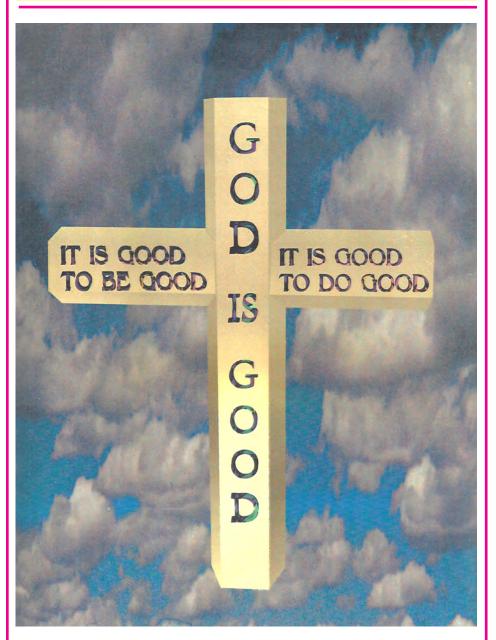
# **REFLECTOR**

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## GOD IS GOOD! IT IS GOOD TO BE GOOD! IT IS GOOD TO DO GOOD!

Sam and Lola Simpson have been special friends since our days at Northeastern Bible College, where Sam was on the Board of Governors of his alma mater. He served two churches in the Bronx, one of the five boroughs in New York City the Bronx Baptist Church and Wake Eden Baptist Church. His influence permeated the city. He believed that the salt must get out of the saltshaker, so his footprints were all over the place where he always was saying a word for the Lord Jesus Christ. Lola's strong hand and voice were with her husband every step of the way every day.

Numerous times invitations came to teach or preach at Sam's two churches. In a sense, there was a double blessing because we started early on Sunday morning at Wake Eden and then drove across the city to Bronx Baptist Church for their eleven o'clock service. My spirit was stirred as I listened to the majestic sounds of praise that emanated from God's children in both congregations.

When the invitation came in 1985 to go to India and teach/preach, Sue and I invited Sam Simpson to accompany us. My role would be teaching the prayer seminar: Sue's role was to teach the women: Sam's role would be to preach beginning with an Evangelistic Crusade in Hydrabad-Secunderabad and in cities across India. The theme song of the choir was Jack Hayford's chorus, "Majesty, Worship His Majesty!" Not only was the singing anointed, so was Sam's preaching. The power of God fell. Souls were saved! Believers readied themselves to learn about the purpose and power of prayer! The response of this very first international prayer seminar venture was memorable.

#### Friendship

"I cease not to give thanks for you in my prayers" (Ephesians 1:16).

A friend is there when everyone else isn't, believing when everyone else doesn't, loving when everyone else wasn't. A friend is someone to whom you can say, "Do you remember . . .?"

A friend is one to whom one may pour out all the contents of one's heart, chaff and grain together, knowing that gentle hands will take and sift it, keep what is worth keeping, and with a breath of kindness, blow the rest away.

George Eliot

#### Doorkeepers

**Doorkeepers** are the life-line of the prayer seminar ministry providing the needed prayer and financial support. These 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. believed it and trusted Jesus Christ as theirSavior and Lord. Thus, their "genealogy is right" to be partners in a worldwide ministry whose aim is to mobilize believers to become Lighthouses of Prayer for their local communities, their nation, and the world.

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.

You should have seen Sam interfacing with adults, young people, and children. His smile and his Jamaican accent captured the day. Soon the young people challenged Sam (or he challenged the young people) to a cricket game. There he was, this dignified preacher from the Bronx, speeding across the field demonstrating unbelievable agility and skill to those young players and to the fans that cheered them on. One of the very best parts of this trip was to see many of his people in the Bronx coming to JFK airport to wish their pastor and us Godspeed! Another was to sit back and watch Sam and Sue sitting at a table talking and sharing Indian cuisine.

After we relocated to Murfreesboro, Tennessee, Sam informed us that he would be in Nashville, less than an hour's drive from our home and wanted to visit us. As the president of the Baptist Convention of New York, he served on the Executive Board of the Southern Baptist Convention that was meeting in Nashville. Due to God's providence, my prayer seminar that Sunday was in First Baptist Church, Smyrna, a short drive from the Nashville airport. Pastor W. D. Thomason, who now serves on the JGHM Board of Directors. graciously arranged for one of his men to pick Sam up and bring him to Smyrna. As I taught the last session of the prayer seminar that Sunday night, Sam arrived with eyes sparkling and love shooting out. I left the podium and started down the aisle with arms extended to welcome my friend and colleague. It was quite a sight for the large



crowd gathered at First Baptist to see two brothers, one black and the other one white, embracing, delighted in each other's presence.

