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210 Learning Conversations Highlighted at *Empowered21* *Global Congress* in Tulsa, OK April 2010

Tulsa, Okla. – The Reverend Billy Wilson, Chair of ***Empowered21*** and Executive Director of the *International Center for Spiritual Renewal*, recently announced that there will be an unprecedented 210 different learning conversations offered at ***Empowered21: Global Congress on Holy Spirit Empowerment in the 21st Century*** in Tulsa, Okla. April 8-10, 2010.

The three-day global event is slated to have conversation leaders from Africa, Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, Asia and North America. Some of the conversation leaders include Kelly Wright, *FOX News* Correspondent, Guillermo Maldonado, Sr. Pastor of *Ministerio Internacional El Rey Jesús*, Michael Colman, CEO *Integrity Media*, Claudio Friedzon, Founder of *Rey de Reyes Church* and President of *Claudio Friedzon Ministries*, Argentina, worship leaders Ana Paula Bessa, Integrity artist and leader of *Diante do Trono*, Brazil and Marcos Witt, E. A. Adeboye, Pastor and General Overseer of *The Redeemed Christian Church of God*, Nigeria, Matthew Barnett, Pastor of *Los Angeles Dream Center*, Phil Cooke, Founder of *Cooke Pictures*, Ron Luce, President and Founder of *Teen Mania Ministries*, Stephan Christiansen, Founder of *Jesus Revolution*, Norway, Ulf Ekman, Founder and Pastor of *Word of Life Church* and Founder and President of *Livets Ord University* in Sweden, Chris Hodges, Sr. Pastor of *Church of the Highlands*, Chip Brim of *Champions 4 Christ*, Lisa Bevere, Co-Founder of *Messengers International*, Kari Jobe, Worship Pastor, *Gateway Church* and *Integrity Artist*, and many more.

These Learning Conversations will allow event attendees an opportunity to hear from world-renowned scholars and ministry leaders. In addition to the presentation, there will be discussion on the topic with the conversation leader.

"I am very excited to announce that there will be more than 210 learning tracks at the ***Empowered21 Global Congress***, stated Wilson. "This is an unprecedented opportunity for Christians of all ages and ethnic backgrounds from around the world to learn, sharpen their ministry efforts and be empowered for total effectiveness in the Holy Spirit Movement in the 21st century."

Wilson continued, "Led by a remarkable and diverse coalition of international scholars,

leaders, pastors, teachers and evangelists, the **Empowered21 Global Congress** will be the biggest Spirit-filled, intellectual and cutting-edge event in this century to date. Leaders, pastors and next-gens cannot afford to miss this event."

Dr. Jack Hayford, President of the Foursquare Church and **Empowered21 cabinet member** stated that "the **Empowered21 Global Congress** offers leaders worldwide with an opportunity to discuss marketplace and ministry leadership issues in the 21st century that are vital to ensuring that we seize the moment in our pursuit of the Great Commission and in effectively taking the Good News of our Savior Jesus Christ to a modern world. This is a foundational and unprecedented opportunity in the dynamic of the modern Christian church to seek new ways and more effective strategies to learn about God's Word, his heart for the lost and the need to touch souls for Christ worldwide. I urge leaders from across the world to join us in prayer and in attending the **Empower21 Global Congress** this next April."

Since December 2008, **Empowered21** (www.empowered21.com) has conducted 15 unique conversations with over 500 leaders, scholars and next gen leaders/students from 54 nations on five continents. Other **E21** conversations have taken place in cities across America and in Nigeria, Kenya, Democratic Republic of Congo, Hong Kong, Germany and Chile.

