



The Plumbline

Assessing Current Teachings, Issues and Events with Scripture

Chuck Pierce, The Kabbalist Apostle and Heir Apparent for the NAR.

Apostle Chuck Pierce is known to be the heir apparent to G. Peter Wagner the presiding Apostle of the New Apostolic Reformation and the convening Apostle of the International Coalition of Apostles. The NAR and ICA is the brain child of Wagner. Using his very considerable organizational skills, Wagner has managed to cobble together and coalesce nearly all the independent Charismatic movement into a global structure. This movement which tends to avoid publicity attempts for now to fly under the radar. The NAR is interconnected around the globe. The movement has revived the theology of the New Order of the Latter Rain from the 40' and 50's. They assiduously avoid the title LR because of some the most controversial aspects of this fringe group that was denounced by the AOG in the 50's. The LR, however, survived and lived on and found new acceptance in the free-wheeling days of the Charismatic Renewal. Wagner's genius has been to weld together these disparate independent entities into a world wide authority structure. This structure has internationally swallowed up thousands of independent churches and even the entire AOG denomination in Australia. All of these designated apostles represent huge ministries of their own but they have come into and under the NAR. The glue that holds them together is the teaching that restored foundational Apostles and Prophets now direct and receive a continual stream of direct revelation from God. Some designated apostles do not openly claim the title of apostle and still for the time being are embedded in their parent denominations. But they participate in the various levels of the structure of the NAR and to various degrees preach and promote Latter Rain ideas. Before turning our attention to Chuck Pierce, it will be helpful to review the extent of the structure of the NAR

1. **Wagner** is the convening head of the International Coalition of Apostles. He is 80 years old this year
2. **The ICA** (Int. Coalition of Apostles). This includes several hundred in the USA and at least 400 worldwide.
3. **Chuck Pierce** and **Wagner's** wife **Doris** are Vice-Presidents and **John Kelly** is an ambassador Apostle.
4. **the Apostolic Council of Accountability**, includes **Naomi Dowdy**, **Ed Silviso**, **Dennis Peacocke**, **Bill Hamon**, **Joseph Patera**, **Ron Cottle** **James Chosa**, **Dan Juster** (Messianic) **Pat Francis**, **George Bakolov**, **John Eckhardt** and **H. Daniel Wilson**.
5. **The Apostolic Council of Prophetic Elders**. The ACPE is an inner circle of about 40 Prophets and Seers. Not all the members are published but it is known that there is an inner circle of about 40. We do know that **Lou Engle**, **Chuck Pierce** (apostle and prophet), **Cindy Jacobs**, **Mary Glazier** (Sarah Palin's prayer partner), **Denny Cline** and **Steve Schultz** who leads the **Elijah List** on line are ACPE members.
6. **The United States Global Apostolic Prayer Network**. The USGAPN is led by apostle **Dutch Sheets**, **Wagner's** personal pastor and 3rd in command after **Wagner**, and heir

- apparent, Chuck Pierce of Glory of Zion Ministries.
7. **The National Governmental Prayer Alliance.** This falls under Dutch Sheets and is led by Timmerle Barnes.
 8. **United States Prayer Reformation Network.** Cindy Jacobs, Apostle and Prophet and head of Generals Int. is the top woman apostle beside Doris Wagner.
 9. **Market Place Apostles.** These Apostles are given great prominence in the movement. Their Prominent role is to “take dominion” in the area of business and finance. They are tasked with making the great transfer of wealth from the ungodly to the Kingdom of God. Wagner has decreed a 48 apostolic council to be in charge of over-seeing this wealth transfer. The leading teacher in this area is Ed Silvano.
 10. **International Society of Deliverance Ministries.** This is headed by Bill and Janet Sudduth. Apostle Chris Hayworth leads a ministry called “Cleansing Streams Ministries, which originated at Jack Hayford’s “Church on the Way.” Hayford retains apostolic authority over this network.
 11. **Eagles Vision Apostolic Team.** This is secretive inner circle whose membership is not known.
 12. **The Apostolic Council for Education and Accountability.** This is Wagner’s attempt at a trans-world accreditation body of their teaching and media activities.
 13. **Wagner Leadership Institute.** WLI includes over 12 regional divisions in Canada, UK, Asia, Australia, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Singapore, Japan, Korea Kenya Mexico and Rwanda. These institutes issue diplomas in prophesy, faith healing, deliverance techniques. Recently Che Anh of Harvest Rock Church in Pasadena has assumed the leadership.
 14. **International Society of Healing Rooms.** This ministry harks back to John G. Lake. Cal Peirce is the covering apostle of these healing rooms around the world.

