



# New Apostolic Reformation History

## In The 20th Century

By

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I've heard from many Christians during the past 20 years who have expressed concern about the NAR. What is it? Where did it come from? Who is involved? What do they believe? Should I be concerned about people in our church who are involved in the NAR? What impact could it have on our church? What if our pastor wants to invite NAR apostles or prophets to speak at our church?

Some of the people who have contacted me are pastors and church leaders. Some have had people in their church read NAR books and watch NAR television and videos and share those views with other church members. Some leaders say they have had people in their church claim to be NAR prophets who wanted their prophecies heard and followed by the local church. Some of the leaders who shared their experiences with me were

perplexed about what they should do. Would they be opposing God if they didn't allow the prophets to be heard and obeyed?

These are important questions about any unity movement and especially for one as large as the New Apostolic Reformation. The NAR claims hundreds of millions of Christians are affiliated with the movement around the world and they plan to add hundreds of millions more in the near future.

The New Apostolic Reformation claims that God has instituted a Second Apostolic Age with apostles and prophets similar to what the Church had during the 1st Century AD. It begins in the 20th century with a man named C. Peter Wagner.



## Meeting C. Peter Wagner

I met C. Peter Wagner at a Church Growth conference about 40 years ago. Many pastors had come together to learn more about Wagner's ideas for growing churches. At the time Wagner was Professor of Church Growth at the Fuller Theological Seminary's School of World Missions. He worked closely with Donald McGavran, thought by many to be the founder of church growth and the premier missiologist of the 20th century.

McGavran, a graduate of Columbia University, Butler University, and Yale Divinity School, began writing about church growth in 1936 and wrote *The Bridges of God* in 1955, a book many believe launched the modern church growth movement. McGavran established the Institute of Church Growth in Eugene, Oregon in 1957 and started the School of World Mission at Fuller Theological Seminary in 1965. Wagner said he first studied with McGavran in 1967 and joined him at Fuller in 1971.

Wagner and McGavran had served as missionaries prior to their time together at Fuller. Wagner served in Bolivia from 1956 to 1971. McGavran was born in India to missionary parents and served as a missionary there from 1923 to 1961.

McGavran wrote *Understanding Church Growth* (Wm. E. Eerdmans Publishing) in 1970. Wagner later revised and edited the book (Third Edition, 1990). It has been a classic in church growth circles and was one of the books we discussed during the conference I attended in the 70s. Wagner wrote that McGavran was not satisfied with the number of converts to Christianity from his many years of work on the mission field in India –

“The conventional wisdom among missionaries was that India was a resistant country and that they should not expect many converts. But McGavran did not agree. It occurred to him that obviously there was a way of doing missionary work so as to produce few or no churches. But there must also be other ways of doing missionary work that God would bless with the establishment of many churches. At that time McGavran did not now

exactly how the methodologies of the two approaches differed, but he determined to find out. As he declared in the preface to a book he coauthored in the 1930s, he had dedicated himself to ‘discarding theories of church growth which do not work, and learning and practicing productive patterns which actually disciple the people and increase the household of God.’ Preface to Third (1990) Edition of Understanding Church Growth

Wagner wrote that McGavran became alarmed when he saw that too many of God’s resources—personnel and finances—were being used without asking whether God’s kingdom was being advanced by the programs they supported.

I remember many things about the Church Growth Institute I attended 40 years ago. One thing that is still very clear in my memory is Wagner’s emphasis on the “homogeneous unit principle.” It struck me as different than what I understood the Gospel message to be, but here was an expert in “church growth” telling us we should focus our ministry efforts on people who were similar to us racially, economically and socially.



“A corollary of the people movement theory is the homogeneous unit principle. ‘People like to become Christians without crossing racial, linguistic, or class barriers,’ said McGavran. Conversion, he argued, should occur within a minimum of social dislocation. This principle has become the most controversial of all church growth principles because critics have interpreted it as classist or racist. Nothing could be further from McGavran’s mind, however. As the prototype of a world Christian, McGavran does not have a racist bone in his body. The homogeneous unit principle is an attempt to respect the dignity of individuals and allow their decisions for Christ to be religious rather than social decisions. It is developed in detail in McGavran’s magnum opus, *Understanding Church Growth*.” Preface to Third (1990) Edition of *Understanding Church Growth*

Those convictions of McGavran led him to start the Institute of Church Growth at Northwest Christian College in Eugene, Oregon in 1961. He moved the institute to Fuller Seminary in 1965 and became the founding dean of the Fuller School of World Mission and Institute of Church Growth. Here are some of McGavran's thoughts about church growth in 1970 –

“The theory and theology of mission is what is in dispute. As God carries out his mission in the world and the church seeks to be found ‘about his business,’ what should be done? What priorities are correct? Among many good enterprises, which has preeminence? Which should come first and which—if any have to be—should be omitted? How is carrying out the will of God to be measured? What has really been accomplished as the church has spread on new ground? Considerations of anthropology, sociology, theology, and organizations complexity pile up one on the other. Never was a clear mission theory more needed than today—a theory firmly rooted in biblical truth.” Preface to the First (1970) Edition of Understanding Church Growth

I remember Wagner as being passionate about church growth. He expressed a confidence in his theology and methodology for church growth. The pastors I sat with at the conference shared a deep desire to reach unsaved people for Christ and see their churches grow. That conference would be just the beginning for many of us.

Another church growth leader I met during the 1970s was Dr. Win Arn. He studied at Fuller Seminary under Dr. McGavran and founded The Institute for American Church Growth in 1973. Arn and McGavran worked together on a book project titled *How to Grow a Church: Conversations About Church Growth* (Baker Publishing, 1973), another book we discussed at the conference. Billy Graham wrote the foreword for the book. Dr. Arn also wrote *Ten Steps for Church Growth* (1977, written with McGavran), *The Pastor's Church Growth Handbook* (1979), *Growth: A New Vision for the Sunday School* (1980, with Donald McGavran), *Back to Basics in Church Growth* (1981), *The Master's Plan for Making Disciples* (1982), *Who Cares About Love?* (1988, with Carrol Nyquist), and *Church Growth Ratio Book* (1990, with son Charles Arn).

Dr. Donald McGavran was the primary leader in the Church Growth movement until his death in 1990. The mantle of leadership fell to C. Peter Wagner, who emphasized the importance of prayer and spiritual warfare until he retired from the McGavran Chair of Church Growth at Fuller in 1999. That emphasis is an important part of the history of the powerful and growing movement known as New Apostolic Reformation (NAR).

## NAR History in the 1990s

Wagner wrote *The Warfare Prayer: How To Seek God's Power And Protection In The Battle To Build His Kingdom* in 1997. What he wrote in the introduction to the book helps us understand his motivation for what came next –

“Five years ago I could not have written this book. But around 1990 what seemed like a divine alarm went off, calling the Church worldwide to serious spiritual warfare on a scale and intensity previously unknown. At that time God put me on the fastest learning curve I have experienced in 35 years of ministry. I feel compelled to share what I am learning in this book. I believe that through this book God can change you and your church, putting you on the front lines of the greatest forward thrust of world evangelization in 2,000 years of Christian history.” *Introduction to Warfare Prayer (Prayer Warrior)*, Regal Books, 1997

Using Wagner's own historical recollection of 1990 as a key year for his ministry, let's look at the first decade of books that came from his encounter with the 'divine alarm.' We will include the year, the title and a brief description from the publisher (Regal Books, Baker Books and others). The book list is important to see how Wagner's theology about church growth developed during that time as well as noting key terms and concepts that became the foundation of the current NAR movement and its view of "unity" in the Church.

