

Redeeming Grace Evangelistic Ministries International



The mandate & blessings of multi-cultural worship

Worship before God's throne is experienced in holiness, in spirit, and in truth, as a multi-ethnic, multi-cultural holy convocation of the nations. The universal Church of Jesus Christ is assembled as one people to praise the Creator of heaven and earth. To this fact the Apostle John testified:

I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could count, from every nation and all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palm branches in their hands; and they cry out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." (Revelation 7:9-10, NASB)

This eschatological make up of Christian worship is also noted earlier in chapter 5:9-10, when the Lamb of God is praised as worthy to take the Book and break its seals:

...for you were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood, men from every tribe and tongue and people and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign upon the earth."

Therefore, RGEM International considers the ethnic and cultural diversity of our community as wonderful blessings of God, and an amazing opportunity to experience a foretaste of living in oneness as the people of God and worshipping Him in one spirit with and among the nations. The Apostle Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, made it abundantly clear to the Jewish *Diaspora* crowd gathered at Pentecost; which are described as "devout men from every nation under heaven," the following:

For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself. (Acts 3: 39, NASB)

Consequently, in the name of Christ Jesus our risen Lord and coming King, we joyfully invite you to come all you nations... and all you peoples... as the Psalmist reminds us:



Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations. (Matthew 28:19a, NASB)

**O clap your hands, all peoples;
Shout to God with the voice of Joy.**

**For the Lord Most High is to be feared.
A great King over all the earth.**

**Sing praises to God, sing praises;
Sing praises to our King, sing praises**



**God reigns over the nations,
God sits on His holy throne.**

**For the princes of the people have assembled
themselves as the people of the God of Abraham,**

**For the shields of the earth belong to God;
He is highly exalted.**

(Psalm 47: 1-2, 6, 8-9, NASB)

