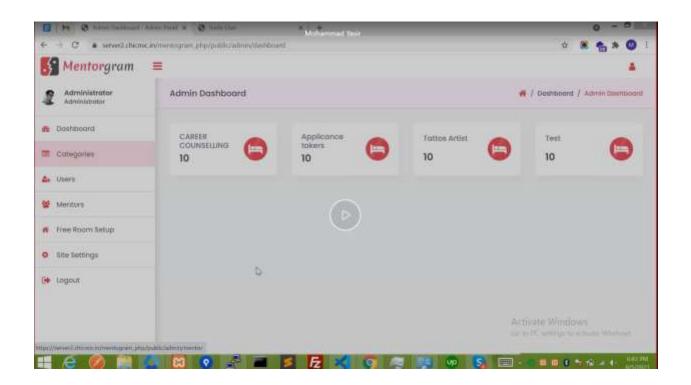


Mentors' Playbook



Unlocking "Mentorship Power" to Reach Your Fullest Potential

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You are receiving this Playbook because at some point in the past 16 years you or someone close to you made the decision to join the Prayer Academy (PA).

You may have joined other prayer marathons after that but the PA is the reason why you now have access to this.

We approach this subject from a deeply spiritual angle. It would be hard for anyone without the proper spiritual foundation to fully grasp this. We begin with warfare prayers.

Please find a quiet place where you can pray for 5 minutes without being distracted.

Close your eyes and take these 3 prayers with fire in your voice:

- 1. I command the stars into war; O Heavens fight for me in the name of Jesus.
- 2. Every demonic conspiracy to disconnect me from my place of blessing, be scattered by fire in the name of Jesus.
- 3. Holy Spirit anointing, fill me to overflowing in the name of Jesus.

Congratulations...

You are going to love this.

Especially if you are an active participant in the Forum.

I log in everyday (and you should too) for a reason I'm about to reveal shortly.

A few weeks ago, I was reading through the praise reports and war stories from Eagles all over the world.

I came across a post entitled:

TESTIMONY: IMMIGRATION STATUS GRANTED

It was posted by Eagle Mercy L.

A single parent with 3 kids, she had applied to be granted leave/ status in the U.K.

After four years the LORD came through for her.

Reading through her long testimony...

... I was reminded of an incident which took place 4 years ago in the same UK.

One prayer warrior brother had applied to be granted status.

His application was rejected multiple times.

Finally, he was served with deportation papers.

After putting up a legal fight which drained him of all his resources, he had no option but to give up.

That eventful morning, he showed at the immigration office at Heathrow Airport.

As his deportation papers were being processed, he suddenly remembered a prophecy he had received from a man of God several years back.

The prophecy specifically said the LORD was sending him to England for an assignment that would last 10 years.

Yet, here he was, just two years after, on the verge of being deported.

He looked around him.

The officer on his case had told him to sit around and wait for his papers to be finalized. It would take up to 30 minutes.

At that moment he felt an urge to speak to someone.

As he scrolled through his contact list, he saw the number of a pastor given to him by a friend a while ago.

He had never heard of the man.

His friend had said many wonderful things about him.

One of which was this preacher and prophet focused mostly on holiness and the second coming of Christ.

Plus, he prayed strange-sounding, prophetic prayers that always come to pass.

He never bothered to call.

But today he was in dire straits and had nothing to lose.

So, he called the number.

He introduced himself and explained his situation.

Let us pray, the man of God said quietly.

He prayed for about a minute and stopped.

Here's what you must do right away, he said.

"Walk up to the immigration officer. Just stand in front of the counter and look at him. Don't say anything."

As he hesitated, trying to process this unusual instruction, the man of God urged him:

"Please do it. Do it now. There's no time to waste!"

So, like a robot, he got up and walked to the immigration window.

He just stood there staring.

After a while, the officer looked up.

"Oh, it appears there's something we might be able to do to save your situation. Here, fill out this form. Sign here."

He filled the form, signed and handed it back to the officer, who immediately hurried into an inner office, paper in hand.

He waited.

