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The Hispanic Studies Department

By Dr. Isaac Canales, SOT professor

What a blessing it has been to direct the Hispanic Church Studies Department. As we now celebrate our 25th anniversary, we have some awesome stories to tell you—Miguel Altamirano, for one. Miguel comes to us from Tijuana. He has come for the last three years. He is a Baptist student in our department and makes the long trip from Mexico once a week. He is up at 3:00 a.m. in the morning and takes the bus to LA from TJ in order to arrive in class by 8:00 a.m. Sometimes he comes on Monday night, stays over until the next day, and then takes the Greyhound home.

Last summer he invited me to speak at his church on a dusty mountaintop overlooking the US-Mexico border. You could see the activity along the barbed wire fence. Rivulets of water ran down the dusty, muddy, rutted dirt road running up to the top of the mountain where he had his church and the cardboard and aluminum building compound that was the Christian school. The dust was blinding. Bare ribbed dogs lapped up the muddy water. He took me proudly to the top and showed me his vision for as far as the eye could see. This was Fuller on a mountaintop—in Mexico.

I was waiting my turn to preach as parents began to emerge from their humble homes, small hovels made of mud stained plywood with corrugated aluminum. The people came in lines, stooped over and cleanly dressed as they slowly made their way to the church and graduation. I waited to speak. I was moved. I became even prouder to be director of this department.

As we celebrate our 25th year of serving the Latino people, one thing to celebrate is the opportunity to serve the Lord Jesus Christ preparing laborers for the Harvest.

By Sanguma T. Mossai, SWM student, Ph.D

I have learned so much since my admission to Fuller Theological Seminary, and it is my pleasure to share God’s miraculous response to my family and me.

In mid-December 1998 I received an invitation to come to Fuller. In four days I said good-bye to my family. My country (Congo) was going through a civil war. I expected my family to join me shortly after the housing conditions had been met. My travel to Central African Republic went smoothly. In only one day I joined missionary friends to fly with Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) from Bangui to Yaoundé, Cameroon. Cameroon was a country I had never been to, but I was able to get my visa within 24 hours. That was a miracle.

All these excellent traveling plans happened without me being informed of what was happening in my hometown. It had become a center of battle. In the news I received, the common words were shootings, killings, looting, and bombing. There was no school, no church work or meetings, and no movement at all. As my wife and kids were worshipping in the church, a bomb was dropped 300 feet away and nobody was killed. Only one of our friend’s children had a leg hurt. Praise the Lord! My family, frightened by the bomb, fled the town and hid themselves in the forest for two months without good food, drink, or medication against malaria.

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A Voice From Fuller Community

By Edna R. Payne, SOT student

AN OPINION

The following piece summarizes many of the sentiments expressed on the Board of Declaration in response to an opinion piece published in the SEMI last quarter about Grammy winner Lauryn Hill. The SEMI is printing this in the interest of encouraging continued conversation.

---C. Valdés, Mng. Ed.

The article written by James S. Kim (Week 10, Winter Quarter, 1999) printed in the SEMI, concerning Lauryn Hill’s actions at the Grammys, has stirred up much controversy on the campus of Fuller Theological Seminary. That article has caused outrage, anger, sorrow, tears, anxiety, bitterness, and apathetic comments by those who could care less. To the SEMI and to the Fuller community at large, it is imperative that the anger, disgust, outrage, sadness, disappointments and apathy fueled by that article be openly discussed and dealt with.

To the Office of Student Services, which is ultimately responsible for the production of the SEMI, please be aware that although there were not numerous written responses (given that this article did appear the week before finals week—quite strategically), the vocal responses among the students were overwhelming.

To the Fuller Theological Seminary community at large, that article and the responses to it have serious implications. The president, deans, students and various other members of this community are currently engaged in serious dialogue concerning the recognition of diversity among the students and reconciliation with regards to racist tactics and/or neglect for the concerns of various groups of students who make up this wonderful community. The fires kindled by such controversial issues have not been put out.

Pay attention Fuller community, especially those of you who are in positions of leadership! The article written by James Kim was like a torpedo aimed at the very core of our souls, causing the small fires to explode into raging infernos. Listen to the voices of students, and others, who took the time to express themselves on the board of declaration, which surely can speak for so many others who did not! If you dare to turn your backs on the ones crying out in the wilderness, understand fully that the blazing infernos will engulf this community in utter destruction.

