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"Set thee up waymarks" Jeremiah 31:21

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**Dr. Henry at Statute of James & Dolley Madison
Montpelier, Orange, Virginia**

KEEPING RELIGIOUS FREEDOM FIRES BURNING!

"The equal right of every citizen to the free exercise of his Religion, according to the dictates of conscience . . . the gift of nature [God]."

**1785 James Madison
Memorial & Remonstrance**

James Madison served as the fourth president of the United States. In a recent visit to Montpelier, his home in Orange County, Virginia, I came away wishing that the present governmental officials would take the tour and listen to the presentation, which included many quotes from Madison. Montpelier has recently been restored to the Madison era. He is more responsible than any other single American for one of the nation's greatest characteristics religious freedom.

Madison is sometimes referred to as the Father of the Constitution for his pivotal role in guiding the Constitutional Convention. Further, he was the principal framer of the Bill of Rights.

**"Then began men to call upon the name of the Lord."
Genesis 4:26b**

Through God's grace, we are moving further into the second decade of our new century. It is 2013, with over half of the year completed. These are challenging, but exciting, times to let our lights shine for the Lord Jesus Christ. Remember, the light shines brightest when it is darkest. We see the work of Satan, the father of lies and the master of darkness, causing havoc on every hand. For most of my life, he has worked behind the scenes and only here and there. Now there is a wide-range effort to destroy our nation. America is under moral assault. Although many indisputable examples of his devious actions can easily be cited that are destroying lives and homes, there are two that have seemed to gain momentum during 2013.

Did you know that it is estimated that there have been over sixty million babies murdered by abortion? In spite of the disapproval of a major of

Americans, the slaughter continues. Approximately 3,200 babies die every day from abortions. Every twenty-three seconds a baby is killed by abortion in the United States, an act sanctioned by the Supreme Court, the highest court in the land. Through our elected representatives and through an activist judiciary that operates independent of the Constitution and Laws of our land, abortion is legalized contrary to God's injunction to keep life sacred. As the great Dr. Robert G. Lee would say, "There will be 'Pay day, some day!' sooner than we think!"

Although their action currently only applies to California, the Supreme Court has overruled the vote of the people of California that defined marriage as being between a man and a woman. Marriage, itself, the structure of our society, is under attack by our President, and now the Supreme Court's sanction.

We could provide a long litany

of examples of the war being waged on the very foundation of American culture. To say that America's spiritual survival is at stake would be an understatement. What can we do? Pray! It is time for Christians to unite in prayer to wage war to restore America to our Judeo-Christian heritage.

We have a wonderful opportunity to commit ourselves to stand up for the Lord Jesus Christ. Traditionally, the church has raised voices with "Stand up, stand up for Jesus, you soldiers of the cross." Often, we reminded men of faith to "Rise up. O men of God! Have done with lesser things; Give heart and mind and soul and strength to serve the King of kings."

The Word of God is replete with reminders that there is even a land of beginning again for those who need it. If you, as is true of the vast majority of Christians, do not do prayer work, you can get started now. We may be sure that God has told us what we need to know and that He does not ask us to do anything that we cannot with His help accomplish. Further, He empowers His servants for the work He calls us to do to carry out His will and His purpose.

Dependence on God

2 Chronicles 7:14 is a verse we have laid out as being the guideline for Christians to get started and the beginning point is humility. The essence of "**humble**" is an attitude of **dependence upon God and not upon our own strengths and resources**. God has promised that He will look to the person who is humble and who trembles at His Word (**Isaiah 66:2b**). The very first of the characteristics of Kingdom citizens listed by the Lord Jesus Christ in what

is known as the Beatitudes (**Matthew 5:1-12**) deals with this spirit of dependence upon God since those who are poor in spirit are obviously not magnifying their own strengths. Pride would not be willing to acknowledge spiritual poverty. Jesus said, "Blessed are the poor in spirit" as the very beginning point for Kingdom citizens.

Prayer is not new; it has been God's way from the beginning. **Genesis 4:26b**: "Then began men to call upon the name of the Lord." The context of this declaration is the birth of Seth's son who was given the name Enos, which means "weakness." With the coming of Enos, men became conscious of their weakness and need. Matthew Henry believed that the "then" was in the sense of seeing the effects of sin in Cain and Lamech that brought judgment. Thus, descendants of Seth wished to be distinguished as men who feared the Lord and who desired to do His will. Thus, prayer history began when need for God was acknowledged!