When we arrived at our house, Sue and Sam greeted each other. We talked late into the night. Finally, I headed to bed. When Sue came in, she said, "When I passed Sam's bedroom, he was down on his knees. He has fallen asleep while he was praying. Should I awaken him?"

The years have passed by rapidly. Sam and Lola retired after he suffered a stroke a few weeks after an elaborate 80th birthday celebration. Sam's ministry was encapsulated in a motto that he used often, far and near. His trademark. When I called recently for an update on the Simpsons, I was greeted with "You have reached the Simpsons. We are unable to answer your call. Leave a message. Speak plainly your telephone number. We will return your call. Remember: GOD IS GOOD! IT IS GOOD TO BE GOOD! IT IS GOOD TO DO GOOD!" I knew I had the right number!

Years ago, Sam gave us a gift. A photo of it graces the front cover of this Reflector. Sue had it displayed on the side of a bookcase in the bedroom. As we entered the room, Sam's statement was the first thing we saw. There could be no

greater reminder during February, the month we traditionally tell our loved ones what they mean in our lives. What do you think?

To our friends, Sam and Lola Simpson, there is a message from the Henrys: "[We] cease not to give thanks for you in [our] prayers" (Ephesians 1:16). Thank you for being our friends the past thirtysix years.

Yours in Calvary love, J. Gordon Henry

Once again, thank you, **Doorkeepers**, for your faithful partnership that has made the prayer seminar possible with your prayer and financial support as well as those many letters/phone calls/e-mails of encouragement. The transition to **ROPEHOLDERS** for those who go out teaching prayer seminars has been amazing.

#### The Gift of Friendship

Friendship is a priceless gift That cannot be bought or sold, But its value is far greater Than a mountain made of gold— For gold is cold and lifeless, It can neither see nor hear. And in the time of trouble It is powerless to cheer-It has no ears to listen. No heart to understand. It cannot bring you comfort Or reach out a helping hand— So when you ask God for a gift, Be thankful if He sends Not diamonds, pearls, or riches, But the love of real true friends. Helen Steiner Rice

## ONLY A SINNER SAVED BY GRACE BY JAMES MARTIN GRAY

**Dr. Robert Sumner** listed this as a favorite song saying it expressed his personal testimony. Read it. Ponder it. Profit from it as a testimony of a "sinner saved by grace," an expression that encompasses all of us.

Naught have I gotten but what I received,
Grace hath bestowed it since I have believed;
Boasting excluded, pride I abase;
I'm only a sinner saved by grace!

#### Refrain:

Only a sinner saved by grace! Only a sinner saved by grace! This is my story, to God be the glory, I'm only a sinner saved by grace!

Once I was foolish, and sin ruled my heart.

Causing my footsteps from God to depart; Jesus hath found me, happy my case; I now am a sinner saved by grace!

Tears unavailing, no merit had I; Mercy had saved me, or else I must die; Sin had alarmed me, fearing God's face; But now I'm a sinner saved by grace.

Suffer a sinner whose heart overflows, Loving His Savior to tell what he knows; Once more I tell it, would I embrace— I'm only a sinner saved by grace!

#### A REMINDER

TIME TO BE DILIGENT!
GOD HAS GIVEN AMERICA
ANOTHER CHANCE.
NOW IT IS TIME TO
BE VIGILANT! DON'T
SLACKEN THE PACE!
KEEP PRAYING. KEEP
INTERCEDING.

#### Dr. Robert L. Sumner August 3, 1922—December 5. 2016

Although I was aware of Dr. Sumner (Pastor, Evangelist, Author, Editor), my first personal encounter was at Park Avenue Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee where Dr. Bob Mowry served as pastor, on Sunday, January 19, 1986. That prayer seminar was memorable. My longtime friends. Dr. Lee and Dr. Lila **Bruckner** (missionary statespersons whom I had hired to teach at Liberty University), attended their very first prayer seminar. Hundreds were present for the morning sessions; hundreds returned for the afternoon and evening sessions. Dr. Sumner came

It was at that time Dr. Sumner's name was placed on the Reflector mailing list and mine on the Biblical Evangelist mailing list. Very frankly, I know of no other writer who commanded the English language, as did this man of God. I know of no other man of God who understood the times and reduced to writing observations that were so drastically needed. May his voice continue through his myriad articles and books.