I have listed this organizational maze of the ICA and NAR to show the reach and scope of this international organization. As stated before Apostle Chuck Pierce is the heir apparent to fill the role of the Convening Apostle of the International Coalition of Apostles. Dutch Sheets has become the leader of the United States Apostolic Alliance and would be number three in the whole movement. But Chuck Pierce is at this time in line to replace G. Peter Wagner who is now in his 80’s. So it behooves us to survey the teachings of Apostle Chuck Pierce of Glory of Zion Ministries in Denton Texas. We will find his absolute dependence on and use of the Kabbalah as a source for his direct words of prophesy purported to be from God. Many have not heard of the Kabbalah except that Madonna has become a huge fan of the Kabbalah.

“The Kaballah is a Jewish assortment of mystical writings dating back at least a 1000 years. Essentially it says that the plain meaning of OT scripture is not enough and you have to try to find hidden meanings. These secret meanings were only known to the patriarchs and OT prophets but have been hidden in the Hebrew language for the wise to find... They see God very much as an unknown and unknowable God. The kabbalah writings tend toward pantheism - the idea that God is in everything. This is what makes the Kabbalah popular within the new age movement. In terms of number-word mysticism, the Kabbalah says every letter and number in the bible has a hidden meaning. The Hebrew language has no numerical figures, but uses the letters of the alphabet to represent numbers. Therefore every Hebrew word has a number value based on the letters within it. If a word like C-A-T exists in Hebrew you could give C=3 A=1 and T=20, then the word is worth 24... In satanic circles the Kabbalah is linked to the so-called “Solomon’s Keys. The satanists through their books explain many incantations supposedly tried and tested by Solomon.”[The source, End Times Prophetic] But the kabbalah is more than numeric mysticism. It purports to

deepen your understanding of the universe and how the universe affects your life. The kabbalah can become very superstitious. For example the famous Red String Kabbalah bracelet offers power to protect from the effects of the evil eye. The kabbalah also has a close relationship with astrology. While conventional astrology is based on the Solar or Gregorian calendar, Kabbalistic astrology uses the Hebrew calendar and Hebrew letters from the Hebrew name of a month. Robert Heidler who teaches with Pierce at their School of Issachar has attempted to distance himself from the kabbalah. But he defends the idea that “the Hebrew mindset includes the idea that God revealed himself in many ways: through His calendar and even through the Hebrew language” (the letters). But Kabbalists all agree that the Hebrew months in the Kabbalah relates closely to the ancient Zodiac signs but with a Hebrew flavor. Is this why Heidler asserts: “There is some truth in the kabbalah in connection with the names of God and ancient mysteries.” Apparently Heidler and Pierce feel that buried in the Kabbalah there is God’s revelation and they can cherry pick what they feel is God’s revelation, repackage it as Christian prophesy and reject the rest which they agree is often demonic. Now on to some of Pierce’s reliance on the Kabbalah

Wyatt Roberts at Y@’BLOG in an article entitled, “Chuck Pierce and The Kabbalah: Month of Nissan”, dated May 7, 08 has demonstrated the dependence that Apostle/Prophet Pierce has on the Kabbalah. He has taken the effort and time to compare the kabbalah to Pierce’s own words. Roberts quotes from Sepher Yetzirah (a Kabbalah source) and then states Pierce’s teaching. I do wish that Roberts had sourced Pierce’s words. But it is unlikely that Roberts would create this from scratch. Roberts simply states that his Pierce quotes were taken from Elijah list online.

