

## Report from the Board Chair and CEO

Well here we are in 2022 and we find ourselves in quite a position!

- Canada is as divided as we have ever seen
- War is emerging in Europe
- A 2 year long pandemic has stretched us to the limit

And. . . GOD IS STILL ON HIS THRONE!

Jesus told his disciples that they were to live in the world but not be of the world, and that's why we have seen so many amazing blessings in ministry this last year. Even though the world seems to be tearing itself apart, Jesus is still reaching into the lives of people in new and powerful ways.

This last year we saw dozens of people give their lives to Jesus for the first time, or rededicate themselves to Him, or find a new expression of love and hope in their relationship with Him. It was a breakthrough year and as things get worse in the world, more people will respond to the increased draw of the Holy Spirit!

Whether it was through the camping ministry, or through the worship ministry or the prayer ministry, we saw a deepening of people's desire to encounter Jesus. And I want to say clearly, this is exactly what Jesus showed us when he gave to us the vision, in 2016, of prayer and worship at the location of Strasbourg Bible Camp. He showed us that this would be the means through which God's power would influence people and draw them to Himself.

As the Board Chair, I can't say enough about the board members who help to guide the direction of Deeper Life Ministries. Their belief in God's desire to transform lives is an inspiration and their commitment to persevere is a testimony to all.

As the CEO of Deeper Life, I am also privileged to walk alongside all those who are 'in the trenches', living out the mission of Deeper Life, to see people transformed as they encounter Jesus Christ. These ones who serve in managing the finances and administration; who take care of the grounds and facilities; who lead Bible studies; who help others to learn how to write new songs to the Lord and lead people in worship; who operate recording studios; who design and

operate programs; who inspire others to step into service with Jesus; who spend countless hours praying and teaching others how to pray; and on and on. . .these are the ones that I see living *in the world but not being of it!*

I believe we need to be very conscientious of the times we are living in. As a ministry that exists in a relatively safe and democratic country, we have experienced freedom to pursue any direction we desired. However, as we get closer to the end of the End Times, we will see a very different landscape, and it's important that we are committed and wise.

The 'mode' of ministry may need to change as governmental favor diminishes. A time may come when we can't afford, or be allowed, to do ministry the way we have always done. We may need to learn to become very 'nimble' in shifting how we do ministry. We need to learn how to prioritize: the *message* will never change, but the *mode of ministry* may change a lot, and it could change quickly. I believe that Jesus is fully aware of this, and that He is leading us. Prayer and worship, based on the foundational truths of His Word, are the spiritual mandates of this ministry, that get expressed in many different ways. But it is this *spiritual ministry* that can be done no matter what changes occur in our society.

And with the help of Jesus, we will accomplish *his* mandate, that all will hear of His great love for them.

I thank the Lord that He has given to us the call of *transformation through encounter*; that when people really experience Him, they will be changed for eternity.

Thank you for the honor of walking with you all. Thank you to the Board for your service. Thank you to the workers who toil and inspire. And thank you to all of you who support this very important ministry.

All to Jesus!

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