priority should be to seek His Will and usher in His Kingdom, on Earth as it is in Heaven. We should all pray for the Issachar anointing over ourselves and our entire ecosystems - that Divine sense of knowing beyond knowledge what needs to be done and when it needs to be done. That grace to discern the ever-changing

seasons of our lives, as we continually seek to be led by the Spirit of the never-changing God of our lives.

Be it far from us that we should devote precious time, energy and resources to sowing when we should be reaping, or attempting to reap when we should be sowing. Needless to say, both are exercises in futility. And for many of us, when we hear 'sowing,' our default setting is 'money.' The principle of sowing (and reaping) certainly includes, but is not limited to money. There are many powerful, potentially fruit-bearing seeds that our Heavenly Father has placed in our hands, to which we cannot attach a monetary value. Our gifts and talents, our encouragement and counsel, our time, support and prayers - all these are seeds, that when sown diligently and faithfully, must and will bear fruit. Let us not therefore, grow weary in welldoing, for in due season we will reap, if we faint not. Let us not grow weary in prayer and praising, irrespective of the season we may find ourselves in.

We are ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:20), we are God's workmanship, created for good works (Ephesians 2:10). We are those mature sons whom the Father has called for the establishment of His Kingdom here on Earth. That is the abundant life for which Christ came that we might have, and that abundant life requires balance, and that balance comes from understanding that there is a time to pray and there is a time to play. And after all is said and done, may the Holy Spirit continually remind us of the Greatest Commandment, that all our prayer and praising, all our living and giving, may be done from a place of obedience, humility and LOVE – LOVE for God and LOVE for others, for upon these two commandments rest the entire law and the prophets.

## **ABOUT**

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Danny Kiondo is a communicator with a wealth of marketing communications and advocacy experience that spans over two decades. He is also the head and lead trainer at The Purpose & Leadership Forum, PLF Tanzania. Danny is a certified instructor at the Kingdom Leadership Institute, Regent University Business Development Center in Tanzania, which is affiliated to Regent University of Virginia Beach, USA. He was formaly a certified instructor at the Joseph Business School in Tanzania, which is affiliated to the Joseph Business School in Chicago, Illinois, USA, which is owned and run by Bill Winston Ministries.

Fluent in both written and spoken English, Swahili and French as well as basic knowledge and understanding of several other languages. Danny is passionate about Kingdom living, family, Africa, the art of communication as well as healthy lifestyle and physical fitness.



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Haggai 2:8 NLT.



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#### Shalom.

The time to look back and give thanks for God's goodness and mercy over the past year, and inquire of our Father in heaven of what is ahead for us; is here with us again.

The Annual Thanksgiving and Reflection Retreat is set for the 19th and 20th of November, 2022 at the Abai Lodge Kagio, Kirinyaga. It is time to come together as a community to refresh and realign ourselves into what God has for us in the days ahead.

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# THE PRINCESS WHO CATCHES THE DREAM AND IT BECOMES

For someone whose forte is event management, it may come as a surprise to you that Jackie Kimeu's first forays into events saw her on stage and in the spotlight! And yet this explains not just her confidence and poise but also perhaps the secret that makes her excellent at what she does. She understands intimately the freedom of dreaming and has a gift in breaking the dream down into neat boxes for execution. She has the rare combination of an artist's heart and a scientist's precision.

Listening to Jackie speak about her journey, you would be forgiven to think that you are listening to a fairy-tale princess, tiara and all and her prince the Holy Spirit who leads her from one place and phase into another, altogether weaving a magical story that powers into how she executes her marketplace assignment.

Jackie Kimeu who is an Events Manager spoke to Mutindi Musimba on her journey.

**MM:** What were your early years like? Was there any indication of how the future would play out?

JK: Like any other person I grew up going through the motions because life was very structured because we were being groomed to take up white collar jobs. We were birthed in a time where the transition was happening but we didn't know that it was actually happening to get into the creative space.

