

Joni Eareckson Tada Diagnosed With Cancer

Joni Eareckson Tada, an internationally known advocate for people with disabilities, has received a cancer diagnosis for the second time.

The founder and CEO of Joni and Friends in Agoura Hills, California, Tada, 69, is also an award-winning artist, speaker and author of more than 50 books.

A seasoned warrior when it comes to dealing with serious health issues, Tada has endured 51 years of quadriplegia, chronic pain and a previous battle against stage 3 breast cancer eight years ago. In 2010, Tada underwent a mastectomy and chemotherapy treatment; after five years, she was declared cancer-free.

With her husband, Ken, at her side, Tada underwent tests last week on a small nodule which had developed over the site of her mastectomy. After biopsies, doctors discovered a small cancerous tumor within the nodule.

“When I received the unexpected news of cancer from my oncological surgeon, I relaxed and smiled, knowing that my sovereign God loves me dearly and holds me tightly in His hands. What good is it if we only trust the Lord when we understand His ways? That only guarantees a life filled with doubts,” said Tada.

Tada shared with her Joni and Friends staff that she will undergo outpatient surgery to remove the cancer on Monday, Nov. 26.

“I am inspired by the many valiant people with disabilities and their families whom we serve every day at Joni and Friends; they are people who constantly persevere through

personal crises. They do not doubt God's glorious purposes for their lives, why should I?" {eoa}

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It's Time for This Entire Generation to Accept Billy Graham's Mantle

Come February, charismatic leaders from nearly every stream of Christianity will join together to pass Billy Graham's mantle on to this generation.

YWAM, Dunamis Movement, Christ for all Nations, Jesus Image, Circuit Riders, Lifestyle Christianity and more have partnered together for The Send.

The movement has been marked by prophecy since the Lord planted the original seeds years ago.

"It would be an outbreak of signs and wonders and miracles, and the gospel would be the center point or the central message of the stadium," says YWAM's Andy Byrd, who was part of The Send's inception.

"Out of these gatherings, the passions, the zeal and the sense of responsibility that Billy Graham had would fall on a whole generation," Byrd says.

Now, the time has come. Byrd shared all the details with Charisma in a podcast interview.

Check it out.

‘Bus Driver From Heaven’ Rescues 22 Children From California Fires

A bus driver has been hailed as a hero after saving some 22 kids from the enormous wildfire that has devastated vast swathes of Northern California.

As flames encroached on Ponderosa Elementary School, 41-year-old Kevin McKay knew that something had to be done to evacuate the stricken children and teachers, and quickly. Sprinting into the building and ordering everyone to evacuate, McKay ripped his shirt into rags, doused them with water and handed them to the kids to help protect their lungs from the acrid smoke.

One of the teachers, Mary Ludwig, described the scene as total “Armageddon” as the inferno blazed all around them. {eoa}

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Jim Bakker: This Is What God's People Need to Do Right Now

God's people need to do good now, Jim Bakker says in a recent episode of his self-titled show.

"Enjoy God. Praise God. Live with God," Bakker says while preaching about Psalm 37.

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White House Behind-the-Scenes Exclusive: What Really Happened When Worship Broke Out

The who's who of Christian music gathered in the White House last week and praised the name of Jesus: Kari Jobe, Sanctus Real, Michael Tait, Colton Dixon, Tauren Wells and more.

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Hundreds of thousands of you clicked, commented, shared and watched, so we decided to go deeper than a quick YouTube video.

One of our reporters sat down with Sanctus Real's Chris Rohman to talk about how worship filled the home of our nation's

leader.