

PENTECOSTAL / CHARISMATIC CHURCHES OF NORTH AMERICA

Annual Meeting: February 22 – 24, 2017 North Charleston Marriott, North Charleston, South Carolina

Theme: PCCNA members gathered in the Charleston, SC area to ask the question: "How can we better **REACH** our neighbors, our cities, our culture, and our nations?" Three of the ministries invited to share at the meeting had the "reach" theme in their names, e.g., CityReach Network, Reach A Generation, and Global Outreach Day. The other presentation, from Pure Flix Entertainment, espouses a mission of faith and family digital media designed for outreach and discipleship. The Holy Spirit selected the theme. It was actually chosen before the aforementioned ministries were invited to come, and before we realized how aligned their names and missions were.

Registration: The largest registration of members, guests, observers, and sponsors in recent PCCNA history attended this 23rd annual meeting of the Association. One-hundred and thirty-three (133) individuals registered to attend, representing 20 denominations and church networks, 15 ministry organizations, five mega-churches, two educational institutions, and several local churches. There were 45 couples and 43 singles in attendance.

Sponsors: With sincere gratitude PCCNA salutes ten sponsors who made the meeting possible. CityReach Network (cityreachnetwork.org); BroadStreet Publishing (broadstreetpublishing.com); Pure Flix Entertainment (pureflix.com); Infinity Concepts (infinityconcepts.net); Acts 20:28 Pastors (2028Pastors.com); KLM International (klmintl.com); Israel Advantage Tours (israeladvantagetours.com); Charisma Media (mevbible.com); Jack Hayford Ministries (jackhayfordlibrary.com)

Speakers: **Pastor Luis Reyes**, The New Church of Joy, Waukegan, IL, and his wife Tricia, pastor a thriving church that is investing in the next generation. Their vision is to reach and send a generation to the harvest, by trusting the Holy Spirit to turn the hearts of fathers back to children, and the hearts of a fatherless generation to spiritual fathers. Under Pastor Louie's leadership, thousands of children, youth, and adults have received Christ. Many are mentored, receive discipleship and leadership training, and join the ministry of the church. Pastor Louie's message was riveting! Men and women were crying as he challenged leaders to "Pastor churches as though you are their daddy." "Do you want to see a grown man cry," Pastor Louie asked? "Talk to him about his father." God is calling "fathers" to rescue and reach the next generation.

Pastor Brian Bolt, CityReach Church, Pittsburg, PA, and his wife Natalie, pastor a growing work that has planted over 80 daughter churches. Along with

Jared Bellan, Pastor of Church Planting at CityReach, the Lord has given Pastor Brian a strategy to plant as many as six churches in a single day. His passion and calling is to plant and develop life-giving churches in strategic cities. God has given Pastor Brian a servant's heart, and a principle running through his life and ministry is compassionate service and care for the last, the least, and the lost. His testimony of a hooker and a heroine addict getting saved, transformed, married, and called to ministry moved everyone deeply. CityReach Church has established 15 recovery homes and more are coming. Pastor Brian gave his heart to the Lord in the back of an ambulance after surviving a gunshot wound to the head.

Franklin Santagate, Vice-President of Strategic Alliances, Pure Flix Entertainment, Scottsdale, AZ, is a leader with extensive experience in both business and ministry. A skilled and prolific communicator, Franklin oversees the development of a national team who serve the local church with faith and family media for outreach and discipleship. The Pure Flix mission is to influence the global culture for Christ through digital media. Franklin's presentation documenting the power and persuasion of media in the lives of children, students, and even adults was spine-tingling and sobering. People are moved by media, and denominations, church networks, and pastors of local churches need to embrace the impact and importance of faith-based films, and partner with Pure Flix to reach neighborhoods and communities. Pure Flix treated PCCNA members and guests to a pre-screening of "The Case for Christ," to be released in theatres April 7, 2017.

Evangelist Werner Nachtigal, Berlin Germany, and his associates Beat Baumann (Switzerland) and Joe Oden (North Texas), shared amazing stories and testimonies of believers all across the globe responding to Global Outreach Day, an evangelism initiative targeting the last Saturday of May every year. Under the anointing and vision-casting of Werner, the church world-wide is mobilizing for massive harvest. Hundreds of thousands are coming to Christ. North America has been slow to respond. In partnership with G.O.D., PCCNA adopted a three-year evangelism initiative, called Miracle in May 2020, to "demonstrate unity in the power of the Spirit." 2018 is to be a year of prayer for the lost; 2019 is to be a year of care for the lost; 2020 is to be a year when believers intentionally share Christ with the lost...with a special emphasis on May 2020.

Commissions: The PCCNA mission is to "Demonstrate Unity in the Power of the Spirit." Scripture, experience, and research all testify to the truth we can accomplish more together than we can by ourselves. Denominations have historically acted independent of one another. But coming together to exchange best practices and develop relationships – especially around common calling and passion – is proving to be strategic in the kingdom of God. Accordingly, PCCNA has embarked on a journey of establishing "commissions" – networks of leaders who share the same passion in ministry.

At the 2017 annual meeting in Charleston, three new commission were launched: Discipleship, Race Relations, and Women in Ministry. The values, mission, goals, and leadership of these commissions may be reviewed by going to pccna.org, and

clicking on the "Commissions" tab on the navigational bar. Three existing commissions also convened during the 2017 annual meeting: Christian Unity, Communications & Media, and Prayer.

The Holy Spirit seems to be igniting a fire of passion and vision for these emerging commissions. A new commission being formed is the Next Gen Commission, spearheaded by Pastor Luis Reyes. An amazing video revealing the fire in his heart for this calling (something to which he has spent the last two decades giving his life) is available for viewing under the "Commissions" tab mentioned above.

PCCNA Annual Business Meeting:

New Members Approved:

- Church of Joy, Inc., Waukegan, IL, thenewchurchofjoy.com (local church)
- Save the Nations Church, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, savethenations.com (local church)
- Soul Rescue & Revival Church, Pasadena, CA, no web site, (local church)
- Pure Flix Entertainment, Scottsdale, AZ, pureflix.com (parachurch)

Election of Officers & Members-at-Large (Executive Committee):

- Dr. Sterling Brackett, The Foursquare Church, Secretary, 3-years
- Dr. Doug Beacham, Int'l Pentecostal Holiness Church, At-Large, 3-years
- Rev. Fermin Garcia, Grupo Unidad, At-Large, 3-years
- Bishop Harry Cohen, United Holy Church of America, At-Large, 3-years

Demonstrating Unity Initiatives:

- Miracle in May 2020 outreach approved
- Miracles & gifts of the Spirit book project: BroadStreet Publishing; Dean Merrill interviewing and writing
- Mexico Chapter to be developed: Fermin Garcia
- Pentecost Sunday: June 4, 2017; May 20, 2018 (Encourage all to preach on the Holy Spirit and Pentecost)

Commission Resolutions:

• Prayer Commission: Led by Doug Small, the Prayer Commission presented three resolutions to the PCCNA Board of Administration. They were a call for local church-based prayer and collaborative training, prayer for revival and spiritual awakening, and prayer for the unreached.