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1861-1865 A YOUNG NATION IN PERIL

#### **OUR HISTORY**

"It is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly implore His protection and favors."

President George Washington

#### OUR NATIONAL MOTTO

"In God We Trust"

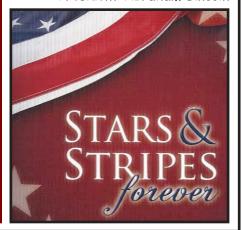
#### FAVORITE SONG

"God bless America" Irving Berlind

God bless America, Land that I love, Stand beside her and guide her Thru 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. God bless America, My home sweet home. "It is the duty of nations, as well as of men, to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God and to recognize the sublime trust announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord."

President Abraham Lincoln



# GOD'S CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The dangers facing our nation and our world are so great that the 2020 Presidential election in the United States may be the most important in our nation's history.

What are we doing about it? Most of us are plunging ahead with human wisdom and human resources to elect our man for the Presidency.

It isn't enough. Simply, we the people need to elect God's man! Elections have consequences.



George Washington prayed in the snow at Valley Forge for guidance in founding a new nation. Later when the leaders of that nation assembled to write the Constitution, it was proposed by Benjamin Franklin that each session be opened with prayer, for said he, "I have lived a long time, and the longer I live the more convincing proof I see of this truth that God governs the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise with His aid?"

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, the Bible tells us, and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct thy paths (Proverbs 3:5-6). Although this is good advice to everyone, it is absolutely essential to believers in times like these.

Trusting in God means putting aside personal feelings, political loyalties and

### Mayflower Compact 1620

IN THE NAME OF GOD. AMEN. We, whose names are underwritten, the Loyal Subjects of our dread Sovereign Lord King James, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. Having undertaken for the glory of God, and Advancement of the Christian Faith, and the Honor of our King and Country, a Voyage to plant the first colony in the northern Parts of Virginia; Do by these Presents, solemnly and mutually in the Presence of God and one another, covenant and combine ourselves together into a civil Body Politick, for our better Ordering and Preservation, and Furtherance of the Ends aforesaid: And by Virtue hereof do enact, constitute, and frame, such just and equal Laws, Ordinances, Acts, Constitutions, and Offices, from time to time, as shall be thought most meet and convenient for the general Good of the Colony; unto which we promise all due Submission and Obedience. In WITNESS whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names at Cape Cod the eleventh of November. in the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King James of England, France, and Ireland, the eighteenth and of Scotland, the fifty-fourth. Anno Domini, 1620.

selfish motives as the election season intensifies and Election Day draws near. It means trying to blot out all preconceived judgments about the candidates based on political affiliation and the media biases that have become so pervasive and prayerfully examining candidates by listening to their words and examining their actions. It means a program of study and analysis of each candidate not only for the Presidency, the highest office in the land, but for all other offices where important issues are at stake. It is time! It is time for believers to look at each candidate as we think God might view this man remembering that God looks on the heart, not outward appearances.

We evangelicals tend to shy away from pre-formed prayers in favor of our own wording. As Jesus Himself gave the perfect pattern for prayer in The Model Prayer, the following prayer might help you form a prayer for the election cycle that is before us.

God, our Father, Almighty God, we humbly ask Your help in becoming more responsible citizens of our nation and the world. Enable us to become more aware of eternal issues in current ones, more responsive to Your settled standards as we evaluate candidates and issues. As part of this responsibility, help us to approach our national election in the spirit of STEWARDSHIP. Guide us to select leaders of our towns, our counties, our cities, our states, and our nation who will seek and follow Your will in this crisis of our history.

Your kingdom come and Your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. We ask Your help in the name of Jesus and for Your glory. Amen.

Read your Bible daily. Expect the Holy Spirit to bring the Word you read alive and apply it to the issues of the day. Listen as you read with the intention of obeying the Word. Remember that prayer is the Lighthouse that pushes against the spiritual darkness. Don't forget to include your family and your friends. Before you finish your conversations, join hands and pray God's Choice for President be revealed as well as for other elected offices. Pray that the great American dream which drew our forefathers to this land be revived. Our freedoms were founded on their religious faith. The same religious faith can keep them alive! From their Bibles came the idea that each person is of infinite worth and that anyone may rise by faith and perseverance from even humble beginnings to positions of top leadership and service and even become President. Then VOTE! IT IS TIME!