The memorial service honoring His Legacy and his Lord was conducted at Timberlake Baptist Church, Lynchburg, at 2 pm on Saturday, December 17. Dr. Paul Dixon, Chancellor of Cedarville University (OHIO), brought the message. As the years passed and Dr. Sumner entered his nineties, he seemed amazed at God's grace that enabled him to continue active until the end. We have an expression here in the United States that fits Dr. Sumner, "He died with his boots on!"

Following Dr. Sumner's conversion at the age of seventeen, he adopted **Philippians 3:13-14** as his life verses: "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended, but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." We will all miss Dr. Sumner's wit and keen insights as we move into a new era in our beloved nation

## My Soul's Desire By Robert L. Sumner

To drink from wells with water pure, And sense the thrill of soul secure, Assured His love will still endure This is my soul's desire.

To serve my Lord with passion strong, And meet the needs of souls gone wrong Then share the joyous victor's song: This is my soul's desire.

To face each day with courage real, And do each task with utmost zeal, Repentant sinners' wounds to heal, This is my soul's desire.

To find out when my race is run,
That when I reach life's setting sun,
I'll hear the Master's, "Child, well done!"
That is my soul's desire.



GOD'S GIFTS TO SUE AND ME Mona (4-24-1958), Mark (10-8-1959), Melody (5-7-1961)

#### BY FAITH

BY FAITH and not by sight, Saviour, I walk with Thee; Lord Thou my feet aright; Choose Thou the path for me.

Choose Thou the path for me; I would not if I could; For only Thou canst see My highest, heavenly good.

My highest, heavenly good Lies in Thy will alone, Designed and understood By Love upon His Throne.

By Love upon His Throne
My life is planned aright;
Secure in Christ alone
I walk by faith, not sight.
E.Margaret Clarkson

For nineteen years, Sue Bell (Mrs. Tommy) was my secretary-administrative assistant. Without Sue, I could not have carried out either the work with TRACS, the accrediting agency, or the prayer seminar ministry. Her life verse was Jeremiah 29:11: "I know the thoughts I have for you, says the Lord, thoughts of good and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope." KEEP WALKING BY FAITH. SOON WE'LL SEE HIM!

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#### GOD BLESS the USA!



#### NOTES from my BIBLE

Note 3076. It is good to be wise; it is wise to be good.

Note 3077. God is for us; that is good; God is with us, that is better; God is in us, that is best.

Note 3078. A friend steps in even when the whole world steps out.

Note 3079. People will be as friendly

as you are, SO BE FRIENDLY.

Note 3080. Smile awhile and give your frown a rest

#### DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

1 Thessalonians 1:2 15 Dec 2016-17 Jan 2017

# Amount
Regular 79 \$10,656.
Ropeholders <u>5</u> <u>1,100</u>.



#### WELCOME! NEW DOORKEEPERS!

Partners with God
1 Corinthians 3:6-9
Larry & Sandra Abe (VA)
Eric & Mary Farel (VA)
Ron & Kay Gavette (VA)
Cathy Tilton (VA)
Earnest & Gloria Wiant (VA)

#### PRAYER CALENDAR

#### February 2017

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1 LEVITICUS 1-3 (USA 324.6M) Larry & Sandra Abe (VA) Mae Adams (NC) Robert/Susanne Adams (TN) Wayne & Jennie Agee (VA) Norma Ailes (FL) Allie Allen (LA) H. L. & Janie Allen (SC) David/Eunjoo Andersen (VA) THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2 LEVITICUS 4-7(Turks Is 49,070) Tommy & Pat Apple (NC) Eldon/Gayle Armstrong (SC) Leonor Avila (MD) Bill & Karen Baker (OK) Mike & Joyce Baker (VA) Tim Bash - GCCC (NJ) Stan & Emily Baskin (TN) FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3 LEVITICUS 8-10 (Tuvalu 10,782) Jean Beasley (TN) Tommy Bell (TN) Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN) Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL) Beulah Baptist Church (VA) Dennis Hollandsworth, Pastor Beverly Blankenship (TN) Ed & Loretta Bolen (VA) SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4 LEVITICUS 11-15 (Uganda 36M) Everett/Deborah Boston (MD)

