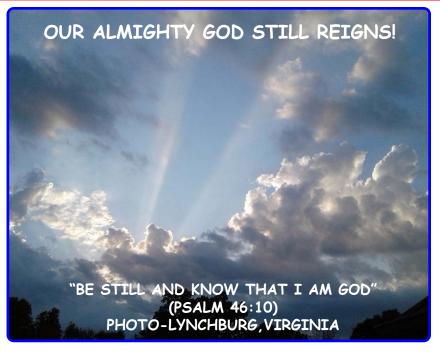
# REFLECTOR

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#### **Perspectives**

"... all this evil is come unto us; yet made we not our prayer" Daniel 9:13

Things were pretty bad in Israel in the days of Isaiah and Ezekiel. "Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts on iniquity . . . speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood. And judgment is turned away backward, and justice stands afar off . . . yea, truth fails . . . The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised power, and have vexed the poor and needy" (Isaiah 59; Ezekiel 22).

#### "Evil is come upon us"

Doesn't this description sound like the 2020 world conditions? One only has to read or listem to the local news where he lives to know that the world is in crisis. We, too, can say, "evil is come upon us."

#### <u>"Yet made we not our prayer"</u>

Conversely, we can add in our day and time "yet made we know our prayer." One of the saddest verses used in the prayer seminar is "[the Lord] saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor" (Isaiah 59:16b). A description of Judah's sin and backsliding is given in Jeremiah (chapters 5-12) with the conclusion: "The whole land is made desolate, because no one takes it to heart" (12:11), The description sounds like your land and my land—the United States of America.

As Isaiah noted "none to help . . . none that calls upon Thy name, that stirs himself to lay hold of You . . . And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge and stand in the gap before me before the land, that I should not destroy it; but I found none."

## SUPREME COURT DECISION

FRANKLIN GRAHAM

Today [Monday, June 15, 2020] the U.S. Supreme Court enacted a new law that adds sexual orientation and gender identity to the 1964 Civil Rights Act as protected classes." As Justice Alito has pointed out, the majority went too far—he called it a brazen abuse of our authority. The Supreme Court exists to interpret the law, not to make new laws—making laws is the job of our Representatives in Congress, elected by the people.

I believe this decision erodes religious freedoms across this country. People of sincere faith who stand on God's Word as their foundation for life should never be forced by the government to compromise their religious beliefs. Christian organizations should never be forced to hire people who do not align with their biblical beliefs and should not be prevented from terminating a person whose lifestyle and beliefs undermine the ministry's purpose and goals.

As a Bible-believing follower of Jesus Christ, my rights should be protected. Even if my sincerely held religious beliefs might be the minority, I still have a right to hold them. The same holds true for a Christian organization. These are the freedoms our nation was founded on.

The Supreme Court does not override and will never overturn the Word of God. One day we will all have to stand before God, the Righteous Judge, whose decisions are not based on politics or the whims of culture. His laws are true and are the same yesterday, today, and forever.

#### Intercessors needed

As God looks on America, He must wonder that there are so few intercessors. Since 1980. I have been going up and down the land sharing the Word of God to encourage individual believers to develop a meaningful, sustained prayer life—with emphasis on mobilizing intercessory prayer workers. Using the metaphor of Lighthouses of Prayer to push against the spiritual darkness, many have made commitments to stand in the gap for their homes, families, communities, cities/towns and nations. This is the hope for Americal This is the hope for any nation!

The word "intercession" is from two Latin words—which, when joined together mean "a go between." An intercessor is someone who stands between others (individuals and circumstances). The most needed work today is prayer work. Until that work is done, all other work for the Lord will be rather inconsequential and ineffective.

#### Study/practice intercession

If you need help in your role as an intercessor, request a copy of my book, Intercesson: Prayer as Work which features twelve studies (that can be used individually or in small groups). The time is short!

#### Thanks for reading the Reflector.

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry

Thanks for being our friends. Tell others about the availability of the prayer seminar. The need is areat!



## Johnny & Rosie Street Celina, Texas GOD'S GIFTS TO THE PRAYER SEMINAR MINISTRY

For over twenty-five years, the name Rosie Street has appeared on the Doorkeeper Prayer Calendar. Very frankly, words seem insipid to describe what Rosie and Johnny have meant to Sue and me, as well as the prayer seminar ministry. Just when we need a lift, we hear from Rosie who shares her heart with us and we feel liquid love flowing in our innermost being. We are blessed. One reason that we have been able to provide the overseas support is her giving, always supporting one full day of the expense. Her regular giving has been more than generous. Fully, this couple are fullfledged partners of the prayer seminar ministry. Honor to whom honor is due.



