

# Evangelist Tony Suarez: 'We Are the Rapture Generation'

Evangelist Tony Suarez isn't surprised at the outpourings and pockets of revival that Holy Spirit has sparked over the past few weeks. It's something that he and his ministry friends have been declaring for three years.

Suarez is convinced that revival isn't coming in America—it's already here. And, he's convinced that the rapture of God's church will come sooner than many people think or even care to discuss.

"It's here right now," says Suarez, the founder of Revivalmakers, a Spirit-filled, evangelistic ministry that travels from church to church hosting events, tent revivals, healing services and crusades around the globe. "In my opinion, there's not another move greater than this one that will come 100 years from now. We are that move. And this is going to last until the Second Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ."

Also the Chief Operating Officer of the National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference, Suarez says he and his kingdom friends are "tired" of talking about the difficult season America experienced with the COVID pandemic, and the attacks on the church, Christianity, the faith and today's youth.

Through it all, Suarez says, he began watching classic videos of evangelist Oral Roberts and A.A. Allen, and he began to "long and wish" for the days of old.

As he did that, however, God rebuked him.

"I felt the Lord just kind of check me and he said, 'What? Why are you relegating My power to yesterday?'" Suarez told

Charisma News in an exclusive interview. "Am I not the same yesterday, today and forever? And so, we started declaring 'it's not coming, it's here.'

"As a child of the church, every time there was a great move of God, a revival, an outpouring, just even a great youth camp, there would always be somebody that would get up and say you haven't seen anything yet; something greater is coming. And sometimes there would be a little holy frustration of 'when is it coming?'

"The responsibility of revival kept getting punted down the field to another generation. "Well, ladies and gentlemen, we are the last generation—the rapture generation."

Suarez is thrilled with what has happened at Asbury University, Lee University, Samford University and other schools and churches. But he is more than curious as to why many believers haven't embraced what's happening around the country—and the world.

"So, what are the pitfalls or the obstacles, and what does it take to really have a genuine move of God in your home, your church and your community," Suarez asks. "For several years, I think we have been focused on what happens in our nation's capital and we have been using that as the indicator of whether revival has arrived or not.

"But we need to remember how God's structure works. He works in our house before He works in the White House. He works in our home before He works in government. God got ahold of Abraham, and then his family. Then they were a tribe and a people and then they were a nation. So, we need the God of Abraham to move amongst us, these modern-day Abrahams, Isaacs and Jacobs. If we will have the faith in our homes, a culture of prayer, holiness, consecration and righteousness ... if will revive those things in our home, it will affect our families, our communities and, I believe, it will ultimately affect the

nation.

“But structure is very important in the kingdom of God. We need to work within God’s structure, which is me first, and then my family. Beyond that, we understand that revival might look a little different for everyone because everyone is stepping into the river at a different place. Look at what is taking place at Asbury. This is a traditional Methodist school, and I celebrate what God is doing there. But that move looks completely different than what might break out in a Pentecostal or charismatic context with what we’re used to. But that doesn’t diminish what God is doing at Asbury. They are stepping into the river where they’re at. That’s the beauty of this. Let’s rally [around] them and celebrate them, that they would walk in the fullness of God.”

Suarez says he loves the fact that God has shown no boundaries during this period of the awakening of the American church. It’s happening in the Bible Belt; it’s happening in the Midwest; it’s happening in the Northeast; it’s happening in California; and the Northwest.

And Suarez is convinced that this “revival” will continue on until Jesus’ Second Coming. “We’re that close,” Suarez says.

“It’s a blessing. It’s young and old. It’s not one generation or the other,” he says. “It’s not one culture. It’s white, black, Hispanic, Asian. It’s all, to me, the fulfillment of the prophecy of Joel.

“So, we see revival breaking out everywhere, even in the cities and states that have seemingly been overtaken by a wicked agenda.

✘ “What we’ve found is that there was a remnant. That was part of a word in California. God said, ‘I’ve heard the cries of the remnant.’ There was a remnant in Nineveh that was willing to get on their knees humble and repent and God spared Nineveh. God is sparing California. He’s sparing

Illinois, I believe.

“And I’m not prophesying this, but I’m just in my faith right now. I’m believing that Oregon and Washington state, where some have given up on some of these Northwestern states as well, I’m praying Holy Ghost revival into those states. And may revival come from unexpected places and people to prove to us that this is a God thing, not a man thing.” {eoa}

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## **The Miraculous Transformation of a Progressive Christian Antagonist**

Last week, a remarkable email was forwarded to me by my staff. It was from Sarahbeth Caplin, someone I had previously interacted with when she was a hostile, “progressive” Christian writing for an atheist website.