Humility is dependence and means that we look to God for everything we need. This sets us free from those things which can easily rob us of our joy: circumstances, people, and things. Genuine freedom comes when we arrive at the point that we need nothing but God. At that point nothing or no one can be a threat to us. We are free to pray for our nation!

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry

**THE PRAYER SEMINAR
MINISTRY IS SUPPORTED BY
THE GIFTS OF OUR FRIENDS.**

He maketh no mistake

My Father's way may twist and turn,
My heart may throb and ache,
But in my soul I'm glad to know,
He maketh no mistake.

My cherished plans may go astray,
My hopes may fade away,
But still I'll trust the Lord to lead,
For He doth know the way.

Tho night may be dark and it may seem,
That day will never break,
I'll pin my faith, my all in Him,
He maketh no mistake.

There's so much now I cannot see,
My eyesight far too dim,
But come what may, I'll simply trust
And leave it all to Him.

For by and by the mist will lift,
And plain it all He'll make,
Through all the way, tho dark to me,
He made not one mistake.

Author unknown

Instant audience

Believers have an instant audience with the Sovereign of the universe in the throne room of heaven by prayer. "Now we know that God does not hear sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, He hears him" (**John 9:31**).

To underline the message the Holy Spirit gave through John's Gospel, He moved on the writer of the Hebrews to say more: "Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need" (**Hebrews 4:16B**). Whenever, wherever, whatever there is instant access, instance audience with your Father.

Prayer is not going to a stranger, but to your Father. You never need to apologize when you need the instant audience. Your coming brings Him pleasure because you are His child through faith in Jesus Christ. Through the blood of Jesus you have access to the "holiest" place in the whole universe, the throne of God (**Hebrews 10:19**).

"Trusting Jesus, that is all ..."

Recently Sue and I stood with one of our **Doorkeeper** families in General Hospital, Lynchburg, VA. During the past few months, **Bruce Henry**, who distinguished himself in special ops in our military to the level that a boulevard has been named for him in Fort Riley, Kansas, has had health issues that have ravaged his strong body and mind. His ability to communicate with **Gina**, his wife, and **Jackie and Sean**, his children has diminished remarkably.

There they stood reaching out to **Bruce**, yet completely helpless. What does one do when the wall is too high to climb over, too wide to go around, and too deep to tunnel through? You can do what the **Henrys** have learned to do trust Jesus. We weep with this family during this time of testing and wish that we could take some of their burden upon our own shoulders. We cannot, but we know of One who can.

A Growing Faith

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not of works, lest anyone should boast" **Ephesians 2:8-9**. "But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him" (**Hebrews 11:6**).

Paul was always concerned about the faith of God's people. An example is his epistles to the church in Thessalonica. He remembered their "work of faith" (**1 Thessalonians 1:3**). That faith was also "spread abroad" (**1:8**). Paul spoke of their growing faith (**2 Thessalonians 1:3**). He wanted to comfort them "concerning [their] faith" (**3:5**). Indeed, he was concerned that their faith was "growing" and "showing" in tangible ways.

As a part of self-examination, we need to ask ourselves whether or not we are making progress in our faith and trust of the Lord? Has it grown since we first believed? Has it grown during the past seven months that we file under **2013**? In my seventy-eighth year, I must ask, "Is my faith growing?" I encourage you to ask the same question.

Frequently our faith grows and matures in the soil of suffering and adversity. On a recording, I have a beautiful rendition of Doug Oldham's **Through it All**, a song written by **Bill and Gloria Gaither**. One of the verses declares that "I thank God for the mountains, I thank Him for the valleys, I thank Him for the storms He has brought me through. For if I never had a problem, I would never know that God could solve it, I wouldn't know

what faith in Him could do" Then the refrain: "Through it all, I have learned to trust in Jesus, I've learned to trust in God, I've learned to depend upon His Word."

Also, opposition tends to cause faith to become more deeply rooted and strong. During my sixty years in the ministry, I have learned to thank God for any person or any circumstance that drives me to my knees.