#### PRAYER IS A MUST

America is in trouble. From sea to shining sea we are witnessing the devolution of a nation. The "United States" is quickly becoming the "Divided States." Disunity and conflict abound. Family breakdown, gender confusion, abortion, the immigration crisis, the threat of terrorism, an abiding racial divide and political dysfunction all point to a deeper problem. Regardless of which side of the political aisle you sit on, it is clear: Things are unraveling at warp speed. Like never before, we must pray for our nation and her leaders. As Christians, we must ask: Are we going to sit by and watch our culture fall apart and our families disintegrate? Or are we going to do something to help turn America to God?

The future of our culture is in the hands of Christians because the cause of our cultural demise is innately spiritual. And if a problem is spiritual, its cure must be spiritual as well. If we Christians are going to help turn our nation to God, we must fall on our knees and our faces before God and pray. We must not only talk about prayer, but pray. Not only agree on the importance of prayer, but pray. Not only preach on the power of prayer, but pray. As Billy Graham once said, "To get our nation on its feet, we must get on our knees."

<u>Prayer.</u> Dear Lord, we confess that we have failed to pray as we should for our nation, our leaders, our churches, our families, ourselves. Please forgive us as we repent and, by Your Spirit, turn to You for the revival that is so desperately needed in our land. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



From its inception, JGHM has recognized that prayer support is absolutely vital to our ministry. First you prayed, then you gave, then God gave the increase with souls saved and many renewing their spiritual commitments. God's Word clearly states that:

- 1. Prayer discovers the secret of Christ's success in doing His Father's will. "Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God... In the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and departed to a solitary place; and there He prayed" (Mark 1:14,25).
- 2. Prayer follows the example of the early Church. "And when they had prayed, the place where they had assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the Word of God with boldness" (Acts 4:31).
- 3. Prayer acknowledges dependence on God. "I waited patiently for the Lord, and He inclined to me, and heard my cry... Blessed is that man who makes the Lord his trust" (Psalm 40:1,4).
- 4. Prayer conforms our will to God's will. "Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us" (1 John 5:14).
- 5. Prayer expands vision. "I was in the city of Joppa praying; and in a trance I saw a vision" (Acts 11:5).

6. Prayer opens closed doors. "Con-tinuing earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving; meanwhile praying, also for us, that God would open to us a door for the Word, to speak the

- to us a door for the Word, to speak the mystery of Christ" (Colossians 4:2-3).

  7. Prayer grants victory over Satan and his wiles. "We do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places . . . praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit" (Ephesians 6:12,18).
- 8. Prayer unleashes divine power. "For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of the Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man" (Ephesians 3:14-16.
- 9. Prayer brings wisdom Prayer begets boldness in witnessing. "Praying . . . for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the Gospel" (Ephesians 6:18-19).
- 10. Prayer brings wisdom about what to say. "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, Who gives to all liberally . . . " (James 1:5).
- 11. Prayer brings wisdom. Prayer replaces anxiety with peace. "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-7).
- 12. Prayer brings fullness of joy. "Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full" (John 16:24).
- 13. Prayer produces fruitfulness. "I am the vine, you are the branches. He

who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing . . . If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you" (John 15:5,7). 14. Prayer causes growth in new believers. "In every prayer of mine making request for you . . . being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it" (Philippians 1:4,6).

15. Prayer raises up new workers.

"The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His harvest" (Matthew 9:37-38).

16. Prayer generates revival.

"If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land" (2 Chronicles 7:14).

17. Prayer impacts the world.

"Ask of Me and I will give you the nations for Your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for Your possessions" (Psalm 2:8). 18. Prayer accomplishes amazing results. "Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty

33:3).
19. Prayer delights the Lord. "The prayer of the upright is His delight" (Proverbs 15:8b).

things, which you do not know" (Jeremiah

20. **Prayer glorifies God.** "And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son" (**John 14:13**).

PRAYER REMAINS THE WORK THAT MUST COME BEFORE ALL OTHER WORK.

MUCH PRAYER, MUCH POWER! SOME PRAYER, SOME POWER! NO PRAYER, NO POWER!

So, PRAY and BELIEVE!



In October 2016, Doorkeeper Linda Gregory, Bountiful, Utah, Sue and I traveled to Richmond, Virginia, to join around 8,000 believers from across the Commonwealth to pray for our nation. God answered and gave us victory as we fought for a return to the moral compass that has guided our nation. We saw this as a critical time in our history. Now the conditions are far worse than 2016. Prayer is the work that must be done. When the foundations crumble, what can the righteous do? First, pray! Then, vote!

