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GOD BLESS THE USA!



LITTLE GROVE SCHOOL

One Room School

McLean County, Kentucky

Sue Henry attended this school grades one through eight

Artist: Lois Johnson

Frame from the building's wood.

"Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and on earth is yours."

1 Chronicles 29:11

The Wonder of His Name

IN JESUS NAME! There are inexhaustible depths and riches in that Name that will fill your life with a glorious sense of liberating power, deeper insight into His will, renewed strength of spirit and witness of tapping a fresh source of spiritual values.

His Name is not a mere title nor theological term. It is not limited in its use as a convenient prayer ending. His Name has significance. It is life. It is power. It is loveliness. It stands out with holy and eternal brilliance.

And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus; for He shall save His people from their sins (Matthew 1:21).

To the <u>blasphemer</u> (and there are plenty around in our days), His Name is a tool for contempt: "Do they not blaspheme [speak evil of] that noble name by which you are called?" (James 2:7). To the Pharisee. His name is merely a pious phrase: "But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do the things which I say?" (Matthew 6:46). To the carnal Christian, His Name is but a convenient rallying point: "Now I say this, that each of you says, 'I am of Paul,' or 'I am of Apollos,' or 'I am of Cephas [Peter],' or 'I am of Christ,' Is Christ divided? ..." (1 Corinthians 1:12-13).

To the <u>Christian</u> (viz, believer) who is walking in right relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, His Name is sweet, heavenly music, Divine strength, and spiritual wealth. For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder; and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,

Call His name, Jesus

Names matter. Make it a priority to learn the life-changing names of Jesus. Did you know that more than 350 names and titles related to Jesus can be found in the Scripture? The vastness of His character and His work on the behalf of His people are revealed through His many names. The more deeply we explore the names of Jesus, the more we are able to move from simply knowing about Him to truly knowing Him.

Fall in love with Jesus all over again as you get to know Him through His life-changing names. Be alert to meditations that have been written on His names, many accompanied by quotes from classic authors, hymn writers, and preachers to help you recapture the wonder of His name. "Jesus, Master, Savior, there's just something about that Name."

Explore their meaning, their scriptural and historical background, and, most importantly, their significance in revealing Jesus' identity, his relationship to humanity, and his role in God's redemptive plan.

When you study the names of Jesus, you'll see Him in a deeper way. When you get to know the Savior, the Lord, the Lamb of God, the Light, and the Good Shepherd, you'll get to know Jesus Himself.

BOW DOWN BEFORE HIM. LOVE AND ADORE HIM! Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace (**Isaiah 9:6**).

THE NAME OF JESUS FOR SALVATION.

"Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other Name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12). In this Name lies the very essence of Christianity. Through the new birth we become members of His family. "But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name" (John 1:12). He willed us His name and the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch: (Acts 11:26). Let us exercise our legal rights. Let us use our new family name in the greatest possible advantage for Jesus sake and for His glory.

THE NAME OF JESUS FOR EFFECTUAL PRAYING

"Mostassuredly,Isaytoyou,whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you" (John 16:23. To ask in My Name means to assume our rightful relationship in the family of God. By faith we take the state that in our identification with Christ. we are in all He is, was, or will be. When our spirit is so united with the Spirit of Jesus, there will not be room for self-will. Therefore to pray in His Name literally means to pray in His nature. When He controls the inner man, everything we ask of the Father will be granted because in a true union with Jesus, our requests will be His requests. His righteousness in us will prompt the right to use His Name, that right meant that they were to represent Him; they were acting in His stead, and when they prayed in Jesus Name, it was as though

Jesus Himself was praying. THE NAME OF JESUS FOR **HEALING**. It was a pitiful sight. Everyday someone had to carry this lame man to the gate of the temple. There he sat with out-stretched hands begging alms of them that entered the temple... "then Peter said, 'Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk" (Acts 3:6-7). Immediately this command "in the Name of Jesus" gave strength to the feeble beggar's body. The servant of the Lord did not pray, nor did he preach. As a direct result of a simple command in the Name of Jesus, this lame man who had to be carried, now leaping up, stood, and walked and entered with them into the temple, "walking and leaping and praising God" (v 8). When the curious crow of skeptics arrived, Peter told them, "And His Name, through faith in His Name, hath made this man strong whom you see and know ... hath given him this perfect soundness" (v 16). THE NAME OF JESUS FOR DELIVERANCE FROM POWER OF SATAN. A demon possessed damsel had been following the Apostle Paul with tormenting regularity. And this she did many days. "But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, 'I command thee in the Name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour (Acts 16:18). Paul did not engage in any weird procedure. He knew there was power and authority in the Name of Jesus and he used it. It worked. It will work for you and me. Praise the Lord!