1990 – *Wrestling With Dark Angels: Toward a Deeper Understanding of the Supernatural Forces in Spiritual Warfare*

“As Christians, we are in the trenches of a violent war. It is more real than our Western mindset has led us to believe. Since the spirit world - where demons attack us daily - seems to us somehow less real than the tangible, material world in which we live, we think that it's nothing to fear. But this perception is fearfully wrong. The frightening fact is that in trying to deny the reality of the spirit world, we have made ourselves more vulnerable than ever to the attacks of dark angels. In Wrestling with

Dark Angels, some of today's most respected theologians offer their views on spiritual warfare and how the Christian can deal effectively with its dangerous powers.” Publisher Description

1990 – *Spiritual Power And Church Growth*

No description from publisher available

1991 – *Territorial Spirits: Insights Into Strategic Level Spiritual Warfare & Intercession*

“Are evil spirits assigned to geographical areas? The theme of territorial assignment in the demonic kingdom is one rarely touched upon by theologians, making this book unique in the study of spiritual warfare. The book has been edited by C. Peter Wagner, one of the most highly respected of all teachers in this area, and contains contributions from many key church leaders. None of the contributors lay claim to being the final authority on the topics covered but offer their theories and insights regarding spiritual warfare for the reader's consideration.

As well as discussing the theoretical principles involved, the book also records the experiences and discoveries made by practitioners of strategic spiritual warfare.”

Publisher Description

1992 – *Prayer Shield: How to Intercede for Pastors, Christian Leaders, and Others on the Spirit Frontlines* (The Prayer Warrior Series)

“Right now, someone you know is in desperate need of your prayers. It's the person out on the front line, leading God's army into the world to proclaim His good news. Pastors, teachers, and all types of leaders are under severe attack from the enemy. And they're depending on the prayers of those who care to help see them through. The enemy knows where our leaders are vulnerable, and he strikes at their weakest points. But the greater power is on our side. Through intercessory prayer you can reinforce your leaders with God's strength and protection.” Publisher Description



1992 – *How to Have a Healing Ministry in Any Church*

No description from publisher available

1993 – *Breaking strongholds in your city: How to use spiritual mapping to make your prayers more strategic, effective, and targeted* (The Prayer warrior series)

“Action prayer can change your church, your community, and your life. When churches come together in prayer we see amazing things happen--things that most of us would have thought impossible just a couple of decades ago. The Soviet Union has disintegrated and the Berlin Wall has been destroyed. God has torn open the Iron Curtain, allowing the Gospel to pour into that starving land. On every continent it is plain to see that God is doing might things in response to prayer. Perhaps even more amazing are the results of prayer that growing numbers of people are seeing in their own lives. More and more, around the world, people are praying with the expectation that God will hear and

answer their prayers. And this kind of effective prayer is available to you.” Publisher Description

1995 – *Lighting the World: Acts 9-15* (Acts of the Holy Spirit)

“In *Lighting the World*, C. Peter Wagner demonstrates the powerful plans for action that Acts lays out for Christians. In addition to commentary, Wagner includes stories of current acts of the Holy Spirit from mission fields around the world.” Publisher Description

1995 – *Blazing the Way* (Acts of the Holy Spirit)

“A phenomenon that seems to lend special urgency to a new commentary of this nature is the veritable explosion of knowledge in the fields of missiology and power ministries over the last two decades or so. As late as 1970, missiology was not recognized as an academic field in the United States. It is now well established. In the 1980s, controversies were raging around the validity of power ministries such as signs and wonders, demonic deliverance and spiritual warfare. In some circles debate

continues, but it has cooled down considerably. Prior to 1980, however, supernatural power was hardly a chief topic of discussion among those of us who were not Pentecostals or charismatics. At this writing, however, we are offering five courses on various aspects of power ministries at Fuller Seminary where I teach, and other seminaries are following suit. It is not surprising, therefore, that our classic commentators of the past would not have dealt with these rapidly expanding areas in the depth it is possible to do today.” C. Peter Wagner, Introduction

[Wagner wrote the book Signs & Wonders Today: The Story of Fuller Theological Seminary’s Remarkable Course on Spiritual Power in 1987 and The Third Wave of the Holy Spirit: Encountering the Power of Signs and Wonders Today in 1988]

1995 – *Engaging the Enemy: How to Fight and Defeat Territorial Spirits*

“Right now, in this world, Satan's forces are waging war against Christians and the kingdom of God, and the authors of this book explain through both Scripture and personal experience, part of Satan's battle plan is assigning demons from his ranks.” Publisher Description

1996 – *Confronting the Powers: How the New Testament Church Experienced the Power of Strategic-Level Spiritual Warfare* (The Prayer Warrior Series)

No description from publisher available

## 1996 – *The Healthy Church*

“Why is it that some churches have survived hundreds of years while others are struck down in the "prime of the lives"? Dr. C. Peter Wagner (professor of church growth at Fuller Theological Seminary, School of World Mission, Pasadena, California) answers this question by examining nine spiritual 'diseases' that can attack any church. Here is a model of the diagnosis and prescription that you can follow to restore the rosy glow of vitality to your congregation, whether it is feeling the effects of old age or has had its growth stunted from an unbalanced diet. The Healthy Church tackles the problems of "Ethnikitis" (a static church in a changing neighborhood); "Ghost Town" syndrome (a deteriorating community); "People Blindness" (cultural differences existing between groups of people living in geographical proximity to one another); "Hyper-Cooperativism" (when interdenominational unity hinders evangelism); "Koinonitis" (spiritual navel-gazing); "Sociological Strangulation" (the flow of people into a church exceeding the capacity of the facilities to accommodate

their numbers); "Arrested Spiritual Development" (people in the church are not growing in the things of God or in their relationships with one another); "St. John's Syndrome" (Christians in name only); and "Hypopneumia" (a subnormal level of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the life and ministry of the church). The Healthy Church is fascinating, informative, and a wealth of good information to counteract these maladies. — Midwest Book Review”

[Wagner wrote *Your church can be healthy as part of the Creative Leadership Series* in 1979]

1997 – *Your Spiritual Gifts Can Help Your Church Grow*

“Identifies and discusses 27 spiritual gifts. Tells you how to find your gift and outlines how you can use gifts effectively. There are five steps to help you use your spiritual gifts to build God's kingdom.” Publisher Description

### 1997 – *Warfare Prayer* (Prayer Warrior)

“When Satan and his troops interfere with God's work here on earth, you know it's time to take action. But how can you do it? The answer is prayer. Satan's forces are doing whatever they can to keep us from reaching the lost with the good news of Jesus Christ. But God has given us power over the forces of darkness--- when we come to Him in committed, sincere prayer. In this book, you'll find that using prayer as a weapon is only meaningful as it makes us more effective in reaching the lost. You'll learn what it takes to step out against the demonic realm cautiously and wisely, as an informed and prepared warrior.” Publisher Description

### 1997 – *Churches That Pray*

“Churches That Pray’ gives you concrete examples of the way God is answering fervent "action prayer" in every corner of the planet. It also gives you practical steps to take so that you can use "action prayer" in your church and in your community.” Publisher Description