REMEMBER
GOD DOES NOT NEED A
VISA TO MOVE INTO ANY
NATION. WE ARE TO PRAY
FOR LABORERS FOR THE
VINEYARD!

### NOTES from my BIBLE

**Note 5016**. God gave His Son that everyone might know salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ.

Note 5017. Truth we don't practice is about as useful as a tire without air..

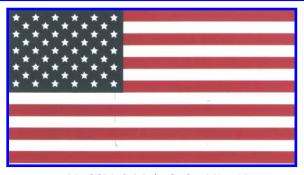
Note 5018. Spiritual power is only a prayer away.

Note 5019. Where God guides, He provides.

Note 5020. Christ is the Bridge, not just over troubled water, but between heaven & earth.



Please put <u>Bob Good</u> on your daily prayer list. He is an avowed Christian who has been selected as the Republican nominee in the Commonwealth of Virginia's Fifth Congressional District. Not only is he on the **Reflector** prayer list, his mother, <u>Nancy</u>, and her husband, <u>Roger Minney</u> are long-time <u>Doorkeepers</u>,



HAPPY 244th BIRTHDAY
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
JULY 4 1776-JULY 4,2020

#### PRAYER CALENDAR

**JULY 2020** 

"I will give myself to prayer..." Psalm 109:4

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

Proverbs 1-4 (Holy See 1,000)

Mae Adams (NC)

Robert & Susanne Adams (TN)

H. L. & Janie Allen (SC)

David & Eujoo Andersen (VA) Marvin/Donna Anderson (VA)

Tommy & Pat Apple (NC)

Eldon/Gayle Armstrong (SC)

Leonor Avila (MD)

Mike & Joyce Baker (VA)

#### THURSDAY, JULY 2

Priverbs 5-9 (Honduras 8.7M)

Linda Beattie (PA)

Tim Bash-GCCC (NJ)

Emily Baskin (TN)

Jean Beasley (TN)

Tommy Bell (TN)

Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)

Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)

Beulah Baptist Church (VA) Dr. Dennis Hollandsworth

#### FRIDAY, JULY 3

Proverbs 10-13 (Hong Kong 7.1M)

Beverly Blankenship (TN)

Loretta Bolen (VA)

William/Debbie Bowden (NC)

David & Marna Boyd (OR)

Kathleen Boyce (PA)

Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)

Jean Bradshaw (VA)

Kim Bradshaw (VA)

Lurlene Braud (VA)

Michal Breed (WI)

#### SATURDAY, JULY 4

Proverbs 14-17 (Hungary 10M)

Nancy Bretz (PA)

Judy Britt (GA)

Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)

Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)

Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE)

Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)

Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)

Anne Campbell (VA)

Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)

SUNDAY, JULY 5

Robin & Teresa Carlson (NJ) Robert & Anita Carroll (VA)

Vernia Coleman (MD)

Mary Columbus (VA)

Kathie Connolly (VA)

Philip & Jennifer Cooke (VA)

Larry & Sue Cooper (DE)

Foster/Ravenna Covington (VA) Barry & Melanie Cox (VA)

Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)

#### MONDAY, JULY 6

Proverbs 18-21 (Iceland 331,318)

Robert & Charlotte Crout (SC) Dufrene/Peggy Cummings (NC)

Barbara Custalow (VA)

Tina Darden (MD)

Bobby & Deborah Davis (VA)

John Davis (VA)

Harold & Tama Decker (NY) Robert & Janice DeLong (VA)

Carolyn Dodd (VA)

Jo Anne Dudley (VA)

Michael & Diane Eagle (VA)

Kathyrn Eaton (ME)

#### TUESDAY, JULY 7 Proverbs 22-24 (India 1.3B)

Lynn Elkins (TN)

Jeff & Leeann Englert (KY)

Don & Mary Enoch (FL)

Duane Erieau (WI)

Larry & Cara Fields (VA)

John & Susann Finnessy (MD)

James & Ruth Flanagan (GA)

Nancy Fowser (NJ)

Claire/Mary Ann Fredstrom (NE)

Freedom Through Faith (MD)

Robert Triboeau, Pastor

Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

Proverbs 25-29 (Indonesia 25.6M)

Emilee & Emma Fulcher (VA)

John & Kim Gaines (DE)

Pauline Garrett (NJ)

Ron & Kay Gavette (VA)

Gloucester Co. Community Ch

(NJ) Bruce Sofia, Pastor

Ron & Carol Godwin (VA)

Ronald & Maryann Gold (ND)

Chad & Wendy Goodner (OK)

Steve & Sue Gordon (VA)

