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Nigerian televangelist, prophet, philanthropist and megachurch pastor Temitope Balogun Joshua has died one week shy of his 58th birthday, his ministry announced on Sunday. Born June 12, 1963, he died June 5, 2021, shortly after presiding over a program at The Synagogue Church of All Nations, the Lagos-based megachurch he founded.

“His last moments on earth were spent in the service of God. This is what he was born for, lived for and died for,” the ministry’s announcement read.

Christian Rock Band Faces Severe Backlash for Post on Jesus’ Love for LGBTQ Community

The month of June has become a yearly event when the LGBTQ community celebrates their pride in their lifestyles. The rainbow, God’s sign of His covenant to never again use a flood to destroy the earth, has now been appropriated as a symbol of pride in a lifestyle of sin.

On June 7, the Christian rock band Seventh Day Slumber shared an illustration on their Facebook page of Jesus embracing an LGBTQ person with a pink mohawk, the pride colors prominently displayed on the individual’s shaved scalp.

The caption reads, “This picture is a powerful reminder of who God is, how God loves, and how none of us are out of His reach! You can come to Him in your hurt, you can come to Him in your pain, you can come to Him in your sin, you can come to Him in your brokenness. He loves you where you’re at. He also

loves you too much to leave you there. Be kind to one another. You never know what someone has been through.”

Spirit-Filled Pastor Addresses Controversial Worship Trend

About a year ago, I sent Bethel an email asking them to clarify a lot of the things that are being said about them (my initial article on using controversial music is below). They finally began that process. My ministry doesn't endorse this church; we are simply sharing what they are releasing to help clarify what they believe. Here is a page about the project, and episode 1 (full length) was posted here today. Each day a short-form clip of one of the specific topics will be published. By the second week of July, all of the content for this video series will be published.

Megachurch Pastor Rick Warren Announces Retirement From Saddleback

Megachurch pastor Rick Warren has announced his retirement after 42 years of leading Saddleback Church in Southern California. A search for his successor will be launched this week.

The well-known evangelical pastor and bestselling author told his congregation on Sunday that the search is not the end but the “beginning of the beginning,” *The Orange County Register* reported Monday.

Warren, 67, said he will continue to serve as lead pastor until a successor is in place. He said he will then step back into a less “visible position as founding pastor.”

‘God Was There’: AG Church Erupts in Flames; Dog Alerts Neighbor to Call 911

In the dead of night, Kim Lewis awoke to the fervent barking of her dog, Bear.

Quickly shaking the sleep from her eyes, she saw out her

window the neighboring church, Yorktown Assembly of God, going up in flames.

She immediately dialed 911, and then alerted neighboring staff members to vacate their home in case the fire spread.

Upon arriving, the fire chief told Lewis to “buy a raffle ticket because it’s incredible that this is how minor the damage is. ... Five or ten more minutes without the 911 call, and the entire building would have been engulfed.”

The church knows, however, that luck had nothing to do with it. “It was God’s protection over His church and people,” its Facebook announcement says.

12 Completed, 12 Coming: Understand God’s 24 End-Times Prophecies

In 24 End Time Prophecies Podcast with Pastor and Author Rick Blomgren on the Charisma Podcast Network, I share over four decades of research and shatter antiquated misconceptions regarding the end times. I offer glorious insights into God’s incredible, specific 24 end-time prophecies—12 of which have already been fulfilled, 12 about to arrive. I offer a version that is enlightening and magnificent, representing the grandeur and glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

My podcast series provides you with an exciting, contemporary and biblically based interpretation of end-times prophecies with a positive perspective that shows the tremendous grandeur and love of our Lord. Through prophecy, we learn how much God desires to comfort and encourage us, how He speaks to us, directs us and protects us, and how He alone desires to guide us, as believers, in the last days. We have nothing to fear.
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