REFLECTOR

VOL. 58, No. 3 "Set thee up waymarks" Jeremiah 31:21

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"He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you shall take refuge [He will shelter you with His wings], His truth shall be your shield and buckler [His faithful promises are your armor and protection" (Psalm 91:4).

Ruth Cyrus and Psalm 91

I remember it as though it were yesterday. It was an early pastoral visit to Lynchburg General Hospital to visit Ruth Cyrus, a member of Pleasant View Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Virginia, where I served as pastor. As a part of my duties as Vice President for Academic Affairs at Liberty Baptist College (now

Liberty University), I had an early-morning flight to New Orleans to attend a deans' conference. A few weeks prior to this event, I noticed that Mrs. Cyrus had a drooping eye lid. The cause turned out to be a brain tumor and she was scheduled for surgery that day. My visit was to read Scripture and

pray with her.

I read portions of **Psalm 91** and Mrs. Cyrus listened attentively: "He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands." Holding her precious hands, we prayed committing this child of God into her Father's hands. Then I was off to New Orleans and she was off to surgery.

Upon my return to Lynchburg, I immediately went to the hospital to visit Mrs. Cyrus who was in the Neurological Intensive Care Unit. Her head was completely bandaged, but she recognized her pastor. I bent over to ask her how she did. She said, "I did fine. God sent the angels." Knowing that she was likely unclear in her thinking so soon after surgery, I did not comment. We prayed and I went to my office.

The next day I spent time with Mrs. Cyrus. She was lucid and alert. I said, "Tell me about those angels." She described them holding out her hands about three

feet. "They were small and hovered over my feet as I went to surgery. I knew I would be fine."

As you ponder on the picture of the mother bird with her little ones under her wings, I encourage you to keep **Psalm 91** foremost in your mind. Believers need not be afraid, but can face the challenges of life with the assurance that they are never alone.

After we moved to Murfreesboro, Tennessee, one of the sweetest events for Sue and me was a visit from three of our favorite friends from Pleasant View Baptist Church, Catherine Hensley, Louise Robinson, AND Ruth Cyrus, all three now residing in the Celestial City called Heaven, "safe in the arms of Jesus." I relive that visit and remember our walking around talking under the trees in our back yard. Doorkeeper Marie Rogers drove them.



SPECIAL GUESTS IN MURFREESBORO--1984 L-R SUE HENRY, LOUISE ROBINSON, DR. HENRY, CATHERINE HENSLEY, RUTH CYRUS

THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO FEAR ABOUT TOMORROW--FOR GOD IS ALREADY HERE.

God at work in Elk Rapids, Michigan Lobisco Roberts E-mails

To: John Roberts From: Vince Lobisco

How focused the leaders of Elk Rapids Baptist Church (Pastor Gary, myself and the two other Deacons) have become after we were blessed with the Prayer Seminar given by Dr. J. Gordon Henry during a two-day period in December, 2011! We have ramped up the emphasis on prayer as follows: Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. gathering of all the leaders and others of the congregation to pray for our church, the sermons of the day (two services), adult Sunday Bible study at 9:30 a.m.; teens and children's Bible study (9:30 a.m.), specific needs of the church and people of the congregation, and lastly, for our fellowship luncheon between services. I am blessed to lead the teaching and prayer services on Wednesday nights. We, as leaders, have decided to continue on in the Prayer Seminar Workbook that Dr. Henry used during the seminar....to complete in detail every portion of each section that Dr. Henry did not have the time to cover as he would have preferred.... we could have used another two days of teaching!!! We have conducted Deacons' meetings almost every week since the seminar for the purpose of prayer as well as redirecting our church programs based upon prayers in the scriptures, and to focus on engaging those who regularly attend our Wednesday night services as to how they can assist in supporting our church programs/services. Along this line, we are once again encouraging our members

to pray about and discover with certainty their individual Spiritual Gifts so as to edify and bring greater unity within the Body of Christ (our church).