#### THURSDAY.JULY 9

Proverbs 30-31 (Iran 81.8M)

Sam/Michele Graisbery (NJ)

Dale & Mary Gray (IL)

Odether Gray (GA)

Linda Gregory (UT)

Mike Hall (IN)

Joy Harper (VA)

Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN) Sadie Harris (VA)

Hazel Hartless (VA)

William & Sara Hefner (PA)

Mary Pat Hendrick (VA)

#### FRIDAY, JULY 10

Ecclesiastes 1-6 (Iraq 38M)

Jim Hengoed (CT)

Gina Henry (VA)

J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA)

James & Kathryn Henry (MS)

Mark Henry (TN) Melody Henry (VA)

Roger & Sara Henry (OH)

Sean & Bethany Henry (VA)

#### SATURDAY, JULY 11

Ecclesiastes 7-12 (Ireland 5M) Steve & Donna Hensel (MN)

Ed & Donna Hindson (VA)

Frank & Pat Hitchings (ME)

Jeff Hodge (VA)

Jerry/Sandra Hodge (VA)

Bill Hogan (VA) Joanna Holland (VA)

John & Glenda Holland (VA)

Anita Horton (VA)

Mike & Sonya Hosick (TN) Coy Hunsucker (NC)

#### SUNDAY, JULY 12)

Joyce Hunt (TN)

Wilbert/Almaretta Hupp (PA)

Jide & Bunmi Iware (MD)

Gene Jeffries (AR)

Vernelle Jenkins (MD)

Debbie Jennifer (MD)

Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN) Jonathan & Julie Jobe (SC)

Millicent John (NY)

#### MONDAY, JULY 13

Song of Solomon (USA 330M)

Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY)

Gwen Johnson (AZ)

Iris Johnson (MD)

Jim & Penny Johnson (KY)

Rick & Betsy Johnson (TN)

Dave & Debbie Jones (VA)

James Jones (FL) Paul Jones (KY)

TUESDAY, JULY 14

Isaiah 1-4 (Israel 8.1M)

Theordore/Sherry Jones (MD)

W I & Eloise Jones (SC) Mohan Katta (IL)

Suzie Kauffmann (NC)

Harper/Shelia Keebaugh (PA)

Harriet Kennedy (VA)

Kerby Knob Baptist Church

#### (KY) Darren Hisel, Pastor WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

Isaiah 5-7 (Italy 61.9M)

Louis & Jane Kiger (VA) Larry & Janet King (NC) Ken & Bonnie Kirby (PA) Robert & Andrea Klepper (TN) Kenneth & Amy Kollar (ID) Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI) THURSDAY, JULY 16 Isaiah 8-12 (Jamaica 3M) Korean Branch: Dr. Shin Kwang Suk Joel & Jackie Kramar (VA) Woodrow & Linda Kroll (NE) Sylvia LaFond (ME) Craig & Molly Lampe (AZ) Phil & Edra Landers (OK) Del & Mary Leach (VA) Aaron & Wanda Lewis (MD) FRIDAY, JULY 17 Isaiah 13-16 (Japan 126.9M) Liberty University (VA) Jerry Falwell Jr., President Delores Liely (MD) Mike & Earlene Lips (MS) Vincent/Mary Lobisco (MI) Ray & Bobbie Long (WV) Don & Betty Lowry (SC) Manship Chapel (DE) Bruce & Vickie Tribbett Wilma Marcum (KY) Nick & Pat Markham (VA) SATURDAY, JULY 18 Isaiah 17-20 (Jersey 97,294) Reg & Gloria Martin (OH) Larry & Sue Mason (VA) Beau Ware Masonry (VA) Deborah Mathias (NY) Murray Mathis (TN) Bob & Heidi Matney (VA) Dan & Fay McConville (VA) R. O. & June McHaney (VA) Nancy McPherson (ME) SUNDAY, JULY 19 Don & Barbara Meduna (CO) Terry & Sandra Metzgar (TN) Betsy Miedema (MI) Roger & Nancy Minney (VA) Bill & Sharon Moody (VA) Wilma Moore (VA) Doris Moos (NJ) MONDAY, JULY 20 Isaiah 21-23 (Jordan 8.1M) Drever/Roberta Morton (VA) Elaine Moser (MN) Bob & Diane Nichols (VA) NE Baptist College (VT) Mark Ballard, President Oconto Gospel Chapel (WI) Peter Dorn, Pastor Zack & Jackie Olcott (VA) Ann Palumbo (PA)