Why was she contacting me now?

I share all this with you here with her full permission and blessing.

Sarahbeth wrote in her email, “Dear Michael, This article recently came up in a Google search when I was trying to find something else I wrote: [The article was written by me on May 23, 2019, titled, “Misrepresent and Demonize: The Weapon of ‘Progressive’ Christians.”]

She continued: "It's so funny to read this now, because I no longer recognize the person you're talking about. At the time, I was going through a period of deconstruction. All the downtime in 2020 forced me to reevaluate everything I believe and why, and I'm happy to say I've returned to biblical orthodoxy—including in matters of sexuality. I just thought you would be interested to know that."

What great news! You can be sure I was quite interested to receive this report, especially in light of the article that she linked which I began with these words: "Last week, I encouraged Christian parents in California who had children in public schools to defy the law and pull their kids from the state's extreme sex-ed curriculum. How did the Friendly Atheist's resident Episcopalian blogger respond?"

"According to Sarahbeth Caplin, I want these parents to teach 'their kids that transgender people don't exist.' (Yes, she actually wrote this.)"

She added (back in 2019), "This is just faith-based, hate-fueled fear-mongering. It's the only subject in which Michael Brown is an expert."

In response I wrote, "What a sad commentary on the nature of liberal illogic. And what a misrepresentation of the facts."

And I ended the article with this appeal, to which I received no response: "If the state wants to force trash like this on their children, then the righteous, moral and responsible thing to do is pull their kids out of those classes."

"The only thing hateful is the response of 'progressives' like Caplin."

"That being said, Sarahbeth, if you read this, let's talk. Join me on the air one day, and we can discuss the differences plainly but without vitriol."

“I’m willing if you are.”

That was then, with the old Sarahbeth. What happened to change her views so dramatically? What led to such a wonderful transformation?

When I inquired as to what happened in her life, she shared this with me (which, again, I’m sharing with her full permission):

“I’m not sure how the transformation started exactly, except that at some point I started praying for God to reveal the truth to me—no matter how uncomfortable it made me. And then I started noticing some inconsistencies within the LGBT movement: like how you’re apparently ‘born this way,’ but at the same time, sexuality is also fluid? And for a same-sex attracted person to reject a trans person for a date is apparently transphobic (because the ‘parts’ don’t match the gender identity), even though, according to a sex-positive philosophy, no one is supposed to be shamed for what they are into? That means the logic of gender ideology is actually homophobic! And it sort of spiraled on from there.

“I realized much of my objections to Christian theology in this area were reactionary rather than based on Scripture, so I started studying ‘the clobber verses’ again with a more open mind. And once I finally understood them, I couldn’t go back. Progressive Christianity is entirely built on doubts and questions with little to no foundation of certainty and truth. It was a temporary dwelling place for me to figure some things out, but ultimately not a healthy place to stay. And many of the ‘friends’ I made in that circle dropped me once I started to regain my spiritual footing. They liked me when I questioned things and my faith was struggling, but not when I found it again.

“At that time, I stopped writing for Patheos [and the Friendly Atheist website] ... I have since joined the Anglican church

(affiliated with ACNA, not the Episcopal branch), and have built a healthy spiritual community there.”

In our subsequent interaction, she also wrote this to me: “I reached out to you specifically because I probably sparred with you more than most, and definitely went out of my way to misrepresent your views. I was wrong to do that. I apologize for the version of me you had to deal with!”

How many of us have the maturity to realize that we are reacting rather than processing, responding emotionally rather than based on truth? And how many have the humility—and integrity—to change course so dramatically after we have become known for espousing a particular position or being a particular person? God truly does give grace to the humble!

And what a great summary of “progressive Christianity.” As she wrote, it “is entirely built on doubts and questions with little to no foundation of certainty and truth. It was a temporary dwelling place for me to figure some things out, but ultimately not a healthy place to stay.”

This is the exact opposite of the real gospel faith, which is built on eternal foundations, filled with certainty and truth, foundations that have stood the test of time.

My interaction with Sarabeth also reminds us of the importance of being gracious to those we differ with, even if our differences are sharp and require strong and clear articulation. As Paul exhorted, “Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone” (Col. 4:6).