The blood of Jesus takes the enemy's ground away from accusation

and condemnation. It puts sin out of the way. The Name of Jesus represents the believer's authority over the works of Satan. Paul stood in a position of strength as he spoke the word of deliverance to the damsel who was bound by the tormentor. The blood of Jesus cut him off from sin, the Cross of Jesus cut him off from self and the Name of Jesus brought him into union with the enthroned, authoritative Lord Jesus. This is the blessed privilege of every child of God.

THE NAME OF JESUS IN TRUE WORSHIP.

"For where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there am I in the midst of them (Matthew 18:20). To meet together in the simplicity of His Name is to be fitly framed on the right foundation. Religious tags, fancy names or traditional trademarks do not disturb the devil. It is the Name of Jesus that stirs the devil and his crowd. "But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this Name. And they called them and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the Name of Jesus" (Acts 4:17-18). God give us the spirit of these faithful proclaimers of His wonderful Name, who when they departed from the council, "rejoiced that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the Name" (Acts 5:41).

The Name of Jesus meant more to the saints of the early church than it does to most saints today. It needs to be recovered in church life and restored to its proper place. The theme of the early Christians should become ours,

the Name of the Lord Jesus was magnified (Acts 19:17). The marshaled forces of hell shall not prevail against the little flock who meet in the Name of the Lord Jesus. He is in the midst of such a gathering. It is the only place of promised blessing for assembled saints.

THE NAME OF JESUS FOR WORLD MISSIONS. It is the will of God for the full impact of the Name of Jesus to be heralded throughout the world. God's message to Paul in Acts 9:15-16 is a message to every one of us. "For he is a chosen vessel unto Me, to bear My Name before the Gentiles and kings, and the children of Israel: for I will show him how many things he must suffer for My Name's said. Luke also records the words of Jesus that repentance and remission of sins should be reached in His name among all nations" (24:47).

Unswerving loyalty, dedication, holy determination and spiritual enthusiasm were some of the traits of the early saints. That is why His Name was spread abroad (Mark 6:14). Their commitment was summed up in Paul's words to the Colossians: "And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the Name of the Lord Jesus" (Colossians 3:17). Under this banner they marched into the mouth of fierce opposition. "Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this Name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us" (Acts 5:28). There was not a traitor in the crowd. They kept marching forward with truth and "rejoicing that they were counted

worthy to suffer shame for His name." (v 41).

THE MAJESTY OF HIS NAME. "Holy and reverend is His Name" (Psalm 111:19). The Apostle Paul speaks of the influence of His Name over all other names. "Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a Name which is above every name" (Philippians 2:9). And then Paul speaks of a conclusive and final recognition of that Name. "That at the name of Jesus every knee should obow ... and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord" (vv 10-11), Some knees will bow in humble worship to the Lord Jesus Who is their personal Savior. Some knees will bow in weighty guilt of unregenerate hearts. Some tongues will confess the blessed experience of knowing Jesus as Lord. Other tongues will confess that other people and things were the master of their lives. What about you?

IN JESUS' NAME. These words need to be spoken clearly and loudly and often. Speak them in the secret closet of prayer. Speak them in the home. Speak them in the assembly of the saints. Speak them while doing daily tasks. Above all speak them in the hour and place of need. Where His Name is honored the whole atmosphere will be filled with His lovely fragrance; horror will turn to courage, hate will turn to love, fear will turn to peace. Remember, The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous runneth into it, and is safe (Proverbs 18:10).

> Yours in Calvary love, J. Gordon Henry

"Know that the LORD is God"

Psalm 100:1

The personal name <u>Yahweh</u>, translated "the LORD, was first revealed to Moses. You can read the account in **Exodus 3**. God said to Moses that name, which <u>means "The One Who is Always Present</u>," was to be "My name forever, the name by which I am to be remembered from generation to generation" (**Exodus 3:15**). **Psalm 100** exults that it is Yahweh who is God, "He who made us and we are His," is the one true God.

During June 2021 many believers read the Book of the Psalms. Did you notice the WORSHIP THEMES that are developed in the hymnbook of Israel from many of the psalms? These themes focus on who God is, on what He has done, and the wonder of His love for His people. An example is Psalm 106:1: "Praise the LORD! Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His love endures forever."



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11,482 feet

Comfort and Encouragement in the Psalms

Mark these psalms for ready reference. When . . .

- > You feel abandoned (Psalm 30);
- > Your world seems to be falling apart (Psalm 46);
- You are afraid (Psalms 23, 91);
- You feel guilty (Psalms 51, 32);
- > Your family gets on your nerves (Psalms 127, 128);
- You are facing a daunting challenge (Psalm 27);
- You are discouraged by the apparent prosperity of the wicked (Psalms 37,73);
- > You do not feel very thankful (Psalm 107);
- You feel as though God has forgotten you (Psalm 139);
- You are tempted to lose faith in God (Psalms 62);
- You have lost your eternal perspective (Psalm 90);
- > You feel you are barely hanging on (Psalm 86);
- > You are wondering what God expects (Psalm 15);
- > You want to know God better (Psalms 42, 63);
- You need to be reminded of the goodness of God (Psalm 103);
- > You need to recommit yourself to serving God (Psalm 116);
- > You need wisdom (Psalm 119);
- > You need a reminder of God's mercy (Psalm 136);
- You feel like celebrating (Psalms 95-100).