Finally, after what seemed like an eternity, the officer came back beaming with smiles.

His case was being reconsidered, he announced.

That brother never got deported.

He got to stay and fulfil his divine assignment.

Praise the LORD.

Keep this at the back of your mind as we take a biblical look into what led to that spectacular, last-minute breakthrough.

But first, it is time to pray again.

Please close your eyes and take this prayer:

Every power assigned to remove me from my place of divine assignment, fall down and die in the name of Jesus.

Let's go to the scriptures.

We begin with the story of Bathsheba (no, not the popular one you heard).

We pick up the story from 1 Kings 1:11-27.

So Nathan spoke to Bathsheba the mother of Solomon, saying, "Have you not heard that Adonijah the son of Haggith has become king, and David our lord does not know it? Come, please, let me now give you advice, that you may save your own life and the life of your son Solomon. Go immediately to King David and say to him,

'Did you not, my lord, O king, swear to your maidservant, saying, "Assuredly your son Solomon shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne"? Why then has Adonijah become king?'

Then, while you are still talking there with the king, I also will come in after you and confirm your words."

So Bathsheba went into the chamber to the king. (Now the king was very old, and Abishag the Shunammite was serving the king.)

And Bathsheba bowed and did homage to the king. Then the king said, "What is your wish?"

Then she said to him, "My lord, you swore by the Lord your God to your maidservant, saying, 'Assuredly Solomon your son shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne.'

So now, look! Adonijah has become king; and now, my lord the king, you do not know about it. He has sacrificed oxen and fattened cattle and sheep in abundance, and has invited all the sons of the king, Abiathar the priest, and Joab the commander of the army; but Solomon your servant he has not invited. And as for you, my lord, O king, the eyes of all Israel are on you, that you should tell them who will sit on the throne of my lord the king after him.

Otherwise it will happen, when my lord the king rests with his fathers, that I and my son Solomon will be counted as offenders."

And just then, while she was still talking with the king, Nathan the prophet also came in. So they told the king, saying, "Here is Nathan the prophet."

And when he came in before the king, he bowed down before the king with his face to the ground.

And Nathan said, "My lord, O king, have you said, 'Adonijah shall reign after me, and he shall sit on my throne'?

For he has gone down today and has sacrificed oxen and fattened cattle and sheep in abundance, and has invited all the king's sons, and the commanders of the army, and Abiathar the priest; and look! They are eating and drinking before him; and they say, 'Long live King Adonijah!'

But he has not invited me—me your servant—nor Zadok the priest, nor Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, nor your servant Solomon.

Has this thing been done by my lord the king, and you have not told your servant who should sit on the throne of my lord the king after him?"

Here's the backstory.

Another of king David's sons has just usurped the position of king, a position that was reserved for Solomon by the LORD.

To salvage the situation, the prophet Nathan takes center stage.

He says to Bathsheba, Solomon's mother:

Come, please, let me now give you advice... v.13

Right here, the prophet was playing the role of one of three persons you must have in your life if you want to fulfil your divine destiny.

(I will spell out the role in a minute)

Let's look closely at this prophet.

This was the same man the LORD sent to king David after he secretly committed adultery with Bathsheba and had her husband killed.

He went, rebuked the king and pronounced God's judgment on him and his household.

Today, we need to appreciate how dangerous that mission really was.

In those day, some kings would command such a prophet to be put to death for daring to bring such bad news.

But David was not like most kings.

He quickly acknowledged his crimes and repented.

In that instance, the prophet was playing one type of role.

In this passage we read, we see him in another role.

David had different prophets for different seasons of his wildly successful life and kingship.

From Samuel to Nathan to Gad... each of them played KEY roles that helped propel him into his glorious destiny.

And the result?

He never lost a battle.

He became a man after God's heart.

He was the sweet psalmist of Israel.

He always had divine help, firstly from the LORD.

Behold, God is my helper; The Lord is the sustainer of my soul.- Ps. 54:4

The LORD followed up with prophetic help to guide and assist him at different points in his life journey.

