

**DOCUMENTATION OF THE
ABERRENT PRACTICES AND
TEACHINGS OF
KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP
(GRACE MINISTRIES)**

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“WHAT’S THE PROBLEM?”

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This letter summarizes a number of our concerns regarding Mike Bickle and Kansas City Fellowship. I hope you will take the time to read it carefully.

I have known Mike Bickle since his arrival in Kansas City a little over seven years ago. We at Full Faith Church of Love are also well-acquainted with many wonderful Christian brothers and sisters who attend there. While there have often been controversies, strange stories, and troubling rumors associated with Kansas City Fellowship, I never sought to substantiate them; rather, I accepted Mike Bickle with open arms as a man of integrity who was trying to do something for the Lord. In fact, I even put him on the steering committee of the citywide Charismatic Pastors Fellowship, which is hosted by our church. When people came to us who were upset with Mike, his methods of operation, and the prophecies, our attitude was, “Who in the ministry doesn’t make mistakes?” Mike had our support and best wishes. It was hoped that these were simply growing pains which would take care of themselves in time.

However, in the last few years the situation really became serious, as it included accounts of wounded people, unethical practices, false prophecies, and damaged churches. Families reported how their lives had been tragically affected by their association with Kansas City Fellowship. The conviction grew in my spirit that something was very wrong.

Finally, the Lord Jesus Christ laid it firmly on my heart that something had to be done. I decided to obey Matthew 18. I met with Mike privately, and then met twice with Mike and members of his leadership group. These efforts proved fruitless. During the meetings, aspects of Mike’s character which were extremely troubling came out. Mike Bickle delivered ominous spiritual warnings threatening me with harm. Our concerns were deepened rather than alleviated. Outer “lip service” reassurances by Mike never generated any real change of heart or practice.

On Saturday, January 20, while praying at the church, God told that if I didn’t preach the message “Do We Keep Smiling and Say Nothing?”, I would be disobedient to Him. I had no choice but speak out publicly to warn the body of Christ. It wasn’t something I wanted to do, but God was directing me to take a stand for the sake of His people. As I was praying with my wife, Dee, on the Monday morning after I preached that sermon, she referred to a scripture in Acts 18 which God had given us years ago when we first received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. The Lord impressed me to look it up and read it. The scripture reads as follows:

“... Do not be afraid any longer, but go on speaking and do not be silent; for I am with you, and no man will attack you in order to harm you, for I have many people in this city.” Acts 18:9—10 (NASV)

I had been afraid because Mike Bickle implied my death if I took a stand against his teaching, but now the Lord was clearly speaking to me that I ought not be silent; that He would be with me; that no harm would come to me; and that I had to keep speaking because of the people in this city.

Mike has sought to portray our concerns as a “personality conflict,” a problem of “misunderstanding and lack of communication,” and even insecurity or jealousy on my part. I want to assure you that I did not place 34 years of fruitful ministry and my national credibility on the line for any of these trivial reasons. The deep conviction of my heart is that we have, in Kansas City, the beginnings of a Charismatic heresy which is far more significant than the shepherding controversy. I believe that this could split the body of Christ and cause untold damage to tens of thousands of Christians, as well as hundreds of churches across America.

Because all of this is happening “in my back yard,” and because we’ve witnessed firsthand the devastation that Mike’s “Movement” has wrought in area churches and lives, I have had no other choice but to speak, even though it is a task that I do not cherish. It is an assignment from the Lord that I would not wish on anyone.

The Lord spoke to me, “You are my point guard. You must take the ball and bring it up the court.” He warned me, “Do not foul; do not step out of bounds.” He also said I must know when to pass the ball to the taller players.

In this documentation we are attempting to be absolutely fair and accurate.

I want to humble myself by admitting three mistakes in my taped message “Do We Keep Smiling and Say Nothing?” All of the events described in the tape did actually happen, but some of the details weren’t accurate. They are corrected as follows:

1. The story regarding prophecies that a woman should have her baby at home and the baby dying did happen; however, the prophecies occurred in a Kansas City Fellowship home group and were not given by a member of their staff. Again, the event was truth, but this detail was incorrect.
2. We have been able to document two churches that were taken over by Kansas City Fellowship, in which prophecy played a definite part. Ironically, the churches we have documented are two different churches than the ones indicated on the tape. The fact that they have used prophecy to close and/or take over churches is accurate; however these details are somewhat different.
3. The fabricated story that seven young people from Berean Baptist Church died--all in a six-week timeframe--is a complete lie; however, the details surrounding these deaths and the people involved are much more complex than those which were reported on my tape. Included in our documentation is a clear summary of these events. Again, the substance of what I said was absolutely true, but a few of the minute details were not correct.

I want to apologize to Kansas City Fellowship, not for giving fabrications or gross distortions--I did not tell any lies or grossly distort anything, but for the errors in some of the details contained on the tape.

Kansas City Fellowship’s response has been to try to dismiss all of our concerns as unsubstantiated and based on rumor or misunderstanding because of the inaccuracy of the above details. The facts are, however, that the situation in Kansas City Fellowship is much worse, and far more serious than that which was depicted on my original tape.

Because of their intent to discredit the information on the tape, we found it necessary to carefully research the teachings, practices, and beliefs of Kansas City Fellowship directly from their own messages. We’ve studied transcripts of Kansas City Fellowship’s tapes available to the general public, and have also used written, signed, personal testimonies given to us by the individuals and churches who have been harmed.

From these we’ve created a carefully documented analysis of Kansas City Fellowship’s beliefs, practices, and some of their mystical experiences. It has six sections and is over 200 pages in length.

We assure our readers that none of the quotes have been taken out of context. They are absolutely accurate and carefully reflect the intentions and meaning of the speaker when given. We have the original tapes which can be obtained from us if someone wishes to check our integrity or accuracy.

Before proceeding further, I wish to share some scriptures. I have written this documentation with the fear of God and after a long personal fast. I was made for His glory; I certainly was not made to slander other Christians. A scripture that gives me the fear of God is Luke 6:37-38 (NASV),

“And do not judge and you will not be judged; and do not condemn, and you will not be condemned; pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, they will pour into your lap. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return.”

In my heart I am certainly not trying to judge, condemn, or even criticize; I am rather trying to accurately report what I consider to be a budding Charismatic heresy. I also want to confess that I fear greatly sowing discord; in Proverbs 6:19 God says He hates it. (It is actually Kansas City Fellowship who has sowed discord in our city.) If these were the only verses in the Bible, I would not furnish this documentation.

However, there are other scriptures in the Bible. Let me list a few:

1. *“He who rebukes a man will afterward find more favor than he who flatters with the tongue.” Proverbs 28:23 (NASV)*
2. *“For there will no longer be any false vision or flattering divination within the house of Israel.” Ezekiel 12:24 (NASV)*
3. *“Do not be carried away by varied and strange teachings;” Hebrews 13:9a (NASV)*
4. *“For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires; and will turn away their ears from the truth, and will turn aside to myths.” II Timothy 4:3-4 (NASV)*
5. *“A truthful witness saves lives, but he who speaks lies is treacherous.” Proverbs 14:25 (NASV)*
6. *“As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves, and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness, in deceitful scheming.” Ephesians 4:14 (NASV)*

This scripture warns against seeking after the latest wave or wind of doctrine. A basic false teaching of any new “Movement” is always that “we must be on the cutting edge.” Those on the cutting edge might be cut to ribbons by deceiving spirits. If we abide in Christ, God is not so unrighteous as to make us “miss the boat,” or be left out of what He is doing in these last days. This spirit of fear of missing out is designed to get us to swallow Charismatic nonsense.

Furthermore, the apostles themselves did not think that they were in the flesh, causing division, or sowing discord when they identified people they were correcting. Jude says sometimes we have to contend for the faith (verse 3). The disciple of love rebukes Diotrephes by name in III John 9. The apostle Paul immediately, before warning about getting in the flesh, says, “You were running well; who hindered you from obeying the truth? This persuasion did not come from Him who calls you. A little leaven leavens the whole lump. Would that those who are troubling you would even mutilate themselves.” Galatians 5:7-9, 12 (NASV)

I also received a prophecy from Dick Mills. He said that I was to “cry at the head of every street,” and that the following three verses applied to me in this present situation:

1. *“But you, be strong and do not lose courage, for there is reward for your work.” II Chronicles 15:7 (NASV)*
2. *“Does not wisdom call, and understanding lift up her voice? On top of the heights beside the way, where the paths meet, she takes her stand; beside the gates, at the opening to the city, at the entrance of the doors, she cries out.” Proverbs 8:1—3 (NASV)*
3. *“And let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we shall reap if we do not grow weary.” Galatians 6:9 (NASV)*

You must also know that I have heard from 45 pastors in the Kansas City area. One pastor’s letter could be considered neutral. The other 44 pastors solidly supported my position with Kansas City Fellowship. They said things like this:

“Someone had to preach this message...”

“You were the only one who had the credibility in the city to do it...”

“No one can accuse you of being insecure or jealous because your church is a lot larger than Kansas City Fellowship...”

“I’m an Assembly of God pastor and so I could not have preached the message. I’m sorry you had to do it but it needed to be done...”

Throughout this documentation you will find excerpts from some of these letters received from the church of the Kansas City area.

Two well-known leaders have attacked me personally in their writings and/or messages; those men are not objective observers, but rather men who have a vested self-interest in Kansas City Fellowship. They have joined their ministries with Mike Bickle, and if what I say is true it would cause them personally to look very gullible and foolish. I am sure both of these men are wonderful brothers, but neither one of them had the integrity to call me or to obey Matthew 18 as I did with Kansas City Fellowship. One of them admitted in his message that he had not even heard my tape of January 21, 1990. How can someone claim that there’s no truth in the tape when they have not even listened to it? These two men are good friends of Kansas City Fellowship and obviously simply supporting their friends which, of course, is very understandable. Let me remark, though, that so-called “prophets” who make veiled threats of death to those who do not agree with their brand of Christianity obviously are not speaking by the Spirit of Jesus.

Our church fully believes in the restoration of the prophets and prophecy; however, we do not believe the following excuses for inaccurate prophecies that are being given today...

1. Our prophecies are wrong because we are going through a phase of restoration.
2. Our prophecies did not come true because every personal prophecy is conditional, even if there are no conditions within the prophecy.
3. New Testament prophets are different from Old Testament prophets. True Old Testament prophets were perfect. New Testament prophets make many mistakes and failures.

Is the New Covenant inferior to the Old Covenant?

With the writing of this paper, I have done what God commanded me to do--to be a watchman on the wall and to sound a trumpet. I am handing this problem off to national leaders, according to God’s instructions. The Network of Christian Ministries has agreed to mediate the situation in July, 1990. My responsibility basically ends with a careful, thorough, accurate documentation of Kansas City Fellowship’s ethics, doctrine, and prophecies. I do not want to be distracted from preaching the Gospel or be tricked by the devil into having a ministry of fighting other churches or Christians.

These first 21 pages are only a summary of over 200 pages of documentation. I have written this summary because many people will not want to read the entire document. However, Christian leaders and pastors should take the time to study and review all of it. Also let me remark that we are not simply dealing with impulsive off-the-wall ideas that have since been discarded. We have concentrated our research upon longstanding patterns of doctrine and practices. These teachings alarm us and are the ones which have been a part of KCF from the beginning. They are foundational themes emphasized year after year. These doctrines continue to the present.

Let me reiterate that we recognize there are many sincere, lovely brothers and sisters who are involved in Kansas City Fellowship. Some are personal friends whom we have known and loved for years. Our love for them, however, is all the more reason that we must bring these issues to light and to accountability.

Let me also stress that this is not simply a local problem. Kansas City Fellowship is seeking to spread their

“Movement” worldwide. This is a problem facing all of us in the church of the United States. In our perception, it is a last days deception.

The following are summaries of a number of our concerns. Each is taken from a specific section of our documentation, which contains all reference information for quotations and a more in-depth examination of each point.

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?

1. **We all have a problem when Mike Bickle promotes Bob Jones across the nation as a “true prophet of God.” This man is not a prophet. In his testimony¹ Bob Jones relates how he...**

a. Spent over 20 years in complete abandonment to sin--alcoholism, street-fighting, barroom brawls, chasing women, gambling, liquor smuggling, and self-acknowledged demon possession (“...when they’d take over me, I’d go completely wacky! Just lookin’ for trouble. When you drank enough, you became possessed, I become possessed...”), until finally, while in a mental institution, he hears “Jesus” tell him (concerning 12 people) to “either kill them or forgive them, Bob.” Fortunately, he decides to forgive them, he gets released, and he abruptly becomes a self-declared “prophet of God for the end~ times.”

b. Goes from seeing demons regularly (“...I didn’t have trouble seeing the devils at all...I knew the devils real good when I drank--used to party with ‘em out in the beer joints...”) to suddenly seeing angels regularly and having strange nightly visions and out-of-body experiences. Both Jones and Bickle estimate that “Bob normally gets 5 to 10 visions a night, maybe sees angels 10 to 15 times a week,” and has done so since 1974.

If accurate, this translates to 27,375 - 54,750 visions, in addition to 7,800 - 11,700 angelic visitations thrown in for good measure. This totals to more supernatural experiences than those of all the men of the Bible put together. There is something SERIOUSLY WRONG HERE!

Mike Bickle states repeatedly that “there’s nobody in the natural that had a more ‘integral role’ in establishing our foundations in that kind of prophetic way, than Bob,” and yet most of his bizarre mystical experiences and personal beliefs have virtually no basis whatsoever in Scripture. In fact, they often defy the scriptural record entirely! Examples are given in almost all of the sections of this documentation--especially in Sections I — III.

2. **We all have a problem when Mike seeks to conjure up “divine approval” for his “Movement” with stories of supernatural confirmations that are blatantly false.**

For example, Mike regularly retells the story of how the so-called “prophet” Bob Jones predicted (in May, 1983) a 3-month drought which would finally end with a “drought-breaker” on August 23.

In telling this tale, Mike makes such statements as, “We watched it day by day...June, no rain...then on August 23, three to four inches of rain!” This is portrayed as God’s confirmation of their “Movement.” It sounded like a pretty impressive miracle until we checked with the National Weather Bureau and the daily newspaper accounts for that timeframe. We found the following:

a. Actual readings from the former Richards Gebaur Air Force base, which is only a few minutes from Kansas City Fellowship, show over seven inches of rain in June, which is well above normal!

b. The “drought-breaker” on August 23 actually produced less than one-third of an inch.

c. Of the 12 days it rained in June, 6 of them produced records of rains heavier than the “drought—breaker.” One day alone had over seven times the rainfall on August 23 --2.35 inches. (See Section I)

From the beginning this could have never been considered a true prophecy.

3. We all have a problem when Mike Bickle promotes an “elected seed generation” theology for his “Movement” that is so wild and so preposterous that it could only have come out of visions from his “prophets.” For example:

a. Their literal children, those born since 1973, are the “elected seed,” hand-selected by Jesus and the angels from “billions of little round yellow things” up in heaven to be born into the families of the “Movement.” The “little yellow things” are seeds from actual bloodlines, and they are the “best of every bloodline that’s ever been--Paul, David, Peter, James and John--the best of their seed unto this generation,” predestined and hand-picked to be part of the “end-time Omega generation.” They are described as the “chosen generation of all history” who will “possess the Spirit without measure.” This specific generation is the “bride of Christ...the man-child of Revelation 12...the ministry of perfection...the Melchizedek priesthood...the manifested sons of God--Romans 8:19-23...the 144,000 servants--Revelation 7:4...Joel’s army,” etc.

b. This “end-time, Omega generation superchurch” will do “10,000 times the miracles in the book of Acts.” They will conduct meetings of “a million or more” where they “will move their hands and the power of God will go like flashes of lightning, and as they go like this over a million people, if a person is missing an arm...it will instantly be created...” They will “walk through walls...they’ll be translated...hundreds of dead will be raised during meetings in ballpark stadiums...over a billion saved...eyes put back in eye sockets...‘invincible--can’t die,’ etc.

c. Three hundred thousand of Mike’s generation and their superchildren will be last-days apostles. Thirty-five of KCF’s apostles will be “like unto Paul.”

There is an invalid sort of circular reasoning taking place here, with the “prophets” reaffirming one another’s visions and confirming one another’s prophecies. The “prophets” are used to establish “divine credibility” for the “Movement,” for this dangerous theology, and for the very visions that they themselves claim to have had. (See Section II)

4. We all have a problem when Mike Bickle actively seeks the favor and support of Charismatic pastors and leaders, both locally and across the nation, while privately teaching his people that...

“...The Ishmael spirit includes most of the Charismatic churches today. There are two movements, and I believe with all my heart the Charismatic movement is the Ishmael movement...”

“We’re looking for a whole new order...I don’t want prominence in Ishmael’s camp. I don’t want to be a part of it at all...we want to come out of the old order, because it’s unbroken...untrained...humanistic...manmade, self-centered... illegitimate...afflicted with evil spirits...”

This is deceptive, unscriptural, and hypocritical. Our assessment is that Mike is seeking to gather as large a following as possible unto himself before making his break from the “old order.” (See Section II)

5. We all have a problem when Mike trains Christians to expect persecution and rejection from other born-again Christians— their own brothers and sisters in Christ.

Mike Bickle: *“...when the ‘new order’ comes, it will be ten times greater than the old...probably a hundred times...and it’s going to cause some conflict... Saul became jealous of the greater anointing on the ‘new order’ (David)...this jealousy allowed the entrance of an evil spirit into Saul’s order...that order had the blessing of God and it had the ways of man, and it had evil spirits in it as well...”*

This practice virtually parallels that of the Jehovah’s Witnesses, who indoctrinate their followers to view the attempts of evangelical Christians to reach them as “persecution from the enemy” and confirmation that they indeed the “elect of God.”

How does one bring correction to a man who sees himself as being invited by God to be a founder and apostle of a

worldwide, end-times movement that is going to make all that God has previously done obsolete...and who sees those who question him as “having evil spirits”? (See. Section II)

6. We all have a problem when so-called “prophets” make completely irresponsible predictions and frighten Christian brethren with alarming prophecies--supposedly from God-warning of imminent disasters.

For example, in November of 1987, after the stock market plunge in October, John Paul Jackson warns that there’s going to be a fall in the stock market, that 1988 will be a severe year for the stock market, and that “it will be severe between here and there, but nothing like 1988 will bring.”

Not to be outdone, Bob Jones warned in February of 1988, “Another thing that will be this year is financial collapse. I don’t know how soon--I really expect it right away...It (the stock market) will eventually come down to 400 points. If you’ve got money in--they call it common shares or something like that...what do they call them? Mutual funds--if you’ve got money in that, I encourage you to get it out of there real quick-like...that financial collapse is at hand...I always like to just warn you...”

In actual fact, there was nothing that even remotely resembled a financial collapse in 1988. The market low was 1879.14 rather than 400 points, and the year closed at 2168.50, higher than it began.

The “prophet” John Paul Jackson gave the following public warnings and advice in September of 1985: “...we’re gonna see...half the banks in the United States shutting their doors... .75% of the savings and loans shutting their doors...the dollar is going to collapse...it’s going to literally plummet...the stock market will fall like a ton of bricks. It will collapse...”

He then offers the following warning on how to escape financial ruin: “It’s going to. Now you’re saying to yourself, when will we know?...The Lord will tell you. That’s why He put prophets in the church. And He’ll say...through Bob (Jones) or somebody - here will say, ‘I had a dream; I had a vision; the Lord just told me that next week-next Friday, the banks are gonna collapse and you need to get your funds out right away.’...Listen, because the day is going to come when you’re going to have to act instant...that means obedient. Be obedient.” (See Section VI)

7. We all have a problem when there is a generous allowance for error in the giving of personal, directive prophecies regarding people’s futures. These have wreaked havoc in the lives of some who were given specific, directive prophecies that never came to pass.

A Christian psychologist in Kansas City, who has had to counsel with over 100 disillusioned members and former members of Kansas City Fellowship, states that “there has not been one prophecy fulfilled, as reported by clients or persons whom I know, when they were given a prophecy...I have had clients prophesied over by prophets and other persons at Kansas City Fellowship. To persons who are in a time of distress, prophecies which are then not fulfilled further add to their distress and distrust of God. Suicidal clients have, in fact, become more suicidal and even attempted suicide when the prophecies were not fulfilled, since the clients blame themselves for the lack of fulfillment.”

We need to remember that we are dealing with people’s lives here when someone lays hands on them and says “Thus saith the Lord!” We cannot begin to estimate the anguish, guilt, confusion, and personal suffering put upon individuals and families by these false prophecies.

Yet Bob Jones says, “...I figure if I hit two-thirds of it, I’m doing pretty good.” For justification he quotes God as telling him, “...He said ‘If I release the 100% rhema right now, the accountability would be awesome and you’d have so much Ananias and Sapphira’s goin’ on that the people wouldn’t grow, they’d be too scared.’ But He said, ‘If it was on target, it would kill instead of scarin’ the people to repentance.’”

Mike Bickle then encourages, “Now the two-thirds, you know when Bob first said it I said ‘Two-thirds!’ He said, ‘Well, that’s better than it’s ever been up to now, you know, that’s the highest level it’s ever been.’”

8. We all have a problem when delegations of Kansas City Fellowship “prophets” visit other churches and prophesy for them to close their doors:

From the testimony of a local elder board: “We thought you might be interested in knowing that on June 22, 1986, three “prophets” from Kansas City Fellowship were invited to our church. Among other things, they each prophesied that the Lord had told them that - the church was to disband, that we had no right to challenge the prophecy, and that if we failed to heed the prophecy, ‘Ichabod’ (the glory has departed) would be written above our door!” (See Section VI)

9. We all have a problem when outlandish and preposterous nonsense is taught and promoted as deep spiritual truth, such as the following:

- * “Everyone must pass under the ‘Shepherd’s rod’ once a year.” (Bob Jones)
- * “They were 1000 of the religious leaders that have (been) doing this, that was appointed to death...they’ll die this next year.” (Bob Jones)
- * “We can learn to interpret 99% to 100% of our dreams by recording them and figuring out our personal ‘dream alphabet’ of symbols.” (John Paul Jackson)
- * “And so, though we want to grow in prophecy, we don’t believe everything that’s said. We’ve been given 10,000 prophecies, and I believe there’s only a small number that I’ve really cherished in my heart as from the Lord.” (Mike Bickle)

EDITOR’S NOTE: That’s quite a tolerance for error in prophecy.

- * “And if we were at the level of anointing of 100% accuracy in revelation, the accountability (the Lord told Bob) would be 100%, and liars would be struck dead.” (Mike Bickle)
- * “Their children will do ‘battle in the second heaven,’ throw the devil out, and put death underneath Jesus’ feet.” (Bob Jones)
- * “I’m going to live to see this, friends, I really believe it. If I can get through this message... If you have intimacy with God, they can’t kill you. They just can’t.” (Paul Cain)
- * That the Holy Spirit walks with Bob Jones regularly as a “faceless man” and that the Lord takes the faces of other people (both living and dead) to appear to individuals.

10. We all have a problem when the emphasis is so overwhelmingly on the supernatural out-of-body experiences, angelic visitations, conversations with demons, visits to heaven and hell, visitations from the dead, visions. Prophecies, prophets, and supernatural signs and wonders.

The pattern of emphasizing the sensational and spectacular is very strong throughout the material we researched. For example, in both 1988 and 1989, Mike Bickle spent about five hours each time interviewing Bob Jones on the subject of “Visions and Revelations,” encouraging him to share all kinds in, of strange and bizarre mystical experiences. This kind of framework opens the door wide for demonic deception and familiar spirits. Mike Bickle and Bob Jones are bonded spiritually. Mike encourages, promotes, interprets, expands, explains, and applauds Bob Jones as he tells his visions. Mike suggests that certain stories be shared.

11. We all have a problem when an entire group of precious children are being subjected to these absurdities, in both the church and in their Christian school:

- a. They are indoctrinated to believe that their specific generation is the “elected seed” of all the best bloodlines of all generations--foreknown, predestined, and “hand-selected” from billions of other seeds to be part of the “end-time Omega generation.”
- b. They are told that they will do 10,000 times the miracles in the book of Acts, that they will be “ten times worse than I (Bob Jones) am” in regards to seeing angels and demons and walking in the

supernatural, and that their generation is specifically called the “manifested sons of God.”

c. They are taught that out-of-body experiences are the norm.

One mother describes her son’s experience with a friend from Kansas City Fellowship:

“My son (11) spent the night with his cousin, who still goes to Kansas City Fellowship...Later, they all went upstairs and sat in a circle. Then (the 7 year old son of one of the KCF leaders) told them if they all held hands they could go into the third heaven and see angels and taste the tree of life...”

From a Christian counselor:

“It is my belief that Dominion’s (KCF’s Christian school) lackadaisical attitude about education is not conducive to a sound learning environment. To quote one child, ‘If I can go to the third heaven and get out of a test, more power to me.’”

There are accounts told from visiting parents who saw school children at Dominion lying in the halls for great lengths of time, (experiencing uncontrollable weeping or giggling) and were told that these children were simply “drunk in the spirit.”

12. We all have a problem when Christians are encouraged to be a part of a “new order” which exhibits such cultlike tendencies as the following:

- Exaltation of men and mystical experiences.
- Sacrifice for the “Movement” and commitment to the “Movement.”
- Covenants with one another for life.
- Spiritual threats, fears, and warnings of death.
- Using bizarre mystical experiences as confirmations of apostolic callings.
- Using personal subjective experiences to interpret Scripture, rather than using scriptures to test the validity of supernatural experiences.
- Warning followers to beware of other Christians.
- A “super-race” mentality toward the training of their children.
- Hyperspirituality, pride, exclusiveness, elitism, and feeling that they are “it” in these last days.
(See Section V)

Examples given in the preceding pages are covered in much greater detail in the main body of our documentation. Each section is fully documented to source materials, which for the most part are actual transcriptions of their tapes. I urge you to take whatever time is necessary to fully acquaint yourself with all the facts presented in this complete report. You especially need to do this if you have friends or relatives who are being deceived by this group. The full documentation is a careful evaluation of some of their heretical doctrines.

If you would like additional copies of this cover letter and testimonies, simply write the address given below. Indicate whether you want either (1) these 21 summary sheets, and/or (2) the full documentation which is over 200 pages in length.

Finally, pray that God Himself will open the eyes of Mike Bickle, John Wimber, Rick Joyner, the Kansas City leadership, and national leaders to the heretical doctrine and destructive nature of this “Movement.” We sincerely desire that our taking a stand will be redemptive and that there will be repentance and restoration of Mike Bickle and his “Movement” to the Scripture and truth.

Some pastors and leaders in our local area have decided to publicly support Pastor Gruen’s stand concerning Kansas City Fellowship by having the letters of support they sent to him published in this document. The Regional Director of CBN gave us his comments sent to those in CBN to be published in our document also. The next 16 pages contain their letters and Comments, as well as Pastor Gruen’s letters to Mike Bickle and the 12 national leaders who were asked to resolve the existing controversy.

TESTIMONIES

WORD OF LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

April 28, 1990

Dear Brother Ernie,

Regarding your letter dated March 2, 1990, we are enclosing a copy of our church newsletter, 'BASICALLY SPEAKING', July 15, 1986, which summarized the KCF prophecy of June 23, 1986. We have not located a tape of the event, and are not sure if any still exist.

We would like to further clarify the circumstances surrounding our experience with the "prophets" of KCF. First of all, we invited them to come to our church, Brothers And Sisters In Christ's Service (BASICS), to teach about the gift of prophecy and, if possible to share their gifts. Second, though they did prophesy that we were to end as a fellowship, they never said or intimated that we were to become corporately or individually a part of KCF.

Three "prophets", Bob Jones, John Paul Jackson and Harry Demetrulias, came on June 22-23, 1986, to minister to the church and to individuals. In addition to prophesying, John Paul Jackson taught on the gift of prophecy, the "office of the prophet," and his belief that the Holy Spirit was beginning a new move in the earth through the "prophets." In his teaching, he interpreted I Cor. 14:29 to mean that only a "recognized" prophet can judge another prophet's prophecy. We believe this interpretation to be in error, conflicting directly with many scriptures including I John 4:1. "Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world." NAS (Also John 14:16,17,23-26; John 16:13,14; I Cor. 6:19; Heb. 4:16; James 1:5; I John 2:27, etc).

He also emphasized the importance of "obeying the prophecy." To bolster this point, he related several incidents in his experience where people had either obeyed or disobeyed his prophecy. One concerned a woman in Texas who refused to believe his "word" for her, and subsequently wound up in an "Insane asylum."

We believe unquestioningly that we are to be obedient to the Lord, and we acknowledge that a word of prophecy can be instrumental in achieving that end. But to see prophecy as the object of our obedience, we feel is a grave error. In Romans 6:16, Paul points out the principle that we are slaves to the one we obey. Certainly if we obey a prophetic word without question or challenge, we run the risk of becoming a slave to an error.

Furthermore, Jackson declared that "Ichabod" (the Glory has departed), would be over the door for all who disobey the prophecy concerning our disbanding. We felt that this was a curse without a cause (Prov. 26:2). The combination of this curse and the warnings about disobedience sounded like the tactics often used to keep chain-letters circulating. This we believed to be a manipulative method to insure the fulfillment of the prophecy.

Immediately, most of the elders and many in the congregation received it as a word from God,

apparently without question. Some disbelieved it altogether, and others wanted to spend time in prayer about it before taking any action one way or the other. A number of the people, including some of the elders, left shortly thereafter. Others began to visit different fellowships looking for a new church home, and some continued to stay and pray.

Less than a year later all the original elders but one, and most of the congregation were either gone or preparing to leave. Some of our former members currently fellowship at KCF, some are spread out in a variety of churches in Kansas City, and some are still without a church home. Those of us who stayed proclaimed the summer of 1987 as a time of prayer and fasting to see if God wanted us to remain together and if so, how, where, and to what purpose. Our current church was born out of that time.

Of those of us who questioned the prophecy, many felt that something was amiss spiritually. We now believe that what we experienced, particularly with regard to the "prophecies" made over individuals and couples, was a form of fortune telling, or divination, not true prophecy. Those of us who received the individual prophecies have repented of our participation in them and have asked for and received forgiveness.

We agreed individually and corporately to forgive the prophets, elders, and all who left. We decided that it was no longer fruitful to try to determine the validity of the prophecy or BASICS' response to it. Though we felt that the prophecy was self-fulfilling and in error, we chose to believe that all involved were earnestly doing their best to follow Jesus. We still maintain relationships with some who left, and we held a reunion worship service last fall that was attended by nearly all of the former BASICS people. We believe it was a time of healing and joy for all.

Finally, we believe that God has worked good out of this difficult and painful situation in accordance with His word (Rom. 8:28) and His grace.

(SIGNED) Mel Bockleman; Rodney King; Lee Hammond; Dan Wessel

WORD OF LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

February 27, 1990

Dear Ernie,

This letter is in response to your message of January 21, 1990, entitled "Shall We Keep On Smiling and Say Nothing?" After praying and thinking about what you said, we as elders of "Word Of Life Christian Fellowship" (formerly BASICS) located at 8107 Holmes, Kansas City, Missouri, want you to know that we support your position and admire your courage and willingness to take a stand on such a difficult and potentially divisive issue.

We thought you might be interested to know that on June 22, 1986, three prophets from Kansas City Fellowship were invited to our church. Among other things, they prophesied that the Lord had told them that our church was to disband, that we had no right to challenge the prophecy, and that, if we failed to heed the prophecy, "Ichabod" (The Glory Has Departed) would be written above our door! As a result of the prophecy, many people left our church. Those of us who doubted the prophecy prayed and sought the Lord's will about what we should do. We believe that the Lord wanted us to stay and form a new fellowship, which we did.

At present we elders are not in relationship or association with any other leaders of charismatic fellowships in the Kansas City area. Because of our concern about isolation and our desire for input from others, we would like to know if it would be possible for one or more of us to participate in the monthly pastor's fellowship that you lead.

In closing, we pray that the Lord continues to encourage and strengthen you.

(signed) Lee Hammond; Dan Wessel; Rodney King; Mel Bockelman

Sheffield Family Life Center

April 17, 1990

Dear Ernie:

Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

I want to commend you for your stand regarding the Kansas City Fellowship. I listened to your tape earlier; and this past Sunday someone gave me a copy of your letter to Mike Bickle of April 4.

I have only listened to a few of the tapes from Kansas City Fellowship, and read only a few of their publications. I have, however, heard from quite a number of our people who used to attend the Fellowship.

I wholeheartedly agree with the conclusions you presented in your letter. I have stated to anyone who has asked me about it for many months that IT IS A CULT.

We have been praying for God to expose to the congregation at Kansas City Fellowship the errors in order that so many of God's sincere people will not be damaged. It will eventually dawn on most people that this is error, but only after many lives are destroyed.

I felt a strong uneasiness of the Holy Spirit when Mike first came to town and came by to visit me in my office. My son, George, who is now a Youth Pastor in the Chicago area, traveled with a Gospel Group that sang in the church Mike co-pastored in Saint Louis a number of years ago. He called me immediately after church that night and said, "Dad, I've been in the weirdest church I've ever been in." After he described what was going on I advised him that what was happening was not Scriptural. As you know, that church fell to pieces a little later. I did not know until after I had sensed an uneasiness in my spirit about Mike, that Mike was the pastor of the church.

I would like a copy of your documentation, and, if you think appropriate, for permission to make copies for those of our congregation who are concerned.

We are standing in prayer with you.

In CHRIST

(signed), (Dr.) George (Westlake Jr. Senior Pastor)

NEW COVENANT CHRISTIAN CENTER

January 22, 1990

Dear Ernie:

I've just finished listening to the message "Do We Keep Smiling and Say Nothing?". Thank you for obeying the Lord and speaking truth. The message was given in the timing of the Lord.

My experience with KCF and Mike Bickle is in total agreement with what you shared. Opportunistic, using falsehood and deception, they have wormed their way into churches and devoured them. I only wish I had heard this message before Christian Life Center agreed to turn over their property to them. Mike made promises he never intended to keep and told our staff, I quote: "Bob Jones was an embarrassment to us, and has hurt our fellowship a great deal, especially in the beginning. We don't pay any attention to him now". That is a far cry from Charisma magazine's description of their prophet.