Greatest Story Ever Told: GOD LOVES YOU

Psalm 103 A thousand years before Christ David set down a list of ways in which God loves you and me. His list is quite specific, helpful because sweeping generalizations fall short of the impact of these in this model. How does God love us? He forgives our sins and heals our diseases (\mathbf{v} 3), He preserves our life and crowns us with love and compassion (\mathbf{v} 4). He satisfies our desires with good things (\mathbf{v} 5). He works just for the oppressed (\mathbf{v} 6). He made known His ways to Moses and revealed Himself in history's mighty acts (\mathbf{v} 7. And the list goes on. He is compassionate and slow to anger (\mathbf{v} 8). He does not treat us as our sins deserve (\mathbf{v} 10). And still there are more. Keep adding to the list as you read **Psalm 103**.

This psalm, as do others, celebrate God's love. I encourage each reader to jot down this psalm on the inside back cover of your Bible for ready reference during times when you feel down, when life seems hard and the future so bleak that you can see nothing but darkness ahead. As you count with David the ways that God loves you, the darkness will break. And, with David, you will be lifted up to sing God's praise.

Paul's words to the Romans sums up God's greatest expression of His love: "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

Do you believe He died for you and God raised Him to life? Do you believe He is Lord? Ask Him to save you now! GOD LOVES YOU!

What it Took to Wake Me Up

Vance Havner

I will never forget what it took to wake me up. I had become careless and indifferent in the ministry of the Gospel, when an old friend of mine invited me to a small country town to spend the weekend.

I went up there and was taking it easy. Two Scotch preachers were holding a meeting in the First Baptist Church. Now one Scotch preacher is enough for any town at one time, let alone, two Scotch preachers!

On Sunday night I decided I would grace the occasion with my august presence. I went over there. I thought right well of myself when I went into that church, but if ever a crowd had its picture taken accurately, we did that night.

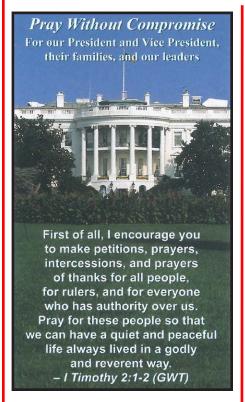
One of those Scotch preachers preached an hour and fifteen minutes, and the other was way behind the organ praying all the time the first one was preaching. No wonder he dynamited, lacerated, analyzed, dissected, took us apart, and did not seem to care whether he ever got us back together or not!

After it was over, I went out of there saying, Lord, there is a fool here somewhere, either that Scotch preacher or myself. And the Lord accommodated me by showing me that it was not the Scotch preacher.

I tell you I have appreciated that kind of preaching until this day. He jarred my teeth loose. We need something today all over our land to jar us loose. We know plenty. But God help us, what do we do about it?

Note from JGH: During my twentyseven year pastoral tenure, I had the privilege to lead many revivals in local churches and in a few tent revivals. In preparation, I adopted the Isaiah 58:1 approach to remind me about the seriousness of my opportunity: "Cry aloud, spare not, Lift up your voice like a trumpet; Tell My people their transgression and the house of Jacob their sin." In those days, revival meetings were two weeks' duration. The first week was devoted to believers since revival must begin at the house of God. There were many much needed re-dedications as the Holy Spirit did His work. The second week was evangelistic and many, many were saved by the blood of Jesus.

My primary mentor during my early years was my beloved pastor, Harris Bell (H.B.) Harris, the best preacher I have ever heard. He was called home on January 30, 1961 at the age of 43, along with his beautiful daughter, Elizabeth (17), in a horrific automobile accident in Rockcastle County, Kentucky. Another mentor was C.A. Bantham. Uncle Banty adopted Sue and me in the early days of our marriage. His evangelistic work covered forty-two states and included leading singing for Billy Sunday crusades for a number of years. In his younger days he was associated with H. A. Ironside and R. A. Torrey, My favorite song was his rendition of When I Make My Last Move from earth to Heaven, Powerful! Gripping! He made his last move in the summer of 1961 while on a visit to Bristol. Tennessee, to counsel with a Dentist whom he had won to Christ and his wife during a crisis in their lives.



STILL THE PATHWAY

"[When] My people called by Name, will humble themselves and pray, seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from Heaven, forgive their sins and heal their land" 2 Chronicles 7:14

NOTES from my BIBLE



Note 5076. America's <u>only hope</u> is a <u>spiritual awakening</u>.

Note 5077. Without revival, America is lost; it is time to pray fervently as never before crying out to God.

Note 5078. The only hope for America is that we return to God. Note 5079. Revival/spiritual awakening only comes through repentance (changing mind leading to a change of behavior).