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry

#### God's restraining grace

We are capable of every sin that we have seen our neighbor commit unless God's grace restrains us. Augustine

#### 2020 OUR NATION IS IN GREAT PERIL

An intense spiritual war is raging in America. The home of the brave and the home of the free is clearly the focus of an attack by the Destroyer, Satan himself, on the moral fiber that has characterized our history. America's moral foundation is crumbling to the point that even our religious freedom is in jeopardy. We are divided in America like no time since the late 1960s. But now, God Himself and His people are bearing the brunt of his attack as never before.

The rapidity of the deterioration of our morals and standards should bring concern to all Christians. Under the guise of civil rights many behaviors that are biblically condemned and deemed abominations in the sight of God are practiced in the open. Any who dares to oppose these acts is regarded as an enemy of America. So goes the story of the day.

There is no nation in all the world that has been as blessed as America. The world is a better place because of these United States. Why has God been so good to America? Could it be that God had and still has a special mission for America? Could it be that God led in the founding of this nation because He wanted to demonstrate to the world the kind of nation, the kind of people, who would glorify Him?

In our day, evil is being called good and good evil. A list of our sins in America are of such portion that a great day of reckoning is surely coming. Have we gone too far? Is it too late for America? IS THERE HOPE? Yes. There is a way to come back to God. The healing of America can come only as the children of God humble themselves before Him in confessing specific sins before Almighty God, repenting and praying for revival among believers. Then will the unregenerate be moved by the Spirit of God to confession of sin before Almighty God and experience His forgiveness and cleansing.

#### CRY OUT TO GOD! PRAY!

Perhaps one Old Testament incident will provide light to apply to our time. When Pharaoh drew near, the children of Israel lifted their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians marched after them. So they were very afraid, and the children of Israel cried out to the Lord (Exodus 14:10). Ancient Israel's action could be a model for modern America when it appears there is no hope.

In Psalm 107, the psalmist speaks of a time when things were so bad that the people were at wit's end. When you look at the United States what is your reaction? Have you come to your wit's end? What did the people do? They cried out to the Lord in their trouble. What did He do? He [brought] them out of their distresses. He [calmed] the storm, so that the waves were still (Psalm 107:28-29). They prayed and cried out to God and He sent His Word and healed them from their destructions (V20).

Christians can no longer be complacent and stand by with arms by their sides. So what should our reaction be in the opposition of a hostile and intolerant society and culture? We must be salt and light knowing both are needed. The future of the nation is in the hands of believers. How will we handle this truth? Prayer is the work that must come before all other work. We must motivate believers to pray and teach them how to pray. Adam Nathanson and his team are ready to provide assistance. Schedule a prayer seminar. This the Bible way, revivals come out of the prayer room.

As an individual, become a LIGHTHOUSE OF PRAYER that pushes against the spiritual darkness! You can become a lighthouse! Your church family can become a lighthouse! Your church can become a lighthouse of prayer (which Jesus clearly intended). GET STARTED NOW!

#### The salt of the earth

Herschel H. Hobbs

Ye are the salt of the earth

#### Matthew 5:13

To call a person the salt of the earth is a supreme compliment. Jesus said this about His followers. But He also spoke of responsibility.

Salt was a precious commodity. The Greeks called it divine. Roman soldiers often were paid in salt. Hence salary, from the Latin sale. It was considered an offering to the gods. All Hebrew meat offerings were to be salted (Leviticus 2:13).

Many years ago we saw salt bins along the coast of Lebanon. They collected salt water from the sea. The water was evaporated by the sun, leaving only the salt. Thus the Romans regarded salt as a symbol of purity, product of the sun and sea. This added force to Jesus' words.

Salt is an antiseptic. For a sore throat, doctors often prescribe gargling with warm salt water. It is also a preservative. It is put on raw meat to prevent corruption and decay. Likewise, salt adds zest and flavor to food. These functions apply to Jesus' use of this figure of Christians as the salt of the earth.