Ernie, you have always been honest with me, even when I didn't want to hear what you said, you have spoken the truth. I respect and appreciate you as a brother in Christ and as a "father" to the Body of Christ in this city. I am convinced you could not fulfill your apostolic office and remain silent on this important issue. The truth is not always popular, but it alone produces fruit that remains.

Thank you for being obedient to the Lord Jesus Christ. Standing with you,

(signed) Gary Crowder (Pastor)

CAMERON HARVESTER CHURCH

February 28, 1990

Dear Ernie,

I listened to your tape, "do we just keep smiling and say nothing?" this last week and thought I'd drop you a line to let you know how I feel about it personally & how I am responding to the calls that I have received.

Having had the (nameless) prophet (I should say shameless prophet) under my pastoral care for a few months prior to the creation of S.K.C.F., I can verify that he was at that time very unstable in his behavior. I had hoped that there would have been some discipline taken at S.K.C.F. concerning this man's behavior, but to my horror the leadership there began to put a great deal of stock in his prophecies. I did caution Mike Bickle about the strangeness of the prophet at the time.

I smiled and said nothing, I even made several attempts at unity only to find that I had been prophesied over by another of the resident prophets. The prophecy was that my church at that time would fail. Naturally I rejected the prophecy as being false & was in turn rejected by them for being false.

All this to say that I Love you very much, Ernie, and I'm behind you 100% in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Alan Needham (Pastor)

Grandview Assembly Church

January 26, 1990

Dear Brother Gruen,

Greetings in the Lord!

Thank you for sending me a tape of your message and thank you for speaking out. I concur completely with your position and commend you for your openness, honesty, sincerity and courage. I, especially, appreciate the spirit in which you delivered your message.

God bless you richly!

Sincerely,

(signed) Pastor Bob Johnson

AGAPE COUNSELING CENTER

Dear Ernie:

To reiterate our conversation of last week, it is true that Agape Counseling Ministry has seen many of K.C.F's congregation. About five out of every ten people who come for counseling, with over six hundred seen in the last year. The most common complaint we have heard that the offered by the church is abstract with no real biblical basis. We have also had many children from Dominion come to us, all with behavior problems. I believe this stems from the fact that if you give a child inch they will take a mile. It is my belief that Dominion's lackadaisical attitude about education is not conducive to a sound learning environment.

Ernie you are our pastor and we will always stand by your decisions . We have never been deceived by you or anything you have discerned from God!!

(signed) Jim Westerfield; Bob Simmons; Pat Rushing

SHEKINAH MINISTRIES

MICHAEL T HOWARD

Dear Pastor Gruen,

Greetings and blessings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus.

I recently was handed a copy of your tape "Do we keep on smiling and say nothing?" I thank you for sharing it with the Body of Christ and feel that I need to share something further with you. I have for sometime been unhappy with the situation in Kansas especially as it is now affecting the nation and many of my friends all around the United States are being influenced and "Sucked" in.

This is actually a missions organization which operates in Africa and I was born and brought up in Zimbabwe. My brother, who is Director of this ministry was pastoring a church (Assemblies of God) in Zimbabwe in 1982-86 and one of our associate pastors left to join a "Missions" organization called New Adams Farm in southern Zimbabwe. I called K.C.F. yesterday to confirm that they were actually involved with that farm and they confirmed that they had purchased the land and supported the work. New Adams Farm believed that all evangelism was done on your knees and that there was no such thing as "Go ye into all the world." They publicly stated that persons such as Reinhart Bonnke were from the "pit" because of the mass crusades they held. As time went by so the control started to take over there and all mail and phone calls both outgoing and incoming were censored. Eventually our former associate pastor could no longer stand it and so he and his family "escaped." (That was how they described it). It has taken them years to regain spiritually all that they had lost there.

In 1987 or early 1988 everyone on that farm except a child was hacked to death by what the present government there called bandits. The farm is now operational again but according to K.F.C. they no longer support it. I do not know how long K.C.F. have been operating but feel that it must have been about '83/84 which is when New Adams started. If the root is as rotten as that then what is the tree and the fruit going to be like?

Once again, thank you for that tape - I have sent it to a number of people I care about and believe in faith that the Lord will speak to them through it. Even though it is tragic to see this kind of thing happening, it is exciting to see end time prophecy come to pass before our very eyes. What a privilege it is to be a part of our Lord's mighty End Time Army.

May the Lord bless you, prosper you much increase in souls in the days to come.

In His service,

(signed) ROZ HEYNS

ADMINISTRATION

The Christian Broadcasting Network Inc.

April 28, 1990

MEMO TO 700 COUNSELORS

Several counselors have come to me inquiring about what position we are taking concerning the Kansas City Fellowship. A series of face to face meetings took place between the leadership of ministers of Full Faith Church and Kansas City Fellowship. Later on, that was followed by a sermon preached by Ernest Gruen at Full Faith in which he indicated that there were serious unresolved problems between the two churches. There have been only two other written communications to my knowledge between the two senior pastors. I am enclosing a copy of Mike Bickle's open letter which he sent to me and Ernie Gruen's open letter to Mike Bickle which I received proposing a solution to the problems.

For more than 4 years, I have had concerns about emotional problems and spiritual confusion in a few of our counselors from Kansas City Fellowship that came about as a result of unfulfilled personal prophecies and/or personal counseling from there.

Some of my concerns which are mainly in the area of their prophetic ministry are as follows:

1. *Their leniency and belief that it is acceptable for New Testament prophets to err a percentage of the time while prophesying futuristically and in giving personal prophetic words to individuals. Bob Jones claims that God told him that his prophecies were 2/3s right on. John Wimber whose ministry and church also relates to KCF and who recently was discussing the prophets' ministry affirmed that position also. In context, he said prophecy is an inexact science. In my 30 years of widespread involvement in the supernatural move of the Holy Spirit involving many ministries, I have never heard such teaching anywhere else. The scriptures make a clear distinction between the gift of prophecy in which all believers are encouraged to participate within its clearly defined biblical limitations and the office and ministry of the prophet which is in another ministry dimension with greater responsibilities. It is one of the 5 fold ministries called, specially gifted and divinely enabled by Jesus Christ to adequately do the work of that ministry. The prophet's prophecy, unfulfilled, biblically disqualifies the prophet. Except from KCF, I have not heard any other ministry teach that the Old Testament Prophets' accuracy does not equally continue with the New Testament prophet. I find no direct nor implied prophesied errors by New Testament prophets whether young or mature. The New Testament does, however, refer in several places to false prophets operating in the church. False prophecies are given by false prophets.*

2. *I have witness accounts of several personal prophecies which their prophets Bob Jones and John Paul Jackson, who called themselves prophets, have given to individuals that have been in accurate or have not come to pass when they should have. In spite of expressed concerns to leadership, they were allowed to continue in their ministry as prophets which included giving prophecies to individuals within their church. I have in my files letters from two Christian psychologists, one of which is attached, which verify and back up the serious problems erroneous personal prophecies can cause. God's anointing upon His divinely called and chosen prophets cannot be blamed for such serious errors. Are God's New Testament church prophets inferior to Old Testament prophets when under Christ who acquired a priestly ministry which is much more*

superior and excellent than under the old covenant? Are God's ministry equipping enablements now inferior for His called out ones than under the old covenant? (I am reliably told that John Paul Jackson has been transferred to the staff of John Wimber's church).

3. *Supernatural revelations received by Bob Jones and accepted as valid by Mike Bickle of divine visitations they say by an uncreated being by the name of Dominus which they also say was Jesus Christ disguised as an angel. While there is a biblical basis for both angels of God and Satan to disguise themselves to others in the form of a man, I find no biblical basis for Jesus Christ, Himself, to disguise Himself as another man or an angel. All angels, of course, are created beings. None are uncreated. That brings real concerns as to just who this Dominus they describe really is.*

4. *The sands of time revelations accepted and distributed by KCF leadership. These are expansive revelations of the last days that reveal two more generations to come, the last one attaining unto perfection. Are we to continue now to look for the Lord Jesus' coming or is His coming delayed for probably 40 more years? (Mike Bickle has called Bob Jones a prophet of God and a seer for their group. More than half of KCF accepted revelations have come through Bob Jones who I'm reliably told has recently been somewhat muzzled privately from sharing new revelations publicly by leadership under pressure of advice by men outside their church).*

5. *"New order" vs. "old order" teaching with most charismatic groups and churches considered by God to be "old order". They teach people to look for persecution of the new order from the old order. New order, new government, new movement of God starting in Kansas City.*

6. *Another concern is the close correlation of their foundational doctrines to the manifested sons of God error which appeared on the scene several years ago.*

Back in February, I was talking with one of the CBN staff members concerning KCF and he told me he had talked to Mike Bickle just the day before. He said that Mike Bickle told him he had contacted the Network of Christian Ministries for the purpose of possibly using some of their affiliated ministers to arbitrate the differences between Ernie Gruen and himself. I had not mentioned that to Ernie Gruen or anyone else connected to him and was very surprised when I read Ernie Gruen's latest letter to Mike Bickle proposing to him that a group of spiritually seasoned and mature ministers from the Network of Christian Ministries be mutually agreed to and accepted to investigate all matters of their differences and decide the disputed issues. It seemed to me to be providential that both Ernie and Mike would separately and independently contact NCM for this purpose. I would be willing to accept the findings, decisions and recommendations of these godly men. I believe that others would also. These problems are not just Kansas City problems because the knowledge and influence of this new movement has now spread across the nation and is affecting Christians and churches in other cities and states.

I would encourage those of you who know Mike Bickle to urge him to accept Ernie Gruen's proposal just as he had agreed to do in his letter to Ernie Gruen. The proposed mediators are nationally known and not directly related to one another in their separate ministries and would be capable of discerning any rights and wrongs of these differences that are affecting Christians all across this nation. If either or both of these two ministers need to be corrected, this group would be spiritually qualified to do it. I believe if Jim Bakker and Jimmy Swaggart early on would have been willing to submit themselves and their ministries to such a group of unrelated spiritually mature men to deal with and seek and find righteous solutions to their problems, it may have been possible to

have avoided the damage of national publicity in an unfriendly and a misunderstanding public and possibly could have avoided involvement of the courts.

In Ernie Gruen's letter of April 4, he has promised to furnish specific documentation to all those who inquire in writing. I encourage each one of you to take the time now to request that so that you can examine the material for yourselves and then inquire of Mike Bickle for his detailed response if you desire.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) Warren Black

CBN Regional Director

To KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP

March 30, 1990

Dear Mike:

This is my response to your open letter to the city, sent to me on January 22, 1990. In that letter, you said, "I am very eager to meet with you to clear up these terrible misunderstandings. I leave the initiative for a meeting in your hands respecting your need to first hear from the Lord in a fresh way. I'd suggest that we call men with national ministries to come and sit with us in order to help us communicate."

After many days of fasting and prayer, I formally accept your request for a meeting with national leaders. I have written to the Apostolic Presbyters of the Network of Christian Ministries, asking them to mediate the situation. These twelve men are:

*Dick Benjamin;
Charles Green;
Paul Paino;
Roderick Caesar,
Jr.; John Hagee;
Earl Paulk;
Emanuele Cannistraci;
Dick Iverson;
Charles Simpson;
John Casteel;
Houston Miles;
Ken Sumrall*

These twelve men would definitely be a fair and responsible group. Six of these men have never met me; four are only casual acquaintances. They represent all streams of the full/gospel Charismatic ministry of our nation. They are men of such impeccable integrity that, even if they are acquainted with you or me, they would judge righteously. This is the proper group to handle the situation because they are truly apostles; they truly represent the nation; and it is a large enough body to be impartial. In addition, these men are all outside of the controversy themselves.

We will present carefully written documentations of I material for these people to evaluate prior to the meeting. We would also furnish you with a copy of the same documentation.

I am now convinced that your group does not represent orthodox Christianity; that many of your church's prophecies are from familiar spirits and are actually divination; and that you are very close to becoming a Charismatic heresy and a cult group. The material that we have documented, from your own writings and tapes, has led me to this sad conclusion.

We also request that the national leadership issue a written report, and that it be published in Charisma magazine or some other national publication, such as Christianity Today, so that there be no distortion as to the conclusions of the national leaders.

The local Kansas City situation is not the focus now, since we followed the process and procedures commanded in Matthew 18 precisely through to the third step when we told it to the church. The message I preached on January 21, 1990, at this point, is no longer relevant. The issue is that you have started a movement that is promoting prophecies throughout the nation that are total fabrications In order to gain credibility for "your movement." You have done irreparable harm to the church in Kansas City, and we do not wish you to harm hundreds of thousands of people nationwide.

I trust that you will have the integrity to meet with these national leaders since you have steadfastly refused the quiet counsel and help of national leaders on three occasions since January 21, 1990.

*Sincerely,
(signed) Pastor Ernest J. Gruen*

EDITOR'S NOTE: Kansas City Fellowship, as of the date of the printing of this publication, has refused to meet with the national leaders.

OPEN LETTER TO NATIONAL LEADERS

April 4, 1990

Jude 3, 4 (NAS): "Beloved, while I was making every effort to write you about our common salvation, I felt the necessity to write to you appealing that you contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints. For certain persons have crept in unnoticed..."

Since I was not sure to whom to address this letter, I am sending it to the entire board. I formally request that the board meet with Mike Bickle and myself during the 1990 Network Meeting in July. Enclosed please find a letter which I have sent to Mike Bickle.

The purpose of the meeting would not be that Mike and I be reconciled, because we are totally convinced that many of his prophets prophesy by a familiar spirit and that they are a Charismatic heresy. The purpose of the meeting, therefore, would be for you to examine their doctrine and practices, to ascertain whether our conclusions are accurate; if not, we should be corrected. On the other hand, if our conclusions are accurate, equitable, and righteous, then this should be exposed and such action should be taken as you decide.

We would request that a written report be published in Charisma and/or Christianity Today so there could be no distortion or manipulation of the apostles' conclusions.

I would appear along with as many Kansas City brethren as you would suggest, mainly to answer questions concerning the documented material which we will present to you. The documentation will be from their own teachings and tapes. Also, we will present affidavits supporting our conclusions.

I have had many national leaders call me and ask me for specific documentation. We will furnish it to you. We will carefully document their own words (what they themselves say) about what they believe and practice. We will furnish this documentation by May 31, 1990. We will also give a copy of it to Kansas City Fellowship.

Sincerely,

(signed) Pastor Ernest J. Gruen

TESTIMONIES

As pastors we have witnessed the harm done to many of God's people, pastors, and churches in the Kansas City area.

The following are excerpts from over 30 written testimonies which we have received in a short period of time. Many such testimonies continue to be received; certainly these are representative of other lives also affected by the false practices and teachings of this "Movement."

For explanation concerning these testimonies, see information pages at the end of this documentation.

FROM TESTIMONY LETTER 31

"I went to Bob Jones on the advice of a close friend. He said Bob Jones would pray for me and I would get healed..."

"I've had numerous painful biopsies, acid treatments, and three laser surgeries. It has just seemed to drag on and on without any permanent cure.

"I went with a friend to have Bob Jones pray for me. He immediately told me, without prior knowledge, that I had been abused as a little girl and that I was still suffering deep emotional wounds from my childhood trauma. He had me first cover my chest with my hands and he applied pressure to my abdomen as he prayed for me and 'cast out spirits.' He then had me stand up and grabbed my hands. My fingers tend to be purplish at times anyway, and with him squeezing my fingers they were even more so. He told my friend that my fingers turning purple was a 'sign of the anointing on me' and that God was going to use me as an intercessor for others.

"I felt really weird about the whole thing but when I shared my doubts with my friend who originally sent me to Bob Jones, he really rebuked me for my lack of faith and told me the devil was trying to steal my healing. So I decided to place my doubts aside; after all, Bob Jones was able to tell me, without prior knowledge, about my sexual abuse history. So I chose to believe his prophecy and not believe what my body was telling me.

"Bob Jones told me on July 30, 1989, I would be totally healed in three months. By the end of October I wasn't feeling better. I felt something was definitely wrong so I scheduled an appointment with my doctor for October 30. My doctor confirmed the fact that my condition was still there and called the cancer specialist to let him know he was sending me back to him.

“This false prophecy did a couple of harmful things. It put me in a position where I almost felt like I had to lie to my roommate. . . that by telling her I thought I wasn’t healed I would be showing a complete lack of faith, so I didn’t tell her anything--not even that I had an appointment to see my doctor, until after I had already seen him and was scheduled to go back to the cancer specialist. Needless to say, she was hurt that I had waited until then to tell her anything.

“The second thing it did was, it threw me in a tailspin as far as my relationship with the Lord. I once again saw God as being like my natural father--playing cruel tricks on me--I thought God hated me. So I put a wall up and decided I just wanted to be saved, just get into heaven. That’s it. I didn’t want to get close to God; I didn’t want to hear any more prophecies, and I wasn’t going to believe in supernatural healings anymore. I wanted to be as distant of a Christian from God as I could be and still be saved...

“Bob Jones’ false prophecy has not made my walk with the Lord better; it almost caused me to backslide.”

FROM TESTIMONY LETTER 13

“Then, there were all the prophecies that (a certain brother) would be healed. Times and seasons were given (usually ‘on the spring’). When the dates came and left with no healing, the church was told it was because we didn’t have enough faith. When they were given, the prophecies were not ‘conditional prophecies.’ It’s seven years later, and (this brother) is still an invalid.”

FROM TESTIMONY LETTER 7

“We were involved with a church in Olathe, Kansas, called Olathe Fellowship, for about three years in the mid 1980’s... I thought it was a good church with sound teaching. At some point, it was decided that we would merge with Christ Community Fellowship under Larry Fry. We were told that all the pastors had ‘submitted’ to Mike Bickle of Kansas City Fellowship as a means to facilitate the merge.

“The involvement of Kansas City Fellowship totally changed the spirit of a good little church. Several things happened in this time period that I would tell you about if (we) were talking face to face. I would want you to know the following:

The tone of the preaching and teaching changed drastically. KCF brought in a new senior pastor.

Exclusivity was preached and we became self-centered and arrogant. It was said that were the ‘New Thing’ God was doing in Olathe. We were on the cutting edge of what God was doing. On one occasion, in the winter of 1986, we were told that we were like

David in the Old Testament. We were the anointed one. The other churches in Olathe were like David's brothers. They would be passed over.

On another occasion, which I believe was in January, 1987, we were likened to a new wineskin. Other churches, and Full Faith Church of Love was named, were described as the old, mature wineskin that God could not use anymore.

The good news of salvation was not preached. In fact, salvations were a rare occurrence. The messages brought to us were unbalanced, with the emphasis on 'restoration' and praise in the church. To me, worship became an event that superceded any real worship of God from your heart.

2. There was increased emphasis on prophecy, the supernatural, etc. Also, explanations of events and prophecies were altered in order to coincide with actual circumstances. In the fall of 1986, Wes preached a message on 'enlarging our tent.' He stated that God told him not to go into debt...

3. On January 16, 1987, I met one-on-one with Wes Adams to discuss many of the topics contained in this letter. In mid-February, several of us men from Olathe Fellowship met with the leadership of KCF. The most often used response to our questions was to 'trust me,'--don't question, because we had heard from God. "Sometime in the summer or fall of 1986, John Paul Jackson prophesied that the vacant Westlake Hardware Store building was ours. Leadership announced that the two congregations would occupy it together in December, 1986. John Paul even led us in a march around the property and anointed the corners with oil. Leadership pursued a lease with the building owner. A period of confusion followed, with a general lack of information regarding the Westlake Building. Finally on 2-18-87, Bob Scott of KCF informed us that we would get the building. He explained that John Paul should have said that we would be in this building sometime in the future. John Paul Jackson lost credibility that night as a spokesman for God, at least in my eyes. Also, contrary to the prophecy, the two bodies did not merge until spring of 1987...

"I know that God can use all situations, including this one, for ministry, and I also know of some of KCF's good works. However, I was most disturbed by the arrogant attitude, disregard for other churches, the unethical method of church growth, and the unbalanced sermons with overemphasis on the supernatural and prophecy. This was not a time of peace, and it was not right for me."

FROM TESTIMONY LETTER 2

"When the Kansas City Fellowship influence came in, those people either no longer received help, or the amount of help was greatly reduced. One such person was (a certain woman) in her 70's, nearly blind, has only one arm, has asthma, a widow, and a dear saint in the Lord. Christ Community Fellowship helped her out because it was the right thing to do. When Kansas City Fellowship took over, (this woman) was turned down in many areas where she used to receive our help. She and many others like her

were refused help; the church was busy buying, building, and remodeling. There was enough money for the physical needs of the church' building but not very much money to help the saints."

FROM TESTIMONY LETTER 18

"We were...assured that the two little churches, when they came together, would be totally autonomous and would never become a part of Kansas City Fellowship. All Kansas City Fellowship was to be was an overseer to give counsel and help only when asked for.

"The services at church were getting more and more less interesting to me. There also was a striking lack of salvations, baptisms, etc., that would tend to make you wonder what was being preached about anyway. The main topics were revival, prayer, and unity--with an occasional, 'don't speak against God's anointed.'

"(We) found out that we weren't the only ones having troubles. As time went on the other people and us began to discuss the problems we were having. At one point, a man mentioned to me that when Derek Prince had come for the talk at KCF on Mother's Day (the witchcraft sermon), the leadership at KCF had rejected what he had said. At that point I had no idea what he was talking about so I went home and looked up the notes I had taken. Well, let me tell you that that was the biggest shock I had ever had--never had I heard anyone tell anyone else that they were having problems with witchcraft. The more I read the notes, the more (I was) convinced that what we had been feeling, seeing, and experiencing was nothing short of the manipulation, domination, and intimidation that Derek had alluded to...

(The) reply to this was that Ernie Gruen was of the last move of God and wouldn't acknowledge that fact that he was no longer on 'the cutting edge' of what God is doing now. Of course, using that terminology set me on edge because, as I see it, it is a very arrogant attitude--which is another point I brought up, the arrogance of the whole group of leadership that if someone isn't doing what they think is 'the cutting edge' that they will be left behind when revival does ... Part of the prophecy that was given for this whole affair also hinged upon the acquiring of the Ardan-Alco shopping center. It had been stated from the pulpit more than once that the sign that all this union was to truly take place would be when God released the building to us as prophesied...

"(Concerning the question of) what our relationship with Kansas City Fellowship would be, the answer...was that there were NO direct links between the two. And finally, here on January 7, we are told that on September 4, 1986, Wes and Larry had gone into a covenant relationship with Mike Bickle, et al.. and that this was a lifelong commitment. To me. this was nothing less than a total lie and cover-up of what had actually transpired.

“Another comment made by John Paul Jackson on this ‘Night of Enlightenment’ that sent me reeling was that, ‘If you don’t come under Mike Bickle’s authority for the work, it won’t come to pass.’ He also said that there was an anointing and mantle of David upon this work. The thing that really struck me the weirdest was his comment that he had been in this game long enough to . . . whatever it was. It struck me as pretty flippant to call the lives of the people involved and the finances, etc. just a game. My only comment to that was that this is no game!!!...

“The statement was that on March 1, 1987, the two churches were going to become one and begin meeting together whether we had a building or not. (Remember that the ‘sign’ that we were to wait for was the release of the Ardan-Alco building.) So here we are taking things into our own hands, and the two little churches that were to come together are not going to begin an ‘illicit’ relationship, and to top it all off, we have a third party joining with us!!!

“If you will take notice of the dissertation I have just given, you will probably notice the glaring lack of the name of Jesus in the whole affair...as Christians, we cannot afford to take our eyes off of Jesus, and when we do we are treading on very dangerous territory-which is exactly where I feel KCF, OCF, and all the people and churches affiliated with Mike Bickle/Grace Ministries have ended up. There is a glaring lack of emphasis on Jesus and a glaring preeminence of the peripheral things, i.e. prophecy, extension of the ministry itself, visions, teaching on everything except Jesus.

“Some of the other noticeable problems that caught my eye were the commitment classes. It has always amazed me that they were not referring to, commitment to Jesus, but to the movement. Another thing was the extreme wordiness of all the teaching and speaking that came from Mike Bickle. . . One of the most hurtful and devastating things of all was the lack of personal ministry to the sheep that were not on the inner circle. Ezekiel 34 and Jeremiah 23 kept coming to mind throughout the latter part of the time spent affiliated with Olathe Fellowship. The shepherds were busy feeding themselves and running back and forth to Grandview to seek out the latest from KCF that they had no time to really care for the blind, wounded, and hurting sheep within their own care. Of course, if you were a really big mess on drugs or into some other gross sin, you received a lot of ministry until it was determined that your life still hadn’t made a 180 degree turnaround after you should have been delivered from whatever...

“The things that Ernie Gruen said in his sermon, ‘Do We Keep Smiling and Say Nothing?’ were right on target as to my perspective. In fact I think he was rather reserved and understated on some of the items.”

FROM TESTIMONY LETTER 5

“Then John Paul got to the part about curses being spoken on you by anyone, even someone who prays for you. Another example was someone who simply gets angry at you in traffic. At that point I became obsessed with trying to break curses that weren’t

even curses. I remember being especially fearful for my children. I became angry and frustrated with my husband, who wasn't taking this nearly serious enough as far as I was concerned.

“Looking back now, it seemed as one hot topic died down they always had another waiting in the wings to keep us excited and stirred up. Now reflecting back on that time, I can't remember just hearing a good basic message about Jesus Christ or salvation. It was always geared toward what they referred to as the 'movement' and what was ahead for the 'movement.' Their future and direction was based on someone's visions and dreams of prophecy, and we never knew from one week to the next where it would lead us. Anyway, as I continued attending, I remember hearing over and over how holy and righteous all the leaders were and that we were to pattern ourselves after them. If we didn't follow them totally, then how could we expect God to bless us? There seemed to be an almost subliminal message saying, 'Go along with us or you're doomed to hell.' And then there also seemed to be somewhat of a clandestine spirit at times through messages like, 'What we're doing here is totally of God, and it's going to bring in multitudes to this 'movement' if we all just obey what He is telling us through the prophets. Now those outside our 'movement' probably won't understand what we are about or misinterpret our intentions, so it would be best if this information remains here with us. When God wants to reveal it to others outside our midst He will do so. You just give of yourself totally and unselfishly even at the expense of your job,' I heard once, 'if that seems to be what God is saying to us.' Now granted this is not a direct quote, but I can assure you that there was more than one message that was very close to what I have written, at the very least this was the message that my mind was hearing.

“Well, finally I started realizing that peace of mind and heart, that I spoke of earlier, was gone and that it was actually replaced with fear, intimidation and manipulation. I thanked God for that revelation and fled from their midst quickly. My prayer remains that others still in the 'movement' will be freed from the deception and, in fact, will experience the same revelation and freedom from the Holy Spirit.”

FROM TESTIMONY LETTER 9

“I have cited areas that I pulled from the commitment classes...One major problem I have with this is I've been taught that God speaks to each person individually. Over and over I hear that He doesn't. I don't doubt that He may give one person a vision to share, but if it's really from God, He'll confirm it in us. The Scripture says we are to test the spirits, and I don't hear that being taught. In fact, I have heard some of the prophets say not to test, just believe! I'm sorry, but I cannot do that.

“Mike Bickle has always come across as a dominate and manipulative person. I always felt uncomfortable around him. Another concern I have with Mike is that he doesn't have anyone that he answers to. Everyone answers to Mike and he answers to no one but God. I question that he hears from God in the way he says he does.

"KCF tends to spiritualize everything. (They say) No matter what kind of problem you face, it's because you weren't obedient in an area, or it's an evil spirit that you need to be delivered of. . . true deliverance makes an instant change in people.

"The last year I was part of KCF, I could probably count on both hands the number of times the Bible was actually preached from the pulpit. There may have been a reference made to it during the service, but many of the services were spent on 'commitment classes,' prophet's dreams, etc. I didn't realize this was going on until I left. I was too close to see it.

"I have found that KC? reminds me a great deal of the Mormon Church. They believe in large families; they have one main leader; they believe that whatever God speaks to Mike is the truth and they don't test it...The people at KCF believe so much in Mike and his dreams, his prophets, etc., that they seem to be missing the fact that they are being led around like a dog on a chain. . .Every leader that Mike brings in is a friend of his from somewhere else. The leadership is so loyal to Mike; I don't believe they do much thinking on their own. When Mike presents a dream or vision to them, I feel that their prayer is, 'Okay God, do it,' instead of, 'God show me if this is right.'"

FROM TESTIMONY LETTER 12

"According to this friend, Mike Bickle said if a prophet was spoken against by someone, that person would be sick unto death. I heard that our minister talked against him and became very ill. A friend (who no longer lives here) said our minister called Mike Bickle and confessed that he spoke against him. He then apologized to Mike, and asked him to pray for him. This friend said he became well soon afterwards."

FROM TESTIMONY LETTER 23

"During a week of corporate fasting as Olathe churches were merging with KCF, John Paul Jackson was giving personal prophecies. He picked out seven women with incestuous spirits. He mentioned in his presentation auras and astrology. I confronted him afterwards with Wes Adams, John Heston, and others. I suggested these methods were of an occult nature. He said that they originated with God and that he knew how many women had incestuous spirits by their black auras. He recommended the book, Elijah Task by John & Paula Sanford (relatives of Agnes Sanford). This book smacks of New Age concepts. Elijah Task and books by Agnes Sanford had also been recommended by a group from Vineyard Fellowship.

"After the discussion, Wes defended John Paul by saying, 'Prophets aren't teachers; therefore, they sometimes make theological errors. They don't spend as much time in the Scriptures.'

“On another occasion I asked John Paul about dreams. He said all dreams are from God. I asked him when he

received his gifting. He said he received it from birth, and he was commissioned by an angelic visitation as a young child. This runs counter to Biblical teaching that prophecy is a gift from the Holy Spirit upon baptism.”

FROM TESTIMONY LETTER 37

“These are a few of the multitude of reasons we left Kansas City Fellowship. (At that time it was still called Olathe Christian Fellowship.)

“History: We began attending Olathe Fellowship in November, 1984. Wee Adams and Mark Wilson were good teachers, and although they were inexperienced ‘pastors,’ we felt ‘well fed’ and well cared for. The fellowship was growing and we were pleased.

‘By March of ‘87, our little fellowship, along with Christ Community Fellowship had been effectively ‘swallowed’ up by KCF in all but name. A man we did not know (Noel Alexander) was placed over us by KFC as our Senior Pastor. and we were told that ‘the prophets’ had heard from God concerning these things.

“The ‘prophets’ told us that ‘our small fellowship must “die” to themselves (unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains by itself alone) and be raised up to newness of life.’

“We had many misgivings and questions about all these happenings and changes that we were never given prior knowledge of, but always told after the fact. Lack of communication and constant upheaval caused many to question. Then we were repeatedly warned from the platform not to talk amongst ourselves but to take our questions only to leadership or God. Many weeks in a row we were told not to talk with our brothers and sisters about all these tremendous changes that seemed to take place constantly...

“We were ‘called on the carpet’ by men who had been placed over us from Grandview several times because we didn’t seem to be fully committed to ‘the movement.’

“Either Mike Bickle or Noel Alexander spoke at almost every service. And week after week, Noel had one message: holiness. However, holiness seemed to be defined by how many prayer meetings you attended. etc. Mike had one message: how glorious this movement was going to be and how it was going to touch the ends of the earth, and rah! rah! Rah! It went on week after week. In the entire time we were there. we cannot recall a single person being saved.

“The Scriptures say to test the fruit. The fruit there was fear, disease, and depression. And the principle tool was manipulation. After many instances and situations, some

seemingly small and some very great, we finally realized that if Scripture were true and His sheep do hear His voice, we must be in the wrong pasture, and we left as quietly as possible.”

***THE FOLLOWING SIX SECTIONS CONTAIN OUR DOCUMENTATION
OF THE ABBERANT TEACHINGS AND PRACTICES
OF KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP (GRACE MINISTRIES)***

Abbreviations for quoted material are as follows:

MB: MIKE BICKLE

BJ: BOB JONES

JPJ: JOHN PAUL JACKSON

PC: PAUL CAIN

More information about this report is given in the information and explanation pages at the end of this document.

I. ETHICAL COMPROMISES IN THE PROMOTION OF THE MOVEMENT

IT WOULD SEEM THAT MIKE BICKLE HAS DISPLAYED A CONSISTENT LACK OF ETHICS AND HAS EVEN BEEN DECEPTIVE, AT TIMES, IN PROMOTING THEIR MOVEMENT AND IN HIS DEALINGS WITH OTHERS.

A. A FABRICATED DROUGHT (a false sign)

Mike Bickle has been deceptive in repeatedly proclaiming a drought prophecy as a supernatural sign that supposedly confirms Kansas City Fellowship's "Movement." The fact is that the drought prophecy could never have been considered true. Read carefully the following as told by Mike Bickle concerning the supposed drought of 1983:

MB: "Then Bob (Jones) stands up at the end and he says, 'I got bad news.' He says, 'The Lord told me that there isn't gonna be a revival 'being poured out at the end of this 21 days.' He said, 'Worse than that, we 're goin' to the three months of total barrenness. And there 's gonna be a drought upon the city.' He didn't say that there would be, you know, not a, not a sprinkle of rain. He said there'd be a drought. He said through the city. And ah, I checked the newspaper once and found out that it rained an inch in the north over the summer. But ah, you know, I 'm not sure exactly how much, or somebody did--I can't remember all those details, but we watched it day by day and there was a drought through those three months. He (Bob) said, 'The Lord will break the drought in the natural over Kansas City, and it's a sign that He will, on an appointed time, break the drought in the Spirit, but not until He appoints the time.'

"And he told us on the end of May, he said, 'This drought will last three months in the natural. It will last a number of years in the Spirit.'