Note 5080. Look around. It is time to cry out to God in humility.

A REMINDER: TODAY
PRAY. TODAY IS THE TIME TO
BE DILIGENT. TODAY IS THE
TIME TO BE VIGILANT! TODAY
IS THE TIME TO STAND UP.
TOMORROW MAY BE TOO LATE.



HAPPY 245th BIRTHDAY UNITED STATES OF AMERICA JULY 4 1776-JULY 4,2021

MY COMMITMENT:
REMEMBERING YOU IN PRAYER.
KEEPING YOU CLOSE IN THOUGHT.

PRAYER CALENDAR **JULY 2021**

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

THURSDAY, JULY 1

Proverbs 1-4 (USA 332.3) Burma Abbott (VA)

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)

FRIDAY, JULY 2 Priverbs 5-9 (USA 332.3)

Linda Beattie (PA) Tim Bash-GCCC (NJ)

Emily Baskin (TN)

Tommy Bell (TN)

Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN) Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)

Beulah Baptist Church (VA) Dr. Dennis Hollandsworth

SATURDAY, JULY 3

Proverbs 10-13 (USA 332.3) Beverly Blankenship (TN)

Loretta Bolen (VA)

William/Debbie Bowden (NC)

Kathleen Boyce (PA)

Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)

Jean Bradshaw (VA)

Kim Bradshaw (VA)

Lurlene Braud (VA)

Michal Breed (WI)

SUNDAY, JULY 4

Nancy Bretz (PA)

Judy Britt (GA)

Dorothy Brooks (VA) Brenda Brown (NJ)

Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)

Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE)

Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)

Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)

Cileen Camarena (NJ)

Anne Campbell (VA)

Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)

MONDAY, JULY 5

Proverbs 14-17 (USA 332.3)

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)

TUESDAY, JULY 6

Proverbs 18-21 (USA 332.3)

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)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7

Proverbs 22-24 (USA 332.3)

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)

THURSDAY, JULY 8

Proverbs 25-29 (USA 332.3)

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) FRIDAY.JUNE 9

Proverbs 30-31 (USA 332.3)

Sam/Michele Graisbery (NJ) Dale & Mary Gray (IL) Odether Gray (GA)

Linda Gregory (UT)

Mike Hall (IN) Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN)

Sadie Harris (VA)

Hazel Hartless (VA)

William & Sara Hefner (PA) Mary Pat Hendrick (VA)

SATURDAY, JULY 10

Ecclesiastes 1-6 (USA 332.3)

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)

SUNDAY, JULY 11

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)

MONDAY, JULY 12)

Ecclesiastes 7-12 (USA 332.3)

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)

TUESDAY, JULY 13

Song of Solomon (USA 332.3)

Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY)

Gwen Johnson (AZ)

Iris Johnson (MD)

Jim & Penny Johnson (KY)

Vicky Johnson (MD) Rick & Betsy Johnson (TN)

James Jones (FL)

Paul Jones (KY) WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

Isaiah 1-4 (USA 332.3)

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 THURSAY, JULY 15

Isaiah 5-7 (IUSA 332.3)

Louis & Jane Kiger (VA)

Larry & Janet King (NC)

