

# KINGDOM COMMUNITY: Oversight Pledge

Laurence made the following agreement with the community on 31/1/2016 after reading Blaise Foret's internet article, 'Why I Left IHOPKC'. (See the summary points and URL over the page)

"I make the following pledge to you as a Community:

1. I will not require you to read my website articles.
2. I will not require you to quote me at any time.
3. You are free to make your own life and spiritual decisions.
4. If you wish my apostolic input to your decision-making I will speak into them as the Spirit leads.
5. You are free to come and go from this Community at any time.
6. You do not need my permission to do anything in life.
7. You are free to disagree with my teaching.
8. You are free to vary in your theology to me.
9. You are free to reject any of my prophetic messages.
10. I don't know everything and I won't tell you the opposite.
11. I am not always correct and will not state anything to the contrary.
12. I will not require you to do any specific study or bible readings.
13. I will not tell others you are a heretic if you differ with me in your theology.
14. I will present materials to help prepare you for life in the Kingdom, society and community.
15. I will father or mentor those who the Spirit shows me.

You have my permission to bring anything to my attention that contradicts this pledge, or anything I say or do that you believe is error, prideful or unrighteous."

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## Why I Left IHOPKC (Important Points)

Blaise Foret left International House of Prayer, Kansas City (IHOPKC), after 4 years in the Night Watch leadership team. Here are some of the points he raised that are of concern and seem to indicate that the organisation operates in a cultish way from his internet report.

*[blaiseforet.com/2015/03/10/why-i-left-ihopkc-and-how-i-was-treated-when-i-left-my-story]*

1. Mike Bickle’s “Prophetic History” was the foundation of IHOPKC	<b>Indoctrination</b>
2. Interns were required to study and understand “Prophetic History” over and over again	<b>Control/ Indoctrination</b>
3. “Prophetic History” was brought up as all meetings	<b>Control</b>
4. Bible verses were selected to ‘back-up’ and validate the “Prophetic History” to convince people it was biblical.	<b>Manipulation</b>
5. Interns told, “You are now accountable for the “Prophetic History”. It’s yours as well, because you’re part of IHOPKC.”	<b>Manipulation</b>
6. Interns told, “God will judge you on how you responded to the “Prophetic History”.	<b>Manipulation</b>
7. “Prophetic History” was amended over 25 years to account for prophecies that didn’t come to pass.	<b>Manipulation</b>
8. Some leavers felt they’d missed God’s plan for them because they didn’t stay.	<b>Manipulation</b>
9. Interns told, “Don’t go to College. It’s the end of the age, so stay in prayer and get a degree from heaven.”	<b>Manipulation</b>
10. Interns given false hope that Jesus would return quicker if they were in full-time prayer at IHOPKC.	<b>Manipulation</b>
11. Interns had no preparation for life after IHOPKC while they were there.	<b>Control</b>
12. Interns were expected to spent hours reading Mike’s teaching notes as part of being in the IHOPKC community.	<b>Indoctrination</b>
13. Mike was quoted at every meeting.	<b>Indoctrination</b>
14. Differing with Mike’s teaching was not accepted – even though he said to check his teaching with the bible.	<b>Control</b>
15. Having a difference in theology to Mike was not accepted.	<b>Control</b>
16. Other churches and ministries who differed with Mike’s teaching were denigrated.	<b>Manipulation</b>
17. Mike told the interns that their prayers for justice would be responsible for bring Jesus back.	<b>Manipulation</b>
18. Blaise read the book of Revelations 2-3 times every month.	<b>Over biased</b>
19. Interns were led to believe that Mike’s interpretation of Revelation was the correct one.	<b>Manipulation</b>
20. People who differed with Mike’s teaching were told in their absence to, “Get their head out of the sand”.	<b>Control</b>

21. Small group discussions were held for interns on Mike's teaching notes.	<b>Indoctrination</b>
22. There was a perceived focus on Jesus destroying evil people when he returned.	<b>Over biased</b>
23. Interns were told to focus on Mike's vision, not their own.	<b>Control</b>
24. Natural operations were used to over-ride prophecies to support the prophecies. [with death of intern]	<b>Control</b>
25. Leadership was expected to advise interns on any big decisions they had to make – like leaving IHOPKC.	<b>Control</b>
26. Leadership was disappointed if interns made decisions without consulting them.	<b>Manipulation</b>
27. Blaise received many emails from IHOPKC leaders and interns after he left telling him his FaceBook posts were heresy.	<b>Manipulation</b>
28. <u>6 months</u> after he had come out of IHOPKC he was called in by his old supervisor and interrogate and criticised for <u>6 hours</u> by him and another leader.	<b>Control</b>
29. He was informed by the leader that the IHOPKC community would be warned that they were teaching error and that they should not listen to what he had to say.	<b>Control</b>