## 1997 – *Breaking Strongholds in Your City* (Prayer Warriors)

“Take a moment to look around your community--the parks, the malls, the key points of interest. Look at the downtown, the uptown, the back alleys and across the tracks. What are the institutions that dominate the life of your city? Do they glorify God? Or is your city infiltrated by pockets of idolatry and corruption? You can bring light to the darkest parts of your community by breaking down the enemy's strongholds through prayer. Finding solid information will ensure that your prayer is on-target and much more effective. This book shows you how to identify the enemy's territory in your area, and provides practical steps on how to pray against these dark strongholds---making it perfect for pastors, church leaders and intercessors on each level. Whether you are being called to frontline warfare or behind-the-scenes prayer support, discover how you can target your prayers to God's glory in your neighborhood.” Publisher Description



1997 – *Praying With Power: How to Pray Effectively and Hear Clearly from God* (Prayer Warrior Series, No 6)

“The groundbreaking Prayer Warrior Series culminates with C. Peter Wagner's most personal insights yet into the dynamics of prayer and spiritual warfare. Wagner provides steps for deepening and strengthening your own prayer life.” Publisher Description

1998 – *The New Apostolic Churches*

“My third season of research is now focusing on the New Apostolic Reformation, the subject of this book. I am very excited because the new apostolic churches, better than any I have previously studied, combine, on the highest level, solid technical principles of church growth with solid spiritual principles of church growth.”  
C. Peter Wagner, Chapter 1

## 1998 – *Confronting The Queen of Heaven*

“Confronting The Queen Of Heaven” takes a look at what is perhaps one of the most powerful spirits in Satan's hierarchy - the Queen of Heaven. In this book, C. Peter Wagner shows both the history and the adaptations that this spirit takes in today's world, and then reveals what we as Christians can do to play a part in confronting the Queen of Heaven and in proclaiming Jesus Christ as Lord.” Publisher Description

## 1998 – *The Rising Revival: What the Spirit is Saying Through the Argentine Revival*

No description from publisher available

1999 – *Churchquake: How the New Apostolic Reformation is Shaking Up the Church As We Know It*

“Best-selling author and church growth expert C. Peter Wagner writes about a revolution taking place in the Church—an extraordinary work of God that is changing the shape of Christianity around the world. The New Apostolic Reformation is a grassroots phenomenon in which God is raising up alliances of non-denominational churches and leaders worldwide to help fulfill the last awesome push for the Great Commission. Wagner identifies and examines present-day apostolic church networks that are bound together not by doctrine or tradition, but by shared passion for local and worldwide evangelism, energetic worship, fervent prayer and church planting.” Publisher Description

## 2000 – *Apostles and Prophets: The Foundation of the Church*

“Jesus revealed Himself to be the cornerstone of the church. But He has built His church, and continues to build it, through apostles and prophets, people who are empowered by the Holy Spirit. Now a leader of the New Apostolic Reformation gives us new insights into how the people called to crucial roles in the church--apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastor and teachers--must work together to fulfill their divine purpose. For the first time since the Early Church, God is harnessing apostles and prophets to fulfill the promises of His divine plan. Prepare to play your part!” Publisher Description

## Fuller Seminary Influence

Wagner taught a course at Fuller about miraculous signs and wonders with John Wimber, founder of the Vineyard movement. Wimber trained in Biblical Studies at Azusa Pacific College and became co-pastor of the Yorba Linda Friends Church (Quakers). He joined with Peter Wagner in creating the Charles E. Fuller Institute (Church Growth) in 1974. Wimber became convinced that miracles would always serve to validate the preaching of the Word, so he and other charismatics in the church joined with Chuck Smith's Calvary Chapel in 1977 to plant Calvary Chapel of Yorba Linda. He joined with Kenn Gulliksen with Vineyard Churches to organize "The Association of Vineyard Churches" in 1982. A published history of Vineyard Churches shares the impact Fuller Seminary played in Wimber's work –

“John Wimber’s influence profoundly shaped the theology and practice of Vineyard churches from their earliest days until his death in November, 1997. When John was conscripted by God he was, in the words of Christianity Today, a "beer-guzzling, drug- abusing pop musician, who was converted at the age of 29 while chain-smoking his way through a Quaker-led Bible study" (Christianity Today, editorial, Feb. 9 1998).

In John's first decade as a Christian he led hundreds of people to Christ. By 1970 he was leading 11 Bible studies that involved more than 500 people. John became so fruitful as an evangelical pastor he was asked to lead the Charles E. Fuller Institute of Evangelism and Church Growth. He also later became an adjunct instructor at Fuller Theological Seminary where his classes set attendance records. In 1977, John re-entered pastoral ministry to plant Calvary Chapel of Yorba Linda.

Throughout this time, John's conservative evangelical paradigm for understanding the ministry of the church began to grow. George Eldon Ladd's theological writings on the kingdom of God convinced John intellectually that all the biblical gifts of the Holy Spirit should be active in the church.”

Encounters with Fuller missiologists Donald McGavaran and C. Peter Wagner and seasoned missionaries and international students gave him credible evidence for combining evangelism with healing and prophecy. As he became more convinced of God's desire to be active in the world through all the biblical gifts of the Spirit, John began to teach and train his church to imitate Jesus' full-orbed kingdom ministry. He began to "do the stuff" of the Bible, about which he had formerly only read.

As John and his congregation, mostly made up of former Quakers, sought God in intimate worship, they experienced empowerment by the Holy Spirit, significant renewal in the gifts and conversion growth. It soon became clear that the church's emphasis on the experience of the Holy Spirit was not shared by some leaders in the Calvary Chapel movement. In 1982, John's church left Calvary Chapel and joined the Vineyard churches." [www.vineyardusa.org/site/about/vineyard-history](http://www.vineyardusa.org/site/about/vineyard-history)

It's important to keep the 1974 date in mind as we move forward. It is evidence to demonstrate how early "signs and wonders" played a role in Wagner's church growth theology. I attended his Church Growth conference a few years later and don't remember hearing him mentioning signs and wonders, so he may have not have been sharing that outside Fuller yet or may have chosen not to share about signs and wonders at the conference I attended.



Fuller Theological Seminary's Office of Continuing Education in Ministry and Global Harvest Ministries (Peter Wagner founded Global Harvest Ministries in 1993) sponsored the National Symposium on the Postdenominational Church in May of 1996 –

“This symposium is the first of its kind. Never before have so many postdenominational leaders, including apostles and prophets, from such a diverse number of groups gathered together to share with and pray for each other. You will have an inside track in understanding the spiritual motor which is driving this massive movement: C. Peter Wagner, Brochure

Wagner addressed the issue of “postdenominationalism” in the Foreward to David Cannistraci's 1998 book *Apostles And The Emerging Apostolic Movement* (Gospel Light Publications) –

“My studies of church growth have led me to an inexorable conclusion: The ‘fastest-growing identifiable segment of Christianity in the 1990s on five continents is what has come to be called the Postdenominational Movement. Inherent in today’s postdenominational churches is a structure commonly known as ‘apostolic networks,’ in which both the gift and office of apostle are recognized and accepted ... David Cannistraci, a key figure in the Postdenominational Movement, is a person of giftedness, wisdom and experience beyond his years. He is one of those rare people who is seen simultaneously as a scholar and a practitioner. Not only does Dr. Cannistraci develop theories, but he also makes sure his theories have gone through hands-on experimentation before he advocates them. I will require my Fuller Seminary students to read and digest this book.” C. Peter Wagner, Fuller Theological Seminary

“The present wave of the Apostolic Spirit already dwarfs anything the apostles could have seen or imagined in the first apostolic movement. It seems we are entering into a visitation of greater proportion than Pentecost, and it is exactly as Joel said it would be (see Joel 2:28,29). The Holy Spirit is crashing into history again, only this time He is coming upon our generation!

