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### Editorial Review

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As though blowing oxygen upon the dying embers of a fire, pastor Jim Cymbala revived a broken-down church in a rough-shod inner-city neighborhood through Christian faith. Twenty-five years ago, the Brooklyn Tabernacle could barely draw 26 people to a Sunday service. Nowadays the congregation is 6,000 strong--filled with converted prostitutes, pimps, drug addicts, and homeless people, as well as yuppies and wholesome families. Although he's quick to give God credit for this miraculous success story, Cymbala admits that there may be a few human decisions that led to this Christian triumph. Most significantly, he made sure his church community embraced everyone, from all walks of life--no matter how distasteful or foreign. "Christians often hesitate to reach out to those who are different," according to Cymbala. "They want God to clean the fish before they catch them. If someone's gold ring is attached to an unusual body part, if the person doesn't smell the best or the skin color is not the same, Christians tend to hesitate." Thus, Cymbala encouraged his congregation to adopt the very same tolerant and accepting attitude as their God does. The results? Let's just say a church thrives in Brooklyn. Accomplished cowriter Dean Merrill helps this tender true story stay satisfying and highly readable. --*Gail Hudson*

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Twenty-five years ago, Cymbala, worn out from pastoring two congregations, devoted himself solely to the dwindling band of worshipers at ramshackle Brooklyn Tabernacle. Today, the old building has been replaced, there are 6,000 worshipers at four Sunday services, the church choir wins Grammys and sings for Billy Graham's crusades, and Cymbala is asked to speak all over the world about how he did it. Although he believes he didn't do it--God did--Cymbala does have a secret: the church is first and foremost a house of prayer, he says, a place where souls can call on God. Accordingly, Cymbala established Tuesday-night prayer meeting as the most important church function (later, church members began a "Prayer Band" to intercede round the clock for all and sundry). With professional Christian writer Merrill's help, Cymbala tells not his church's story as much as the stories of individual souls whose saving illustrates the truth of his testimony that God responds to prayer made in repentance and faith. Cymbala considers his work part of the revivalist tradition of nondenominational Christian evangelism, and he cites 300 years' worth of the great revivals and revivalists often, adding greater interest to a book that voices some of the oldest Christian wisdom with the vivid immediacy of telling tomorrow's news. *Ray Olson*

#### Review

'There are relatively few churches that have a heart for the lost and for the inner city; Jim Cymbala and the Brooklyn Tabernacle are one of the few. They have allowed the Holy Spirit to use them to breathe fresh life into seemingly hopeless lives.' -- Nicky Cruz, Author

'The Brooklyn Tabernacle is truly following the example of the New Testament church. This deeply moving book calls churches back to the Word of God and prayer and away from the cheap substitutes that are so popular today.' -- Warren Wiersbe, Author

'If you ever have the chance to visit Pastor Cymbala's church, do not miss it. If you can't go, you must read 'Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire.' The remarkable story of this great church and its dynamic Spirit-filled pastor will bring fresh wind and fresh fire into your life.' -- Bob Briner, President

'Lovingly but forcefully, Jim Cymbala calls us, the Church, to look in the mirror, to repent of all out futile

attempts to do the work of the Holy Spirit, and to get back on our knees where we belong. Only then will God supernaturally move to accomplish His plan for our ministries and lives.' -- Dr. Ron Mehl, Founder

'Jim and Carol Cymbala's voice is worth everyone hearing. He has a passion and a purity that brings force and clarity to the grand old gospel -- bringing it alive with contemporary vitality and beauty.' -- Jack W. Hayford, Founder

'It is without question that God has placed his hand on Pastor Jim Cymbala in the raising up of a great inner-city ministry, the Brooklyn Tabernacle. This church, under his leadership, serves as a model and an inspiration for so many across America. It has been their dependence upon the enabling of the Holy Spirit and the emphasis upon prayer that has brought this about.' -- Thomas E. Trask, Former General Superintendent

'This is an important book for all whose Christianity has become still and sterile. 'Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire' signals that God is at work in our day and that he wishes to be at work in our lives.' -- Dr. Joseph Stowell, Former President

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