A closer look at his life reveals the 3 flesh-and-blood persons he needed to reach great heights of success and victory.

Person #1: Pastor

Person #2: Mentor

Person #3: Coach

Who played what role?

Person #1: Pastor

In the life of David, the prophet Samuel combined this role with many others.

He was the one used of the LORD to set him on his victorious journey. He provided the spiritual and moral leadership that David sorely needed.

He anointed David king, sheltered him as he fled from Saul, and stood by him all through his travails.

During that stressful period, David got to learn first-hand the right ways of the LORD.

Person #2: Mentor

No one played this role better than the prophet Nathan.

He was a prophetic mentor. His task was to provide foundational and directional guidance.

This is CRUCIAL.

Without timely, directional guidance from this prophet, David could have found himself embarking on what we sometimes call, "profitless hard work."

For example:

At one point he really felt like building a house for the LORD.

The prophet even agreed that it was a great idea.

He encouraged David:

"Do all that is in your heart" – 2 Sam. 7

Thank God he had a prophet's ear (and could hear the LORD clearly).

That night the LORD told the prophet to <u>stop</u> him from going ahead with the project.

We're seeing here a man that is more than a mentor. He is a prophetic mentor.

Person #3: Coach

Like a sports coach, this person gives the play-by-play, handson type of advice needed to win specific games.

It turns out David had such a coach in the person of prophet Gad. The Bible calls him David's seer.

In a spiritual sense, he was in charge of the moment-bymoment, play-by-play action.

The work of a coach is more granular, taking care of the smallest details.

He or she would tell you:

Do this specific thing in this specific way at this specific time.

In the realm of the spirit, the prophetic coach is highly prized.

David knew this.

So he kept one really close.

Even though he himself also had strong prophetic gifts.

A prophetic coach proved worth way more than his weight in gold.

Look at the dilemma he once found himself in.

In 2 Sam. 24 we read about David's census, something that should never have happened.

It was a strange situation. By the time he realized his mistake it was too late.

Right on cue, the prophet Gad steps in.

The role he is playing here is that of a coach.

He gives 3 very specific options and allowed David to make his choice.

Shortly after, he showed up again to deliver a specific solution to the national calamity that occurred.

I Hope You Are Seeing These 3 Persons Clearly

As an aside, those who don't read anything closely or pay attention while ready may completely miss the significance of what I've just explained.

Let me bring this closer to home...

The 3 roles (or persons) just described could have saved you a bucket of tears in the last 20 years or so ...

... if only you had them in your life.

Even now, they could still save you from going down the wrong paths.

You could begin to pray them into manifestation in your life.

Of course, you will need to recognize them when they show up (more about his coming up).

At times one person can play two of the three roles at various times but it is very rare for one person to play all three roles at all times. Remember the story of the brother with an urgent immigration problem mentioned earlier?

The pastor he called was playing the role of a prophetic coach.

Same role prophet Nathan played in the Bathsheba case.

Same role the prophet Gad played in David's case.

This is a universal truth:

No matter how anointed, wise, or capable you might be, you still need spiritual and temporal support ...

... you need flesh-and-blood persons playing these roles in your life ...

... if you desire to reach anywhere beyond 30 percent of your God-given potentials.

This is a Law of Nature and it Affects You Too!

There is a lesson hiding in plain sight if you look closely at this picture.

First, consider this verse of scripture:

Joseph is a fruitful vine, a fruitful vine near a spring, whose branches climb over a wall. – Gen, 49:22 (NIV)

I looked up the picture of vines, specifically climbing vines.

Many of them will not attain full maturity if growing horizontally along the ground ...

... and will only become mature, flower and produce fruits once they grow vertically and have reached high sun exposure.

Here's something to keep in mind:

If there is no support for them to climb on, they will not be able to reach the level of exposure to enough sunlight. They will fail to grow out of reach of potential herbivores (organisms that feed on plants).

They will continually struggle to avoid the shading from other ground layer plants.

In other words: the struggle for survival will be really tough.

Vines and other climbing plants need support for them to climb on to gain competitive advantage in their quest for brighter light conditions.