Ken & Bonnie Kirby (PA) Robert & Andrea Klepper (TN) Kenneth & Amy Kollar (ID) Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI) FRIDAY, JULY 16 Isaiah 8-12 (USA 332.3) Korean Branch: Dr. Shin Kwang Suk Joel & Jackie Kramar (VA) Woodrow & Linda Kroll (NE) Sylvia LaFond (ME) Craig & Molly Lampe (AZ) Phil Landers (OK) Del & Mary Leach (VA) Aaron & Wanda Lewis (MD) SATURDAY, JULY 17 Isaiah 13-16 (USA 332.3))) Liberty University (VA) Jerry Prevo, 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) SUNDAY, JULY 18 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) MONDAY, JULY 19 Isaiah 17-20 ((USA 332.3) 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) Elenor Muse (NJ) 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) Bob & Sandy Swain (VA) Cliff & Mary Pavalonis (VA) Brian/Janice Tarraferro (TX) Pecks Baptist Church (VA) Billy & Sharon Taylor (PA) Bryan Sheehan, Pastor Ron Taylor (VA) Sandy Pederson (MN) Stephanie Taylor (GA) Jack & Carollyn Peerman (VA) Jimmy & Mary Thomas (VA) Jim & Barb Peterson (MI) TUESDAY, JULY 27 Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA) Isaiah 44-48 (Kosovo 1.9M) WEDNESDAY, JULY 21 Mona Henry Thomas (VA) W. D./Jackie Thomason (TN) Isaiah 24-27((USA 332.3) Montez Thompson (WI) Greg & Christene Powell (VA) Cathy Tilton (VA) Elbert & Barbara Powell (VA) Paula Tipton (TN) Marshall & Lois Powell (KY) William & Katie Toney (NC) Jeanne & Maggie Pribble (VA Marjorie Randall (TX) Carrol/Ouida Troutman (KY) Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY) Mark/Michelle Rasnake (VA) WEDNESDAY, JULY 28 Dave Ricker (ME) Joyce Riley (KY) Isaiah 49-51 (USA 332.3)) THURSDAY, JULY 22 Diana Troutman (KY) Isaiah 28-30 (USA 332.3)) Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY) Calvin & Valerie Ritchey (VA) Joe & Benita Troutman (KY) John & Sandra Roberts (NC) Marshall Troutman (KY) Dorlos & Betty Robinson (MS) Frances Turpin (VA) Isabell Robotham (NY) Sara Underwood (TN) James & Shelly Rode (FL) Patrick/Patricia Vaden (TN) Clark & Marie Rogers (VA) Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ Wanda Rolater (TN) Jane Verkaik (MI) FRIDAY, JULY 23 George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ) Isaiah 31-35 (Kiribati 105,911) THURSDAY, JULY 29 Bob & Marlene Rose (MI) Isaiah 52-57 (Kyrgyzstan 5.7M) St Paul Baptist Church (IN) Mary Ann Voss (DE) Dr. C. L. Adams, Pastor Michael/Sandra Ward (IN) John Saint (PA) Beau/Ashley/Willow/Will Ware (VA) Don/Marie Satterwhite (MO) Joyce Warpoole (TN) Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA) Holland & Mary Warren (VA) SATURDAY, JULY 24 FRIDAY, JULY 30 Isaiah 36-39 (North Korea 25M) Isaiah 58-62 (Laos 6.9M) Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA) Frank & Nell Weer (KY) Mark/Pamela Schollaert (PA) Nancy Wetzel (KY) Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI) Paul & Diane Wieland (PA) Sam & Jill Scott (VA) Reg/Mary Ann Wilburn (VA) John & Peggy Seibert (AL) Ken & Carol Willis (VA) Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH) SATURDAY, JULY 31 Shenandoah Valley Bapt Ch (VA) Isaiah 63-66 (Latvia 2M) SUNDAY, JULY 25 Julie L. Wilson (PA) Nellie F. Shepard (CT) Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA) Lola Simpson (NY) Eva Winebarger (VA) Bobby & Cindy Smith (TN) Amos & Celia Wipf (GA) Ron & Bonnie Smith (VA) Jonathan & Selena Wood (PA) Helen Sourlis (MD) Layden Wood (VA) Randy/Cheryl Stauter(MN) Lili Wykle (VA) Tim & Pam Steger (ID) Yeshua Ministries (TN) MONDAY, JULY 26 Dr. Frank Bell, President Isaiah 40-43 (South Korea 49.1M) Fred & Susan Zeller (MD) Reba Stinnett (VA) Charles Stinson (VA) Johnny & Rosie Street (TX) **PRAY DAILY**

William Suttles (NC)

DAILY INTERCESSION

Dr. & Mrs. J. Gordon Henry/Adam & Dianna Nathanson

HEALTH

Anne Campbell (VA)
Bruce Kirby [Wanda} (KY)
Barbara Mann [Kenneth] (VA)
Aija Ozolins [John] Latvia
Frank Schollaert [Alta] (PA)
Bobby Smith [Cindy] (TN)
Betty Sommers [Walt] (VA)
Reba Stinnett (VA)
Pablo & Jessica Torres (VA)

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 and me, Adam and Dianna 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." Much prayer, much power! Some prayer, some power! No prayer, no power.

"the fields are white" PRAY FOR LABORERS

Jesus: Matthew 9:35-38, Luke 10:2, John 4:35

INTERNATIONAL [Representative]

Ben & Judy Armacost (England/Europe)

Digmar & Lisbeysi Garcia (Cuba) Shem & Deborah Kamla (Nigeria)

Leslie/Tabitha Motsalane (South Africa)

Enock & Patience Mulomba (Botswana)

Adam & Dianna Nathanson (Venezuela)

ani & Diamia Nathanson (Venezuela)

Martin & Anne Shikuku (Kenya)

Joseph & Esther Tan (Singapore)

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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

May 25-June 25, 2021

 Regular
 46
 \$5,116.96

 Martin's
 1
 50.00

 Total
 44
 \$5,166.96





Absent from the body . . . Present with the Lord" 2 Corinthians 5:1,8b

IN LOVING MEMORY

DOUGLAS CHAD GOODNER July 27, 1972—June 7, 2021 Skiatook, Oklahoma

Survivors: Wife: Wendy "Gwen" Henry Goodner, Son, Caleb (15). and Daughter, Lillian (11).

(the Henrys' granddaughter and great-grandchildren).

Chad, our grandson-in-law, and his family were active in Rejoice [Free-will Baptist] Church, Collinsville, Oklahoma. He was in Law Enforcement and had a Master's Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling. His untimely death through a traffic accident was a great loss for his family, his community, and his profession as was attested by the two-hour memorial service.