Cliff & Mary Pavalonis (VA) Pecks Baptist Church (VA) Bryan Sheehan, Pastor Sandy Pederson (MN) Jack & Carollyn Peerman (VA) Jim & Barb Peterson (MI) Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA) TUESDAY, JULY 21 Isaiah 24-27 (Kazakhatan 5.7M) Greg & Christene Powell (VA) Elbert & Barbara Powell (VA) Marshall & Lois Powell (KY) Jeanne & Maggie Pribble (VA Marjorie Randall (TX) Dave Ricker (ME) Joyce Riley (KY) WEDNESDAY, JULY 22 Isaiah 28-30 (Kenya 46M) Calvin & Valerie Ritchey (VA) Cynthia Roach (VA) John & Sandra Roberts (NC) Dorlos & Betty Robinson (MS) Isabell Robotham (NY) James & Shelly Rode (FL) Clark & Marie Rogers (VA) Wanda Rolater (TN) THURSDAY, JULY 23 Isaiah 31-35 (Kiribati 105,911) Bob & Marlene Rose (MI) St Paul Baptist Church (IN) Dr. C. L. Adams, Pastor John Saint (PA) Don/Marie Satterwhite (MO) Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA) FRIDAY, JULY 24 Isaiah 36-39 (North Korea 25M) Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA) Mark/Pamela Schollaert (PA) Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI) Sam & Jill Scott (VA) John & Peggy Seibert (AL) Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH) Shenandoah Valley Bapt Ch (VA) SATURDAY, JULY 25 Isaiah 40-43 (South Korea 49.1M) Nellie F. Shepard (CT) Lola Simpson (NY) Bobby & Cindy Smith (TN) Ron & Bonnie Smith (VA) Helen Sourlis (MD) Randy/Cheryl Stauter(MN) Tim & Pam Steger (ID) SUNDAY, JULY 26 Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA) Charles Stinson (VA) Johnny & Rosie Street (TX) William Suttles (NC) Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)

Brian/Janice Tarraferro (TX) Billy & Sharon Taylor (PA) Ron Taylor (VA) Stephanie Taylor (GA) Jimmy & Mary Thomas (VA) MONDAY, JULY 27 Isaiah 44-48 (Kosovo 1.9M) Mona Henry Thomas (VA) W. D./Jackie Thomason (TN) Montez Thompson (WI) Cathy Tilton (VA) Paula Tipton (TN) William & Katie Toney (NC) Carrol/Ouida Troutman (KY) Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY) TUESDAY, JULY 28 Isaiah 49-51 (Kuwait 2.8M) Diana Troutman (KY) Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY) Joe & Benita Troutman (KY) Malcom Troutman (KY) Marshall Troutman (KY) Frances Turpin (VA) Sara Underwood (TN) Patrick/Patricia Vaden (TN) Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ Jane Verkaik (MI) George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ) WEDNESDAY, JULY 29 Isaiah 52-57 (Kyrgyzstan 5.7M ) Mary Ann Voss (DE) Michael/Sandra Ward (IN) Beau/Ashley/Willow/Will Ware (VA) Joyce Warpoole (TN) Holland & Mary Warren (VA) THURSDAY, JULY 30 Isaiah 58-62 (Laos 6.9M) Rodger Watts (WI) Frank & Nell Weer (KY) Nancy Wetzel (KY) Paul & Diane Wieland (PA) Reg/Mary Ann Wilburn (VA) Ken & Carol Willis (VA) FRIDAY, JULY 31 Isaiah 63-66 (Latvia 2M) Julie L. Wilson (PA) Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA) Eva Winebarger (VA) Amos & Celia Wipf (GA) Jonathan & Selena Wood (PA) Layden Wood (VA) David & Lili Wykle (VA) Yeshua Ministries (TN) Dr. Frank Bell, President Fred & Susan Zeller (MD)

PRAY DAILY

#### **DAILY INTERCESSION**

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HEALTH

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Aija Ozolins [John] Latvia
Jean Smith [Jim] (KY)
Betty Sommers [Walt] (VA)

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in & Diama Nathanson (Venezaen

Martin & Anne Shikuku (Kenya)

Joseph & Esther Tan (Singapore)

Cliff & Marcia Vincent (Brazil/China)

Roberto & Joana Waismam (Brazil)
Othnel Wakili (Nigeria)

Silas & Comfort Yashim (Nigeria)

We remain eager to pray with you and then supply needed prayer support daily. Keep us updated. You do not have to bear your burden alone. Thanks for your prayers for

Sue, me, Adam, Diana and the prayer seminar ministry. It is a pleasant uplift when we hear the words from so many of you, "I am praying for you."

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PRAYING CHURCH!

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#### DOORKEEPER REPORT

"We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers."