However one regards salt, Christians can lose their savor. Instead of being salt they become insipid. Ineffective, the world scorns them and life passes them by as it rushes to corruption, despair, and loss. Along with its loss is the loss of our opportunity. Do not let it happen to you!

## "The salt of the earth Alexander Maclaren

Society is corrupt and tending to corruption. You do not salt a living thing. You salt a dead one that it may not be a rotting one.

And says Christ, "Human society without My influence, is a carcass that is rotting away and disintegrating. And you, faithful handful, who have partially apprehended the meaning of My mission, and have caught something of the spirit of My life, you are to be rubbed into that rotting mass to sweeten it, to arrest decomposition, to stay corruption, to give flavor to its insipidity, and to save it from falling to pieces of its own wickedness. Ye are the salt of the earth."

"YE ARE
THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD"

#### Warning

What happens when believers do not have the proper attitude toward the Word of God? The book of **Hebrews** provides the answer. This book was written to believers who were in danger of lapsing back into a carnal state of spiritual immaturity because of their attitude toward God's Word. Five warnings are given based on one's attitude toward God's Word. The progression of spiritual deterioration is **drifting** from the Word through neglect (2:1-4), **doubting** the Word through hardness of heart (3:7-4:14), **dullness** toward the Word through sluggishness (5:11-6:20), **despising** the Word through willfulness (10:26-39), and finally, **disobeying** the Word by refusing to hear (12:14-29). Be warned! Stay in the Word!

#### Making a Difference

by Carollyn Peerman

Christian, are you making a difference? You have a spiritual gift. Are you developing it? Maybe you are fortunate enough to have more than one spiritual gift and/or other talents.

Are you studying each day to increase the value of your gifts? Doors of opportunity will open before you as you make yourself available.

Think through the steps that you want to take to fully utilize your gifts. In His Sermon on the Mount, Jesus taught His disciples, "Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone that asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks, it shall be opened" (Matthew 7:7-8). Are you praying? Ask! Seek! Knock! Try it, Prayer works. The course of your life is in God's power. Are you praying for His auidance?

Meditate on Billy Graham's words at Richard Nixon's funeral in 1994: There comes a moment when we all must realize that life is short, and in the end the only thing that really counts is not how others see us, but how God sees us. For the believer there is hope beyond the grave, because Jesus Christ has the door to heaven for us by His death and resurrection. Think about it!

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#### NOTES from Bible

Note 5046. God is able! God is willing! God is waiting!

Note 5047. Have faith in God, He's on His throne

Note 5048. In desperate circumstances, pray for Him to be glorified, then stand firm and expect God to act on behalf of His children.

Note 5049. It is appropriate that since Christ gave Himself for us at the cost of His blood, we should give ourselves to Him.

Note 5050. As we remember what God has done for us, we are motivated to ask what we can do for Him, and then do it.

#### ROPEHOLDER/DOORKEEPER REPORT

"We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers." 1 Thessalonians 1:2

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#### PRAYER CALENDAR

#### FEBRUARY 2020

"I will give myself to prayer..."

Psalm 109:4h

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Leviticus (USA 330M)

Mae Adams (NC)

Robert & Susanne Adams (TN)

Norma Ailes (FL)

H. L. & Janie Allen (SC)

David & Eunjoo Andersen (VA)

Marvin/Donna Anderson (VA)

Tommy & Pat Apple (NC)

Eldon & Gayle Armstrong (SC)

Leonor Avila (MD)

Mike & Joyce Baker (VA)

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Linda Beattie (PA)

Tim Bash-GCCC (NJ)

Emily Baskin (TN)

Jean Beasley (TN)

Tommy Bell (TN)

Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)

Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)

Beulah Baptist Church (VA)

Dr. Dennis & Doreen Hollandsworth

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Leviticus 4-7 (USA 330M)

Beverly Blankenship (TN) Jimmy & Christina Borsh (VA)

Loretta Bolen (VA)

William/Debbie Bowden (NC)

Kathleen Boyce (PA) David & Marna Boyd (OR)

Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)

Jean Bradshaw (VA)

Kim Bradshaw (VA)

Lurlene Braud (VA)

