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"Credit to whom credit is Due" "Honor to whom honor is Due"

Upon researching the origin of an expression that has come to my mind multiple times the past few weeks, I discovered that it was probably coined by Samuel Adams in a letter dated October 9, 1777. Actually, I had always attributed it to Ira Mae Covington Henry (Mrs. Lee), my mother, who was quick to point out that it is proper to give credit to whom credit is due. Following our **Diamond Anniversary Celebration** at Memorial Christian Church, Lynchburg, on Saturday, April 22, 2017, guests expressed their delight in how efficiently the event unfolded. The decorations were appropriate and memorable. Room arrangement was

as it should be. Tables were laden with food and drink. Not one thing went awry. The credit belongs to our wonderful granddaughter, **Jeanne Ware Pribble**, and her creative mother, **Mona Henry Thomas** (our daughter). My response to Jeanne was that she should be an "event planner!" Beautiful! Deserving of praise! Credit to whom credit is due!

Fast forward to Saturday, May 6, when a host of people came to the First Baptist Church of Pimlico in Baltimore, Maryland, to attend an area-wide prayer seminar that Pastor Anthony Dorsey and his church sponsored. Everything was ready to

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"But one thing I do ..."

Paul: "Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting the those things which are behind and reaching forward to those which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" (**Philippians 3:13-14**).

There are **red-letter days** in one's life. One of these came for Sue and me on April 18, 1957, when we became husband and wife at the Calvary Baptist Church, Somerset, Kentucky. Another was April 18, 2017 when we celebrated our 60th Wedding Anniversary, the one that is called the "Diamond Anniversary." These past few weeks have been busy ones with myriad tasks to accomplish leading up to the public celebration at the Memorial Christian Church, Lynchburg, Virginia, on Saturday, April 22nd when relatives and friends were invited to celebrate with us. Through God's grace, this event is now behind us. Life goes on.

Some of our readers who were students at Liberty Baptist College (AKA Lynchburg Baptist College and now Liberty University) or Thomas Road Bible Institute might remember a classic chapel message by Dr. Falwell cautioning all of us not to spread ourselves too thin. He used Paul's testimony to focus our thoughts. Interestingly enough, he and I had an earlier conversation about the multiple hats each of us was wearing at that time.

My hats included being a husband to Sue, a father to the 3 Ms (Mona, Mark, and Melody), an educator, and a Southern Baptist pastor. Out of each category, there were tentacles stretching out in different directions. For example, as an educator, my teaching area was basically courses in human development and teacher education. I "loved" to teach my students in the 300-level human development



God expects His children to pray "with all perseverence" (Ephesians 6:18) which means that we are to hold on, hold out, not faint, not quit, and not yield to discouragement. It is easy to be deflected from praying by the pressure of other things and give up. Many no longer have prayer lives because they have given up.

If you have quit praying, start doing it again, or you are headed for trouble. It is not easy to pray. Prayer is never going to be something that comes easy or automatic. It is a mattter of personal discipline.

Satan has "wiles" to discourage us in persevering. He will let you have two good days in praying and tries to make you believe it will always be like that. Then when we fail to pray on the third day, he will come saying that you cannot be a praying person. Forget it!

You need to keep praying. If you missed yesterday, pray today. If you did not pray all last week, start today. Praying is so important to our survival and success as Christians, we cannot let it be any less than our top priority.

course. Administratively, my role was academic dean (first Vice President for Academic Affairs at LU), which involved developing infrastructure in the light of one day becoming an accredited institution expanding to "university level." Initially, I functioned as the chairman for the Division of Education and Psychology and was thrilled when the very first LBC teacher-education student was certified to teach in the Commonwealth of Virginia, an event that marked a significant achievement in the life of our young institution. I held the title "Vice President for Lynchburg Christian Academy" but time only allowed me to function in an advisory capacity (not hands-on). Hiring faculty and developing programs was quite demanding with no time away from campus for vacations until 1976 when Sue, along with Hugh Bryan and Carter Mylam, and I took two weeks to visit beautiful New England to see the leafs changing colors that season. (Never did I imagine that years later I would trek these routes as president of Northeastern Bible College and teacher of prayer seminars.)