We can be unashamed of our faith without being nasty, meanspirited, demeaning, insulting or self-righteous. And while we may impress our online echo chambers with our so-called boldness (our spiritual justification for acting like jerks), in the end, we will only discredit the Lord and drive away those for whom He died.

In my new book, “Why So Many Christians Have Left the Faith: Responding to the Deconstructionist Movement With Unshakable, Timeless Truth,” I have a whole chapter devoted to the question, “Can Deconstruction Be Healthy?”

✘ My answer is that if we have honest questions and a right attitude, our faith will be strengthened rather than weakened in the pursuit of truth. But if our attitudes are not right—meaning, if we are looking for an excuse to ditch the Bible or have already become proud in our thoughts about God—we will likely end up in a spiritual ditch.

Sarahbeth is a great example of a public, “progressive” Christian having a change of heart because of a change of mind. In the days to come, may she be just one among many.  
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## 5 Ways to Develop Your Self-Esteem as a Woman in Christ

Are you a Christian woman struggling with self esteem and lacking confidence? You’re not alone. There are moments in everyone’s life they wrestle with self worth and feelings of insecurity. It’s what you do with those moments that can and will shape the rest of your life for the good or the bad.

Charisma magazine interviewed pastor and life coach Tammy Hotsenpiller who shares her incredible journey of going from self doubt to a strong, bold confident woman in Christ.

“You would think, ‘oh if you’re in ministry everything must be fine for you.’ I, like you, struggle with identity. We all struggle with identity. It’s an attack from the enemy,” Hotsenpiller says.

It’s clear throughout our culture today with depression and anxiety rates through the roof, there is something very wrong happening. The notion of “you can do anything you set your mind to” is actually a very unhealthy way to look at the world, purpose and passion.

“You can’t do everything,” Tammy says. That’s the point of all of us being created unique, in a face of God’s image. Each person has special gifts, callings and passions placed inside of them. You want to make sure you are wired with the passion you want to pursue in life. Is this what God has asked you to do? Tammy tells her clients to “vet” themselves.

In her coaching she teaches that passion fuels the end of what you are trying to accomplish. As you work through your feelings of insecurity understand first and foremost that’s it’s okay, normal and you’re not alone.

“Even though I was a pastors wife, I had wonderful children and was in the church, I struggled with who I was. I had all the elements to be a successful person and yet I dealt with low self esteem,” she says.

Tammy describes her charismatic husband, who’s big personality and bright future intimidated her at the start of their marriage. She was at a women’s conference when a confident woman in Christ took the stage, dressed beautifully, walked confidently and spoke right to the heart.

She said, "Our adequacy is not in and of ourselves. Our adequacy is in and from the Lord." This sent Tammy on a journey to find out who she truly was in Christ.

"Things like becoming my best self, figuring out who I was in Christ and then in the 90s I went on this journey to become a life coach," she says.

In the video she walks through these five practical steps you can implement today:

1. Know who you are in Christ. God breathed life into you for a purpose!
2. Gather some great resources to help you along your journey in becoming confident and whole.
3. Smart people put smarter people around them.
4. Stay in the Word of God.
5. Walk in boldness and confidence.

Tune in to the rest of the video with Tammy to hear her personal stories and the moments that have shaped her into who she is today; a child of God, wife, mother, author, coach and pastor.



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# Prayers for Revival in a Kairos Moment

With revival breaking out on college campuses and churches across America—and around the world—we need to be careful not to miss the day of our visitation.

Now is not the time to stop praying. Now is the time to pray more. Indeed, every revival in history started with prayer. Prayer births revival. Prayer sustains revival. Prayer is the key.

But it's not just any kind of prayer. It's fervent prayer. It's passionate prayer. It's prayer completely dependent on the God of revival to pour out His Spirit.

This month, Awakening Prayer Hubs' theme is Marching into Revival. We're in a Kairos moment, and we're believing for more. We're believing for the Kairos moment to become a Kairos season—and even a great awakening. Will you pray with us?

Pray prayers of repentance: 2 Chronicles 7:14 reads, "If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land."

Pray for God's mercy on the church: Habakkuk 3:2 reads, "O LORD, I have heard Your speech and was afraid; O LORD, revive Your work in the midst of the years! In the midst of the years make it known; In wrath remember mercy."

- ☒ Pray that God would stir you up: 2 Timothy 1:6 reads, "Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which

is in you through the laying on of my hands.”

Pray that God would make you hungry and thirsty: Jesus said in Matthew 6:33, “But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.”