Let me mention one book in particular that Dr. Henry brought as a resource for the seminar....you may already be familiar with it.... "Lord Teach Us To Pray" by Rev. Sunday Bwanhot, a pioneer of the Prayer and Church Renewal Ministry of the Evangelical Church of West Africa (ECWA), Nigeria. Simply but wonderfully written....and with considerable assistance from Dr. Henry....it opens our eyes to the true biblical commands to pray, the power and purpose of Godly inspired prayers, and the showers of blessings forthcoming when we pray in God's will, and many more topics. If you do not have a copy I would be glad to send one along or ask Dr. Henry to send one along to you. Before I end up writing a book, I'll close for now with a thought and prayer from this booklet: "May God raise up for Himself an army of willing prayer warriors who will glorify Him and pull down Satan's strongholds. May you and I receive grace to be in the army".

To: Vince Lobisco From: John Roberts

Praise God for the good report below. I believe that before we will ever see true revival there needs to be a revival of prayer. I would like a copy of the book you mentioned below. God bless you my brother!

SHOULD YOUR CHURCH SPONSOR A PRAYER SEMINAR IN 2012?

For scheduling information, check

(www.igordonhenryministries.org) or E-mail us (jghm84@aol.com) or phone (434) 239-8837 or write (1127 Lakeview Drive, Lynchburg, Virginia 24502) giving three possible dates. Time required for a seminar is six hours. Schedule is flexible. The prayer seminar ministry is a faith ministry that trusts God to provide the financial needs through local churches and individuals (especially our partners called **Doorkeepers**). Therefore, we do not charge a set fee. Basically, participants are encouraged to contribute a one-time gift through the church offering for the seminar as the Lord leads. We depend upon this financial support to maintain the prayer seminar ministry worldwide. Each participant receives a copy of the Prayer Seminar Workbook, the basic teaching tool. A suggested contribution (not mandatory) is \$5 to defray the printing costs. Beyond the free-will offering, help with travel/lodging helps, but is not required.

During the past twenty-six years since JGHM was incorporated in Tennessee, love offerings have totaled \$547,932.09 (churches—\$127,051.24; travel—\$128,977.90; shipping--\$3,892.66, and individuals—\$278,010.19). The record validates the faithfulness of God in a faith ministry mode.

We do not "sell" table materials, but have suggested "contributions" for each item through a response envelope. The contributions have always surpassed the production costs of producing the books and tapes. During the past twenty-six years, net income from table materials and prayer seminar workbooks has totaled \$470,440.81. We can say with clarity: "We've come this far by faith trusting in the Lord" and He has never failed us.

God loves the broken ones

By sorrow of heart the spirit is broken (**Proverbs 15:13**). But who can bear a broken spirit (**Proverbs 18:14**)? He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds (**Psalm 147:3**). He will always love and care for the broken ones.

Walt Sommers

On the Road Again

"Finally, brethren, pray for us that the Word of the Lord may have free course."

2 Thessalonians 3:1

March

- 1-12 Prayer Seminars: Venezuela
 - Ciudad Bolivar (26 churches)
 - San Felix (9 churches)
 - Puerto Ordez (6 churches)
 - Y Upata (8 churches)
 - Bolivar State (19 churches)
- 22-25 Pennsylvania
 - 23 Pastors-Leaders Prayer Seminar Monogahela PA
 - 24 First Baptist Church, Monogahela
 - 25 First Baptist Church, Monogahela
 - 31 Clifford Baptist Church Amherst VA

April

27-30 Prayer Seminar-Kentwood MI Unity Reformed Church

May

4-22 Prayer Seminars: Kenya (15 seminars)

