

Empowered21 Asia Sparks Charismatic Revival

Holy Spirit sweeps over 14,000 conference attendees from 49 nations who gathered in Indonesia



Fourteen thousand people from 49 nations recently convened in the world's most populous Muslim nation for a single purpose: to unite the Spirit-filled movement across Asia to focus resources on the harvest.

After the dust settled on the four-day Empowered21 Asia Congress, Spirit-filled Christian leaders spoke out about what they experienced in Jakarta, Indonesia, and what it means for the global church.

"I believe those who were present received the fire of revival and will bring that fire to the nations," says Empowered21 Asia host Niko Njotorahardjo, senior pastor of Gereja Bethel Indonesia. "This fire of revival was initiated by prayer, praise and worship, and unity over the past four days."

Marilyn Hickey, who recently celebrated her 80th birthday, also made the trip to Jakarta and called the event "wonderful."

"Its vision and passion has really touched my heart. I feel this is a destiny time," Hickey says. "I see all of these people from all over Asia and I know they are going to go back home with a fresh anointing and in 'attack mode.'"

Ricardo Sanchez, international worship leader and Christian recording artist, compares Empowered21 Asia to a "transfer zone" of cultures and generations, and he notes that the zone is the place where the baton is passed in a relay.

"The danger in a relay is not running with the baton but

rather the transfer of the baton in the transfer zone," Sanchez says. "That is where the baton sometime gets dropped, and that is the most dangerous and yet most successful place."