"And ah, we've had several different theories when that drought was gonna break, but it hadn't broke yet. And, ah, so, so much for all our theories. But there is an appointed time when the drought breaks in the natural as well as in the Spirit. And he said, 'And here's the proof that there will, it will break on an appointed day in the natural.' On August 23, the drought will end and the rains will come to the city. Three months from, from now, the rains will come. And 'the Lord told me that supernaturally--that it would be a sign, because nobody that knows, anywhere in the world that it's gonna rain in three months, on a specific day, to break a 3-month drought.' Obviously that took place and that was glorious. And it was a supernatural sign to us. We waited all summer for that. But no rain or such minimal rain that none of us can remember it, let's put it that way. I'm not ah, haven't checked all the scientific stuff on it, I just ah, ah watched it casually and got real hot, but ah, then after that, ah, we're all excited because the rain came in the natural on an appointed day, which tells us the rain really is coming in ah, in the Spirit on an appointed time. It was a sign from the heavens ah, ahead of time and ah, it was an encouragement in our prayer meetings. We were gittin' very discouraged because of the three months of total barrenness in our midst." (OPH, p. 10)

In 1986, Mike Bickle also stated the following concerning this drought prophecy:

MB: "(Quoting Bob) 'This is the sign in the heavens, again. . . For three months there will be

a drought in this city.’... The sign is (that) there will be a pattern in the heavens--a weather pattern, and you can’t manipulate weather patterns, so we said, ‘Okay. if it comes to pass. we know the word is true.’...But he says, ‘On August 23, God will send a sign from heaven...’ I said, ‘Bob, I hope this is right.’ ‘Cause it was terrible. June--no rain...August 23, 6:00 at night, it rains, what, 3 to 4 inches of rain...It was a sign in the heavens that no man could have manipulated; it was spoken publicly for all to hear.’ (P.His 2, p. 2)

These are the facts concerning rainfall during the months of June, July, and August, 1983. They were obtained from the National Weather Service and the newspaper weather reports from that timeframe:

1. July and August were below normal in rainfall, and very hot, but July and August are always hot in Kansas City.
2. June’s record showed well above average rainfall: 5.03 inches in the northern part of the city, and 7.37 inches in the southern part, where Kansas City Fellowship is located.
3. It rained only .32 inches on August 23, not 3 to 4 inches. Regarding this rainfall on August 23, the newspaper’s comments were, “Tuesday’s watered-down attempt at rain here. though half-hearted and half-heated, eased area sneezes. dropping the pollen count to only 23 particles per cubic meter of air. Gesundheit.” (KCT, Thursday, August 25, 1983)
4. On six separate days in June, there was more rainfall recorded than on August 23, with one day showing over 2 inches of rainfall, and two days showing over 1 inch of rainfall.

There was no drought. Anyone who went outside or read the newspaper could not have considered June a month of drought. The sprinkle of rain on August 23 was not considered a drought-breaker. This prophecy did not happen; it was a total fabrication to promote “The Movement.” From the start, this prophecy could never have been considered true.

B A FABRICATED STORY CONCERNING BOB JONES

The following story, which is often told by Mike Bickle to give credibility to Bob Jones as a prophet, is a complete fabrication of facts. The pastor of the church mentioned in the story, and a leading member of that church totally repudiate the story as given.

Read carefully the account, given by Mike Bickle and Bob Jones, during interviews in the fall of 1988:

BJ: “Viola and I were involved in a church in ‘76. We were involved with the youth leaders, and we even gave them quite a bit of land in Lake Ozarks. We had a youth camp there. There was a movement of the Spirit with the youth. but also there was a pull of the youth into immorality, drugs, and alcohol. And the Lord was tellin’ me what they were doin’. I had to warn them. It got dangerous. Still they wouldn’t turn from it, so I went and warned a couple of the youth leaders twice. Viola and I, we dearly loved them. They were like our son and our daughter.

And I warned them, but they really got upset the last time I warned them. And two days later they were both dead. I warned them about a motorcycle. They were killed on a motorcycle two days later.”

MB: “Because they were in sin. It wasn’t that the enemy could just take them, but he warned them. The enemy was seeking to take them. And they said it, ‘Forget it, we are not getting rid of our sin.’”

BJ: “That motorcycle was part of their sin. So they were killed, and even in their funeral I brought another word--it kept coming, and it was--(I’d heard the church brag just before that, ‘Ten years we haven’t had a death.’) ‘Oh, don’t get into pride or brag. Man, you open the door to the devil every time.’ As they were burying them the Lord told me, ‘This isn’t the last. And they will be young people: they won’t be old.’ The next day we got a call from another young man in the Navy, and he went to Swope Park with a couple of Black Muslims and he got drunk and he tried to swim in the lagoon out there and he drowned. Two or three days later a man run off the road and was killed. These were young family men. They just died one after another. And the women of the church began to look at me and said, ‘Don’t let him look at your husband. The man can curse him and you’ll die.’ There was all kind of stuff that started going on. got so depressed because young ones were dying. What bothered me the most was Viola and I had some blood kin in there too. You know, you think that would scare hell out of them, but it didn’t--they started runnin’ to drugs and alcohol to forget it, and they went into immorality. And some of them has never come back to the Lord since then.”

MB: “So, seven young people under 30 died in a 6-week period. and Bob had given himself fully to this group and he was so depressed because this group rejected him and then he called in about some sin in the leadership’--some immorality--and they threw him out of the church. They said, ‘We don’t want you here again.’ They cast him out, and within weeks the immorality in the leadership took place and the people left--left their spouses of the church, so seven young people under 30 die in six weeks. So they said. ‘You cursed them. You are the one that cursed the leadership. Get out of here!’ So Bob, brokenhearted, and Viola drew back from the church as they were kicked out of it and said. ‘Lord is there anything we can do? How are we to view this?’ They were sick at heart for months and months.”

(F88, p. 26 — 27)

In another message in 1986, Mike Bickle described the story a little differently:

MB: “...he (Bob) was involved in one church. And a bunch of the youth group was getting into sin and he spoke to them and warned them by the spirit of prophecy (that) it they don’t quit sinning, that--it’s a little church of about 300 people--he said, ‘Different ones of you will die...’ and he told different ones by name. And in six weeks, seven of the youth died in six weeks. And so they threw Bob Jones out.” (P.His 1, p. 15)

THE FACTS, AS GIVEN BY THE FORMER PASTOR AND A CHURCH MINISTER ARE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT:

“During the time of my pastorate at Berean Baptist Church, a man by the name of Bob Jones came to our services and started, without contacting or consulting the pastor, proceeded to insert himself as a prophet in every service--dominated the worship and praise time with dire and

foreboding prophecies, supposedly from God, mostly in the flesh. The people and pastor grew weary of this continuous and wearisome foretelling of earthquakes and tragedies coming until I, as pastor and shepherd of the sheep, asked Bob Jones to come with me and another pastor to my study to counsel him. And I requested Bob that for at least a month that he sit quietly and be still. Bob refused counsel, refused to be under the subjection of the shepherd, and took off for other churches where he would be free to make his predictions. He was not, and I emphasize not, asked to leave our church. Besides that, he was never a member. Furthermore, it has come to my attention that he prophesied that seven young men would die and that the pastor and church would not listen to him. That is a lie. Those predictions were never made. My wife, who never missed a service and has a better memory than I do, verifies this fact. I would have this comment on the supposed fact that two young people on a motorcycle was proof of his prediction... Will and Judy Pliska were accidentally killed by a Christian man who grievously attended the funeral service. Fact: God does not choose one of His saints to kill His saints. Two of the most spiritual children I know were the Pliskas. Add to that--the funeral was held in my church; I preached the funeral message and gave an invitation to accept Christ, and several young people took Jesus as their Savior that day.” (Testimony Letter 11)

The church member:

“At the maximum, six people of all ages died over a 2-year period, from March 29, 1976, to January 12, 1978:

- a. Dennis Wagner, age 19;. died March 29, 1976, drowned at Swope Park. He was backslidden and had been out of the church for over a year in the Navy.
- b. Will and Judy Pliska, ages 31 and perhaps 29; died in the fall of 1976. Will and Judy were dedicated Christians and were youth leaders. They were not in sin. The police who visited their apartment following their deaths reported finding their Bibles open on the table from their quiet time that morning.

Bob Jones did not bring a prophetic word at that funeral about additional people dying. Furthermore, Bob recounts that at the funeral God tells him that more are still to die, and then two or three days later a young man drowns in a lagoon. This young man, Dennis Wagner, was the nephew of this church member. As stated previously, he died on March 29, many months before the funeral of Will and Judy, not after.

- c. Walt Simon, in his 40's; died December 16, 1976. This man was also a Christian in good standing, who was run off the road and killed.
- d. J.R. Smith, young man; date of death uncertain. J.R. turned a forklift over and accidentally killed himself while at work at Armco Steel. He had attended church there for a short time previously, but had not been involved at all in the months prior to his death.
- e. Grandma Wynn, age 89; died January 12, 1978. This was the only other recorded death in the church in a 2-year span. Only three of these people were under the age of 30.”

The member testified that Bob Jones had the habit of jumping up, at any time he felt like it

during the services, and prophesying. He was not under submission to the pastor. The pastor finally took another brother with him and asked Bob not to speak out in the services--to be quiet in services for a period of 30 days. He was not kicked out or thrown out of the church.

The church member ended with, "...these deaths could, in no way, be construed as 'seven young people involved in sin, dying in a period of six weeks.' This is a complete exploitation for the purpose of gaining personal credibility as a prophet. Bob Jones was never asked to leave the church; Bob Jones did not publicly give warning to the church." (Testimony Letter 33)

C. PROMOTION OF JOHN PAUL JACKSON

In the promotion of John Paul Jackson as a prophet, Mike Bickle gave pastors and others the clear impression that John Paul Jackson had been a prophet on staff at Church on the Rock in Rockwall, Texas, and a great spiritual influence to Larry Lea.

It was reported to us by one of the pastors who was on staff at Church on the Rock during the time John Paul Jackson was there, that he (John Paul Jackson) never was on staff at Church on the Rock and was never recognized as a prophet at Church on the Rock.

D MIKE BICKLE DISAVOWS BOB JONES PRIVATELY, WHILE PROMOTING HIM PUBLICLY. HE CONTRADICTS HIMSELF OVER AND OVER AGAIN IN THE WAY HE PRESENTS BOB JONES' SIGNIFICANCE TO THEIR MINISTRY.

Mike Bickle has privately disavowed Bob Jones' significance and ministry to other leaders, while publicly promoting Bob Jones' prophecies and ministry to their group and others.

MB: "...There's nobody in the natural that had a more 'integral' role in establishing the foundations in that kind of prophetic way than Bob. And all of his weaknesses and all of his mistakes and all of his other things that are bad ('cause I got to balance this thing out to keep him humble), the Lord still used him in the most unique way for an 18-month period that was very distinct from anything I've ever heard of or seen, or boy. I tell you it was totally bizarre..." (ROH, p.6)

Mike Bickle gives great importance to Bob Jones regarding the history and founding of their "Movement." In fact, in the tape, "Prophetic Overview of Kansas City Fellowship History," Mike referred to Bob Jones or quoted him 75 times, while referring to Scripture or quoting Scripture 6 times.

At the same time, Mike has consistently minimized the role and importance of Bob Jones when speaking privately to concerned pastors and Christian leaders. When called into account regarding some of the outlandish prophecies, visions, and doctrines espoused by Bob Jones, Mike gives him virtually no credibility.

1. LETTER FROM A LOCAL PASTOR

Letter from the pastor of Christian Life Center at the time of its takeover by Kansas City

Fellowship. Regarding Bob Jones, this pastor states the following in the spring of 1988:

“Of course, one of the areas of primary concern was regarding the position of Bob Jones with the church. I asked Mike pointedly, ‘What role does Bob Jones have at Kansas City Fellowship? I have been very concerned about’ him and things I have heard regarding his prophecies.’ Mike’s response was, with a laugh, ‘Oh, we made a real mistake with Bob when we first started Kansas City Fellowship and gave him too much credibility. He really hurt us. We really don’t pay that much attention to him now although, he does say some things that are right on.’

“The response from Mike made us believe that Bob Jones did not have any type of highly regarded ministry at Kansas City Fellowship. In fact, it was clear from our conversation with Mike that, as far as he was concerned, much that Bob Jones said was not really taken very seriously.

“I then proceeded to reassure my congregation that Bob Jones did not have a recognized leadership position, nor prophetic office at Kansas City Fellowship.” (Testimony Letter 17)

Yet Mike Bickle, in his 5-hour interview with Bob Jones, stated several months earlier--in the fall of 1988, “Always know that Bob is a seer ‘for this group. . .’”

Mike Bickle also states the following in his message, “Overview of Kansas City Fellowship’s Prophetic History,” in May of 1989:

MB: “The angel of the Lord told Bob that sentence that he told me, and I said, ‘Truly, you are a prophet of the Lord.’ I remember that, on March 21, 1983, and the Lord supernaturally sent Bob Jones in our midst--and that testimony is too long to go into tonight--but it was great! It was a wonderful thing, and Bob uh, his commission, his first commission to us was to establish the leaders in faith for a worldwide movement.” (OPH, p. 7)

During interviews with Bob Jones in October of 1989, Mike Bickle explains:

MB: “But I mean I go to some, you know, a bunch of pastor friends and say, ‘There’s this guy in Kansas City named Bob Jones...’ I tell ‘em the stories and they go, ‘You’re sick!’ You know, they think, ‘How could you believe that?’ And then they meet you and they always walk away; some of ‘em are touched powerful--they go, ‘That is the most confusing guy I’ve ever seen in my life.’ Then it takes about four or five times later, then they start gettin’ excited. But why is it that there’s not like a couple of Bob Joneses in every city?” (F89, p. 45)

The former pastor of Christian Life Center concludes:

“The truth was, not only was Bob Jones given recognition as a prophet, but most of what Kansas City Fellowship saw as their mission to the city, the nation, and the world came as a direct result of the dreams, visions, revelations, and voices speaking to Bob Jones.” (Testimony Letter 17)

2. LETTER FROM A MEMBER OF CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER AT THE TIME OF THEIR TAKEOVER BY KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP:

“We also confronted Mike about some of the far-out things Bob Jones was...prophesying. He told me that Bob Jones was just an old man on his death bed, who had been faithful to the church.

He said that he tells Bob Jones not to say all that stuff but he (Bob) does it anyway. He said to just ignore him, and that they didn't pay that much attention to what he says.

“Then we got a letter from our new pastor from Mike's group, stating that ‘Bob Jones has confirmed that Christian Life Center is to become Kansas City Fellowship's New Stream!’

“We also got letters of Bob Jones' predictions, which were not fulfilled down the road...”

(Testimony Letter 28)

3. LETTER FROM ANOTHER LEADER:

After the message from Pastor Gruen, “Do We Keep Smiling and Say Nothing?”, was released, Mike contacted many national leaders personally. Among their recommendations was this one:

“I suggested that Bob Jones should not be allowed to minister to the public, but his ministry should be behind closed doors to leaders only. Mike immediately agreed, saying he had felt this way for several years but didn't know how to take full authority over anointed men.”

Yet Bob Jones continues to be promoted as a conference speaker.

4. PERSONAL EXPERIENCE OF PASTOR GRUEN, FULL FAITH CHURCH OF LOVE:

Over a year ago, Pastor Gruen approached Mike regarding his concern over reports of bizarre prophecies and damage done to families by personal prophecies from Bob Jones that did not come to pass.

Reporting on their conversation, Ernie noted the following:

“So when I asked Mike about him (Bob), he said, ‘Only 60% of his prophecies come true and he is a problem to me. I had to sit him down, and I don't let him prophesy.’ Yet you pick up Charisma Magazine and it says that, ‘..his track record has earned him a place of honor at Grace Ministries (KCF).’

“Why is it that privately they say he is a problem and that most of his prophecies don't come true, and yet publicly, for hype's sake, he is portrayed to the nation as a reliable prophet?”

For examples of Mike Bickle promoting Bob Jones across the nation, see Section IV, A.

E. MIKE BICKLE SAYING ONE THING AND DOING SOMETHING DIFFERENT

One pastor gave the following insights:

“I met with Mike Bickle and Bob Hartley at Shoneys on Front Street to try to clear up basically three matters: (1) A prophecy from a man, given to the elders of Second Creek with the full blessing of Mike. It was a strong prophecy of judgment and that of people dying. It just so happened one of our elders was already terminally ill with cancer. (2) The ethics of Mike's meetings with our people, most of whom were cell group leaders. (3) Addressing the rumor that KCF was going to start a church north of the river.

“For the most part, Mike skirted the issues and ‘fluffed’ it off, telling us that he had lost a couple

hundred people, let God do what He wants with His people, etc. Mike told us also there was no intention of starting a church north of the river.

“In a personal conversation I had with Mike, he told me that he would not start a church north of the river until a word that God had given him had come to pass. That word was that God was going to give him a sign in his ministry and that sign would be hundreds of people getting saved under his ministry, and this sign was only happening in one other ministry that he knew of at the time. He stated that God had shown him this sign would not happen before January of 1986, and that if it was going to happen it would be by June of 1986.

“Needless to say, a KCF group started meeting north of the river before these dates. When I called Mike to ask him to explain the discrepancy, he basically said it’s really just a Bible Study and not a church. Once again, the real issue was skirted and ‘fluffed off.’

“My experience with Mike has been that of his saying one thing and doing something different. When these discrepancies are brought to light, you are simply told that you never understood what he was saying the first time, so around the bush you go again.” (Testimony Letter 24)

F FINANCIAL PROMISES NOT KEPT

This account is from the former pastor of a church which I was taken over by Kansas City Fellowship:

“Mike Bickle came to Christian Life Center on a Sunday morning to explain Kansas City Fellowship’s interest in the church merging with them. He made it quite clear that they felt the assumption of the financial burden of Christian Life Center was no 1 problem to them. I quote Mike Bickle: ‘Money is no problem. In fact, we’ve just paid off the Grandview building and we were wondering what we were going to do with our money now!’ This, along with other comments promising no changes in staff and programs at Christian Life Center, was received in a very positive manner by the congregation. The truthfulness of Mike Bickle’s statements would not be revealed for a few months.

“Christian Life Center agreed to merge with Kansas City Fellowship, mainly because they were told that the pressure of the mortgage indebtedness would be eliminated. After voting to merge, Kansas City Fellowship would arrange a new loan and relieve the guarantors of their responsibility. Unknown to most of the Christian Life Center congregation, the mortgage payment was not only not assumed in a reasonable time by Kansas City Fellowship, but was actually two or three months behind at all times. I was aware of the fact because, even though I was gone from the church, the note was still in the name of Christian Life Center and I was still considered the president of the corporation by the bank. I would be continually contacted by the bank regarding the late payments.

“In June of 1989, ten months after the merge of Christian Life Center with Kansas City Fellowship, I was informed by the bank that the loan was due. In fact, it was three months behind in payment, and the bank had gone by the expiration date by one month. The bank officer requested that I sign an extension of the note and have it paid in full within 30 days. I signed the extension for Christian Life Center Corporation and proceeded to attempt to contact Kansas City

Fellowship, requesting that they fulfill their commitment and pay off the mortgage, put the property in their name, and release the guarantors from their obligation. I received no help from Kansas City Fellowship. Their response was to constantly delay. I proceeded to file with the State of Kansas for renewal of the corporate standing of Christian Life Center, for in the event Kansas City Fellowship did not fulfill their promises to pay off the note, the former corporation would have to. After several weeks of communication between my attorney, Kansas City Fellowship, and myself, they finally secured a loan and paid off the note.

“It is my opinion, based on my personal experience with Mike Bickle and Kansas City Fellowship, that deception is the common mode of operation. The information given me by Mike was not only inaccurate, but was plainly not truthful. This maybe excused by some as just a personality trait: however, deception should not be a trait of those who profess to walk in the light of Christ. I trust my experience will be helpful to others.” (Testimony Letter 17)

G. MORE COMPROMISE

Consider the following testimony from a couple who remained in the Christian Life Center Church:

“When our church, Christian Life Center, found ourselves in serious financial debt, we began a series of meetings between Mike Bickle and our congregation. This proved to be a very serious mistake. Mike made many promises to us which turned out to be untrue and affected many lives.

“He promised to keep our Sunday School teachers, as well as our musicians. He promised to keep our Youth Pastor and Music Director for a designated amount of time, with pay.

“The bills were not paid as promised, which put our pastor in a bad position since the church was not put in Kansas City Fellowship’s name, again, as promised. The Sunday School teachers and musicians were asked to leave one by one because (THEY DIDN’T HAVE THE VISION).

“Our Youth Minister chose to leave, but our Director of Music was not only told to leave, but the locks were changed on the church door so none of us could get in to recover even personal possessions left in the church.” (Testimony Letter 28)

H. DECEIT ABOUT DOCTRINE

The couple goes on to say,

“Even more serious was the deceit about doctrine. He (Mike) told us that they did not teach Dominion Theology; however, my husband was asked to be in the church leadership classes. When we received the literature for these classes, we were shocked. It presented the ministry as infallible--the anointed, who were not to be touched or disagreed with. Plus, it was Kingdom Now Dominion.

“When we confronted Mike about the doctrine, he said, ‘This stuff has caused a lot of problems and people have left over them.’ He said he was going to eliminate part of them so there would

be no more trouble. He did so, but he said, 'Ignore them, they're just trouble, but we believe in what they say.'

"This is a dangerous movement, full of deceit, and the church is scripturally responsible to expose it for the cause of Christ and His church.

"We also asked him in a congregational meeting about the so-called Joseph Company, which we had heard about. This was to be a community that he was beginning, which would be totally independent of all outside needs, such as electricity, water, etc. . . .Mike denied that such a plan existed.

"While in his church for a meeting, they passed out literature asking for electricians, builders, etc., to help in building this community, the Joseph Company." (Testimony Letter 28)

I. TAPES EDITED

"Our first experience with a false prophecy being made was when Tim Golden was killed in a car wreck. It was prophesied that he would have a worldwide ministry and would be known around the world. A few weeks later he was killed in a car accident. At a church dinner, the sound man who taped the prophecies shared with my husband and I that he had to edit those tapes before a memorial that was given." (Testimony Letter 13)

It has been reported to us that one woman at KFC, who is on the worship team and also works at KCF's bookstore, when asked what her job description was, explained that she edits tapes. When asked why she would be editing tapes, she said, "We want to edit out whatever we do not want to go across the nation, because Bob Jones tends to go on and say things that would be harmful to us." (Testimony Letter 36)

J. TWO CHURCHES COME UNDER MIKE BICKLE 'S MANTLE

1. Mike Bickle speaking to the two churches in Olathe, prior to becoming part of KCF:

MB: "I want every one of us in this room--a group this size there's always bound to be some rebels--and so, you know, then I need to advise you to repent and if you do that then you're called. But ah, He's calling all of us in this room to be a part of something bigger than even His purposes in this city. And I want to be clear about this because a lot of you have the witness of this in your spirit; some of you understand it in your minds more than I do and than some of the others. But for those of you that don't, just to kind of bring us all to unity, the Lord is wanting to establish a movement that will touch the ends of the earth. He's wanting to establish a movement, and we are all being invited to be a part of that movement. I have been invited; you've been invited; and many more yet to come have the same invitation that we have." (OCF 1, p. 4)

2. John Paul Jackson describes how he gets a word from the Lord that the two churches are to come under Mike Bickle's mantle:

JPJ: “And so I was waiting and asking Him, ‘Tell me something please, tell me something.’ And as He began to talk, He began to tell me what He wanted to do in Olathe--that He was going to invite these churches in Olathe (Wes’ and Larry’s) to join, and that I was to talk to Larry about the work that was going to go on here. . . and how He wanted it to come underneath the mantle. . . . that Wes and Larry were to have a strong part in its development, and that they were having a strong part in its oversight--but that it needs to come under a mantle that was given authority to do such things...given authority to raise up churches that would become a church in a city. And that’s the man who that is, Mike Bickle.” (NE, p. 9)

3. The pastors of the two churches describe their coming under the mantle of Mike Bickle:

Pastor of Olathe Fellowship:

“...that I and the work in Olathe were to submit to Mike’s leadership and come under that anointing that was upon him for the larger work. And only in this day would the larger thing that God had for Olathe come into existence.

“And another leader said this, ‘I believe God is saying that Larry and you are to submit your two congregations to Mike Bickle in order to establish one church in Olathe.’

“And a prophetic word was that Christ Community and Olathe Fellowship were two grains of wheat that were to fall into the ground and die. . . and out of our death God would resurrect a new fellowship, a new expression of His mighty grace in Olathe. And more than any other thing, that was a prophetic word of the May fast.

“And I remember John Paul also on that Saturday morning, prophesied that the new church that would come forth and bear much fruit would have a strong relationship to Mike Bickle and to Kansas City Fellowship.” (NE, p. 1 - 2)

Pastor of Christ Community Fellowship:

“I said, ‘John Paul, I believe that the Lord has spoken to me very clearly and said that I am to come under the authority of Mike Bickle’s anointing.’ And I looked over at him and his mouth came open about this big, and he said, ‘Larry, I did not know how I was going to say that to you. But if you do not come under the authority of Mike Bickle’s anointing, the purposes of God for this city will not come to pass.’” (NE, p. 6)

4. John Paul Jackson’s exhortation to the two churches regarding Mike Bickle’s mantle and anointing:

JPJ: “You’re joining yourself to a ministry that has a prophetic flair to it. You’re going to be a prophetic people: meaning, you will be on the cutting edge of that which God is about to do. You will have an inkling, an understanding of what God wants to do in the days to come, and you’ll be willing to sacrifice today in order to achieve what He wants to do tomorrow. You’ll be a prophetic people because Mike Bickle has a prophetic mantle upon him--not that he’s a prophet, because he has a higher call than that, but he has a mantle that includes a prophetic type of flair given, that’s why. the prophetic in Kansas City Fellowship, which he oversees, is very, very involved and economically involved with the prophetic. And he will oversee many, many, many

churches. One day he will oversee hundreds of locations around the United states and around the world. that's the call of his life." (NE, p. 10)

5. The following are testimonies of four families regarding what happened when two churches in Olathe came under Mike Bickle's mantle:

"We were told that all the pastors had 'submitted' to Mike Bickle of Kansas City Fellowship as a means to facilitate the merger. The involvement of Kansas City Fellowship totally changed the spirit of a good little church." (Testimony Letter 8)

"By March of 1987, our little fellowship, along with Christ Community Fellowship, had been effectively 'swallowed' up by Kansas City Fellowship in all but name. . . and we were told the 'prophets' had heard from God concerning these things. The 'prophets' told us that our small fellowships must 'die'...We told them of our concerns and our fear of becoming a Kansas City Fellowship church. They assured us that this would never happen. Olathe Christian Fellowship would always remain totally autonomous, that Mike Bickle would only serve from the outside and from afar in an oversight capacity when the pastors 'here' felt that they needed special wisdom for particular problems, etc. Within a very short time, however, Olathe Christian Fellowship no longer existed. The fellowship got a new name, Kansas City Fellowship - Olathe Worship Center. All monies and decision-making power was moved to Grandview, Missouri. By the time any of us had realized, Kansas City Fellowship had 'taken over'--all property had been turned over to the new corporation. Nothing belonged to Olathe anymore--everything here now belonged to Kansas City Fellowship." (Testimony Letter 37)

"John Paul come and prophesies: 'CCF Church will collapse unless it comes under Mike's anointing...We were told that we would still be CCF Church and separate from Kansas City Fellowship... In one week they came in, transferred all assets, and bought a building. In four months both had been remodeled, Larry was upset on three accounts. One, we had felt God tell us, Wes, and his church to pray for this one building that He was preparing for us. God said not to be in debt.. .Mike had bought a building for over \$500,000. . . a different building, and he had not talked with Larry or any other person at our church, or Wes. Mike acted without checking with anyone, and in less than a couple of weeks." (Testimony Letter 14)

"When we were at Christ Community Fellowship, the whole congregation had input on most major church decisions. When we joined with Kansas City Fellowship, all that changed. Major decisions were made without consulting the congregation, not even to pray. The roller rink was purchased and remodeled. The old Christ Community Fellowship building was remodeled to be used for offices... All decisions were made by the leadership within the 'corporate office. (Testimony Letter 2)

We question the ethics of making promises to struggling churches and leaders with the allure of being part of a great "Movement," with the result of the leaders of those churches receiving a prophetic revelation to come "under the mantle of Mike Bickle's anointing."

K CHURCH TOLD TO DISBAND BY KCF 'S PROPHETS

See Introduction, #8.

L. PROSELYTIZING FOR 'THE MOVEMENT'

We have witnessed in Kansas City the exodus of many believers leaving churches to become part of this "Movement," and then telling others they need to come join also. Mike and the leaders at Kansas City Fellowship protest proselytizing, yet we question the ethics of proclaiming...

...themselves to be an anointed, end-time "Movement".

...that a new order is going to arise.

...the need for a one-city church, with one eldership for the whole city.

...that this generation's children are the "elected seed" of all the best bloodlines in history.

...that their people need to be wary of other Christians who don't accept their "Movement" as valid.

...that people should avoid the tragedy of Jonathan--missing out on the new order of what God is doing, and dying instead with the old order because they were afraid to forsake it--the "misguided loyalty of the angels who followed Lucifer."

We believe the scripture that applies is Acts 20:30, which states,

'And from among your own selves men will arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. (NASV)

II. THE MOVEMENT

THE BELIEFS OF MIKE BICKLE AND KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP REGARDING THEIR MOVEMENT AND THEIR DESTINY ARE ABERRANT, UNSCRIPTURAL, ELITIST, AND DIVISIVE.

The summaries in this section are taken directly from teachings, visions, and revelations given repeatedly by Mike Bickle and Bob Jones. A number of these visions and teachings are provided in their own words in the final part of this section.

We encourage you to read these representative visions for yourself.

A. ORIGINS OF THE MOVEMENT

1. Original calling is by a "prophet" of questionable credentials who was later disavowed by the leadership of Kansas City Fellowship.

Mike grew up in Kansas City and pastored in St. Louis from 1976 to 1982. In June of 1982, a "prophet," who Mike had never met, walked into his church and gave him directional prophecy about how "...the Lord is going to redirect your path. He's sending you in a new direction." Mike soon felt this new beginning to be a move to Kansas city. (P.His 1, p. 8)

Following a world tour in September, in which Mike felt a confirmation that God was inviting him to help begin a worldwide movement, this same so-called "prophet" met with Mike (in October of 1982) and delivered the following 4-point vision:

- a. "...multitudes of young people will rally around this movement..."*
- b. "...full manifestation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit..."*
- c. "...a false prophet will arise in your midst..."*
- d. "...there will be those who will rise up against this movement..." (ROH, p. 4)*

This same so-called "prophet" is tied into several other key prophetic events of Kansas City Fellowship, including speaking at the fellowship in its early days in 1983.

One person who was there at the time gives this account:

"The 'prophet' (of questionable credentials) was introduced to the congregation during the solemn assembly by Mike Bickle. He told the congregation it is no small thing to endorse a prophet, because Jesus said anyone who receives a prophet in the name of a prophet receives a prophet's reward. Then he told the congregation to receive him. He said, 'I am risking my whole ministry, but I endorse him as a bonafide prophet of God.'" (Testimony Letter 23)

When telling about this “prophet” in May of 1989, Mike described him as “...a man with (a) tremendous spirit of I prophecy upon him--spirit of revelation. God speaks to him in very powerful ways...” (P. His. 1, p. 7)

The ministry of this “prophet” is no longer accepted at Kansas City Fellowship. Mike Bickle made the following statement in 1986 concerning this “prophet”:

MB: “We’re not in a place of agreement as to where the standard of God’s end-time people should be...We have disagreement on that area. So I told him that until we come to agreement on the standard, I don’t feel like it’s productive to be ministering in this setting, but until we come into agreement in that point, he won’t be back here ministering.”

(P.His 1, p. 7)

Yet, to this day, Mike Bickle promotes this man’s prophecies as “foundational” to Kansas City Fellowship.

2. The concepts of a "Movement" and a "new order" are there from the beginning.

In September of 1982, alone in Cairo, Egypt, Mike Bickle believes God sovereignly invites him to be part of a “Movement...sovereignly ordained by God’s hand.

Mike came to Kansas City in November of 1982 and formed Kansas City Fellowship with the belief that he was beginning a “special Movement” that would “touch the ends of the earth.” (P.His 1, p. 12)

Bob Scott, his associate who moved here from St. Louis with him, introduced the concept of a “new order” of believers in December of 1982:

MB: “...and he gave this teaching of I Samuel 1 - 4, where there was two orders of ministries--there was the Eli order, and there was the Samuel order. Now the way that the Lord has dealt with me was Saul and David, but He dealt with Bob on Samuel and Eli. That’s the same message--there’s going to be two orders existing in this generation...” (ROH, p. 5)

The significance of their teaching on the “new order” is covered in greater detail in the part of this section which is entitled, “PERSECUTION OF THE MOVEMENT.”

3. From the beginning, Mike Bickle has taught those in his group to be suspicious and wary of other Christian leaders and churches.

a. Mike retelling the “vision” of the so-called “prophet” mentioned previously:

MB: “...and the fourth word is that, and I can’t get into all the details because the implications of it, he said there will be 1 some misunderstandings and some lack of understanding as to what’s going on, (from many people--not just in Kansas City)...as to what you’re about and what you’re standing for.” (P.His 1, p. 13)

b. Both Mike Bickle and the Kansas City Fellowship “prophet,” Bob Jones, use the analogy of a “mad dog” to describe pastors and Christian leaders who have tried to correct them at times in the past.

BJ: "...I saw many pastors would come and they come like barking dogs and try to scare that white horse out of the stream. That meant that many men that had many different various doctrines would come and try to pull us away from God's purposes (saying), 'You're off the wall.'...and the mad dogs would come..."

MB: "...And Bob stood behind the horse and whenever this purpose would go to the right or to the left, of which it's happened so many times I can't-even begin to say it...he (Bob Jones) would come with a vision and revelation, and it was incredible--the accuracy of it. When somebody would try to force it to the right or to the left, he said there would be rabid dogs on the banks of both sides of the river. He said a rabid dog is one that is mad and can't be rationed with..."

"And we continually, in our insecurity and lack of wisdom as the leadership, we would always gravitate to these people and they were always good, righteous, godly men trying to help us. . . and Bob said. 'They're mad dogs. They don't understand the nature of this stream...'"

"So that value of him watching for the mad dogs has been absolutely invaluable over the years..." (F88, p. 35 - 40)

4. Mike Bickle dates the very beginning of their "Movement" to the first supernatural experiences of Bob Jones, including "nearly 100 visions."

MB: "...Well, I believe our history is deeply tied up, in a human sense, to Bob Jones...And I believe that God's goodness towards us, giving us this history, began when the Lord separated Bob Jones many, many years ago. His purpose for this people, in a human sense, had some of it's roots back in the hills of Arkansas when Bob was, ah, a young boy... (OPH, p. 2)

"...And the reason I get talking about Bob--Bob is so 'integral' in the first 18 months of our history, because the Lord ordained it. There's nobody in the natural that had a more 'integral' role in establishing the foundations in that kind of prophetic way than Bob."

