

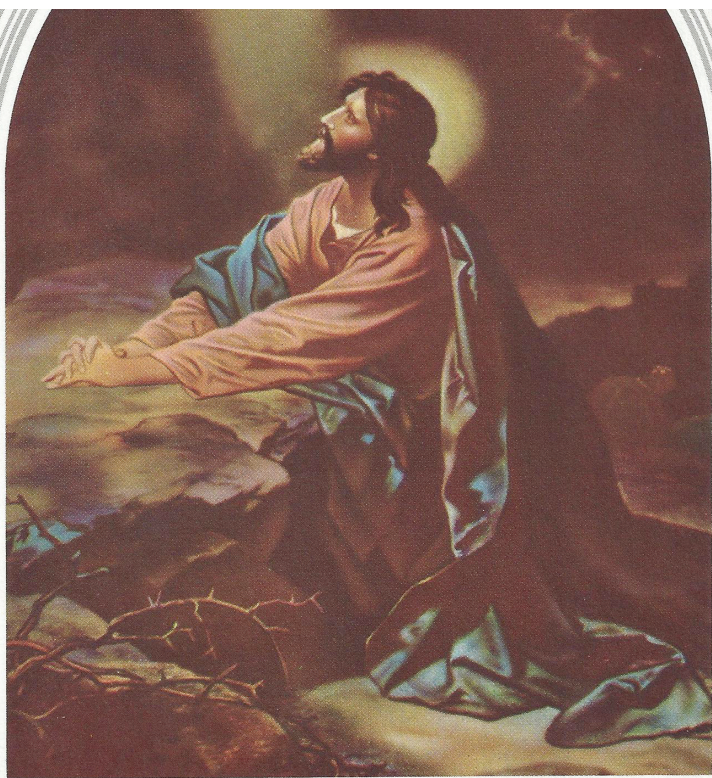
REFLECTOR

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"Set thee up waymarks" Jeremiah 31:21

March 2013

***TELL ME THE STORY OF JESUS,
WRITE ON MY HEART EVERY WORD;
SWEETEST THAT EVER WAS HEARD.***



"My Father ... Thy will be done" Matthew 26:42

**"Father, the hour is come... glorify Thy Son
that Thy Son may glorify Thee" (John 17:1)**

**FOCUS: WE ARE NOT SAVED BY HIS LIFE,
WE ARE SAVED BY HIS DEATH.**

REMEMBERING MY FRIEND AND MENTOR



Armin & Reidum Gesswein
Three months before his death

When my long-time friend and mentor, **Armin Gesswein**, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, March 10, 2001, at the age of ninety-three (in his seventieth year of ministry), I promised to keep his memory alive by using his articles in the **Reflector** from time to time. In the following article, Armin reminds us that we have received a very wonderful gift from the Lord Jesus Christ. This gift is the privilege of prayer. In a sense, prayer is like being given a credit card that can be used, in accordance to God's will, for all kinds of needs not only in your life, but in the lives you can touch through prayer. Frankly, we would do well to read his article and then ask ourselves if we, too, love prayer.

I love prayer

First, I love prayer because IF WHAT JESUS SAYS ABOUT PRAYER IS TRUE (and of course it is) I WOULD CONSIDER MYSELF A FOOL IF I DID NOT GET INTERESTED IN PRAYER! If someone offered me a million dollars, I would get interested in money really fast! But what is a million dollars compared with what Jesus promises to do in answer to prayer? His promises are not only very precious, but very plain as well. Promises like **John 14:14**: "If you shall ask any thing in My name, I will do it."

My sins were laid on Jesus,
The spotless Lamb of God;
He bore them all and freed me
From the accursed load.
My guilt was borne by Jesus;
He cleansed the crimson stains
In His own blood most precious
And not a spot remains.

Horatius Bonar

Not all the blood of beasts
On Jewish altars slain,
Could give the guilty conscience
peace,
Or wash away its stain.
But Christ, the heavenly Lamb,
Took all our sins away,
A sacrifice of nobler name
And richer blood than they.

