

# Northeast Region Church of God of Prophecy Convention 2015



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## Opening Ceremony of the Northeast Region Biannual Convention It's Business for the KING

On Thursday July 16, 2015, the Northeast Regional Biannual Convention opened with a promise that this convention would be about God's business and breakthrough from those things which were in the past. The praise and worship team led the congregation with songs such as *I am* reminding us that God is peace, joy, love and rest, *Let Everything that has Breath Praise the Lord, God is Good*, and one which seemed to really touch our new Regional Overseer Bishop Leroy Greenaway, *We've Come this Far by Faith*.

Although Bishop Greenaway maybe new to the Northeast Region he is not new to the title of regional overseer; he was previously the Mid-Atlantic Region's overseer and you can tell his impact there as some of his former constituents showed up for the opening of the Northeast Convention. Bishop Greenaway is a man with a vision who is about God's

business.

In his greeting to the church Bishop Greenaway was passionate about the fact that the devil is a LIAR and even though there were some setbacks in the last two week, He was HERE and We Are Here! He reinforced he was not here to be idle, to spectate or observe. He came to this convention to worship. He was leading this convention as business for the King. "We must worship and glorify him. As neighbors in this business, we must lift and encourage each other. Reminiscent to Dr. Martin Luther King's *I Have a Dream* speech with its tone of promises and dreams to come, he went on to quote *I Will Bless Thee O Lord*, "With my hands lifted up/And my mouth filled with praise/ With a heart of thanksgiving I will bless Thee, O Lord" and reminding us when the enemy retreats blessings will come down.

Bishop Greenaway stated he wanted every demon to hear him when he said the gates of hell shall NOT prevail. This 2015 biannual convention is going to be short, but it was an Emergency Session. He ended with this church and region must be a 21st century church: alive, relevant and forward moving.



Speaking of moving forward Dr. Hector Ortiz, Director of Gordon Conwell Consortium offered an amazing deal for those who were interested in getting a degree in ministry.





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Leading into the word the Newburgh Church praised danced to *Say Yes*. The emotionally charged dance continued with Bishop Greenaway's theme of "This is about Kingdom Business" and "Its time for Break through." As the dancers declared through the lyrics of the song, "I won't be afraid/I'll step out on your word/I'll declare your glory/Yes I will,/ Yes I will/I wanna do your will Jesus,/ I wanna do your will,/ I wanna do your will/My soul says yes, yes, yes, yes." They demonstrated we need to focus on

## We Need Fire

A.J. Daley from Hartford, CT



He was introduced as an emerging leader in the Church of God of Prophecy and after his exaltation there was no doubt about the title given. Daley was

passionate about the church needing the fire, fire of the Holy Ghost. His scripture focus was taken from Acts 12:1-9. He compared the scripture to the persecution of Christians in the world today. Yet even though the Christians are being slaughtered in Syria, Boca Raton, and here in the United States just to name a few, they are still praying.

Mr. Daley continued with this church needs the fire. "We need the fire of the Holy Ghost. Only the fire of the Holy Ghost can get us through the time we are experiencing in this world. The fire makes the difference." He reiterated we "Can't be just with God, but God Must Be in US. He stated Peter was equipped with fire in Acts chapter 2 and that is why he was prepared to handle what came his way in chapter 12. He pushed for the church not to focus on the next convention, concert, enrichment, program, etc., but the focus must be on PRAYER for the Holy Ghost Fire.

## Closing out the evening:

doing and being more for the kingdom of God because "There is more that he requires of us." Then the North East Regional choir directed by Minister Diane Cassell and led by Raquel Desir stirred up the congregation and continued to remind us this convention would not be about performances, but about the power of God; this convention would be and is about God's work.

Bishop David Bryan's message was taken from Nehemiah Chapter 1:4-11. He encouraged

the church and charged the leaders of the church, "If we want a transformational breakthrough it requires transformational leadership. We need people anointed with the holy spirit. He called for people in the congregation to who needed the fire to come to the altar as the praise and worship team ministered *Fresh Oil From Thy Throne*. He also called for spiritual transformation as the leaders prayed over those seeking the fire.