

4/14 Window New Praise Festival 60 Cities by 2020 Venture Festival in sixty cities in the world by 2020

Jesus said, "From the lips of children and infants you, Lord, have called forth your praise," (Mat. 21:16).

Expectancy hung in the air as people all over Phnom Penh gathered to hear children praising God with instruments and song at the first praise festival for 4/14ers December 7, 2013. Praise festival for 4/14ers founder Myung Kim described how it had come together, "God let us meet pivotal Cambodian Christian musicians at the right time to help us. Four



Andy Dosan on the Piano

local churches gave prize money as did the Chinese New Praise Support Society, so that we had almost twenty various awards to give to the winners! A TV station recorded and broadcast the event free.



Nonbelieving music teachers sent their students to this event. One hundred and twenty participants played some kind of musical instrument. If the children's choir for special music were included, like in the photo above, 150 young people praised God in this five-hour event.

The praise overflowed to the next week into two different local churches in which there were two winners' recitals on Friday December 13th & Sunday December 15th."

When Myung Kim and I connected at a 4/14 Window mobilization event in Shanghai in November 2011, we both realized the same anchor verse from Scripture based on Psalm

8:2 “Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger” (NIV).



John Hur, Facilitator, 4/14 Window East Asia

A transforming moment took place as Myung translated for on the topic “4/14ers on God’s mission,” one



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morning in a breakfast sponsored by Connecting Business to Marketplace Christians as part of the activities of the 4/14 Window Shanghai Global Conference 2011

facilitated by John Hur. We realized we were on the same mission with the same anchor verse in Mat. 21:16 incorporating the phrase “thou hast perfected praise.” As Psalm 8 unfolds, the story of man, “mankind,” presented in the majestic design of God who creates, cares for and crowns man, the author includes in that design from the very beginning of time, verse two. It is by the mouths of infants and children that God will fulfill a unique purpose.

After Palm Sunday, when Jesus came into the temple, the chief priests and the teachers of the law saw the wonderful things he did and the children shouting in the temple area, “Hosanna to the Son of David,” and became indignant. In Mat 21:16 we read that they came to him and asked him: “Do you hear what these children are saying?” To which he replied: “Yes,” and then asked them the question, “Have you never read, “from the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise’?” Perfect praise in mouths of children procures power toward the fulfillment of God’s missional purposes.

We suddenly realized the significance of the 4/14 Praise Festival and agreed to collaborate in the initiative [4/14 Window New Praise Festival 60 Cities by 2020](#). It was just a dream then but in just two years the 4/14 Window New Praise Festival has been hosted in fourteen cities including Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Chengdu, Yantai, Shenchen and Qingdao in China; Rio de Janeiro in Brazil, Seoul, Changwon and Kwangmyung in Korea, Louisville in Kentucky, Melbourne in Florida and Phnom Penh in

Cambodia. (See website where all the cities involved are shown: <http://newpraise.org/Vision%2060-2020.htm>).

Myung Kim had been active in the engaging the children in praise worship since 2001 with a Children's Piano Hymn Competition in South Korea. He found this was an effective way of rooting children as he discovered that they were drawn to God while they practice praise music on a daily basis; for God is the God who dwells in the praises of Israel (Ps 22:3).

There are good reasons for encouraging children learning to play the historic hymns of the faith on the instruments. Instrumental music easily transcends the barrier of vocal expression. The Bible records pure instrumental music in Ps. 43:4, 45:8, Ps. 71:22, and Zechariah 9:14, which anticipates the day that “the Lord shall blow the trumpet.”

As it turned out, practicing praise music became “a very powerful tool for transforming the mindset of the children as it affected their everyday life, their daily schedule, and their goals in life.”



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“Children's Hymnbook for Piano” to motivate and encourage kids to practice hymn arrangements on a daily basis. (Free downloadable hymn arrangements are available at <http://newpraise.org/2013cambodia.htm>). This book ignited the international children's praise ministry. Children’s lives reflected the changes going on inside of them resulting the support of parents and the beginning of New Praise Support Society (NPSS). Not long afterwards, the winner’s concert of Piano and String instruments wholly dedicated to God came to the famous Carnegie Hall in New York City. It was a night to remember.

Things are rapidly unfolding for 2014 at eighteen different cities at the present time as follows: 1. New York City, Feb; 2. New Jersey Feb; 3. Tokyo Feb; 4. Louisville, KY March; 5. Brazil (Rio de Janeiro and two more cities) May or June; 8. Melbourne, FL July; 7. Seoul, Korea August; 9. Guangzhou, China Sept; 10. Kunming, China Sept; 11. Chengdu, China Sept 12. Yantai, China Sept; 13. Chenjin, China October; 14. Harbin, China October; 15. Beijing, China Oct; 16. Shanghai, China Oct; 17. Urumqi, China Oct; 18. Phnom Penh Cambodia Nov.

The roadmap to 4/14 New Praise Festival is already prepared for any church who wants to host this event in their city. Download [4.14 Window New Praise Festival 60 Cities by 2020 Venture](#) for detailed explanation of the vision and requirements and links to resources including more than 200 hymn arrangements for free and tutorial videos.



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