An interesting story is recorded in **Mark 9:14-29**. The paragraph heading in my study Bible simply states: "A Boy is Healed". When Jesus, Peter, James and John came down from the Mount of Transfiguration, they found a great multitude around them and scribes disputing with them. A man had brought his son who had seizures to Jesus. The disciples could not heal him.

The father was desperate because this condition was from the boy's childhood. Jesus said to him: "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes" (**v 23**). The father said with tears, "Lord, I believe, help my unbelief" (**v 24**). Of course, Jesus healed the boy.

An issue is how much faith is enough? As a Christian, when you have enough faith to turn to Jesus in prayer, that is all the faith you need. Your faith will grow as you do this.

***JESUS
IS
LORD!***

A true friend

A true friend loves in adversity as well as in prosperity. Often it takes hard times to show which friends are genuinely loyal. A quaint note from Dwight L. Moody's Bible says, "A true friend is like ivy, the greater the ruin, the closer he clings". A proverb tells the story. "A brother is for adversity" (**Proverbs 17:17b**), that is, one of the great privileges of brotherhood is to be at your side when you need him most - a true friend. It is not hard to find the Lord Jesus Christ in this truth.

When the going is rough

Christ, if ever my footsteps should falter,
And I be prepared for retreat;
If desert and thorn cause lamenting,
Lord, show me Thy feet.
Thy bleeding feet, Thy nail-scarred feet,
My Jesus, show me Thy feet.
O God, dare I show Thee
My hands and my feet?

Amy Carmichael

**REMEMBER YOU CAN
ALWAYS STEAL AWAY
AND PRAY.**

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IN GOD WE STILL TRUST



NOTES from my BIBLE

Note 2166. The best prayer comes from a strong inward necessity.

Note 2167. In pleasant, prosperous times of life, meaningful prayer is often the first casualty.

Note 2168. Forgiveness is assured as soon as a believer genuinely confesses.

Note 2169. Reciting the great things the Lord has done for us is worship.

Note 2170. Carnal weapons bring carnal results; spiritual weapons produce spiritual results.

DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

1 Thessalonians 1:2

June 15-July 17, 2013

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THANKS, DOORKEEPERS!

Partners with God 1 Corinthians 3:9



WELCOME, NEW DOORKEEPER!
Betty Jackson (OH)

PRAYER CALENDAR

AUGUST 2013

"I will give myself to prayer..."

Psalm 109:4b

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

JER 1-6 (Lichstein 36,713)

Wayne & Edie Aardsma (IL)
Zane & Burma Abbott (VA)
Mae Adams (NC)
Marie Adams (VA)
Robert & Susanne Adams (TN)
Wayne & Jennie Agee (VA)
Norma Ailes (FL)
H. L. & Janie Allen (SC)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

JER 7-10 (Lith 36,713)

Tommy & Pat Apple (NC)
Milcie Arnold (VA)
Leonor Avila (MD)
Bill & Karen Baker (OK)
Consuela Baker (NC)
Mike & Joyce Baker (VA)
Marilyn Barry (VA)
Stan & Emily Baskin (TN)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

JER 11-15 (Luxbrg 509,074)

Jean Beasley (TN)
Tommy Bell (TN)
Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)
Johnny & Juanita Bernard (FL)
Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)
Beverly Blankenship (TN)
Ed & Loretta Bolen (VA)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

Everett/Deborah Boston (MD)
William & Debbie Bowden (MD)
David & Marna Boyd (OR)
Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)
Ed & Jean Bradshaw (VA)
Emilee/Kim Bradshaw (VA)
Nancy Bretz (PA)
Jim & Judy Britt (GA)
Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)

MONDAY, AUGUST 5

JER 16-20 (Macau 578,025)

Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)
Arretta Bruce (TN)
Joe & Martha Bruno (CO)
Freddie & Yvonne Brunson (DE)
Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY))

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

JER 21-25 (Madagascar 22.6M)

Janice Bugg (TN/Chin)
Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)
Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)

Mary Campbell (ID)
Laura Cannon (FL)
Joeretha Capers (FL)
Robert & Anne Carroll (VA)
David & Martha Cecil (VA)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