Michael Breed (WI)

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Leviticus 8-10 (USA 330M)

Nancy Bretz (PA)

Judy Britt (GA)

Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)

Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)

Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE)

Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)

Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)

Anne Campbell (VA)

Don & Lucy Campbell (VA) Cliff/Laura Cannon (FL))

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Leviticus 11-15 (USA 330M)

Robin & Teresa Carlson (NJ) Robert & Anne 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)

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Leviticus 16-20 (USA 330M)

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 Ann Dudley (VA)

Micheal & Diane Eagle (VA) Kathryn Eaton (ME)

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Leviticus 21-23 (USA 330M)

Lynn Elkins (TN) Jeff & Leeann Englert (KY)

Don & Mary Enoch (FL)

Duane Erieau (WI)

Larry & Cara Fields (VA) John & Susan Finnessy (MD)

James & Ruth Flanagan (GA)

Nancy Fowser (NJ)

Claire/MaryAnn Fredstrom (NE) Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Leviticus 24-27 (USA 330M)

Emilee & Emma Fulcher (VA) John & Kim Gaines (DE)

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)

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

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) MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Numbers 1-4 ((USA 330M)

Jim Hengoed (CT) Gina Henry (VA)

J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA) Jack Henry (TN)

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

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

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Numbers 5-8 (USA 330M)

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

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Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA) Bill Hogan (VA)

Joanna Holland (VA)

John & Glenda Holland (VA) Anita Horton (VA)

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

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Numbers 9-12 (USA 330M)

Joyce Hunt (TN) Wilbert/Almaretta Hupp (PA)

Jide & Bunmi Iware (MD)

Gene Jeffries (AR)

Mark & Debbie Jenifer (MD)

Vernelle Jenkins (MD)

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

Millicent John (NY)

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Numbers 13-16 (USA 330M)

Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY)

Ben & Gwen Jones (MD)

Gwen Johnson (AZ)

Aaron & Iris Johnson (MD)

Jim & Penny Johnson (KY) Rick & Betsy Johnson (TN)

Vicky Johnson (MD)

James Jones (FL) Paul Jones (KY)

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Numbers 17-20 (USA 330M) Theo/Sherry Jones (MD)

W I & Eloise Jones (SC)

Mohan Katta (IL) Suzie Kauffmann (NC)

Harper/Shelia Keebaugh (PA) Kerby Knob Baptist Church

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Numbers 21-25 (USA 330M)

Harriet Kennedy (VA) Louis & Jane Kiger (VA)

Larry & Janet King (NC)

Ken & Bonnie Kirby (PA) Robert & Andrea Klepper (TN) Kenneth & Amy Kollar (ID) Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI) SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 Korean Branch: Dr. Shin Kwana Suk Joel & Jackie Kramar (VA) Woodrow & Linda Kroll (NE) Sylvia LaFond (ME) Craig & Molly Lampe (AZ) Phil & Edra Landers (OK) Del & Mary Leach (VA) Aaron & Wanda Lewis (MD) MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17 Numbers 26-30 (USA 330M) Liberty University (VA) Jerry Falwell Jr., President Delores Liely (MD) Mike & Earlene Lips (MS) Vincent/Mary Lobisco (MI) Ray & Bobbie Long (WV) Don & Betty Lowry (SC) Manship Chapel (DE) Bruce & Vickie Tribbett TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18 Numbers 31-33 (Bulgaria 7.1M) Wilma Marcum (KY) Nick & Pat Markham (VA) Reg & Gloria Martin (OH) Larry & Sue Mason (VA) Beau Ware Masonry (V) Deborah Mathias (NY) Murray/Loretta Mathis (TN) Dan & Fay McConville (VA) WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19 Numbers 34-36 (USA 330M) R. O. & June McHaney (VA) Nancy McPherson (ME) Don & Barbara Meduna (CO) Terry & Sandra Metzgar (VA) Betsy Miedema (MI) Roger & Nancy Minney (VA)) Bill & Sharon Moody (VA) Ronald & Wilma Moore (NC) THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20 Deuteronomy 1-4 (USA 330M) Doris Moos (NJ) Elaine Moser (MN) Drever/Roberta Morton (VA) Bob & Diane Nichols (VA) Betty Nichols (WA) NE Baptist College (VT) Mark Ballard, President

Oconto Gospel Chapel (WI)

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PRAYER FOCUS: USA AMERICA, YOU ARE TOO YOUNG TO DIE!