Because Ms. Hill and her character have been the object of this discussion, it is only fair that she be properly introduced to the Fuller community.

She is the founder of the Refuge Project. This ministry provides recreational, cultural, and mentoring programs for disadvantaged youth. She was awarded the President’s Award by the NAACP for her humanitarianism. During her acceptance of this award she let the nation and the world know that it was not she but God, who is working through her, that this award was for. She gave honor and glory publicly to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. She received five Grammys out of ten nominations. She once again proclaimed the name of our Father and Lord Jesus as the reason she stands to accept the awards. She publicly read from the Bible to the world. She has stepped away from the comfort zone of church groups and seminaries to tell the people that need to hear about the Lord.

SEMI staff, you owe the Fuller Theological Seminary community an apology for this outlandish article. So many people have been hurt by it; this is a serious matter with very serious consequences. The SEMI is a wonderful newsletter and I have truly enjoyed reading every issue since I’ve been a part of this community. Do not allow the sting of one article to smear your reputation as a viable and resourceful entity within this community. Do what is right in the sight of the Lord. It is not whether or not someone at Fuller Theological Seminary should have written such an article about Lauryn Hill; it’s that it was written in such poor taste, especially by an institution that is suppose to represent what Jesus Christ is truly about.

That article attacked me as an African-American (a woman of color), as a woman, and as a child of God who is pursuing Christ daily and striving for purity in my life in spite of the sinful nature which still exists within me. No one is asking you to embrace Lauryn Hill’s sin, but why can’t you embrace her as a sister— even in her sin? Jesus teaches that we are to love our neighbors as ourselves (even our enemies); you are to embrace her by bringing her into accountability. I thank my God that He loves me in spite of my sins; that He loved us so much, “in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.” (Romans 5:8)

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God’s Power Behind a Stray NATO Missile

By Viktor Kostov, SWM student

A while back I was at a lunch with some American friends at the beginning of the war in Yugoslavia. Since I grew up in Bulgaria, they invited me to share the historical background of the situation there. I mentioned that the proximity of Bulgaria and Serbia raised some concerns that a stray NATO missile could hit Bulgarian territory. They were all skeptical of the possibility of such an error. Laser guided weapons were not something with which the US military could make errors.

When a stray missile destroyed a house in the Bulgarian capital Sofia on April 28, it was the third incident of NATO missiles hitting Bulgarian territory. This incidental bombing got in the news because it landed on someone’s house. The LA Times reported that there was no one in the house when the weapon hit. Not exactly.

When I heard that the hit house was in Sofia I was surprised and a bit worried. When more information came in I realized that the house hit was in Gorna Banya, 1/4 of a mile north of where my wife and I used to live and 500 yards from the house of a pastor friend whose church we attended.

Now this was getting too personal. Soon enough I received an email from Andrey, the pastor, on what had happened in Gorna Banya. He and his wife had known the neighbor family, whose house was hit by the missile, for 15 years. They had actively prayed for their salvation for two years. Andrey was able to talk to Konstantin, the owner of the house, immediately after the event.

Konstantin was in the second floor bathroom, shaving, when he looked through the window and saw a ball of fire coming at his house. Next thing he knew was that the ball hit the roof of the house, right above his head. His wife, 2 year old daughter and mother were on the first floor at that time. The pastor later reported that everything of metal in the attic had completely melted due to the high temperature. All the houses around had their windows blown in and shrapnel three inches deep in the walls. Yet, the ceiling above Konstantin did not have a crack in it. The fact that after such a destructive blow on the house none of the family had even a scratch is a miracle.

Of course, the President of Bulgaria, and all sorts of government officials and media visited the place. But only the Christians provided the shocked family with a meal and non-political words of comfort. So it happened that in the morning of that day, the pastor’s wife, during her regular prayer time in the morning, had intensely interceded for Konstantin and his family.

Andrey, the pastor, concluded his e-mail by saying that he believed that this incident was not a “coincidence” but a prophetic event. Through this hard to believe evidence of supernatural protection, Andrey believes God is saying there is no greater weapon than the prayer of the saints and no greater power than the power of God and his mercy.

Some may say, well, they were lucky. Lacking proper information, the LA Times writers could not accept that a house could be hit by a missile and a resident live. So they reported that no one was inside. But for those who know our God and have the eyes of faith this story will serve as an encouragement to pray against the darkness of war and hatred in the Balkans. As of this writing there are already better chances for peace. No doubt that many saints have been crying out to God for the region.