This wave will reactivate true apostolic ministry for the harvest. Because the Spirit is being poured out, and because He is an Apostolic Spirit, apostles and an apostolic movement must result.” David Cannistraci, Chapter 1

In light of Wagner using the term “postdenominational” in the 1996 symposium, what role does “denominationalism” play in the New Apostolic Reformation? Elmer Towns of Liberty University wrote the Foreward for Wagner’s 1998 book The New Apostolic Churches and addressed that –

“Most old denominations were formed by doctrinal distinctives. Some old denominations were born when they split because of doctrinal technicalities; others were founded on new doctrinal allegiances. The old denominations were allied to Calvinistic or Armenian or dispensational or Pentecostal or Wesleyan doctrines or some unique interpretation of Scripture. The new denominations are really movements or, to describe them in postmodern business terminology, they are like franchises. They are Willow Creek Associates, Calvary Chapels, Vineyard Fellowships or other names that describe a new movement for God in the postmodern world of new challenges. C. Peter Wagner once called this new movement ‘Postdenominational churches,’ but the term was rejected because some thought it linked to past failure, or even worse, implied that some effective evangelical denominations were not in fact effective. So Wagner changed the title to ‘The New Apostolic Reformation.’ This book is about change, thus many readers may not like it because they do not want to change anything. Do not close your mind; read it carefully to see what is changed. These churches are not

changing the essentials of Bible doctrine. They are as committed to the fundamentals of the faith as the originators of past conservative denominations were committed to the essentials of Christianity. They are merely changing the methods of evangelism, worship, Bible study and leadership.” The New Apostolic Churches, Foreward written by Elmer Towns.

Wagner wrote The New Apostolic Churches with 18 other church leaders –

“I have never been more excited about a book dealing with church growth than I am about this one, The New Apostolic Churches. Because I suggested to the other 18 authors that they begin their chapters with personal testimonies of how God has brought them to the places where they are now, I will follow suit.” C. Peter Wagner, Chapter 1

Here are the church leaders who helped write The New Apostolic Churches –

Dr. Elmer Towns, Liberty University, Foreward

Apostle John P. Kelly, Overseeing Apostle, Antioch Churches and Ministries

Apostle John Eckhardt, Pastor and Overseer, Crusaders Ministries

Pastor Michael P. Fletcher, Manna Church

Pastor Bill Hybels, Willow Creek Community Church

Bishop Wellington Boone, First International Church of Atlanta

Lary Kreider, International Director, DOVE Christian Fellowship International

Pastor Roberts Liardon, President, Roberts Liardon Ministries

Rice Broocks, President, Cofounder of Christian International Ministries

Bishop Bill Hamon, Cofounder of Christian International Ministries

Pastor Billy Joe Daugherty, Founder of Victory Christian Center

Pastor Dick Iverson, Chairman of Ministers Fellowship International

Pastor Ralph Moore, Hope Chapel Foursquare Church

Dr. David [Kwang Shin] Kim, Senior Pastor, Grace Korean Church

Pastor Lawrence Khong, Faith Community Baptist Church, Singapore

Pastor Paul Daniel, President and Founder of His People  
Christian Ministries, Cape Town, South Africa

William F. Kumuyi, General Superintendent, Pastor,  
Deeper Life Bible Church, Gbagada, Lagos, Nigeria

Dr. Joseph C. Wongsak, Pastor, Hope of Bangkok  
Church, Bangkok, Thailand



Most Christians are familiar with the titles of Reverend, Pastor, Bishop, Evangelist, Doctor, President, Founder, Superintendent, Chairman .. but Apostle? Peter Wagner briefly defined an ‘Apostle’ this way –

“Christian leader who is gifted, taught, and commissioned by God with the authority to establish the foundational government of the Church within an assigned sphere of ministry by hearing what the Spirit is saying to the churches and by setting things in order accordingly for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.” Quoted by the International Coalition of Apostolic Leaders ([www.icaleaders.com](http://www.icaleaders.com))

Soon after writing a chapter for Wagner’s 1998 book, John P. Kelly, identified as “Overseeing Apostle, Antioch Churches and Ministries,” helped start The International Coalition of Apostolic Leaders (ICAL) in Singapore in 1999. Kelly was asked to assume leadership as Presiding Apostle for the new coalition and establish an office in Fort Worth, Texas. The first annual meeting was held in Dallas in 2000. Kelly asked Peter Wagner to accept the position of Convening Apostle and

ICAL moved into the offices of Global Harvest in Colorado Springs where Wagner lived. Kelly served ICAL as the Ambassadorial Apostle. Wagner asked Kelly to accept the position of International Convening Apostle over ICAL in 2009 and the headquarters returned to Fort Worth in 2010. Wagner became the Presiding Apostle Emeritus of ICAL. Kelly identifies ICAL as “the largest known Christian society of God-ordained and man-recognized apostolic leaders in the world” ([www.johnkelly.org/about.html](http://www.johnkelly.org/about.html)).

The basic structure of ICAL is that it is “apostolically led and prophetically influenced” ([www.icaleaders.com](http://www.icaleaders.com)). According to ICAL, apostles operate in several different ways, including “vertical apostles” (ecclesiastical, functional, congregational, and team- member vertical apostles), “horizontal apostles” (including convening, ambassadorial, mobilizing, and territorial horizontal apostles), and different kinds of “marketplace apostles.”

ICAL presents itself as “a primarily professional society” in which confirmed apostles connect with other confirmed apostles. It is also a training ground for “emerging” apostles. ICAL also “provides apostolic accountability.”

Membership in ICAL is by official invitation “only” from the Convening Apostle. It includes a nomination process and application approval. Apostles pay an annual membership fee of several hundred dollars and are invited to attend annual meetings and summits. [More about those meetings later in this chapter.]

Here are two books Kelly has written. As you look at the titles of Kelly’s, keep in mind that he is writing from the position of being the International Convening Apostle of ICAL. The impact of what that means in the NAR movement will become clear as we proceed with our investigation. Also, watch for key terms and concepts important to understanding the NAR –

*Power To Get Wealth* (Palm Tree Productions, 2008)

“The prophets have declared that this is the time for wealth to transfer into God’s Kingdom. But how will it happen? Who will God use to acquire the wealth? *Power to Get Wealth* addresses the important questions of God’s prosperity plan and who will succeed in fulfilling his mandate and covenant. This book presents practical understanding and application to help Christians advance as WEALTHBUILDERS(sm) and become WEALTHDISTRIBUTORS(sm). Start your journey here to become one of God’s wise financial stewards!”

*Travailing Intercession* (House of Ariel Gate, 2015)

“Prayer is learning the terms of spiritual engagement. Travailing intercession is a high level of protocol that belongs to strategists who want to see the Kingdom come to Earth as it is in Heaven. Many people have misunderstood, misinterpreted and simply ‘not got it’ up to now. This book is a simple, logical and scriptural explanation of what it means to groan in the spirit and

how powerful that really is. This book will take your prayer life to a new dimension!"