#### **DAILY INTERCESSION:**

J. GORDON & SUE HENRY ADAM & DIANNA NATHANSON

"Oh that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men." Psalm 107:8

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You never have to bear your burden alone. We are eager to pray with you and then supply needed prayer support daily. Keep us updated.

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Silas & Comfort Yashim (Nigeria)

#### **Pray Daily**

#### Don't Forget to Praise Him

<u>On earth</u>. Moses and the children of Israel sang this song to the Lord, and spoke, saying:

I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously! The horse and the rider He has thrown into the sea! The LORD is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation; He is my God, and I will praise Him; my father's God, and I will exalt Him (Exodus 15:1-2).

In Heaven. In every glimpse into Heaven, He is receiving Praise! Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, saying with a loud voice: 'Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and glory and blessing' (Revelation 4:9-11);

Back on earth. And every living creature which is in heaven and one the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard say, 'Blessing and honor and glory and power be to Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever!' (Revelation 5:11-13).

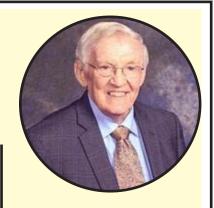
PRAISING ON EARTH PREPARES
YOU TO JOIN HEAVEN'S PRAISE!

# IN LOVING MEMORY Evangelist Gale Thomas Wetzel September 29, 1937-January 6, 2020 Franklin, Kentucky Remembering Gale Wetzel Ropeholder Doorkeeper

On a stormy Saturday afternoon, many of Gale's family and friends gathered at the First United Methodist Church in historic downtown Franklin, Kentucky to memorialize and honor the memory of a beloved servant of the Lord. In my mind, I still hear the singing of the great hymns of the faith in four-part harmony belting forth. I hear the reading of the Scriptures and the preaching of the Word of God. I re-live the open invitation to lost people to trust the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior. I cherish the moments of prayer. I cherish the picture of Nancy, his wife, and Owen, their son, standing by Gale's casket holding on to each other.

In the service, some talked about personal encounters with Gale, one of the most humble men with whom I have known. They spoke of fishing, going out to eat, and visiting together. Gale preached his first sermon December 29, 1959 and continued preaching for 60 years. Some remembered him as a pastor; others as a missionary statesman who had the world on his heart and organized evangelistic teams for other nations. He did 43 overseas mission trips including Russia, India, Montserrat, West Indies, Antigua, Dominican Republic, Sierra Leone West Africa, Ghana, West Africa, Togo, Africa and Zimbabwe, Africa.

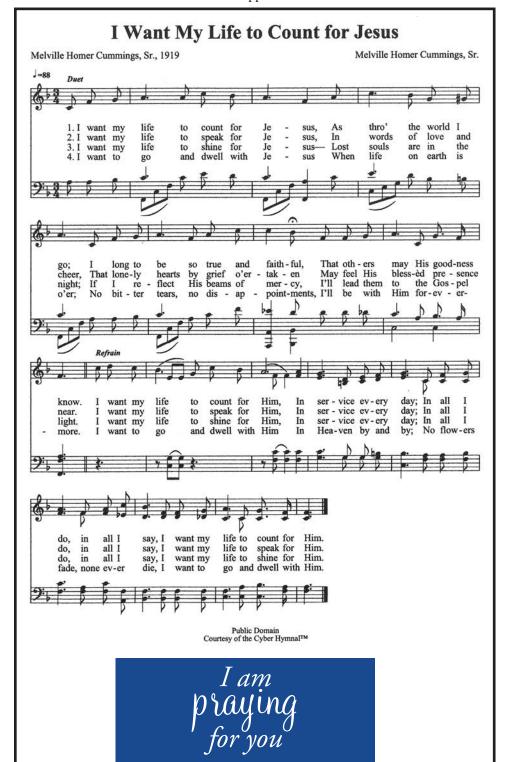
I thought of him as one of Sue's classmates at Calhoun (KY) High School, an anointed evangelist (he preached in over 1,200 revivals), a powerful preacher, who dared to pitch tents within prison walls, and an anointed teacher whose prison ministry was unparalleled across the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Interestingly enough, I learned that Gale had preached a revival in



Jefferson County, my home county in Tennessee, and had maintained friendship across the years with some who attended. That's the kind of person Gale was.

