A Celebration of Worship

Closing of Global Young People’s Convocation and Blessing of Global Mission Fellows
Sunday, July 22, 2018
Indaba Hotel & Conference Center, Johannesburg, South Africa

Opening music
UMC Choir South Africa – Moatisi Harris, Director

Opening Prayer
Rev. Judy Chung – Executive Director of Missionary Service, Global Ministries

Closing Reflections on GYPC event
Rev. Mike Ratliff – Associate General Secretary, Discipleship Ministries

Songs of Praise
West Africa Central Conference Choir
There Is No One Like Jesus
Together, Let’s Praise the Lord (French)

Jesus, You’re Here

Reading of Scripture
Micah 6:6-8 (NRSV) – Duvan Vargas (Spanish speaking), Memory Masuko (English speaking)
“With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?
7 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”
8 He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Reflections on GMF program and Global Ministries
Thomas Kemper – General Secretary, Global Ministries

GMF Video
Prepared by Jennifer Silver & Global Ministries

Prayer for Illumination
Noah Claxton, Impact Church, USA
Leader: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. And all God’s people say...
All: Amen.

Reading of Scripture
Ephesians 4:11-13 (NRSV) – Didier Monga Wa Shakapanga (French speaking), Erica Oliveira (English speaking)
The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, 12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, 13 until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.

**Sermon**
*Bishop John Yambasu, Vice President Bishop of Global Ministries*

**Song of Preparation for Blessing**
*Spirit of the Living God (UMH #393) (English & French)*

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me

Viens, Esprit du Dieu vivant, Sois le maître en moi
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Sondemoi, courbemoi, Brisemoi, façonne moi
Viens, Esprit du Dieu vivant, viens et règne en moi

“The Journey”
*Hannah Hanson, Bong Dalisay, Yvonne Agduyeng, Ruvimbo Simango*

**Introduction to Blessing of GMFs**
*Led by Hannah Hanson*

At this time, we, as people of God, will offer a prayer of blessing for the Global Mission Fellows, who have responded to God’s call to serve in mission for two years. At this time, we invite the Global Mission Fellows to come forth as their names are being called and for their “companions” to join them in the front.

**Prayer of Blessing**
*Led by Thomas Kemper*

Please join me in extending your hands towards these persons as we pray together this prayer of blessing.

Gracious, Loving, Amazing, Extraordinary and Surprising God,
Our hearts overflow with joy as we gather to celebrate the life of these servants.

**All: Thanks be to God.**
We rejoice with them in this important moment of their journey and we call your blessing upon them for what lies ahead.

**All: May God’s blessings be with you.**
They have truly come through the fire, they have crossed many Jordans, and made tough decisions as they dared to believe in you and answer your call to mission service as Global Mission Fellows.

**All: May the never-ending love of Christ be with you.**
As they faithfully respond to serving you and others, may the power of the Spirit be with them, fill them and strengthen them.

**All: May the Holy Spirit fill you with passion for mission.**

**Amen.**

**The Love Feast**
*Mighty Rasing, Director of Program Development, Central Conferences*
Livia (Germany Central Conference)
Leader: Let us pray together. Creator of earth and heaven, and Giver of Life
All: Feed us, your hungry children
Leader: Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Savior
All: Fill us with your Immortal Bread
Leader: Holy Spirit, the Sustainer and Comforter
All: Nourish us with your pardoning grace and everlasting peace
Leader: Loving God, as the heavenly manna was provided to sustain your people and the pillars of cloud and fire were provided to protect and guide your people, we pray that you will be present at our tables to feed us, to protect us, and to guide us. Fill us and nourish us so that we may be renewed and recharged to serve you and your people. And we pray that you will bless this table and our friendships. And as we partake in this meal, may we experience the oneness with you and one another.
People: Amen.

Singing the Love Feast
As food & drink are presented, congregation sings:
Be present at our table Lord,
Be here and everywhere adored.
Thy creatures bless and grant that we
May feast in paradise with thee.

Love Feast
Tyler Smoot, GYPC Worship Coordinator
Leader: Now, enjoy the sweets and drink provided.
Enjoy conversations with your sisters and brothers.
Enjoy the Love Feast!

1) How has GYPC shaped your calling to ministry at home? 2) How is God calling you to Go in ministry and mission to the world? Sign up for more information with the cards on the table.

Song of Response
Johannesburg District Choir

Blessing of All
Bishop Joaquina Nhanala, Mozambique Episcopal Area
Gracious, Loving, Amazing, Extraordinary and Surprising God:
Our hearts overflow with joy as we gather to celebrate our life together.

All: Thanks be to God.
We rejoice together as we respond to your call to mission.

All: Thanks be to God for God’s blessings.
We have come through the fire, crossed many Jordans, and made tough decisions as we dared to believe in you and answer your call to mission in our own communities.

All: Thanks be to God for God’s call upon our lives.
As we faithfully respond to serving you and others, we pray for the power of the Spirit be upon us to fill us and strengthen us.

All: Thanks be to God for the Holy Spirit who fills us with passion for mission.
Go forth in the name of God to be a blessing to this world.

All: Amen.

Song of Calling
Led by Tyler Smoot and GMF Trio
For Everyone Born

**Benediction**
* Bishop John Yambasu

**Benediction song**
* Fernando Jossai Quartet
  “Coral Tchatchus (Mistakes)”