

Empowered21 Concludes With Service of Honor, Impartation

The **Empowered21** Global Congress concluded with a powerful service of worship, praise, impartation and honoring. The gathering of more than 4,500 delegates from more than 70 countries took place at the **Jerusalem Pais Arena** where the Congress began last Wednesday.

As part of the service, the first **Lifetime Global Impact Awards** were presented to five leaders known around the world for their ministry contributions. E21 co-chairs **William Wilson** and **George Wood** made the presentations to **Reinhard Bonnke**, **Morris Cerullo**, **Jack Hayford**, **Marilyn Hickey**, **David Maines** and **Vinson Synan**.

“The Bible instructs us to ‘give honor to whom honor is due.’ It is with great joy that we present awards to these forefathers of the Spirit-empowered movement,” said Wilson, president and global co-chair of Empowered21. “The collective ministries of these giants of the faith have transformed the lives of millions of people. We are deeply thankful for their legacies and invite all of their friends from around the world to join us in Jerusalem to celebrate their contribution to God’s work.”

Bringing messages of inspiration were Anne Christiansen, founder of Jesus Women; Daniel Khong, youth and worship pastor at Faith Community Baptist Church in Singapore; Daniel Kolenda, president and CEO of Christ for All Nations; Samuel Rodriguez Jr., president of the Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference; Tim Ross, executive pastor of Gateway Church in Dallas; and Esteban Solis, co-pastor of Evangelistic Center Church in Costa Rica.

The service was brought to a close with a special time where

every attendee was anointed with oil and given their own bottle of olive oil from the Holy Land. This oil was given to remind them to share God's power through all the earth.

"This Global Congress was powerful, and I believe God met many people in a special way," Wilson said following the close of service Sunday. "We believe that the fresh outpouring of God's Spirit on us here in Jerusalem will create ripples around the world for advancing the cause of Christ. The best days for the Spirit-empowered movement are still ahead. We can't and won't rest until everyone has an opportunity to experience Jesus Christ through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit."

Wilson announced that the next regional meetings of Empowered21 will be held in London next year and Asia in 2017. Subsequent meetings were announced for Africa in 2018 and Latin America for 2019. The location for the next Global Congress in 2020 is yet to be announced.