I thought of him as a friend. I thought of his love for Nancy. one of the most amazing women of faith with whom I have encountered, one who speaks with the Father to determine His will and then follows it. On Saturday before Gale's leaving, she was talking with the Father and in her spirit heard the message: "I want you to give Gale back to Me. It is time." When I read that message, I knew that it was time to wait for the news because I, too, had experienced a similar sense that very morning. My life was greatly enriched by Gale and Nancy Wetzel. THANK YOU, LORD, FOR BRINGING GALE WETZEL INTO MY LIFE AND FOR THE MANY INVITATIONS TO JOIN HIM FOR MANY PRISON PRAYER SEMINARS. One of those seminars was at Eddyville State Prison, Kentucky's only maximum security prison, memorable because five men were brought from death row to the seminar. We will meet again and resume conversation where we left off the last time we were together.

WELL DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT! WELCOME HOME!





#### EARLY EACH MORNING A PRAYER COMES FROM WANDA.

#### Monday Prayer

Dear Lord, thank you for this day. I ask that you would go before me today and every day this week. Please help me remember all the things you have brought me through in the past. Help me remember you have not brought me this far to fail me or abandon me now. Help me to be strong in your power and might. Help me to walk confidently in your truth so I can have faith without fear, trust without hesitation, calmness in the face of stress and your peace no matter what I face. In the name of Jesus I ask these things. Amen



# Today Is Wednesday LORD, we woke up this Morning clothed in our right mind, and for this we give You PRAISE. FATHER, our lives are in Your hands, so we put our Trust in You to guide and protect us throughout the rest of the week. We Pray that You will shower us with Your Mercy & Grace, as we endeavor to run this race. WE NEED YOUR GLORY! May You continue to Heal, Bless and Keep us covered under the precious Blood of Jesus. In His name we do Pray, Amen. Shalom





#### Friday Morning Prayer

O gracious Father, thank you for this promise to fill our hearts with your love! Thank you for your powerful grace, given to me through your Spirit, that enables me both to receive your love and to love others as Jesus did. May my life reflect this powerful gift in both good times and hard times. In Jesus' name, I thank you. Amen.

# Significance of the Name of Jesus Christ Sunday and Grace Bwanhot

The name of Jesus Christ is most important. It is the name that God the Father gave to His Son. At the mention of Jesus Christ many things about God will just flash through our minds. At the mention of Jesus Christ, Satan trembles, unbelievers either repent or become more hardened; Christians rejoice along with the angelic beings. The name of Jesus Christ makes the difference in terms of where we will spend eternity Heaven or Hell.

Praying in the name of Jesus Christ is an appeal to His authority. The name of Jesus Christ is the only authority in the hands of believers that opens the doorway to God's throne and to all His treasures. All power belongs to Jesus but He has given us authority to exercise some of His power by using His name. The name of Jesus Christ therefore becomes the seal that authenticates the claims we on which we lay hold.

Let us illustrate. Assuming the president of our country gave me a special assignment that would require my seeing Ministers, Governors, top military and security personnel and entering all secret offices and interviewing whomever I thought should be interviewed, he would give me a letter of introduction signed and sealed, authorizing me to see any of the officers listed above. Though I am not a public figure that is known, when I am armed with the president's letter I would walk boldly to any office. Any security checks on my way or unnecessary delays will be waved as soon as I present the president's letter. Anywhere I visit, I will be given maximum cooperation.

I am not the president, neither do I have any power, but I have an authority that is backed by the power of the president. I could use that same authority to see the president personally and make any relevant request from him.

The name of Jesus Christ is the authority that we have and since He is the Creator of the whole world and everything in it, we can enter anywhere or make relevant requests to Him and we will be successful. Armed with the name of Jesus Christ, which is our authority, we should march forward from victory to victory.

