

Walking the Cross across the Nation "The Awakening!"

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There must come a time in everyone's ministry that truly defines their purpose and calling; "I now know mine!"

Please read on and pray for the success of this trip across the States and for those who will make this journey with me and Jesus!

As Pastors' Floyd, Jan and myself walked a; 45 lb, 8 foot wooden cross down the street in Oceanside, Ca. and out onto the pier that stretches a 1/4 mile out into the Pacific Ocean, we became aware of how precious the presence of the cross was to these people. The following testimony is but the first of many life changing events about to unfold in the next week to come.

As we carefully removed this 4"x4"x8' cross out of my Toyota 4-Runner and prepared it for the walk today, we were immediately asked by a visiting family from Las Vegas, what we were doing. We asked them if Jesus was their Lord and Savior, in which they all replied a resounding "YES." We then explained how the Lord had spoken to me about walking a cross again like we did in '08 across Michigan but this time He wanted me to walk through cities and towns with the cross as I head back across the U.S. towards South Carolina on the 2nd of Feb. He also spoke to me to have those who confess Jesus as their Lord and Savior to sign the cross in red as a testimony of their faith in Him. Our very first signatures were 4 youth ages 6 to 12. WOW!

Pastor Floyd then lifted the cross straight up and started to walk with it towards the ocean. As we started to walk the cross I sounded the shofar and filmed as much as I could, Floyd walking the cross. Oh the looks on the faces of those who saw him coming. Priceless is all I can say!

Two homeless people were one of the first to come to Floyd and the cross, after hearing the shofar and turning to see the cross walking towards them. They not only signed the cross as believers, but were excited that we were doing this, which gave me great encouragement to carry this cross across the country for others. They didn't ask for money but for prayers to sustain them as they try to survive the streets.

A Spanish catholic family questioned us about the cross and were overjoyed by what we were doing, they too shared their love for Jesus and signed the cross before we even stepped forth onto the long wooden pier.

It was a lovely day and surfers were in the water while pelicans waited patiently on the pier for fisherman to throw them some scraps of bait fish. As we proceeded out on the pier we had to stop many times for those who wanted more information as to what we were doing and of course to proclaim their love for the King and sign their names to the cross. I was amazed at the awakening in peoples spirits as we walked by them. The smiles and greetings we received were so uplifting it put a spring in our step and we found ourselves gingerly waltzing by in utter amazement over what the Lord was doing.

As I watched those who signed the cross in red ink, (many on their knees), I saw on many of their faces a somberness, a deep yearning for the Lord to do a great work in

our land. Many who signed the cross were from other States and cities. Many had us pray for family members who had been incarcerated or ill. Many who signed the cross put the name of their city in which they lived in under their name on behalf of their communities. We had a little two year old who decided to make his mark in several places on the cross until his mother got a hold of the pen. (whew!)

This by far will be the defining mark of my ministry. To sound the shofar (His Voice), around the world, to preach and teach restoration, to carry the cross, and to raise up apostolic teams to finish the work.

Apostle David Lee and I will be in Los Angeles on Saturday preaching restoration and transformation, then do the same on Sunday in Oceanside. We will then walk the cross through Vista, Ca. on Sunday afternoon. I then prepare to leave Vista early Tuesday morning to walk the cross in Yuma Arizona then onto Phoenix. I have \$100.00 in the bank and I am leaving.

Pastor Floyd and Jan so want to join me on this trip across to help me walk the cross and sound the shofar. Please pray for a financial miracle to come forth by Tuesday that they might join in this journey. Floyd is in tears over what happened today with the cross. I am praying that they are able to join me as well. Will you walk a mile or two with me in faith?

Oh,...the cross, the simple message of the cross. Have we forgotten? Do we preach the cross anymore? Do we carry the cross? What about carrying it for those who can't.

Well,...I have made up my mind,.... I will carry the cross,... I will carry it for our nation,... I will carry it for my family and friends,... I will carry it for you.

In His eternal service,

Apostle William Hodge