	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1995
# Seminars	48	47	55	51	50	43	48	46	54	47
States	16	17	24	20	18	16	20	22	23	17
Nations	1	2	2	3	6	5	4	4	4	3
Miles	78,671	67,476	98,811	100,618	102,050	100,468	84,935	82,320	119,909	75,019
Days on Road	137	142	163	147	159	144	148	140	148	130
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
# Seminars	47	50	41	44	53	50	60	64	70	62
States	13	15	14	17	13	13	15	16	19	13
Nations	4	4	3	4	4	8	4	4	3	5
Miles	77,237	67,861	57,575	57,237	86,937	65,965	79,830	48,653	58,745	81,703
Days on Road	136	132	109	95	116	110	121	105	116	100
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Total	Average		
#Seminars	47	61	46	63	64	38	1,349	52		
States	16	10	10	12	11	9	409	16		
Nations	3	6	6	8	6	2	108	4		
Miles	62,794	67,800	59,367	50,419	60,907	43.071	193,434	74,398		
Days on Road	97	145	90	92	131	83	3,236	125		

TWENTY-SIX YEAR AVERAGES

J. GORDON HENRY MINISTRIES is a non-profit corporation chartered in the State of Tennessee May 29, 1984. The ministry operates under the guidance of a Board of Directors. There are four quarterly meetings each year and the first meeting of a calendar year is considered the annual meeting. The above statistical chart was included in **President's Perspective # 110** prepared for Board Meeting #113 on Saturday, February 4, in Murfreesboro, Tennessee and shows annual statistics in several areas and a summary for the first twenty-six years of the ministry.



JGHM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

L-R Jean Beasley, Susanne Adams, Beverly Blankenship, Dr. Murray Mathis (chairman since 1984), Jeannette Rolater, Sue Henry, J. Gordon Henry, W. D. Thomason, and Joyce Warpoole

Remembering Armin Gesswein

November 28, 1907 March 10, 2001

If ever there was an "Apostle of Prayer," it was Armin. It was Armin's pastors' prayer gathering in Los Angeles that invited young Billy Graham to hold a crusade in 1948, and the rest is history. For decades he gave leadership to the Revival Prayer Fellowship. Thousands are laboring in the prayer movement because of this man of God, directly or indirectly. It was his booklet, Seven Wonders of Prayer, that God used to catch my attention in 1976 and lead me to understand that prayer is the work that must come before all other work. Prayer is not bringing God down to earth, prayer is going into His presence in the Throne Room.

Armin became my personal friend in 1982 and corresponded with me faithfully until March, 2001, just prior to his Homegoing. Those of you who have received the **Reflector** know that I have promised to remember Armin and share his teachings as long as I live and use the March issue for that purpose. **Arminism** is the term that someone choose to share his words of wisdom. Let me share a few: "Put all your begs into one ask-it." "A man is never taller than when he is on his knees before God." "If we do what God tells us to do, He will do what He says He will do." "The lesson is clear: let's keep the umbrella handy when we pray for rain" Not only have I profited from Armin's encouragement personally, the prayer seminar ministry itself is a tribute to this "Apostle of Prayer."

A harvest does not come without the planting of a seed. He who plants his seed beneath the sod, waits for it to push away the clod, and believes in God.



NOTES from my BIBLE

Note 2076. Let us be silent that we may hear the whisper of God.

Note 2077. Learn to talk less and say more

Note 2078. Let your words, like your friends, be few and well chosen.

Note 2079. "Lord, fill my mouth with worthwhile stuff, and nudge me when I've said enough.

Note 2080. When I talk, I only repeat what I already know, but when I listen, I learn.

DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

1 Thessalonians 1:2
January 20--March 10

 Regular
 44
 \$2,960.00

 Martin-Kenya
 1
 100.00

 Venezuela
 30
 2,338.75

 Total
 75
 \$5,398.75



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

"Morning by morning, He awakens me and opens my understanding."
Isaiah 50:4

PRAYER CALENDAR

MARCH 2012

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

THURSDAY, MARCH 1

Josh 1-5 (Venezuela 27.6M)

Wayne & Edie Aardsma (IL) Zane & Burma Abbott (VA)

Mae Adams (NC)

Marie Adams (VA)

Robert & Susanne Adams (TN)

Wayne & Jennie Agee (VA)

Norma Ailes (NJ)

H. L. & Janie Allen (SC) Tommy & Pat Apple (NC)

FRIDAY, MARCH 2

Josh 6-8 (Venezuela 27.6M) Milcie Arnold (VA)

Leonor Avila (MD)

Bill & Karen Baker (VA)

Consuela Baker (NC)

Mike & Joyce Baker (VA)

Walter & Marilyn Barry (VA) Stan & Emily Baskin (TN)

<u>SATURDAY, MARCH 3</u>

Josh 9-12 (Venezuela 27.6M)

Carter Mylam Baynes (NC)

Jean Beasley (TN)

Tommy Bell (TN)

Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)

Johnny & Juanita Bernard (FL)

Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)

Ed & Loretta Bolen (VA)

Beverly Blankenship (TN)

Everett & Deborah Boston (MD)

SUNDAY, MARCH 4

Bob Bouchard (KY)

William /Debbie Bowden (NC)

David & Marna Boyd (OR) Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)

Ed & Jean Bradshaw (VA)

Emilee & Kim Bradshaw (VA)

Nancy Bretz (PA)

Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)

Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)

Mary Ann Brown (GA Thomas & Norma Brown (NC))

MONDAY, MARCH 5

Josh 13-17 (Venezuela 27.6M)

Arretta Bruce (KY)

Joe & Martha Bruno (CO) Freddie & Yvonne Brunson (DE)

Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY) George & Carol Buck (NJ)

James Burk (IL)

Janice Bugg (TN/CHINA) Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)

Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)

Mary Campbell (ID)

Laura Cannon (FL)

Joretha Capers (FL)

Pat & Cindy Caparossi (MI) Bob & Evelyn Casey (FL)

TUESDAY, MARCH 6

Josh 18-21 (Venezuela 27.6M)

David & Martha Cecil (VA)

Manship Chapel (DE)

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

Margarie Coffee (VA)

Jim & Kathy Connolly (VA)

Foster/ Georgia Covington (VA) Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7

Josh 22-24 (Venezuela 27.6M)

Robert & Charlotte Crout (SC) Dufrene/Peggy Cummings (NC)

Beverly Curtis (PA)

Lin & Barbara Custalow (VA)

Ida J. Davis (GA)

John & Margaret Davis (VA)

Lelia Dean (FL)

Harold & Tama Decker (NY)

THURSDAY, MARCH 8

Judges 1-5 (Venezuela 27.6M)

Alan & Rebecca Dockrey (KY)

Mary J. Dugans (LA)

Ivy Early (NC)

Walt Edwards (NC)

Paul & Joyce Eggleston (VA)

Lynn Elkins (TN)

Gene & Shirley Farley (CA) Larry & Cara Fields (VA)

FRIDAY, MARCH 9

Judges 6-8 (Venezuela 27.6M)

Claire/Mary Ann Fredstrom (NE) Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)

Estelle Gabbard (KY)

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

Frank Geiger (HI)

Robert & Sara George (GA)

SATURDAY, MARCH 10

Judges 9-12 (Venezuela 27.6M)

Gloucester Co. Community Ch

Bruce Sofia, Pastor (NJ) Ron & Carol Godwin (VA)

Ronald & Maryann Gold (ND) Chad & Windy Goodner (OK)

Sam & Michele Graisbery (NJ)

Odether Gray (GA)

Linda Gregory (UT)

Tim & Merry Gregory

(Thailand)

Charles Hale (VA)

George & Joy Harper (VA)

Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN)

Uel & Hazel Hartless (VA) Jim & Joyce Hengoed (FL/CT)

Steve & Donna Hensel (MN)

SUNDAY, MARCH 11 Bruce/Gina/Sean Henry (VA)

Doug Henry (TN)