Isaacs Watts

The Worth of the Wind

Botanists report that the trees need the winds of March to flex their branches and trunks. The sap is drawn up because of the bluster of the wind, and the budding leaves are nourished. You and I are like the trees. We need the storms to strengthen us. A blustery period in all our lives is very often a prelude to a spring of fruit-bearing and fortune. Think of Joseph. Had he not been a prisoner, he wouldn't have become a prime minister.

Going through a storm? Trust God. He'll enable you to turn your trials into triumphs, your setbacks into successes, and the bluster into blessings

Michael A. Guido

Second, I love prayer because it brought revival to my life and ministry. We need to be motivated. What caused me to be motivated for prayer “in dead earnest” was when I found out it is the only way into the strong working of God. It is His way of doing things. Early, I began to see that to seek revival is to seek God’s VERY BEST. And that is what I wanted, no matter what. I soon learned that revivals do not come by weak, puny praying, but by strong prayer. Supplication. Intercession. Prayer got me into some strong revivals early in life. Since then I learned, both from Scripture and from history, that there is NO OTHER WAY.

Third, I love prayer because it is not only related to revivals and the powerful working of the Holy Spirit, but to EVERYTHING. What a new day when I saw that truth! “In everything by prayer ...” (**Philippians 4:6,7**). Big things. Little things. EVERYTHING! It is so exciting to see how the Lord loves to answer prayer and loves to enter into the thousand details of life, and answer.

Fourth, I love prayer because there is no other way to enter the LIFE OF CHRIST IN ALL ITS FULLNESS. I can’t know Him “as He is” apart from prayer. Why not? Because that’s the way He is! He is a praying Christ in heaven. “He ever liveth to make intercession” (**Hebrews 7:25**).

It’s the only way I KNOW
It’s the only way I GROW
It’s the only way to GO!

. When I decided to make the prayer seminar ministry teaching the purpose and

power of prayer, enlisting prayer warriors, establishing lighthouses of prayer, five of my friends understood the burden of my heart; Armin did and often provided words of encouragement to develop the prayer ministry program. He encouraged me” to keep on praying, “Lord, teach us to pray” (**Luke 11:1**). He loves to do it. Keep teaching what you are teaching because prayer is the work that must come before all other work.” As I review the monthly prayer sheets and the personal letters that Armin wrote me, my dream is to share as widely and as frequently as I can truths that I have learned from my friend, Armin Gesswein. Amazingly enough, it was not long after Armin entered into the joys of the Lord in his eternal home, that his beautiful wife, Reidun, followed him to glory.

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry

Scripture Treasures

All my life I have loved the Bible. As a small girl in China, I was fortunate to have a teacher who instilled in me a love for the Scriptures. Down through the years, I turned to the Bible and found in it all that I needed.

As you **memorize** and tuck away Scripture, your memory becomes like a treasure chest filled with verses and passages that will come to mind to guide, comfort, and bring refreshment.

Ruth Bell Graham (Mrs. Billy)

TELL ME THE STORY OF JESUS

THE SEVEN LAST WORDS

"Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do."

"Today shalt thou be with Me in Paradise."