I was also fortunate to have grown up in a musical family. My sisters and I were the ones who sang at weddings and other family functions, we even had a name; The Kimeu Sisters. (Laughter)

I guess I have always gravitated towards music in church youth groups and the like and I found myself serving or performing during concerts. Now that I think of it, I never connected my gravitation towards the arts with what I do now!

**MM:** When did your path set firmly towards event management as a career?

JK: After High School I chose to do communications as the natural choice for me and particularly the Public Relations specialization. I would describe myself fundamentally as a process person and so this made sense for me. Event management was a small part of the program and I found that I enjoyed it, however, I still did not see it as something I would specialize in.

My twenties and particularly those campus days were very exciting because at around the same time that I started campus I joined a renown theatre company which was known for its high quality productions and I landed a major role as Elsa in the Sound of Music. This was like jumping into the deep end of a pool in



which I hadn't taken time in the shallow end to get confident enough. It was far from my comfort zone. I was so nervous wondering if I would deliver on the role but on opening night as the audience responded so well and I realized that I had indeed understood the assignment and delivered it well.

One thing I appreciate about my journey has been that at every point, there have been some amazing people around me who have encouraged me, cheered me on and supported me. All this support bolstered the confidence I have in myself and in what I do. I cannot stress enough how important this support has been all through my journey.

Another thing I can't gloss over was when I won the Miss Malaika beauty pageant in 2003!

**MM:** Yes please! How did that come about?

JK: I don't quite remember how it happened. My twenties were an amazing time. I had so much fun getting to know myself and understanding what I was capable of... it was really an explorative time for me. What I remember is that someone approached me with the suggestion that I try out for the Miss Malaika awards so I went ahead, auditioned and became one of the contestants and so underwent some training around etiquette and such things and then title happened.

It was so humbling to win that title especially because that space can have a lot of pressure but for me, I was just having fun! There were contestants who had put all they had into competing for this title, they had dreams and ambitions for this title and there I was having fun with the whole process, I thank God that I was able to appreciate what this title meant to the other contestants and decided within myself to carry it with the honour and dignity that would represent the hopes and dreams of those who dreamt of winning a title and wearing the crown. I was the second person in Kenya to win the Miss Malaika beauty pageant after Lupita Nyong'o. I must celebrate Lupita for the work she did to get the Miss Malaika brand associated with involvement in social welfare and community based initiatives. It really was an honour to pick up what she had started. Also as a believer in the space of beauty pageantry I tried to use that platform to change the narrative around that industry. There were some wonderful moments where we were in South Africa and I got to meet some of the other competitors and I found there were some Christians involved! We would meet up in one of the room's and just pray together dedicating everything to God. That was truly special.

MM: It seems that there's a trend in your life where God puts you at the front and in the spotlight first and then your work backwards in understanding the process and the elements that support the spotlight. So, what then was the moment when your company, Ulivyo, was birthed?

JK: So Ulivyo was initially the vehicle through which I was to

carry out my Public Relations work and it really grew on a need basis for what I need to do. I remember one of my university lecturers helping me get the logo done. Ulivyo has really just grown on a need by need basis and at first I believed it would get me into the PR space. As much as I started out by offering branding and PR services, one of my first clients engaged me as a project manager for their events. So as much as I got into the market to grow in PR, my clients briefs included doing their corporate events; a launch here, a cocktail there... soon friends would ask me to help in organising their wedding and it just sort of took a life of its own. So although I wasn't out to specialize in events, what was a periphery skill has now become the central skill and what I thought was the main skill is now a supportive skill in my event management work.

Looking back, all this is really orchestrated by God and I was just going along and doing what came my way. He is the one that set me on this path and He is the one who knows where He is taking me and so it really is a journey of trust.

MM: When you look at the whole event space, what space or niche excites you the most?

JK: Well, every event is different and unique and I love the challenge presented when working with visionaries to break down their visions into smaller bits that work together to execute the vision. I love the process of putting all these moving parts together and watching the dream come to life. It's always exciting.