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## **How the ‘Grace of God’ Rescued Latest PGA Tour Winner**

Golfer Chris Kirk won the Honda Classic Sunday, bringing him his first PGA Tour triumph in nearly eight years. But Kirk said the real victory is his sobriety, the support he’s received, and the “grace of God.”

“I owe everything that I have in my entire life to my

sobriety,” Kirk said after his win. “I wouldn’t be doing this for living anymore, I probably wouldn’t have the family that I have currently anymore.”

The pro golfer, who is nearly four years sober, said he was “getting really close to losing everything” he cared about when his alcoholism came to a head.

Kirk, 37, said his ability to move past his struggles can be credited to the Lord and those who helped him along the way.

☒ “For that to have happened and worked out for me, obviously, it was some decisions that I made, but mostly the grace of God,” he said. “And a lot of other people that really helped me along the way.”

In the end, Kirk said winning the Honda Classic is wonderful, but, in light of how far he’s come, it’s a “bonus” to the other blessings he has received.

Kirk, who took home \$1,512,000 for securing his Sunday win, walked away from golf in 2019 amid struggles with alcoholism and depression, The Associated Press reported.

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# Former Satanist John Ramirez: Defeating Sickness with Spiritual Warfare Prayers

Living a life serving God and His purposes isn't always sunshine and rainbows. In fact, the more you seek to advance God's kingdom on earth, the more spiritual warfare you will face in your life. Former Satanist John Ramirez shares what he has learned over the years to defeat Satan in times of warfare.

"You'll make Jesus Christ proud at the end of your journey if you fight the fight. Instead of lukewarm, pocketbook Christian, why not be God's best and stand up for the battle," Ramirez says in our Charisma magazine interview.

✘ In his new book "Fire Prayers: Building Arsenals That Destroy Satanic Kingdoms," Ramirez talks about the importance of taking the battle to the spirit realm and why being equipped with God's warfare weapons is one of the most life-changing experiences of all.

God has a special purpose for your life but the enemy will try to use people and troubling situations to derail you. "Why do you live by the opinions of people? God always told me 'I will always do my part but I won't do yours,'" he says.

If you are allowing the opinions of others to influence God's plans for your life pray for a renewed fear of the Lord. David Jeremiah describes the fear of the Lord as not being scared of God, it's just not wanting to disappoint Him.

"I thought that was the coolest thing when I heard that. I had a hallelujah going this morning in praise and I had to step on my toes and say 'Lord help me to never disappoint you,'" Ramirez says.

In our interview, Ramirez talks about the wilderness journey between every promise land. You will face hardships, questions, moments that try your faith and seasons that uproot all of the dirt and junk you didn't know was hidden inside. In this life, you have the opportunity to show God you have faith in His plans and purposes.

Recently Ramirez was in Bakersfield, California praying for a woman walking through a dark wilderness season. She was diagnosed with stage four cancer and was living with a small oxygen tank.

"She came up to the prayer line and I prayed for her. She fell into the seats because the Holy Spirit fell on her so hard. She left without the oxygen tank, she left completely free," Ramirez says.

He shared another testimony of a Muslim woman he met a few years back. She came to a service he held in Queens, New York. She was serving Allah and had no faith in Jesus, yet during her darkest hour she knew Jesus was the answer. She was riddled with cancer and had six months left to live. Ramirez prayed for her and visited the church one year later. Awaiting him at the doorsteps was a woman filled with joy and a smile from ear to ear. He didn't remember her at first until she reminded him of the last time she met.

The formerly Muslim woman had given her life to Jesus the day Ramirez prayed for her. Her cancer disappeared and she has been inviting everyone she knows to come to church and encounter the Jesus she had.

"You have to have target arrow precision prayers. It's like being a spiritual sniper. These kinds of prayers will hit the root of the issue," Ramirez says.

Tune in to the rest of the video to hear more about prayers for marriage, finances and children. Check out Ramirez's book "Fire Prayers" to read the manual that will equip you with a

spiritual warfare arsenal that will leave Satan and his kingdom trembling. {eoa}



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# Churches Across America Profoundly Impacted by Asbury Revival

Feb. 23rd marked the end of a historic gathering at Asbury University. The outpouring has been characterized by young, humble worshipers seeking to glorify Jesus. There was no well-known speaker or worship leader drawing in crowds, yet over 50,000 people from around the world have journeyed to the little town of Wilmore, Kentucky to take part in the holy moment.