J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA)

Jacqueline Henry (VA) Jamey Henry (MS)

Mark Henry (TN)

Melody Henry (VA)

Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA)

Joanna Holland (VA) John & Glenda Holland (VA)

MONDAY, MARCH 12

Judges 13-16 (Venezuela 27.6M) Russ & Dorothy Hornbaker (MI)

Mike & Sonya Hosick (VA)

Anita Horton (VA)

Coy Hunsucker (NC)

Joyce Hunt (TN)

Wilbert & Almaretta Hupp (PA)

Ed Hurlow (IN)

H. J. Hutchins (LA)

Larry/Carolyn Hutchinson (VA) Jide & Bunmi Iwarere (MD)

TUESDAY, MARCH 13,

Judges 17-21 Philippines 101.8M)

Oliver & Janie Jackson (NY)

Gene/ Rosemarie Jeffries (AR)

Vernelle Jenkins (MD)

Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN)

Millicent John (NY)

Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY)

Jim & Penny Johnson (KY)

Richard /Betsy Johnson (TN) Robert/Rhonda Johnson (CT)

Gwen Johnson (AZ)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14 1 Sam1-3 (Pitcairn Isl 48)

James/ Geneieve Jones (FL)

Paul & Deanna Jones (KY) Dave & Debbie Jones (VA)

W I & Eloise Jones (SC)

Jean Jonte (SC)

Shem.Deborah Kamla (Nigeria)

Mohan Katta (IL)

HowardSuzie Kauffmann (GA) Harper & Sheila Keebaugh (PA)

Kerby Knob Baptist Church (KY)

Bruce Kirby, Pastor Larry & Janet King (NC) Robert & Andrea Klepper (TN) Robert & Rose Klous (VA) THURSDAY, MARCH 15 1 Sam 4-8 (Poland 38.6M) Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY) Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI) Korean Branch:Dr Shin Kwang Suk Joel & Jackie Kramar (VA) Woodrow & Linda Kroll (NE) Craig & Mollie Lampe (AZ) Phil Landers (OK) FRIDAY, MARCH 16 1 Sam 9-12 (Portugal 108M) Charles & Cynthia Larson (MI) Bob Lawrence (MD) Del & Mary Leach (VA) Raymond & Janet LeMay (VT) Nuhu & Mercy Leo (Nigeria) Gaylen & Linda Leverett (VA) Liberty University (VA) Jerry Falwell, Jr., President Mike & Earlene Lips (MS) Vincent & Mary Lobisco (MI) Ray & Bobbie Long (WV) Don & Betty Lowry (SC) SATURDAY, MARCH 17 1 Sam 13-15 (Puerto Rico 4M) Bud & Wilma Marcum (KY) Deborah Mathias (NY) Dan Martin (VA) Reginald & Gloria Martin (OH) Larry & Sue Mason (VA)) Murray & Loretta Mathis (TN) SUNDAY, MARCH 18 Dan & Fay McConville (VA) R. O. & June McHaney (VA) Don & Barbara Meduna (CO) Memorial Christian Church (VA) Virgil & Sue Knipp, Pastors **MONDAY, MARCH 19** 1 Sam 16-19 (Qatar 848,015) Terry & Sandra Metzgar (VA) Ken & Betsy Miedema (MI) Lowry & Marjorie Miller (VA) Earl & Marvel Mills (VA) Roger & Carolyn Minney (VA) TUESDAY, MARCH 20 1 Sam 20-23 (Romania 21.9M) French & Laura Moore (VA) Ronald & Wilma Moore (NC) Katherine Morgan (VA) Elaine Moser (MN) Leslie/Tabitha Motsalane (S. Africa)

Bob & Diane Nichols (VA)