DOORKEEPER
EDRA LANDERS (MRS. PHIL)
October 5, 1938- May 23, 2021
Nowata,Oklahoma

I am home in Heaven dear ones: Oh, so happy and bright! There is perfect joy and beauty In this everlasting light. All pain and grief is over, **Every restless tossing passed;** I am now at peace forever. Safely home in Heaven at last. There is work still waiting for you So you must not idly stand, Do it now, while life remaineth-You shall rest in Jesus' land. When that work is all completed, He will gently call you Home; Oh the rapture of that meeting, Oh the joy to see you come!

CONDOLENCES TO LT. COLONEL AND MRS. TERRY CRAIG (retired Air Force) in the death of their daughter, Tina, in an ATV Rollover on their farm in Mosheim, Tennessee. She came to Christ and was baptized under Dr. Henry's ministry. WE CHERISH THE MEMORIES. THE TERRYS HAVE BEEN FAITHFUL DOORKEEPERS FOR MANY YEARS.

A Great Discovery: "I FOUND THE ANSWER, I LEARNED TO PRAY"

The prayer seminar ministry began during my tenure at Northeastern Bible College, Essex Fells, New Jersey in the early 1980s. Since my administrative duties as president required my being on campus during the week days, most of the seminars were scheduled for the weekend, usually all-day Sundays.

When Pastor Clint Brooks urged me to travel back to Central Virginia for a prayer seminar in Yellow Branch Baptist Church, his pastorate, I hesitated to accept. But Clint was one of two retired pastors who had placed their membership in Pleasant View Baptist Church, Lynchburg, where I served as pastor. The other pastor was Sanford Dean. How could I turn him down?

I enjoyed every minute of the days at Yellow Branch. When it was time to return to New Jersey, Clint gave me a cassette tape he had prepared with many hymns to listen to as I drove. One was a song I had never heard before, "I Found the Answer, I Learned to Pray" by Johnny Lange. The words expressed my own experience that lead to the prayer seminar ministry. As I drove home, I played it over and over. I often sing it to myself. Read the lyrics for yourself on page twenty and see why I have used it in prayer seminars around the world.

A lesson I learned from this experience was that my physical presence was not needed to keep Northeastern functioning! That lesson freed me to leave my secular work without any fear that my absence would be a negative!

PRAYER BOOKMARKS

To mobilize prayer warriors for our trips to other nations, we always prepared prayer bookmarks. We knew from the moment we left home until we returned that many were providing prayer covering for us and for each encounter. We needed financial support to be able to go, but more than funding, we needed prayer support. Our testimony is that we have never had a prayer seminar that we did not sense the unction of the Holy Spirit moving. Keep it up for our work to continue.

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OCT 19—NOV 4, 2013

CARACAS
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 SAN FERNANDO de
 ATAPABO

SANTA ELENA



"Brethren, pray for us that the Word of God may have free course" 1 Thessalonians 3:1a

Jesus said:
"It is more blessed to give than to receive."
Acts 20:35

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Looking Back to Look Forward



It was not in my mind to take the prayer seminar ministry to other nations. In fact, the route was circuitous to making that a reality. For twenty-seven years, I was bivocational in the sense of dividing my time between being an educator and being a local church pastor. Actually, I cherished both roles and found them quite complementary. Then as the eagle is reputed to stir up the nest to move young eaglets to leave their nest and strike out on their own, the Holy Spirit began to enlarge my vision for the world.

The decision in 1980 to accept the presidency of Northeastern Bible College, Essex Fells, New Jersey was major because I would no longer be a pastor. As I wrestled with the tension this dilemma created. my horizon began to expand for the world. God's plan was for me to continue to be bi-vocational. but the prayer seminar ministry replaced the local church pastorate; a nationwide Christian accrediting agency for institutions of higher learning whose mission statement included the historicity of the first eleven chapters of Genesis, including creation, not evolution, as the origin of the universe and mankind. We relocated from the New York City area to Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

When Sue and I, received an invitation to conduct prayer seminars in India in 1985, we knew we could not do it alone. The **Doorkeeper Program** became the vehicle to mobilize prayer and financial partners to enable us to ao. We were careful to remember that we not only represented the LORD as we went out to other nations, we were representing the Doorkeepers who provided the support. We kept the Doorkeepers fully informed step by step. Soon it was clear that J. Gordon Henry Ministries was not "my ministry but "our" ministry. Joy Baugh, Doorkeeper from Bradenton, Florida, encapsulated the relationship that had been forged when she wrote "we feel like you belong to us." The world became our venue. We used vacation time from TRACS. the accrediting agency, and Middle Tennessee Medical Center (for Sue) to go to other nations. Otherwise, every weekend for me was traveling across the United States conducting prayer seminars.

At some point, I followed the model of Jeremiah. When he could not go (because he was confined in prison) with his message, he talked things over with Baruch, his scribe and assistant. "I cannot go, you go" (Jeremiah 36:5,6). This became the banner statement for many years. Many of our partners in ministry could not go but commissioned us to go in their place.