JER 26-29 (Malawi)

Gus & Janice Christofield (VA)
Harry & Nancy Coffee (VA)
Vernia Coleman (MD)
Larry & Sue Cooper (DE)
Foster/Georgia Covington (VA)
Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)
Jerry & Joan Crain (SC)
Robert & Charlotte Crout (SC)
Dufrere/Peggy Cummings (NC)
Beverly Curtis (PA)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

JER 30-33 (Maldives 394,451)

Ida J. Davis (GA)
Lelia Dean (FL)
Harold & Tama Decker (NY)
Alan & Rebecca Dockrey (KY)
Mary J. Dugans (LA)
Ivy Early (NC)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

JER 34-36 (Mali 14.5M)

Paul & Joyce Eggleston (VA)
Lynn Elkins (TN)
Gene & Shirley Farley (CA)
Fellowship Bapt Ch (FL)
Wm/Virginia Green
Larry & Cara Fields (VA)
James/Ruth Flanagan (GA)
Claire/MaryAnn Fredstrom (NE)
Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)
Estelle Gabbard (KY)
John & Kim Gaines (DE)
Mike & Lerlyne Garcia (VA)
Frank & Pauline Garrett (NJ)
Frank Geiger (HI)
Robert & Sara George (GA)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

JER 37-39 (Malta 409,836)

Gloucester Co. Community Ch
Bruce Sofia, Pastor (NJ)
Ron & Carol Godwin (VA)
Ronald & Maryann Gold (ND)
Chad & Wendy Goodner (OK)
Sam & Michele Graisbery (NJ)
Velma Graven (KY)
Dale & Mary Gray (IL)
Odether Gray (GA)
Linda Gregory (UT)
Charles Hale (VA)
George & Joy Harper (VA)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11

Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN)
Uel & Hazel Hartless (VA)
Jim Hengoe (CT)
Jacqueline Henry (VA)
Jack Henry (TN)
Jamey & Kat Henry (MS)
Mark Henry (TN)
Melody Henry (VA)
Roger & Sara Henry (OH)
Sean & Bethany Henry (VA)

MONDAY, AUGUST 12

JER 40-45 (Marshall Is 68,480)

Steve & Donna Hensel (MN)
Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA)
Joanna Holland (VA)
John & Glenda Holland (VA)
Russ/Dot Hornbaker (MI)
Anita Horton (VA)
Mike & Sonya Hosick (VA)
Sam & Linda Hough (VA)
Coy Hunsucker (NC)
Joyce Hunt (TN)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13

JER 44-48 (Mauritania 3.4M)

Wilber/Almaretta Hupp (PA)
Ed Hurlow (IN)
H. J. Hutchins (LA)
Jide & Bunmi Iware (MD)
Betty Jackson (OH)
Oliver & Janie Jackson (NY)
Gene/Rose Marie Jeffries (AR)
Vernelle Jenkins (MD)
Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN)
Millicent John (NY)
Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14

LAMENTATIONS (Mauritius 1.3M)

Gwen Johnson (AZ)
Jim & Penny Johnson (KY)
Dave & Debbie Jones (VA)
James Jones (FL)
Paul & Deanna Jones (KY)
W I & Eloise Jones (SC)
Jean Jonte (SC)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

EZEK 1-6 (Mexico 115M)

Mohan Katta (IL)
Howard/Suzie Kauffmann (GA)
Harper & Shelia Keebaugh (PA)
Kerby Knob Baptist Church
(KY) Bruce Kirby, Pastor
Larry & Janet King (NC)
Robert & Andrea Klepper (TN)
Robert & Rose Klous (VA)
Sherry Klutz (WA)
Quintin & Mary Knauer (OH)
Mark & Lois Knolls (DE)
Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY)

Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

EZEK 7-11 (Micronesia 106,487)

Korean Branch:

Dr. Shin Kwang Suk

Joel & Jackie Kramar (VA)

Woodrow & Linda Kroll (NE)

Craig & Molly Lampe (AZ)

Phil & Edra Landers (OK)

Charles & Cynthia Larson (MI)

Bob Lawrence (MD)

Del & Mary Leach (VA)

Raymond & Janet Lemay (VT)

Gaylen & Linda Leverett (VA)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