Another man identified by Wagner as an "Apostle" is John Eckhardt. In addition to heading up John Eckhardt Ministries and Crusaders Ministries, he is also the author of many books that are viewed by many to be the revelations of an Apostle of Jesus Christ.

*Ministry Anointing of the Prophet* (Crusaders Publications, 1991)

"What is the purpose of prophets? Why were they given to the Body of Christ? What is their function? What do they do? As Myles Munroe has often stated, if you do not know the purpose of a thing, you will abuse it.

Many prophets have suffered abuse in the body because their purpose and function was not known. They have often suffered rejection and hurt because of ignorance. In this book you will find revelation

concerning the function of prophets. Besides edification, exhortation and comfort, prophets can also establish, reveal, impart, activate and confirm. We need to receive and honor prophets. The more we know the function and importance of prophets the more we will benefit from their ministries."

Publisher Description

*Releasing God's Power Through Laying on Hands*  
(Crusaders Publications, 1992)

"God has set up an authority structure in His kingdom, and He operates through and honors this authority. When you submit to proper spiritual authority, God's power and blessing can be released on your behalf through laying on of hands.

Your understanding will be increased and your inner man refreshed as the wisdom and insight shared on this biblically sound doctrine unfolds in its fullness. Once local churches receive the revelation of laying on of hands and practice this doctrine, we will see a

greater manifestation of God's power through His people.” Publisher Description

*Deliverance and Spiritual Warfare Manual* (Charisma House, 1993)

“This 54 page spiritual warfare manual is packed full of information. It is written in a unique way using explanation of terms by alphabetical order. Each term is defined with additional information and scriptural references. This manual would definitely be useful to pastors, church leaders, home group fellowships and bible studies, as well as by multitudes of Christian laymen involved in deliverance and self deliverance.” Publisher Description

*50 truths concerning apostolic ministry* (Crusaders Ministries, 1994)

“Apostolic ministry is ordained by God. Regardless of what men think or believe, this ministry has been ordained by God’s appointment. Apostolic ministry is fruitful because it is chosen and ordained of God (John 15:16). Any ministry set and ordained by the Lord will be fruitful in spite of opposition or misunderstanding.

Apostles are set IN THE CHURCH. As long as there is ‘a Church,’ apostles will be a part. The Scripture does not say God set them only in the ‘EARLY CHURCH’ or the ‘CHURCH OF THE BOOK OF ACTS’ but ‘THE CHURCH’. This includes the present day Church ... Because of tradition many would rather call someone a ‘reverend’, a ‘doctor’, a ‘superintendent’, or a ‘bishop’; but very seldom an APOSTLE. Many have ignored, avoided and attacked the office of the apostle. But God is restoring this ministry to the Church, and giving us a revelation of its purpose and function.” John Eckhardt



Some of the “truths” about apostolic ministry that Eckhardt claimed and taught in 1994 were –

Apostolic Ministry is First in Time

Apostolic Ministry is First in Rank

Apostles Have a Breakthrough Anointing

Apostles are Here Today

Apostles Establish and Set Doctrine

Apostolic Doctrine Comes From Heaven

Apostles Bring Revelation to the Church

Apostolic Revelation is the Foundation Upon Which the Church is Built

Apostles Lay Foundation

Apostles Bind and Loose

Apostles are Given Authority for Edification

Apostles Impart Spiritual Gifts

Apostles Pull Down Strongholds

Apostles Make Intercession for the Saints

Apostolic Ministry is One of Signs and Wonders

Apostolic Ministry Touches Cities and Regions

Apostles are Reformers

*Moving in the Apostolic: God's plan to lead His Church to the final victory* (Chosen Books, 1999, written with C. Peter Wagner, reviews by Pastor Mary Crum, Pastor Ted Haggard, Apostle Ivory Hopkins, Apostle John Kelly, Prophetess Cindy Jacobs, Apostle Ernest Leonard, Apostle Noel Woodroffe, Pastor Dutch Sheets, Bishop Harold Ray)

“To be an apostle, or to be apostolic, revolves around the concept of being sent. Only sent ones can fulfill the Great Commission. Only sent ones will be able to overcome the impossible odds that stand in the way of being able to say, ‘Mission accomplished.’ The Church cannot succeed without operating strongly in this dimension.

There are several premises I want to put forth concerning this commission:

1. The Church has been given a commission.
2. This commission is an apostolic commission.
3. This commission must and will be fulfilled.

4. Since the commission is apostolic, it will take an apostolic anointing to fulfill it.

What does it mean to be apostolic? Can we all be apostolic? What part do apostles have in fulfilling the Great Commission? When do we receive and operate in an apostolic anointing? How is the Church affected by apostolic ministry? These are some of the questions we will attempt to answer together ... Evil spirits must be dealt with. Prophetic utterances must be released. Many have believed the commission is an evangelistic commission. Although evangelism is an important part, the commission is essentially apostolic, incorporating evangelism to fulfill it. Sent ones do more than evangelize. Sent ones preach, teach, prophesy and do the works of Jesus.” John Eckhardt

[Wagner wrote about Eckhardt and the book they wrote together – “I certainly will require it of my Fuller Seminary students. I want them to get to know my good friend John Eckhardt. I want many of them to say, ‘John Eckhardt is my role model for ministry today.’ I am gratified that a rapidly

growing number of leaders are now beginning to move in the apostolic gift and the apostolic office.” Because of the influence Eckhardt had on Peter Wagner as early as the 1970s, we’ll look at some of Eckhardt’s beliefs and teaching to see what influence he had on the NAR.]

*Presbyteries and Apostolic Teams* (Crusader Ministries, 2000)

“Apostolic teams give the Church the ability to expand beyond the local borders and touch the nations. Presbyteries enable the Church to be governed properly. Both are essential in helping the Church fulfill its mission of impacting regions, territories, and nations.” Publisher Description

*Identifying And Breaking Curses* (Whitaker House, 2000)

“Although the Word of God teaches that we are already healed by the stripes of Jesus (Isaiah 53:5), there are many believers who have not appropriated this promise and continue to battle with sickness. This is because

healing is a part of our redemption, but it is not automatic.

Again, according to the Word of God, we are healed by the stripes of Jesus. However, though every believer has been legally redeemed from sickness, there are still many sick believers. Just because one is a believer does not make one exempt from sickness. It is possible for a believer to be sick even with healing being a part of our redemption.

Unfortunately, there are still many believers living under curses even though they have been legally redeemed from curses. Just as a believer may have to fight a good fight of faith for healing, he or she may also have to fight a good fight of faith against curses.

So the answer to the question, ‘Can a believer be under a curse’” is, ‘Legally, no; but experientially, yet.’

This is to say, Satan may not have a legal right to enforce a curse against you, but he is an outlaw and will attempt to do so anyway.

Therefore, curses oftentimes have to be broken over the lives of believers, and the believers must learn how to stand in faith against those curses, keeping them from operating in their lives.

The promises in the Word are not automatic. They must be believed and often fought for. You don't have to fight God for His promises; He is not keeping them back from you. But you must contend with the Adversary who is trying to prevent you from receiving and walking in God's promises.