Wm/Debbie Bowden (MD)

David & Marna Boyd (OR) Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ) Ed & Jean Bradshaw (VA)

Kim Bradshaw (VA) Lurline Braud (VA)

Michal Breed (WI)

Nancy Bretz (PA)

Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ) Arretta Bruce (TN)

Joe & Martha Bruno (CO) Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE) Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)

George & Janet Buck (NJ) MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

LEV 16-20 (UN Arab Em 5.6M)

Janice Bugg (TN)

Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)

Eileen Camarena (NJ) Don & Lucy Campbell (VA) Mary Campbell (ID) Cliff & Laura Cannon (FL) Joeretha Capers (FL)

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Gus/Janice Christofield (VA) Harry & Nancy Coffee (VA)

Vernia Coleman (MD) Mary Columbus (VA)

Larry & Sue Cooper (MD) WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

LEV 21-23 (United Kingdom 63.7M

Terry & Sonja Craig (TN) Jerry & Joan Crain (SC) Robert/Charlotte Crout (SC) Dufrene/Peggy Cummings (NC) Barbara Custalow (VA)

John Davis (VA) Harold & Tama Decker (NY) Thomas Dewindt (WI)

Alan & Rebecca Dockrey (KY)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9 LEV 24-27 (Uruguay 3.3M)

Paul & Joyce Eggleston (VA) Lynn Elkins (TN)

Jeff & Leeann Englert (KY) Don & Mary Enoch (FL)

Eric & Mardy Farel (VA) Larry & Cara Fields (VA)

John & Susan Finnessy (MD) James & Ruth Flanagan (GA) Nancy Fowser (NJ)

Freedom Through Faith (MD) Bob Tribodeau, Pastor

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

NUM 1-4 (Uzebekistan 28.9M) Claire/MaryAnn Fredstrom (NE) Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)

James Fugate (CA) Travis & Emilee Fulcher (VA)

Estelle Gabbard (KY John & Kim Gaines (MD)

Mike & Lerlyne Garcia (VA) Pauline Garrett (NJ)

Ron & Kay Gavett (VA) Frank Geiger (HI) Sara George (GA)

Gethsemani Evang Ctr (MD) Robert & Ann Laura (Pastor)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

NUMBERS 9-12 (Vanuatu 266,937) 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)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Linda Gregory (UT) Charles Hale (VA) Mike Hall (PA) Jpy Harper (VA) Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN) Sadie Harris (VA) Hazel Hartless (VA) Jim Hengoed (CT) Gina Henry (VA)

J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13 NUMBERS 9-12 (Vietman 93.4M)

Jack Henry (TN) James & Kathryn Henry (MS)

Mark Henry (TN) Melody Henry (VA)

Roger & Sara Henry (OH) Sean & Bethany Henry (VA)

Ed & Donna Hindson (VA) Steve & Donna Hensel (MN) Frank & Pat Hitchings (VA)

Jeff Hodge (VA) Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

NUM 13-16(Virgin IS 104,170) Joanna Holland (VA) John & Glenda Holland (VA) Anita Horton (VA) Mike & Sonya Hosick (TN)

Jim & Debbie Howell (MD) Coy Hunsucker (NC) Joyce Hunt (TN)

Wilbert/Almaretta Hupp (PA) Ed Hurlow (IN)

Jide & Bunmi Iware (MD) Vernelle Jenkins (MD)

Paul/Suzanne Jennings (TN) Jonathan & Julia Jobe (SC)

#### WED, FEBRUARY 15

NUM 17-20 (Wallis 15,561) Millicent John (NY) Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY) Gwen Johnson (AZ) Jim & Penny Johnson (KY) Rick & Betsy Johnson (TN)

Ben & Gwen Jones (MD) Dave & Debbie Jones (VA)

James Jones (FL) Paul Jones (KY) W I & Eloise Jones (SC)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

NUM 26-30 (West Bank 2.7M)