"And all of his weaknesses and all of his mistakes and all of his other things that are bad, ('cause I got to balance this thing out to keep him humble), the Lord still used him. . .very distinct from anything I've ever heard of or seen, or boy, I tell you, it was totally bizarre, and most of those events run over an 18-month period.

"Because the Lord told Bob that he was to come to help establish clarity and faith in the hearts of those young people so that when they believed, then there would be a whole new ability for the Lord to work in our midst--when we believed the things about this movement.

"Well, this one brother comes to me in January, 1983, and he begins to tell me about Bob Jones...And on March 7, 1983--'cause I remember the day because it was, it became a very dear day to at least several of us, as the day when the Lord brought Bob into our midst..." (ROH, p. 6)

Although Mike already had a belief in a "special Movement" and a "new order," all of this was not fully developed. The grandiose vision of the "Movement" was, in fact, expanded by a whole series of visions that Bob Jones supposedly had between 1974 and 1983:

MB: "When Bob first walked in the office on March 7, 1983, he said, 'I've come to get you to believe in a movement that is worldwide and that is going to touch the nations of the earth with

such power and glory that it will go far beyond the book of Acts.

“I said, ‘A movement?’

“He said, ‘Oh, the Lord told me you wouldn’t know anything about it. But,’ he says, ‘I’m going to minister.’ And he says, ‘My first task is to get you to believe it.’

“I said, ‘What movement?’

“He said, ‘You don’t know nothin’, do you?’

“I said, ‘The Lord just told me to come here; I don’t know a clue about anything.’

“And that began the bizarre 18-month period of events. So he began to tell me about the movement. (P88, p. 30)

“...The Lord began to deal sovereignly with him in the prophetic realm; he began to see technicolor visions in 1974...and he said the Lord gave him nearly 100 dreams and visions concerning this movement over that 9-year period--from ‘74 to ‘83. (ROH, p. 6)

“...And then he began to proceed to tell me an hour and a half or two hours, though I forgot the time, of this most unbelievable layout of visions that you could ever imagine in your mind...Incredible, not like because it was so realistic--incredible, like the first time you ever see Star Wars. It was so bizarre I couldn’t believe anybody could think of something like that. It was unbelievable!” (P.His 1, p. 14)

These “unbelievable, bizarre, Star Wars visions” are now the very basis and foundation for their end-times “Movement,” and are fervently promoted by Mike Bickle across America.

Ironically, after hearing Bob tell of these visions, Mike Bickle’s first reaction was that of being absolutely certain that he was a false prophet:

MB: “...So Bob Jones comes in and...of course, I was looking for a false prophet and he looked like one to me. I’d never seen one, but he looked as close as I could come up with. And anyway, the guy comes in feeling the oil and feeling the wind, ‘Uh huh, uh huh, this is it, this is it.’

“And I remember his first words, as he goes, ‘I’ve seen you.’ And I said, ‘And I’ve seen you.’ And he said, ‘Yeah, I thought you probably would.’ And what I meant was that I had had a prophecy about a false man that was coming.

“Bob said, ‘The Lord told me in September, ‘82, I would sit around the communion table of this group. . . and they would accept me in their midst.’ Because Bob had had a long history of rejection over a number of years-- ‘cause every time he prophesied, something would happen. . . ‘cause most of them were negative--they threw him out as being in the occult and to putting curses on people.

“...he said, ‘Because they rejected me many places and the Lord has shown me many times, and He (God) said this, this group that was yet to come, He said they would never, ever reject me.’ He said, ‘This is my family ‘till the end.’

“...And I thought, ‘He ‘s got to be the false prophet for sure.’ Any guy that prophesies that I’m

going to accept him, he is for sure the false prophet. So I was settled then. (ROH, p. 6 - 7)

“... So I knew instantly, the first minute he prophesied his acceptance; so I knew he was the false prophet--no question in my mind.” (P.His, p. 14)

Mike Bickle was, however, soon won over by “supernatural signs,” to believe that Bob Jones must be from God.

After having studied the truly bizarre, unscriptural nature of so many of Bob Jones’ beliefs, teachings, visions, dreams, and out-of-body experiences, we are in total agreement with Mike’s original, gut-level assessment.

This understanding is so important that we have devoted Section III entirely to giving a history of Bob Jones’ background, providing examples of his bizarre experiences, and establishing his significance to the “Movement.”

We need to remember that signs and wonders alone in no way assure that the source is God. Quoting Jesus on the last days:

Matthew 24:11 “And many false prophets will arise, and will mislead many.” (NASV)

Matthew 24:24 “For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.” (NASV)

B. OVERVIEW OF WHAT MIKE BICKLE AND KCF’S LEADERS BELIEVE ABOUT THE LAST-DAYS “MOVEMENT”

The quotations verifying these conclusions are given in final point of this section, point H.

1. This is a worldwide “Movement” in which over a billion people will be converted. (F88, p. 12 - 25)
2. Along with other “streams” arising elsewhere around the globe, there will be approximately 12 major streams or movements birthed in the United States, in 12 different cities. (F88, p. 50)
3. Kansas City Fellowship is one of those 12 movements. They believe that Vineyard is another, and that they are to “cross-pollinate” with Vineyard and the other streams as the others are revealed or brought forth. (F88, p. 50)
4. The Kansas City Fellowship “Movement” has been established by supposed visions and visitations of Jesus and the two “resurrection angels” which were present at Jesus’ tomb. These resurrection angels spoke of a reunion in Kansas City of the “healing angels” used in the Latter Rain Movement and the Asuza Street Revival, etc. (F88, p. 12 - 25)
5. The KCF “Movement” is supposed to reach tens of millions worldwide. Kansas City is to be a training center for prophets and end-time apostles who will come here from all over the

world and then be sent back out. (F88, p. 43 - 46)

C GOVERNMENT OF THE MOVEMENT

1. In these last days, 300,000 have been “drafted” by God to be leaders in His end-time “Joel’s Army.” (F88, p. 28)
2. These 300,000 will move in “apostolic anointing.” (F88 p. 45)
3. Hundreds of apostles will be trained at KCF. Thirty-five of the KCF apostles will be “like unto the apostle Paul.” (P.His 3, p. 45)
4. Mike Bickle’s generation will provide the authority structure to oversee the last-days church. Mike and KCF are seeking to create a “new wineskin.” He describes this as an authority structure that is able to handle the signs, wonders, miracles, and converts of the “Movement.” (NOF, p. 4)
5. Mike’s generation will “birth the church” of the last days. Their children, however, will be the actual “children of promise,” to bring about the second coming of Christ. They are the “elected seed.” (F89, p. 6)

D. THE “ELECTED SEED” GENERATION

1. There is one generation in all history which will be brought to “spiritual perfection.” This generation is the children of Mike Bickle’s generation. (F89, p. 49)
2. God has taken the “best of every bloodline that has ever existed”--including the bloodline of Peter, James, John, Paul, etc.--and selected “elected seeds” to be born into the families of the KCF congregation and other streams of the last days. (F88, p. 45)
3. These “elected seeds” from each bloodline are being “hand selected” by angels to be born in this generation. They were “predestined and foreknown” to be brought forth in this hour. (F88, p. 44)
4. Mike’s generation is to “raise them from the womb” to have supernatural experiences as the norm--seeing angels and demons, visiting heaven, having visions, and prophesying over one another. Such supernatural experiences are already being encouraged with preschool and elementary school children. (VP, p. 1)
5. This “chosen generation of history” is to be “the bride of Christ.” They are to reach the “full maturity of the God-man.” They are even supposed to be superior to James, Peter, John, David, etc. in heart, stature, and love for Jesus. (F88, p. 45)
6. The timeframe for this is as follows:
 - a. The “elected seed chosen generation” of history began in 1973. The timing is in conjunction with the legalization of abortion, which is viewed as the devil’s attempt to kill the

chosen seed. This is likened to the killing of babies when both Moses and Jesus were being birthed. (NBBJ, p. 3)

Hence, those born after 1973 are part of the elected generation.

b. This last-days “superchurch” will come to full and complete supernatural maturity within 30 years from 1989, or approximately the year 2019. (NBBJ, p. 3)

c. This “elected seed generation” will minister in unbelievable signs and wonders for a period of about 12 years. Descriptions of their remarkable feats are mentioned in the following point, and described in greater detail in the visions reprinted in the next section.

E. DESCRIPTION OF THE MINISTRY OF THE LAST DAYS “SUPERCHURCH”

See the transcriptions concerning the following points at the conclusion of this section.

1. “Every miracle, sign, and wonder that’s ever been”
2. “Every miracle in the book of Acts, times 10,000”
3. “Equipped for ministry to the millions”...Over a million converted in single meetings, where 4 - 5 million people are present
4. “Power of God in their hands like shining rays”...arms growing out spontaneously...“no disease known to man able to stand before them”
5. “Invincible, can’t die...they can’t kill you.” (JAPC, p. 4)
6. “Raise the dead consistently”
7. “Walk through walls...be translated...everything that was ever in Scripture...”
8. “They will have the Spirit without measure.”
9. “They (children) will do battle in the second heaven and throw the devil out...and put death under their feet.”
10. “...Not only will they not have diseases--they will also not die. They will have the kind of imperishable bodies that are talked about in the 15th chapter of Corinthians...this army is invincible. If you have intimacy with God, they can’t kill you.” (JAPC, p. 18)

EDITOR’S NOTE: Manifested Sons error??

F. MIKE BICKLE AS AN APOSTOLIC LEADER AND REPRESENTATIVE OF THE “MOVEMENT”

1. **Mike Bickle claims to have had a supernatural experience** in May of 1983, wherein he, as a representative for their “Movement,” received a “healing anointing” that would come upon their

“Movement” in the future. Bob Jones, apart from Mike Bickle, was supposedly shown the Lord putting the same healing anointing upon Mike. This has great significance for them because Mike’s experiences are to verify their future destiny of great healings, signs, and wonders.

MB: “..but the fact is God showed me that it was truly a healing anointing. It was a tremendously, ah, dynamic dream for my own personal history and what I can understand for the life of this church. There’s a healing anointing He said would be second to no other movement. That’s what He told me directly, it would be second to no other movement in this whole generation, the healing anointing that will come upon this people. . .He (BJ) says ‘They took a banner and He (God) put a banner upon you last night and it spoke of the entire movement.’ Then he told me the dream I had and he said the Lord says there will be no movement that will be superior to the healing power that comes forth from this movement . He goes, ‘There will be nothing in the earth that this thing will be second to in the generation.’ I said, ‘God, this is incredible.’” (P.His 2, p. 15 - 17)

- 2. Bob Jones supposedly goes to the third heaven** and sees the apostolic vision of the highest order of 35 apostles who will come from this “Movement.” He then tells Mike Bickle that he is going to be visited by the Lord face-to-face, to confirm the same apostolic vision. Mike Bickle, out of his body, is supposedly caught to the third heaven before Jesus, and invited to be an apostle of the highest order. Mike Bickle has waited for years for this visitation, and it confirms to him that the highest level of apostles will come forth and he’s invited to be one of them.

This has great meaning to Mike and KCF’s “Movement” because now, “I (Mike) owned the word myself.”

MB: (Quoting Bob Jones) “... He (God) said, ‘I want you to go tell Mike I’m going to visit him and I’m going to give him this very revelation about the apostles coming forth in this movement.’ The Lord is going to take you to the place he took me and show you the same visitation, because this is the thing He wants you to believe for--is the manifestation of these apostles of the highest level. (P88, p. 79 — 80)

“I (Mike Bickle) stood there and I was at the Lord’s left hand, and it was not a dream--this was as real as life here and like I said, I don’t know that realm... He (God) was speaking so sternly to me, He said, ‘If you are impatient...you will cause great turmoil and much trouble for many people.’ I was ashamed and I was broken with sorrow that He said that so harshly to me. And then what happened is that I start falling so rapidly--I mean like--S-H-O-O-O-M, it takes about five or six seconds, and fall down to my bed, right through the ceiling--I mean it was right through the walls and things--S-H-O-O-O-M, I hit my bed and it wasn’t like an instant I was there--I had knowledge of travel for five or six seconds. Have you had that?”

BJ: “Yes.”

MB: “And I was falling so rapidly and I was going like ‘A-H-H-H-H.’ I was coming right down through the black sky...And I come right through the ceiling and I hit my bed and I looked for like a half a second, I goes S-H-O-O-O-M right back up again, I go. . . right through the ceiling again! And I understood immediately the impatience was of setting in leadership premature without permission. He said...‘You cannot put leadership in that I do not say, because the leadership will divide and cause much division and many people will suffer great harm and I

will hold you accountable for it. ‘...So what happens is this golden chariot, it appears--S-W-O-O-O-P-and it comes right there. . . and I under--I knew intuitively, instantly--it was an apostolic ministry, though it’s only the invitation. It was not a commission. The Lord was not calling me an apostle. He said He was thinking, ‘The days to come, if you’re faithful, you have an opportunity in the grace of God to fill an apostolic calling if you’re faithful to the full measure.’ And I set in the chariot and I went shooting right into a blue sky and I knew as I was going up that it was revelation. He said, ‘I’m going to bring you to divine revelation in the days to come.’...There would be an end-time measure of apostolic ministry that would come out of the fruit of the intercession...so like it’s a number of years down the road. But the Lord said that I’m going to bring forth apostles—champions--if the people will live in intercession and ask for them to come...And so that was no small visitation in terms of the promise of what God said to this movement...And the Lord says, ‘Now you have the word in yourself now and you will not go running after other movements and other places because I have spoken to you face-to-face. ‘...But I know that at that time I owned,..from the voice of God--face-to-face (but I never saw His face), but I mean standing next to Him, I owned the word myself and it was not just a matter of me believing Him. It was amazing how the revelation turned after that time.” (F88, p. 81 - 84)

3. There are several problems concerning the validity of these experiences:

a. *The healing anointing:*

- What’s the point of a healing anointing without anyone getting healed to date?
- Bob Jones is the verification of the healing anointing. “Okay, please let Bob see it Lord; I’ll never believe it if he doesn’t see it.” (F88, p. 68)

The next section demonstrates why Bob Jones should not be regarded as a prophet of God.

- Upon what scriptural basis does a leader receive a healing anointing for an entire group of people who haven’t yet come?

b. *The apostolic vision and invitation*

- Bob Jones is the forerunner for Mike Bickle. He receives the vision and goes to the third heaven first. Then Bob Jones says to Mike Bickle, “Okay, go ahead, I’ve been there.” A clear objection is that Bob Jones and Mike Bickle both have the same out-of-body experience.
- The “prophet” of questionable credentials called to tell Mike Bickle that the visitation would take place that night.
- Mike Bickle has been waiting for this visitation for years because of a belief that apostles of the highest order must see Jesus in the flesh.
- The emphasis upon God supposedly saying, “You cannot put leadership in that I do not say...” gives the authority for selecting future leaders to Mike Bickle through his supposed visitation to the third heaven.

c. *Are out-of-body experiences occultic?*

The Bible is very clear that if a spirit leaves someone's body, he is dead. Jams 2:26 Bays, 'For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead.' (NASV)

Therefore, if someone claims to have an out-of-body experience, it is a delusion. Out-of-body experiences are a definite mark of the occult; it is spiritism and divination.

We cannot use II Corinthians 12:2 — 4, to justify out-of-body experiences:

'I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago--whether in the body I do not know, or out of the body I do not know, God knows--such a man was caught up to the third heaven. And I know how such a man--whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, God knows--was caught up into Paradise, and heard inexpressible words, which a man is not permitted to speak.' (NASV)

Let us make the following observations about this passage: (1) Most Bible scholars believe that this refers to the apostle Paul being stoned to death in Acts 14:19 - 20. It is clear that the people who stoned him believed that he was dead and "dragged him out of the city, supposing him to be dead." Therefore, if this is a correct parallel passage, the apostle Paul did not have an out-of-body experience, but actually died and was raised again back to life. (2) Paul says clearly, twice in this passage, that the person doesn't know whether he was out of his body or not. (3) It is clearly stated that this person who was caught up into Paradise could hear inexpressible words--that is, he could not talk about his experience. Kansas City Fellowship not only talks about their supposed out-of-body third heaven experiences, but also boasts about them and uses them to establish their credibility.

These experiences and their spiritual source are questionable at best.

G. PERSECUTION OF THE MOVEMENT

KCF views itself as part of a 'new order' being raised up in the last days out of the "old order" charismatic movement, which is described as '...humanistic, man-made...illegitimate...and inflicted with evil spirits.'

Mike teaches that they will be persecuted by this "old order".

The quotes given in this section are from two messages by Mike Bickle: "The Fact of the New Order in God's Work," and "David vs. Saul: The New Order Contrasted."

1. SUMMARY OF THE "NEW ORDER TEACHING"

God is creating a "new wineskin," which they define as an authority structure giving oversight to a group, to house this new move of the Spirit. (NOF, p. 4)

There are two orders in God's work, and Mike declares that they are "so vastly different that they can't exist together.. . they will be ruined if you try to mix the two." (NOF, p. 8)

MB: “Isaac and Ishmael. . . The Charismatic Movement of today is an Ishmaelite . . . humanistic, man -made, self-centered...the Ishmael spirit includes most of the Charismatic churches today. . . there are two movements, and I believe with all my heart the Charismatic Movement is the Ishmael movement... (NOF, p. 12)

“...there’s a whole new order coming for us. I don’t want prominence in Ishmael’s camp. I don’t want to be part of it at all. And I’m still a part of it, and we’re all a part of it. But as we get more discernment, we’re leaving that order, seeking the Isaac order...” (NOF, p. 15)

MB: (“David vs. Saul”) “...When the new order comes, it will be ten times greater than the old. . . probably a hundred times. . . and it’s going to cause some conflict...Saul became jealous of the greater anointing on the new order.. .this jealousy allowed the entrance of an evil spirit into Saul’s order.. . that order had the blessing of God and it had the ways of man, and it had evil spirits in it as well...” (NO86, p. 1 - 2)

2. MIKE BICKLE GIVES ADDITIONAL ANALOGIES USED IN THE COMPARISON OF THE "OLD ORDER" CHARISMATIC MOVEMENT TO THEIR "NEW ORDER" MOVEMENT:

- a. Pharaoh vs. the Israelites
- b. Babylon, raised up for judgment
- c. The Jews of Jesus’ day vs. Jesus and the disciples
- d. Judas betraying Jesus
- e. Healing evangelists of the 40’s, judged and rejected by God

3. THE PERIL OF JONATHAN TAUGHT BY MIKE BICKLE:

MB: “...Jonathan, to me, is one of the most tragic stories in the whole Word of God...he was a righteous man. . . I mean, blameless, purity, no question. Jonathan knew, by revelation, that David’s order was taking over his father’s order. (NO86, p. 7)

“But, Jonathan ended up dying in the wilderness with his father, Saul, rather than reigning on a throne with David. You know what Jonathan’s basic problem was? He was like one-third of the angels who fell with Lucifer. He had misguided loyalty... (NO86, p. 8)

“...there ‘s a lot of Jonathans today. They know there’s a new order. They know it’s God’s will...They have to leave the security of Saul’s house to go in the wilderness, but they won’t do it. They’ve got this incredible loyalty to Saul’s house... (N086, p. 8)

“...I don’t want you to be a Jonathan. And there’s people out here that some of you, you’re Jonathans right now. You know what God’s doin’. . . And you need to get involved lock, stock and barrel, hook and sinker. Get all the way in and out of Saul’s house, because in the end, Jonathans die in the wilderness instead of reigning on a throne, and that’s the greatest tragedy of

the whole life of Saul, is his son Jonathan.” (NO86, p. 8 9)

Can you imagine the fear of missing God and being rejected that this teaching creates in people who are trying to decide whether or not to leave their present churches for KCF? This is proselytizing at it's worst!

4. OBSERVATIONS

The people of KCF are being conditioned to view correction and opposition to their “Movement” by other evangelical Christians as an inevitable “jealous reaction,” like Saul’s to David.

This mindset virtually parallels the Jehovah’s Witness’ practice of training their people to anticipate persecution and rejection by devout, born-again believers.

Such opposition then reinforces their faith, rather than causing them to question what they’ve been taught. It strengthens their belief in being an elite group, called out of the “Babylonish system” by God.

Mike Bickle repeatedly asserts that the Charismatic Movement is an Ishmael movement. He stresses that he wants no prominence in the Charismatic camp or any part of it at all; furthermore, he declares that their goal is to leave that order as soon as possible.

Yet instead of publicly rebuking the faults he finds in the Charismatic churches and leaders of our day, Mike has steadfastly sought their favor to literally “obtain prominence in Ishmael’s camp.” Even now, Mike continually seeks the recognition, respect, and sympathies of the very group which he privately teaches is “...Ishmaelite...humanistic, man-made, self-centered...illegitimate...undisciplined, unbroken, untrained...false motives...afflicted with evil spirits...” (NOF, p. 15)

If his above statements are true, then we can only conclude that his present strategy is to exploit and “use” the Charismatic Movement at the present time for all it is worth, before finally taking everyone he can and withdrawing from it as soon as their “Movement” is fully brought to light. This would fulfill a typical pattern for a new cult group.

H. TRANSCRIPTIONS OF VISIONS, PROPHECIES, REVELATIONS, TEACHINGS, ETC. CONCERNING KCF’S MOVEMENT AND THE END TIME GENERATION:

1. BOB JONES NEAR DEATH EXPERIENCE ON 8/6/75

AND HE (GOD) SAID, ‘YOU GO BACK! . . . OVER A BILLION SOULS.’”

(Bob says he sees people going to heaven and hell.)

BJ: “...Even as I was lookin’ at Him (the Lord), and I was thinkin’, ‘I won’t have to look (at

people going to hell) no more. I'm next!' And I think, 'He'll reach out His hand and He'll take me, and boy, I 'in going home.' And He didn't! He put His hand up and He said, 'You go back and touch some of the leaders of my last-days church and bring them and see that they dwell in the place where that they can get the truth. I'm going to bring over a billion souls unto Myself in the last day. Go back and touch the leaders so they can bring 'em in...'”

“YOUR BODY’S STILL IN THAT BED IN INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI

MB: “. . . So here you are, you’re coming back now; your body’s still in that bed in Independence, Missouri, in that little house, and it’s basically dead. He’s just confronted the Lord and now he’s coming back...”

BJ: “So I came back in the bedroom and I looked at that body, and there were two great angels that stood there and their heads were bowed and they were praying for me, and there was a black angel behind them that had touched me and they wouldn’t let him touch me no more, and I looked at him; he saw me and he left. And when he left, the two angels, they turned to one another and they began to prophesy to one another.”

MB: “...So Bob’s still in his bedroom, hovering over and looking at the angels, and he hears the angels talk... (F88, p. 17 - 18)

EDITOR’S NOTE: He identifies these angels in another reference as being the same two angels which were present at Jesus’ tomb... (F88, p. 57)

“IT SHALL BEGIN IN KANSAS CITY”

BJ: “And the first angel began to prophesy, and he said, ‘Look, it shall begin in Kansas city.’...And the other angel said, ‘Yes, it began on the streets of Kansas City in the beginning.’ And when Pentecost fell in Topeka, where I was in the hospital at, a man was prayed for in Topeka and he come to the streets of Kansas City, and as he was on the streets of Kansas City a miracle happened in the 1900’s. It’s where Pentecost really began.

“...Then the other angel, he began to prophesy and said, ‘Yes, and as it will begin there, so will it begin in the heart of the city and in the heartland...’

“...those resurrection angels are around today and they are gettin’ ready to come to where real ministers of God begin to pray and the power of God will be revealed...” (F88, p. 18 — 20)

“A REUNION OF THE ANGELS THAT WAS USED IN THE 40’S AND 50’S”

BJ: “...the angels that was used in the 40’s and the 50’s in the movement, that there were goin’ to be a reunion of them here in Kansas City, and it would be right away and that it was coming and you could--you would see it.” (F88, p. 57)

2. THE "SANDS OF TIME" VISION

EDITOR'S NOTE: THIS VISION HAS NO BIBLICAL BASIS WHATSOEVER!

The following is taken from "Visions and Revelations," Fall 1988, pages 43 - 48.

This vision, probably more than any other, clearly presents the doctrines that Mike Bickle and Bob Jones are promoting. They consider it one of their most important revelations. Please look at this one carefully!

"GREETINGS, YOU ARE INDUCTED INTO THE ARMY OF THE LORD"

BJ: "...I was taken by the ocean and I saw sands and they were called the 'sands of time,' and I saw tremendous holy prophets of God. They were the real thing. Their anointing was far beyond anything that I have ever seen. They reached into the sands of time and they were pulling up something that looked like a shoe box... and I would hear them say as they reached out, 'I've got it, it's now, the promises are now.' And then they would open up their box and it wasn't in their generation...

"I was sittin' there and the Lord says, 'Reach your hand into the sands of time...' And I found a box down there...and there were a bunch of letters in it that said, 'Greetings, you are inducted into the army of the Lord. . . . And the Lord says, 'This is the leaders that I'm going to begin to induct.'"

"BILLIONS OF LITTLE ROUND THINGS"

BJ: "...and so I went and I seen the Lord and it was like He was lookin' at little, yellow things--little, round, yellow things like a spirit of God itself. And there were billions of them.

"And it was like Him and all the angels were looking through these, and every once in awhile they'd say, 'Hey, here's an end-time one. Get it down here on the end. This is a perfect one. Here' a another good one.'"

EDITOR'S NOTE: Is this just weird, or is it occultic?

BJ: "I said, 'What are you doing?' He said, 'Oh, we're collectin' those who are foreknown and predestinated for the end times. For you see, they'll be the best of all the seed that's ever been.'

"And we're lookin' through the seeds and this'll be your grandkids. This will be the end generation that is foreknown and predestinated to inherit all things."

Bob Jones is considered one generation older than Mike Bickle; therefore, the children of Mike Bickle's generation would be like grandchildren to Bob.

"WRITE INTO THE CHILDREN'S MINDS"

BJ: "(Quoting God) 'And these will be like grandchildren to you. Even those that you minister to won't be this generation; their children will be. You are to write into their minds as they write into the children's minds. You're to bring them to a place to allow My Spirit to rule in

their life where they can begin to set the church on the proper foundations, as they will.”

“THEY’LL BIRTH THE CHURCH”

BJ: “They’ll birth the church, but their children will attain levels of the Holy Spirit that they will not.

“Although their parents will reign over them and be the leaders of the last-day church, their children will possess the Spirit without measure. for they are best of all the generations that have ever been upon the face of the earth.”

“THE BEST OF ALL THOSE GENERATIONS ARE THOSE ELECTED SEEDS”

BJ: “And the best of all generations are those elected seeds that will glorify Christ in the last church. Their children will possess the Spirit without measure, for they are best of all the generations that have ever been upon the face of the earth.”

EDITOR’S NOTE: “Elected seeds” could be construed by some as having racist overtones.

“A CHURCH THAT HAS REACHED THE FULL MATURITY OF THE GOD-MAN”

BJ’: “They themselves will be that generation that’s raised up to put death itself underneath their feet and to glorify Christ in every way. And the church that is raising up in the government will be the head and covering for the last days, because the Lord Jesus is worthy to be lifted up by a church that has reached the full maturity of the God-man!”

EDITOR’S NOTE: Manifested Sons error?

“300,000 WHO WILL HAVE LIKE THAT APOSTOLIC ANOINTING”

MB: “I’m going to sum up real well (retells sands of time part)...and he (Bob) sees this box full of draft notices for the end-time army. And he said the Lord told him there was 300,000 enlistment notices that He was going to send out across the nations in this next generation. It wasn’t all going to be sent out then.. .300,000 that would be the main leadership over one billion converts in the earth.”

BJ: “Amen.”

MB: (Again quoting Bob) “He (God) said, “I’ll cause 300,000 to bear a distinct anointing over the one billion. . . and that is three anointed vessels for 10,000 people. That is nothing.. . they will have I like that apostolic anointing and the signs and wonders of the early church will be on 300.000. . .the rest will, move in the miraculous, but I will have 300,000 that will have a special measure of the Spirit like the leaders of the New Testament.””

“THE CHOSEN GENERATION ON HISTORY”

MB: (summing up the vision): “Those others were the leaders of past generations--like John Wesley, Charles Finney, Martin Luther, who thought their generation was the chosen generation. And every time they pulled their hand up they came up empty-handed because the chosen generation, because there is one generation that will enter into that which is beyond all the others. The chosen generation of history that will go beyond all the others in power.”

“THE BEST OF EVERY BLOODLINE IN THE EARTH”

MB: “So, he (Bob) sees the 300,000 and the Lord looks at Bob and says, ‘From out of the sands of time, I have called the best of every bloodline in the earth unto this generation.’ He said, ‘Even the bloodline of Paul, even the bloodline of David, the bloodline of Peter, James, and John, the best of their seed is unto this generation.’”

EDITOR’ S NOTE: God shows no partiality...

“I HAVE ELECTED TO BRING THEM FORTH IN THIS HOUR”

MB: (quoting Jesus) “‘They will be even superior to them in their heart, stature, and love for me,’ He says, ‘for out of the sands of time I have elected to bring them forth in this hour.’”

“And Jesus said, ‘This generation of the young people that are coming. . . it will be their children, not even the generation that is coming, their children is the elected generation.’”

“WORLDWIDE NEW ORDER”

MB: “He (Jesus) said, ‘The generation of the young people that are coming are going to see the beginning of this worldwide new order and this transition that is going to be coming worldwide.

It is going to change the expression of Christianity in the earth in a generation.’ He said, ‘Though they will be the beginning of it, it will be in this timeframe of the 80’s and 90’s.’ He said we’d birth it.”

“RAISE OUR CHILDREN. . . FROM THE WOMB”

MB: “He (Jesus) said then what would happen is that we would raise our children right in the midst from the womb all the way up. They would move so familiar with these ways that they would be much more even trained and equipped for it...

“THEY WILL BE MORE EQUIPPED FOR MINISTRY TO THE MILLIONS”

MB: “I know my sons will surpass me in manifestation. But, I believe it is because we are the ones birthing it, that we will be more equipped to have government and they will be more equipped to do ministry to the millions. They will have strength; they will be in their youth; and they will be strong and a lot of us will be older at that time.”

“WITHIN ANOTHER 4 — 5 ½ YEARS” (FROM FALL, 1988)

BJ: “But, the heavens now are declaring His timing. ...He’s beginning to raise up the eternal church built on the foundation government, and He’s beginning to mature that, and within another 4 -5 ½ years, somewhere in there, you’re going to begin to see men and they will be a younger generation than I am. You’re going to begin to see anointed men of God begin to move with the Holy Spirit in power...First He will bring the fivefold, but there is a ministry after the fivefold called the ministry of perfections the Meichizedek priesthood.” (F88, p. 47 - 50)

“THE MINISTRY OF PERFECTION”

BJ: “You that are here now, you’ll be moving into the fivefold ministries, but your children will be moving into the ministries of perfection, coming into that divine nature of Jesus Christ...”

“IT IS THE LAST DAY GENERATION”

BJ: “Not having to come out of the wilderness, but being birthed natural, into the Spirit. All their days, movin’ with the Spirit.

“You’re in the warfare; start to take the promised land and then you raise up the generation to possess it. Well, the children that are coming forth are to possess the promises of God. It is the last-day generation.”

“MY GRAND-CHILDREN WILL BE THE BRIDE”

BJ: “The last-day church is being birthed out of the old church and the old leadership is comin’ to an end and the new, young leadership is being raised up to reign over an end-time church that will bring forth the bride. He’s not even dealing with the bride yet. He’s got to get Him a church right so He can get the fruit of the bride, your children. My bank account, my grandchildren, will be the bride. You’ve gotta have the church first in the right foundation...” (F88, p. 15)

EDITOR’S NOTE: All of this dates the Second Coming of Christ.

“YOU ARE THE FIRST WAVE”

BJ: “Every one of you that has been obedient and has been before the Lord in intercession is going to be leadership. You are the first wave of this movement.

“You are the first wave, and there are going to be a billion people come in. You are bein’ trained to be leaders.” (F88, p. 32)

3. ‘HEALING RAYS OF LIGHT VISION’

‘THE POWER OF GOD IN THEIR HANDS LIKE SHINING RAYS’

MB: “June 1982, a year before the solemn assembly, the Lord spoke to Bob before we ever came, and spoke to him about this people and about the thing that would come forth. He said, ‘There’ll be ones in our midst that will raise their hands. They will raise their hands and the power of God will come forth in their hands like shining rays.’ He said, ‘The Lord’s going to raise up vessels from this flock, from the flock that was going to come in the spring of 1983, at the first of spring when the snow melts...’ and that He would send them to the ends of the earth...”

“GOD WILL GO LIKE FLASHES OF LIGHTNING”

MB: “...and we’ll go to those third-world countries and there will literally be a million people gathering. He said, ‘Because the power of God will be moving so rapidly, and... and the anointed vessels will lift their hands and they will go across the crowd like this.’ The Lord said, ‘They will move their hands and the power of God will go like flashes of lightning, and as they

go like this over a million people, if a person is missing an arm, the glory of God will appear on their arm and it will appear on their arm and it will instantly be created...'

“As it goes like this, everybody that is not whole will be made whole as the hand goes across. And He (Bob) said, ‘In those meetings 300,000 - 400,000 people will be saved in one meeting...’

“...and He said that there would actually be people in this generation that will have the flashing ray of the Son of God walking and ministering right through them to massive numbers of heathen people in foreign countries.” (P.His 2, p. 17 — 18)

4. “THE CHURCH EMERGING IN 30 YEARS” VISION

“OVER A BILLION SOULS COME TO CHRIST”

MB: “What kind of numbers are going to be saved in the great outpouring, and what will this great outpouring look like, and how long do you think before it’s mature?”

BJ: “.. .Uh, there’ll be over a billion souls come to Christ.”

MB: “One billion! And the Lord told you that?”

“HIS SON WOULD HAVE THE SPIRIT WITHOUT MEASURE”

BJ: “And a year ago last January, I gave a man a prophecy and that is that he would have a male child, and they were getting to that age where they didn’t think they’d have anymore children. He’s a pastor of a Vineyard...

“I told him that his son would have the Spirit without measure--would have the fullness of the Spirit when he was 30 years old.” (F89, p. 46)

“YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE TEN TIMES WORSE THAN I AM!”

MB: “And how do you know that?”

