The Bible is clear that while there will be a growing departure from the faith as things come to a close, the remnant, although smaller in number, will be empowered and protected by God to make Him known throughout the world! Probably one of the clearest references is found in the Book of Revelation, which reads:

> And I will grant my two witnesses authority to prophesy for one thousand two hundred sixty days, wearing sackcloth. These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands that stand before the Lord of the earth.
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> (Revelation 11:3-5)

This prophecy is very similar to one given to the Prophet Zechariah, where its meaning is actually explained. Zechariah saw a vision of a gold lampstand with a bowl of oil on top, and an olive tree on each side.
We are told the lampstand gives its light without human intervention, as it is constantly supplied by the olive oil flowing from the trees into the bowl.
So just as the Lord accomplished His plans through the anointing of the Holy Spirit flowing through believers during the time of Zerubbabel, He will do the same throughout Church History.