

Fire Ministries International

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2016 Pray and Get Away

Ireland Retreat



The Pray and Get Away Retreat

Note From Kelly

As many of you know, I was in Ireland for most of July. In last month's newsletter I shared from the Young Adults' Evangelism Outreach, which was the first part of the July trip. This month I will be sharing from the second part of the July Trip which was the "Pray and Get Away Retreat".

Due to the openness and hunger of those on this retreat, the Holy Spirit moved continually in deep

and precious ways dealing with hearts, sharing the Word, and pouring forth in prayer and fellowship. What could have been a typical tourist experience with occasional prayer walks became a continual feast and out-pouring as the Lord moved throughout our entire time.

"My beloved is gone down into his garden, to the beds of spices, to feed in the gardens, and to gather lilies." Song of Songs 6:2

The theme for this year's Ireland Pray and Get Away retreat was: "Time In The Garden of God's Heart". What a tremendous thing that the Lord in His beautiful Heart and innermost Being is as a garden to us! We love WHO He is and want to spend time knowing Him, communing with His Heart, partaking of His fruit and becoming a vessel that bears His Lamb nature. Some people may think it a waste to separate ourselves unto Jesus in this way, but we know that it is needful and precious to the very Heart of our Lord (Luke 10:42).

During this retreat we all spent precious time with Jesus, allowing the Seed of Christ to be sown into the good ground of our hearts that we might become like a garden that is blossoming forth with the fruit of Christ in us, manifesting His Lamb nature.



We were blessed with a precious time of fellowship and ministry with a church located in the center of Dublin. May God continue to use them to manifest His Life in the Dublin area!

Personal Comments From The Pray and Get Away Team:

These past days have been days of blessed communion in the Garden of His Heart with the lilies He has gathered unto Himself. Our times in chapel, on prayer walks and a day of prayer drive through the heart of Ireland have been a blessed fellowship as we become the habitation of His Presence. He is the Beloved One Who waits for His Bride to be conformed to His image in union. We leave this place full of His Spirit and grace to go out to be His fragrance to everyone and everywhere He sends us.



I am so grateful for this precious time with saints in the garden of His heart! Every day was a new opening to something in the land – both the natural Ireland and the spiritual land of our hearts. I will treasure everything God did in this week. “Long have I desired for Him to dwell”... And great heart – works transpired here I know. The gospel-dress is not bells and whistles, the priest’s hems were bells and fruit... fruits of lives laid down!



Thank you Jesus.
You shared the garden of Your heart.
You showed me my first love again.
You have a resting place now in the garden of my heart.
I will tend this garden...
I love you Jesus.



Such a wonderful time in the gardens of Ireland experiencing the sweet savor of Christ through each one there. My heart will continue to ponder all the Lord shared with us. It was truly a God given time set apart from all the noise and distractions of our lives to be together for Him. May we never leave that place in our hearts. Words cannot express how grateful I am for every minute of that eternal gift.



*And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground,
and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life;
and man became a living soul.
And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden;
and there he put the man whom he had formed.
And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree
that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food;
the tree of life also in the midst of the garden,
and the tree of knowledge of good and evil”.*
Genesis 2:7-9

The first place God put man was in a garden.
Interestingly enough God did not first put man:
into a field to work...
into a cave to hide...
onto an island to ponder.

God put man in a garden.
He put man in a place of communion.
A place where seeds are sown
and grow to bear fruit.
A place where choices are made based on love.

Choices resulting in death or Life,
determining whose image we bear,
the Lamb or a beast... a sheep or a goat.

Choices that would affect the future of mankind
and the fulfillment of God's Heart.



CHOICES IN THE GARDEN

Gen 2:16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:

Gen 2:17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

Gen 2:18a And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone;

If you look closely at the scriptures in Genesis 2:17 & 18 you will notice that God did NOT say “it

is not good” to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. God specifically told them not to eat from that tree because if they did they would surely die. THEN God said what was “not good”... “that man should be alone”. This is the first time God ever mentioned something as being “not good”. Here in the garden we find a huge key into God's heart and into our part.

God's Heart said, “It is not good to be alone”. God was referring here to Adam, but was also sharing a secret need from deep within His own Heart and desire. God does not want to be alone without one after HIS KIND.

Our part is to not eat from the tree of death, but choose the tree of Life (The Cross of Christ) so we can give Him one after His kind by partaking of the Lamb Slain, and therefore being those who share His Life.

Before we were made aware of God's Heart and needs we may have been motivated to not partake of the knowledge of good and evil because of the consequences to us. But after we are awakened to the very desires of God we can be motivated to reject that tree of death so that the Lord is not “alone” and left without one after His kind. Our love for Jesus and care for His needs makes us say NO to the tree of death, and YES to the Lamb's tree of Life (the Cross)!

The tree of death makes us aware of ourselves, blinding us with a corrupt form of knowledge that brings us into death and separation from God and His love for others. The tree of Life is Christ Crucified. When we partake of Him we become filled with His Lamb nature and motivated by His love and selfless giving. We also give the Lamb a wife who has His nature and make Him no longer be alone!

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