BJ: “Well, because the glorious church will lust be coming into its fullness in 30 years, uh, it’ll be exhibited throughout the world for a while. They’ll be raising the dead, and your children will be the ones that’ll be normal. I mean, I’m normal, your children will really be normal. They’ll be ten times worse than I am!” (F89, p. 47)

“MOVE INTO THE HOLY OF HOLIES”

BJ: “They’ll raise the dead consistently. There won’t be any disease among them. Uh, they’ll not only move into the Holy Place, they’ll be borned in there, and they’ll move into the Holy of Holies.”

“A WHILE AGO, MY HANDS TURNED BLUE AND THEN PURPLE”

BJ: “As I was over there with Jim a while ago, my hands turned blue and then they turned purple and when that happens, that means you’ve got some incense that’s goin’ up. You’ve got some intercession that’s goin’ up that Papa’s sayin’ ‘Yes’ to, because when my hands turn purple like that, it means you’re getting through to the royalty. You’re getting through to the top and it’s yea, and amen, and that’s what He’s calling you into, and now, that Holy Place of divine health...

“THE PLACE OF DIVINE LIFE”

BJ: “But the Holiest of Holies, of which your children are called to enter into, can crash that threshold. It’s called the place of divine life.”

MB: “So there’s divine healings...that’s what we’re really bad at right now. And then there’s divine health; that’s where we live under the shadow of the Most High...”

BJ: “Like Moses, his natural force was not abated.”

MB: “Okay, and then there’s divine life. There’s divine healings, health, and life.”

‘WALK THROUGH WALLS’

BJ: “Yeah! They’ll have the Spirit without measure. They’ll walk through walls. They’ll be translated--everything that was ever in Scripture...” (F89, p. 48)

EDITOR’S NOTE: Manifested Sons?

‘TOTAL VICTORIOUS NOTE’

MB: “So, it’s going to end in a total victorious note? What, for 10 to 15 years, like that? Or you don’t know?”

BJ: “I would say for at least 12, and that’s probably what He’ll do is in the 12 number.”

“ALL SUFFERING, TO BRING ONE GENERATION TO PERFECTION”

BJ: “... all the suffering that the church ever did was to bring one generation into perfection.”

“BATTLE IN THE SECOND HEAVEN”

BJ: “...And the children shall grow up into the fullness, and the glorious church will come forth in a light like the world has never seen before.

“They’ll come forth in the realm that I entered into in doing battle in the second heaven. Your children will enter up there and they’ll literally throw the devil out of it and they’ll throw him down here and they’ll take death and they’ll lay it right underneath Jesus’ feet.” (F89, p. 49)

5. **“GENERATION OF THE RIGHTEOUS’--THAT IS A THEOLOGICAL PREMISE THAT WE’RE OPERATING OUT OF.”**

Mike Bickle teaching at Vineyard School for Prophecy, “Generation of the Righteous,” Session 3a:

BJ: “Ah, the children that are under 17 years of age in 1990 are the children of promise, in Romans 9:8 and Galatians 4:28. Ah, in the time of the deliverer coming to Egypt and the seed, Moses was born, which Christ had chose to be delivered, the great Savior was born; they began to kill the seed, trying to get that seed. Well, 17 years ago abortion become legal in this nation. That was Satan again, trying to kill the seed. Ah, the end-time children, the children of promise, ah, the Father promised that He would send the child of promise, the Isaac, the, the type of Christ, the Christ seed. He would send the Christ seed, for a great deliverance. But in every time He promised these. He promised He’d raise up the seeds like unto the seed. And the anointed seed and the children of promise. are those that’s under 17...’

MB: “...The Lord is told Bob a number of times about ‘A generation.’ And ah. it’s, it’s, it’s a theological point that Paul Cain is operating under the same premise, that there is in God’s heart a generation, one generation in history that’s called in the Spirit, ‘the generation of the righteous.’ And it doesn’t really matter, you know, ah, we aren’t trying to make a new doctrine. I’m just telling you the premise that they’re prophesying out of. I personally be. ah~ believe the premise...

“...The generation in which the kings of the earth would fear the Lord...

“...they will be given the double portion. The book of Acts was the first portion. There is a generation that will be given a double portion, and that is the Spirit without measure. It’s not exactly like everything in the book of Acts we do twice. It’s more like everything we did in the book of Acts we do 10,000 times. It’s a whole, it means the Spirit without measure.”

BJ: “Consistently.”

MB: “Yeah, ah, one word that Bob got--the, the anointing would abide permanently upon this generation...”

“But. Bob and John Paul and Paul Cain and others have seen a generation not where there’d be a 2-year anointing, but the Spirit would be a permanent abiding of the Spirit in the anointing of God in a pure way...

“...And so we talk about a generation of the righteous. There is a generation of which this thing will be doubled of the book of Acts that will go ‘till the end without measure. That is a theological premise that we’re operating out of. My goal isn’t so much to prove it to you from the Bible at this time, but to give you a little understanding. There is a time that I, I would, you

know, enjoy the challenge to do that, but, ah, I first want you to understand Bob just takes that as common knowledge as he ministers. The Lord began to tell Bob about a group of people, of which I was one of that group of people, that was gonna come to Kansas City in the spring of 83...

“...And the Lord told him something about my age group. He said, ‘This,’ He said, ‘the generation of this--these young people that are coming,’ (and he referred to it as an age group across the nations) He said, ‘their children will be the righteous...’

“...He said, ‘It’s the actual generation that’s coming behind them that will be given the Spirit without measure.’ He says, ‘Now I’m not saying you guys won’t see some of that, and maybe some of you will have it, but it’s really your children that are raised under the knowledge of the ways of the Lord, that the Lord is really waited on.’” (VM p. 4)

6. *THE FACT OF THE NEW ORDER IN GOD’S WORK, MIKE BICKLE. 10/28/86:*

Similar teaching was also given in 1989 by Mike Bickle at their leadership conference.

MB: “...This is kind of a prophetic statement, ah, that the Lord is in the process of establishing a new order of His kingdom. I believe with all my heart that God is, right now, revealing and establishing a higher order in the midst of His people... (NOF, p. 2)

“...if we can, by the grace of God, Present to the Lord a new wineskin, the Lord said He would put new wine into it... (NOF, p. 3)

“The wineskin speaks of the authority structure that gives oversight to any particular group.. It’s essential that we raise up a unified leadership team that believes in this. That’s why we require that all our leaders are go to this commitment conference. We cannot afford to have even 2 % of our leaders in the future who don’t believe these things... (NOF, p. 4 - 5)

“...You want to commit your life to structure that’s being prepared to receive the new measure of the Spirit... (NOF, p. 6)

“The fact of the two orders in God’s work...two distinct wineskins.. there’s two distinct orders in God’s work... There’s a vast difference between these two expressions of God’s kingdom...these two orders are so vastly different they simply cannot exist together.. . they will be ruined if you try to mix the two... (NOF, p. 8)

“What the writer of Hebrews says, he goes, ‘We’re gonna have to go outside the camp.’ Jesus was not accepted by the order of His day. (NOF, p. 10)

“The Charismatic, church is an Ishmaelite movement.., the Bible is filled with the reality that there’s two orders in the Kingdom of God...basically the Charismatic church is in the outer court, us included. (NOF, p. 12 - 14)

“The whole illustration between Saul and David.. is a good illustration of the two types of believers even in the house of God today. There are those of the order of Saul and those of David... (NOF, p. 14)

“Isaac and Ishmael...the two sons of Abraham... are a picture of what is right and what is wrong even in the midst of the kingdom of God. . . the same father. . . two different mothers. . . Isaac nursed at the breast of Sarah and speaks of coming forth in purity. And Ishmael grew up with Hagar, which speaks of the whole worldly, humanistic system. And what I’m telling you is right in the middle of the church today; there’s the Isaac order; there’s the Ishmael order. There’s the David order; there’s the Saul order. There’s the outer court; there’s the inner court...and there’s an Isaac and there’s an Ishmael movement. It’s truly born of the Lord, there’s born-again believers in it, and they truly have a blessing...but it’s a humanistic, man-made, self-centered thing, and it’s not the Isaac, it’s not the Isaac order at all... (NOF, p. 14 — 15)

“The Ishmael spirit includes most of the Charismatic churches today. This spirit basically speaks of doing God’s will in man’s way...there are two movements and I believe with all my heart the Charismatic Movement is the Ishmael. Movement. We don’t want what is in the Charismatic--we’re in the wrong camp. We’re looking for a whole new order...There’s a whole new order coming for us. I don’t want prominence in Ishmael’s camp. I don’t want to be a part of it at all. And I’m still a part of it, and we’re all a part of it. But as we get more discernment, we’re leaving that order... (NOF, p. 15)

“... God is going to give signs and wonders when the wineskin is right. . . and God’s gonna openly endorse His people like He endorsed the Lord Jesus...Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, that you will do greater works than Jesus. ..’ We will, do greater works than the Lord Jesus Himself... (NOF, p. 17)

“There’s never been a generation that has done greater signs and wonders than Jesus--never. There’s one generation that’s coming. . . and the Father is goin’ to give it to your sons before this is over. Very important what we do now with our wineskin. We cannot afford to be kinda dabbling around...with the old order.. .” (NOF, p. 17)

“THE WHOLE CHARISMATIC, ISHMAEL MOVEMENT IS ILLEGITIMATE.

“...And the thing that we’re believing by the grace of God, soberly, is to disciple the nations in our generation, and that won’t take place if we don’t raise the dead consistently. There’s no way, and God’s not going to give the power to raise the dead to a bunch of illegitimate, undisciplined, wrong motive, striving, grasping, unbroken, illegitimate sons... (NOF, p. 23)

“...God is gonna have His new order literally, they gonna inherit the earth and God will give them that platform, except He’s goin’ to endorse them with signs and wonders and wisdom. God’s raising up mature sons and daughters that will really inherit the earth with wisdom and affect the entire order of society in the future, in government, in politics, and billions of dollars of finances...” (NOF, p. 25)

The concept of the “new order” is divisive and elitist. If there were any two groups that could have been separated in the church, they were the Jews and Gentiles of the early church. Yet, Paul states clearly in Ephesians 2:14-16, “For He Himself is our peace, who made both groups into one. . . that in Himself He might make the two into one new man, thus establishing peace, and might reconcile them both in one body to God through the cross...” (NASV) Surely God is not going to allow two separate “orders” to be established in the body of Christ, thus nullifying one

aspect of the work of Christ on the cross. This teaching sows discord and disunity in the body of Christ.

7. DAVID VS. SAUL: THE NEW ORDER CONTRASTED.” TAUGHT BY MIKE BICKLE, 1986:

MB: “David and Saul contrasted...it involved the same people, the same nation, the same God, the same covenant. . . we might think that everybody would rejoice because God was visiting His people with a greater visitation. But the Pharisees, like Saul, they did not rejoice in God’s new visitation. Why? Because it involved the release of a new order. When the new order comes, it will be ten times greater than the old. . . probably a hundred times. but the point is, there is a new order coming. The Lord has released the prophetic songs about it, just like He did with David and Saul. The new order is ten times greater, and it’s a new government, and it’s going to cause some conflict... (NO86, p. 1)

“Well, what happened. this is a kind of illuminating principle. Saul became jealous of the greater anointing on the new order...this jealousy allowed the entrance of an evil spin into Saul’s order...so my point is that in that old order, there’s jealousy; there’s wrong motives and wrong ambitions. . . when the new order comes forth, there’s going to be an evil spirit in that old order as well, and it’s gonna get serious... (NO86, p. 1 - 2)

“...that order had the blessing of God and it had the ways of man, and it had the evil spirits in it as well... (NO86, p. 2)

“We want to come out of that order, because it is unbroken, it’s untrained, and it’s got false motives. I mean it has evil motives in it. But let’s not be naive, we need to come out of that order...It has God’s blessing, but it also has evil spirits... (NO86, p. 2)

“We insist upon David’s order, even though it takes a wilderness training. It’s harder; it costs more, but it’s the throne of God at stake, inheriting the earth... (NO86, p. 3)

“...God raised up Pharaoh...to show the world His wrath... (NO86, p. 4)

“God raised up the nation of Babylon and He prospered Babylon. Why? To judge Babylon in the end... (NO86, p. 4)

“Why did God raise up the specific generations of the Jews? Why did He raise them up by giving them the visitation of the Messiah? Because He knew they would harden their hearts...and the rest of the world received the riches of the glory of the Gospel because of them... (NO86, p. 5)

“Why did God raise up Judas. . . What if there’s movements, what if there’s ministries that are Judas? (NO86, p. 5)

“...One of the greatest healing revivals in history. . .took place...in this nation...about 1947 to 1958. (NO86, p. 6)

“...about 30 ministries released...they were household names. . .paraplegics were walking, blind eyes were opening. . . for 11 years these powerful ministries were anointed. . . But you know

what? Forty years later, a generation later, the majority of those men ended up under the judgment of God by the end of their life... NO86, p. 6)

“...so if God could do that in the 40’s, what is God raising up today to bring down? Why did God raise them up in the 80’s? For many, many reasons. But one of the reasons was a warning against selfishness in the anointing...” (NO86, p. 7)

III BOB JONES AND KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP

Bob Jones should never have been received as a prophet of God; nor should any of his beliefs, supposed visitations, prophecies, or supernatural experiences been given credibility or promoted; yet Mike Bickle has established the doctrinal theology and foundations of their “movement” upon the aberrant revelations of Bob Jones.

A. OVERVIEW OF THE SIGNIFICANCE OF BOB JONES TO KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP

1. His visions are foundational to their “Movement” and end-times theology. (Section II, H)
2. He plays a key role in establishing Kansas City Fellowship from its very beginning. (Section II, A)
3. He is proclaimed across the nation by KCF as a true prophet of God. (Section IV, A)
4. He has served from the earliest days as a spiritual tutor and guide to Mike Bickle in matters of the supernatural. (Section IV, B)
5. Many of Mike Bickle’s most significant spiritual experiences involve Bob Jones in a major way. (Section IV, B)
6. He is affirmed to be a true prophet of God by the other key “prophets” of Kansas City Fellowship--John Paul Jackson and Paul Cain. (Section VI)

B. QUESTIONABLE BACKGROUND OF BOB JONES

In 1988 and 1989, Mike Bickle interviewed Bob Jones in front of their congregation--literally for hours on end--about his supernatural visions and experiences. Most of the following dialogue quotes are taken from those interviews.

1. ALLEGED SUPERNATURAL EXPERIENCES IN HIS EARLY DAYS

(which had a reverse effect of causing him to run wholeheartedly into sin)

BJ: “...When I was about nine years old, I was walking down a dusty road in the middle of summer in Arkansas. I saw an angel come on a white horse...” (F89, p. 1)

EDITOR’S NOTE: Bob, in another interview, identifies this angel as Gabriel.

MB: “...And at 15 years old, you were taken out of the body. You stood before the Lord...”

BJ: “...He was showing me a throne room and He was showing me a seat that I needed to sit in one day...and there was a guide that stood in front of me, and he was like red sunglasses...” (F88, p.2-3)

2. AGE 15 – LATE 30'S TOTAL ABANDONMENT TO SIN/ DEMONIC VISIONS AND POSSESSION

BJ: “...From 15 to in my late 30’s...I tried to find peace in sin and I searched for it in every bar and every fist fight, every gambling game I could get into.” (F88, p. 3)

MB: “...The story is real in-depth.. he really got himself into some heavy stuff of sin and just always in Street fights and bar fights and beatin’ people up and drinkin’ alcohol, and then some other areas too--pretty heavy duty in...” (F88, p. 4)

BJ: “. . . I knew the devils real good when I drank--used to party with ‘em out in the beer joints so I knew the devil. It’s when I got saved, I started knowin’ the Lord. I didn’t have--ever--any trouble seem’ the devil!...When they’d take over me, I’d go completely wacky--just lookin’ for trouble. When you drink enough, you become possessed--I become possessed...” (F89, p. 29)

3. BOB JONES WINDS UP IN A MENTAL INSTITUTION

BJ: “...In my late 30’s, my nerves went...I went to Topeka (the Veterans’ Hospital mental ward); I signed in and I immediately run off and I got in hell again, so they took me back and I thought, ‘I’ve got to set it out.’ So I walked the halls out there night and day.”

MB: “And after (over 20) years of alcoholism and street fighting and all the gambling and etc., etc., and so now, he is so steeped in alcoholism...”

BJ: “It was hell. And of all things, the doctor. . .he says, ‘I’m takin’ your dope away.’ I can’t live without it. . . and all the other doctors out there said, ‘You might as well put him on the strong stuff: he’s found a home. He will be here the rest of his life.’” (P88, p. 4 - 5)

4. DEMONIC APPEARANCE: BOB SUPPOSEDLY HEARS JESUS SAY "KILL THEM OR FORGIVE THEM. BOB."

BJ: “...I didn’t have trouble seeing the devils at all...and this devil come and he said, ‘Everybody has just mistreated you all your life. No wonder you are like you are...They’ve got you in the crazy ward anyway, and you truly are crazy. And you know there is about a list of 12 people that are the problems why you are here. . . (Why don’t you) run away tonight and go back to town and get your gun and go kill them people, and then come back and sign into Veteran’s Hospital. You’re going to be here the rest of your life anyway. They won’t do anything to you.’

“...And immediately, I cried out for help. ‘Help me, Lord Jesus. Help me.’ And the voice spoke to me and says, ‘I can’t help you, Bob, until you forgive them. Go kill them or forgive them...’” (F88, p. 6)

EDITOR’S NOTE: He does eventually forgive them.

5. SHORTLY THEREAFTER. IN 1974. BOB JONES BEGINS HAVING TECHNICOLOR VISIONS--OFTEN BETWEEN FIVE AND TEN A NIGHT--AND SUPPOSEDLY HAS HAD

THEM FOR 15 YEARS NOW!

MB: "...ya know, I'm going to tell you something about Bob: Ever since that time in '74 when he was filled with the Holy Spirit, he began to see the technicolor visions and the Lord began to visit him. Since that time he has seen many, many times five to ten visions and dreams a night.

"...And when I first met him, I couldn't hardly comprehend that. I said, 'Five or ten a NIGHT!!!' He said, 'Oh yes, all the time. Sometimes more, sometimes three or four...'

"...I remember one time in 1984, Bob came to me and he said, 'Boy, I don't know what is wrong--am I in sin, can you see anything?' I said, 'No...' He said, 'Boy, the Lord's cut me off.' He said, quote, unquote, 'The Lord just shut the whole thing down.'

"I said, 'What are you talking about?' He said, 'He just shut the whole thing down.' He said, 'I haven't had visions in two nights!'

"Two nights! Two nights! And the whole thing was shut down. I said, 'Oh, Lord, help us!'"
(F88, p.11)

6. CORRECTED BY OTHER MINISTRIES IN KANSAS CITY UNTIL "FOUND" BY MIKE BICKLE

MB: "...Because Bob had had a long history of rejection over a number of years-- 'cause every time he prophesied, something would happen... 'cause most of them were negative--they threw him out as being in the occult and to putting curses on people..." (ROH, p. 7)

The accounts given by Bob Jones about being rejected are untrue. For example, he described in one story (detailed in Section I), how Berean Baptist Church, a highly respected Charismatic church, "threw him out." (Testimony Letter 11)

When we checked the story with the man who pastured Berean Baptist Church at that time, he told us that Bob Jones had the habit of "dominating the worship and praise time with dire and foreboding prophecies--supposedly from God--mostly in the flesh. The people and pastor grew weary of this continuous wearisome foretelling of earthquakes and tragedies coming until I, as pastor and shepherd of the sheep, asked Bob Jones to come with me and another pastor to my study to counsel him. I requested Bob that for at least a month that he sit quietly and be still. Bob refused counsel, refused to be under subjection...and took off for other churches where he would be free to make his predictions. He was not, and I emphasize not, asked to leave our church. Besides that, he was never a member." (Testimony Letter 11)

The exaggerated stories of rejection gain sympathy for Bob and fit into their theology of prophets being people who have had to deal with rejection all their lives.

The part that is true is that Bob had been prophesying and reporting his dreams and predictions for years in Kansas City. Most ministries in Kansas City who had contact with him did not believe his prophecies and visions were truly from God. . .until he met Mike Bickle. Bob Jones experienced correction., not rejection.

7. SUMMARY AND OBSERVATIONS

- a. Bob Jones and his supernatural visions and experiences are foundational to Kansas City Fellowship and their “Movement.”
- b. Bob’s background includes alcoholism, abandonment to sin, demon possession, drug addiction, and time in a mental institution; from this background he does a sudden 180 degree turn to become a major “prophet of God for the last days.”
- c. This man who saw demons regularly and “partied with them” prior to salvation now begins seeing angels and having out-of-body experiences, etc. He starts getting “five to ten dreams and visions a night” from 1974 to the present, supposedly from God.
- d. His “prophetic ministry” is rejected by church after church, until he meets Mike Bickle. Mike embraces Bob’s visions and utilizes them to the fullest in the advancement of “The Movement.”
- e. We are dealing here with a man who claims to have had more revelations, visions, and supernatural experiences with Jesus and angels than that of all the men of God in the Bible put together.
- f. Either Bob Jones has a walk with God that would make that of the Apostle Paul shrink to almost nothing in comparison, or there is something seriously wrong here.
- g. The sad irony is that so many of those same mystical experiences and revelations have no support whatsoever from Scripture, and many defy the scriptural record entirely.

Examples of Bob’s beliefs and experiences are included in the following sections.

C. BOTH MIKE BICKLE AND BOB JONES, HIMSELF, ACKNOWLEDGE THE “GREAT DEAL OF ERROR” THAT HAS MARKED HIS MINISTRY.

1. BOB JONES WEARING PAMPERS [Babies diapers/nappies] IN HEAVEN

MB: “Tell them about the error in your life...”

BJ: “Well, I’ve had a lot of error in my life. I remember once that I got into pride. Every time I get into pride, boy, Papa sure knows how to pop my bubble. And I got into pride and called a church into a 3-day fast and told them that certain things was going to happen, and they went into a 3-day fast. It was terrible. And after that 3-day fast--it was terrible, and the Spirit didn’t even show up that night--the Lord--”

MB: “You called people to a fast?”

BJ: “I sure did, and it wasn’t of the Lord; it was of my pride. I thought you could force the Lord to do something through fasting--boy, I found out real quick you couldn’t. So there’s a bunch of old saints that was ready to stone me, and so I was ready to get out of there and I went

home like any good prophet, and I resigned. And I bawled and I squalled and I finally went to sleep and when I went to sleep the Lord come and took hold of my hand. And I was about like this little girl right here.”

MB: “Hi, Deborah.”

BJ: “Little Debbie.”

MB: “Deborah.”

BJ: “Only I was in a lot worse shape because I had a Pamper on and I had really messed it good. It was running down both of my legs. And the Lord had a hold of my hand and I was a bawlin’ and a squallin’. He took me into that courtroom that Mike was in. He just dropped me right on the middle of the floor. He just walked over to the side. I was layin’ there throwin’ a fit in the middle of the floor in that kind of mess, and I thought, ‘Boy, I’ll get killed.’ It’s like I could see it up here, but I was down there. Oh, I’m doin’ that in the presence of the Lord--I’ll get killed. And I heard a voice sorta speak, puzzled I can say, ‘What happened to Bob?’ And my counselor spoke up and said, ‘He had an accident.’”

MB: “Spoke the wrong words.”

BJ: ““Yeah. He had an accident. He messed his Pamper real bad.’ And I think, ‘Oh, here it comes.’ And then I really got a surprise. A gentle, tender voice said, ‘That boy needs more insurance. Let him know we’ve got him covered from them accidents. Give him a higher insurance policy.’ That wasn’t what I was lookin’ for because I just resigned. ‘Clean him up--tell him to go back into the body and prophesy twice as much. This time, he’ll do what I’ll tell him to.’ I think, ‘I don’t want to go back. I don’t want to ever go back to that body.’ And so it was like the angels come and changed my Pamper and washed me up and the next thing I knew I was back in bed, and boy, I come awake and man, I mean sweat was rollin’ down.”

MB: “I have one more part. The Lord gave you a swat and said, ‘Get back in there.’”

BJ: “No, He didn’t do that...”

MB: “So there has been errors; there’s been a number of errors.”

BJ: “Oh, hundreds of them.”

MB: “The Lord will correct them?”

BJ: “Absolutely.”

(F88, p. 85 — 86)

2. MIKE'S INTERVIEW FORMAT WHEN PRESENTING BOB JONES PUBLICLY

When listening to Mike Bickle interview Bob Jones hour after hour regarding his bizarre supernatural experiences and revelations, it soon becomes obvious that this is a carefully chosen format. It gives Mike the ability to do the following:

a. “Interpret” for Bob Jones whenever he says something particularly outlandish or controversial:

MB: “Amen, glory! Now when Bob says...“I just want to tie in the terminology...” (F89, p. 11)

b. Prevent him from destroying his own credibility by sharing something so hopelessly wild that even a receptive audience would put up the red flags:

MB: “Now Bob, you’re getting us into unbelief here!” (F89, p 48)

c. Coach him along, urging him to share specific visions and revelations that Mike wants promoted and communicated:

MB: “I’ve got a few more for this afternoon I want to ask you ...“ (F88, p. 33)

d. Sum up the “true meaning” of the often-times rambling visions in his own words, highlighting what he wants the audience to get from it:

MB: “I’m going to sum that up real well... (F88, p. 44)

The interview format, therefore, is deliberately utilized to promote the visions and beliefs that Mike wants communicated, while minimizing the likelihood that Bob will “put his foot in his mouth.”

3. SUMMARY AND OBSERVATIONS

a. Both Mike Bickle and Bob Jones publicly acknowledge a “great deal of error” in Bob’s prophetic ministry.

b. When approached by Christian leaders who are troubled by his strange revelations, Mike has consistently down-played the significance of Bob Jones and been deceptive in his presentation of Bob Jones to others privately.

c. It seems apparent when listening to their dialogue that Mike does not really trust Bob Jones to speak on his own. This is a sad state of affairs with someone who is supposedly one of God’s most anointed end-time prophets! Can you imagine Daniel or Jeremiah being interviewed like this?

d. It is clear that Bob Jones has an enormous influence in the theology, history, vision for the “Movement,” and current ministries of Kansas City Fellowship. In fact, the ministry of Bob Jones continues to be promoted by Grace Ministries (Kansas City Fellowship) across the nation. See Section IV for more information on this point.

D. BIZARRE, UNSCRIPTURAL, MYSTICAL EXPERIENCES AND BELIEFS OF BOB JONES

Since we are quoting a man who claims to have mystical experiences virtually every night of his life--usually five or ten different ones in one night--it must be stressed that there are many more wild stories than we can possibly present here.

MB: "...Bob normally gets five or ten visions a night, maybe he sees angels ten or fifteen times a week, you know, or whatever, in dreams and it's just, so it's such a way of life..." (P.His 2, p. 14)

Statistically, from 1974 (when the visions started), Mike's above statement--if accurate--would mean that Bob Jones had received between 27,375 to 54,750 visions, and seen angels between 7800 and 11,700 times...

So, as you read these representative samples, remember that these and other examples throughout this document not only received Mike's "seal of approval," but were also things Mike wanted Bob to share publicly for the promotion of their cause.

1. GOD HAS MARTYRED YOUR BABY

The following is an excerpt from a testimony letter from a former member of KCF:

"The wife of the worship leader of all KCF churches comes to practice telling us that she has lost her baby (she was only 3 - 4 months along), that she was bleeding heavy. So they call Bob Jones and John Paul over to pray for her. Bob Jones prophesies that God has martyred her baby and that for every drop of blood the baby lost, a soul will be saved in Wichita."(Testimony Letter 14)

2. VISIT TO HELL

MB: "... talk about the guy you saw in hell..."

BJ: "...The Lord took me to hell. I had warned a young man...about nine months later, I read in the paper that this young man, all of a sudden, had got a cold and had died.

"Two days later, the Lord came and took me out of the body and we went down...it was like black auto smoke. And we went deeper and deeper into the depths and as we came, I began to hear a voice speak, and that voice just said over and over, 'But the doctor said I'd be okay, and that priest said everything was okay with me.'

"And I saw a macrame basket, and it was swinging like this, and the Lord took me in front and that young man's head was in it. That's all he was. He didn't have anything to turn his head.. . and over and over, through all eternity, that young man will say, 'But that priest said I was okay, and that doctor said it was just a small thing and that I'd be made well right away.'" I

MB: "And so he was just swinging in that basket?"

BJ: "Yeah.

MB: "...swinging in that basket, that guy was accusing the people that lied to him forever and forever and forever..." (F88, p. 16 - 17)

3. SLIMED BY THE DEVIL IN FRONT OF THE TV

BJ: "One of the things He (God) said, 'Warn em.' And He really gave it to me in a sickening way. So He said, 'New revelations of hell--horror movies--these satanic movies will get more and more reprobate than you've ever seen before. And they'll terrorize and possess people. Demons will actually possess people when they watch these horror movies. And they'll begin to relate to them and you'll see massacres and blood-shedding and things like this, by demon activity that comes into people that watch them.' Uh, He told me that as they watched them, they would get slimed, and He took and He sat me before a TV set and it was like He was in back of me with both of His hands on my shoulders, and He said, 'Turn it on.' And it was like I was watching a horror movie, and all of a sudden slime started crawlin' right up my hands. And that slime was like nasal congestion, and I said, 'Get it off, Lord. I don't want that stuff on me.' Well, that's what the slime. . . I mean, that's how horrible it is. So, you really want to begin to guard what you feed your eyes on. If you feed your eyes on that garbage, then get ready to get possessed by the devil...He was sayin', 'If they want the devil, then they can have him this year. I'm goin' to open the pit and if they want to serve the devil and if they want to get possessed, they can...'

"...And I mean, you just watch some of these 'girlie' shows and some of that garbage they're bringin' out this year--you're goin' to get slimed." (ROD, p. 11 - 12)

4. BOB JONES IN THE SPIRIT WORLD

a. Bob Jones goes to a place where he's "there," but he can't define where "there" is.

BJ: "Well, He's been speakin' to me for several years and I haven't figured it out yet and I haven't got the slightest idea how He does it. I simply know that He speaks into my mind; sometimes He speaks audibly. Sometimes He speaks by dark dreams and visions, and this time it was a dark dream and vision, and He gave me four pairs of shoes to give to four people.

"...I go into a p]race where I'm there. But, I know everything that is goin' on. Sometimes, even block around me, but I'm not awake and I'm not asleep, I'm lust there. I don't understand it."

MB: "Where's there?"

BJ: "Uh, I don't know! (laughter) But, I'm there and what I see is goin' to happen, and the Lord is there. So the greatest of my understanding is I leave the outer court and go into the Holy Place of His presence. Yes, and I see Him there and He speaks to and tells me things, so I come back and tell you." (F89, p. 28)

b. The Lord supposedly uses Bob Jones' face to speak to others.

MB: "I've always kinda wondered how you sleep at night. I mean, how many times does this happen during the night? So, you ever get to sleep?"

BJ: “I sleep fine. I do things as I’m sleeping, but my body sleeps. And in the warfare that I do now, I go into a realm that I really can’t stay out of. When I go to sleep, I’m going to go into a realm and I’m going to be praying for people there and doing things. And there’s no way of staying out of that realm--even if I didn’t want to go into it...”

MB: “It’s a glorious realm, but it’s also a gory realm, isn’t it?”

BJ: “You better believe it, it’s bloody.”

MB: “You’re dealing with some nasty creatures and things like that, aren’t you?”

BJ: “It’s a realm that things are not as they seem. For in that realm, when Samuel entered that realm when he was real young, he heard a voice--thought it was Eli’s. It was really the Lord’s.”

EDITOR’S NOTE: The previous statement plainly disagrees with Scripture.

BJ: “It’s a realm many times that you. you’re having dreams and you may see somebody here on the staff speaking to you in a dream. The Lord took their face to appear to you that a way. He took somebody that you’re at ease with. So many of you in your visitations, you’ll see another brother. And many years ago, I began to, well, why is this brother tellina you something and you’re going to do it? And the Lord says. ‘I took his face lust like I did with Samuel--I take a voice.’ Many times when the Lord’s going to speak in love with me, He would use Viola’s voice. And I’d look at Viola; she would be sound asleep. She didn’t speak nothing. But I heard her voice and it was exactly what I needed. And many of you, you’ve heard your voice, someone that you deeply love, at night. You’ve heard their voice, or you see somebody that you believe: many of you have seen my face. The Lord has simply taken my face to speak to you. And He takes that until you can begin to take it face to face. And this is what He’s beginning to do with the old prophets. He’s moving us into a new realm of face to face.”

EDITOR’S NOTE: Is this occultic or just an abomination?

MB: “Now, when you’re dealing with the demonic realm, doing warfare and so forth, a lot of times the demonic--there are demonic personalities that you confront or confront you--and they take all kinds of different shapes and things like that. Tell us a little bit about the kinds of things that you’ve seen in that realm.”

BJ: “Well, in that realm I’ve saw a doe deer in that realm; I’ve saw a doe deer. She’s so pretty. She has such big, beautiful eyes and she looks so innocent. But man, she’s got teeth that are poison. That’s one form of Jezebel. Another form of Jezebel is a panther. She’ll take the form of a cat, like a panther, laying there ready to crawl. I see snakes there continually. Snakes can be many things...” (F89, p. 2 - 3)

5. EXAGGERATED STORIES USED TO IMPRESS GRADE SCHOOL CHILDREN DURING AN ASSEMBLY AT KCF'S DOMINION SCHOOL

BJ: “...and this sister was from the state of Washington. The Lord was telling her to do something different. I reached out to touch her and the power of the Lord hit her in the head and knocked her about 20 feet, and knocked her right up against the wall. And I’m thinking, ‘ Lord,

why did you kill her in my house?’ And after about two hours, I heard, ‘Thank you, thank you. Jesus.’ She got up a totally changed woman...

“...I’ve seen people who couldn’t stand up. I’ve seen them to where...they got stiff as a board and heavy. Two or three men couldn’t lift them up. They were like solid lead or gold...

