

40 Gang Members Crash Revival with Mario Murillo

A palpable presence of God covered Mario Murillo's, Bakersfield tent revival as gang members poured in from the streets riddled with fentanyl overdoses. As soon as their feet hit the tent grounds they knew they were walking through in desperate need of one thing, Jesus.

In a Charisma News interview, Murillo describes an unprecedented unity among the local churches as the national yearning for God continues to grow in the country.

Bakersfield is located right off the Kern River, just north of Los Angeles, California. "There is no doubt the laws of science are being overruled," Murillo says. Life-long physical body injuries are being healed along with emotional trauma.

Murillo and his ministry chose to leave the Christian corridor of the city and pitch the tent right next to the infamous local strip club. "Gang bangers have been converted," he says. In fact, 40 gang members showed up to the revival and 20 of them repented of their sins and gave their lives to Jesus.

✖ It's truly a remarkable moment. The crowds aren't filled with Christians, they are mostly filled with unbelievers. Murillo preaches the Word of God, piercing the hearts of the crowd and bringing an awareness of sin and the decision of everlasting life.

The city, ravaged by the devil, is experiencing a visitation from the Lord. An opportunity to turn from their wicked ways, into the loving arms of Christ.

Eighteen months ago, Murillo had a moment with God similar to Elijah on Mount Carmel. God spoke to him and asked him in faith to write a book about the coming harvest in America.

Faithfully, Murillo wrote “‘It’s Our Turn Now,” as a manual to help the body of Christ prepare for what was to come. A movement far greater than the Jesus Movement.

We have clearly seen that word from the Lord come to pass. Revival hit Asbury University and has awakened churches across America, bringing the dead back to life. Christian films, like Jesus Revolution, have outperformed at the box office, revealing something surprising. Christians in America aren’t lukewarm, they are hungry for the real thing.

Murillo shares an urgent message to pastors in America. He urges them to stop trying to please the segment of their church that wants things to stay the same way. “The treasures are coming out of the darkness. They want God,” he says.

The ignition of the Jesus Movement was a pastor who had to get over his hang-ups. God will move through the least likely. Americans are hungry and thirsty for the true manna from heaven. They are no longer satisfied by the appetizers of the world, they want bread and water that will never run dry.

Watch the full interview with Mario Murillo to learn how you can get involved with the tent revivals. {eo}



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