My wife and I will go to Bulgaria this summer. We will probably visit the site of the hit house and possibly get to know the people. If you want a piece of brick or of NATO missile let us know in advance. And please, pray for our trip.

Thai Fantasy Restaurant: 4 out of 5 stars

5900 Monterey Road, Los Angeles (adjacent to South Pasadena)

Dining with Dan!

I found this little gem of a restaurant while out house shopping a few weeks ago. I tested it recently with the rest of the mail center crew. (Oh yes, and I found a house too!)

It’s an easy trek from Fuller (south on Fair Oaks through South Pasadena, turn left on Monterey Road until you get to Via Marisol, and it’s on the corner). It’s about a five mile drive from the seminary, but worth the trip. We were very happy with the prices of the lunch specials. We didn’t have to dig too much out of our pockets to afford this little treat. There are about 15 different lunch specials to choose from at only $4.25 each! Lunch prices are good from 11–3 p.m.

Three of us ordered the red curry chicken lunch. It was everything a good Thai meal should be. There was just enough spice to make your forehead sweat lightly, but not profusely enough to create an environmental hazard at the table. It was complemented by a delicious bowl of Thom Khai soup, which is an invigorating (another word for spicy) blend of chicken, coconut milk, and other yummy add-ons from the Pacific Rim. The rice was perfect and the portion was generous enough to sop (couldn’t think of a better word) all that juice up from the main dish. Mima was brave enough to order the Kung Pao chicken which had enough red peppers in it to completely decorate a Christmas tree. I didn’t see her for days after that meal, but I think she’s OK now. She commented on how tasty it was afterwards.

Thai iced tea is a bargain at $1.25 a glass, and a very nice addition to your lunch. But let me warn you it’s very sweet. So head on down to Thai Fantasy and tell them Dan sent you. Until next time, may your tummies be happy and your heartburns be few.
I had found a house for the family and was approved for the doctoral program at Fuller, but I could not communicate with my family. My daily prayer to God was just to protect them and help them to join me. Miraculously, my wife sent her brother across the border to let me know that they were alive and that I could continue to pray for them. It was a moment of excitement knowing that they were safe, but it was also a moment of depression, feeling that I had made a stupid decision leaving my family. Many friends from Fuller, the Covenant Church here in Pasadena and Eagle Rock, Moragua Presbyterian Church in Mission Viejo, brothers and sisters all throughout the US, and friends in Europe and Africa brought my family to God in prayer.

I was not able to study anymore because I did not really know what was going on with my wife and five children. I noticed that the US paid little attention to Africa—unlike Europe. While people gathered to pray for Kosovo, expressing much concern about the fleeing refugees, I was concentrating prayer for my country and my extended family. God heard our prayer and allowed my family to cross the border to Bangui in very difficult circumstances. We praised the Lord that they were safe and able to join me, and I found peace to continue with my studies.

While my family arrived in Yaoundé, another challenging scenario occurred. Their visas were denied because they came from a war-torn country. This brought us into deep prayer. Their visas were denied several times even though all the documents were available. I started questioning myself: “Does God contradict himself? Why did he allow my family to go through such terrible suffering? Why does my study have to fall at the same time as the terrible situation in my country? What is God’s will at this particular moment? How am I going to know his will at this difficult time?”

All of our efforts seemed to be terminated. Congressmen, Senators, and Christians throughout the US could not understand why the visas were denied. Phone calls, faxes, e-mails were made but nothing could change the US Consul’s decision. Many people helping to get my family here were almost giving up. I could not understand why I was permitted to come and not my family. I told myself that my family was taken hostage in Yaoundé so I better go back. I decided to quit my studies and join them so we could share the suffering together. Friends kept encouraging me not to lose my faith because God who made my studies possible would bring my family to join me.

Most of my friends were saying that now they were praying for God’s miracle because they knew at this time there was nothing more they could do outside of prayer. Many people who knew us and even those who did not but were aware of the situation took it as a burden to pray persistently. And it was this persistent prayer that brought God’s miraculous action to change the heart of those who had rejected my family’s visa for a whole month.

At the Wednesday chapel on April 21 I saw Danielle McMartin come toward me full of joy. She hugged me and with a loving smile announced the good news that my family was coming at last. Their visas finally were approved. In my heart, I said in my language “Praise the Lord.”