“...I was once in a tent meeting in Moberly, Missouri. I called him up and reached out and the Holy Spirit hit him like with a lightning bolt in the head. And that man just fell flat, and it was cold--really cold. And the winds was whipping in there, and after he’d laid there for about four hours, the pastor got real concerned about him and went up and got to about four feet of him and had to back off. That man was like a furnace. He was so hot that you could have actually warmed yourself with the heat that was coming off that man.” (BJDOM, p. 4 - 6)

6. THE DOMINUS VISION: EVERYONE NAMED 'DON' IS SUPPOSEDLY JESUS

MB: “The Lord appears to him (Bob), or he leaves his body and he goes and has a visitation with the Lord, and there’s this mighty angel of God. . . and he had ‘DOMINUS’ written on his forehead, and Bob looked at this angel and he says...’I don’t know you.’ And this angel says, ‘How are you doing, Bob? Have a seat!’ And he says, ‘You know what’s going to happen?’

“He said, ‘The Lord is going to bring a reunion of angels to this city--to Kansas City.’...the angels that were there in the healing revival of 1948, they were going to rejoin again and God’s going to have them visit Kansas City.

“Then he (Bob) looks up ‘DOMINUS,’ in his, you know, that little book of his (with) names in it, and the word ‘Dominus’ means ‘the Lord, the Sovereign One.’ So then he goes back to bed and he goes right into a trance again, and this time Jesus stands before him and Jesus says to Bob, He goes, ‘Bob,’ He says, ‘did you understand that that was Me that stood before you a little while ago?’ ...”

EDITOR’S NOTE: In the following part of this vision, Bob Jones convinces Bob Scott and Mike Bickle that Jesus visited them in dreams in the person of friends, both with the first name “Don.”

MB: “. . . and he (Bob) says the Lord told him to go tell Bob Scott and Mike Bickle that Dominus, he says, ‘I am going to visit them and I am going to give them the same message so that you will know that it’s come from me.’...So Bob, man, he’s excited; he calls up. . . and he said, ‘He (Dominus) told me to tell you He’s going to visit you, but He’s going to come and show you the power that He showed me. But He’s going to be your friend.’ He (Bob) said, ‘Be very careful in the next period of time, for Don will come and show you His glory, and it will be the Lord.’ Course me and Bob drove home and kind of giggled. . . And Bob (Scott) tells me, he goes, ‘I had an incredible dream last night that was from the Lord.’ He goes, ‘It was awesome...the only major character in this dream was a real good friend...from St. Louis, and his name was Don.’

“So we go over to Bob Jones...and Bob says, ‘Well did you see Don yet?’ Bob (Scott) goes, ‘Well, as a matter of fact, I did...but that couldn’t have been Jesus--that was my good friend!’ He (Bob Jones) goes, ‘I told you, you wouldn’t recognize Him.’ (Bob Scott said) ‘That guy couldn’t have been Jesus...’

“...And I said.... ‘That couldn’t have been Jesus...that couldn’t have been Jesus, not that guy.’

“And then it’s about five or six days later and lo and behold, I have a vision. . . behold, I’m talking to my good friend, Don, but it’s Don Steadman...this was more than a dream, it was like a trance at night. And I said, ‘Don, the power of God is about to break forth in the midst of this people.’...I was looking in all the aisles...and the power of God descended mightily upon the people.. And I said, ‘Man, Don, that’s the power of God. This is incredible!’...I had a trance last night, from the Lord, about healing power. And so then Bob Jones, well, he’s just as impatient with us, he goes, ‘You unbelievers, you both had a vision of your friend, Don, and the power of God, and I told you it would take place...’ By the time I had it, me and Bob (Scott) repented and we went to Bob Jones and said, ‘Man, we believe this stuff, man, we’re in all the way. Count us in.’ And, ah. we’re believers.” (P.His 2, p. 18 - 21)

Mike Bickle also describes the following near the end of this story in the fall of 1988:

“‘I had this incredible dream,’ I said, ‘but I don’t know why Don Steadman was in it.’ And he (Bob Jones) said, ‘Well, you guys are tryin’ my patience so much.’ He said, ‘The Lord said He was gonna appear to you two--you’re so dull.’ He said, ‘I can’t take it, Lord!’ And I said--I looked at Bob Scott--I said, ‘Do you think that was the Lord?!’ Bob Scott goes, ‘Boy, I can’t imagine Don being the Lord!’ (laughter) And now listen to this, this was the bizarre thing, we decided to believe...” (F88, p. 61 - 62)

7. STRANGE BELIEFS OF "THE SHEPHERD'S ROD"

MB: “Maybe eight, nine, ten years ago the Lord began to visit Bob and tell him that He was going to visit him on the day of atonement each year. And the last number of years, He’s done that and He’s given Bob directions and insight concerning God’s purpose for next year, at several different levels. So, it’s always been a real exciting, fearful, interesting time...Always after the Day of Atonement, we always, you know, like call him up the next day, ‘Well, what happened?’ You know, and the Lord literally stands before Bob and speaks to him. It’s an awesome time of visitation...

“...So I’m gonna really work on tryin’ to get the point, I mean, to hit the point. . .now don’t uh, I’ve heard some people, you know, talking about (how) the ‘Shepherd’s Rod’ is kind of the new doctrine, you know. They can sin 51 weeks and on the last week, if they get it all right before the day of atonement, before Bob meets the Lord, they’re okay. That is so ridiculous, you know, there’s no such thing as disobeying God, and at the last second, you know, sneaking, you know, having (been) cramming all night long for the test the next morning and making it.” (ROD, p. 1)

BJ: “...And that’s what the priest started talkin’ to me about--that you go under the Shepherd’s rod. Every one of us still go under the Shepherd’s rod once a year.”

MB: “We all go under the Shepherd’s rod?”

BJ: “Everyone that God has--the Father has called, go under the Shepherd’s rod. As Paul Cain said, ‘You go under it once a year.’ And I got all the scriptures...

“Yep, it’s all in Scripture. When you go under it, He lust turns you upside down and He looks every place on your body. And if you be found alright, He marks you to be sacrificed as a living, holy sacrifice unto Him. One out of ten is marked totally unto the Lord. That’s a Shepherd’ a rod.” (F89, p. 7 - 8)

8. ONE THOUSAND RELIGIOUS LEADERS TO DIE WITHIN ONE YEAR FROM OCTOBER, 1989

BJ: “And many in what’s called the church today are using His vessels wrong...men have been using them in the wrong way. . . Well, there that night when they went under the Shepherd’s rod, there were 1000 in Daniel 5. They were 1000 of the religious leaders that have (been) doing this, that was appointed to death; they’ll die this next year. So there’s some death that those that’s been using the anointing of God wrong.” (F89, p. 13)

9. BOB JONES’ SENSES TURNED GOLDEN’

MB: “The Lord visited Bob, I think in ‘75, and touched him by the Spirit of God, and the phrase Bob uses is, his ‘senses turned golden.’ That means his five senses literally were inspired by the Holy Spirit. . . to where his eyes--his literal eyes could see things. Through his literal taste, his smell, touch and ears, he could hear things audibly, taste things, smell things, and the Spirit of the Lord would be anointing his five senses.

“Then he could tell what was happening in the Spirit realm from the five senses...so that often when Bob’s in a ministry situation, or in a room like this, there’s 20 or 30 different signs that show up in his body...”

BJ: “Therefore, when I came in here (KCF), I could feel this witchcraft comin’ at a lot of you... You’ve got some real active witchcraft...And see, if it’s my right hand, it means that he’s just attacking your faith. This attack come on my left hand means he’s attacking the ministries here...”

MB: “So Bob, there’s about...I’ve never counted them, but 25 or 30 different signs that appear in his natural man and he can discern what’s 1 happening in the Spirit. . . He can smell homosexuality, death, immorality on different occasions. He can taste, sweet taste, the presence of he Lord. He can taste a real bitter taste where he can, you know, tell where there’s sin, rebellion...”

BJ: “...also, He’s (God) told me that this is the year that every one of you can hear. This is the year that every one of you can train your nose to get golden and smell the incense...” (ROD, p. 6 - 9)

10. GOING NUMB IN THE MIND

Bob Jones explains, at an assembly of their Christian school, why students are losing their memories and becoming disoriented:

BJ: “I been on a 10-day trip to California, and when I come back, I didn’t have any mind left because I’d let the Holy Spirit take it over so long. I couldn’t remember what day or anything, or what was going on or anything. I mean. I was totally numb in mind. That happens--the longer you allow the Holy Spirit to move through your mind, the more forgetful you get. I mean, I could go around two blocks to the house and I’ve been lost...I mean we actually get numb in the mind when the Spirit’s--and I believe it’s because we move our soul, our brain, out of the way to where the’ Holy Spirit can flow from our Spirit. And in doing so. our mind really does get emptied out. and it takes me about two or three days to get jarred back in place and to come back. Literally down to earth.” (BJDom, p. 8)

EDITOR’S NOTE: John 14:26, ‘But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, which the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.’ (NASV)

11. "OUR CHILDREN... THEY'LL BRING FORTH THE GLORIOUS CHURCH AND REVEAL THE MALE CHILD OF REVELATION 12"

MB: “And I’ll explain what that implies when our children, and you say that there’s going to be a level of spirituality that they enter into that none of us have?”

BJ: “Yep, well it’s like you are going to cross Jordan and do the fighting. But after you cross that...And they’ll raise up the glorious church that all the people that have suffered in Scripture, and they have believed and prayed for, will come into being. All of the prayers of the saints and all the suffering and everything that every Christian has done to bring a new revelation. A new understanding in His day.. .They’ll move past the Holy Place into the Holiest of Holies.

“... and they’ll even eventually put Satan out of the realm of the mystic realm of the second heaven and take it over.. .they’ll put death under their feet. And they’ll bring forth the glorious church and reveal the male child of Revelation 12.”

MB: “...Hummmmm. That’s good! Praise God!...” (F89, p. 6)

12. HEAVENS DECLARING THE TIMING OF GOD: THE MELCHISEDEK PRIESTHOOD

BJ: “...The Lord is going to offer grace to all those who want to seek salvation in the last days, and the heavens themselves will reveal light. Everything that is in the heavens will begin to declare the timing of God just as they are now. One thing that I was told, ‘Don’t get excited, Bob, until the heavens start lightin’ up, because Papa spoke them into existence.’”

BJ: “They’re in obedience to His orbit and they were set there by Him to declare what He’s doing on the face of planet Earth. Well, I never did get that much excited until about a year ago.

The heavens are beginning to talk now and they're saying that we are in a season...And they're beginning to say that they are coming into new seasons, the heavens. There are seasons in the heavens, just like there are down here...But the heavens now are declaring His timing. . . He's beginning to raise up the eternal church, built on the foundation government, and He's beginning to mature that. And within another 4 – 5½ years, somewhere in there...You're going to begin to see anointed men of God begin to move with the Holy Spirit in power...You will see the glorious church begin to come in and you will begin to birth it. It will take probably another 15 to 20 years to get some of you into some level of maturity. . .First, He will bring the five. . there is a ministry after the fivefold, called the ministry of perfection: the Melchizedek priesthood. You that are children will be moving into the ministries of perfection. . .coming into that divine nature of Jesus Christ--not having to come out of the wilderness, but being birthed natural into the Spirit. All their days movin' with the Spirit. . .You're in the warfare. Start to take the promised land. And then you raise up the generation to possess it. Well, the children that are coming forth are to possess the promises of God. It is the last day generation..." (F88, p. 49 - 50)

IV BOB JONES AS A 'SEER' FOR MIKE BICKLE AND KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP

Bob Jones should have never been received as a prophet of God, and yet he has been one of the greatest single influences in the spiritual life, beliefs, and direction of Mike Bickle and the congregation of Kansas City Fellowship.

Kansas City Fellowship concludes their services by having Bob Jones prophesy and impart his spirit on each one present. Here is one such example:

KCF PASTOR: "I think what we'll do, Bob, is set you in a chair right over on that corner and just let people walk by right where you can get your hands on their head. Okay? . . . So, those that have never had Bob lay hands on them that would like him to do that tonight, we're going to provide that. It won't be a long time over each person, but just a blessing from him...

"Bob, we love you, brother. We're glad the Lord had given His word to us like this--this is a precious thing. We got some marching orders; we got some real words that we can hold on to and really respond to in this next year. Amen. Let's pray." (F89, p. 24)

A. THE FOLLOWING ARE ILLUSTRATIONS OF WAYS IN WHICH BOB JONES IS BEING PUBLICLY PROCLAIMED AS A TRUE PROPHET OF GOD, BOTH LOCALLY AND ACROSS THE NATION BY MIKE BICKLE.

MB: "Well, I believe our history is deeply tied up, in a human sense, to Bob Jones in the beginning. And I believe that God's goodness towards us, giving us this history, began when the Lord separated Bob Jones many, many years ago. His purpose for this people, in a human sense, had some of its roots back in the hills of Arkansas when Bob was a young boy." (OPH, p. 2)

1. PUBLICLY PROCLAIMED A PROPHET AND "SEER FOR THIS GROUP" AS RECENTLY AS 1988 AND 1989

MB: "Always know that Bob is a seer for this group... (F88, p. 47)

"Bob Jones is one of the prophetic brothers that moves in the realm of the Spirit in, uh, just an incredible way. (MWLC 89, p. 1)

"The angel of the Lord told Bob that sentence that he told me, and I said, 'Truly, you are a prophet of the Lord.' ...It was a wonderful thing, and Bob, uh, his commission--his first commission to us was to establish the leaders in faith for a worldwide movement." (OPH, p. 7)

2. FEATURED IN PRINTED ARTICLES

- a. Charisma Magazine, September 1989: Bob's ministry is described...

“Though Jones' methods may strike some as odd, his track record has earned him a place of honor at Grace Ministries, where prophetic ministry is welcome.”

- b. KCF's GRACE CITY REPORT--this is a newspaper they publish. As recently as Fall of 1989, they did a major feature article on Bob Jones. They describe him in the following way:

“...What's unusual about him, however, is that he seems to walk with the Lord both day and night, and the supernatural is an everyday occurrence to Bob Jones.

“As Bob begins to minister prophetically to an individual, the Lord moves through Bob, touching on their past wounds, present circumstances, and future dreams that they be made whole.

“‘I just tell them what the Lord reveals to me,’ Bob said.”

The article then extensively covers his “supernatural testimony” and concludes with the following:

“For the past 15 years, Bob has regularly had as many as five or ten dreams or visions a night. His anointing of revelations seems to be growing stronger and sharper as the Lord's purposes are being unveiled...” (Grace City Report, Fall 1989)

3. MIKE BICKLE HAS SPENT HOURS IN PUBLIC MEETINGS INTERVIEWING BOB JONES AND HAVING HIM RETELL SOME OF HIS INCREDIBLE, BIZARRE EXPERIENCES BEFORE THE CONGREGATION.

We have transcripts of these extensive sessions for both the fall of 1988 and the fall of 1989. Many of the examples contained in this report are from those interviews.

MB: “... when I interview Bob Jones for his personal testimony, so much of these events come forth in that interview. It's five 1-hour, uh, sessions.” (OPH, p. 2)

4. MINISTERS NATIONWIDE ON BEHALF OF KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP

“Since those beginning days, the Lord has allowed Bob to grow in both gift and influence. Bob has been released in full-time ministry for the past three years. and today spends a great deal of his time traveling across the country ministering at many conferences and churches.” (Grace City Report, Fall 1989)

5. BOB'S PROPHECIES, REVELATIONS, AND SUPPOSED VISITATIONS ARE REGULARLY PROMOTED BY MIKE BICKLE IN MUCH OF HIS TEACHING.

6. FEATURED SPEAKER AT CONFERENCES

- a. The Fall 1989 issue of Grace City Report has Bob Jones advertised as one of the key speakers for their annual national conference in June.

b. April 1 - 8, 1990, Bob Jones ministered with Mike Bickle and other members of the KCF Leadership team at the World Harvest Conference.

7. BOB'S TAPED MESSAGES ARE OFFERED BY KCF AND EVEN VINEYARD PUBLICATIONS.

8. HE IS PUBLICLY PROCLAIMED BY THEIR GROUP AS AN INFLUENTIAL LEADER, AND HAS OBVIOUS INFLUENCE ON THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP.

The following quote is from a KCF leader's introduction to a message by Bob Jones on "The New Breed":

"... I heard that the interview that Mike Bickle had with Bob Jones on Saturday night was absolutely awesome. A brother said to me, 'It was a holy moment in the Lord. '...And I would ask Bob to strengthen us tonight concerning these things. He was sent to us especially to stand with us, and here is a man who has a strengthening word for us. He has been like a father to us for six years. Let nobody kid you. And many times he has called me, and as I faced a certain thing, and he has, by his words, put strength into my inner man. He really has been sent as a brother and father to strengthen us. Let him do that for a while here tonight.'" (NBBJ, p. 2)

PC: (to Bob Jones) "The Lord showed me yesterday that He had given you the ability to smell sin, to smell demons, to smell diseases of certain types--but especially demons; and you could actually smell the kind of demon that was exuding, and that's a gift from God..." (PC7, p. 2)

One sister writes the following:

"Another thing I noticed about the teachers and parents there at the school--they always seemed to be talking about the 'vision of the church,' and this prophet named Bob Jones..."

"... but that Bob Jones said that the members needed a lot of protein for strength for casting out demons, and I said that I understood from the Bible that Jesus said it took days of fasting..."

She went on to say that Bob Jones had also started getting tough on many of the men in the church about their diets and being out of shape--in fact, according to Bob Jones, the Lord would take their ministries away if they did not get into shape. (Testimony Letter 1)

9. FEATURED AT THEIR SCHOOL AS AN AUTHORITY ON SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCES IN THE FALL OF 1989

Teacher: "One more thing...we've seen a number especially, I think it was yesterday, we saw a number of kids drunk in the Spirit. Now, is it a common thing when that happens. for them to have like memory loss where they can't remember people. and..."

BJ: "All the time. You get so emptied out that you don't even know your best friend at times...It'll be the same way with you." (BJDom, p. 7)

10. CITYWIDE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FOR BOB JONES, FEBRUARY 4, 1990

From Advertisement:

“We also invite you to join us at KCF’s Grandview Worship Center at 6:00 p.m., February 4, for a special birthday celebration of Bob Jones’ 60th birthday. John Wimber and Paul Cain will be special guests at this evening.”

B. BOB JONES HAS BEEN A SPIRITUAL TUTOR AND CONFIRMING ‘GUIDE’ TO MIKE BICKLE AND KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP’S LEADERSHIP. WE BELIEVE THERE IS STRONG EVIDENCE OF FAMILIAR SPIRITS IN OPERATION.

In this section, Mike Bickle relates numerous instances of supposedly supernatural confirmations coming from Bob Jones.

A couple of things should be kept in mind:

- We have documented in this report a number of times where Mike has exaggerated events or told something different than what actually happened. We feel some of these stories may have been fabricated, exaggerated, or made to appear supernatural when they weren’t at all.
- If, in fact, something truly supernatural has happened in any of these instances, that does not assure that the source is the Holy Spirit. For example, while many fortunetellers, clairvoyants, and ESP experts, etc. do resort to gimmicks, some operate in the spirit realm. Revelations regarding departed loved ones and secret personal experiences are convincing to many. In reality, they are the work of “familiar spirits” providing information that the fortuneteller could otherwise not possibly have known.

1. Mike Bickle tells how Bob Jones supernaturally revealed his secret thoughts; thus he believed in Bob Jones.

MB: “...and not one person ever knew that. And I said, ‘You are truly of God! You have no idea what you’ve just said; you have no idea what you just said.’

“...He goes, ‘Truly you must hear the words that I’m speaking to you, for God wants you to believe these things.’...and the Lord gave that very secret of my heart concerning...” (P.His 1, p. 20)

2. God supposedly gives Mike Bickle Daniel 9, concerning calling a citywide fast, but Mike is anxious and needs a word from Bob Jones. Bob claims Gabriel appeared to him and told him to give Mike Bickle Daniel 9.

MB: “...I said, ‘Bob, I had the most--I’ve had a frightening, terrifying word from the Lord.’ And I go, ‘And you don’t know.’ He goes, ‘Yeah, I already know.’ I go, ‘No, number one, I never get words from the Lord.’ I said, ‘You don’t understand, this is bizarre!’ He says, ‘I’ve

already seen it.' I said, 'You can't, it's impossible that you've seen this.' He said, 'I have seen it.'

"So I get over and I said, 'Bob, if ever I've needed a word from God, if you are truly who you are supposed to be, this is test run number one! I need a word from God right now...'

"...He (Bob) said, 'I saw him.'...He said, 'I saw the angel Gabriel.' And all of a sudden, I'm trying to keep as much as a poker face as possible and kind of going, 'Ah!' I said, 'What did he say?' He said, 'Give the young man Daniel, chapter 9, and he will understand.' I went, 'Aye, yi, yi, this is incredible!' Cause I thought, we really gotta do this thing." (P.His 1, p. 21 - 22)

3. Mike Bickle describes the importance he places on visions and revelations being supernaturally confirmed. Bob Jones is almost always involved in both the revelation and its confirmation.

MB: "...I just want to let you to know the Lord did I confirm it in a way that, that, was, was not ah, you know, it wasn't just Bob Jones getting a vision. You know, somebody getting a vision doesn't do much for, for me. But when somebody gets a vision and I just had the discussion, that'll get my attention. Or somebody has a dream and its the dream I had last night and they have the interpretation of it as well--that gets, that's the kind of thing that ah, gets my attention. And, and as you know, Bob has done that many, many times. All these things I'm speaking about were those kind of things, where they are supernaturally confirmed. It wasn't just a dream he gave us, but it was one that somebody else had, and it was the same words and the same concepts--that kinda thing." (OPH, p. 18)

4. Mike Bickle has a revelation to phone Bob Jones and then describes why...

MB: "...and the Lord spoke to me in a thunderous way and He said this. He said, 'I have a revelation for you.'...it was the most awesome thing...He said, 'I have a revelation for you,' and then like paused two seconds. And this may sound strange but the Lord said this--He said, 'Call Bob Jones.'" (MWLC, p. 1)

"...Later on that day, it just so happened Bob Jones called me.. .And I didn't tell him anything, and I said, 'Yeah.' But I knew that what he was going to tell me was so important for me to know, because the Lord spoke thunderously in an audible voice...I knew that I was to believe what was gonna come out of his lips." (MWLC, p. 1)

5. In describing Bob Jones's function to keep Mike Bickle and their group away from, "rabid, mad dog pastors," Mike Bickle relates the following:

The Bible states that "in abundance of counselors there is victory..." (Proverbs 24:6, NASV) From the following excerpts it is evident that a familiar spirit operating in Bob Jones controlled the course of this "Movement" and kept Mike Bickle from seeking and receiving counsel from other reliable Christian leaders.

MB: "...and lots of pastors--and I don't have any big martyrdom complex, but they were always trying to help us. . .and Bob said, 'They're mad dogs. They don't understand the nature of this stream.' He says, 'They will always try to pull you to the right and get you out of the center of it.' Times, many times, I'm talking like 10 or 15, I would have a conversation with a

man--he'd call me on the phone and say, 'You've gotta do this and this, and it's not fair to the people.' I would be swayed by this lack of being seasoned. I would go, 'Maybe he's right.' And I mean it happened like I say, times without number. . . Bob would call me a day or two later and say, 'I saw a man in a vision coming to you and he gave you this counsel.' I'd be on the phone and I'd say, 'This is incredible.' He'd say, 'The Lord said that's not My counsel--that's the reasoning of his heart. He has good motives, but it's the reasoning of his heart--it's not My Spirit. Don't yield to it...' (F88, p. 35 -36)

"When the Lord first showed Bob some of us from the beginning, He said 'Go and stand behind these people.' He was talking one time specifically about myself. He said, 'Go stand behind him because his enemies are too great for him.' He said, 'He will be overpowered by the persuasion of his enemies.' They weren't evil people; they were enemies to this purpose. They wasn't enemies of God. He (God) said that he (Mike) would never be able to stand without prophetic revelation. . . and that's why the Lord sent him to stand behind my back. And that is true of everyone in the leadership..

"...So if you can remember, Bob, the specific way in which He told you to stand behind us, I'd like to hear that again. Even with the negative stuff--how we could not stand alone. I want them to catch the real sense of that--of how weak it was and how pathetic it would have been without that help." (F88, p. 35 - 38)

BJ: "Well, when He showed me the white horse He would put a reign in my hand and say, 'When it goes to one side or the other, pull on that reign.'"

MB: "The way that he pulled on that reign was by giving him a revelation. He would pull with a revelation--that's what that meant."

BJ: "...I was told to stand in back--not stand in leadership--stand at his back..."

MB: "because the Lord said we could never stand in the immaturity of our (selves); we could never stand without that extra revelation--we would be tripped up without it...

"...It was just agony emotionally, all the time trying to figure out what was God, what wasn't God. Were we right? Were we wrong? People would come and say something, and Bob would call me on the phone and say, 'A man called; he stands in the oaks of righteousness...and he's aiming at you. He is trying to undermine you and he's a righteous man, but he is trying to take this vision out of the hearts of people and he is circulating around and the Lord says he's got you in his scope; he's got a gun. He's got you in his scope and is going to try to take this vision out of the hearts of people and undermine it. But don't worry (that) he's got you in his scope because I'm up in a tree and I've got him in My scope. And he doesn't know that I'm there...'

"And He would just tell me person after person--he said, 'Don't give this person any more influence, because they are saying this and this.' I said, 'Bob, you have no idea--that is exactly what he just told me two days ago. He says, 'Well, I don't know about the natural, but I saw it in a vision; don't yield to it.' I was lust so grateful in my heart--I still am...

"Every time we started to get on exits to another highway, Bob would call on the phone and say, 'Thus saith the Lord, whoever told you this is not me' ...So that value of him watching for the mad dogs...has been absolutely invaluable over the years..."(F88, p. 38 - 40)

BJ: “...So the Lord sent me here to keep you free from the rabid dogs...those that were coming to bite you, to steal the standard--you would not know that they were coming to hurt the movement because they would be sincere and godly people. ‘But I,’ the Lord told me. . . ‘I will reveal them to them one-by-one, in a way that you will understand it’s the revealing of the Lord.’” (P.His 1, p. 16)

MB: “...it was just because of our own instability that God sent Bob Jones, and I would say, ‘Man, maybe you are right.’ And then Bob would call me again and say, ‘A man said this and this.’ Then I would say, ‘That’s incredible,’ again, ‘that’s exactly what he said.’ (Then Bob would say) ‘Don’t listen to it.’ (F88, p. 37)

“... So he would call me on the phone and tell me about a conversation I had alone with this person, and Bob didn’t even know the person, and he described--He said, ‘This and this and in the last couple of days...’ And I’d go, ‘That is amazing.’” (F88, p. 40)

6. Mike Bickle has a supernatural experience of receiving his healing anointing, and then prays for Bob Jones to confirm it.

MB: “...It dawned on me, God didn’t t say it, but I knew it. I said, ‘God’s anointing me for healing!’

“I said, ‘Wow! this is it!’ But the Lord was speaking a lot more than myself; He was speaking about the body and the purpose here, and I was so excited...

“I said, ‘Lord, you have to tell Bob, because if it comes from another I will understand clearly that I was not deceived by the enemy.’

“I said, ‘Lord, I ask you to do two things: I ask you to give me a supernatural experience tonight to confirm this to me; I ask you to give a supernatural experience to Bob Jones tonight to confirm it to him--I mean, so that he could confirm it to me again.’

“... I said, ‘Lord you have to tell Bob because if it comes from another, I will understand clearly that I was not deceived by the enemy.’...So I go to bed that night and I said, ‘Lord. . .I ask you to give a supernatural experience to Bob Jones tonight to confirm it to him. ‘...and I got up at 5:30 a.m. and I said, ‘Please God, You gotta tell Bob Jones.’ (P.His 2, p. 15)

“...I go, ‘What happened Bob?’ He says, ‘It happened last night, didn’t it?’

“I tell you, don’t give the prophetic ministry hints, because you never know later if it was God or not.

“I go, ‘What happened?’ (Bob said) ‘You know what happened.’ He says, ‘The Lord came.’ He says, ‘They took a banner and He put a banner upon you last night and I spoke of the entire movement.’ I said, ‘What was the banner?’ He says, ‘Jehovah Rapha, I am the Lord that healeth thee...I will be to these people Jehovah Rapha. I am the Lord that healeth thee.’ And He says, ‘And I will give them a license to practice healing...in My name...No disease known to man will stand before this people...’ (P.His 2, p. 16)

“...And I tell you, I walked out of that room--I said, ‘God, it’s true!’ . . . Then he (Bob) told me the dream I had... (P.His 2, p. 17)

“...and this seems (like) kind of faulty theology--I was pleading with the Lord, ‘Oh. please let Bob see it. Lord. I’ll never believe it if he doesn’t see it...’”(F88, p. 68)

7. The appearance and reappearance of this angel called “Dominus” (who is supposed to be the Lord) to Bob Jones, Bob Scott, and Mike Bickle in the strange form of other men would seem to indicate a familiar spirit.

Bob Jones is visited by an angel called “Dominus,” who is supposed to be the Lord. Bob tells Bob Scott and Mike Bickle that they will also be visited by the Lord in the form of men they know, with the name “Don.”

For additional coverage on this story, see Section III, D.

8. Bob Jones has a trance and “sees Mike Bickle in a trance.” even though Mike thought he had simply fallen asleep.

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MB: “Bob Jones sees me havin’ a trance. He’s in a trance seeing me in a change as a whole, ah, dynamic in a leadership team. This is very important. (OPH, p. 25)

“...Then I was caught up in a trance during the solemn assembly...I thought I fell asleep, and he (Bob) came to me and He said, ‘I was in a trance seeing you in a trance.’ And he told me what it meant, and it’s exactly what I saw...And ah, that was ah, somethin’ I haven’t shared much at all over the past. But that was a very dramatic experience, as far as I was concerned, that saved much, much agony, because He (God) redirected some things that I had in my heart to do.

“He goes, ‘You just think that you clocked out, but you didn’t. The Lord’s spirit was doing something.’” (OPH, p. 9)

9. The Lord supposedly appeared to Bob Jones, and Bob was taken up into the third heaven and shown the apostles that will come from this “Movement.” He tells Mike Bickle that he will also go the third heaven to confirm the same apostolic vision. Supposedly Mike Bickle subsequently goes to the third heaven.

See section II, F for this story.

V. CULTLIKE TENDENCIES AND TEACHINGS

KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP HAS CULTLIKE PRACTICES AND TEACHINGS THAT CLEARLY SEPARATE THEM FROM ORTHODOX BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY.

As evidenced by earlier material covered in sections II, III, & IV, we maintain that some of Mike Bickle's and KCF's teachings contain heresy; some of their practices have similarities to those of a cult.

The following is a partial listing of characteristics and teachings~ that are cultlike, including some examples:

A. EVIDENCE OF CULTLIKE TENDENCIES

1. EXALTATION OF MEN AND THEIR MYSTICAL EXPERIENCES

a. Letter from a Christian psychologist who has counseled many people from Kansas City Fellowship:

“Certain people are elevated and named more than Jesus Christ. When dealing with people in crises, I think it is more important to I elevate Jesus Christ and how He can change us rather than what a certain person or prophet has said.” (Testimony Letter 15)

b. Letter from a former member of an Olathe church which was taken over by KCF:

“Last straw for me was Birthday Celebration, one year of KCF. Bob Jones tells us not to question these men. They are so holy and anointed that only God should correct them... We should clear our mind of any doubt and follow without question anything they do because they are holy. I left.” (Testimony Letter 14)

c. Bob Jones glorifying Paul Cain:

BJ: “Paul Cain is the most anointed prophet that's in the world today. He has the mantle of the old prophet. He has the fear mantle on him. He has the mantle of the Lamb's wool on him--innocence. It's a beautiful glowing mantle--like platinum. And he's the highest prophet in the earth today. (F89. p. 1)

“There's not any, maybe one Samuel prophet in the whole world right now, yep, Paul Cain.” (LC88 pg.5)

d. Mike Bickle glorifying Bob Jones:

MB: “...But Bob Jones comes again and says, ‘One of my missions in this whole supernatural thing is to convince you it's real...things won't be secure until you believe that. You'll be prone to do this or that or the other that will end up being contrary to this movement if you do not understand that something more than a local fellowship is being birthed...’ And the Lord speaks to us and says, ‘Repentance.’ And He speaks audibly to Bob Jones Psalms 130, that He'd

forgiven us.” (OPH, p. 11, 19)

As mentioned previously, it is also an annual event for Mike to interview Bob Jones for hours upon hours regarding his visions and mystical experiences.

e. Mike Bickle exalting mystical experiences:

MB: “So a period of time left, and he (Bob Jones) comes back to his body and he’s standing--well, he’s not in his body, it’s kind of like Howard Pitman, he’s still hovering over his body in the room, just like anybody who has an out-of-body experience like that. . .And it’s amazing, almost anybody with a true prophetic ministry is, that’s going to be of a high level, has had visitations in their childhood that were staggering... (P.His 2, p. 6)

“...but this one you will not let go of like the others, you will hold on to this vision because you will be this high off of the ground with joy. I said, ‘Well, who’s going to have the vision?’ I was thinking, ‘What guy could have a vision that would do that? I mean, what more do you need than a visitation from heaven, the angel Gabriel, Daniel, a comet, a rainstorm. I mean on May 7, you know--Howard Pitman, the audible I voice--’ I thought, ‘What vision could a guy have that would turn me on that much?’ Because you know, what more could somebody say that could a guy have that could broaden that scope? I mean boy, I’m really perplexed by this thing.” (P.His 3, p. 4 - 5)

2. THERE IS A STRONG EXPRASIS ON SACRIFICE FOR THEIR "MOVENENT" AND WAITING FAITHFULLY FOR THE FUTURE FULFILLMENT OF THEIR VISION.

MB: “...This is the verse that he gave us three years ago. This is the verse that we said that we would never ever have to, or want to have to claim our weakness like this again, but I find that after three years, it’s the same verse the Lord speaks to us.

“I Corinthians 15:43--it’s speaking of the resurrected body, but I’m speaking of our sacrifice of our waiting before the Lord. It spoke of the 21 days; it’s spoken of the last 21 months of the commitment that we made; it’s spoke of the last 9 months since the time that we gathered in September, and it’s spoken of the whole 3 years. It was sown in dishonor, but it will be raised in glory; it was sown in weakness, but it will be raised by God’s mercy and power...Our whole future is this verse.” (P.His 3, p. 11)

EDITOR’S NOTE: This is a clear example of an irreverent distortion of Scripture in order to promote their cause.