Ideally, the vine will want to have its roots in fertile soil with adequate moisture, but it also seeks to grow in full sun conditions, possibly with support for them to climb on.

The methods of climbing are important to consider. Some will require carefully constructed support to twine around like this pergola:



Fig. 1: Vine twining around pergola

Other vines will require objects such as wire and guides to wrap around.

Yet others will require rocks, bricks to walls to cling to.

Take a close look at this next one:



Fig. 2: Pumpkin with support

It is a specie of pumpkin found in some parts of Africa. An important source of food, the leaves are rich in vital nutrients.

It needs two levels of support to reach maximum capacity.

A stake close to the plant to help it start the upward journey to the canopy above. Once it reaches the canopy, where it can spread out in the sun, it is ready to produce the biggest size fruits possible.

Question is:

Can it still produce fruits without the stake and canopy for support?

Yes, but the fruits will be fewer in number and much smaller in size.

What a great lesson from nature.

It would be impossible to reach your fullest potential without strategic support from others...

... who are able, ready and willing to play the roles of pastor, mentor and coach as we've discussed here.

Whenever you find any of these persons operating with an added prophetic edge, you can be sure of a fast-track to overarching success in many areas of your life.

Dawn of A New Era:

Prophetic Mentoring and Coaching for You

I have a pastor.

I have mentors – spiritual, professional, etc.

I have coaches – both spiritual and temporal.

Now, I wish I could tell you it was easy to "recognize" these mentors / coaches

lt was not.

It took me many years, and in most cases, careful analysis of data to discover who has played what significant role in my life.

Case in point:

It was not that long ago that the scales fell off my eyes.

That was when I realized that a certain man of God has always been there at the most crucial **turning points** of my life.

Such as:

- Before I met my spouse
- Before I started this online community
- Before a significant career move that landed me smack in the center of God's will

I refer to him as a *foundational* mentor.

All this I did not receive by revelation.

By carefully going over my life, looking at my personal data, the LORD helped me to glean this insight.

As soon as this reality dawned on me, I gave him a call.

By the way, we had not spoken or seen each other in years.

The moment he began to speak I was amazed to hear him talk about a project the LORD has laid on my heart (which I'll be sharing with you in a moment).

Therefore, I call him a foundational mentor.

Because he is always there before the start of a new season.

Let Me Quickly Clarify Something Here

A word about the prophetic gift required for the kind of mentoring and coaching we have been discussing here...

It is a supernatural manifestation of the Spirit of God giving supernatural utterance in the speaker's own language.

It is not necessarily fore-telling (i.e., predicting future events).

The gift is NOT the office of a prophet, which is a ministerial gift (1 Cor. 12:28, 14:29).

The gift is NOT oratorical ability possessed by many motivational speakers and charismatic leaders.

It does NOT depend on education, talent, or training.

It is NOT the same as preaching (which is a ministerial gift).

Rather ...

This spiritual gift is "**forth-telling**" (1 Cor. 14:4).

It's all about the Spirit of God, speaking through a person, to comfort, to strengthen, to encourage, to make appeals, to give warnings or advice.

You receive guidance as to the mind of the Spirit.

This is not to be despised, as some people do (1 Thes. 5:20).

This is for women as well as men... for all Spirit-filled believers (1 Cor. 11).

Most prophets of the Bible played dual roles:

- Foretelling the future
- Forth-telling to empower the people to initiate and complete their divine assignments

We find a great example in Ezra 6:14:

So the elders of the Jews built, and they prospered through the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo. And they built and finished it, according to the commandment of the God of Israel, and according to the command of Cyrus, Darius, and Artaxerxes king of Persia. A call had gone forth to rebuild the temple at Jerusalem.

It was not an easy task. So two strong prophets were deployed by the Spirit of the LORD ...

... to mount a prophetic campaign to see them through to success.

Without the tireless prophesyings by these prophets it is doubtful that the job would have gotten off the ground.

They were God's spokesmen or spiritual swordsmen...