Chet & Betty Nichols (WA)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21 1 Sam 24-26 (Russia 136.7M) Ann Palumbo (PA) Roger & Kay Pede (VA) Sandy Pederson (MI) Jim & Barb Peterson (MI) Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA) Mildred Pittman (NC) Ben Poplin (VA) Ayers Porter (TN) Marshall & Lois Powell (KY) Jeanne & Maggie Pribble (VA) THURSDAY, MARCH 22 1 Sam 27-31 (Rwanda 11.4M) David/Marilyn Rainey (VA) John Reed (NH) Dave Ricker (ME) Mike & Joyce Riley (KY) Cynthia Roach (VA) Dudley/Isabel Robotham (NY) Clark & Marie Rogers (VA) FRIDAY, MARCH 23 2 Sam 1-4 (St Barthelemy 7,367) Fred & Jeannette Rolater (TN) Bob & Marlene Rose (MI) Sandra Rumore (VA) Denise Russell (OR) John Saint (PA) Don & Marie Satterwhite (FL) Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA) Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA) SATURDAY, MARCH 24 2 Sam 5-7 (St Helena 7,700) Philip/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI) Richard/Margaret Seigfield (SC) Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH) Wonsub. YoungMi Sheen (Korea) Shenandoah Valley Baptist Ch (VA) Eric Farel, Pastor Nellie F. Shepard (CT) Martin/Anne Shikuku (Kenya) Sam & Lola Simpson (NY) Mary Skiles (KS) Paul & Mary Smith (TX) SUNDAY, MARCH 25 Walt & Betty Sommers (VA) John & Helen Sourlis (MD) Leroy & Suk Hi Standifer (WA) Tim & Pam Steger (ID) Carol Snow Stewart (CT) Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA) Charles & Irene Stinson (VA) **MONDAY, MARCH 26** 2 Samuel 8-10 (St Kitts 50,324) Johnny & Rose M. Street (AR) William Suttles (NC) Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)

Brian & Janice Tarraferro (TX) Ron & Mazie Taylor (VA) Stephanie Taylor (GA) TUESDAY, MARCH 27 2 Samuel 11-14 (St Lucia 161,557) Earline Thigpen (TN) Mona Henry Thomas (VA) W. D. & Jackie Thomason (TN)) Montez Thompson (CO) Paula Tipton (Thailand) William & Katie Toney (NC) Virginia Trask (VA) Carrol & Ouida Troutman (KY) Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY) Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY) Malcom Troutman (KY) WEDNESDAY MARCH 28 2 Sam 15-18 (St Martin 30,615) Marshall & Mary Troutman (KY Willie & Diane Troutman (KY) Tommy & Francis Turpin (VA) Sara Underwood (TN) Harris & Jane Verkaik (MI(/FL) Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ) THURSDAY, MARCH 29 2 Sam 19-20 (St Pierre 5,888) Keith/Doris Snyder Vernnall (FL) George/ Jeannette Vernachik (NJ) Cliff & Marcia Vincent (Brazil) Horace & Becky Ward (NC) Michael & Sandra Ward (IN) Beau/Ashley/Willow Ware (VA) FRIDAY, MARCH 30 2 Sam 21-22 (St Vincent 103,669) Kay Warmerdam (TX) Don & Joyce Warpoole (TN) Rodger & Jean Watts (WI) Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY) George & Virginia Whitner (FL) Herbert & Kay Wice (TN) Paul & Diane Wieland (PA) SATURDAY, MARCH 31 2 Samuel 23-24 (Samoa 193,161) Ken & Carol Willis (VA) Julie L. Wilson (PA) Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA) Roy & Eva Winebarger (VA) Amos and Ceila Wipf (GA) David & Lili Wykle (VA) Silas & Alice Yashim (Nigeria) Norm & Mary Zink (MI)

A gift of love

During the first seven years of the prayer seminar ministry, we gave a little gift each month to our **Doorkeepers**. My belief was that those who are asked to give should receive something in return. Sometimes it was a gift we picked up on our Biblelands tours to Israel and other nations. There were times when the gift was a booklet or a book.