Through these circumstances, I have learned so much from Scripture. I was avoid-ing contact with people because they kept asking me how the family was doing. I lacked the words to answer them, so I decided to be alone even though I knew that this depressed me more. I have learned that in Christ, I am not alone.

I learned that God was able to fly one missionary from Bangui, in the Central African Republic (Tom Halgren) just like Moses to care for my family, to plead on their behalf, to speak fearlessly, to convince the authorities, and to coordinate all the efforts from his office. His word to the office of the embassy was “Let my people go.”

We got the visas from Sabuli and the kids so they could leave on Sunday evening. All we needed were the Air France tickets. We had sent Siama a message to have the Air France office issue the tickets the next day. It was not a good day. While it turned out all right in the end, most of the day I didn’t know whether to cry or laugh. We started the day at the US Consular Office. They had lost all the documents for the visas. We were told we needed to re-fill out the application forms and turn in more ID photos. The application forms take hours to fill out. They want to know everything from your birthmarks to the blood type of your grandfather. After an hour, they found the file and said we could come back at 12:15 for the visas. We sent the family back in a taxi and Brian and I hid for a couple of hours as we were carrying $1,500 in CFA in an envelope. It was almost 1:00 p.m. before we finished paying and getting the visas.

Visas had been granted and we thought that was the end of the problem. But when the family landed in Paris they were escorted as criminals through French customs although they had done nothing wrong. They were arbitrarily arrested and escorted to another flight. It was well described in letters from Tom:

“They went through unbelievable bag and body searches and detention in Paris—not only embarrassing but degrading.”

One of my kids (15 years old) describes: “They treated us as if we had killed someone. They would not allow us to go to the restroom and they were shouting at my mom when she stood up to pick up her briefcase.”
Researching Role Models

By Hyun-Joo (Katherine) Lee, SOT student, Ph.D.

When someone asks me why I study Church History as a Ph.D. student, I tend to give a rather simple and personal reason. I love studying history because it teaches me who I am. History explains why I live in the kind of society and culture I live in, and why I am the way I am, speaking the kinds of languages I speak, wearing the kinds of clothes I wear, and eating the kinds of food I eat. In the same manner Church History is also fascinating to me, because it explains who I am as a Christian, showing where my faith originated, and how it has been developed over the centuries and transmitted all the way down to my generation.

My decision to write on the topic of American women missionaries and Asian Christian women in the context of East Asian countries during the modern period came out of my own curiosity about two issues that are personally important to myself—the issue of women in ministry and the issue of Church History in my native cultural context. These issues are important for many at Fuller as well, and hence I would like to share the issues that motivated me to choose the topic for my dissertation.

Study of the work of Christian women, both Western and Eastern, is obviously closely related to the issue of women in ministry. I did not come to be interested in studying Christian women in history out of some sort of feminism, but rather out of my own personal needs for female role models in ministry. I decided to pursue a life of ministry seven years ago and entered into a seminary as a young woman because of a simple but powerful voice calling me to “preach the Gospel.” I did not really know how I was going to obey the calling, since I was a woman, young, and inexperienced. I had to look hard to find female role models in ministry. I had known a couple of women preaching and teaching in parachurch ministries from my college time, but the more deeply I got involved in local church ministries, I found myself alone as a woman. Even in historical readings, I found few examples to follow. I could read about wonderful male models such as St. Augustine, Martin Luther, John Wesley, and Hudson Taylor, but I often wondered whether they could even be role models for me, since I was a woman. I always had a deep concern about how much I could really serve God using my gifts as a woman.

It was such personal concerns of mine which drew me to study women in Church History. This interest in the study of women in Christian history was first brought out by reading a book that many are very familiar with—Daughters of the Church by Tucker and Liefeld—during my M.Div. courses. It was exciting to read about so many Christian women who had made significant contributions to churches and missions since the beginning of Christianity. I was especially exhilarated to read about women who broke out of their domestic sphere in the nineteenth-century and made huge impact upon the Trans-Atlantic revivals, reform movements, and world missions as preachers, evangelists, reform leaders, teachers, scholars, and missionaries. Their stories affirmed my calling and encouraged me tremendously showing that God has used women in all kinds of ministries.

I believe that the lack of role models in ministry is a problem for many women. Women often have to learn how to serve in ministry without many female ministers who can show them how to do it. When we cannot find real live role models around us, we turn to books and stories of individuals in the past. However, until recent decades, Church History has been written mainly from male-centered perspective, and women have been left to find their places in ministry and history by themselves. It is my hope and desire that my research, along with many other studies in the field, may contribute to placing women in their proper place in Church History.