My role as pastor at **Pleasant View Baptist Church (**founded in 1875) was actually therapeutic. The times when the church came together (Sunday morning, Sunday evening, Wednesday evening, and special occasions such as two weeks twice a year for evangelistic/revival meetings and January Bible study that encompassed one week of studying a book in the Bible, never missing a soft-ball game to see a champion team winning game after game, visiting homes, teaching the Sunday school lesson to shut-ins each Saturday, preparing sermons and copy for the **Reflector**, as well as the Sunday bulletin that some called "the little book"—stapled and full of inspirational articles, as well as informational items) served as a tonic for my spirit.

There were times when fellow administrators, faculty members, staff members, and students needed to communicate with me. Although I had an "open door policy," the Lord led me to develop an "INQUIRY FORM" whereby a person could put in writing his thoughts/questions/ suggestions with the assurance that there would be an answer in their mail boxes the next day. For members of Pleasant View, the phone was a line of communication or anyone could come TO MY OFFICE because the door was open for them as well. Through it all, God gave the strength to multi-task. Although I did not know what I was doing, **John Holland**, a best friend, made a statement at our Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration in 2007 that clarified things for me: "Dr. Henry multi-tasked when there was no such thing is multi-tasking." Should everyone take this route? Only if God made the call!

As a young Christian in East Tennessee, I learned two adages: "Only one life, 'twill soon be past; only what's done for Christ will last" and one that became the motto for our senior class at White Pine High School: "Good, Better, Best. Never let it rest, until your good is better, and your better best." As my days on earth become shorter and I look back down the road I have traveled, I spend very little time cogitating on "The Road Not Taken," as did Robert **Frost**. God has guided and provided tasks that I did not ever expect to be given and to places that I never expected that I would go. So my prayer is one of thanksgiving: "Thank You, Father. Thank You, Father. Thank You, Father." "This is my story and this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long."

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry

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receive the participants. The registration table was in order with a carefully prepared list of those who had pre-registered. Refreshments were awaiting. A hot cup of coffee was placed in my hands! It could not have gone more smoothly. Months ago, Linda Beard made the initial contact to schedule a prayer seminar because her pastor had put the responsibility into her hands. Come to find out, this was the first event she had arranged. It dawned upon me that the preparation and implementation was as well done as anywhere in the world. Sixty years ago, I often included in **Reflectors** and in the Sunday church bulletins a feature entitled "A Tip of the Hat to ... for" I must say, "A Tip of the Hat" to Linda Beard for a job well done. It was through her work that everything went well! She excelled! Credit to whom credit is due!

INTRODUCING "MRS. McHANEY"

In talking about the early days at Lynchburg Baptist College (later

Liberty Baptist College and now Liberty University), I have often said that my first desk was a cardboard box. I must be quick to acknowledge that before the week was over, I had a desk, chair, and an IBM Selectric Typewriter. Soon a student from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Jackie Cluck, became my secretary, joined by Ada Myers, whose husband, Gifford, came from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (IL) to take responsibility for business affairs. The Office of Academic Affairs was officially assigned a small four-room house at 618 Thomas Road. The wheels were turning.

Then God sent June McHaney (Mrs. R. O. "Mac" McHaney) and their two sons, Denny & Doug, who became students at Lynchburg Christian Academy. She became Registrar and was not only my "right hand" support, but my "left hand" as well. In my previous position at **Eastern** Kentucky University, I was blessed with excellent secretarial help that were the envy of the campus. I soon discovered that Mrs. McHaney surpassed those wonderful colleagues. Not only was she responsible for the duties typically carried out by that position (keeping records; developing the semester schedules; assigning classrooms; designating advisors and placing students with them; assisting with the annual catalog; evaluating transcripts; overseeing registration; generating class rosters; preparing reports; and myriad other duties), she possessed people skills to accompany organizational skills. She made my job manageable and efficient. Step by step, day by day, the foundation was laid for a college as its niche was being established in higher education

in the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the South, and in the nation. Down through the years, I have lauded her contribution at Liberty University. Simply, there would have been no way that the mountains set before us could have been scaled without this woman of faith! God sent and used her! Her contributions must never be forgotten!