When we look at revival, we look for the fruit. Since Feb. 8 there have been countless testimonies pouring out of Hughes Auditorium on Asbury University's campus. We sat down with a pastor from Waynesville, North Carolina to hear how this move of God is impacting every day churches across America.

"I felt like when the revival started at Asbury that I had to take some young people with me," New Covenant Church Pastor Blake Stanbery says.

Stanbery's church has been hungry for more of God. When they realized the revival they had been praying for was breaking

out, they packed up a car and took off bringing five Gen Z students from the church. The group waited in line for four hours with 35 degree temperatures.

“Yes we were freezing but there was such joy on that campus that there was such a crowd of enthusiasm,” Stanbery says. Just waiting in line the group felt the impacts of the revival, meeting Christians who flew in from Brazil and New Zealand. Anticipation filled their spirit as they head the worship echoing across the campus lawn.

“This step for us was a ‘yes maybe it’s coming,’” Stanbery says.

Stanbery spoke to the paradoxes of the revival. Young people were leading the charge, yet they are the ones who have been rocked the most in our world today. “There was such peace on a generation that has been marked by such chaos,” he says.

Another surprising element for Stanbery was the need for cell phones. All of the young people who gathered at Asbury didn’t have any phones out, yet the photos and videos being taken in the auditorium came from adults. “That was a paradox for me. This is a generation that only knows digital, always have their phones out yet it hasn’t satisfied them Here they were leading crowds and nothing digital was distracting them,” he says.

The Gen Z group went back to New Covenant Church testifying to what they witnessed at Asbury University. It has loosed a hunger and thirst for all the congregants of their church. Following the event, Stanbery has emphasized the need to be unscripted on Sunday mornings.

“It’s about being unified, unscripted, not out of order, but just unscripted. Freedom for testimony. People were moved by repentance. If that’s happening unscripted in our churches, that’s a taste. The Lord wants to do an outpouring. Are we going to make room for Him or stay with our script,” he

questions.

Tune in to the rest of the interview with Pastor Blake Stanbery to hear his thoughts on revival in America.



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## Sean Feucht Says It's Time to 'Press in For Revival'

Sean Feucht says it's time to press in for revival in America. And he means right now.

Doing his part amidst pockets of revival like at Asbury University that is sweeping the nation, Feucht and his Let Us Worship team will kick off its Kingdom to the Capitol Tour in Washington, D.C., beginning on Thursday, March 2 and ending with a live stream worship service on March 7 inside the U.S. Capitol building.

 The event coincides with the Global Day of Prayer on Friday, March 3. Charlie Kirk and TPUSA Faith is partnering with Let Us Worship for what Feucht calls his ministry's "most ambitious and historic revival tour yet" where they will visit every single state capitol in America this year.

"Please join us in powerful worship and prayer, and hear the bold call for the church to rise for this historic moment we were literally born for. We believe this is a season for

revival for our nation, and we want you to be a part of it.”

Text “SEAN” to 20221 to join the list of those who will be praying with Feucht. {eoa}

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## **SBC Removes Saddleback Church Affiliation over Female Pastor**

The executive committee of the Southern Baptist Convention removed Saddleback Church from SBC affiliation on Feb. 21 over the church’s decision to hire a female pastor. Saddleback, which was started by Rick Warren and his wife, Kay, is one of the biggest churches in the convention with plants in California and internationally.

The decision concluded that the church was in violation of a core tenet of the SBC’s values. After Warren retired, Andy Wood and his wife, Stacie, took over with Andy as the lead pastor. However, because of Stacie’s role as a “teaching pastor,” the church was found to be “not in friendly cooperation” with the necessary credentials for ministry under the Southern Baptist Convention, according to Baptist Press.

Section six of the SBC’s Baptism and Faith Message discusses the role of the church, which reads: “While both men and women are gifted for service in the church, the office of pastor is limited to men as qualified by Scripture.”

This is not the first time that Saddleback has found themselves in the hot seat with the SBC as Warren himself ordained other females to become pastors back in 2021, as reported by Charisma News. It was Warren himself who had the idea to ordain three female pastors after months of discussion with Saddleback's elders.

The rocky relationship between Saddleback Church and the SBC continued when Andy and Stacie first took over as leaders of the church, with no intention of Stacie having a small role.

"The church should be a place where both men and women can exercise those spiritual gifts," Wood said. "My wife has the spiritual gift of teaching and she is really good. People often tell me she's better than me when it comes to preaching, and I'm really glad to hear that."