MB: “...because He wants us to sacrifice for it. And if we don’t believe it, we won’t bear the sacrifice in these days for it, if it’s just a little thing. He says, ‘You believe it, because I’ve proved it to you. Now you give your life wholly onto this cause. And you bear patiently and in humility while I perfect the people.’ (P.His 1, p. 7)

“Why did God give us these signs?. So that we could tell good stories? He wanted us to believe so that we did not waver under the pressure of sacrifice and patience and humility--that the sacrifice is worth it--that patience is worth it. Bowing down is worth it, because it’s the move of the living God in the earth! (P.His 2, p. 2)

“But from, even from the heart he would be committed. A lifelong commitment that would involve a daily walking out from the majority of the people on that team. And we’re going to be doing this the rest of our lives, while I maintaining a permanent covenant relationship and an involvement with the ones that we’ve already established.” (NE, p. 20)

A quote from a testimony letter states the following:

“‘You just give of yourself totally and unselfishly--even at the expense of your job,’ I heard once, ‘if that seems to be what God is saying to us.’” (Testimony Letter 5)

3 THEIR EMPHASIS ON CONTINUALLY SEEKING A "HIGHER ORDER" CAUSES HYPER-SPIRITUALITY AND HYPERACTIVITY.

“Attendance at these meetings was important and seriously looked at to evaluate your commitment and leadership potential.” (Testimony Letter 2)

MB: “..1982, when all this happened, we began the prayer meetings, 7-10, seven nights a week. Meeting from 7-10... (OPH, p. 6)

“...that was a supernatural calling, that we’d gather the people together for a solemn assembly. And a number of people met for 18 hours a day--committed themselves... (OPH, p. 8)

“We probably did that for 18 months and then, as you well know, in October 1984, we took off Sunday nights and began to meet three times a day, and in the end we’ll be meeting 24 hours a day in prayer. He said literally this work will be built on night and day prayer, literally, not figuratively--not kind of praying as you’re driving--literal night, and day intercession will go forth from His people, and that is a requirement from God if this thing is to touch the ends of the earth. (P.His 1, p. 13)

“...And it literally happened. And He told me that ah, ah apostles would come forth from this movement. And it would be a holy thing that He was goin’ to do. And I don’t know when or how or anything, but, ah, that’s a very, very wonderful thing for God to tell men supernaturally like that. If that doesn’t cause us to have perseverance in intercession, I don’t know what will.” (OPH, p. 14)

4. THERE IS A CONSISTENT EMPHASIS ON BIZARRE MYSTICAL EXPERIENCES AS SIGNS FOR THEIR MOVEMENT.

Examples of this are found throughout this document--especially in Sections II, III, & IV.

5. AS DESCRIBED EARLIER, THERE ARE WARNINGS ABOUT OTHER CHRISTIAN LEADERS AND GROUPS REPEATED TO PREPARE THEIR PEOPLE FOR COMING RESISTANCE. FROM THIS EMPHASIS, IT IS CLEAR THAT ANYONE WHO CRITICIZES THEM WOULD BE SUSPECT AND NOT RECEIVED.

MB: “We could never stand without that extra revelation--we would be tripped up without it.. .

Even more than just somebody persuading us, there was a whole set of times where men would rise up and try to undermine what was going on. (F88, p. 38)

“...and I encourage you not to share that with just, carelessly, or just proudly, or foolishly, just around and about--that’s something we need to know so we can build clearly and wisely, internally. That’s a truth to be known internally, not externally. But it’s inevitable someone hears about it, but it always creates offense. (OCFI p. 5)

“...there’s going to be major resistance against this thing, every place that you go.” (P.His 1, p. 17)

JPJ: “And you should know that there will be enemies that will try to be like the Philistines and come and take you away. But God has risen up a David, and the anointing and mantle of David is the mantle that covers this church. And it’s going to take the city of Olathe.” (NE, p. 10)

To allow the church to teach that persecution will come from other Christian brothers and sisters and that we should expect it, is contrary to the whole New Testament teaching concerning relationships in the church. We should have the expectation of mutual upbuilding and love. Surely Paul didn’t “persecute” Peter when confronting him about his hypocrisy in his relationship with the Gentile believers in Antioch (Galatians 2:11 - 21).

We should work to solve our problems, not seek to bring forth a new church structure with a “new breed” that better qualifies to contain God’s Spirit.

Rather, we are to “...be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus...” that with one accord we may “...with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ...” and “...accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God.” (Romans 15:5 - 7, NASV)

6. IMPLIED OR STATED SPIRITUAL THREATS ARE UTTERED BY THOSE IN THEIR "MOVEMENT," AND THERE ARE TESTIMONIES OF FEAR IN PEOPLE AS A RESULT.

a. “1000 Religious Leaders to Die in 1990”

BJ: “They were 1000 of the religious leaders that have (been) doing this, that was appointed to death--they’ll die this next year. So there’s some death that those that’s been using the anointing of God wrong. (F89, p. 13)

“But many of those who have been appointed, even for destruction, they are still brothers.(F89, p. 20)

“Well, you’re coming into a year that a lot of religious system and a lot of people that are using the anointing wrong, and it’s simply time for them to go home--will go home, because they’re withstanding the Holy Spirit and when they’re withstanding the Holy Spirit, that’s a dangerous thing now, for the Lord is moving and a lot of the religious system will be taken out of the way. That’s not our business at all...” (F89, p. 27)

b. Letter from a local pastor:

“A prophecy from one man was given to the elders of Second Creek with the full, blessing of

Mike. It was a strong prophecy of judgment and that of people dying. It just so happened one elder was already terminally ill with cancer.” (Testimony Letter 24)

c. Testimony from a former KCF member:

“We were warned by friends fairly high in the KCF ‘hierarchy’ that because we had had visible roles in the fellowship, that spiritually we would be ‘attacked’ and that we should pray for God’s protection over ourselves, our children, and our home.

“There are other instances during the time we attended KCF that we felt ‘threatened’ as well, but listing these are burdensome and probably of no value.” (Testimony Letter 37)

d. As Pastor Gruen related in his message, “Do We Keep Smiling and Say Nothing?”, he met with Mike and his leadership in an attempt to correct growing problems. Mike made a spiritual threat at that time, warning of harm to Pastor Gruen.

EG: “It was a terrible meeting. In alluding to the Horsecreek thing, where I sat him down, he said to my face. ‘You touched me illegally and people who touch me illegally, bad things happen to them.’”

e. Testimony from a former OCF member:

“We left the church because (one of the reasons) of a sermon by (a pastor at OCF) which warned against speaking out against the prophetic. Words like ‘judgment’ and warnings against ‘having a Jezebel spirit’ kept a lot of people from saying anything negative about the prophetic ministry.” (Testimony Letter 13)

7. THERE ARE AN UNUSUAL NUMBER OF UNORTHODOX MEETINGS AND EVENTS.

a. Special covenant signing meeting in 1986:

MB: “Commitment and the covenant that we’re going to make before the Lord, just so that you understand, is nothing more than the covenant that you made as individuals the day you were born again... Together as a people, as a movement, as a unit, as a cohesive whole, as one little part of my purposes, make it together as a people... but we can train this fighting unit, and that is the thing for which we are committing ourselves that we will weed this garden and train this unit and cultivate the corporate heart after the sovereign revealed ways of the Lord. (P.His 3, p. 10)

“...Father, we’re making agreement in writing before the Lord this day, 26th of May, 1986. On this sealed document are the names of our leaders. Now the rest of the people who have separated themselves from the spirit of the world unto the ways of the Lord, all those who have knowledge and understanding are joining their leaders to purpose in their heart to walk in the grace of God...That we would be set apart as a people for His purpose that He’s given us in our generation. (P.His 3, p. 12)

“We have a document here that has this thing written and we’re going to post this on the wall, and as you follow the verses, you’ll see that we took this whole thing right from the Word of God. It’s in the same spirit of the covenant that God made with His people but we just changed it and updated it to the new covenant--that’s all we’ve done...And then we have another paper

where everybody can sign it, and we're going to frame this one and all the other ones, we're going to put them all together up on the wall as a statement and a testimony that God is been merciful to us and that as a people we want to respond to His mercy by faithfulness...Bob Jones, I want you to sign this thing first. The Lord has raised you up to be 'Papa' and we want you to sign this for us. (clapping) Amen. (P.His 3, p. 13)

b. Letter from a Christian psychologist:

"I am concerned about certain practices which could easily cross over into the realm of cults. In particular, I am aware of certain solemn assemblies and significant dates of revelations made unto the prophets. These occasions are celebrated annually. These occasions even depart from any significance with having to do with Jesus Christ." (Testimony Letter 15)

c. KCF holds interview meetings with their prophets, and annual events to promote their so-called "prophetic history."

8. THERE IS A BELIEF AND UNDERSTANDING THAT PEOPLE WILL RELOCATE TO BECOME A PART OF THEIR "MOVEMENT" THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARD PROPHETS NEEDING A SPECIAL PLACE IS STRANGE.

a. Relocation to Kansas City:

MB: "The movement and the promises don't belong to a people or a city. The movement and the promises belong to God and those ordained from their mother's womb. And He said they would come from the four corners of the nation to live here, and then we would go to the four corners of the nations to plant and to sow all over everywhere." (F88, p. 30)

b. KCF is developing property to be used for a special home for prophets:

MB: "Shiloh ... will be a piece of land near Kansas City where prophetic ministries may live together. Shiloh will have houses and some type of ministry center and will serve as a quiet base for the prophetic team that relates to Kansas City Fellowship as they minister to leaders across the United States... From time to time, leaders of both church and state will be invited to Shiloh to receive the word of the Lord; however, Shiloh will definitely not be a 'visitors' center' for those without specific invitation or appointment. . . John Wimber, leader of the Vineyard Movement, has played a key role as a counselor in helping team members discern some of Shiloh's basic principles and practices. John and Vineyard Ministries, International have also been the major financial contributors to the Shiloh project...Bob Jones has seen Shiloh as a place where prophets will function together in what the Lord called the 'round table of prophets.'" (Grace City Report, Fall 1989)

c. Bob Jones and Mike Bickle receive a Vineyard offering of \$50,000 for "Shiloh."

BJ: "Then they decided to give us a love offering...They heard something we had called to birth here called 'Shiloh.' Just \$50,000. And John Wimber said, 'I want a place there. I want a place for me and my pastors and come to that round table of prophets. When it gets built we want our own places there, so our fellowship can come there and be ministered to by the prophets...'" (NBBJ, p. 8)

9. MIKE BICKLE' S EMPHASIS ON ALL BEING IN AGREEMENT AND COMMITTED IS EXTREME.

MB: “And so I am the one having the final responsibility for the church planning team. . . So, I’ll have the final authority in the church J planning team which is an embryo of an apostolic team...because authority is essential to unity. Authority is essential to wineskin. (NE, p. 23)

“The wineskin speaks of the authority structure that gives oversight to any particular group... It’s essential that we raise up a unified leadership team that believes in this. That’s why we require that all our leaders are to go to this commitment conference. We cannot afford to have even 2% of our leaders in the future who don’t believe these things...” (NOF, p. 4 - 5)

Mike Sullivant: “...but my understanding of unity is that there’ll be no division, no two opinions amongst the team. That doesn’t mean...But sometimes those ideas seem to conflict, where our loyalty and conflict to God seem to conflict with our loyalty and faithfulness to the will of the team.” (LC88, p. 2 - 3)

MB: “But there’s eight of us now that have covenanted ourselves together in a church planning team. And we plan to plant churches in many places, oh, I don’t know the number of places in America, but in the nations of the world together. (NE, p. 17)

“And the bigger one is the work, the vast work, the responsibility that God has given to us as a people that will be in many cities--a people in many locations, but covenanted together as the brothers in leadership have broken bread around the presence of the Lord in terms of our specific commitment to walk out ministry one with another, even in a permanent way. September 4, 1986, the Lord’s presence comes to us and says, ‘You guys aren’t just supposed to just enjoy and date, you’re to be married. You’re to be joined for the rest of your lives together.’...And we’re going to be doing this for the rest of our lives, while maintaining a permanent covenant relationship and an involvement with the ones that we’ve already established. (NE, p. 13 - 20)

“I’m talking about obedience to a mandate that you have no permission to call or to nullify. The Lord has a mandate and He didn’t ask my permission to give me the call. He didn’t ask your permission to call you to do it. He just simply gave you the mandate. And we’ve got to come to grips with the reality of that. I’m not trying to be overdramatic--what I’m trying to say is that we’re going forward and there’s going to be special dealings and there’s going to be special testings that some of you have not been acquainted with and where a number of us...” (OCF, p. 6)

“Kansas City Fellowship taught that eventually all churches would unite with Kansas City Fellowship to form a city church. Unity was encouraged at all costs, and any word of disharmony was viewed as demonic.” (Testimony Letter 4)

10. MIKE BICKLE AND KCF BELIEVE THAT THEY HAVE A UNIQUE, DIVINE COMMISSION TO SPREAD THEIR BELIEFS AND "MOVEMENT" THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. THIS ATTITUDE CREATES CONFUSION AND DIVISION IN THE BODY OF CHRIST.

MB: "...So we never want to get exclusive, yet at the same time, in our desire not to be exclusive, we don't want to undermine the sovereign word that God gave us.. . And I want to say boldly (that) there is a movement that is springing forth. It has already begun, and there's going to be a mighty release into the 90's, and after the turn of the century of this movement that comes forth from the seed that's represented here... (ROH, p. 2)

"...And He said they would come from the four corners of the nation to live here and then we would go to the four corners of the nations to plant and to sow all over everywhere... So these promises belong to a movement--a team that will be tens of thousands of full-time ministries... we're talking about a massive, massive army that flows as one team of tens of thousands. These promises belong to the team in all of its locations..."(F88, p. 30)

B. FALSE TEACHINGS

Some of the following have been described previously.

1. KCF'S TEACHING REGARDING CHILDREN AND DEALING WITH CHILDREN INVOLVES A GREAT DEAL OF ERROR.

BJ: (Describing KCF's belief that their children will be like Bob Jones "in the spirit realm," amplified ten times) "Your children will be ten times worse than I am."

As pointed out by Pastor Gruen in his message, "Do We Keep Smiling and Say Nothing?", children can be easily manipulated. Children can be manipulated not only by adults, but also by demonic powers. Kansas City Fellowship's false teaching that the next generation (their children) will be more spiritual and have supernatural visitations, dreams, visions, and miracles, etc. as a natural way of living--beyond any generation of people that has ever lived--creates expectations concerning children that are spiritually dangerous. We believe this teaching carried to its fullest extent could cause serious emotional and psychological damage to children in the future.

The following are examples of Kansas City Fellowship's ideas and experiences regarding children:

ONE CHILD'S EXPERIENCE WITH CHILDREN FROM KCF:

"My son (11) spent the night with his cousin, who still goes to Kansas City Fellowship. A pastor's son also spent the night, along with other kids from Kansas City Fellowship. The pastor's son took my son's cousin's skateboard and said (this is a seven year old child) that God told him the skate board was evil. All the kids took it to the back patio and smashed it to bits. Later, they all went upstairs and sat in a circle; the pastor's son told them if they all held hands they could go into the third heaven and see angels and taste the tree of life. My son refused. He said he didn't want to do something like that. The other kids became upset with him, and my sister had to intervene. She told them my son didn't have to get into the group. When he got home from the slumber party he found his favorite skating shirt cut into pieces. I asked him

about what could have happened. He was upset and said all he remembered was that the pastor's son said his shirt was evil too." (Testimony Letter 13)

MIKE BICKLE INTERVIEWING PAUL CAIN CONCERNING HIS CHILDHOOD:

PC: "...the Lord would give me the answers to all the stuff, you know. I made passing grades."

MB: "Now wait, let me get that. I want to get that straight here."

PC: "That was part of the revelatory knowledge, boy, I've never been able to say that word before either. That was part of the revelational knowledge that was functioning even then."

MB: "So you're saying you've never said this before--that you actually did not study, and the Lord gave you answers."

PC: "Yes. He did."

MB: "Now parents are going to have to interpret this to your children...'Well, Paul Cain didn't study, Mom, and ah...'"

PC: "Well, it was a wonderful thing. But even at that I resented being different because I would know things that other kids didn't know..."

MB: "Okay, did you have any other visitations from angels, like between 7 and 15--any time in that period of your life? Did an angel ever appear to you or the audible voice?"

PC: "Well, yes, but you don't think that will kill the spirit, do you?"

MB: "...More than just curiosity that I would like the people to know because of what God did to you--what to expect for the children that are growing up here. Because the Lord is going to begin to fall on children, and I want them to know what God does when He meets a child in a supernatural way. And so ah, so that they will be in faith praying for it, not resisting it, and they'll believe their children when they come and say, 'Mom, guess what happened to me, du-du-du.' And Mom will say, 'Well that's what happened to Paul Cain back then.'--those kind of things."

PC: "Well, I sure wish I could encourage parents... It's very unbelievable when children have experiences with God. But in their innocence they see much more than the most spiritual person in this room. And they do see angels and they do see supernatural phenomenon and all that..."

(PCL, p. 3 - 6)

MIKE BICKLE INTERVIEWING BOB JONES:

BJ: "Ah, the children that are under 17 years of age are the children of promise in Romans 9:8 and Galatians 4:28."

MB: “The Lord is told Bob a number of times about ‘a generation...’”

BJ: (Quoting the Lord) “‘The generation of this, these young people that are coming,’ and He referred to it as an age group across the nations, ‘their children will be the generation of the righteous. . . I want you to know this,’ He said, ‘Your generation is going to go beyond I where the book of Acts is.’ He said, ‘Your generation is going to see such an anointing...’”

MB: “The thing about Bob is he thinks all these children look like him.”

BJ: “They do. What do you mean ‘think’--they do look like me.”

MB: “They can be, they can be--Chinese, Hispanic--it doesn’t matter, they all look like--he says, ‘That little child looks just like me.’”

BJ: “Absolutely, on the inside. They got my spirit inside. Yeah, they do look like me.

“His (God’s Son, Jesus) was an Alpha Son. Your children are the Omega sons and daughters.”

MB: “Jesus was the beginning, but our children and us--we’re included in this--we’re the end of this thing.” (VM, p. 3 - 7)

ONE PASTOR AT KCF SHARES WITH PASTORS IN JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, ON MARCH 2, 1990, CONCERNING CHILDREN:

“One of our highest values and desires is to see--we have a real sense that our generation, being the point on a wedge, but our children coming behind us in much greater power and fruitfulness. We see in every dimension that being true...believe that what we overcome and conquer that they won’t have to overcome in the same way... And some of us are just conquering the fact that dreams and visions can be of God...and hopefully our children are going to be able to walk in that as a natural thing...It’s foreign to me, but they are going to walk naturally in it, with great power, without the same obstacles...”(VP p. 1 - 2)

ONE MOTHER’S EXPERIENCE AT KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP’S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

“I went to the Bible study time, and the only complaint I had was that they weren’t studying that much from the Bible, but I also realized that the kids were only kindergartners and first graders. Then there seemed as though $\frac{3}{4}$ of the children found an ailment that needed prayer over, even children having pain because of a loose tooth. I thought this was a little strange, not that I’m trying to belittle their pain, but I felt that they should have spent that time in the Word and studying about the Lord...As the Bible study was over, we had to go back to the classroom to prepare for P.E., and while we were walking through the hall, we encountered around seven girls around 9 - 10 years old crying very loudly--almost wailing. One or two of the girls were actually laying on the floor. Well, I was quite surprised and the other children had such a look of fright on their faces and the substitute teacher turned to the children and said that those girls were ‘slain in the Spirit.’ I thought that was a bit strange, but did not say anything. Then the children went to the restroom, which was close to where the wailing girls were, to change for P.E. (and do understand the crying was still going on).

“Then the kids went to P.E. and were there for around 45 minutes and then they came back

upstairs. To my amazement there were still a few girls crying. And while I was helping the kindergarten girls get their regular clothes back on in the bathroom, the remaining three other girls who had been crying out in the hall came running into the bathroom laughing hysterically and while two of the girls went into the stalls the other girl was giggling and said that they were laughing in the Spirit. I just thought to myself, 'Boy, they sure blame the Spirit for a lot.' And I also thought, 'This has gone on for around an hour and a half--when is reading, writing, and arithmetic going on?'" (Testimony Letter 1)

TEACHER INTERVIEWING BOB JONES CONCERNING THE CHILDREN'S VISITATIONS AT AN ASSEMBLY WITH THEIR CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IN THE FALL OF 1989:

"One more thing, on, we've seen a number, especially--I think it was yesterday, we saw a number of kids drunk in the Spirit. Now is it a common thing when that happens, for them to have like memory loss, where they can't remember people?..." (BJDo0m, p. 7)

BJ: "And in doing so, our mind really does get emptied out. And it takes me about two or three days to get jarred back in place, and to come back, literally, back down to earth...So it's just a normal thing that's going to take place with you." (BJDom, p. 8)

A CHRISTIAN COUNSELOR'S EXPERIENCE:

"...we have also had many children from Dominion come to us, all of which had behavior problems. I believe this stems from the fact that if you give a child an inch, he will take a mile. It is my belief that Dominion's lackadaisical attitude about education is not conducive to a sound learning environment. To quote from one child who said, 'If I can go to the third heaven and get out of a test, more power to me.' What can you say to this?" (Testimony Letter 25)

BJ: "And the glorious church will come forth in a light like the world has never seen before. They'll come forth in the realm that I, that I enter into in doing battle in the second heaven. Your children will enter up there and they'll literally throw the devil out of it and they'll throw him down here, and they'll take death and they'll lay it right underneath Jesus' feet," (F89, p. 49)

2. SHEPHERD'S ROD

(This particularly bizarre teaching is taught by Bob Jones and verified by Mike Bickle.)

BJ: "...the SHEPHERD'S ROD MARKIN'. That's far more important to me. And that's what the priest started talkin' to me about--that you go under the Shepherd's rod, every one of us still go under the Shepherd's rod once a year." (F89, p. 7)

For more information on this subject, refer to Section III, D.

3. THEIR TEACHING ON ONE CITY ELDERSHIP AND THE IMPORTANCE OF THAT STRUCTURE IS EXTREME AND, AS A RESULT, SELF-PROMOTING.

"Kansas City Fellowship taught that eventually all churches would unite with Kansas City Fellowship to form a city church. Unity was encouraged at all costs, and any word of

disharmony was viewed as demonic.” (Testimony Letter 4)

MB: “They’ve only seen the small picture and if we were only doing something small, we should be doing what they’ve had in their heart to do. And I’ve said it like a broken record, time without number, we’re not just establishing a little local church--it’s the hardest thing to get people to see that. I said it’s far vaster.” (P.His 1, p. 3)

MB: “The Lord’s given us a vision of one leadership team and 50 congregations. Fifty local congregations; at this point, we now have six congregations flowing under one leadership team.” (LC88, p. 3)

TESTIMONY OF ONE WOMAN (QUOTING A KCF COMMITMENT CLASS PAPER ABOUT THE “CITY CHURCH”):

“WEEK 2, PART 1, SECTION IV-D1 & D2: In other words, in the Spirit, one man should carry the apostolic mantle in a city. That apostolic responsibility is carried out by the apostolic team through the local elders of that city. The apostolic team has the highest responsibility and authority before God for the local churches. The local eldership is always submitted in spirit and answerable to the apostolic team...’ They want a ‘city’ church. They believe God has called them to start it. When you leave KCF, people treat you like you’ve got some kind of dreaded disease. They tell you that you’ve left ‘God’s church.’ Yet, the elders say that they’re not the only church in Kansas City at this time. Somehow, they believe that the New Testament church was a ‘city’ church with many locations all over. All offerings go to one location, then all bills for each separate ‘Worship Center,’ etc. are paid from that one location. Again, this is supposed to be the New Testament way of running a church.

It seems to me that every location should be responsible for their own money and bills.” (Testimony Letter 9)

MB: “In terms of the church planning team that will cover these two fellowships...the Lord has indicated that I am the one to do that...And so I am the one having the final responsibility for the church planning team...So I’ll have the final authority in the church planning team which is an embryo of an apostolic team, and Noel will have it here...because authority is essential to unity. Authority is essential to wineskin.” (NE, p. 23)

“After having come out of a denominational church, one of the things that was so exciting to us at Olathe Fellowship was that everyone brought their Bibles, the Word was taught (I even took notes!), and people were frequently saved. All of that virtually stopped after Kansas City Fellowship took over. Our ‘sermons’ became pep talks about how we were God’s chosen people and how we would take over and rule the world. There was never a salvation message, never an altar call.” (Testimony Letter 6)

“On January 16, 1987, I met one-on-one with Wee Adams to discuss many of the topics contained in this letter. In mid-February, several of us men from Olathe Fellowship met with the leadership of Kansas City Fellowship. The most often used response to our questions was to ‘trust me,’--don’t question, because we had heard from God.” (Testimony Letter 8)

“The membership of the two churches expected that the merger would result in a stronger, caring, loving body of believers. The whole focus of both churches changed to a focus on the

corporate church structure. We saw many people hurting and in need physically, emotionally, and spiritually as a result of the changes. No one seemed to care.” (Testimony Letter 2)

David Parker, KCF Leader: “... In some groups that’s gonna mean out of the relationship we’re gonna counsel them to disband, to disjoin that thing that God’s doing.” (L88, p. 3)

4. MIKE BICKLE'S TEACHING CONCERNING "APOSTLES OF THE HIGHEST ORDER" DEVIATES GREATLY FROM SCRIPTURE.

Mike Bickle believes there will be hundreds of apostles coming from their “Movement.” Thirty-five will be of the highest order. He also maintains that they must see Jesus in the flesh (which is possible through divine visitations) and bear the majority of suffering for their generation.

MB: “But in this generation there’ll be 35 of them that will appear for this movement that will be of the highest level of apostolic ministry. I believe there’ll be hundreds of apostles in this movement, but I think there’ll be 35 like unto Paul. And the Lord said the whole government of this movement in its highest level in all the places it goes, there would be 35 in whom the Lord would separate in the highest way--the government rests on apostles and prophets, but He said there’d be 35 apostles specifically and they were carryin’ the ark, which spoke of His presence... (F88, p. 78)

“Number one, an apostle had to see Jesus in the flesh. An apostle wasn’t somebody who just had a calling, who kind of discerned it and someone told him. An apostle saw Jesus in the flesh, personally. That Jesus lays His hands on the apostle’s head and imparts the power of signs and wonders, and it says in II Corinthians 12:12 an apostle must do the signs and wonders of an apostle. I do not receive a man as an apostle that does not do the signs and wonders of Jesus... Third, the apostles in the New Testament, they bore the sufferings of Christ in their body as a majority of the suffering of that generation. And fourthly, apostles had to weather all of the inconveniences of travelling city-to-city to raise up city churches. An apostle is something that, as far as I’m concerned, has not been released in the church in a mature way. (P.His 3, p. 2)

“He (God) said, ‘I’ll cause 300,000 to bear a distinct anointing of leadership over the one billion.’ Three hundred thousand sounds like a lot of leaders, but a billion is a thousand million...that will be a small number for the nations of the earth, but they will have like that apostolic anointing and the signs and wonders of the early church will be on 300,000. (F88, p. 45)

“I knew intuitively--instantly--it was an apostolic ministry, though it’s only the invitation. It was not a commission. The Lord was not calling me an apostle. He said He was thinking, ‘The days to come, if you’re faithful, you have an opportunity in the grace of God to fill an apostolic calling if you’re faithful to the full measure.’ (F88, p. 82)

“But the Lord said that I’m going to bring forth apostles--champions, if the people will live in intercession and ask for them to come.” (F88, p. 84)

5. KCF'S TEACHINGS ON THE PROPHETIC ORDER ARE UNSOUND IN BOTH DOCTRINE AND PRACTICE.

Their teachings are more fully covered in the next section.

6.. THE FALSE TEACHING OF THE "NEW ORDER" HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY COVERED.

Following are further quotes:

MB: "...that God is right now, revealing and establishing a higher order in the midst of His people. That a higher anointing, a higher standard--there'll be a higher judgment, a higher discipline and yet, a much, much greater effect in this world in our generation. And it's that new order that we're looking to be a part of. (NOF, p. 2)

"...Of ah, ah these two orders are so vastly different they simply cannot exist together. You cannot have a leadership that has two different sets of values for all those things and dwell together in one place. They simply cannot exist together; they will not co-habit together. Jesus said it; they will be ruined if you try to mix the two." (NOF, p. 8)

7. "ELECTED SEED" GENERATION--THIS FALSE, WEIRD TEACHING IS FOUNDATIONAL IN THEIR THEOLOGY.

It is covered in depth in Section II.

MB: "...it was like he was lookin' at little, yellow things--little, round, yellow things like a spirit of God itself. And there were billions of them. And it was like him and all the angels were looking through these and every once in awhile they'd say, 'Hey, here's an end-time one, get it down here on the end. This is a perfect one. Here's another good one.' I said, 'What are you doing?' He said, 'Oh, we're collecting those who are foreknown and predestinated for the endtimes, for you see, they'll be the best of all the seed that's ever been. . . This will be the end generation that is foreknown and predestinated to inherit all things...For they are the best of all the generations that have ever been upon the face of the earth. And the best of all generations are those elected seeds that will glorify Christ in the last days. . . They will move into things of the supernatural that no one has ever moved in before. Every miracle, sign, and wonder that has ever been in the Bible--they'll move in it consistently...because the Lord Jesus is worthy to be lifted up by a church that has reached the full maturity of the God-man!'" (F88, p. 44)

I Corinthians 12:24-25 teaches, "...But God has so composed the body. . . that there should be no division in the body but that the members should have the same care for one another." (NASV)

The belief that an elite, end-time generation and "new order" of Christians will emerge separate from the "old order" of Christians in the last days has no basis in Scripture. This teaching denies the reality of the body of Christ and Christ's headship as taught in the Bible. The true understanding of the last-days church is of the entire body of Christ growing and maturing into the fullness of Christ.

Ephesians 4:13 - 16 states, "...until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fulness of Christ. As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves, and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; but

speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him, who is the head, even Christ, from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by that which every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.” (NASV).

Our goal should be to “preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace” (Ephesians 4:3, NASV), and to build up the body of Christ as stated in Ephesians 4:12.

8. THERE IS AN OVER-EMPHASIS UPON THE IMPORTANCE OF SIGNS AND WONDERS TO VERIFY GOD'S WORK.

Furthermore, there is an underlying works mentality to obtain that greater anointing. It is a teaching that states the authority structure of the church must be built before signs and wonders can be obtained. They are always working to obtain that greater anointing--a signs and wonders inheritance.

MB: “...when the Lord visits me, and I, and He, the Spirit of God comes up over me and, ha, and the Lord gives me a healing anointing... (OPH, p. 8)

“God is going to give signs and wonders when the wineskin is right. There’s never been a generation that has done greater signs and wonders than Jesus--never.. . There’s one generation that’s coming...and the Father is goin’ to give it to your sons before this is over. Very important what we do now with our wineskin. . .And the thing that we’re believing by the grace of God, soberly, is to disciple the nations in our generation. and that won’t take place if we don’t raise the dead consistently. There’s no way. And God’s not going to give the power to raise the dead to a bunch of illegitimate, undisciplined, wrong motive, striving, grasping, unbroken, illegitimate sons...” (NOF, p. 17 - 23)

9. JESUS APPEARS WITH SOMEONE ELSE'S FACE.

This is a particularly bizarre, irreverent idea professed by Bob Jones and given credibility by Mike Bickle.

MB: “...And Bob’s shakin’ his head and he goes, ‘You guys are never going to learn the language of the Spirit, are you? Never going to learn.’ He goes, ‘Jesus appears in thousands of different faces to portray something. He was trying to say, “I’m your friend; I am your familiar friend and I’m going to show you all things so you can move in the power of the Spirit.’”” (F88, p. 60)

See Dominus Vision, Section II, C, and Section III, B.

Jesus, in Matthew 16:11, warns His disciples to beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees”--in reference to “the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees.” Though these teachings do not represent all of KCF’s beliefs, we believe this “Movement” is leavened throughout with false teaching. There is always a higher standard, higher order, more supernatural experiences to be obtained, a greater generation of people to come, a better church structure that must be reached, and future prophecies to fulfill. This is a great error that

continually burdens and condemns. It is an extreme that goes way beyond Scripture and is man-centered, not Christ-centered. Their stand and their “Movement” is greatly inflated by their imaginary supposed supernatural experiences. Surely Colossians 2:18 - 19 applies:

“Let no one keep defrauding you of your prize by delighting in self-abasement and the worship of the angels, taking his stand on visions he has seen, inflated without cause by his fleshly mind, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the entire body, being supplied and held together by the joints and ligaments, grows with a growth which is from God. (NASV)

VI PROPHETS AND PROPHECYING

Mike Bickle and Kansas City Fellowship's promotion of the prophetic ministry and so-called "prophets" is fraught with error and deception. It is damaging to the lives of many individuals, and spiritually dangerous.

A. THE COMMON REVELATION of the so-called "prophets" of Kansas City Fellowship is that KCF is the start of an end-time 'new breed' generation that these prophets have seen in visions and revelations before coming to KCF.

1. KCF'S "CHIEF PROPHETS" ALL PROCLAIM THE KCF END-TIME GENERATION.

MB: "But Bob and John Paul and Paul Cain and others have seen a generation not where there'd be a 2-year anointing, but the spirit would be a permanent abiding of the Spirit in the anointing of God in a pure way..." (VM, p. 4)

2. BOB JONES COMES TO KANSAS CITY FELLOWSHIP AND THINKS HE FINDS THE GROUP OF YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WILL NEVER TURN AWAY FROM THE LORD.

MB: "The Lord began to tell him (Bob) from 1974 to 1983 about a group of people who would come to the south of Kansas City, and he gave them, by his own words, '...nearly 100 visions about this group over ten years...'

