

Hinn, Parsley, Jakes Honor TBN Founder Paul Crouch's Legacy

Remembrances and condolences have poured into Trinity Broadcasting Network (TBN) in the days since the passing of founder **Paul Crouch**, who died Nov. 30 at the age of 79 following a decade-long battle with degenerative heart disease.

TBN will broadcast a special celebration of Crouch's life and legacy Sunday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. PST and Monday, Dec. 9, at 2 p.m. PST.

Following are a few of the honors offered by pastors and ministry leaders who have partnered with Crouch and TBN over the past 40 years:

"Everyone at the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association extends our condolences to the family of Paul Crouch Sr., who, along with his wife, Jan, founded the Trinity Broadcast Network in 1973. ... He and the TBN family have been longtime friends and supporters of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association and Samaritan's Purse." —Billy Graham Evangelical Association

"I was deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Paul Crouch, who was a friend for decades. Paul was a pioneer in Christian television; the channels and studios that Paul built around the world are an incredible achievement and will live on as a permanent legacy." —**Pat Robertson**, Christian Broadcasting Network

"Paul truly was a pioneer with a powerful vision for delivering the gospel in a manner that reached millions around the world. He understood the power of the gospel. His ministry and broadcast operations touched the lives of many in this country and abroad—including all of us at the ACLJ. Paul will be deeply missed." —**Jay Sekulow**, American Center for Law and

Justice

“Paul Crouch was a giant amongst men whose trail blazed television ministry for the 21st century. His brilliant faith and business acumen brought Christ to many who wouldn’t have been otherwise exposed. His legacy lives on through his family, TBN partners everywhere, and the many people that he gave an opportunity. I am numbered amongst those beneficiaries.” –Bishop **T.D. Jakes**, The Potter’s House

“Paul was a true man of God and through TBN led millions to Jesus. ... I’ll miss my friend, but there is joy in heaven, where millions of people are thanking him for sharing Jesus with them.” –Evangelist **Arthur Blessitt**

“‘Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints’ (Ps. 116:15). Certainly this is true for Dr. Paul Crouch, a man who helped open doors for me and many other ministers as founder of the Trinity Broadcasting Network. Today my heart is sad, yet I am thankful to God for nearly four decades of a special, life-changing bond with this giant in the faith.” –**Benny Hinn**

“Dr. Paul Crouch and his lovely wife, Jan, saw something in this young Pentecostal preacher decades ago that perhaps I didn’t even realize myself. I will always be grateful that they found a place for Breakthrough and for me on their vast network. ... Without Dr. Crouch’s faith in me, this ministry simply would not have the national and worldwide influence it has today, and for that I will always be grateful to him and to Jan.” –**Rod Parsley**

“My dad loved Paul Crouch, and Paul loved my dad. So it is like losing a family member. I can imagine my dad and Paul now sitting at Jesus’ feet together.” –**BeBe Winans**, award-winning gospel music recording artist