EZEK 12-15 (Moldova 3.7M)

Liberty University (VA)

Jerry Falwell Jr., President

Mike & Earlene Lips (MS)

Vincent & Mary Lobisco (MI)

Ray & Bobbie Long (WV)

Don & Betty Lowry (SC)

Rachel Mann (NC)

Manship Chapel (DE)

Pastor Bruce/Vickie Tribbett

Wilma Marcum (KY)

Reg & Gloria Martin (OH)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

Larry & Sue Mason (VA)

Deborah Mathias (NY)

Murray & Loretta Mathis (TN)

Dan & Fay McConville (VA)

R. O. & June McHaney (VA)

Don & Barbara Meduna (CO)

Memorial Christian Church (VA)

Virgil & Sue Knipp, Pastors

MONDAY, AUGUST 19

EZEK 16-19 (Monaco 30,510)

Terry & Sandra Metzgar (VA)

Betsy Miedema (MI)

Gwen Miller (VA)

Lowry & Marjorie Miller (VA)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

EZEK 20-24 (Mongolia 3.2M)

Earl & Marvel Mills (VA)

Bill & Sharon Moody (VA)

French & Laura Moore (VA)

Ronald & Wilma Moore (NC)

Elaine Moser (MN)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

EZE 29-32 (Montenegro 657,394)

Bob & Diane Nichols (VA)

Chet & Betty Nichols (WA)

Ann Palumbo (PA)

Roger & Kay Pede (VA)

Sandy Pederson (MN)

Jim & Barb Peterson (MI)

Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA)

Mildred Pittman (NC)

Ben Poplin (VA)

Ayers Porter (TN)

Marshall & Lois Powell (KY)

Jeanne & Maggie Pribble (VA)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

EZEK 29-32 (Montserrat 5,164)

Dave & Marilyn Rainey (VA)

Jeannette Ralph (VA)

Marjorie Randall (TX)

John Reed (NH)

Dave Ricker (ME)

Alice Riddick (NC)

Mike & Joyce Riley (KY)

Cynthia Roach (VA)

Dudley & Isabel Robotham (NY)

Clark & Marie Rogers (VA)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

EZEK 33-36 (Morocco 32.3M)

Fred & Jeannette Rolater (TN)

Bob & Marlene Rose (MI)

Sandra Rumore (VA)

John Saint (PA)

Don & Marie Satterwhite (FL)

Dwayne Schmaltz (WI)

Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA)

Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

EZEK 37-39 (Mozambique 23.5M)

Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI)

John & Peggy Seibert (AL)

Dennis & Monica Shannon (OH)

Shenandoah Valley Bap Ch (VA)

Nellie F. Shepard (CT)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

Faye Skaggs (KY)

Mary Skiles (KS)

Walt & Betty Sommers (VA)

John & Helen Sourlis (MD)

Leroy & Suk Hi Standifer (WA)

Tim & Pam Steger (ID)

Carol Snow Stewart (CT)

Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA)

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

EZEK 40-43 (Namibia 2.2M)

Charles & Irene Stinson (VA)

Johnny & Rose M. Street (AR)

William Suttles (NC)

Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)

Tabernacle Baptist Church (DC)

William Stroman, Pastor

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

EZEK 44-48 (Nauru 9,378)

Brian & Janice Tarraferro (TX)

Ron & Mazie Taylor (VA)

Stephanie Taylor (GA)

Mona Henry Thomas (VA)

W. D & Jackie Thomason (TN)

Montez Thompson (CO)

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 28

DAN 1-3 (Nepal 30M)

William & Katie Toney (NC)

Virginia Trask (VA)

Carrol & Ouida Troutman (KY)

Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY)

Joe & Benita Troutman (VA)

Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY)

Malcom Troutman (KY)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

DAN 4-6 (Netherlands 16.7M)

Marshall & Mary Troutman (KY)

Willie & Diane Troutman (KY)

Tommy & Frances Turpin (VA)

Sara Underwood (TN)

Patrick & Patricia Vaden (TN)

Harris & Jane Verkaik (MI/FL)

George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

DAN 7-9 (New Caledonia 260,166)

Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ)

Keith/Doris Snyder Verrell (FL)