Note:\_God used a prayer seminar in Jos, Plateau State, Nigeria, November 26, 1988, to revolutionize and redirect Sunday's prayer life. Let this article whet your appetite for <u>seventeen studies</u> in the remaining 2020 Reflectors on *Practical Steps to Growing Your Prayer Life*. You will want to clip and share Sunday's insights with others.

NIGERIAN MISSIONARIES BASED IN CHICAGO

#### THE TORCH IS PASSED JANUARY 2020



Adam, Dianna, Daniel & David Nathanson

We thank God for allowing us to have forty years in the prayer seminar ministry. Many of you have been aware of the Five-Year Plan that the JGHM Board of Directors approved to guide us in a transition period to new leadership. Year five began on October 1, 2019 and ends on September 30, 2020. We are glad to report that the new paradigm of Ropeholder Doorkeepers has been very successful. We hold the rope for others to go teach and preach. 2019 was a BANNER YEAR in all the focus areas that were established. Hundreds of Lighthouses of Prayer are now pushing against the spiritual darkness in many nations and localities. The most significant happening to report, however, is that THE TORCH HAS BEEN PASSED to new leadership. ADAM NATHANSON has assumed the responsibility for the prayer seminars.

Ten Days in. To begin his journey as the prayer seminar leader, Adam began January 2020 with ten days in Panama. The Lord blessed. It has been said that one picture is worth a 1,000 words. Instead of describing the report in words, please take time to review the photos on page 15.

Pray Daily for the Nathansons. Sue and I love the Doorkeepers. As we pray daily, I can provide details about many who are listed on the Doorkeeper Prayer Calendar on any given day, truly friends as well as partners. We have some photos on the Prayer Board. We continue to ask Ropeholder Doorkeepers to share photos. Many say that they pray for us and the prayer seminar ministry daily. This is great encouragement!

Now, would you please add the Nathansons to your daily prayer list? Stop what you are doing and do it now. The hour is late! The need is great! Prayer is the work that must come before all other work. Everything by Prayer is the mantra we have adopted. Our mission is unchanged. Adam is carrying the torch.



PANAMA PASTOR PLANS TO TEACH PRAYER SEMINARS.















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TELL A FRIEND!

# YOU HAVE THE ABILITY TO INFLUENCE THE WORLD



Mounting tensions. A divided nation! International turmoil brewing! Yet you and I can make a difference. How? By praying for kings and those in authority (1 Timothy 2:1-2). Just as we are not praying for laborers for the fields, which is the way Jesus indicated to get the harvest gathered (Matthew 9:35-38; Luke 10:2; John 4:35), we are not obeying the Word in praying for government leaders. America, as do all nations. needs godly leaders. There is no better way to make a difference than by praying for our leaders. After all, this is what the Word of God teaches. The bottom line of Christianity is obedience.

Intercession is focusing the power of God on a person or a situation. The word itself is from two Greek words. Put them together and the meaning is "go-between." A helpful practice is to focus the power of God on a specific person or a specific need. Instead of praying for the "President," call out the name as you intecede. Pray in the sense of 1 John 5:14-15: Pray ... Will of God ...God hears ... God will answer.



#### SPECIAL FRIENDS

Ed and Jean Bradshaw became our friends sixteen years ago. We learned that we had mutual friends in Tidewater, Virginia. They became faithful DOORKEEPERS. Actually, they guided us to Beulah Baptist Church where Dennis Hollandsworth, their longtime friend was pastor.

When circumstances were such that we needed a closer church, I called Ed one Saturday night in September 2016. He was not surprised that I called. That morning, as he prayed for those on the Doorkeeper Prayer List, the Holy Spirit impressed him to make a commitment to pray for Sue and me and the prayer seminar ministry more. We were on his mind.

#### IN LOVING MEMORY

EDWARD BRADSHAW Sunrise March 10,1932 Sunset, January 23, 2020 FOREST, VIRGINIA

"...ABSENT FROM THE BODY, PRESENT WITH THE LORD" 2 Corinthians 5:8b

REMEMBER JEAN AND THE BRADSHAW FAMILY IN PRAYER. COVER THEM WITH LOVE.