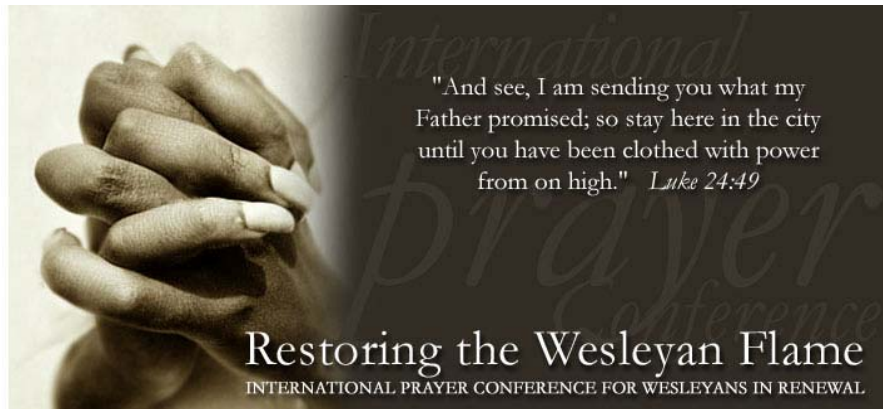


International Prayer Conference Singapore June 2004

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Following a year when the long awaited International Prayer Conference had been postponed due to the outbreak of SARs, the time came to attend 'Restoring the Wesleyan Flame' an opportunity for united global prayer to congregate in Singapore



Having planned to travel with some friends from Stoke we finally had 12 from the UK in attendance from Bristol in the South to Helsby in the North. There was a great sense that God had brought us together for this time. Each of us had some sort of link with each other via prayer and leadership networks. It seemed no coincidence that we were now joined with 21 other Nations to pray for global transformation and revival.



After a couple of days settling in and finding our way around the venue, Rev William Porter: (www.igniterevival.net) Lloyd Cooke (www.saltbox.org.uk) and I (www.presenceworship.co.uk) entered into the conference with great expectation.

(From Left to right: William Porter, Nick Holt, Lloyd Cooke, Andrew Baguley, William Sam (Ang Mo Kio))

Following an opening evening ceremony each of the next 4 days began with worship at 8am (yes AM!) followed by an hour of prayer and a Bible study before lunch. Following lunch a number of workshops were available. One of which William, Lloyd and I facilitated. (Tapping God's Wisdom) There was a sense across the site that many were hungry to go deeper with God.

(Barker Road Methodist Church Complex)



(The 'Tapping God's wisdom team or See No, Hear No, Speak no Evil ?') William, Paul and Lloyd

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Part of God's amazing grace was the invitation to lead worship on the last day of the conference. To this end I met with Singaporean musicians to rehearse, and plan for the day. There was an immediate sense of unity in the spirit and some friendships began which will continue, I'm sure.



Part of this relationship allowed an invitation to join the team as they led worship on the Thursday of the conference. This meant a 7am set up, sessions during the morning, my own workshop in the afternoon and the evening celebration. (I slept very well that night!)

(Thursday night view from the platform)

The final day of the conference (Saturday) began with another early start, meeting the worship team at 7am as we prepared and prayed for our day together. I believe there was a real sense of God's presence as we led together, an Intimacy with Him which led the whole congregation into a time of corporate repentance and a humbling/laying down of ministries to the Lord. Again it seemed no accident that the theme for our last day was based around 2 Chronicles 7:14, our key verse in Stoke on Trent over the last year as we have pressed into our monthly 2C7 prayer meetings.

One of the most significant memories of this trip was the privilege of praying with individuals from other Nations, all in different circumstances, but hungry for God. This was no less tangible than the night I found my shirt was soaking wet – with tears of the broken hearted. A very humbling time for me personally.

Having heard great testimonies, Inspiring preaching and teaching, worship and prayer in God's global church there was a broadening of understanding about God's plan across His church and a raising of expectation for what He is able to do with a people who will humble themselves and seek His face... I'm looking forward to the restoration God has promised and pray that as I and others commit ourselves to His service, we will see Revival in our Nations and the lost coming to meet there Saviour.



Hallelujah!