Walter/Mary Ann Voss (DE)

Horace & Becky Ward (NC)

Michael & Sandra Ward (IN)

Beau/Ashley Ware (VA)

Kay Warmerdam (TX)

Don & Joyce Warpoole (TN)

Frank & Nell Weer (KY)

Rodger & Jean Watts (WI)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

DAN 10-12 (New Zealand 4.3M)

Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY)

George & Virginia Whitner (FL)

Kay Wice (TN)

Paul & Diane Wieland (PA)

Reg & Mary Ann Wilburn (VA)

Ken & Carol Willis (VA)

Julie L. Wilson (PA)

Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA)

David & Lili Wykle (VA)

Fred & Susan Zeller (MD)



DAILY INTERCESSION

Doorkeepers are the life-line of the prayer seminar ministry providing the needed prayer and financial support. We are men and women who heard the Gospel, the Good News of the death, burial, and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ for our sins. We not only believed the world's greatest story intellectually, at a given moment in a certain place through an act of faith, we trusted Jesus as our Savior. We were placed on the road to Heaven. Many **Doorkeepers** have reached their destination and have joined the great crowd of witnesses gathered around the throne where the Father sits with Jesus at His right hand. The rest of us are on the road en route to Heaven.

Each **Doorkeeper** "family" is routinely listed on the monthly **Doorkeeper Prayer Calendar** for special prayer one day a month. It is good to pray for one another on the days our names are listed, but some need daily prayer support.

The "**Daily Intercession**" list is for pressing needs. Most relate to health issues. For God's glory, let's ask for healing (**James 4:2b-3**). Remember, **intercession is focusing the power of God on a person or circumstance**. Our responsibility is to "ask" on behalf of our brothers and sisters. Then we leave the results up to our Father who knows the end from the beginning and every step in between.

DON'T FORGET TO PRAY!

Carter Mylam Baynes (NC)
 Bob Bouchard (KY)
 Margarie Coffee (VA)
 Jim Connolly [Kathy] (VA)
 Lin Custalow [Barbara] (VA)
 Margaret Davis [John] (VA)
 Bruce Henry [Gina] (VA)
 Sue Henry [J. Gordon] (VA)
 Deanna Jones [Paul] (KY)
 Lowry Miller [Marjorie] (VA)
 Carolyn Minney [Roger] (VA)
 Katherine Morgan (VA)
 Isabell Robotham [Dudley] (NY)
 Sam Simpson [Lola] (NY)
 Jean Smith [Jim] (KY)
 Virginia Whitner (FL)
 Eva Winebarger [Roy] (VA)

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International

Tim & Merry Gregory (Taiwan)
 Shem & Deborah Kamla (Nigeria)
 Mulumba Placide Kituta (DR Congo)
 Nuhu & Mercy Leo (Nigeria)
 Leslie/Tabitha Motsalane (South Africa)
 Enock & Patience Mulomba (Botswana)
 Adam & Dianna Nathanson (Venezuela)
 Isias Rojas (Venezuela)
 Andrew & Celestine Sakari (Kenya)
 Martin & Anne Shikuku (Kenya)
 Onesimus Sule (Nigeria)
 Paula Tipton (Thailand)
 Cliff & Marcia Vincent (Brazil)
 Silas Yashim (Nigeria)

Step Up to the Plate Be a Barnabas

His real name was Joseph, but according to Acts 4:36, the early apostle saw his heart, experienced his character, witnessed His countenance and decided to nickname him Barnabas, Son of Encouragement.

A pastor recently mentioned that without Barnabas and his ministry of encouragement to a new believer, we might not have the great apostle Paul. If Paul needed encouragement in his life, how much more do we need those kinds of friends in our lives? And conversely, how many people do we come across daily that could really use us stepping into their lives and bring a Barnabas to them?

Encouragement is like a massive shot of spiritual and emotional B12. A long distance runner finishes a race because on the last leg he hears a shout of encouragement from a familiar voice. A child remembers his lines in a school play because he catches the encouraging look from his loving Mom. A soldier is encouraged to fight on because of the constant memories of a place called home.