Now, I want to introduce Mrs. McHaney, my friend and professional colleague, to the **Reflector** readers, along with Mac whose commitment to what we were doing was so firmly fixed that he stood with us as we poured our lives into this venture of faith. Years later, our alma mater, Berea College and President John Stephenson, honored me with the Berea College Outstanding Service Award in Higher Education. At the banguet, a beautiful, ascribed silver dish was presented to Sue acknowledging her role in making my work possible. As Sue supported me, Mac McHaney supported June McHanev.

"Honor to whom honor is due" is the King James version of Romans 13:7. "Credit to whom credit is due" is Samuel Adam's 1771 expression. All four of us would be quick to say that we wish to give "honor, glory, and praise" to the Father and to the Son who alone are worthy to receive our adulations. "Without Him, we could do nothing" (John 15:5c). Having June McHaney and Mac with us at the Diamond Celebration was special beyond words. We are thankful for family and friends who came from far and near to celebrate with us. We have held the beautiful cards in our hands and read each word. Our response is that we return with joy

the love expressed. Your thoughts and expressions made our 60th wedding anniversary **a "red-letter" day** to be forever remembered in our lives.



MEET THE SHIKUKUS L-R Lydia (18), Josiah (11), Becky (13), Shalom (15) As you remember Martin & Anne in your prayers, don't forget their children.

An acknowledgement

During the past few months, both Sue and I have discovered that we fail to catch some needed corrections in the Reflector before printing. In fact, I caught three errors upon the first reading of May's issue. You can help by letting us know if you find one so we can attempt to correct before the next issue. Both of us were quite meticulous during our active professional careers: few errors were made!. It is guite humbling to let an error pass by uncorrected, but a blessing to know that with God's help and the help of our Doorkeepers and readers we can do better the next time!

THE ROLE OF MUSIC

Music is an excellent way to plant spiritual principles into our minds that will guide our responses to life's circumstances. Anyone who takes time to reflect on the truths embedded in the great hymns of the faith written by **Elisha A Hoffman** will likely become an advocate of returning hymns to our worship services today.

Here are some titles to check out: (1) I Must Tell Jesus; (2) Are You Washed in the Blood?; (3) Glory to His name; (4) Is Thy Heart Right with God?; (5) Leaning on the Everlasting Arms; (6) No Other Friend Like Jesus; (7) Sing of Jesus.

One of the mistakes that churches are making is to move away from such hymns in favor of what is known as "contemporary Christian music" that often exalts man, not the Lord.

I often sit down at our piano and my fingers and my mind began to play the hymns and gospel songs that have meant so much to our ministry and to our personal lives. We're marching to Zion with a song on our lips.

We are blessed to be in **Beulah Baptist Church**. Our pastor, our music director, our organist, and our pianist lead our choir and our congregation in lifting up voices in worship. We could listen to our choir sing all day long and still want more! Hallelujah!

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NOTES from my BIBLE



Note 3091. "Our Father" reminds us that prayer is based on sonship, not friendship.

Note 3092. Changing times do not change God.

Note 3093. Don't forget to pray for laborers; the fields are white to harvest and time passes swiftly. Note 3094. True repentance involves a change of mind that leads to a change of behafior.

Note 3095. The beginning point of a revival is repentance that leads us to confess specific sins which brings forgiveness and cleansing.



THANKS, DOORKEEPERS! Partners with God 1 Corinthians 3:9

PRAYER CALENDAR

JUNE 2017 "I will give myself to prayer..." Psalm 109:4b

THURSDAY, JUNE 1

Psalm 1-6 (VENEZUELA 31.7M) Larry & Sandra Abe (VA) Mae Adams (NC) Robert & Susanne Adams (TN) Wayne & Jennie Agee (VA) Norma Ailes (NJ) H. L. & Janie Allen (SC) David & Eujoo Andersen (VA)

FRIDAY, JUNE 2

Psalm 7-12 (Fiji 896,758) Tommy & Pat Apple (NC) Eldon/Gayle Armstrong (SC) Milcie Arnold (VA) Leonor Avila (MD) Bill & Karen Baker (OK) Mike & Joyce Baker (VA) Tim Bash-GCCC (NJ) Linda Beard (MD)

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

Psalm 13-18 (Finland 5.3M) Jean Beasley (TN) Tommy Bell (TN) Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN) Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL) Beverly Blankenship (TN) Beulah Baptist Church (VA) Dr. Dennis Hollandsworth