1 Thessalonians 1:2

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#### SOME BIBLICAL THOUGHTS TO HELP

## Do you want a Deeper Christian life? Andrew Murray

- 1. The first and chief need of our Christian life is fellowship with God. The Divine life within us comes from God, and is entirely dependent upon Him. As I need every moment afresh the air to breathe, as the sun every moment afresh sends down its light, so it is only in direct living communication with God that my soul can be strong. The manna of one day was corrupt when the next day came. I must every day have fresh grace from heaven, and I obtain it only in direct waiting upon God Himself. Begin each day by tarrying before God, and letting Him touch you. Take time to meet God
- 2. To this end, let your first act in your devotions be a setting yourself still before God. In prayer, or worship, everything depends upon faith and adoration, speaking thus within my heart: God is. God is near. God is love, longing to communicate Himself to me. God the Almighty One, Who works all in all, is even now waiting to work in me, and make Himself known. Take time, till you know God is very near.
- 3. When you have given God His place of honor, glory, and power, take your place of deepest lowliness, and seek to be filled with the Spirit of humility. As a creation it is your blessedness to be nothing, that God may be all in you. As a sinner you are not worthy to look up to God; bow in self-abasement. As a saint, let God's love overwhelm you, and bow you still lower down.

- Sink down before Him in humility, meekness, patience, and surrender to His goodness and mercy. He will exalt you. Oh! Take time, to get very low before God.
- 4. Then accept and value your place in Christ Jesus. God delights in nothing but His beloved Son, and can be satisfied with nothing else in those who draw near to Him. Enter deep into God's holy presence in the boldness which the blood gives. and in the assurance that in Christ you are most pleasing. In Christ you are within the veil. You have access into the very heart and love of the Father. This is the great object of fellowship with God, that I may have more of God in my life, and that God may see Christ formed in me. Be silent before God and let Him bless you.
- 5. This Christ is a living Person. He loves you with a personal love, and He looks every day for the personal response of your love. Look into His face with trust, until His love really shines into your heart. Make His heart glad by telling Him that you do love Him. He offers Himself to you as a personal Savior and Keeper from the power of sin. Do not ask, can I be kept from sinning, if I keep close to Him? but ask, can I be kept from sinning, if He always keeps close to me? and you see at once how safe it is to trust Him.
- 6. We have not only Christ's life in us as a power, and His presence with us as a person, but we have His likeness to be wrought into us.

He is to be formed in us, so that His form or figure, His likeness, can be seen in us. Bow before God until you get some sense of the greatness and blessedness of the work to be carried on by God in you this day. Say to God, Father, here am I for You to give as much in me of Christ's likeness as I can receive. And wait to hear Him say, My child, I give you as much of Christ as your heart is open to receive. The God who revealed Jesus in the flesh and perfected Him, will reveal Him in you and perfect you in Him. The Father loves the Son, and delights to work out His image and likeness in you. Count upon it that this blessed work will be done in you as you wait on your God, and boldest fellowship with Him.

7. The likeness to Christ consists chiefly in two things: the likeness of His death and resurrection (Romans 6:5). The death of Christ was the consummation of His humility and obedience, the entire giving up of His life to God. In Him we are dead to sin. As we sink down in humility and dependence and entire surrender to God, the power of His death works in us, and we are made conformable to His death. And so we know Him in the power of His resurrection, in the victory over sin, and all the joy and power of the risen life. Therefore, every morning, present yourselves unto God as those that are alive from the dead. He will maintain the life He gave, and bestow the grace to live as risen ones.

8. All this can only be in the power of the Holy Spirit, who dwells in you. Count upon Him to glorify Christ in you. Count upon Christ to increase in you the inflowing of His Spirit. As

you wait before God to realize His presence, remember that the Spirit is in you to reveal the things of God. Seek in God's presence to have the anointing of the Spirit of Christ so truly that your whole life may every moment be spiritual.

9. As you meditate on this wondrous salvation and seek full fellowship with the great and holy God, and wait on Him to reveal Christ in you, you will feel how needful the giving up of all is to receive Him. Seek grace to know what it means to live as wholly for God as Christ did. Only the Holy Spirit Himself can teach you what an entire yielding of the whole life to God can mean. Wait on God to show you in this what you do not know. Let every approach to God, and every request for fellowship with Him be accompanied by a new, very definite, and entire surrender to Him to work in you.