"The Lord began to tell him--He said, 'I will raise up a group of young people.'...And the Lord gave him His word, and He said, 'This group of people will never reject you.' And He said, 'And this group of young people--' and I realize the implications of saying this are kind of weird, but for those of you who just want to hear it, He said, 'They will never turn away from Me.'...So he walks in the door, through all these years of waiting, and he comes in and that's when he says, 'Yes, this is the group...'" (P. Hist., p. 15)

3. THIS TOPIC OF THE "ELECTED SEED" GENERATION HAS BEEN COVERED IN DEPTH IN SECTION II.

B. JOHN PAUL JACKSON URGES PEOPLE TO PRACTICE INSTANT OBEDIENCE TO THE "PROPHETS" IN ORDER TO AVOID FINANCIAL RUIN.

JPJ: "The dollar is gonna fall; it's going to literally plummet. . . The day will come when you'll need to be listening to the Lord because you'll need to take the money out of the bank. . . get your money out of the stock market because it will fall like a ton of bricks. It will collapse... (JPJBJ p. 8)

"Now you're saying to yourself, 'When will we know when we should do this?' The Lord will tell you. That's why He put prophets in the church. And He'll say there'll be a prophet come through, or Bob or somebody will say, 'I had a dream: I had a vision; the Lord just told me that next week--next Friday the banks are gonna collapse and you need to get your funds out right

now and you need to invest in such and such and such and such.’ And do it. And do it.

“He’ll say, ‘You need to sell your company.’ He’ll say, ‘Brother, you need to sell your company this month because, because if you wait, you won’t be able to sell it...if you wait you gonna get a terrible price and your company will go bankrupt.’ Listen. Listen, because the day is going to come when you’re gonna have to act instant. That’s what Ephesians is talking about also when it says (to) be instant in season and out of season. That means obedient. Be obedient. Be obedient.” (JPJBJ, p. 11)

C. SENSATIONALISTIC PROPHECIES OF IMPENDING CALAMITIES

1. BOB JONES WARNS OF MAJOR DISASTERS ABOUT TO HIT THE UNITED STATES (February 1988).

BJ: “...They’ve got all the answers, they think. Boy, I tell you they haven’t got anything. There’s five judgments ready to come on the United States and the first one is famine. Another word for famine is depression. All kinds of weather pattern changes--floods--this is the year of some powerful floods. Before too long the Mississippi River itself will change because of a great flood. And it will bypass New Orleans 100 miles. When that flood comes, New Orleans will be left a dead city with no fresh water. It’ll be an estuary. I don’t know whether that’ll be this year or not, but the weather patterns are changing. Drought in places, floods in others. This is the year of the changing and the great floods beginning to come...” (BJ88, p. 6)

2. BOB JONES (IN FEBRUARY, 1988) PREDICTS A MAJOR FINANCIAL COLLAPSE FOR 1988, AND OFFERS INVESTMENT COUNSELING.

BJ: “Another thing that will be this year (1988) is financial collapse. I don’t know how soon; I really expect it right away. I expect the stock-market to drop to 1600 points right away. That won’t be the end of it. It’ll eventually come down to 400 points. If you’ve got money in, they call it common shares or something like that. . .what do they call them? Mutual funds--if you’ve got money in that, I encourage you to get it out of there real quick-like. I’d get them into treasury bills or get them into a bank where you can get a hold of it because they’re coming down again...

“But that financial collapse is at hand. Pray over this. Pray as to where your money will be safe. I always like to just warn you.”(BJ88, p. 7)

3. AFTER THE STOCK MARKET PLUNGE IN 1987, JOHN PAUL JACKSON LIKEWISE WARNED OF A FINANCIAL COLLAPSE IN 1988.

JPJ: “There’s going to be a fall of the stock market. There’s shaking, Just as the Lord said, this spring. There’s going to be a time of a rest that takes place; then there’s going to come another shaking that will lead to a fall. . .There will come another shaking, another severe shaking that will lead to a fall...1988 will be a severe year for the stock market between here and there. It will be severe between here and there, but nothing like 1988 will bring.” (JPJ 2, p. 7)

In actual fact, there was nothing that even remotely resembled a financial collapse in 1988. The market low was 1879.14, and the year closed at 2168.50, higher than it began.

D. EXAMPLES OF DAMAGE TO INDIVIDUALS BY IRRESPONSIBLE PERSONAL PROPHECY:

1. "THE VICTIMS WERE OFTEN THE MOST VULNERABLE PEOPLE IN THE CHURCH."

“Personal prophecy was used a lot and often didn’t come to pass. When a prophecy was not fulfilled, the recipient was blamed (you didn’t pray it into being, etc.). The ‘victims’ were often the most vulnerable people in the church--single women, the sick, the very people that needed the covering and the protection of the church. One woman (going through a divorce) was prophesied to, that the Lord would not allow her divorce to become final and that she would not lose custody of her daughter. Her divorce became final and she did lose custody of her daughter. Often prophecies came with specific dates by which they would be fulfilled. The accuracy rate of the prophecies given were very low and there was no public accountability for these false (or at the very least, incorrect) publicly proclaimed prophecies.” (Testimony Letter 2)

2. LETTER FROM A CHRISTIAN PSYCHOLOGIST

“Over the last five years I have provided Christ-centered, Biblically-based counseling to people in the Greater Kansas City metropolitan area. During those years I have counseled well over 100 persons who either are attending or have attended Kansas City Fellowship. While I’m not at liberty to go into details since I’m bound to protect the confidentiality of my clients, I can provide a profile of certain issues which have concerned me over the years. These issues are confirmed by not only 2 or 3 witnesses, but easily confirmed by 20 or 30 witnesses. I am willing to state these issues and concerns for the record, to protect persons from being hurt, exploited, or manipulated by deception in the future.

“Two concerns instantly come to mind: (1) There has not been one prophecy fulfilled, as reported by clients or persons whom I know, when they were given a prophecy, and (2) deception to ‘promote the advance of the church’ is permitted. I have had clients prophesied over by prophets and other persons at Kansas City Fellowship. To persons who are in a time of distress, prophecies which are then not fulfilled further add to their distress and distrust of God. Suicidal clients have, in fact, become more suicidal and even attempted suicide when the prophecies were not fulfilled, since the clients blame themselves for the lack of fulfillment.” (Testimony Letter, 15)

3. PERSON RECEIVING PROPHECY OF AN IMPENDING STROKE

“We had an experience in the area of personal prophecy. Right before the Kansas City Fellowship takeover there was a meeting at Christ Community Fellowship with John Paul Jackson. All of the church leaders and their wives were called forward. He had a personal prophecy for each one of us. He prophesied to me that I had been having chest pains (I had) and that I would have a stroke within a year that would cripple me for life if I didn’t lose a lot of weight. John Paul stated that permanent damage to my heart had already taken place. Since we are both overweight, this type of thing could be possible. It was a very scary and frightening prophecy. We were really upset.

“We finally came to think of this ‘prophecy’ as a curse which we and an old pastor of ours came against in the name of Jesus. If the prophecy were true, it would have been nice to have the church pray against it or pray for strength in losing weight, but none of that was done. I went to a

doctor who, after giving me a complete examination, declared me to be one of the healthiest fat people he had ever met. The chest pains were determined to be stress related but not connected to my heart. There was absolutely no damage to my heart. It has been almost three years since this 'prophecy' was given.' I go for a physical every year before Boy Scout Camp and am always given a clean bill of health." (Testimony Letter 2)

4. UNFULFILLED RECONCILEMENT

"A good friend of mine was prophesied over by John Paul Jackson. 'I remember, specifically, that part of the prophecy was that he would be reconciled with his rebellious daughter--that she would 'kiss him on the cheek.' The man and his daughter were not reconciled before his death. Certainly, a false prophecy like this one does the Christian body no good." (Testimony Letter 7)

5. MIKE BICKLE SINGLING OUT PEOPLE FOR PROPHECY

"Once during a 'prophetic word' part of the service, I saw Mike Bickle standing next to a person and pointing. They were soon singled out for a personal prophecy. A lot of people kept getting personal directive prophecies that did not come true." (Testimony Letter 13)

6. PERSONS WHO WERE GIVEN GLORIOUS PROPHECIES REGARDING THEIR FUTURE DIE WITH NO FULFILLMENT.

"Our first experience with a false prophecy being made was when Tim Golden was killed in a car wreck. It was prophesied that he would have a worldwide ministry and would be known around the world. A few weeks later he was killed in a car accident. At a church dinner, the sound man who taped the prophecies shared with my husband and I that he had to edit those tapes before a memorial that was given.

"My aunt was told by Bob Jones that she was to be instrumental in the revival that was to begin in Olathe. She died of a heart attack before any such 'revival' ever got started." (Testimony Letter 13)

7. SHOCKING ACCOUNT OF ABNORMAL PREGNANCY

"There were also times when the prophets were hauled in to prophesy over the masses. One particular friend of mine was prophesied to that she was going to have another child. It turned out that she actually was pregnant and didn't know it. The strange part was that the pregnancy was not normal in any way. She had all kinds of strange problems, slow growth, abnormal bleeding, etc., and in the end she ended up having a D & C. The results of that were really strange--there was no baby per se, just a blob of hair, nail tissue and other atypical tissue for a pregnancy." (Testimony Letter 18)

E. EXAMPLES OF THE ABUSES OF PROPHECY:

1. LETTER FROM THE ELDERSHIP OF A LOCAL CHURCH

"We thought you might be interested in knowing that On June 22, 1986, three prophets from Kansas City Fellowship were invited to our church. Among other things, they each prophesied

that the Lord had told them that our church was to disband, that we had no right to challenge the prophecy, and that if we failed to heed the prophecy, 'Ichabod' (the glory has departed) would be written above our door! As a result of the prophecy many people left our church. Those of us who doubted the prophecy prayed and sought the Lord's will about what we should do. We believe that the Lord wanted us to stay and form a new fellowship, which we did." (Testimony Letter 16)

2. WITCHCRAFT, SPELLS, CURSES, AND PARANOIA

"Another prophecy that really disturbed me was when John Paul came to Olathe and said that witchcraft was invading the church. He said that as a Christian you could have spells put on you by people you didn't even know while you stood in line at the grocery store.

"He also said that curses passed from generation to generation could control your life. From that point on, a 'spiritual paranoia' seemed to rest on the church." (Testimony Letter 13)

3. JOHN PAUL JACKSON TOLD CHURCHES TO COME UNDER MIKE BICKLE'S ANOINTING.

"John Paul came and prophesied... 'CCF will collapse unless it comes under Mike's anointing.' Two things bother me: We have done fine for four years; there should be nothing to fear... 'Mike's anointing'--I want Jesus' anointing." (Testimony Letter 14)

4. "GOD HAS MARTYRED YOUR BABY"

"The wife of the worship leader of all KCF churches comes to practice telling us that she has lost her baby (she was only 3 or 4 months along)--that she was bleeding heavily, so they called Bob Jones and John Paul over to pray for her. Bob Jones prophesied that God has martyred her baby and that for every drop of blood the baby lost, a soul will be saved in Wichita." (Testimony Letter 14)

5. SHEPHERDING

"Kansas City Fellowship showed signs of being under shepherding. Their prophets were confusing them in their decision making. They were in love with people that weren't quite as spiritual as these counselors thought they should be, and were getting advice that they shouldn't marry. I observed crying and much confusion. They didn't seem to know which way to turn. There were three couples, all about the same age, in their middle twenties. Two of them have married now and the other couple is still in confusion." (Testimony Letter 10)

F. QUESTIONABLE MINISTRY OF SO-CALLED PROPHET' JOHN PAUL JACKSON

1. PROPHESYING PRIOR TO SALVATION

"John Paul Jackson comes, shares his testimony. One thing bothers me: He said he had his gift of prophecy before he was saved. Also, I thought that it looked just like fortune telling. I had seen other prophets before and had not thought that." (Testimony Letter 14)

2. JOHN PAUL JACKSON DESCRIBES A 'VISITATION BY RONALD REAGAN.'

“But in 1983 or ‘84, I had a visitation--it was a vision, but it was real like a visitation. Ronald Reagan came to me in that visitation and he told me he was going to be re-elected as president and that he had done all, he could do in his first term. He sat just as close as you and I are sitting, and he faced me and I could see everything about him. I could see the blood veins in his face, in his cheeks, in his neck. I could see everything about him, every detail. I remember just like it happened this morning. And he sat there and he told me about the things that were going to happen in the nation in his second term. And he said he had done all that he could do.

“He said, ‘But you know they don’t kill you anymore with bullets.’ I thought that was a very strange thing to say to end the conversation. He said, ‘They don’t kill you anymore with bullets.’ He said, ‘They take you to a hospital and they inject you with cancer cells. and you end up dying of cancer.’ And so when this was discovered--that he had cancer--a fulfillment of what he had spoken had taken place.”

3. JOHN PAUL JACKSON HAS A SHOCKING VISION REGARDING THE NEXT PRESIDENT.

a. God shows John Paul Jackson the next president and then erases his memory.

JPJ: “I had a vision and in that vision the next president of the United States appeared on the T.V. like he was giving a State of the Union Address. And when he appeared, he looked very-- and I’m not going to tell who it is--this sounds kind of funny, I’m going to preface what I’m about to say with this comment: I used to know who it was but the pressure became very great on me to tell who it was. And one night I went to sleep and I woke up and I don’t remember who it was. All I remember is the general character traits that the man had. And I think the Lord removed that memory from me so that I wouldn’t be tempted to tell because He told me I couldn’t tell. Because the pressure was becoming strong, He just removed it; therefore, I wouldn’t yield or succumb to that.

“But the character trait of the man, I am free to tell. He was not impressive in mannerisms. He seemed to be tender and somewhat mellow in his appearance. He was non-volatile and didn’t have a great charismatic personality, but he was elected anyway. And I looked at the man and he began to transform in front of me, and there was many people standing beside me in white robes. And usually when that type of thing happens, those are manifestations of angels that are standing with me. And they were watching this with me.”

b. The “next president” changes into the appearance of Adolf Hitler.

“As this began to take place, he began to change. And as this began to take place, that change took place. He transformed from the man that he was into another man, a historical figure. That historical figure was very shocking to those who were by me, and very shocking to me because he turned into a man that looked exactly like Hitler did...I’m not saying he’ll be Hitler. I’m not saying that he’ll be the antichrist or anything like that. I am saying, as the Lord told me, that persecution of the Church and persecution of the Jews will begin in his reign, during his time.”

c. The president God wanted was aborted in the 40’s.

JPJ: “...And I said, ‘But the man I’m looking at is not the man you wanted in the office--in the presidential office, is it?’ And He (God) said, ‘No.’ And I said, ‘Well, who did you want in the office? Who did you want as our next president?’ And the Lord’s statement to me was this: ‘The man that I intended to be the next president of the United States was aborted in the early 40’s.’”
(JPJ1, p. 2 — 4)

EDITOR’S NOTE: The sovereign God of the nations is thwarted and confused?

4. VISITS WITH GOD HE CAN’T REMEMBER

JPJ: “This has just started happening to me in the last year and a half--I would awaken in the morning, and I knew I’d been with God that night. I knew it. I couldn’t tell you what He looked like...I couldn’t tell you where I’d been. . .I couldn’t tell you one single thing about it. . .but I was with Him. . .the residue of that spiritual encounter was still upon me. I’d wake up from my sleep singing a song, and I’m still singing it three days later...I’d wake up and I’ve got a whole list of things I need to do that day because the Lord has spoken to me in the night and spoken to me to do those things, though I don’t remember our conversation... communication that you can’t remember...”

EDITOR’S NOTE: What kind of prophet forgets a revelation by another revelation?

5. GIVING DIRECTIONAL PROPHECY TO OTHERS BASED UPON THESE "MYSTERY MEETINGS" WITH GOD

JPJ: “I told Bob Scott some things on the way over here, in, the same way...I woke up and the Lord had spoken to me in a conversation last night, though I know not how, and the Lord told me to tell him some things...and I know it was from God--I have no doubt about it. I know in time it will prove itself all out, and it will manifest itself. It will!

“I love those times! Although I would like to have a time where I remember it. . .and incredibly, He erases my memory so I don’t get proud and tell you, ‘Hey, man, I was with God last night! He sat right here in front of my face! Do you know what He looks like?’” (JPJD, p. 2)

6. THE SHUTTLE DISASTER WAS "MEANT TO HAPPEN."

John Paul Jackson, speaking about the shuttle disaster, tells why “it was meant to happen”:

JPJ: “Then the Lord spoke to me and He told me that had I prayed, that it still would have happened, because it was meant to happen, because a teacher was on board. And it was to teach America a lesson--that they were becoming too high-minded, too lofty in the thoughts...” (JPJ86, p. 1)

G. PROPHETS AFFIRMING EACH OTHER’S MINISTRY

1. BOB JONES AND JOHN PAUL JACKSON AFFIRMING ONE ANOTHER:

BJ: “Yes sir, brother, the Lord has told me what you’re doing here. You’re getting ready to arm the people.”

JPJ: “Hallelujah.”

BJ: “You’re getting ready to give the people weapons and see, you’re requiring of them faith.”

JPJ: “Yes.”

BJ: “And what I was seem’ is you’re getting ready to just start issuin’,--the army is getting ready to issue weapons of warfare.”

JPJ’: “Hallelujah.”

BJ: “And it is requiring faith on them and that’s what prophecy is.”

JPJ: “Amen.

BJ: “Word of knowledge, word of wisdom.”

JPJ: “That’s right.”

BJ: “Discernment of the spirit.”

JPJ: “That’s right.”

BJ: (Sees an angel hovering over Jackson) “And you’re not as weak as you think you are because you got a friend right over you too, brother, hallelujah.” (laughter)

JPJ: “Glory.”

BJ: “They’re really floatin’ around here tonight.”

JPJ: “Hallelujah, praise God.”

2. JACKSON AFFIRMING BOB JONES (same tape):

JPJ: “Bob, would you come down and join me with this? ‘Cause the Lord told me you were goin’ to be up here and, and ah, you were to join me...” (JPJ/BJ, p. 4 - 5)

3. PAUL CAIN AFFIRMING BOB JONES:

PC: “Of course, you know, Bob Jones’ story is pretty tough to follow because the Lord really does speak to Bob.” (PCL, p. 1)

H. QUESTIONABLE TEACHINGS AND BELIEFS OF PAUL CAIN

Although we have not previously covered Paul Cain in this report, his beliefs and prophecies are questionable and should be carefully scrutinized. Paul Cain is Grace Ministries’ Team Senior Prophetic Authority. (Grace City Report, Fall 1989)

1. “Joel’s Army” whose soldiers have “imperishable bodies” which “cannot be killed”

PC: “So this is a billion soul crusade, Bob. Your billion, your billion, my billion, and I want you to know that just fills me and thrills me and chills me, and Lord, please don’t let it kill me. It’s just so good. I’m going to live to see this, friends, I really believe it. If I can get through this message...If you have intimacy with God, they can’t kill you. They just can’t. There’s something

about you; you're connected to that vine; you're just so close to Him. Oh, my friends, they can't kill you. God takes care of them. He said, 'I love them that love Me.' Isn't that wonderful?
(JAPC, p. 3)

"But this is what God showed me: that this army is invincible. They are never put into prison; they are never delivered into the hands of their enemies. (JAPC, p. 4)

"If you're really in the vine and you're the branch, then the life sap from the Son of the living God keeps you from cancer, keeps you from dying, keeps you from death. Not only will they not have diseases--they will also not die. They will have the kind of imperishable bodies that are talked about in the 15th chapter of Corinthians... this army is invincible. If you have intimacy with God, they can't kill you." (JAPC, p. 18)

2. William Branham

PC: "William Branham, the greatest prophet that ever lived, and any of my generation, or any of the generations' revival that I've lived through..." (JAPC, p. 3)

Paul Cain has often said that he ministered with William Branham. One man contacted William Branham's sons to ask them about Paul Cain's ministry with Branham. The following statements from William Branham's sons, Joseph N. Branham and Billy Paul Branham sum up their reply:

"In answer to your question, Paul Cain did not at any time travel with or minister with Brother Branham. He may have attended his meetings, but was in no way personally connected with his ministry...he used to come to the meetings some in California, when Brother Branham was there. But he never worked with us, but sat with them on the platform, etc."

3. Smelling demons

PC: "When I was a young man and first received the anointing, I could smell a cancer; I could smell a demon; I could smell different types of sin. They all had a stench; they all had a different smell; they were identifying themselves. You could smell infidelity and adultery..." (PC 7, p. 1)

4. People converted by smiles

"We're going to look so glorious...Someday you'll just smile at somebody and they'll wind up in the kingdom. You will be so filled with glory that nations will come to sit at your feet..." (JAPC, p. 18 -19)

5. Paul Cain claims a person's dead mother appeared to him and talked with him.

Three people testified that during a conference in Kansas City in April of 1989, Paul Cain called a man out of the congregation and said, "Your brother is okay--your dead mother appeared to me and said he is in heaven with her." (Testimony Letter 34)

6. "The manifested sons of God"

"...This army is also in the New Testament. It's referred to as the man child. I know some of you's gonna disagree with this; don't you even stop to disagree. Revelation 12:25, if you disagree, just file it in Miscellaneous and don't bother with it. When we get to heaven we'll check it out, and you'll find out I'm right. Here it is--this great army in the New Testament is a

man child, Revelation 12:5; the overcomers, Revelation 2 and 3; the 144,000 servants, Revelation 7:3; the bride of the Lamb's wife--see why they call me in on the carpet?...the revelation of the Lamb's wife, Revelation 19:7 and 21:9; and the white horse. Revelation 6:2; the first fruit. Revelation 14:4; the precious fruit. James 5:7; the wise virgins. Matthew 21:1 - 13; the manifested song of God. Romans 8:19 - 23, and it's certainly a remarkable fact that none of these names are expressions applied to the saints of God at any other time in history, but all of them are in their context and promises showing undeniably that they belong to the time of the end. The end time, let's say the end time. They belong to the end time to this present generation, Matthew 24:34. . .this is the end time and God wants us to realize once and again, in closing, that there's gonna be a great company of overcomers prepared for this mighty ministry which I call the prize of all ages..." (JAPC, p. 7)

I. TEACHINGS CONCERNING PROPHETIC HISTORY

KCF's prophetic interviews and teachings concerning prophets, dreams, visions, out-of-body experiences, supernatural visitations, and prophetic error are unscriptural leaven. This leaven distorts prophetic ministry and opens the church to an "almost anything supernatural goes" leniency that is spiritually dangerous.

1. ERROR ACCEPTED AS INEVITABLE

MB: "And so, though we want to grow in prophecy, we don't believe everything that's said. We've been given 10,000 prophecies, and I believe there's only a small number that I've really cherished in my heart as from the Lord. So do we get mad at the people that gave the other ones? No. We just let them go--just set them on the shelf and just let their. . . let them go on down the river. . . because there's showy people, because there's proud men and women. We don't throw out the gift; we ask God to perfect it." (P.His 1, p. 5)

BJ: "He (God) said, 'If I release the 100% rhema right now, the accountability would be awesome and you'd have so much Ananias and Sapphira's goin' on that the people couldn't grow--they'd be too scared.' But He said, 'If it was on target, it would kill instead of scarin' the people to repentance.'...Boy, there's a lot of people that don't like the thought that prophets are only two-thirds right on. They want to make us Old Testament prophets, and we should prophesy, literally in groups, or literally prophesy to the leadership until three or four of us bring the same word. Yes, because New Testament prophets can absolutely miss." (ROD, p. 17)

MB: "And if we were at the level of anointing of 100% accuracy in revelation, the accountability (the Lord told Bob) would be 100%, and liars would be struck dead. If we want New Testament anointing, we will have New Testament accountability, and he (Bob) said the reason that the Lord's holdin' it back right now (is) because the body's a too immature for that kind of accountability. (ROD, p. 19)

"What I am trying to illustrate is that while it is possible to speak 100% accurate words from God, most often prophecy is a mixture. Sometimes this yields a 'mature' word that reflects ideally what God would like to communicate, and sometimes His word is communicated in a much-less-than-ideal fashion, yielding a 'weak' word of lesser value...." (GOP, p. 14)

2. CHOOSING TO IGNORE FALSE PROPHECIES

“I’m writing this letter because I feel that Kansas City Fellowship is choosing to ignore false prophecies and false prophets in the church. I feel Kansas City Fellowship uses the prophetic as a way of manipulating and controlling its members, and they will continue to ‘promote’ the prophetic as a means of church growth.

“When I confronted Noel Alexander with my concern about the prophetic, I was told to ignore or ‘let run off my back’ the things that didn’t happen and just take what is good from the prophecies. I don’t think that’s a Biblical stand. Someone needs to write some clear cut definitions and restrictions on the prophetic. Deuteronomy says to me that prophecy must be true 100% of the time. Does God require less of us now that we have the Holy Spirit dwelling in us, or more?” (Testimony Letter 13)

KCF has the following errors in their concept of prophecy and prophets:

- New Testament prophecy is a mixture and inaccurate.
- They call people prophets because they have had supernatural visitations.
- They call people prophets because they have the audacity to give weird, off-the-wall prophecies concerning future events in the nation and world.
- They give personal predictive prophecies that do not come true.
- They excuse error by saying they are immature and in the process of seeing prophets restored.
- Under the New Covenant, prophets make mistakes and are inferior to Old Covenant prophets.

In Mike Bickle’s desire to establish his “Movement,” he has sought prophetic confirmation and supernatural attestation that is an illusion. This is not a reality established upon the truth of the Word of God.

We believe the theology of accepting prophetic error in regards to predictive prophecy is not based upon the Scripture, but rather promotes prophecies and revelations concerning their “Movement” by so-called “prophets” who are obviously in error.

Finally, if they claim that their prophetic revelations are by angelic visitations, yet they’re contrary to Scripture and don’t come to pass, then they obviously come from demonic sources.

I John 4:1 says, “*Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world.*” (NASV)

We believe the principles of judging prophecy, given in Deuteronomy 13:1 - 5 and Deuteronomy 18:14 - 22 apply and are still applicable to the church today.

J. INTERPRETING DREAMS - Teaching by John Paul Jackson

1. “You need to understand the symbols, the ‘alphabet’ of your dream. Different symbols will mean different things to different people. ‘Dog’ to you may mean ‘enemy.’ ‘Dog’ to me may mean ‘friend.’

“...So you need to understand what your alphabet is, and you need to understand what your symbols are. Those two things will help you to understand 99%--if not 1.00% of your dreams...”

2. “Pay close attention and make notes of frequent symbols in your dream and what they mean...”

Examples of notes: “‘Dog’ meant ‘enemy’ here...‘dog’ meant ‘enemy’ there...so ‘dog’ = ‘enemy.’”

3. “And if you still can’t get it, go to an interpreter ...a known interpreter, not just your next door neighbor.” (JPJD, p. 4 - 5)

The teaching by John Paul Jackson presents the concept of people figuring out their own “alphabet of dream symbolism” and then ultimately being able to interpret 99% to 100% of their dreams. This teaching can most certainly open the door to all kinds of weirdness and confusion in the body of Christ, and perhaps spiritism.

THE FOLLOWING IS A TESTIMONY LETTER FROM A CHRISTIAN BROTHER WHO BECAME THE VICTIM OF THIS KIND OF “DIVINE GUIDANCE”:

“In the spring of 1988 I was called in for a meeting with a supervisor from a large institution in the Kansas City area. I had done business with this company for four years. . . In this meeting he explained to me that he had been disciplined by John Paul Jackson in how to move in the prophetic realm, especially in the area of dream interpretation (understanding his ‘dream alphabet’). He had been counselled by John Paul Jackson to put all of his dreams on tape and then interpret each one.

“The interpretation of one of his dreams was for him to sever our business relationship. All of this transpired after I had spent many extra hours working on a problem in his facility...The fruit of his action was personal financial harm and a very strained relationship with this brother.

“It is grievous to me to see individuals disciplined in this manner, in which they are willing to sever longtime relationships based on how they interpret their dreams.” (Testimony Letter 27)

K. PROPHETIC LEVELS

Mike Bickle teaches that there are various levels of prophetic ministry with different levels of prophets.

1. LEVEL II PROPHETIC MINISTRY AND LEVEL III PROPHETS

MB: “My home church, Kansas City Fellowship, has a few Level III prophetic ministers in the church and they occasionally minister together with Level II gifted people in the regular activities in the church and the special conferences. These conferences sometimes provide the emerging Level II gifted ministers with opportunities to minister side-by-side with the Level III prophets. (GOP, p. 14)

2. LEVEL IV PROPHETS

MB: “. . .Level IV, the prophetic office, represents a maturity and power in prophetic ministry that parallels the Old Testament ministries of men like Samuel and Elijah...” (GOP, p. 18)

L. CHILDHOOD VISITATIONS AND OPEN VISIONS

As displayed in his lengthy interviews with Bob Jones and Paul Cain, Mike Bickle is continually probing for mystical experiences from childhood to supposedly verify “high level” prophetic ministry.

MB: “. . . and it’s amazing, almost anybody with a true prophetic ministry that’s going to be of a high level has had visitations in their childhood that were staggering. And that’s not a rule you want to stay by, but three or four men that I know of that God has used in that way, that He-- from their mother’s womb, He began to separate and visit them openly, even at their youth...” (P.Hist. 2, p. 6)

M. OUT-OF-BODY EXPERIENCES, FACE-TO-FACE ENCOUNTERS, AUDIBLE VOICES, AND OPEN VISIONS HAVE GREAT MEANING TO MIKE BICKLE AND KCF.

The following describes the “highest level” of prophets, as indicated by the comments of Mike Bickle:

- Have experiences which indicate they have been sovereignly chosen by God (miraculous birth, angelic visitations, etc.)
- Receive constant flow of revelatory information--“more at home in heaven than on earth”
- Almost a constant flow of divine revelation
- Many “open visions (‘I was there...’)” (GOP, p. 18)

See Sections II, III, & IV, which give accounts of out-of-body experiences, face-to-face encounters, etc.

Such an emphasis on supernatural, mystical experiences opens the door to Satanic spirits. Using primarily hype, mysticism, and questionable supernatural experiences to show that a group is from God is a dangerous model to exhibit to believers in the church. We have had contact with a number of those who have been influenced by this model; they are in spiritual confusion and espouse all sorts of weirdness. Our experiences and lives must be based upon the truths of Scripture.

Finally, observe one family’s exhortation to the leadership of the church:

“This is a dangerous movement, full of deceit, and the church is scripturally responsible to expose it for the cause of Christ and His church.” (Testimony Letter 28)

INFORMATION AND EXPLANATION PAGES

Our sources of information for this documentation are as follows:

1. Transcriptions of taped messages and teachings given by Mike Bickle and other leaders at Kansas City Fellowship (our primary source)

Our reference index of these tapes and teachings is given in the final pages of this document.

In reporting the testimonies and quotes documented in this report, we have chosen to use the actual wording of the speaker/writer in order to be as accurate as possible.

We believe our quotations reflect accurately the intent of those speaking. Much of what has been quoted has been spoken several different times since the beginning of this “Movement.”

2. The written testimonies of pastors and people who have been involved with Kansas City Fellowship in different ways

3. Our own firsthand experiences with Mike Bickle, Kansas City Fellowship’s leaders, and people in their group

Jesus stated in Matthew 12:37, *“For by your words you shall be justified, and by your words you shall be condemned.”* Their own quotes speak for themselves. We were shocked and appalled when we began to research their teachings and practices.

The beliefs of this group clearly deviate from orthodox Biblical Christianity.

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INDEX OF REFERENCES AND ABBREVIATIONS

Abbreviations for quoted material are as follows:

MB - Mike Bickle

BJ - Bob Jones

JPJ - John Paul Jackson

PC - Paul Cain

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Teaching Papers:

AI The Angelic Realm, Part I, "The Heavenly Identity, Nature, & Service of Angelic Beings"

AII The Angelic Realm, Part II, "The Ministry and Relationship of Men and Angels"

CCI Commitment Class, Part I, "Dominion & New Testament Church Life," Week II, "The City Church," Mike Bickle

GLI Grace Ministries Leadership Conference, Session 1, "Preparation of a New Wineskin," Mike Bickle, 1989

GL4 Grace Ministries Leadership Conference, Session 4, "The City Church," Mike Bickle, 1989

GOP Gathering of Prophets, Lecture Notes, Mike Bickle, 1989

JC "Emergence of the Joseph Company," Grace Ministries Leadership Conference, 1988

PCHI The Prophetic Church, Part I, "A New Order of Men"

S "Strategy For Reaching a City & Its Region," Mike Bickle

Taped Messages:

BJDom "Bob Jones Speaks to Dominion school," Fall 1989

BJProI Bob Jones Prophecy: "Olathe Christian Fellowship" Part I

BJ88 Bob Jones, Lee's Summit, February 1988

F88 "Visions & Revelations," Mike Bickle with Bob Jones, Fall 1988, KCMO

F89 "Visions & Revelations," Mike Bickle with Bob Jones, Fall 1989, KCMO

JAPC "Joel's Army," Paul Cain

JPBJ John Paul Jackson with Bob Jones, KCMO, September 23, 1985

JPJD "Interpretation of Dreams and Visions," John Paul Jackson

JPJI "Prophetic Events," Part I, John Paul Jackson

JPJII "Prophetic Events," Part II, John Paul Jackson

JPJ86 "Visions and Signs," John Paul Jackson, February 1986

LC88 Leadership Conference, Mike Bickle, David Parker, Mike Sullivant, Bob Jones, October 1988

MWLC Maranatha World Conference, Mike Bickle, October 1989

MBBJ "A New Breed," Bob Jones, 1989

NE "Night of Enlightenment": Mike Bickle, Wes Adams, Larry Fry, John Paul Jackson, October 7, 1987

NOF "The Fact in the New Order in God's Work," Mike Bickle, October 26, 1986

NOS "New Order Illustrated David/Saul," Mike Bickle, October 1986

NO86 "New Order Illustrated - David/Saul," Mike Bickle, October 26, 1986

OCF Olathe Christian Fellowship, Mike Bickle, February 8, 1987

OPH "Overview of Our Prophetic History," Mike Bickle, May 1989

PA "Prophetic Administration," David Parker, Leadership Conference 1988

PCL Paul Cain's Life Story with Mike Bickle, Part I

PCII Paul Cain with Mike Bickle, Part II

PC7 Paul 'Cain, "The Seven Spirits of God"

P.His 1 Prophetic History 1, Mike Bickle, Spring 1986

P.His 2 Prophetic History 2, Mike Bickle, Spring 1986

P.His 3 Prophetic History 3, Mike Bickle, Spring 1986

ROD "The Shepherd's Rod," Mike Bickle with Bob Jones, Fall 1989, KCMO

ROH "Remembering Our Heritage," Mike Bickle, May 5, 1987

VM Vineyard School of Prophecy, Session 3A, Mike Bickle, Bob Jones, 1989
VP Vineyard Pastor's Meeting, David Parker, March 2, 1990