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You can be a missionary

FOCUS ON KENYA 2022

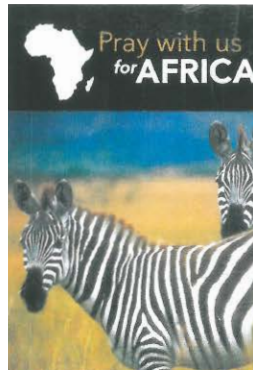
We are living in a remarkable era of history. Due to the modern transportation and God's personal blessings, **many believers have been able to travel to other nations on what is called "short-term missions."** Without fail, they come back changed with a vision of the world, and their place in it, carrying experiences they will not soon forget. The privilege of going personally, regardless of sacrifice required—and the sacrifice is often heavy, indeed—is a precious opportunity and is worth the effort. **Are you one who has gone to other nations for the Lord Jesus Christ?**

Before you answer, let me remind you that you may not have the privilege and opportunity of going physically to mission fields of the world, but **every one of us can go with our prayers and our money.** Through the prayer seminar ministry, many of you have been able to have an impact in over sixty nations by investing both prayers and finances. Thanks to the **Doorkeepers** Sue and I have gone to many nations. We gladly served as your missionaries in other nations. There is not a day that passes when we do not remember that you served with us as **a sending missionary.** That fact is recorded in your record book in Heaven!

Since our first foray to India in 1985, God has opened doors for us into over sixty nations: Argentina, Australia, Austria*, the Bahamas, Botswana, Brazil, Burundi, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Dominican Republic, England, Egypt*, Fiji Islands, France, Germany, Greece*, India, Indonesia, Israel*, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan*, Kenya, South Korea, Lesotho, Malaysia, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, the Netherlands*, New Zealand, Nigeria, N. Ireland, Okinawa, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, Romania, Russia, Rwanda, Scotland, Singapore, South Africa, Sudan, Swaziland, Switzerland, Tanzania, Thailand, Trinidad-Tobago, Uganda, Ukraine, Uruguay, Venezuela, and Zambia. **The Prayer Seminar Workbook** has been translated into many languages, including, Spanish, German, French, Portuguese, Russian, Romanian, Malay, Telugu, Sotho, Thai, Indonesian, Hausa/Fulani, Ibo, Korean, Urdu, Luganda, Swahili and others. Thousands upon thousands have been taught the purpose and power of pray; hundreds have come to Christ and have committed to becoming **Lighthouses of Prayer.** *In conjunction with JGHM Holy Land Tours.

Many of our readers are in churches where there is an active interest in missions. Most of these churches have a Missions Committee and regular emphases on the people of the world. An annual missions conference, considered a highlight in the church calendar, is used to sharpen the interest in other nations. The fields are white to harvest. A key element in these churches is to remind the people to pray for laborers. **Nothing is more important than praying for laborers as Jesus taught (Matthew 9:35-38, Luke 10:2, John 4:35).** Over the years, many times I have heard my wife, Sue, say to groups she has led, **"Don't expect great blessings upon your church if you are not supporting missions."** When your church supports missions, you have a part as well. Most of these churches feature a brief word on missions and a prayer period in each worship service. As you give to missions through your local church, you are involved in fulfilling the Great Commission. It is important, also, to understand that **you can be a missionary** in your local community as you share Christ and **let the salt get out of the salt shaker.** **Do you have the world on your heart?** 110 nations will not issue visas for Christian ministry, but God does not have to have a visa.

It is all of His wonderful grace that we have salvation, a ministry, and a call to share with others around the world. Determine to be faithful in doing your part to fulfill the Great Commission. No matter your age or circumstances, you can have a part in world evangelization.