The second important motivation for choosing the research topic is to study women in my native context of East Asia. As a Korean-American who has grown up both in South Korea and the United States, I have a need to find my identity as a Christian woman in both cultures. This is a need that current Church History scholarship is not yet able to meet with competence. Unfortunately, the history of Christianity taught in seminaries today is still very ethnocentric in its nature. Despite the fact that the Gospel reached all five continents long ago, and the largest churches in the world are located in non-western countries, the Church history we study today is far from being global, but rather the history of Western Christianity. As someone who is always seeking to find my identity in history, the Western Christian history explains only a part of who I am, and I have always felt the need to know some of my heritage as an Asian Christian.

For that reason, I have chosen to study both Western and Asian Christian women together in the context of East Asia during the nineteenth century. Women missionaries from the West brought great changes to the lives of women in Asia through their evangelistic, educational, and social efforts during the modern period. On the other hand, many Asian women who had received the Gospel and Western education became forerunners and pioneers in breaking the Confucius bondage of female inferiority in their society. Without their precedence and their pioneering contributions, I never would have been able to enjoy the role and lifestyle I have been enjoying, and I would never have received the kind of education I have received. More importantly, the stories of their faith and witness have encouraged me greatly, showing that God works through women in powerful ways in my native culture as well. The role of Christian women ministers in Korean churches is still very precarious, and it is difficult to find healthy role models of female ministers, especially in teaching and preaching ministries. It is my hope that the research will produce examples of Asian women ministers who can be historical role models for Asian women who are striving to find their ministries in churches today.

It is also my hope that out of this research, I may be able to draw out a story of two very different kinds of sisters working for the same Father, a story that can be told to encourage and strengthen sisters of the following generations who are also working to serve and please the Father.
Good-bye to The MATZ for First Time

By Matt Colwell and Allen Corben, MATZ members

We just weren’t getting enough flowers — Stevan del George, Musical Director

In 1992, Matt Colwell and Laura Schmidt, two second-year Fuller students ran into one another at a Fuller Community House party. They soon discovered that they had a shared love: a cappella music. The two then lamented the lack of a cappella music opportunities at the seminary, and set out to remedy this dearth by starting their own a cappella performance group—a group that might perform secular as well as sacred songs, and include a healthy dose of shtick to boot. Auditions were held, and in the Spring Quarter of 1992, the first performance of The MATZ took place in the Catalyst. As the advertising said, “Four Letters, Five Members.” The audience was so enthusiastic that The MATZ had to fill the size of the venue, and other Fuller special events. During the entire tenure of The MATZ, Fuller has generously provided rehearsal space. To be sure no good deed goes unpunished, The MATZ in return has conceived several Fuller-specific songs, usually in connection to the Fuller Follies, and these have become some of their most frequently requested music.

Anyone who has seen The MATZ perform more than one song at a time knows that the group is also interested in having humor be a key part of what they do, maintaining a serious commitment not to take themselves too seriously. One example of this is the origin and meaning of the name “The MATZ,” itself a source of no small controversy. Some people have suggested that the four letters comprise an acronym, the suggestions for which range from the dignified “Marching Ahead to Zion” to the more compromising “Mostly Atonal. Though Zany.” The occasional soul has focused instead on the welcome mat idea, and suggested the group’s name may represent an invitation to a time and space of Christian community, celebration, and music. Like-minded though cynical observers, noting the group’s self-effacing manner, have suggested instead that the group is just asking to get stepped on.

The MATZ will be in the studio during May to record their first CD. In its continuing commitment to the road less traveled, The MATZ has decided that its CD release party will be most appropriately associated with Fuller guest Zhender. This versatile band has performed at such LA staples as The Troubadour, and will be doing an acoustic set to open the evening. Come for a study break, and say good-bye, for the first time, to The MATZ.

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five feet from where she was sitting on the dirty floor. I was ready to react against the police guard because they were behaving so strangely to us. It was as if we were criminals.” What a bad image they have left with my family!

Sometimes, God twists the evil act to a blessing. My wife said, “I was worried about going through French customs and then finding the right gate to catch the next flight. After being detained for three and a half hours, the six police officers became kind to us. They escorted us to the next gate. We were treated well right into the plane as if we were VIPs—but we were just poor people. Thus, we found our way to the other plane without any struggle. What they did turned out to be a blessing.”