10. By faith must here, as through all Scripture, and all the spiritual life, be the keynote. As you wait before God, let it be in a deep quiet faith in Him, the Invisible One, who is so near, so holy, so mighty, so loving. In a deep, restful faith, too, that all the blessings and powers of the heavenly life are around you, and in you. Just yield yourself in the faith of a perfect trust to the Ever Blessed Holy Trinity, to work out all God's purpose in you. Begin each day thus in fellowship with God, and God will be all in all to you.

Adapted from <u>The Deeper Christian</u> <u>Life by Andrew Murray</u>

DRAW ME NEARER, BLESSED LORD! The prayer seminar

Some years ago, Franklin Hall, pastor, Bethel Baptist Church, Yorktown, Virginia, toldmethat Godhadentrusted mewith a very unique ministry. When I asked him what the meaning of unique was, he had a ready answer. One of a kind! He understood my burden to carry out God's assignment and encouraged me to keep doing what I was doing with no changes.

There are few pastors who understand the role of prayer in church building and maintenance enough to make prayer a priority personally and corporately. During much of the forty-year history of the prayer seminar, many pastors were willing to dedicate an entire day to gather for A Day in His Courts for the six-hour prayer seminar.

Many have said that the one-day produced more movement and deeper spiritual results than any week-long revival meeting or crusade had brought in their ministries. I can attest to the work the Holy Spirit does in lives during a prayer seminar. We have thousands upon thousands of testimonies that reveal a deep work of the Lord in the lives of participants (actually my students) during the six hours. Adam is a gifted teacher/preacher who will be used to bless your people and your church.

Adam Nathanson, the new prayer seminar leader, is well prepared to lead prayer seminars. He is training others to lead seminars. First, I want you to know about the availability of the prayer seminars. Second, I want to plead with you to do everything you can to develop a praying church. As you read anything that Adam shares, ask God if a prayer seminar should be added to your church's calendar when things get back to normal. You will be glad that you did.

I want to share an article from the June 1994 Reflector (p5) that might whet your appetite for a prayer seminar in your own church/community. Adam Nathanson and his team are ready to work with you.

## **Okinawa**April 15-25, 1994

The prayer seminar ministry in <u>Okinawa</u> at <u>Kadena Air Base</u> was well received. A full report is available upon request including pictures and testimonies. Thank you for providing prayer and financial support.



Chaplain Vic Toney, coordinator for this seminar as well as prayer seminars on a number of Air Force Bases (such as Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas), shared: "This prayer seminar has been for me a holy reminder, a gentle nudge, a convicting realization that a 'course correction' needs to be made in my spiritual navigation. I have been drifting off course. While not dramatic now, down the road, if no correction is made, I will be way off course. The most important reminder for me is the importance an primacy of God's Word."

One participant wrote response card: God revealed to me that seventeen years of being saved and being called to the ministry that I still do not take Him and His word serious. I talk like I do, but by lack of prayer and other things, I can tell that I don't. Confession has led to cleansing. Another person shared: God has shown me how intertwined the Holy Spirit and prayer are. As much study as I have done, I had never seen that before the prayer seminar. Why> Because God also showed me how much Satan hates it when we pray (or want to pray). I will continue to learn to pray, practice praying daily, pray constantly, and then TEACH others how to pray. Praise God. He's so good.

#### I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE



#### UNITED STATES FLAG

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, **under God**, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



#### THE CHRISTIAN FLAG

I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag and to the Savior, for whose kingdom it stands, one Savior, crucified, risen and coming again, with life and liberty for all who believe.



#### THE BIBLE

I pledge allegiance to the Bible, God's holy word, and will make it a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path and will hide its words in my heart that I may not sin against God.



#### THE LAMB OF GOD

I pledge allegiance to the Lamb. With all my strength, with all I am, I will seek to honor His commands, I pledge allegiance to the Lamb.

#### THE AMERICAN'S CREED

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose powers are derived from the consent of the governed, a democracy in a Republic, a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States, a perfect Union, one and inseparable, established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes. I therefore believe it is my duty to my Country to love it, to support its constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies. (William Tyler Page)

#### DON'T FORGET TO REMEMBER

"The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God."

Psalm 9:17

#### IN LOVING MEMORY

Mary E. Hendrickson Troutman (Mrs. Marshall)
11/20/1939 6/1/2020
Owensboro, Kentucky
DOORKEEPER

### MARY'S OBITUARY WORDS

On November 20, 1939, two and half miles east of Cloverport, Kentucky, Roy and Louise Pate Hendrickson welcomed me into this world. Then in June 1049 at Hites Run Baptist Church, Jesus welcomed me into His family. In 1955 my sister, Betty Hendrickson Hagman, and I moved to Owensboro [Kentucky]. There, I met and married Marshall Troutman. We were blessed with three sons, G. Lynn, Gregory A., and M. Scott. Scott gave us two granddaughters, Amber Dunn and Anna Landrum. Anna blessed us with a great-grandson, Alex, and a great-granddaughter, Kori. Amber blessed us with a great-grandson, Logan. Bernice Davis was my stepsister; she was more like my mother. I love my little Boston Terriers, Bel Bel, Wize and Ziva. The only thing I don't like is basketball.