So if you are a believer and you are experiencing the symptoms of a curse, you will have to be loosed from it before you will be able to walk in the full blessings of the Lord." John Eckhardt

*Demon Hit List* (Whitaker House, 2000)

“Since identifying and uncovering demons by name is so important in deliverance, the idea to write a deliverance thesaurus is well overdue. Demons congregate in ‘groupings,’ and knowing how they linkup is invaluable to the deliverance worker. This thesaurus will help the worker identify the names of different spirits, and also group spirits together to ‘cluster’ within people seeking deliverance. It will also be a handy reference book that the deliverance worker can refer to from time to time that will hopefully be a storehouse of information that will help destroy the works of the Devil.

Mark 5:9 gives us a key revelation in dealing with the Enemy. Jesus commanded the spirit to identify itself by name. Once the Enemy identified himself, Jesus cast him out. This is the power of identification. Identifying the Enemy can identify the Enemy by name, the more successful they will be in driving the Enemy out.” John Eckhardt



[Eckhardt lists individual names of demonic spirits – e.g. Abaddon (Apollyon), Abandonment, Abdomen, Abnormal, Abomination, Abortion, Absalom, Abuse, Accident, Accusation, Addiction, Adultery, etc – then includes a section called “Demons Attacking the Physical Body” taken from *A Manual for the Deliverance Worker* by Frank Marzullo and Tom Snyder – “Evil spirits often dwell in certain parts of the body” – Physical areas mentioned include – Abdominal Area and Pelvis, Bones, Neck, Back & Joints, Chest Area, Ears, Eyes, Head, Mouth, Navel, Nose, Spine, Throat, Stomach, Hands, Tongue (taste buds), etc. Eckhardt, Marzullo and Snyder believe that demonic spirits cause malfunction and problems in various areas of the body (e.g. liver, spleen, heart, lungs, spine, nervous system, bone marrow) causing all diseases (e.g. cancer, tumors, cysts, pain, crippling, strokes, heart attacks, arthritis, bursitis, multiple sclerosis, blindness, crossed eyes, cataracts, glaucoma, emphysema, brain damage, blood clots, epilepsy, meningitis, dementia, Alzheimer’s disease, psychoses of all kinds, frustration, paranoia, phobias, forgetfulness, procrastination, fear, worry, anxiety, stress, migraines, nightmares, suicide, tooth decay, cavities, canker sores, loss of taste, bad breath, stuttering,

addiction, gluttony, bloody nose, postnasal drip, sinusitis, polyps, colds, viruses, thyroid disorders, goiters, laryngitis, swollen glands, palsy, etc) and that knowing the names of demonic spirits and where they are located in physical areas give the “worker” knowledge which will lead to casting the demonic demons out of the body and restoring health to body and mind.]

*Prayers That Rout Demons: Prayers for Defeating Demons and Overthrowing the Power of Darkness* (Charisma House, 2007)

“Prayer is one of the ways we release the will of God upon the earth ... Words are used to convey our thoughts. The words of God are the thoughts of God. We are releasing the mind of God when we pray and confess His word. The thoughts of God are peace and prosperity ... We can bind the works of darkness, which include: sickness, disease, hurt, witchcraft, poverty, death, destruction, confusion, defeat, and discouragement. We can loose ourselves and others from the works of darkness. This will result in greater

liberty and prosperity. Binding and loosing will help us in the area of deliverance. We can loose ourselves from many things by using our authority. We can loose others by praying these prayers.” John Eckhardt

*God Still Speaks: How to Hear and Receive Revelation from God for Your Family, Church, and Community* (Charisma House, 2009)

“It is clear that the new covenant God established with Israel and Judah includes knowing the Lord. All believers, from the least of us to the greatest, can have the blessing of knowing God through the Holy Spirit. This includes knowing and recognizing the voice of the Lord. When we use the term prophecy, we are simply referring to hearing the voice of the Lord and speaking His word to others.

In other words, every believer has the opportunity to operate in the prophetic realm. Every believer should expect to hear the voice of God. This is because each of

us is a new covenant believer. The foundation of the new covenant is the basis for developing your prophetic life.

Every believer should expect to speak as the oracle of God. The key is to develop this ability intentionally. It will not happen automatically. Some believers have doubts about whether God will speak to them. Others can hear His word, but they struggle with speaking out on the behalf of God. All of us need more faith in order to flow in prophecy. Each of us must believe what the Word of God says and then act on it. It is true: God wants every single person to be a prophet.” John Eckhardt

[Eckhardt also shares in his book “prophetic exercises” to develop believers. They include “warm-up” activation where a team leader selects a minister who will prophesy to the circle member directly to his left or right. The circle member who received the prophesy then turns to the circle member on his/her other side and prophesies to them. Other “exercises” include everyone in the prophetic circle taking a turn prophesying to a single circle member. These exercises “jump start” people in the prophetic circle into “flowing with

the spirit of prophecy” and “will also demonstrate the flow of a prophetic presbytery.” Eckhardt shared many other prophetic exercises, including Switch/change, See a picture, Write what you hear, Group prophecy, The blind prophet, Sing a prophecy, Give a word of knowledge, Impart your gift, Popcorn, and Prophecy Scripture verses.]

*Prayers That Break Curses: Prayers for Breaking Demonic Influences so You Can Walk in God's Promises* (Charisma House, 2009)

“Many of the curses that can affect a person’s life come as a result of one of the most wicked and vile spirits in the kingdom of darkness—the spirit of Belial.

He is a ruling spirit of wickedness. There is a host of demons that operate under his command, cursing the lives of people, which we will discuss in this book ... Belial’s work is to curse men and women, causing them to commit sins that are vile and contemptible. All sin is wrong, and I don’t make any excuses or allowance for

any sin. However, there are some sins more abominable than others. That is, there are different degrees of sin.

Under the Law, there were some sins that were considered ‘abominations’ and punishable by death, while other sins required certain sacrifices. Belial’s work is to draw a national into such abominable sins that it will bring the curse and the judgment of God.

When I observe the practices and sins that are happening in our national today, I know that the spirit of Belial is behind them. Belial is a strongman in America as well as other nations of the world. Belial is a world ruler of wickedness. Jesus taught us the necessity of binding the strongman in order to spoil his goods (Matt. 12:29). The prayers in this book are meant to do just that — as you pray, Belial, the world ruler of wickedness, will be bound, and his demonic hold on you and on your family and community will be broken.” John Eckhardt

*Prayers That Bring Change: Power-Filled Prayers that Give Hope, Health Relationships, Bring Financial Freedom and More!* (Charisma house, 2009, written with Kimberly Daniels – Overseer of Spoken Word Ministries)

“Use the authority God has given you to move to the next level in your prayer life with this collection of proclamation prayers by best-selling author Kimberly Daniels. More than just a book on how to pray, *Prayers That Bring Change* is filled with actual prayers based on biblical principles that will help you live victoriously in every situation you face. Learn to break the powers of darkness and release the blessings and favor of God in your life.” Publisher Description

*Prayers That Rout Demons and Break Curses* (Charisma House, 2010)

“This bonded leather compendium combines the two best-selling books by John Eckhardt in the Spiritual Prayers series, *Prayers That Rout Demons* and *Prayers That Break Curses*. powerful, handy reference tool that enables the reader to access Scripture-based prayers and decrees to overcome demonic influence and opposition. This book includes warfare prayers for every circumstance, including avoiding Satan’s attack in the areas of finances, pride, rebellion, relationships, healing, and demonic bondages. With the resources in this book, readers will break the powers of darkness and release the blessings and favor of God in their lives.” Publisher Description



*Prayers That Bring Healing: Overcome Sickness, Pain, and Disease. God's Healing is for You!* (Charisma House, 2010)

“Too often God’s people do not receive miracles and healing because they do not place a demand on the anointing. They don’t push forward because they don’t expect that something miraculous will happen.