The 210 Learning Conversations are grouped into 35 unique Conversation Tracks. The Conversation tracks and chairs are: **Track:** Empowered for Today's Urban Challenge, **Chair:** Reggie Witherspoon, Pastor of Mt. Calvary Christian Center, COGIC. **Track:** Empowered for 21st Century Growth, **Chair:** Joe Champion, Senior Pastor of Celebration Church, Texas. **Track:** The Holy Spirit and the 21st Century Family, **Chair:** David Ferguson, Executive Director of Intimate Life Ministries. **Track:** Media Ministry in the 21st Century, **Chair:** Phil Cooke, Founder of Cooke Pictures. **Track:** Empowered to Worship I, **Chair:** Michael Coleman, CEO of Integrity Media. **Track:** Empowered to Worship II, **Chair:** Craig Dunnagan, Vice President of Church Resources with Integrity Media. **Track:** Empowered Prayer: A 21st Century Movement, **Chair:** Stuart Greaves, Director of the NightWatch at the International House of Prayer. **Track:** Global Mission in the 21st Century, **Chair:** David Shibley, Founder and President of Global Advance. **Track:** Youth Ministry in the 21st Century, **Chair:** Joel Stockstill, Youth Pastor of Bethany World Prayer Center, LA. **Track:** Empowering Women for Ministry, **Chair:** Lisa Bevere, Co-founder of Messenger International. **Track:** The Holy Spirit and the 21st Century Hispanic Challenges, **Chair:** Samuel Rodriguez, President of National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference. **Track:** Empowered for Signs and Wonders in the 21st Century, **Chair:** Guillermo Maldonado, Senior Pastor of Ministerio Internacional El Rey Jesus. **Track:** Empowered to Care, **Chair:** Dino Rizzo, Lead Pastor of Healing Place Church. **Track:** Issues Today's Youth Must be Empowered to Face, **Chair:** Ron Luce, Founder and President of Teen Mania Ministries. **Track:** Empowered for Every Person's World, **Chair:** Mary Banks, Executive Coach and Owner of W.O.W. Consulting Group. **Track:** Church Planting in the 21st Century, **Chair:** Billy Hornsby, Board President of the Association of Related Churches. **Track:** Theological Challenges of the 21st Century (5 tracks), **Chair:** Vinson Synan, Dean Emeritus of Regent University. **Track:** The Holy Spirit and Today's Middle East, **Chair:** Robert Stearns, Founder and Executive Director of Eagles' Wings. **Track:** New Generations and the Power of the Spirit, **Chair:** Jay Mooney, National Youth Director of the Assemblies of God USA. **Track:** People of the Horizon: The Prophetic in the 21st Century, **Chair:** Cindy Jacobs, Co-founder

of Generals International. **Track:** Spiritual Fatherhood and Sonship: Engaging an Intergenerational Dialogue, **Chair:** Kenneth Ulmer, Senior Pastor of Faithful Central Bible Church. **Track:** Arts and the Power of the Holy Spirit, **Chair:** Ron Dicianni of Ron Dicianni Art. **Track:** In All the World, **Chair:** Robert Hoskins, President of OneHope. **Track:** Empowered for the King's Business, **Chair:** Al Hollingsworth, President of BOSS, The Movement. **Track:** Empowered Education (The Challenges Facing Christian Educators Today), **Chair:** Harold Bennett, President-Dean of Charles H. Mason Theological Seminary. **Track:** Empowered to Engage in the Public Arena (Sports, Politics), **Chair:** Chip Brim, Founder and Executive Director of Champions 4 Christ. **Track:** Golden Updates of the Charismatic Renewal, **Chair:** Russ Spittler, Provost Emeritus and Professor of New Testament at Fuller Theological Seminary. **Track:** Empowered for Today's Latin America, **Chair:** Jonas Gonzalez, President of Enlace TBN. **Track:** Children's Ministry in the 21st Century, **Chair:** Jacques van Bommel, President of Reaching A Generation (RAG). **Track:** Leadership Principles for the 21st Century. **Track:** Healing Ministry in the 21st Century Church.

Further detail will be posted as they are available at www.empowered21.com. Online registration is available at www.empowered21.com/registration.php.

Empowered21 is being formed by the Commission on Holy Spirit Empowerment in the 21st Century. The Commission is facilitated by the International Center for Spiritual Renewal in cooperation with Oral Roberts University. **Empowered21** will be held April 8-10, 2010 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. For more information on **Empowered21** or the Commission on Holy Spirit Empowerment in the 21st Century, go to www.empowered21.com.

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