



# Therismos Kairos Mission

"Only one life till soon past only what's done in Christ will last"  
"He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep, to gain what he cannot lose!" Jim Elliot

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## ***It is High Time to Awake!***

The new year is another year nearer to the end of all things as the Apostle Peter has predicted in 1<sup>st</sup> Peter chapter four and Paul in Romans 13:11 "And that, knowing the time, that now *it is* high time to awake out of sleep: for now *is* our salvation nearer than when we believed."

IT IS HIGH TIME TO AWAKE OUT OF SLEEP! Why must we awake Paul? Are we not okay as we are? Why do you say we must awake? As the season's greetings came, I observed that most seasonal greetings tend around this world, "may you have a good year, this will be a good year, may you get lots of money etc, etc!" Now I am not a pessimist but a realist, I like to look at things as they are and not as I would like them to be, if the reality are optimistic then let it be, be it pessimistic, then let it be. What matters to me is reality and truth and a love therefore. If reality is positive then I will be positive, if it is negative then you know it cannot be change by being positive. Just imagine Paul being one that wasn't a realistic person, instead he was like today's "positive confession" (which originate not from early Christianity, but from worldly psychology which has secretly crept in unawares into the Christian faith) people when Agabus came to him "...he took Paul's girdle, and bound his own hands and feet, and said, Thus saith the Holy Ghost, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owneth this girdle, and shall deliver *him* into the hands of the Gentiles."

### **Positivity or reality?**

What was Paul's reaction to this? Did he told Agabus that he must be positive about this and that it wasn't the Lord's will to suffer? Was he optimistic about this whole matter? No he was as realistic to it as could be!

"Then Paul answered, What mean ye to weep and to break mine heart? for I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus. And when he would not be persuaded, we ceased, saying, The will of the Lord be done." Act 21:13-14  
Why should we awake out of our deep slumber? Because: "...now *is* our salvation nearer than when we believed..."

You do not need a degree in discernment to see that the end of all things are at hand! (1 Peter 4:7) You only need to wake up from your deep sleep and see our salvation and the time of our departure out of this world is at hand! This is something you need to prepare for. If you do not prepare for the departure, you will be caught unawares. The first of any preparation is to wake up to be able to prepare! This year is one of the last that we will have here in this world. We ought to be awake and become sober concerning our life's, our labours our every little detail of our life's. The night for this dispensation is at hand. In most cases at night no one can work! Will you be busy with the things you are busy now if you knew that you would die say a week or a month from now? Will you do the very things you do if you know that you have to depart to another country because this one is being destroyed? The very things you will do inspite of knowing that the end of all things is at hand marks your very character and godliness. Will you deposit all your savings in a bankrupt bank?

### **New World Order at hand**

The revelation of antichrist is at hand, this world have never in its history been so ready for change as it is now! Never as now is the world ready, politically, socially, economically, and spiritually for a new world order and the reign and revelation of antichrist as it is now, and

what we will see in this year will mark the very inauguration of these very things. The world is prepared for the revelation of the "cosmic Christ" to lead them into a unprecedented universal world order of seeming prosperity and peace and humanistic security, where full "human hood" will come into full realisation and where man's full potential will be reached! "... at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him." Mat 25:6 The earth turns around on its axis. Midnight is the moment when a part of the earth is the farthest from the sun. Spiritual Midnight is the period of the greatest departure from men from God. We are approaching this midnight and its terrific events.

### What about Midnight?

Midnight is not received with the same feelings by the children of God as by the world. At midnight the firstborn of the Egyptians died, but the chosen people got their freedom. The Lord Jesus has said: "The night cometh, when no man can work" (John 9:4). But when a thing is declared impossible in the Bible, it does not refer to the faithful. About them, Jesus declared: "all things are possible for him that believeth..." (Mark 9:23)

The holy people of God can work even at midnight. It was at midnight that Samson took the gates of the city of Gaza (Judges 16:3). At midnight Ruth received from Boaz the promise: "I will do to thee all that thou requirest" (Ruth 3:11). At midnight Paul and Silas won the jailor of Phillippi for the Lord! (Acts 16:25)

At midnight the people of God do their greatest exploits. Therefore the Psalmist says, "At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto Thee..." (Psalm 119:62)

"And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: *but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.* And they that understand among the people shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, *many days.*" (italics mine) Dan 11:32-33

We are not afraid of the darkness in the world. We work. The bridegroom comes soon. We should not meet Him empty handed!

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## Persecution

There are promises in the word of God that don't seem much like promises to some folks. For instance, this one: "Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." That means all whose purpose of heart it is to live godly lives in this present world shall (certainly) suffer persecution, as did their Lord. Maybe we contemplate such verses and think they should say something different: perhaps something like, "And all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall be appreciated for their goodness and rewarded with approval, good health and fortune." There is Paul's statement to the Philippians that declares, "For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for his sake." Perhaps we would be more comfortable if that were to read, "For unto you it is given...not only to believe on him, but also to be blessed with health, wealth and prosperity." But it doesn't say that; it says what it says.

--Dick York (Missionary, conference speaker, missionary trainer, author)

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## News from the Harvest / Nuus uit die Oesveld

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### Open Air services

We are still busy with open air services in villages in Maubane and its surroundings. Pray for open hearts, open fields and those that are involved to know Christ in His resurrection power being conformed to His death, crucified men. Pray also for the salvation of sinners!

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## *Tent Meetings*

Please pray for this ministry that is most effective in laying good solid foundations! Pray for open doors and the equipment to establish more tents in the fields!

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## *Street work*

Street work is still the most effective way of reaching the lost. It can be likened in its difference to preaching as taking a bottle and fill the bottle in its singularity, while preaching is like pouring water over many bottles with the effect of only filling one here and there and that with much less effectiveness as filling one. In its effect you can easily discern open and close bottles and concentrate on the open ones! One to one is still one of those ways to reach everyone in our reach. If you have listen to the message on "George Street" you will know what I am talking about! Most every Thursday nights we are busy in Hatfield Square to reach the lost for Christ. The Lord already blessed us with men and women who in spite of the strain of going a little bit late sometimes, to be involved in reaching others with the gospel of their salvation. Please pray for those that are involved in this work! Pray for Heinrich, Louis, Jaco, Naomi, Karien, Alicia, Cathy, and others that are involved from time to time!

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## *Outreaches - Botswana*

Please pray with us in the planning of outreaches to Botswana in the coming month. We will strengthen the congregations in Makwate, Khudumatse and Machaneng as the Lord wills. Pray that they will become established in Christ and in the Word of God! We also plan to again reach out to other villages to establish new disciples, trust the Lord with us so that His Name may be great among every village and that a pure offering sanctified by His Spirit will be unto His Glory in the Church!

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## *Correspondence Course in Evangelism*

We are hosting a correspondence course in evangelism via email. [Click here](#) for more information and registration!

"Upon a Life I did not  
Live, Upon a death I  
did not die – Another's  
Life, Another's Death  
I stake my whole  
Eternity" Selected

Ons bid u dat u die volle seën van die evangelie sal ken.

U dienskneg om Christus ontwil (2 Kor 4:5)  
Jan Boshoff

*Become involve in the harvest by: going, praying, sending, supporting!*

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