As the AP noted, Saddleback's elders released a statement which read: "We love and have always valued our relationship with the SBC and its faithful churches. We will engage and respond through the proper channels at the appropriate time in hopes to serve other like-minded Bible believing SBC churches. Meanwhile, we remain focused on following God's leadership to love and serve our church family and the communities around our campuses."

Warren took to social media to give a quick update to his followers.

"Friends worldwide," Warren wrote on Facebook, "I'm so touched by your love! Kay & I love you back! We'll respond to #SBC in OUR time & way thru direct channels."

During his final message as lead pastor of Saddleback Church, Warren encouraged his congregation about the coming changes.

"Whatever project you're starting, begin with the end in mind. That's called being purpose driven. You know your purpose in advance. And we knew from the very beginning what kind of

church this was going to be,” Warren said.

It is currently unclear if Saddleback will make an appeal to the SBC about their decision. Four other churches were also found to be uncooperative for having female pastors in Georgia, Maryland, Mississippi and Kentucky.

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## **As Asbury Ends, Every College in America Prayed for on Collegiate Day of Prayer**

The spark of spiritual renewal that the Asbury revival caused has sent a wave across the nation. The last revival service was held on Asbury University’s campus on Feb. 23, the same day as the Collegiate Day of Prayer. And for the first time ever, every college campus in America had someone committed to praying over it before the event started.

“For the first time in CDOP history, every college campus has been adopted in prayer BEFORE the appointed day,” the collegiate day of prayer website stated. “Even though every campus has been adopted, we want to saturate every single campus in America with prayer. We want to see this generation raised up in revival and awakening.”

All 4,196 colleges had been “adopted” for prayer with over 6,000 participants who were willing to stand in the gap for

the students on each campus.

There truly is something unique that is happening as thousands of young adults have been coming to the feet of Jesus and casting away their burdens for a new life with the risen King all across America.

During the final night of the Asbury revival, students shared their testimonies of how their lives have been changed during the revival.

Senior and gospel choir member Nina Marla has been part of the movement since it first took off during the chapel service on Feb. 8.

“I was a part of the gospel choir and we were just feeling led by the Spirit to just continue in song and worship and prayer,” Marla said. “And it kind of felt like 10 minutes but then three hours later I just felt the Spirit to tell me to just look around and the same 20 students just decided to just ask the Holy Spirit what was happening and what I needed to be interceding for. And so I just heard Him say that first, ‘Just pray for your peers to be obedient to stay and come, and just spread the word.’ And the second wave was just to ask for forgiveness for the things that we’ve done against each other. And also just grudges we had against each other and toward the institution. And then the third one, the third wave was just joy. And confession. From confession comes joy.”

Marla explained that as students started to pour in during the fourth hour of the first day of revival, there was excitement and joy from the freedom that Christ was providing for them. Another student shared how she was finally set free from the depression and anxiety that had plagued her entire life during the revival.

“For over half of my life my identity has resided in my depression and in my anxiety,” the student shared. “For the first time in my life I actually left all of that at the feet

of Jesus.”

She shared how afterward for four days she experienced no anxiety or depression, and when those things did return to her, they had no power to be the controller over her life.

“My identity comes first from Christ, and my daughtership in Him,” the Asbury student shared. Two things in particular were shown to her through the revival: how great and holy God is over every situation, and knowing that she belongs to Christ.

“My God is bigger than I thought He was because my God is bigger than my depression, and my God is bigger than my anxiety, and my story can be your story because God died on the cross for anxiety and depression to set us free. He walked out of the grave and you can too because I did,” the student shared.

The power of the testimonies, prayers and praise that came out of Asbury are stretching across the nation, and the hope for the next generation has been ignited. This generation has not been lost but redeemed. God is still a miracle-working God who is in the business of transforming hearts and lives all around us. He paid for all the troubles, all the worries and all the sins of this generation. What’s even better, the young are realizing everything He’s done for them as they are coming in spirit and in truth to Him.

Joel 2:28 (MEV) clearly states: “And it will be that, afterward, I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; then your sons and your daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, and your young men will see visions. Even on the menservants and maidservants in those days I will pour out My Spirit.”

How incredible and glorious the Lord is. The Asbury revival seems to be the beginning of this great outpouring in this generation to see and know that the works of the Lord are magnificent and He alone is worthy. We can only now see what

God will do next through colleges across the nation as He answers the prayers of the righteous for an outburst of His Spirit.

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