... **spitting prophetic fire**... flowing forth as the fountains of Heaven... enabling the Word of the LORD to "spring forth" and overflow into the physical environment...

... igniting a firestorm of divine energy to propel the people into immediate action...

... for the sole purpose of accomplishing that landmark divine project.

There's a counterfeit to this.

Today, the devil uses some media outlets to broadcast demonic pronouncements and enchantments from the pit of hell...

... for the opposite purpose of advancing satan's agenda on the earth.

There's Good News in All This

You do not have to be a great biblical prophet to engage in forth-telling.

What's more...

You do not have to run out and search for prophets to be your mentors or coaches.

Just this past week I was speaking to a colleague of mine.

We met in graduate school years ago.

She is multi-talented: An engineering PhD as well as poet and evangelist.

During our conversation she suddenly asked me about how the prayer bullets came about.

She had written a back-to-basics book to remind believers of the fundamentals of our faith. She was seeking ideas on how to get the book in front of those who needed to read it.

I explained how the prayers were sort of "downloaded" into my spirit.

In my example I used the Prayer DNA prayers (at the end of the book).

As I talked it gradually dawned on her that she too has experienced the same thing.

Twice.

One time, a heavenly poem was "downloaded" to her spirit.

Believe it or not, it had nothing to do with preaching or the gospel.

It was about mathematics!

Long before then, probably 20 years earlier, she had received 10 strategies to turn any child into a math genius.

She wrote it all down and put it aside.

As she talked, something clicked in my spirit.

I urged her to drop everything else she was doing and get that little book on Amazon's self-publishing platform.

For the next hour what transpired was a classic study in prophetic foundational mentoring.

Because I could see that little book is the KEY to a mighty door that's about to swing open for her.

All these years something has been missing. A piece to complete the puzzle.

What's this missing piece?

A path-breaking forth-teller in the mold of prophets Haggai and Zechariah.

Beyond Prophetic Mentoring, Things Get Even MORE Interesting

Please ...

I don't want you thinking I'm specially anointed to do forthtelling as I've just described. I just needed you to get a sense of this process so you can recognize it when you encounter it.

Many of you are already experiencing something like this. I can see it when I read some posts in the Forum.

Only thing is you are not aware of what's going on.

Next time you log into the Forum please pay close attention to what the intercessors and "encouragers" are saying.

Study their posts for clues.

Here's a recent one posted by Eagle Renette.

She describes a situation where she had to pray for really sick people.

Twice.

Flow, Healing River, Flow

"Monday afternoon 7/9/21 this miracle was instant.

I prayed for a woman by PHONE she lives in another country she HAD OVARIAN Cancer and fibroids.

She was dying. She was finished, couldn't even lift the phone, she could hardly speak. Just waiting for the end.

I declared Romans 8 and Exodus 23 vs 25

I prayed Resurrection Prayers, prayers against death and hell as taught by our Coach. Prayed over a glass of water declaring it's the blood of Jesus. She sipped it.

She was instantly healed.

While I was praying for her, she started to shout her voice came back.

Her husband used to massage her every night. Tonight, he asked her don't you want massage, she said no pain.

Later the same day her DEAD BUSINESS was restored. Someone called her to do a function, On Tuesday 8/9/21 she went shopping. She walked from shop to shop just enjoying being ALIVE and out. Arisen from the dead. To God and God alone be all glory. Thank you, Lord, for answered prayers in Jesus name

Monday I also prayed for a man with high blood pressure. God healed him. Doctors can find nothing.

Thank you, Lord, for answered prayers in Jesus name."

Praise the LORD.

What many do not realize is that a powerful healing anointing can flow through YOU as a result of your being connected to our prayer coaching community.

Because this is really a spiritual healing ministry disguised as a prayer community.

I have never publicly shared with anyone what Eagle Renette did in the first testimony but in the heat of battle the Holy Spirit directed her to do it.

Notice that she didn't use the same approach in the second testimony.

Because spiritual things are NOT formulaic.

She received divine guidance at the moment of truth.

Without being a prophet, you can tell this is part of her calling (she may not even be aware of this).

