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He rescued me because He delighted in me. Ps 18:19b

THIS MONTH'S MEDITATION SCRIPTURE: And He was saying to His disciples and followers, "A lamp is not brought to be put under a peck-measure, is it, or under a bed? Is it not brought to be put on the lampstand? For nothing is hidden, except to be revealed; nor has anything been secret, but that it should come to light. If any man has ears to hear, let him hear." Mark 4:21-23

Epic Transformation Conference: Relational and Jubilant

The Transformation Ministries Alliance (TMA) network held its first-ever annual conference at The Ark Encounter in Williamstown, KY on June 22-24, with a day for Leaders on the 21st/22nd. The conference title, Epic Transformation, certainly proved to be both epic and transformational. Epic in its scope, transformational in its impact. Executive Director Derek Paul, with the assistance of a team of volunteers and the TMA Board of Directors, provided a relational, joyous, and impactful event from start to finish.

Keynote speakers included Avery Foley from Answers in Genesis, who provided a Biblical foundation of human sexuality originating from the Trinity at the creation of man; Tyeesha Holt of Tyeesha Holt Ministries shared from her own experience in the LGBTQ life how the Lord redeemed her out, also cautioning young leaders to receive proper training and discipleship before stepping into public ministry prematurely; Guy Hammond, Founder and Director of Strength in Weakness ministry, who shared his overcoming process out of LGBTQ life and encouraging strugglers/overcomers to continue on in the Lord faithfully; and Brandon Showalter with The Christian Post talked about his work for the last several years reporting on the transgender issues and difficulties society has been facing, and how families are being lied to in the devastation of it all. Earlier in the conference one evening, Brandon presented a newly released DVD documentary called Dead Name, detailing the horrors that three families went through with transitioning.

Melinda Patrick with the Bridge Between Us podcast presented a workshop on how to respond to your LGBTQ child. Andrew Rodriguez of Integrity Christian Counseling presented his workshop on Differing Views on Christian Doctrine, Identity and Homosexuality between those identifying as LGBTQ Christians and those Christians who deal with unwanted LGBTQ issues but do not identify by them. Linsey Kiser's workshop was about Strategic Intercession. She is the

author of Piercing the Night. Derek Paul rounded out the workshops with a presentation on Listening Prayer.

When I reflect on the Epic Transformation conference, words that come to me are: anointed, powerful, prophetic, joyful, relational, exciting, challenging, blessed, wonderful, shocking, prayerful, Spirit-led, Spirit-filled, and hopeful. There was a cohesion woven by the Holy Spirit throughout the worship led by Dominic Polverino, the workshops and the keynote speakers. There was a sense of connected spiritual family as reflected in the Psalm 16:6 which reads, "The lines have fallen to me in pleasant places; indeed, my heritage is beautiful to me."

As the Founder of the TMA network, I was asked to speak for the Leaders meeting as well as the opening night of the general conference. I am sharing with you here a couple of excerpts from my time, "I want to give you a bit of history about how TMA came into being, and as part of that history, I want to go back exactly 10 years ago. It was June 22, 2013 on the final night of the Exodus International Freedom Conference that it was announced that Exodus would be closing its doors and ceasing operations. In that same time timeframe that the announcement was being made, the post-LGBTQ ministry leader from one of our southern states had decided to form a new network named after a curriculum that had been created some years prior. The new network was called Hope for Wholeness, and its first conference was held just four months later at the end of October 2013. I served on its Board of Directors from its start until the Board voted to cease operations in 2020... From Exodus International, to Hope for Wholeness, to TMA, I see us as a grandchild in the work of post-LGBTQ ministry. My years in Exodus were wonderful. My years in HFW were rich with marvelous comrades in ministry. We have a wonderful opportunity before us in the Spirit, and a rich heritage."

On the final day of the conference, in the final minutes before it ended, I stood in the back of the room thinking that it had been five-and-a-half years since the Lord had put into my heart His direction for me to head up the network. The first two times it was offered to me, I had said that I didn't believe it was an assignment for me from the Lord. But the second time I said no, as it was coming out of my mouth, the Lord spoke and said, "I am changing your heart about this." It was clear, though, that it was never a permanent assignment for me, only temporary. TMA was founded in 2020 during COVID. After securing a Board of Directors to get the network up and running, and bringing on Derek Paul as the Executive Director in April 2022, the Lord spoke again in September of last year and said, "Your assignment is complete." I resigned as Chairman of the Board in person in October 2022. So, at the back of the room at the end of our inaugural conference, I was tearing up marveling at the Lord's goodness to us, confident once again that He is in control of our network's future.

Responses From You

From a sister in the Lord: Hi Daniel, Your newsletter really ministered to me and confirmed so much. I can truly relate to the Parable of the Prodigal Son and apply it to so many who are searching for their true identity. Many are searching for love in all the wrong places to fill the void in their hearts that only Jesus and the Holy Spirit can fill! I heard a minister on TV say, "Quit

feeding the hogs". Meaning stop enabling your Prodigal which I can apply to my daughter and granddaughter's situation. Thank you for always sharing! With my love and prayers...

From another sister in the Lord: Totally agree, Daniel!

Yet another sister in the Lord: What great insight!!

From a brother in the Lord: Oh wow, such a good post! Thank you, Daniel Mingo

Upcoming Ministry Meetings

Overcomers Group: Thursday, July 6, 2023; Thursday, July 20, 2023

Family & Friends Group: Tuesday, July 25, 2023

Ongoing Prayer Requests

New Participants for Overcomers Group and new online lay-counselees • New members for our Family & Friends Group (especially wives) • Ministry Finances • Open doors to churches, so pastor and staff can be effectively equipped • Those currently being served by Abba's Delight ministry, both Overcomers and Family & Friends • Continued freedom to operate ministry in KY

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Now unto Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, to the only God our Savior through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority before all time and now and forever. Amen. Jude 24-25