

**Morning of Fasting and Prayer,
Tuesday, March 15, 2015**
DNA Global Forum Prayer and Fasting – 2015.docx

The focus of our time of prayer and fasting is two-fold. First, we want to remember what God has taught us since the time of the last Global Forum in Belo Horizonte, Brazil – about two years ago. Second, we want to ask God to help us see what he wants us to do, and how he wants us to individually advance his kingdom between now and the next forum.

As you reflect on the past two years, remember that God often uses the valleys, or difficult times, to teach us more of himself and his kingdom. He uses those times to increasingly form us into the image of his son. Shadow times can be serious times of learning.

Some of us will still be fighting jet lag. If this is true for you and if you feel you need a nap, feel free to take a rest.

Sometimes we just don't feel prepared or open to use our time in this way. If that is your situation, feel free to spend the time reading, writing, walking or resting. But, please, do it alone and do not engage in conversation with others unless it is for direction or an emergency.

Suggested Schedule

Use the times listed below as guidelines for your time today.

8:30 a.m. Instructions

9:00 a.m. – Getting Settled and Started - (Approximately 20 min)

1. Find another person with whom you will partner and share at 12:00 noon. Choose a person from your region, but someone you don't know well. Agree on a place to meet 12:00. (Your partner can be someone you know well if you need a partner who speaks your mother language.)
2. Find a quiet place where you can meditate and write alone without distraction.
3. Work through the following questions. Write your answers

Remember, the time frame for these questions is approximately two years – the period between the last Global Forum and this one.

9:20 a.m. - Thank God for your highlights and what he taught you - (Approximately 30 min)

1. Write three (more if you want) of the highlights of this time frame.
2. Recall and write what God has taught you through these blessings.
3. Thank the Lord for these experiences and for what He has taught you.

9:50 a.m. Thank God for the struggles and what he taught you - (Approximately 30 min)

1. Write three (more if you want) of the struggles you faced.
2. Recall and write what God has taught you through these shadow times.
3. Thank the Lord for these experiences and for what He has taught you.

10:20 a.m. – Listening to God through his Word - (Approximately 30 min)

1. Read, reflect, and pray through the following passages. Ask God to speak to your spirit and reveal to you what the implications of these passages are for you and for the ministry to which he has called you. Write what you feel God's Spirit is saying
2. Jeremiah 29:11-14
3. Ephesians 3:20-21
4. Nehemiah 1:1-11
5. Hebrews 12:1

10:40 a.m. – The big vision - (Approximately 30 min)

1. Think carefully and prayerfully about this next assignment: First, write down the number of years you would like the Lord to give you of full service from now until He takes you to heaven. Of course, this is not your choice. But if it were your choice, what would you realistically like that number to be? 10 years? 17 years? 20 years? Or ????
2. Second, if the Lord take you Home before then, write what you would like to see as the as the extension of the Kingdom of God where you are now serving, i.e., position, country, region etc. Describe this in terms that can be measured. See the examples below:
 - a. Number of years I would like to continue to serve the Lord before I die: 20
 - b. I would like to see 25% of the churches in my country understand that the purpose of discipleship is not just to teach people to understand the Bible, but to equip people to live as servants – the way Jesus lived in His world.
 - c. I would like to see 10% of those churches discipling people to live as Jesus lived.

11:00 a.m. – My part in the big vision - (Approximately 30 min)

1. Write down what part you think God would want you, personally, to do to achieve in this vision.
2. Describe your part in ways that can be measured.

11:15 pm – A plan for doing my part in the big vision - (Approximately 45 min)

1. Write the steps you could take to begin to fulfill this vision.
2. Write a letter to yourself reminding you of the steps you will take.
3. Write your address on the envelope (provided) and place it in the envelope and seal it.
4. Take it with you for collection at Communion. It will be mailed after the forum.

12:00 p.m. – Sharing my vision and plan - (Approximately one hour)

1. Meet your partner at the pre-arranged location.
2. Find a place where you can share without distraction.
3. Each person share for about 15 min – a total of 30 min
4. Pray together with prayers of thanksgiving and intercession for one another.
5. When you are finished, please avoid disturbing others who are still sharing

12:45 p.m. - Worship at the Lord's Table - (Approximately one hour)

Please gather reverently in a spirit of meditation for the Lord's Supper which begins at 1:00p.m.

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