TIME FOR CHANGE

I believe that when we reach the end of this year - 2013 - we will not resemble who we are today! This year we are going to see and experience CHANGE as never before. Dr Kelly prophesied 2013 as a quantum leap year!

We can testify to this - no sooner had we opened the office when prophetic word started being released to challenge our old mindsets and patterns. God is establishing a new wineskin for His new era. He loves the old wineskin, but it cannot contain the new wine that He is pouring into the earth this year. If we try to put the new wine in the old wineskin, it is going to burst. The wineskin will be destroyed and the wine lost - something that God does not want. Rather, He is looking for us to become a new wineskin, a new structure, a new container for the new things that He is doing.

But newness, by its nature, requires a change. And human beings do not like change. In fact, the older we get, the less we like change. Change means taking risks. It means that we have to venture into an unknown territory where we do not know what to expect. We cannot accurately calculate the risks and weigh up our options. That scares us. What if we fail? What if we lose everything in this new venture? What if? What if? These are the questions that paralyze us and make the process of change an extremely challenging one. But as Kingdom minded-Christians - we should not be afraid of change. Especially when God is the one initiating it! We are **not** stepping into the unknown, we are stepping into a **sure Word** that He has given.

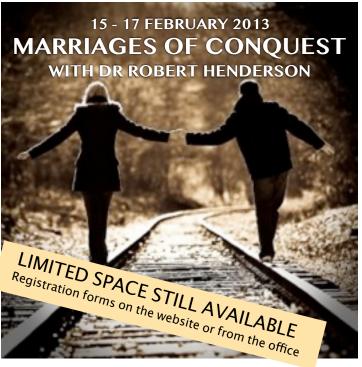
To walk through this season of change confidently, we will have to embrace afresh a life of radical faith in God. This new season requires a new stretch of our faith. If we want to step into all that He has for us, we must set our eyes on Him and trust that He who began a good work in us, is faithful to complete it. The struggle for many is that just when they want to trust - the devil reminds them of all the times before that they trusted and it did not work out. Old wounds and hurts are remembered and they make us shrink back from God's instructions. But we are not the first people to behave like this...

In Jeremiah 42, we read how the remnant of Israelites left in Judah asked Jeremiah to inquire of

the Lord whether they should stay in Jerusalem or go to Egypt. God directs the people to stay in Jerusalem. They were to be the remnant people out of whom God would develop His holy nation. God was asking them to stay and live by faith, trusting that God would establish them in their land. But they decided to go to Egypt. Their decision was partly out of fear - they feared attack from the Babylonians, but mostly, they were tired of living by faith. They were tired of taking risks and trusting God. They did not want the risk and hazard of depending on an invisible God. They wanted the security and stability of a solid economy. They did not want the hard work of rebuilding a life of faith in God. They wanted the easy life they thought awaited them in Egypt. "saying, 'No, but we will go to the land of Egypt where we shall see no war, nor hear the sound of the trumpet, nor be hungry for bread, and there we will dwell'-- Jeremiah 42:14.

2013 heralds the advance of the Kingdom. God told us in a prophetic word that we were no longer footmen, but were now on horses. God has promoted us - new position, new pace, new perspective. Will we embrace the change, accept the risks and run with the horses or will we go down to Eqypt?

Blessings...THE ARIEL GATE TEAM



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We will follow in the footsteps of Paul's early missionary journeys and then visit the 7 churches of Revelation.

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- Day 1 May 20/Monday Depart Johannesburg (O R Tambo Airport)
- Day 2 May 21/Tuesday Arrive in Istanbul. Transfer from the airport to your hotel. (Dinner)
- Day 3 May 22/Wednesday Istanbul (Breakfast/Dinner)
- Day 4 May 23/Thursday Istanbul/Cappadocia Early Flight to Cappadocia (Breakfast/Dinner; Overnight Cappadocia)
- Day 5 May 24/Friday Cappadocia: Cave Churches and Underground City (Breakfast/Dinner; Overnight Cappadocia)
- Day 6 May 25/Saturday Konya/Bibical Iconium, Pisidian Antioch & Lycus Valley Full Day Bus Trip (Breakfast/Dinner; Overnight Pemukkale)
- Day 7 May 26/Sunday Pemukkale, Hieropolis, Colossae (Breakfast/ Dinner; Overnight Pemukkale)
- Day 8 May 27/Monday Laodicea, Philadelphia, Sardis (Breakfast/ Dinner; Overnight Izmir)
- Day 9 May 28/Tuesday Izmir/Smyrna, Aegean Seaside (Breakfast/ Dinner; Overnight Izmir)
- Day 10 May 29/Wednesday Pergamum, Thyatira (Breakfast/Dinner; Overnight Izmir)
- Day 11 May 30/Thursday Reconstructed Ephesus, Artemis Temple Site, Ephesus Museam, Aegean Beach (Breakfast/Dinner: Overnight Kusadasi/Ephesus)
- Day 12 May 31/Friday St. John Basilica, Selcuk, Sirince, Aegean Beach (Breakfast/Dinner: Overnight Kusadasi/Ephesus)
- Day 13 June 1/Saturday Tour Ends in Ephesus. Morning transfers to Izmir Airport. (Breakfast)

Fly home to Johannesburg via Istanbul. Arrive in Johannesburg morning of 2 June 2013.

DEDICATING THE CAPE TOWN FIREHOUSE



Apostle Natasha officially dedicated the Cape Town FireHouse at its new premises on 26 January 2013. There was an awesome release of authority as she established the FireHouse and released Sharon Peters in the city. Her message to the members and visitors of the FireHouse was a challenge to shift into Kingdom thinking and leadership.

Drawing on comments from apostles at the ICA, she shared how the church needs to change its approach and thinking in order to become relevant and fulfil the commission that Jesus gave us in Matthew 28 to disciple nations. She emphasized that Ariel Gate is embracing the necessary changes and that each person attached to the FireHouses would need to do the same.

2013 is the year to shift out of the old wineskin and into the new. The establishment of the new FireHouse premises in Cape Town is a part of that shift and it was a privilege to be a part of it!