Ed & Loretta Bolen (VA)

SUNDAY, JUNE 4

Everett/Deborah Boston (MD) William/Debbie Bowden (NC) David & Marna Boyd (OR) Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ) Ed & Jean Bradshaw (VA) Kim Bradshaw (VA) Michal Breed (WI) Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)

MONDAY, JUNE 5

Psalm 19-24 (France 66M) Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ) Arretta Bruce (TN) Joe & Martha Bruno (CO) Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE) Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY) George & Janet Buck (NJ)

TUESDAY. JUNE 6

Psalm 25-30 (Fr Polynesia 277,293) 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) WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7 Psalm 31-36 (Gambia 1.9M) Mary Columbus (VA) Larry & Sue Cooper (DE) Terry & Sonja Craig (TN) Jerry & Joan Crain (SC) THURSDAY, JUNE 8 Psalm 37-44 (Gaza Strip 1.8M) Robert & Charlotte Crout (SC) Dufrene/Peggy Cummings (NC) Barbara Custalow (VA) John Davis (VA) Harold & Tama Decker (NY) Thomas DeWindt (WI) Alan & Rebecca Dockery (KY) FRIDAY, JUNE 9 Psalm 45-49 (Georgia 4.6M) Paul & Joyce Eggleston (VA) Jeff & Leeann Englert (KY) Lynn Elkins (TN) Don & Mary Enoch (FL) Eric & Mary Farel (VA) Gene & Shirley Farley (CA) Larry & Cara Fields (VA) John & Susan Finnessy (NJ) James & Ruth Flanagan (GA) Nancy Fowser (NJ) SATURAY, JUNE 10 Psalm 50-54 (Germany 81.1M) Claire/Mary Ann Fredstrom (NE) Freedom Through Faith (MD) Robert Tribodeau, Pastor Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA) James Fugate (CA) Travis & Emilee Fulcher (VA) Estelle Gabbard (KY) John & Kim Gaines (DE) Mike & Lerlyne Garcia (VA) Pauline Garrett (NJ) Ron & Kay Gavette (VA) Frank Geiger (HI) Sara George (GA) Gethsemani Evang Center (MD Robert & Ann Lara, Pastors SUNDAY, JUNE 11 Gloucester Co. Community Ch (NJ) Bruce Sofia, Pastor 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)

MONDAY, MAY 12

Psalm 55-59 (Ghana 25.2M) Linda Gregory (UT) Charles Hale (VA) Mike Hall (PA) Joy Harper (VA) Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN) Sadie Harris (VA) Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN) Hazel Hartless (VA) Jim Hengoed (CT) Gina Henry (VA) J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA) TUESDAY, JUNE 13 Psalm 60-66 (Gilbraltar 29,111) Jack Henry (TN) James & Kathryn Henry (MS) Mark Henry (TN) Melody Henry (VA) Roger & Sara Henry (OH) Sean & Bethany Henry (VA) Steve & Donna Hensel (MN) Ed & Donna Hindson (VA) Frank & Pat Hitchings (VA) Jeff Hodge (VA) Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA) Joanna Holland (VA) John & Glenda Holland (VA) Anita Horton (VA) Mike & Sonya Hosick (TN) Coy Hunsucker (NC) Joyce Hunt (TN) Wilbert/Almaretta Hupp (PA) WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14 Psalm 67-72 (Grerece 10.8M) Ed Hurlow (IN) Jide & Bunmi Iware (MD) Gerald/Tanny Jackson (WA) Gene/Rose Marie Jeffries (AR) Vernelle Jenkins (MD) Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN) Jonathan & Julie Jobe (SC) THURSDAY, JUNE 15 Psalm 73-77 (Kenya 44M) Millicent John (NY) Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY) Gwen Johnson (AZ) Bob & Rhonda Johnson (VA) 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) Mohan Katta (IL)

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FRIDAY, JUNE 16 Psalm 78-83 (Cuba 11.3M)

Suzie Kauffmann (NC) Harper/Shelia Keebaugh (PA) Kerby Knob Baptist Church (KY) Darren Hisel, Pastor Larry & Janet King (NC) Robert/Andrea Klepper (TN) Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY)