Sometimes believers let themselves get discouraged. Let me tell you this: Don’t let the devil talk you out of your healing. Put your mind on God. You have to press through discouragement and frustration so that you don’t miss your miracle. Don’t let anyone stop you ... Healing is available to all during the kingdom age ... God does not put sickness on His people. Jesus died so that we might be healed ... we can expect to live in health and to be healed of all our diseases because of what Jesus did on the cross ... This is the kingdom age where you don’t have to be sick, broke, or run over by the devil. That is GOOD NEWS! You don’t have to be sick, broke, poor, or confused any longer. Sickness and disease are works of the devil, and Jesus came and

‘disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them’ (Col. 2:15). Healing comes with the territory. When you are in Christ, you can expect to be healed ... not only should you expect to be healed, but you should also know that you are to pass that healing on to all those around you. That is true kingdom living.” John Eckhardt

*Ordinary People, Extraordinary Power: Be Activated to Heal, Deliver, Prophecy, Preach, and Demonstrate God’s Kingdom* (Charisma House, 2010)

“There is no substitute for the apostle’s ministry. We need apostles in each generation, just like we need evangelists, pastors, and teachers. When emerging apostles do not replace founding apostles, the church is in trouble. This cycle of deterioration has occurred in almost every movement and denomination. This is because of a lack of understanding concerning apostolic ministry.

I believe that God always provides the gifts that we need in order to fulfill our destinies. It is not the will of God that movements start out with great power and momentum, only to shrivel up and die after one generation. The apostolic gift is the key to continuous advancement and momentum. There is always another generation of apostles that should be in position to replace the founding apostles.

When an organization or church becomes administrative at the expense of being apostolic, apostolic gifts are often choked out. This is because apostolic gifts tend to be too progressive, pioneering, and advancing for many organizations. Some would identify this as rebellion, but usually it is a desire to keep the group moving forward and walking in present truth.

However, the church faces an unfortunate situation when administration takes over the apostolic, because the very gifts that churches need to advance are usually lost due to the organizational constraints placed upon them. This happened in the early church when bishops

replaced apostles. The church became more ceremonial and traditional. The apostolic power and grace of the church in the Book of Acts was lost. The Reformation of the sixteenth century began to change this. The reformers, however, failed to restore the proper role of the apostle. Many Reformation churches kept the Episcopal (bishops) form of government. We are now seeing the restoration of apostles to their proper role in the church.” John Eckhardt

[Eckhardt gave the “school of the prophets” mentioned in 1 Samuel 19 and 2 Kings 2 and 4 as an example of how “Apostolic churches should develop prophetic schools to train believers in the proper flow of prophecy and prophetic ministry.”]

*Prayers that Release Heaven On Earth: Align Yourself with God and Bring His Peace, Joy and Revival to Your World*  
(Charisma House, 2010)

“God has a marvelous plan for His church, a plan that will help release heaven on earth. The prophets predicted a time when salvation, righteousness, peace, joy, rejoicing, and redemption will come to Israel and the world. Jerusalem (Ziion) will be restored and once again become the dwelling place of God. The heathen (nations) will come to the God of Israel and worship. It will be a time of the establishing of an everlasting covenant (new covenant). God’s plans are for a time when old things (former things) pass away and new things spring forth. There will be an outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the release of living waters from Jerusalem, which will flow to the nations.

It is time for God’s people to get on board with God’s plan and to diligently pray—and work—to see the fulfillment of God’s plan for His church.” John Eckhardt

*Prayers that Activate Blessings: Experience the Protection, Power & Favor of God for You & Your Loved Ones* (Charisma House, 2011)

“God will not only save you and wash you, but He will also bless you, dress you up, put jewels on you, and beautify you. The grace and favor of God on your life will cause you to go into a place of prosperity. God not only will save you but will also multiply you and bless you.

In this book we are going to talk about how to obtain the covenant blessing of God. We are going to learn confessions and prayers based on God’s Word that will activate shalom over your life. Death and life are in the power of the tongue. We can choose blessing by choosing to live and speak correctly.

God is ready to release new favor, blessing, prosperity, protection, and peace over you. It is His desire to give you good things. Now get ready to receive them.” John Eckhardt

*Daily Declarations for Spiritual Warfare: Biblical Principles to Defeat the Devil* (Charisma House, 2011, written in first person from God's perspective)

“Do you hate every false way that Satan uses to sidetrack people from the path of life onto the path of death? Do you want to see changes in your city, region, and nation? I have given you the power to represent My kingdom and to even change geographic regions. You are a king in My kingdom, and your word is filled with authority and power against the kingdoms of this evil world. Stand firm in the power I have given you. Don't suffer unnecessarily by failing to exercise your authority in Me.” John Eckhardt

*The Invisible King and His Kingdom: How to Understand, Operate In, and Advance God's Will for Healing, Deliverance, and Miracles* (Charisma House, 2011)

“Jesus came to announce the year of the Lord's favor, or the year of jubilee (Luke 4:18-19; Lev. 25:8-25). In the year of jubilee, land is restored, debts are canceled, and

slaves are released. The kingdom is our jubilee. When you come into the kingdom, you enter into rest and receive favor. As a result of the kingdom, shame, ruin, confusion, sickness, death, poverty, bondage, oppression, sadness, defeat, humiliation, sin, iniquity, cursing, fear, lack, and barrenness would be banished ... As believers we are positioned with Him in His kingdom, and we have been instructed to spread the news of His kingdom wherever we go, that others may choose to be a part of His kingdom also.” John Eckhardt

*Prayers that Move Mountains: Powerful Prayers that Bring Answers from Heaven* (Charisma House, 2012)

“What mountain are you facing in this season of life? Unemployment? Financial problems? Difficult marriage? Illness? Foreclosure? Undeclared sin? Whatever it is, the power lies in you to speak to that mountain and say, ‘Be thou removed!’



The keys to deliverance, freedom, and the abundant life have been given back to us. Jesus came to return to us our authority in the earth so that we can exercise prayer and faith to bring God's will from the heavenly realms into the earthly realm, affecting our lives in the here and now.

The Bible says that you can decree and declare things with your mouth, and they will happen (Rom. 4:17). According to Joshua 1:8, you have the power to make your way prosperous, to mow down the mountains in your way. By meditating and obeying the Word of God, you put yourself in a place of life and blessings. Choice is where your power lies. What you choose to speak and declare needs to coincide with how you live and what you meditate on." John Eckhardt

*Prayers that Release Heaven and Move Mountains* (Charisma House, 2012)

“Leather-bound compendium contains material from John Eckhardt’s best-selling series.

This special edition combines message from *Prayers That Release Heaven on Earth* and *Prayers That Move Mountains*.

*Prayers That Release Heaven on Earth* is a handbook for advancing the kingdom of God here and now. Combining powerful prayers with decrees taken from Scripture, it helps you understand God's plan and keeps your heart and mind focused on Him.

*Prayers That Move Mountains* is filled with prayers of submission, repentance, confession, obedience, praise, and worship. Based on 2 Chronicles 7:14–15.” Publisher Description

*Women's Daily Declarations for Spiritual Warfare: Biblical Principles to Defeat the Devil* (Charisma House, 2013 ...