DR. HENRY REMEMBERING JOY'S GIFT OF LOVE

In 1991, we decided that our monthly gift would be an extended Bible study to strengthen our **Doorkeepers** spiritually in their Christian walk and in their prayer lives. Since my schedule was full due to my responsibilities with the Transnational Association of College and Schools, for several years, the Bible studies became chapters in a book.

No **Doorkeeper gift** was more precious than the one shared by **Joy Baugh**, a very precious **Doorkeeper** who lived in Bradenton, Florida. She and her husband, **Richard**, were **Doorkeepers** until God called them home to Heaven. Joy knitted a cross for each **Doorkeeper** family. One day she wrote a very special letter and shared what being **Doorkeepers** meant to them. She included a statement: "I feel you belong to us." You can imagine how humbling and encouraging that statement was to me.

It is my desire that everyone whose heart the Lord stirs to be **Doorkeepers** would feel the same way. I do not want **J. Gordon Henry Ministries** to be "my" ministry, but "our" ministry. I believe our **Doorkeepers** will find that there are entries in Heaven's record book giving credit for souls saved, lives encouraged, and churches revived around the world through the prayer seminar ministry.

Financial support. Total income since JGHM incorporated in May 1984 is \$3,153,513.57. An amazing aspect in the financial area, as Sue Bell, our secretary, often said, is that we can account for every penny that has been given. For many years (until the amount of storage space was exhausted), we kept every gift envelope. Now, we only keep them for the past five years. In addition, we can show where the money was used. We have attempted to operate with the highest level of integrity. We have never had a bill come due that we did not have the funds in hand to pay it. God is good.

Doorkeepers. From the beginning of the prayer seminar ministry, God has raised up **Doorkeepers** to become partners in our ministry providing prayer and financial support. Since we keep communication going with the **Doorkeepers**, a sense of "family" has developed and there is mutual encouragement. The giving is "extraordinary" and has kept the ministry on a solid financial footing. Since the inception of this program, the **Doorkeepers** have contributed \$1,373,383.98.

An Affinity for the Divinity of the Trinity

Dr. Tyler Scarlett, Pastor Forest Baptist Church (VA)

The doctrine of the Trinity is cherished and loved by all orthodox Christians. Councils and creeds have affirmed, time and time again, that the Bible unequivocally reveals God in this way. As our own church doctrinal statement, the Baptist Faith and Message (2000), affirms:

"The eternal triune God reveals Himself to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being."

For centuries, the Christian church has celebrated and worshipped around such Trinitarian confessions not to mention spilled her own blood defending them.

However, just because we love the Godhead does not mean that we fully understand it. The doctrine of the Trinity causes even the most intellectual of believers to scratch his head a bit. Even the word itself, *trinity*, contains a seemingly self-contradictory idea. *Tri-* means "three" while *(u)nity* means "one." So, then, is God three or is He one? The answer? YES! There is an inherent three-in-oneness about God. If that causes your brain to have a momentary meltdown, join the club.

While there is no single Scripture verse that states, "Thou shalt believe in the Trinity" the Bible as a whole compels us to do just that. Consider a few key Trinitarian Bible verses:

Matthew 28:19 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name* of the Father and the Son

and the Holy Spirit..." (*Notice the "name" is singular [i.e. one] even though there are three persons listed.)

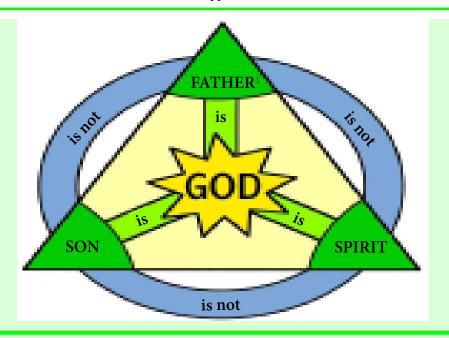
2 Corinthians 13:14 "The grace of the *Lord Jesus Christ*, and the love of *God* (*i.e. Father*), and the fellowship of the *Holy Spirit*, be with you all."

