

Heaven's Dawn Ministries

"An Encouragement Ministry of Vision and Hope"

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Family & Friends,

Greetings! As this new year begins to unfold, Laura and I wanted to take a moment to share a bit about our current ministry journey and what we are anticipating for 2016. Please also receive our deep gratefulness for the support, encouragement, and blessing you have been to us and our family. We appreciate the community, both close and afar, we have been blessed with and for each of your own journeys with Jesus.

2015 Review

Some of the key areas of effort we offered in 2015 included:

- Personal Ministry in Revelatory Encouragement – Each month, Mark devoted time to both listen for and release personal revelatory encouragement expressions for individuals, generally through a personal letter. Well over 150 individuals received something in 2015. May the Holy Spirit water and bring forth increased life!
- Equipping Ministry – Mark provided several sessions of equipping and training:
 - Delta Foursquare Church – Delta, Utah
 - "Times & Seasons" – Providing training for identifying and understanding both the presence of and impact of Heaven's "times and seasons" upon the earth;
 - "The Power of Blessing" – Equipping others to walk in the birthright of releasing life-affirming blessings upon the earth.
 - The Fellowship – Sandy, Utah
 - "Walking in the Opposite Spirit" – Learning to war with your heart in the power of God's nature and character.
- HOPE Center in Farmington, Utah – Mark served as part of the establishment team for developing and unfolding a new ministry expression called the HOPE Center, a ministry of Intrepid Hearts (Tracee Loosle). Its purpose is to provide access and opportunity for equipping people to fulfil their personal destinies, particularly in worship, prayer and kingdom-mindedness.
- Encouragement Writing Army – A central core vision of Heaven's Dawn Ministry (HDM) is to be a supportive encouragement across Utah, in particular to those who know Jesus but who may feel isolated (i.e. rural communities). In 2015, Mark initiated an effort to draw together a team of writers who connected to a vision to send encouragement via letters to those spread across the state. While some additional planning and process strategy is needed, we look forward to launching this effort fully this coming year.
- Life Messages – Over the course of the year, Mark had opportunity to share various messages of kingdom life, both in writing and public speaking. One key personal speaking message he shared was "Being Extraordinary in the Ordinary" (see website for link).
- New Ministry Website (www.heavensdawn.net) – We were able to update to a new website this past year. We welcome you to visit the new site, which now includes a blog of encouragement thoughts, ideas, experiences, or questions. Enjoy!

Our Vision for 2016

The fire in our hearts to see Utah and its people encounter, experience and receive the goodness of God's transforming love and grace remains burning brightly. Our journey in the light of this fire, now for well over 16 years, continues to move us to ->

remain steadfast in this vision, understanding more clearly each year the particular and distinct impact we can have on this spiritual culture. The following represents our anticipated areas of efforts for 2016:

- *Encouragement Writing Army Launch* – Wanting to honor those who have committed to this effort, we will move forward with an official launch of this effort early this year. We are hopeful that the writing team will grow, along with others who are called to provide support resources. Regardless, we want to be faithful with offering what we have presently so that we can spread a blanket of revelatory encouragement across this state in 2016.
- *Redemptive Prayer over Utah Sites* – In association with several other prayer ministries and initiatives, several key Utah locations have been identified as significant in the fabric of Utah's spiritual culture. As such, Mark and others will be taking trips to these sites to spend concentrated time in seeking the Holy Spirit over how to redeem these sites for the Lord and set in motion life-giving blessing from them.
- *Encouragement to Utah's Christian Leaders* – From the beginning, we have desired to be both an encouragement and blessing to not only Christ's body in Utah, but also to their leaders. HDM will seek to offer every resource it possesses to the various leaders that we connect with, including opportunities for personal equipping, encouragement, life coaching, and prayer, as well as being a resource for the people they lead.
- *Equipping Opportunities* – For 2016, we believe two specific equippings are significant and want to offer them intentionally to as many as are interested (contact us for course overview). These include:
 - *The Heart of an Intercessor*
 - *The Heart and Act of Blessing*

The spiritual climate around us is such that we need to take our place as God's sons and daughters as releasers of His kingdom. To do this, knowing our place between heaven and earth (i.e. intercessor) and the priestly role we have been equipped with (i.e. power to bless) are understandings that remain paramount. We desire to offer what we have been given for equipping in these and other areas.

- *Monthly Word of Encouragement* – Beginning this month, Mark will once again be offering a monthly encouragement word for the purpose of watering vision and passion for God, revealing new and fresh aspects of His nature, and understanding His wondrous heart for us. Anyone can subscribe to receive these directly, and as well, then forwarded to others.
- *Personal Speaking Engagements* – A passion of Mark's heart, he remains available to share the life messages he has received.
- *Personal Revelatory Encouragement Letters* – As part of HDM's foundational strength, Mark will continue to seek for and release personal words of encouragement for individuals, couples and their families.

Thank you for taking a moment to hear our hearts for this year. We welcome any thoughts or questions you may have, as well as any supportive involvement you would want to have in this journey with us. Please know that we love hearing from you and especially the ways your own heart is growing in your walk with Jesus. We bless you with an enlarged capacity for the Spirit's outpouring and its effectual power to fashion your heart in mirroring Jesus.

Much love,

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