Now forty years and 1,740 prayer seminars (47 states, District of Columbia, and 59 nations), and 2,851,822 miles later, Sue and I cannot go for a variety of reasons, but we can be <u>Ropeholder Doorkeepers</u> for those who can go. We have some of the very best teachers and soldiers of the Cross in several nations who are conducting prayer seminars, mobilizing and equipping believers to become Lighthouses of Prayer for their areas and for the world.

The Prayer Seminar, itself, is now in the able hands of Adam Nathanson, our colleague in ministry since 1997. In spite of the Pandemic, Adam has conducted eleven prayer seminars here and in several other nations. He has diligently worked to lay the groundwork for a full venue of seminars in years to come. To facilitate support for Adam and our teachers in other nations, J. Gordon Henry Ministries remains active as a way that those who are led by the Holy Spirit can continue to go through others.

I do not know what lies ahead,
The way I cannot see;
Yet One stands near to be my Guide,
He'll show the way to me.
I know Who holds the future
And I know He holds my hand;
With God things don't just happen,
Everything by Him is planned.
So as I face tomorrow
With its problems large or small,
I'll trust the God of miracles
And give to Him my all.

Eugene Clark

The person who knows God as his Heavenly Father, through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, looks ahead with confidence, assured that the affairs of men and nations are under the control and guidance of the only Creator and Sustainer of all things.

From our church bulletin, March 15, 1970.







God bless America, Land that I love,
Stand beside her, and guide her
Through the night, with a light from above.
From the mountains, to the prairies,
To the oceans white with foam,
God bless America, my home sweet home.
Irving Berlin

Shining City on the Hill— Reagan's Metaphor for America

Ronald Wilson Reagan, 40th President of the United States, left us on the eve of the 60th anniversary of D-Day. During his political career, he often used the "shining city on the hill" as a metaphor for America. In his farewell speech from the Oval Office, January, 1989, he explained what he had in mind.

"I've spoken of the shining city all my political life, but I don't know if I ever quite communicated what I saw when I said it. But in my mind it was a tall proud city built on rocks stronger than oceans, wind swept, God blessed and teeming with people of all kinds living in harmony and peace, a city with free ports that hummed with commerce and creativity, and if there had to be city walls the walls had doors and the doors were open to anyone with the will and the heart to get here. ... And how stands the city on this winter night? More prosperous, more secure and happier than it was eight years ago. But more than that; after two hundred years, two centuries, she still stands strong and true on the granite ridge, and

her glow has held steady no matter what storm. And she's still a beacon. still a magnet for all who must have freedom, for all the pilgrims from all the lost places who are hurtling through the darkness, toward home. We've done our part. And as I walk into the city streets, a final word to the men and women of the Reagan revolution, the men and women across America who for eight years did the work that brought America back. My friends: We did it. We weren't just marking time, we made a difference. We made the city stronger, we made the city freer, and we left her in good hands. All in all, not bad. Not bad at all. And so, goodbye. God bless you, and God bless the United States of America."

President George W. Bush Tribute upon Reagan's Death

Although much can be said about the legacy of President Reagan, the first statement made by President George W. Bush from France, where he was conducting a state visit commemorating the sixeth anniversary of D-Day, pulls together the sentiments of many in our nation as we thank God for His gift of Ronald Reagan to America:

"This is a sad hour in the life of America. A great American life has come to an end. Ronald Reagan won America's respect with his greatness, and won its love with his goodness. He had the confidence that comes from conviction, the strength that comes from character, the grace that comes with humility, and the humor that comes with wisdom. He leaves behind a nation he restored and a world he helped save.

During the years of President Reagan, America laid to rest an era of division and self-doubt. And because of his leadership, the world laid to rest an era of fear and tyranny. Now, in laying our leader to rest, we say thank you.

He always told us that for America, the best was yet to come. We comfort ourselves in the knowledge that this is true for him, too. His work is done, and now a shining city awaits him. May God bless Ronald Reagan."

Many leaders had gathered for the 60th anniversary of D-Day. Almost 20 years to the day, President Reagan made one of his most beloved speeches, where he offered a compelling picture of how "the boys of Point du Hoc," struck a death knell to the Nazism and Fascism gripping Europe. He extended moral clarity to the great conflict of his day, possessing a steadfast commitment not just to contain communism, but to defeat it. In rebuilding the military, and facing down the tyranny of communism, he relegated the Evil Empire to the ash heap of history. In restoring our faith in the free enterprise system through cutting taxes, he encouraged innovation. And most importantly, he instilled in us eternal optimism in America."

OUR NATION IS IN TROUBLE

America's moral foundation is crumbling. A grave peril is that even religious freedom is in jeopardy. There are approaches under way, under the guise of equity and fairness to break down any Biblical standards that would stand in the way of Satan's goals. Beware of the modern attacks on the very core of our moral society.