To help believers understand this complex doctrine, a number of pictures and illustrations have been suggested throughout history. You've probably heard some of these yourself. While some are worse than others, we must remember that all earthly illustrations of this heavenly mystery inevitably fall short.

For instance, one of the more common illustrations is that of H₂O. This same compound can exist as a solid, a liquid and a gas. One molecular bond existing in three states. Sounds good, right? Well, the only problem is that H₂O does not exist in these three states *simultaneously*. (If you build your understanding of God on this illustration you will be left with a soggy old heresy known as Modalism.)

Beyond H₂O, there is the egg (i.e. shell, yolk, white) and the apple (i.e. skin, "meat" and core) as well as the relationship of time (i.e. past, present, and future - though that concept hurts my head more than the Trinity does.) So, is there any helpful image that we can consider?

The best visual illustration (that I know of) which shows the three-in-oneness of God is pictured below. I first came across this in a seminary class and have referred to it many times. (I can't confirm this, but somewhere I heard that this image can be found scribbled in some early church documents. Again, not sure when/where it actually came into being, but it is quite helpful.)



VENEZUELA PRAYER ITINERARY

Fri, Feb 24	LV Roanoke Delta Flight 5080 2:00 pm (359 miles) AR Atlanta 4:18 pm
	LV Atlanta Delta Flight 781 5:25 pm AR Caracas 10:20 pm (2,010 miles)
Sat, Feb 25	Prayer Seminar # 1 Propatria Church 9 am-4 pm. (Juan Colmanares)
Sun, Feb 26	Son's church President of Pastors' Meeting, Caracas
Mon, Feb 27	Prayer Seminar # 2, Part one, El Bosque Church, 6-9 pm (Jim Dye)
Tues,Feb 28	Prayer Seminar # 2, Part two, El Bosque Church, 6-9 pmCaracas
Wed., Feb 29	a m., Sam Olsen Consejo Event, Caracas
	Travel Caracas to Puerto Ordaz (450 miles)
Thurs, Mar 1	Planning/Preparing
Fri, Mar 2	Prayer Seminar # 3 Jesus is my Hope Baptist Church, Puerto Ordaz
Sat, Mar 3	Prayer Seminar # 4 Central Baptist Church, San Felix
Sun Mar 4	a. m., p.m. Preaching. Ciudad Bolivar
Mon, Mar 5	Prayer Seminar # 5 Trinity Baptist Church, Bolivar
Tues, Mar 6	Prayer Seminar # 6 Promised Land Baptist Church, Bolivar
Wed, Mar 7	Prayer Seminar # 7 Immanuel Baptist Church Baptist, Upata
Thurs, Mar 8	Prayer Seminar #8 First Baptist Church, El Callao
Fri, March 9	Prayer Seminar # 9 There is Life in Jesus Baptist Church, Tumeremo
Sat, Mar 10	Travel from Puerto Ordez to Caracas (450 miles)
Sun, Mar 11	Prayer Seminar # 10 Esperanza De Vida, Catia (Eddy Garcia, Pastor)
Mon, Mar 12	Travel: LV Caracas Delta 802, 8:02 am, AR Atlanta 1:15 pm (2,010 miles)
	LV Atlanta Delta 5540 2:59 pm AR Roanoke 4:17 pm (359 miles)

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The **Shield** from ev'ry dart; The **Balm** for every smart; The **Sharer** of each load; **Companion** on the road.

The **Door** into the fold; The **Anchor** that will hold; The **Shepherd** of the sheep; The **Guardian** of my sleep.

The **Friend** with whom I talk; The **Way** by which I walk; The **Light** to show the way; The **Strength** for ev'ry day.

The Source of my delight;
The Song to cheer the night;
The Thought that fills my mind;
The Best of all to find is JESUS!

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