Nigeria and Kenya

Since the very first international prayer seminars, January 19-February 6, 1987, Africa has been a focus for our international ministry. The groundwork was laid in Owerri, Imo State, Nigeria with the Ibo people working with the Baptist Convention. The second trip to Nigeria was November 17-December 2, 1988. Zambia came next in 1996. JGHM; SOUTHERN AFRICA BRANCH was established in 1998 and included South Africa, Lesotho, Mozambique, Swaziland, Botswana, Namibia. Then JGHM:East/Central Africa was established in 2009. Consider what is happening in Nigeria and Kenya as representative of the international phase of the prayer seminar on six continents:

NIGERIA. During the past few months, our **Doorkeepers** have partnered with the Nigerian prayer ministry, led by **Sunday Congo** and his team, in developing and implementing a strategy to ensure support for the prayer seminar ministry in years to come. Our goal was to provide \$13,000 to be used to print prayer seminar workbooks in both English and Hausa, as well as a supply of **Sunday Bwanhot's Lord Teach Us to Pray.** The goal has long been that every Nigerian church become a praying church. It is the assessment of **Sunday Bwanhot** who, along with the late **Onesimus Sule**, founded the Nigeria prayer ministry following the 1988 seminars, writes: "Rev. **Sunday Congo** at the Prayer Office in Jos is doing excellent work. He uses a WhatsApp platform to communicate with the Prayer Coordinators that have been appointed by ECWA in all our 90 Church Districts. God is using the Prayer Office in tremendous ways and we give God the glory. He organizes a Revival Prayer Meeting twice each month at the ECWA Headquarters in Jos. Through these prayer meetings, many individuals have confessed sins and brought charms they have been relying on. Even several pastors have repented and surrendered charms they have used. People have been healed physically and a lot is going on for which we thank God."

Sunday Congo reports: "Following the long-range plan, 10,000 English Prayer Seminar Workbooks and 3,500 copies of **Lord, Teach Us to Pray** have been printed and delivered. The **Hausa Prayer Seminar Workbook** has recently been printed and will be delivered to us. The total cost for printing all the materials has been paid. Our plan is to sell the material at an affordable price after which the amount will be used to print more copies. The Prayer Ministry is truly grateful to God for His grace, and for **J. Gordon Henry Ministries** and **Sunday Bwanhot** for their moral and financial support. Please keep praying for us. We have many seminars to conduct. Revival services are being organized. We see God moving on a daily basis as we teach God's children the purpose and power of prayer."

KENYA. A word from **Martin Shikuku**, director JGHM:East/Central Africa Branch. Perhaps you have heard that the Book of Acts has never been completed. It closes with Paul unhindered in "in preaching and teaching the things concerning the Lord Jesus Christ" (Acts 28:). Since 2006, we have worked closely with **Martin**. Not only has God worked mightily in Nigeria in West Africa, He has done the same in East/Central Africa. All in all, the fruit of **Martin's** labor probably surpasses anything that JGHM has supported any place in the world.

"We are well in the Lord as a family, a church (**Glory Baptist Church, Eldoret, West Kenya**), and the prayer seminar ministry. We are moving on well with the vision God has given us. Most recently, April 10-17, part of my target has been to conduct training sessions for pastors and leaders from forty-four of the forty-seven Kenyan states. All who came to Eldoret for Prayer Seminars Training returned home with a vision to develop strong prayer support. They

will lead a Day of Prayer across Kenya on August 6. Our goal is to mobilize 100 pastors to become intercessors with a series of prayer seminars throughout the nation as Dr. Henry has taught us, PRAYER IS THE WORK THAT MUST COME BEFORE ALL OTHER WORK. Our desire is to cover Kenya with prayer before the national elections that will be carried out on August 9, 2022.

We have developed a budget to enable the vision to be carried out. (1) Ongoing communications and Mobilizations (emails, letters, cell phones etc); (2) 5,000 Swahili prayer seminar workbooks -- \$4,850; (3) 5,000 pens \$620, (4) simple meals of rice with beans, (5). transportation/accommodations (as needed), To provide (1), (4), (5) - \$3,570. TOTAL NEEDED - \$9,040."