The entertainment space is particularly interesting right now where production elements are integrated alongside the many moving parts into actualizing the vision. I feel like in there's more space for creativity and really the limit is your imagination. So much is possible and it's always so dynamic. There's something special about the creation process in the entertainment space that's exciting and energetic. It always amazes me when the vision comes to life.

**MM:** What is it from your perspective that gives you the edge as an event manager?

JK: My goal with every client is to make the experience of putting together their event, a pleasant experience. Anyone can deliver an event, but how is the question.

I believe that event planners have the responsibility to journey with their clients and help them appreciate the process it takes to bring their vision to life. This also gives them ownership of their event and they can fully appreciate when the event is a success because at the end of the day, it's their success.

At the end of the day, my faith has been everything, if it wasn't for God I don't know where I would be. God has seen me from one season to another, keeping me, guiding me and I am so glad for all of it.

Jackie is an excellent event manager who has executed a good number of impressive private and public events. She is also a leader within the Marketplace Ekklesia Accelerator; serving in the Annual Unstuck Conference team where she has moderated leadership conversations with excellence as part of her service. She also currently leads the team that executes the compilation and publication of our quarterly Newsletter, The Ekklesian.

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🛅 Jackie Kimeu

Written and compiled by Mutindi Musimba

# **WE MUST BE MARRIED (WMBM)**

## **CONFERENCE 2022**

The inaugural We Must Be Married Apostolic and Prophetic Release Event was held on 3rd September 2022 at the Movenpick Hotel, Westlands. The event was catered for singles who wanted to be married accurately, marriages that needed healing, marriages that were never meant to be to end amicably and the accurate foundation, functioning and continuation of marriages

The event was convened by Apostle Angie Murenga who released the Apostolic and Prophetic word on marriage in accordance with Ephesians 5:21-33 and Genesis 2:18-24. She reminded attendees to be found at the right place, with the right people doing the right thing and prayed for:

- The release of two's for every person who is not married to locate and be located by their God ordained partner. No more errors, delays, or demonic sabotage.
- The healing of marriages in all eight aspects of humanity - spirit, soul, body, relationships, finances, and career, in leadership of self and others and in varied geographical spaces .
   Healing of words spoken and of routine deadly patterns in marriages. Sexual healing and the accurate use of sex as worship to God in marriages.
- The separation of any marriage not ordained by God and cutting of all soul ties and demonic intent of that union.
- The functioning of marriages as ordained by God's Holy plan and intention for marriage. Every marriage operating in Ephesians 5:21-33 and producing Godly offspring, every woman being a suitable helper and every man not alone in all aspects according to Gods word.

The speakers included Apostle Michael Kibinge, Dr. Wale Akinyemi, Apostle Dennis and Pastor Lee Wambugu while Prophet Charles Maina ministered with his wife Joyce Maina. Together they represented the Apostolic, Prophetic and Pastoral offices.

**Apostle Kibinge** shared that marriage is for the mature. He further emphasized that maturity is needed to go through the complexities of marriage and that it takes a lot to raise a son to the level of marriage.

**Dr.Wale Akinyemi** taught that the model of marriage is Christ and the Church. He pointed out the importance of preparation citing that when one is ready favor will make them visible to the right partner. He also challenged all those gathered to look within and check if their thoughts concerning marriage had become strongholds.

**Apostle Dennis and Pastor Lee Wambugu** spoke about letting God reset one'sdesires and inclinations so that healing could occur. They lay emphasis on beingintentional about healing



from failed relationships and the importance of mastering "forgetting the former" as behold the Lord is doing a new thing.

Apostle Charles Maina and his wife Joyce Maina asked attendees to check where their focus and concern was, with reference to the story of Mary and Martha in (Luke 10:38-42, John 11:1-46) and released the prophetic word to all that had gathered. They spoke about a space of intimacy needed with the Lord in unlocking marriage.

Written by Njeri Njoroge.





















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