“Here is a comparison of what Chuck Pierce and the Kabbalah have to say:

HEBREW MONTH OF IYAR

Kabbalah: “Iyar is Shor/Taurus/ Bull corresponding to Issachar (Torah Scholars). Tribe of Issachar is the scholarly tribe of Israel.” Pierce: “We have entered the month of Iyar which is linked to the Issachar anointing.”

NATURAL HEALING

Kabbalah: “The month of Iyar is commonly referred to as the month of natural healing.” Pierce: “This is the month of natural healing and a time to find new ways for new strength to manifest... It is also when I AM God Your Healer begins to manifest.”

RIGHT KIDNEY

Kabbalah: “Our sages say ‘the kidneys give advice.’ In particular, the right kidney relates to spiritual advice or introspection. According to the book of Yetzirah, the body part connected with Iyar is the right kidney.” Pierce: “Each month is linked with a function of the body. This is the month of the right kidney. Kidneys are linked with conscience and thought.”

BIRTH/PREGNANCY

Kabbalah: “They (Israelites) gestated for 210 years until... they were born on the seventh day of Passover when they passed through the Red Sea, the spiritual equivalent to the birth canal.” Pierce: “You have many things in the birth canal of your future... There is a birth that is immanent! Call the midwives to assist you in what must come forth now.”

ANGELS ASCENDING AND DESCENDING

Kabbalah: "The shape of Aleph (the in the Hebrew alphabet) represent a ladder. This ladder makes it possible for angels to flow freely back and forth between the heavenly and the earthly... Although the air of the earthly atmosphere is thick in volume and mass, the mystery of the wisdom of the spirit realm still manages to enter this world because of the birds. For when the birds are in flight their flapping wings cut through the thickness of the atmosphere, enabling in that moment for mystery wisdom of the spirit realm to come through to our world."

Pierce: "The constrictions around you have stopped you from seeing your runway of advancement. I have come to make room for you to ascend to a new height. Extend your wings. Stretch them to left and the right. It is time for you take flight! I AM coming down and cutting through the atmosphere that has been too thick for your vision to progress."

There are many more pages of these kinds of comparisons. But this surely is enough already. It's not strange then that Pierce and Heidler have named their school Issachar. I guess I now also understand why prophet Bob Jones locates his anointing in his kidneys.

The Issachar School and Joann McFatter

Pierce and Heidler and others convene "The School of Issachar" various times annually to train people in the "Issachar Anointing." A review of the first year curriculum reveals courses in "Understanding the Months Prophetically" and "God's Appointed Calendar." Perhaps the most popular graduate and returning instructor is Joann Mc Fatter. She has taken the mystical numerology of the Kabbalah and linked it with a bizarre understanding of Quantum physics. All creation has a numerical vibration. Consequently she hears plants and trees speaking to her numerically. She travels the churches teaching this idea. In a first hand account from the School of Issachar, a student tells of her experience. "JoAnn McFatter got into some stuff ... like DNA holds a memory of sins etc. We can talk with animals and plants have emotions. JoAnn goes on to say that when a word is released from a mouth in heaven - it comes in a numerical number equation, or music, a color of light or a fragrance. Fragrances have frequencies." This explains all the oils and fragrances for purchase on Chuck Pierce's website.

The Charismatic Movement had some spiritual anomalies and abuses. But now the children of that movement face becoming a gapping pit for every mystical and abusive practice available. Now these children of the former Charismatic Movement are poised to make church history for becoming perhaps the most cultic and mystical Christian sect since first century Montanism and the post-reformation French Prophets.

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