After a stop in Chicago, they landed at LAX at 7:35 p.m. and got out the gate at 7:45. We waited while passengers came out of Reno Air, they got out almost last. Children ran to hug me. The time for distress was gone and the time to rejoice as a united family had come. This fulfilled the dream of Marjorie Miller, from the Pasadena Covenant Church: “a month ago, the Lord gave me a vision I couldn’t share—your family being presented to our church by Charlie (senior pastor) and all of us standing and cheering and clapping.” Now the dream will become real.

Let us celebrate together this joy as I unite with my family. Pray that they will adjust to the new situation, that we will find the right schools for the children and that my wife will learn to find her way around. Pray that I will also find the right balance in this time of adjustment between the time for the family and also for my studies.

Thank you again for being part of this great event in seeing how God answers prayer. We thank him for joining our hearts together in prayer so that great gratitude can return to him. Praise the Lord!
CAMPUS EVENTS

Denomination Visit
May 25 @ 7 p.m.

Fast for Kosovo
May 26
Prayers at the cross (middle of campus) at 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. (Catalyst). Donate the money you save by not eating to humanitarian relief. Partial fasters welcome!

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May 26, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Selected books from all sections of the store at 50% off, sweatshirts and T-shirts, cards, software, etc. MC/Visa, Discover, cash, check, bookstore account.

Palestinian Home Demolitions Presentation
May 26, 27, from noon–2 p.m.
Known by the U.S. government, the government of Israel is demolishing Palestinian homes in the name of territorialism, sending thousands into poverty. Come to Payton 101 to learn from Dr. Fred Bush what is happening and what can be done. Free admission and food. Sponsored by the PJCC.

TGU Graduation Banquet
June 10 @ 6:30 p.m.
TGU is hosting a semi-formal banquet to celebrate the 1999 graduating class June 10 at Doubletree Hotel. All SOT graduates and family members are invited. The cost is $10 per person. Tickets will be on sale in Garth from May 24 to June 3 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Student Insurance Deadlines
The deadline to buy or cancel student health and dental insurance for the summer quarter is June 25. Effective dates of coverage are July 1 through October 1. For more information, call Donald Hornsby at 584-5438.

Resource Booklet Revisions

A Voice From Fuller Community

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Fuller leadership, now is the time for you to seize the opportunity in your meetings and classes to incorporate these types of real issues into your agendas, that we may begin the healing process. The Church and Fuller Theological Seminary (and I’m sure other seminaries as well) show no evidence of a distinctiveness from the world. Romans 12:1-2 says: “I beseech you therefore, brothers [sisters], by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is the good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.” We are not the world, and God clearly warns against our lukewarm attitudes and behaviors in His letter to the Laodiceans (Revelation 3:14-16). God is doing a new thing in these last days; He is raising up a new people—those off the streets (drug dealers, drug addicts, alcoholics, unwed mothers, prostitutes, etc.) whom many of you turn your noses up at. If you don’t cry out or give room for the Lauryn Hills and others who are willing to publicly proclaim Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior—even in the midst of their circumstances and personal, inward struggles—the rocks will cry out, and we will all be put to shame!

Fuller community, let us do what Jesus would do. Let us lay aside our anger and reach out to one another in love and forgiveness. Let us draw inward and seek the truth of God’s Word to touch our own lives in such a way that we begin to heal from the inside out. Let us be the example of Jesus Christ to the world. Let us let our “light so shine that others may see our good works, and glorify our Father which is in heaven.” Let us reach out to James Kim and others who think like he does, and minister in love.

James Kim, I ask that you read three Scriptures, wherein Jesus met three women where they were at, in their sins, ministered to them and then forgave them their sins: Luke 7:36-48 (the female sinner who anointed and kissed Jesus feet); John 4:7-30 (the Samaritan woman at the well, who had five husbands and was currently living with a man; became the first female evangelist); John 8:1-11 (the adulterous woman about to be stoned to death, saved by Jesus’ intervention). As Jesus told the Sadducees “You do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God” (Matthew 22:29).

James Kim and the SEMI staff, I forgive you for your ignorance and insensitivity, and all those who also stand in harsh judgment of God’s children. I pray that God will bless you with His wisdom, understanding and compassion, that you may be a faithful servant of His, empowered to be a special blessing to others.

Let the healing begin! and my God bless you all!

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