Why?

Obviously, she has her personal issues to grapple with.

And the enemy will keep whispering,

"Why do you even bother? See your problems here and there?

You can't help others when you have this stubborn problem over here!

People will wonder why your prayers are not answered.

Don't be silly.

Don't you just feel like a fraud if you continue to talk about God's love when your prayers are not even answered.

Blah, blah, blah ..."

This is why so many people get discouraged and give up.

It could be hard to silence that evil voice and get with the Father's business.

What's our response?

We are not going to let the devil get away with this.

As I write this, we have just launched an Invite-only Mentors platform.

It is called *Mentorgram*.

Beta testing just kicked off.

We are now in the process of inviting people like Renette and "forth-telling" them into position where they can help mento/coach other believers regarding many challenging issues in their lives.

And it's not just going to be about spiritual matters.

Shortly we will invite mentors and coaches from other walks of life to set up their profiles in other categories.

Areas such as:

Parenting	Nutrition
 Cooking 	 Weight loss
Counseling	 Relationships
• Business	Marriage
 Product creation 	• Travel
 Design 	 Organic farming
Music	 Hydroponics
 Marketing 	• Golf
 Internet advertising 	 Social media
 Presentations 	• etc.

One of the best ways to learn something is to teach it.

Most of our readers are over 30 years old.

That places you in the pole position to impact the younger generations through mentoring and coaching.

This is a trumpet call for you to become an expert at something.

Then find people to mentor, especially younger people.

Nothing establishes you as an expert in a field (any field) as a published book.

Write a short book about your area of interest (it doesn't have to be very long).

On *Mentorgram* we will deploy the power of Artificial Intelligence (AI) to locate and send you targeted audience hungry to access your wisdom and knowledge in your particular area.

These days I tell anyone who cares to listen:

Please don't just sit there, looking and feeling helpless.

All is not lost.

Right now, I see an "Elisha Stick" in your hands.

You must immediately throw it into the fast-moving water to recover your missing axe head (2 Kings 6).

Let us recap:

You need two to three persons in your life playing the roles of (a) pastor (b) mentor (c) coach...

... so you can reach your fullest potential, no matter your age, situation or experience.

On the flip side, you also need to give serious consideration to the question:

• Who can I pastor, mentor, or coach to the point of success beyond what they are already having?

You might be wondering:

How can I say that with a straight face when I'm still struggling with ______ (fill in the blanks)?

I have news for you.

Many of us have spent decades going round and round in the wilderness.

Others have been totally diverted from Heaven's original purpose for their lives.

Proverbs 13:20 gives us a clue to the solution:

He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

Imagine how your life will be different today if you had access to the kind of mentoring/coaching that David had.

Can you identify someone who has played something akin to these roles in your life?

Then going forward, you need to prayerfully invest in the relationship ... giving honor to whom honor is due.

Check their track record (with you) and make a decision on your next step forward.

The Dark Side of A Mentor-Less Life

It is not for nothing that high-performance athletes, business people, top CEOs have their private coaches and mentors.

There are destiny-altering consequences for anyone operating solo, like a lone wolf...

... without mentors or coaches to give support and guidance from time to time...

... or to be saddled with the wrong mentors/coaches.

One such consequence is satanic diversion.

This is a deadly one.

Many people are currently suffering through evil diversion of their destiny.

Unfortunately, sometimes the destiny of entire families can be diverted.

If a person meant to be at a specific place doing a specific task has already been diverted to somewhere half the world away where he/she is engaged in something without Heaven's seal of approval ...

... life will be a vicious, uphill battle just to survive or make tiny progress.

There is a more insidious form of diversion.

The devil is an expert at talking people out of their divine path in life, by dangling something in front of them that looks pretty exciting (remember Eve in the Bible).

Once they bite, the enemy might allow them to have some mediocre level of success, just to keep them away from their true purpose in life.

No wonder there is so much mediocrity in our world today.

Such people need a "forth-telling" mentor to pull them out of the satanic sandbox.

Welcome to Mentorgram.