AN INTERESTING STATISTIC. In 2006, Martin was introduced to the prayer seminar joining over 100 pastors in Jim Britt's Bible Institute. He immediately asked if it would be possible to bring the prayer seminar to **West Kenya**. In preparation for my first return visit, he translated the English prayer seminar workbook into the Swahili language—writing it out in long hand. At that time he did not own a car. His transportation was walking or riding a bus. JGHM worked with him to purchase his first automobile and to take him on his first plane ride. He has headed the **JGHM: East/Central Africa Branch** since it was formed in April 2013. The composite statistics of number of prayer seminars, number of pastors, number of churches, conversions, and miles traveled are amazing.

An interesting statistic is the number of prayer seminars he has taught—200. He has blanketed Kenya with prayer seminars mobilizing thousands as Lighthouses of Prayer. When we group all prayer seminars that we know have been taught around the world, the number now exceeds 2,000. Indeed, that is AN INTERESTING STATISTIC that I never expected to see.

As a final token of acknowledgement of the work Martin has done, we want to make an effort to support him and his ministry for the August seminars, Will you help provide the funds for the August prayer seminars in Kenya. The project is termed **FOCUS ON KENYA 2022**. A special response envelope is included. Please pray about joining me in raising the needed funds for this humble servant of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Yours in Calvary love,
J. Gordon Henry

SUE HENRY'S PRAYER AT ADAM NATHANSON INSTALLATION
Saturday, April 30, 2022 at 10 :15 AM

Dr Henry to Sue: "Will you please pray for Adam and his leading of the Prayer Seminar?"

Sue: "Yes. Father it is with joy and thanksgiving that we come to pray to You for Adam. We know that as we age in years changes come. And I thank You for the time Adam has had and the experiences that will enable him to carry on this ministry. And so I pray to that end today. I pray for his family, I pray for each one in this room, that as they are doing their praying that they will pray for him too, because we need You as we do the work that You have called us to do. So, we say thank you In Jesus' Name. Amen."



SUE HENRY ENCOURAGING CHINESE LADIES
Beijing China JUNE 25, 2000

"Stand in the Gap"

The Scripture for Meditation. "I looked for someone among them who would build up the wall and stand before Me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found no one" (Ezekiel 22:30).

Back in the prophet Ezekiel's day, cities had walls built around them to protect them from enemies. At times there would be a broken place in the wall, something that caused a gap. The enemy could easily come in. So they would pick one of their strongest warriors to stand in the gap until they could get the wall repaired.

As never before in my lifetime, gaps are appearing around the walls in America (the nation overall: homes/families, churches, schools, government, businesses). People all around us have broken down walls. They may have gotten off course, had a divorce or setback, or fighting an illness, but there's a breach in their wall. God is asking each of us "Will you be that warrior who stands in the gap and won't let the enemy defeat them? Will you cover them with prayer and speak faith over their lives while they are repairing the breach? As you see someone in need, fighting a battle, don't be passive. Lift them up in prayer, encourage them, let them know that God loves them and that they are not alone. God will use you to bring healing and restoration. The same is true for your community, your state and your nation.

A PRAYER: "FATHER GOD, thank you for speaking to my heart to stand in the gap for the people in my life who are living with walls broken down and gaps that allow the enemy to gain a foothold. Thank you that I can cover my nation in prayer and will make it my mission to help rebuild our walls. I pray this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

"It is the duty of nations as well as of men to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon."
"Don't interfere with anything in the Constitution. That must be maintained, for it is the only safeguard of our liberties. Nowhere in the world is presented a government of so much liberty and equality. To the humblest and poorest amongst us are help out the highest privileges and positions."
Abraham Lincoln, 16th President of the United States

IN LOVING MEMORY
DOORKEEPER
Lehman B. Wood, Jr.
2/27/1932-6/9/2022
Lynchburg, Virginia
"ABSENT FROM THE BODY,
PRESENT WITH THE LORD"
(2 CORINTHIANS 5:8b)



ROPEHOLDER/DOORKEEPER REPORT
"We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers."
1 Thessalonians 1:2
May 21—June 21, 2022

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