Anyone can be a critic. Cynics are a dime a dozen. The highway of life is scattered by those in bitterness and anger that have simply given up. It takes a different kind of person to be a Barnabas, one that is not interested in personal promotion or the accolades of society. This person is one who has died to self but takes great joy in sacrificial service to others. Position, titles, places of prominence and trophies do not interest a Barnabas.

What he loves to see is others run the race to completion, encouraging

them along the way and enthusiastically greeting them at the finish line. He is simply thrilled at seeing others accomplish much in life.

Someone you know is about to become a casualty. Someone you know is nearing the place of buckling under to the overwhelming weight of defeat. Someone you know has the white flag of surrender in his hand and is about to raise it. Someone you know needs you to be the unexpected joyful source of encouragement for them. So for that someone, step up to the plate and be Barnabas to them. For God's glory and for someone's good, be there with a word of encouragement. Go ahead, pick up the phone and call them, text them, e-mail them, send them a snail-letter or better yet visit them face-to-face. To borrow the words of the famous Nike advertisement, "Just do it!"

Randy C. Davis
Executive Director
Tennessee Baptist Convention

A word of prayer

**Just a little word to lift you up;
Just to tell you
and let you be aware.
Just a little prayer for you
To let you know we care.**

**Jesus died to free us of our sin
So you and I may have a
new life to begin.**

**Love in Jesus,
Walt & Betty Sommers
Lynchburg, Virginia
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Isaiah 56:7**

GOOD NEWS

A story has been told that as Tennyson passed the cottage of an aged lady, he asked, What news this morning? Replied the old lady, Lord Tennyson, I know only one piece of news that Jesus Christ died for all mankind. Madam, said Tennyson, that is old news and new news and good news.

The Gospel message is that everyone deserves hell. Yet in love God sent His only Son to die for us, so that through faith in Him human beings might be forgiven and receive eternal life as a free gift. Remember the message given by the angel of the Lord to Joseph in a dream prior to His advent: Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she shall bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins (**Matthew 1:20-21**).

As believers (i.e., those who have chosen to be followers of the Lord Jesus Christ), you and I are called to share the Gospel's Good News, and this message is still the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes (**Romans 1:16**). Why must we share the Gospel urgently? Go back to Peter's sermon in the Temple in Jerusalem addressing the rulers, elders and scribes, the high priest and members of his family, and the Sanhedrin who demanded to know By what power or by what have have you done this [healing the lame man]? (**Acts 4:7**). Peter's answer was succinct and direct: that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by Him this man stands here before you whole (**v 10**).

Why must we tell the Good News? Peter's bold statement has resounded down through the ages and is true today as it was when he uttered it: Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved (**Acts 4:12**).

JGHM: East/Central Africa Branch

Martin George Shikuku, Director



Focus nations: Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, DR Congo (Population 217.M) Future: South Sudan, Somalia (18.4M).

Goal: Every church, a Light House of Prayer (A Praying Church)

Strategy: Develop a prototype in Kenya and expand to other nations.

***Establish a network of nine lead teachers.** Qualifications: Daily time in the Word and Prayer; Exemplary Christian life witness to his own family, church, and neighborhood (solid integrity); A growing Christian learner (faithful, available, teachable).

***Appoint and train 47 Kenyan teachers** (one for each of the 47 counties) to cover Kenya with Light Houses of Prayer.

***Trust God for Provision (Philippians 4:19) and Reward (2 Peter 1:11).**

Mombasa, Kenya Mission (June 19-23)

Faith Baptist Church

Pastor Robert Kalama

Five teams from West Kenya (10)

Morning Evangelism

Afternoon Prayer Seminar

139 Salvation (including 43 Muslims)

Mwanza, Tanzania Mission (August 8-13)

Bill of Rights

Original Ten Amendments: The Bill of Rights

Passed by Congress September 25, 1789. Ratified December 15, 1791.

Amendment I Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press, or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Amendment II A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Amendment III No Soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the Owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

Amendment IV The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

Amendment V No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offence to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb, nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

Amendment VI In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed; which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the assistance of counsel for his defence.

Amendment VII In Suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury shall be otherwise re-examined in any Court of the United States, than according to the rules of the common law.

Amendment VIII Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

Amendment IX The enumeration in the Constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny or dispaage others retained by the people.

Amendment X The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.