Written to women in first person from God)

“Have you become disillusioned and discouraged because of the wickedness and corruption that exist all around you in this sinful world? Don't you know that I want to give you the keys to My kingdom in heaven? Not even hell itself will be able to prevail against My kingdom. With the keys to My kingdom, I have given you authority to bind and loose. You will be able to restrict, stop, hinder, fetter, check, hold back, arrest, and put a stop to the demonic strongholds in your world. You can use the keys of My kingdom to lock up sickness and disease, hurt, witchcraft, poverty, death, destruction, confusion, defeat, and discouragement in your life. By doing that you will loose yourself—and others—from the works of darkness, the works of Satan. Always remember that I have given My daughters—you—power and authority over all devils.” John Eckhardt

*Deliverance and Spiritual Warfare Manual: A Comprehensive Guide to Living Free* (Charisma House, 2014)

“You can have a good life. This book will give you the tools and weapons you need to command good days in your life to be at peace and full of blessing and prosperity. You will be fortified and empowered to speak blessing and prosperity over your neighbors, your troubled family members, and your coworkers. You will then not only have peace in your life, but you will also become a peacemaker.

Prosperous people are peaceful people. They are blessed. They have more than enough. They love and see good days. They are citizens of the heavenly kingdom of God because they have been redeemed from the curses of sin and death.

The Lord has also commanded peace and rest toward you. He has established the victory for you over all the powers of the enemy. Demons are enemies. They are enemies of peace, joy, health, and prosperity.

Deliverance will give you rest, and spiritual warfare will give you the training, strategies, and endurance so that you can continue to live abundantly under the covenant blessings of God.” John Eckhardt

*God's Covenant with You for Deliverance and Freedom: Come Into Agreement With Him and Unlock His Power*  
(Charisma House, 2014)

“Deliverance out of trouble is a form of God’s mercy being enacted because of covenant. If it wasn’t for the mercy of God, every covenant violation that we commit today would cause us to be destroyed. Our actions outside of God’s plans for our lives put us in violation of the covenant and opens us up to all kinds of evil and torment from the enemy.

The covenant provides certain benefits, including protection and deliverance. People living outside the covenant do not have these benefits and therefore are susceptible to the work of the enemy.

Sin is an open door for demons, and those who do not enjoy the benefits of redemption and forgiveness are more susceptible to demonic intrusion into their lives. Those who walk in covenant enjoy the blessing of forgiveness from sin, and the operation of demons is limited and hindered.” John Eckhardt

*God's Covenant With You for Life and Favor: Come Into Agreement with Him and Unlock His Power* (Charisma House, 2015)

“The gospel is that Jesus Christ came and died so that you could experience the shalom of God. The chastisement—the price—of our peace was upon Him. He was beaten and crucified so that we could have peace. All who believe and come under the rule of the Messiah can have peace.

You can have prosperity and live in safety, and all the evil beasts will be driven from your life. You will not be tormented by devils. You will have the blessing of God. It's the guarantee of His covenant of peace. It belongs to

the saints of God. So no matter how bad the news gets, don't let the devil take your peace and your shalom away from you." John Eckhardt

*Prophet, Arise: Your Call to Boldly Speak the Word of the Lord* (Charisma House, 2015)

"At the end of November and the beginning of December 2014 the Lord began to stir my heart to release His word of encouragement and confirmation to the many prophets who have been silenced and shut down in their local churches. So during this time on my Facebook page I began posting statuses on prophets day after day. What I began writing was not planned. It was not something written down ahead of time. It just began to flow from my heart. As a result, I have received thousands of likes and comments from people around the world saying how they have been touched. Some have received healing and release as they read the statuses. The Lord told me to keep pouring out the oil as long as there were vessels receiving, so I will continue until it stops." John Eckhardt

*Unshakeable: Dismantling Satan's Plan to Destroy Your Foundation* (2015)

“The majority of double-minded people manage to function in life and have some successes, yet they still have the characteristics of a spirit of schizophrenia. This causes them to be constantly unstable in every area, never having any peace about who they are or what they can or have to accomplish. They may not always go to a place of insanity that the world describes as schizophrenia.

This revelation of double-mindedness and schizophrenia came to the forefront through the ministry of Frank and Ida Mae Hammond, pioneers in the area of deliverance and authors of the classic book on deliverance *Pigs in the Parlor*. I had the honor of ministering with Frank Hammond and found him to be a humble and gracious servant of the Lord. Before Frank passed away, I asked him to lay hands on me and impart. I believe I received



an impartation, and a passion to teach on this subject and see people set free.” John Eckhardt

“We all know people who sometimes act in polar opposites: the minister who is godly, prayerful, and holy at times, yet has periods of sin and perversion; the person who is outgoing and cheerful, yet falls into bouts of withdrawal and depression; or the person who is gentle and kind, yet has periods of outburst and rage. Unshakeable is a teaching unlike any other from best-selling author John Eckhardt on breaking the most binding, demonic force: double-mindedness. Through this powerful book you will develop a firm, Christlike identity that will not be easily shaken by this world. You will learn how to overcome the manifestations of double-mindedness that result in:

- Broken marriages and divorce
- Indecision and passivity
- Bitterness and anger
- Hurt and offense
- Fear and rejection

- Spiritually rooted sickness and disease
- And much more!” Publisher Description

*The Deliverance Topical Bible* (CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, 2015)

“There are numerous scriptures on deliverance. The large number shows us the importance deliverance is given in the Word of God. This Topical Bible is a handy reference tool for those who desire to meditate and familiarize themselves with the subject of deliverance.”

John Eckhardt

*The Prosperity Topical Bible* (CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, 2016)

“Prosperity is an important subject to study because it is God’s will that his children prosper ... The key scripture for The Prosperity Topical Bible is Psalms 35:27 – ‘Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the Lord be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his

servant. God takes pleasure in the prosperity of his servants.” John Eckhardt

Fasting for Breakthrough and Deliverance (Charisma House, 2016)

“You’ve commanded, rebuked, prayed prayers, done warfare, and shouted, but there’s more that needs to be broken off your life. It’s time to add some fasting to your warfare strategy. There is no other way around some demonic strongholds. No shortcuts. You have to fast and humble yourself until that thing breaks and leaves your life.

Demons are different in terms of their wickedness. There are demons that are stronger, more wicked, unclean, and stubborn, and higher in rank, ability, and intelligence. The longer a demon has been in your family or in your life, the harder it is to remove because its roots go very deep. Demons such as rebellion, pride, witchcraft, Jezebel, poverty, and lack may only come out with a high level of faith ... When you fast the anointing

increases in your life because you are so into the Spirit. The authority of God, power of God, and faith of God comes alive when you lay aside some things and fast. You will find yourself getting stronger and stronger. Shouting doesn't do it. It is the anointing that does it."

John Eckhardt

## Key NAR Terms

Here are some of the key terms and concepts that Peter Wagner taught prior to the beginning of the 21st century that were foundational to the rise of the New Apostolic Reformation –

New Apostolic Reformation Apostles and Prophets Third Wave

Warfare Prayer

Prayer Shield

Strategic Level Spiritual Warfare & Intercession Breaking Strongholds

Confronting the Powers

Territorial Spirits

Spiritual Mapping

Healthy Church

## **Next eBook**

We will look at the history of the NAR at the beginning of the 21st Century in the next eBook of our special series about the New Apostolic Reformation.

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