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

Psalm 84-89 (Kenya 44M) 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) Del & Mary Leach (VA) Raymond & Janet Lemay (VT)

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

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) Bruce & Vickie Tribbett Wilma Marcum (KY)

MONDAY, JUNE 19

Psalm 90-97 (Cuba 11.3M) Reg & Gloria Martin (OH) Larry & Sue Mason (VA) Beau Ware Masonry (VA) Deborah Mathias (NY) 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)

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

Psalm 98-103 (Cuba 11.3M) Betsy Miedema (MI) Marjorie Miller (VA) Roger & Nancy Minney (VA) Ted & Natalie Monroe (KY) Bill & Sharon Moody (VA) French & Laura Moore (VA) Ron & Wilma Moore (NC) Joseph & Doris Moos (NJ) WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

Psalm 104-106 (Cuba 11.3) Elaine Moser (MN) NE Baptist College (VT) Mark Ballard, President Bob & Diane Nichols (VA) Betty Nichols (WA) Oconto Gospel Chapel (WI) Peter Dorn, Pastor Zack & Jackie Olcott (VA) Ann Palumbo (PA) Raleigh & Janet Parker (VA) Roger & Kay Pede (VA) Sandy Pederson (MN) Jim & Barb Peterson (MI) Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA) THURSDAY, JUNE 22 Psalm 107-110 (Cuba 11.3M) Barbara Powell (NY) Elbert & Barbara Powell (VA) Marshall & Lois Powell (KY) Jeanne & Maggie Pribble (VA Jeannette Ralph (VA) Marjorie Randall (TX) Dave Ricker (ME) Calvin & Valerie Ritchey (VA) Cynthia Roach (VA) Dorlos & Betty Robinson (MS) Isabell Robotham (NY) Clark & Marie Rogers (VA) FRIDAY, JUNE 23 Psalm 111-118 (Cuba 11.3M) James & Shelly Rode (FL) Fred Rolater (TN) Bob & Marlene Rose (MI) Sandra Rumore (VA) John Saint (PA) Don/Marie Satterwhite (FL) Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA) Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA) SATURDAY, JUNE 24 Psalm 119 (Cuba 11.3M) Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI) John & Peggy Seibert (AL) Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH) Shenandoah Valley Baptist Ch Gene Jones, Pastor (VA) Nellie F. Shepard (CT) Ray Shields (VA)

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

Mary Skiles (KS) Bobby & Cindy Smith (TN) Ron & Bonnie Smith (VA) Helen Sourlis (MD) Randy & Cheryl Stauter (MN) Tim & Pam Steger (ID)

MONDAY, JUNE 26

Psalm 20-127 (Cuba 11.3M) Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA) Charles Stinson (VA) Johnny & Rosie Street (TX) William Suttles (NC) Bob & Sandy Swain (VA) TUESDAY, JUNE 27

Psalm 135-139 (Cuba 11.3M Brian/Janice Tarraferro (TX) Billy & Sharon Taylor (PA) Ron & Mazie Taylor (VA) Stephanie Taylor (GA) Rose Tengstrand (VA) Mona Henry Thomas (VA) W. D./Jackie Thomason (TN) Montez Thompson (WI) Cathy Tilton (VA) William & Katie Toney (NC) Virginia Trask (VA)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

Psalm 135-139 (Cuba 11.3M) Carrol/Ouida Troutman (KY) Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY) Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY) Joe & Benita Troutman (KY) Malcom Troutman (KY) Marshall/Mary Troutman (KY) Terri & Debra Turbin (MD) Frances Turpin (VA) Sara Underwood (TN) Patrick & Patricia Vaden (TN) Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ) Harris/Jane Verkaik (MI) George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ)

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

Psalm 140-145 (Cuba 11.3M) Mary Ann Voss (DE) Horace & Becky Ward (NC) Michael/Sandra Ward (IN) Kay Warmerdam (TX) Willow & Stone Ware (VA) Joyce Warpoole (TN) Rodger Watts (WI) Naomi Webb (NJ) Frank & Nell Weer (KY) Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY) FRIDAY, JUNE 30

