



HAMILTON CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP HEARTBEAT



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Surging Forward Together

By Senior Pastors Bob and Lisa Cowling

Saying 'yes' to the position of Senior Pastors at HCF in many ways has felt natural to us and in some ways very weighty. We have both been part of the HCF family for either side of 20 years. We have been invested in the vision for what God wants to do in our midst and we have a deep love for HCFers, past and present.

We are also aware that we are in strategic and important times and we don't take lightly the responsibility of serving God's purposes in this role.

Are we qualified? Let's start by acknowledging that His strength is made perfect in our weakness. (2

Cor. 12:9) The more we can walk in recognition our utter need of Him, the more He can fill us, pour out His sufficient grace and equip us to do amazing things!

It has been an honour to serve alongside Pastor Dave for many years and identify some strong foundation stones that we are privileged to build upon as the Lord leads.

We are excited to work with Andy and greatly value what we can together bring to the mix to serve God's purposes in each one of you. Again, we are encouraging each other to press into God, Who is the only One Who can guide us through the next season.

The 2016 theme excites us and we are thankful for the prophetic voices that contributed to fashioning it according to what we believe God **cont'd page 3...**

NEW YEAR NEW BEGINNINGS NEW LEADERSHIP

By Denni Roy

ENDINGS & BEGINNINGS

Happy New Year, everyone! For many the new calendar year awakens feelings of fresh beginnings; a certain prospect of renewal. There may be new hope in the heart, perhaps an expectation of moving into better days ahead. It is a poignant observation that the end of one **cont'd page 2...**



New Year New Beginnings cont'd...

season is what makes way for the start of the next. At HCF, we've been in a season that had been prophesied for years. We heard God's word say He would transition this fellowship significantly. He reassured us throughout the process that He is Lord of the transition. In the midst of it all, the leadership of this church have sought & deliberated to find God's will together. They asked Him for the leadership personnel & structure that would be effective for what is emerging now. Times of recognizing, surrendering & responding to the activity of the Spirit both personally & corporately came. There have been endings so there can be new beginnings; for often we must begin with an ending.

In a recent prophetic dream, I saw the congregation of HCF in an open-concept house. It was evening & we were at the end of a wonderful celebration. The candles had been blown out, the food devoured & the clearing up was underway. It was an ending, a happy ending. Then an antique, marbled vessel, green in color (means Life) was brought to my attention by Lisa Cowling. She directed me to fill it with water then put it on a high shelf in the kitchen for use as needed. It was from a former era which was part of its value. It was not the current vessel in the house, yet we were to have it at hand for use when needed. I believe this vessel is the former structure & the Living water that God has poured forth in the last season. The dream proceeded into revealing new things that this church would be called into. However, I felt the Spirit directing us to treasure what He has deposited, to end well so we can begin well, to celebrate what He has done & those who served faithfully. Amen! And of

course, there are things which contain the life of God that have been solidly planted into our identity that will remain even as the new emerges. The former season & leadership structure is worthy of high praises for everything they stewarded to get us to this place. Pastor Dave & Carol carried so much faithfully, steadfast in their commitment, gracious at all times, with compassion & sensitivity for the hurting, making room for others to move in their gifts, & with untiring passion for Israel & the fulfilment of God's end-times promises to this chosen nation. Only God knows all they have done behind the scenes beyond their obvious ministry. And our prayer for them as P. Dave retires this particular role is that the next season be re-fired! We say a hearty, "thank you" for his full-hearted service as senior pastor of HCF and look forward to the doors the Lord will open up in this next phase!

NEW BEGINNINGS NEW LEADERS

If you have been at HCF for any length of time, you have likely been blessed & ministered to by these 3 amazing people at some point! Leadership has been upon them for years...leaders serve, leaders work hard, leaders pray, leaders inspire, leaders envision, leaders build...& each one has served HCF in these ways. It is my pleasure to officially introduce our new Pastoral team in print: Bob & Lisa Cowling (Lead pastors) & Andy Luchies (Associate Pastor). Bob, Lisa & Andy carry distinct gifts to build the house of the Lord; with proven character they carry the love of God for this congregation. As one of the leaders here, I've seen firsthand their God-given qualities, anointings &

even the depths of their genuineness. What can you expect from these new leaders? You can expect strong teamwork. They have complimentary competencies & large capacities, unity in spirit & vision for building the house of Go. This means you! The Lord has groomed Bob & Lisa as a mature mother & father in the natural & spirit, they move in nurture-style leadership stimulating growth. This is mixed with a keen prophetic spirit & infused with wisdom in its guidance. Lisa has a strong gift of building structures which can move vision/revelation into a plan & build it into the house. Bob has been with HCF since its "birth." He has distilled divine wisdom, & the Lord has deposited His love for this city & nation within his heart, God speaks to him in dreams & revelation frequently. Both are ordained ministers with Global Christian Ministry Forum. Andy also carries prophetic in his gift mix, he is a strong leader & teacher, his messages equip the Body! As well, Andy has a military background, which feels key to raising up the warriors of God! He carries a degree in Biblical studies and is in the processing of becoming ordained with PIH.