How should we as God's people live as salt and light in a growingly hostile and intolerant society? You will find the answers in the Word of God.

We know that Satan is the author of confusion. We should not be ignorant of his wiles (strategems/tricks). All one has to do to see what is happening is to watch a news program or read a newspaper. List the issues that are before us today. Assess them on the basis of Biblical standards.

Our culture is practicing each of the acts that God calls abomination. One can only tremble for a nation where many are shaking their fists in God's face. Payday is coming! Judgment is coming! God will not be mocked. He has given us time to come to our senses. Will we respond before it is too late?

The future of our nation and lifestyle are in our hands—folded hands in prayer.

What July Fourth Means to Me Ronald Reagan

Note: When he was president of the United States, Ronald Reagan wrote the following article for Independence Day in 1981. Aide Michael Deaver wrote: "This 4th of July message is the President's own words written initially in his own hand."



For one who was born and grew up in the small towns of the Midwest, there is a special kind of nostalgia about the Fourth of July. I remember it as a day almost as long-anticipated as Christmas. This was helped along by the appearance in store windows of all kinds of fireworks and colorful posters advertising them with vivid pictures.

No later than the third of July, sometimes earlier, Dad would bring home what he felt he could afford to see go up in smoke and flame. We'd count and recount the number of firecrackers, display pieces and other things and go to bed determined to be up with the sun so as to offer the first, thunderous notice of the Fourth of July.

I'm afraid we didn't give too much thought to the meaning of the day. And, yes, there were tragic accidents to mar it, resulting from careless handling of the fireworks. I'm sure we're better off today with fireworks handled by professionals. Yet there was a thrill never to be forgotten in seeing a tin can blown thirty feet in the air by a giant "cracker," giant meaning it was about four inches long. But enough of nostalgia.

Somewhere in our growing up, we began to be aware of the meaning of days and with awareness came the birth of patriotism. July Fourth is the birthday of our nation. I believed as a boy, and believe, even more today, that it is the birthday of the greatest nation on earth.

There is a legend about the day of our nation's birth in Philadelphia, a day on which debate had raged for hours. The men gathered there were honorable men hard-pressed by a king who had flouted the very laws they were willing to obey. Even so, to sign the Declaration of Independence was such an irretrievable act that the walls resounded with the words, "treason, the gallows, the headsman's axe," and the issue remained in doubt.

The legend says that at that point a man rose and spoke. He is described as not a young man, but one who had to summon all his energy for an impassioned plea. He cited the grievances that had brought them to this moment and finally, his voice falling, he said, "They may turn every tree into a gallows, every hole into a grave, and yet the words of that parchment can never die. To the mechanic in the workshop, they speak hope; to the slave in the mines, freedom. Sign that parchment. Sign if the next moment the noose is around your neck, for that parchment will be the textbook of freedom, the Bible of the rights of man forever."

He fell back exhausted. The fifty-six delegates, swept up by his eloquence, rushed forward and signed that document destined to be as immortal as a work of man can be. When they turned to thank him for his timely oratory, he was not to be found, nor could any be found who knew who he was or how he had come in or gone out through the locked and guarded doors.

Well, that is legend. But we do know for certain that fifty-six men, a little band so unique we have never seen their like since, had pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor. Some gave their lives in the war that followed, most gave their fortunes, and all preserved their sacred honor.

What manner of men were they? Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists, eleven were merchants and tradesmen, and nine were farmers. They were soft-spoken men of means and education; they were not unwashed rabble. They had achieved security, but valued freedom more. Their stories have not been told nearly enough.

John Hart was driven from the side of his desperately ill wife. For more than a year, he lived in the forest and in caves before he returned to find his wife dead, his children vanished, his property destroyed. He died of exhaustion and a broken heart.

Carter Braxton of Virginia lost all his ships, sold his home to pay his debts, and died in rags. And so it was with Ellery, Clymer, Hall, Walton, Gwinnett, Rutledge, Morris, Livingston and Middleton. Nelson personally urged Washington to fire on his home and destroy it when it became the headquarters for General Cornwallis. Nelson died bankrupt.

But they sired a nation that grew from sea to shining sea. Five million farms, quiet villages, cities that never sleep, 3 million square miles of forest, field, mountain and desert, 227 million people with a pedigree that includes the bloodlines of the world. In recent years, however, I've come to think of that day as more than just the birthday of a nation.

It also commemorates the only true philosophical revolution in all history. Oh, there have been revolutions before and since ours. But those revolutions simply exchanged one set of rules for another. Ours was a revolution that changed the very concept of government.

Let the Fourth of July always be a reminder that here in this land, for the first time, it was decided that man is born with certain God-given rights; that government is only a convenience created and managed by the people, with no powers of its own except those voluntarily granted to it by the people. We sometimes forget that great truth, and we never should.

Happy Fourth of July.

Ronald Reagan

GOD, WE NEED YOUR MERCY FOR OUR BELOVED NATION. HELP!