Psalm 146-150 (Cuba 11.3M) Earnest & Floria Wiant (VA) Kay Wice (GA) 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) Greg & Lori Worley (GA) David & Lili Wykle (VA) Betty Yates (WI Yeshua Minisdtries (TN) Frank Bell, President Fred & Susan Zeller (MD)

DAILY INTERCESSION

Zane & Burma Abbott (VA) Carrol & Milcie Arnold (VA) Stan Baskin [Emily] (TN) Dr. Jim Britt [Judy] (GA) Kathie Connolly (VA) Georgia Covington [Foster] (VA) Joy Harper (VA) Ruth Henry (OH) Sam Hough [Linda] (VA) Bruce Kirby [Wanda] (KY) Murray* & Loretta Mathis (TN) Bob Matney [Heida] (VA) Sam Simpson [Lola] (NY) Jean Smith [Jim] (KY) Walt & Betty Sommers (VA) Mazie Taylor [Ron] (VA) Donna Thompson [Larry] (VA) Willie Troutman [Diana] (KY) *JGHM Board Chairman since 1984

We are eager to pray with you and then supply needed prayer support daily. Keep us updated. You do not have to bear your burden alone.

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that we wanted what would bring God glory.

My first work after we moved to Lynchburg in May 1972 was to travel each weekend to Winchester, Virginia, to plant a new church, now known as Shenandoah Valley Baptist Church. My agreement was to stay with them until there were one hundred members. In ten months, I baptized ninety-nine. A date was fixed to organize with Dr. Falwell as the keynote speaker. At no cost to the church, he flew to Winchester and brought Sue with him, along with the LBC Chorale. That was the kind of man he was—always giving. A short while ago, I ran across the cassette tapes that recorded the event for posterity.

The last time that Sue and I went to hear him preach at Thomas Road, his message was on leaving a legacy. As usual, it was a powerful, thought-provoking message. All of us should be reminded that everyone must die and we must be ready at any moment for death or for the Lord's return. May God continue to build on Dr. Falwell's legacy in Lynchburg and around the world; may we be faithful in building our own legacy for family, friends, and the world around us. I am thankful for Dr. Falwell and for the opportunity to provide leadership to build the academic foundation for Liberty University. "Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of His saints (Psalm 116:15).



DR. HENRY WITH LINDA BEARD

The recent area-wide prayer seminar at First Baptist Church-Pimlico, Baltimore, Maryland, was greatly blessed by the moving of the Holy Spirit to bring His Word alive in an open and discernable way. Linda Beard did a tremendous job in preparation and coordinating under the supervisor of her longtime pastor, Anthony Dorsey. The First Baptist team excelled in all things! On Sunday, I conducted an evangelism clinic for the church and brought the morning message in beautifully executed service that included celebration Holy Communion.

Martin & Anne Shikuku (our colleagues leading JGHM: East/ Central Africa) were introduced and Martin was invited to address the congregation. As usual his presence and words were anointed with a special unction of the Holy Spirit. As I listened, he articulated some of the thoughts that I had been pondering at this particular moment in our lives and ministry. He presented a challenge to the church in America that could have some merit in bringing revival and renewal to many churches. I asked him to share his thoughts with our readers. Perhaps he sees something that our pastors/churches are failing to see

While I have found it difficult to be released from feeling that I

need to go to other nations as in years past, little by little I am being nudged by the Holy Spirit to alter my viewpoint and remember that we now have many across the world who can mobilize and train believers to become Lighthouses of Prayer. There is no more important task than calling forth **ROPEHOLDERS**, as was done in William Carey's day, for those who will go out into the deepest darkness with the Gospel and the teaching that will bring His light to the nations. At the same time, we can refocus on calling the churches in America to become praying churches and return to the realization that prayer is the work that must come before all other work. Through the crucible of experience. we have evidence that God uses the six-hour prayer seminar to bring revival and renewal. I am ready to go as God opens doors in America. Many of you, pastors and people, have said, "I want my church to be a praying church." Do you believe that enough to organize a prayer seminar in your area. If so, either go to our website or contact our office



PASTOR ANTHONY DORSEY & MARTIN SHIKUKU

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JGHM: EAST/CENTRAL AFRICA BRANCH

(Tanzania, Kenya, South Sudan, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, Democratic Republic of the Congo)

THEME: KENYA SPECIAL 2017

DATES: MONDAY, JULY 10-SATURDAY, JULY 11 (13 DAYS) GOAL: TO TRAIN/AWAKEN AND EMPOWER 1000 PLUS PASTORS AND CHURCH LEADERS TO PRAY BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER NATIONAL ELECTIONS (AUGUST 8)

HOW:

- 1. Pray for it to happen for God's glory.
- 2. Trust God for Provision & Protection for all travels.
- 3. Identify a key-host pastor from each of the 47 Kenya counties.