Mohan Katta (IL) Suzie Kauffmann (GA) HarperShelia Keebaugh (PA) Kerby Knob Baptist Ch (KY) Daren Hisel, Pastor Larry & Janet King (NC) Robert/Andrea Klepper (TN) Sherry Klutz (WA) Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY) FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17 NUM 26-30 (W Sahara 554.8M) Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI) 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) SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18 NUM 31-33 (Yemen 26.1M) Liberty University (VA) Jerry Falwell Jr., President Mike & Earlene Lips (MS) Vince/Mary Lobisco (MI) Ray & Bobbie Long (WV) Don & Betty Lowry (SC) Rachel Mann (SC) Manship Chapel (DE) Bruce & Vickie Tribbett Wilma Marcum (KY) SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19 Reg & Gloria Martin (OH) 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 Ch (VA) Virgil & Sue Knipp, Pastors Terry & Sandra Metzgar (VA) Betsy Miedema (MI) Marjorie Miller (VA) MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20 NUMBERS 34-36 (Syria 18M) Roger & Nancy Minney (VA) Ted & Natalie Monroe (KY) Bill & Sharon Moody (VA) French & Laura Moore (VA) Ronald & Wilma Moore (NC) Joseph & Doris Moos (NJ) Elaine Moser (MN) Eileen Murphy GCCC (NJ) Bob & Diane Nichols (VA)

Betty Nichols (WA)

NE Baptist College (VT) President Mark Ballard Oconto Gospel Chapel (WI) Peter Dorn, Pastor Zack & Jackie Olcott (VA) TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21 **DEUT 1-4 (Taiwan 23.4M)** Ann Palumbo (PA) Raleigh & Janet Parker (VA) Roger & Kay Pede (VA) Sandy Pederson (MN) Jim & Barb Peterson (MI) Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA) Barbara F. Powell (NY) Elbert/Barbara L. Powell (VA) Marshall & Lois Powell (KY) Jeanne/Maggie Pribble (VA) Marjorie Randall (TX) John Reed (NH) WED, FEBRUARY 22 **DEUT 8-11 (World 7.1B)** Dave Ricker (ME) Calvin & Valerie Ritchey (VA) Cynthia Roach (VA) John & Sandra Roberts (NC) Bo & Betty Robinson (MS) Isabel Robotham (NY) James & Shelly Rode (FL) Clark & Marie Rogers (VA) THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23 DEUT 12-16 (Albania 3M) Fred Rolater (TN) Bob & Marlene Rose (MI) Sandra Rumore (VA) John Saint (PA) Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA) Sam & Jill Scott (VA) Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA) FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24 FRIDAY (Algeria 38.8M) Phil & Wendy Schrank (IL) Steve Schrank (IL) John & Peggy Seibert (AL) Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH) Shenandoah Valley Bapt Ch (VA) Gene Jones, Pastor Nellie F. Shepard (CT) Ray Shields (VA) Charlie & Liz Sill (VA) Mary Skiles (KS) Paul & Mary Smith (TX) Ron & Bonnie Smith (VA) SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25 DEUT 21-26 (Am Samoa 54,517) Sonshine Church (MD) Terri & Debra Turbin (MD) St. Paul Baptist Church (IN) C. L. Adams, Pastor Helen Sourlis (MD)

Randy & Cheryl Stauter (MN) Tim & Pam Steger (ID) Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA) Charles Stinson (VA) SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 DEUT 27-30 (Andorra 85,454) Johnny/Rose M. Street (TX) William Suttles (NC) Bob & Sandy Swain (VA) Brian/Janice Tarraferro (TX) Billy & Sharon Taylor (PA) Ron & Mazie Taylor (VA) Stephanie Taylor (GA) Mona Henry Thomas (VA) W. D./Jackie Thomason (TN) Montez Thompson (WI) Cathy Tilton (VA) William & Katie Toney (NC) Carrol/Ouida Troutman (KY) Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY) MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27 **DEUT 31-32 (Angola 19M)** Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY) Joe & Benita Troutman (KY) Malcom Troutman (KY) Marshall/Mary Troutman (KY) Frances Turpin (VA) Sara Underwood (TN) Patrick & Patricia Vaden (TN) Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ) Harrs/& Jane Verkaik (MI/FL) George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ) Patsy Ann Voss (DE) Horace & Becky Ward (NC) Michael & Sandra Ward (IN) Beau/Ashlev/Willow/Will Ware (VA) TUESDAY FEBRUARY 28 DEUT 33-34 (Anguilla 16) Kay Warmerdam (TX) Joyce Warpoole (TN) Rodger Watts (WI) Naomi Webb (NJ) Frank & Nell Weer (KY) Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY) Earnest & Gloria Wiant (VA) Paul & Diane Wieland (PA) Reg/Mary Ann Wilburn (VA) Jeff Williamson (FL) Ken & Carol Willis (VA) Julie L. Wilson (PA) Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA) Eva Winebarger (VA) Amos & Celia Wipf (GA) Jonathan/Selena Wood (PA) David & Lili Wykle (VA) Yeshua Ministries (TN) Frank Bell, Pastor Betty Yudes (WI) Fred & Susan Zeller (MD)