For over sixty years, Mary, our sister-in-law, has been one of my favorite persons and an ardent supporter of all facets of my ministry. No Doorkeeper in the prayer seminar ministry has been more faithful!! Just to be in her presence and hear her voice, Brother Jim, was music to my ears and heart. For special occasions in our lives and other times, there were cards, always with appropriate words and personal thoughts, from Mary. She believed in the prayer seminar ministry with her whole being and expressed her feelings fully and freely. Each member of the Troutman clan will miss Mary until we meet again!

One of Mary's last cards to me was precious when I received it and will remain with me as I thank God for this lady included in my membership in the Rollie A. and Willie King Troutman Family. Many of our readers will want to keep it with other collectables for easy future retrieval as do I.

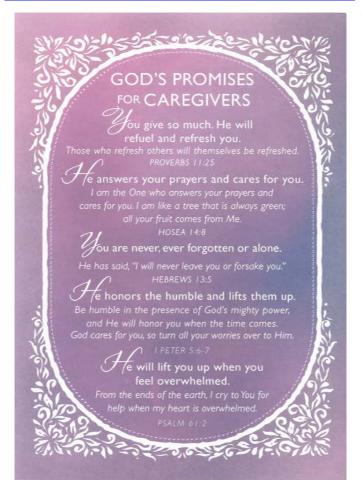


#### The Weaver

My life is but a weaving Between my Lord and me; I cannot choose the colors He worketh steadily. Oft times He weaveth sorrow And I, in foolish pride, Forget He sees the upper, And I the underside The dark threads are as needful In the Weaver's skillful hand. As the threads of gold and silver In the pattern He has planned. Not till the loom is silent And the shuttles cease to fly. Shall God unroll the canvas And explain the reason why.

Author unknown

#### ONE OF THE LAST CARDS FROM MARY





## O Say Can You See Larry Richards [FOR BACKGROUND READ ZEPHANIAH 3]

I've always been fascinated by the story. A British fleet stood off Baltimore, bombarding the fort that guarded its harbor. All through the night the guns roared. Through the clouds of acrid smoke explosions could be seen over the fort, as hollow powder-filled balls called bombs burst in the air. The darkness shrouded the stone walls of the fort, but the cacophony of sounds—the shrill whistling of shells, the booming of the cannon, the hollow thump of hit after hit—convinced every shipboard witness that the fort must fall, and Baltimore would be taken.

And then, as dawn's first light drove back the shadows, the witnesses saw an astounding sight. The fort still stood! And there, flying proudly above her ramparts, was the American flag.

Hurrying down below one witness seized a pen and dashed off lines that every American citizen has heard a thousand times. "O say can you see," wrote Francis Scott Key, a prisoner that night on the British flagship," through the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming." The fort, and the flag, had survived.

What a picture of the scene we see in Zephaniah 3. The city of Jerusalem was under siege, being punished for her many sins (vv 1-7). The Lord Himself was the assailing force, pouring out His wrath, striking the city in his fierce anger. The devastation seemed enough to consume the entire world in an awesome conflagration (v 8).

And then, in the rest of the chapter, we make an amazing discovery. As that dreadful night of judgment comes to an end, and day dawns, we realize there are survivors! We see God's scattered people, purified, return to worship their God (vv 9-10). We realize that the arrogance that characterized Jerusalem had been burned away, and the city now held only the meek and humble, who would do no wrong (vv 11-13). And we hear a voice raised in song, tentative at first, but soon swelling in a glad chorus of joy as the city realize that God mighty to save, is with them, and will quiet them with His love (vv 14-18). And suddenly we see the city itself begin to glow, as God gives His now holy people the honor and praise they thought that they had forfeited forever by their sin (vv 19-20). Just so we need to remind ourselves. When you or I suffer under the discipline of God, everything seems so dark. We feel crushed, unable to go on. Yet if we were only to look beyond, to tomorrow, we would catch a glimpse of the sight seen by Key, and by Zephaniah too.

O say can you [we] see, just beyond the horizon of your [our] dark today, the dawn of what God intends for you [us]? Purified and restored, humbled enough to accept God's love, you [we] too will be quieted with His love, and be given praise and honor in a peaceful land.