4. Discuss with the host pastor/s the central venue for each and every prayer seminars.

5. Make sure we have at least 1200 Swahili Prayer Seminar Works and writing pens.

SO FAR:

Dates are good and venues for each county identified. BUDGETARY ITEMS:

- 1. PUBLICITY: (cell phone; email; posters; handbills; banners.
- 2. Transportation: (Van serviced and fuel) 3. Lunches
- 4. Accommodations 5. Workbooks & pens.

BUDGET NEEDS FOR ROPEHOLDERS (including Cuba): \$8,000. \$8 to provide the seminar for each participant

BACKGROUND. The above outline was written by **Martin Shikuku**. Following the 2007 national elections, chaos reigned since some objected to apparent irregularities in the outcome. Tribal conflict resulted in over 30,000 dislocated and hundreds killed or injured. Some towns/villages were completely destroyed. The world was shocked since Kenya was viewed as strong democratic nation. Martin and his family fled to the Eldoret police station for protection and for days we did not know if they were dead or alive. Finally, word came: "This is Martin and I am alive." The **DOORKEEPERS** responded to our appeal and provided over \$13,000 to get him reestablished. God has provided and Martin is greatly used by God to establish Lighthouses of Prayer for the nations under his ministry.

Glory Baptist Church, Eldoret, has thrived. What happened in 2007 must never be repeated. We join Martin and his colleague in believing that prayer is the work that must be done to defeat Satan's plans to destroy a nation.

ROPEHOLDERS NEEDED FOR KENYA SPECIAL 2017 AND FOR JGHM: CUBA/VENEZUELA BRANCH JERRY FALWELL Sunrise: August 11, 1933 Sunset: May 15, 2007



DR. FALWELL & DR. HENRY

Of all the colleagues I have had professionally, Jerry Falwell was undoubtedly the greatest visionary with whom I have worked. Between the years of 1972 and 1980 (six years on campus and two years as a monthly consultant), my joy was to take his vision for an educational institution of higher learning and bring it to a level of reality. The attestation of success was Liberty Baptist College's being granted accredited status by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools—a goal shared by Dr. Falwell in my initial interview with him faster than any other institution.

The daily challenge was to keep up with Dr. Falwell's vision. I reminded him quite often that he was constantly throwing balls in the air expecting them to be caught and given proper attention, which was virtually impossible.

On Tuesday, May 15, 2007 (ten years ago), Dr. Falwell's work onsite was completed and God sent an angel to take him home to glory. One need only visit the beautiful campus of Liberty University, which houses the Lynchburg Christian Academy and the Thomas Road Baptist Church to see the hand of God upon Dr. Falwell's ministry. His radio-television ministry continues to thrive. My own introduction to Dr. Falwell included his telecast that was entitled "Sunday Morning at Thomas Road." I could hardly wait to receive the next recording. One of his messages that I have used over the years in motivating my colleagues at the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS) during our most challenging years was one entitled "What to Do When the Brook Dries Up"—based on the story of Elijah.

Pastor-Teacher, Educator, Missionary Statesman, Friend are all correct designations for Jerry Falwell, but the one title that will forever stay with me is VISIONARY. Truly, he had the world on his heart and determine to do everything possible to reach souls for the Lord Jesus Christ and His Kingdom.

I could fill many pages of memorable moments with Dr. Falwell. We had no campus during those early days utilizing church properties and rented facilities. It was obvious that the Thomas Road property could not house the institution he envisioned. We prayed not only for income to come in to sustain us (tuition at that time was almost nothing), but for a permanent home. One day he called me to go with him to the site that he believed God was directing for a permanent campus. The two of us went to what is now called Liberty Mountain. He shared his vision for a campus that would serve 50,000. As we knelt to pray, we agreed together

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