#### DAILY INTERCESSION

Zane & Burma Abbott (VA))
Milcie Arnold [Carrol] (VA)
Stan Baskin [Emily] (TN)
Dr. Jim Britt [Judy] (GA)
Joe Bruno [Martha] (CO)
Kathie Connolly (VA)
Georgia Covington [Foster] (VA)
Sam Hough [Linda] (VA)
Sam Simpson [Lola] (NY)
Jean Smith [Jim] (KY)
Walt & Betty Sommers (VA)
Mazie Taylor [Ronald] (VA)
Donna Thompson [Larry] (VA)
Willie Troutman [Diane] (KY)
Dr. Harold Willmington [Sue](VA)

IN LOVING MEMORY

"absent from the body, present with the Lord" 2 Corinthians 5:8

DOORKEEPERS MARIE ADAMS 7/9/1921-7/3/2016 Newport News, Virginia

MARGARIE COFFEE (Mrs. Noel) 7/1/1922-12/28/2016 Forest, Virginia

> HOWARD KAUFFMANN 2/25/1923-5/3/2016 Atlanta, Georgia

FRIEND/PROFESSIONAL COLLEAGUE DR. GENE MILLER WILLIAMS 1927-12/18/2016 Conyers, Georgia

DO YOU HAVE THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD ON YOUR HEART?

DON'T FORGET TO PRAY!

The "Daily Intercession" list is for <u>pressing</u> <u>needs</u>. Most relate to health issues. For God's glory, let's ask for healing (James 5:14). You never have to bear your burden alone.

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Mailing address: 1127 Lakeview Drive, Lynchburg VA 24502. We are eager to pray with you and then supply needed prayer support daily. Keep us updated.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR REFLECTOR IN YOUR BIBLE FOR DAILY REFERENCE FOR THOSE ON PRAYER LIST (PP 7-8). DON'T FORGET!

PRAY FOR SAFETY, FOR PROVISION, AND SPIRITUAL STRENGTH. PRAY THAT THE WORD OF THE LORD WILL HAVE FREE COURSE.

### International: Represenative Missionaries

Ben & Judy Armacost (England/Europe) Luciana Bongarra (Argentina) Digmar & Lisbeysi Garcia (Cuba) Shem & Deborah Kamla (Nigeria) Mulumba Placide Kituta (DR Congo) Leslie/Tabitha Motsalane (South Africa) Enock & Patience Mulomba (Botswana) Adam & Dianna Nathanson (Venezuela) Andrew & Celestine Sakari (Kenya) Martin & Anne Shikuku (Kenya) Joseph & Esther Tan (Singapore) Paula Tipton (Thailand) Cliff & Marcia Vincent (China) Roberto & Joana Waisman (Brazil) Othnel Wakili (Nigeria) Silas & Comfort Yashim (Nigeria)

#### AN EXPRESSION OF THE FATHER'S LOVE

I have chosen you. Eph. 1:4 & John 15:17 You are precious to me. Isaiah 43:4

I love you and always will.
John 3:16 & Jer. 31:3
I knew you before you were born.
Psalm 139:13-16

I see you and hear you when you call.
Psalm 34:15 & 145:18
You are accepted in the beloved.
Ephesians 1:6

I think about you all the time.
Psalm 139:2, 17
You bring pleasure to me.
Psalm 149:4

You belong to me.

#### RETURN TO ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL March 18-31

Dr. Henry & Adam will be joining Luiciana Bongarra whose primary work is with legislators in several nations. Prayer seminars are scheduled in both nations.