It is clear these ones have been prepared for this new season, it is clear love is the motive, love for God foremost then loving what & who He loves. This is a leadership that is asking "What is Love calling us to do?" So Lord we bless You for being our Ultimate Leader, You have led us this far & will lead us on, build Your Church, Jesus, to You alone we humbly submit. You are the Alpha & Omega, the Beginning & the End. Amen. 💖

Joining The Team

by Associate Pastor Andy Luchies

Hello Family,

I feel extremely honoured to be chosen to help lead this church. God has allowed me to find rest in his presence daily throughout this transition and I'm excited for what lies ahead. I also feel the weight of responsibility that comes from stewarding authority and it keeps me sober-minded about what's at stake. God has taught me a lot of life lessons that bring me to this point and I know there are plenty more left to learn and I need your help.

My constant prayer is "God, do whatever it takes to bring me into spiritual maturity." I hope you will help me on that journey because I actually have a favour to ask of you. I'm looking for feedback on how to get better. Better at preaching, better at listening, better at organizing, better at serving, better at being a friend--better at everything and you're just the person who can help!

As we move forward, if you ever hear me say something or do something that you feel may be unbiblical, unwise or just plain unbelievable, PLEASE let me know. I have an open door policy on people who want to raise my level of spiritual maturity. Compliments are fine, but constructive feedback is what I'm looking for so I can strengthen my weaknesses and fix my blind spots.

The military has given me thick skin so I'm pretty sure the only thing that might get hurt in this process is my pride, (and to be honest, I've been trying to kill that thing for years!). Don't worry, I'll let you know if you start giving me

too much material to work on, but until that happens please give me as much honest feedback as you can handle. I'm asking because I'm hoping you'll love me enough to show me areas I can improve.

For the rest, I'm eager to sit down and get to know each of you. I'm also excited to discover how we can help you realize God's plan for your life and those around you. I'm firmly convinced that the Father's love is too tempting for any rational person out there to resist it for very long when it's presented authentically. I also know there are anointed ideas that are already percolating in your minds and I want to hear them. Together with the Spirit we can truly change our community, our city, our world and be a vessel to house the Spirit of God in even greater measure than before.

Think about it. We're the most blessed people on the planet--we're children of a king, our inheritance is already in place (we're just learning the family business before we get the trust fund). We have the cure to the problems of the world, it doesn't cost a dime, and the people that need it the most are usually the people no one else wants to talk to anyway! It's as easy as giving away water in the desert.

To top it all off, God won't let anything enter our life that he can't transform into good for His glory and our growth. I can't get over how amazing this gospel gig is! I'm honoured that God's allowed me to have a part in this play and I look forward to investing our talents together to bring this good news to everyone. Go team! 💖

Surging Forward Together cont'd..

is planning for the New Year. Our first planning meeting as pastors began by us chatting about our 'passions'...about what makes us excited. We looked at what needs to be covered in our roles and we looked at the things that we can do passionately as the Lord roles out His priorities.

And this is a question we will be asking of you, fellow HCFers... what are you passionate about? What gets you excited about being a part of the last days church? What does passionate serving look like to you?

Let's invite the Lord to stir us up to surge forward together into His heart in 2016! 💖

**“Behold,
I will do
a new
thing, now
it shall
spring
forth...”
Is. 43:19**



THE PASSIONATE LIFE

S: SURGING FORWARD INTO THE HEART OF GOD...

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3 Community Sunday 10 am Parent's Prayer 8:30 am	4 The Big Ask Men's Prayer and Worship 5am	5 The Big Ask Men's Prayer and Worship 5am Watchman Prayer for Canada 9:30 am	6 Operation Exodus/Aliyah Prayer 10am Kids Prayer and Worship 4pm Worship and Warfare 7pm	7 Corporate Prayer 10 am Preparedness Prayer 1-2 pm Band of Brothers 7 pm	8 Worship With The Word 7 pm	9
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