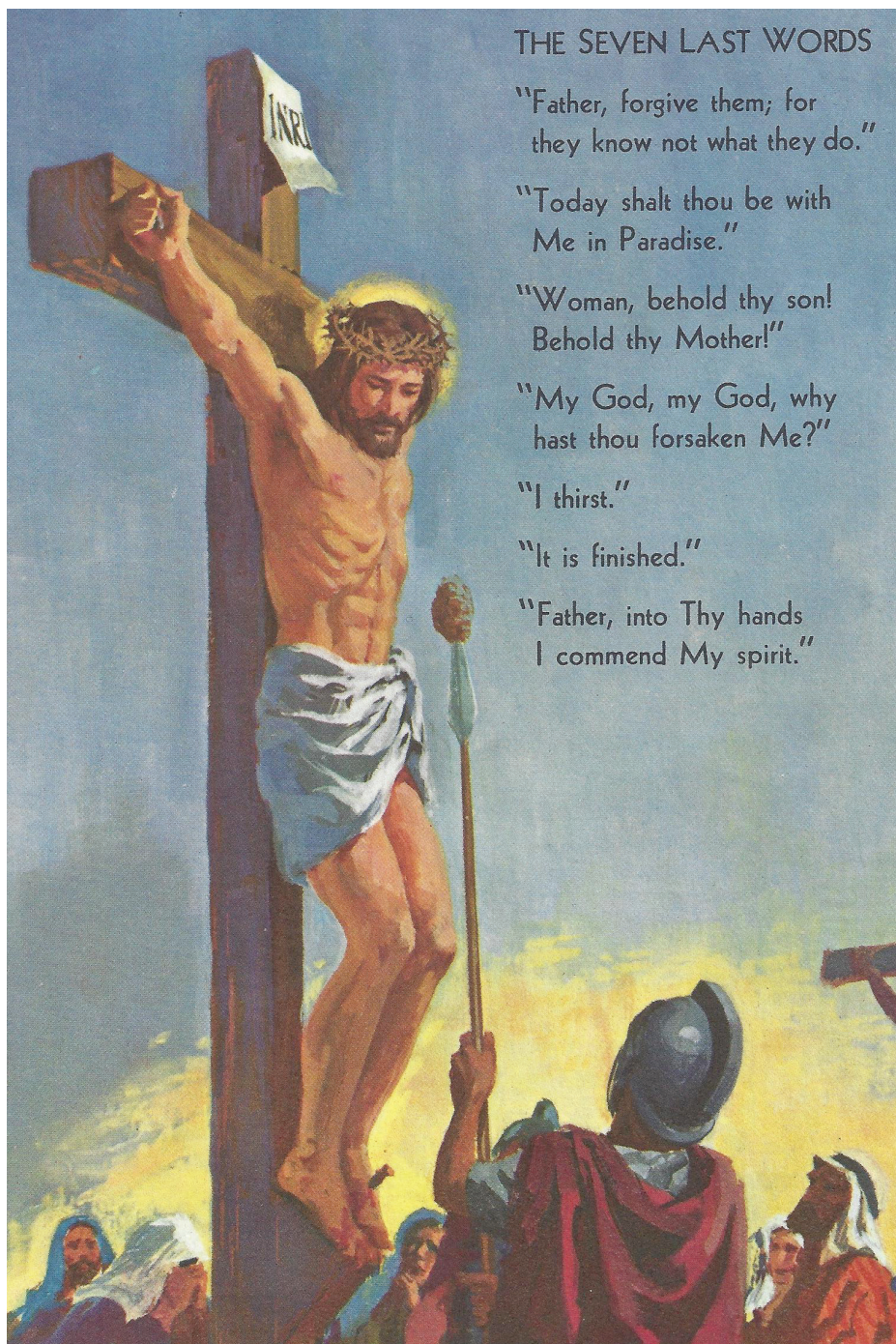
"Woman, behold thy son! Behold thy Mother!"

"My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken Me?"

"I thirst."

"It is finished."

"Father, into Thy hands I commend My spirit."



TELL ME THE STORY OF JESUS



"I am the Resurrection and the Life" John 11:25

"I am He that liveth, and was dead, and behold
I am alive forever more" Revelation 1:18

"Because I live, ye shall live also" John 14:19

CHRIST AWAKING

Flowers sleeping,
Women weeping,
Daylight trembling o'er the hills;
Morning breaking,
Sleepers waking
Thoughts of life bringing thrills.

Christ is rising,
Death despising,
Stone and seal give way to
power;
For One living
Light is giving
To this early, holy hour.

Christ immortal
Breaks the portal
Of the dark and chilly tomb;
By believing,
Him receiving
We are free from death and
doom.