#### GENOCIDE IN NIGERIA

Doorkeeper Silas Yashim keeps us informed about the prayer seminar ministry in Nigeria. He has reported and documented an effort by militant Muslims to cleanse the nation by killing all Christians. His on-site stories and pictures are troubling beyond words. Pray that God will put a wall of protection around our brothers and sisters.

ROPEHOLDERS NEEDED
TOUCHING LIVES FOR ETERNITY

#### INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES

When I wrote the November 9, 2016 "ROPEHOLDERS NEEDED" LETTER, I promised to keep you updated. You read, you prayed, you gave. The \$7,000 requested for Cuba and Kenya "catch-up" was given.

CUBA. Adam Nathanson has spent the month of January in this beautiful island nation. His goal was to mentor Digmar Garcia who will lead the newly formed JGHM: Cuba/Venezuela Branch and teach the prayer seminars. The work centered in Santa Clara Province, the very heart of Cuba. From Santa Clara, we hope to reach out to all parts of the island with prayer seminars mobilizing believers to become LIGHTHOUSES OF PRAYER to push against the spiritual darkness.

KENYA Martin Shikuku and his team have taken the mandate to teach believers the purpose and power of prayer seriously. Remember that Martin has the responsibility of a growing, vibrant congregation at Glory Baptist Church in Eldoret, located in the beautiful Rift Valley in west Kenya. How he is able to move across East/Central Africa calling out prayer warriors and take care of his other ministries is nothing short of a miracle. His plans for 2017 are being formed. 2016. Number of seminars -- 18: churches participating -- 351; pastors -- 507; participants --2132; professions of faith --227; miles traveled 2,352 miles.

**2017**. Plans are being established to continue the prayer seminar

work. The first step has been to print 3,000 Swahili prayer seminars workbooks and pens.

PAKISTAN. God continues to do His work in Pakistan. Christians are holding the fort and preaching the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ in the face of unbelievable persecution. Our coordinators have indicated that they need Urdu prayer seminar workbooks and funds to publish my book, The Upper Room Discourse, that has been translated into Urdu. A major challenge is how to transfer funds to help.

ISRAEL: TEL AVIV. Among the prayer seminars Sunday Bwanhot conducted in 2016 was one in Tel Aviv. Sunday has been associated with JGHM since 1988. Some of you know his story, but most do not. The Lord willing we will feature his remarkable work in an upcoming Reflector.



Sunday & Grace Bwanhot

ARGENTINA/BRAZIL.See important information on "Two Weeks in Latin America" on page 10. PLEASE PRAY.



#### PRAYER SEMINAR WORKBOOKS

The first time that I realized the importance of the prayer seminar workbooks was during the 1988 seminars in Nigeria. My friend, Dr Ian Hay, president of Sudan Interior Missions (SIM), had served as a missionary to Nigeria prior to assuming the leadership. At that time SIM was the second largest missionary sending agency in the world with missionaries in many nations. Their work in Nigeria led to the formation of the Evangelical Churches of West Africa (ECWA). ECWA reported 2.2 million members, but growth had leveled off with little fruit. I had been in Nigeria earlier working with the Nigerian Baptist Convention, but was basically working with churches. The venues included the seminaries and Bible colleges founded by SIM/ECWA.

Usually, I stood in the courtyard and handed out workbooks. These workbooks were in English and later we provided Hausa and Ibo translations. To see the faces of students receiving a workbook touched me deeply. Although I normally do not hand out workbooks anymore, the same response of gratitude and appreciation is the same as the early years. Our goal has

been to go to indigenous churches as opposed to gathering pastors, leaders, and their people in a central area. For many years, we have provided a pen and a light meal (food and drink).

Translations include the following languages: Spanish, Portuguese, Urdu, Zulu, Sotho, Thai, Indonesian, French, German, Luganda, Russian, Romanian, Malay, Telegu, Hausa/Fulani, Swahili, Korean and others. With the help of an able interpreter, I have taught hundreds of prayer seminars. We have had abundant evidence that the Holy Spirit has brought the Word alive. Many have made decisions to make prayer a priority knowing that prayer is the work that must come before all other work.

During a prayer seminar in other nations, I generally explain that someone in the United States loves them and has sent them gifts—a prayer seminar workbook in their language, a pen, and a teacher. In fact, they have sent the one who wrote the workbook. Invariably, they ask either individually or collectively to thank the Doorkeepers for their gifts and to express their love.