Give Him glory,
Tell His story,
How He died for sinners lost;
Fail Him never,
Love Him ever,
He is yours at awful cost.

Mabel Haldeman

PRAYER TOUCHES
EARTH. WHEN IT
DOES, IT LOOKS
TOWARD PEOPLE AND
CIRCUMSTANCES. THAT
IS WORK.



NOTES from my BIBLE

Note 2141.

Courage is not the absence of fear; it's taking action in the face of it.

Note 2142 Don't create the situation, just look for the opportunity in what is happening..

Note 2143. Love apprehended can have many hurts, but God has the healing.

Note 2144. Jesus is all about Hope that keeps us moving forward.

Note 2145. Reconciliation: what God did when Jesus died for us to save us from hell and give us eternal life with Him.

DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

1 Thessalonians 1:2

January 16-February 20, 2013

Regular 73 \$5,900



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

**WELCOME, NEW DOORKEEPER
FELLOWSHIP INDPT BAPTIST CHURCH**
Quincy, Florida
William Green, Pastor

PRAYER CALENDAR**MARCH 2013***"I will give myself to prayer..."***Psalms 109:4b****FRIDAY, MARCH 1****JOSH 1-5 (COMOROS 737.264)**

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 2**JOSH 6-8 (CONGO D.R. 72.6M)**

Leonor Avila (MD)
 Bill & Karen Baker (OK)
 Consuela Baker (NC)
 Mike & Joyce Baker (VA)
 Marilyn Barry (VA)
 Stan & Emily Baskin (TN)
 Carter Mylam Baynes (NC)
 Jean Beasley (TN)
 Tommy Bell (TN)
 Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

Johnny & Juanita Bernard (FL)
 Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)
 Beverly Blankenship (TN)
 Ed & Loretta Bolen (VA)
 Everett/Deborah Boston (MD)
 William/Debbie Bowden (NC)
 David & Marna Boyd (OR)
 Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)
 Ed & Jean Bradshaw (VA)

MONDAY, MARCH 4**JOSH 9-12 (CONGO, REP 4.4M)**

Emilee & Kim Bradshaw (VA)
 Nancy Bretz (PA)
 Jim & Judy Britt (GA)
 Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)
 Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)
 Arretta Bruce (TN)
 Joe & Martha Bruno (CO)
 Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE)

TUESDAY, MARCH 5**JOSH 13-17 (Cook Is 10,177)**

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

Mary Campbell (ID)
 Laura Cannon (FL)
 Joeretha Capers (FL)
 Robert & Ann Carroll (VA)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6**JOSH 18-21 (Costa Rica 4.6M)**

David & Martha Cecil (VA)
 Gus & Janice Christofield (VA)
 Harry & Nancy Coffee (VA)
 Vernia Coleman (MD)
 Foster & Georgia Covington (VA)
 Terry & Sonya Craig (TN)
 Jerry & Joan Crain (SC)
 Robert & Charlotte Crout (SC)
 Duffrene/Peggy Cummings (NC)
 Beverly Curtis (PA)

THURSDAY, MARCH 7**JOSH 22-24 (Ivory Coast 2.2M)**

Ida J. Davis (GA)
 Harold & Tama Decker (NY)
 Alan & Rebecca Dockrey (KY)
 Mary J. Dugans (LA)
 Ivy Early (NC)
 Paul & Joyce Eggleston (VA)
 Lynn Elkins (TN)
 Gene & Shirley Farley (CA)
 Fellowship Baptist Church (FL)
 William (Virginia) Green, Pastor
 Larry & Cara Fields (VA)
 Claire/Mary Ann Fredstrom (NE)

FRIDAY, MARCH 8**JUD 1-5 (Croatia 4.5M)**

Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)
 Estelle Gabbard (KY)
 Mike & Lerlyne Garcia (VA)
 Frank & Pauline Garrett (NJ)
 Frank Geiger (HI)
 Robert & Sara George (GA)

SATURDAY, MARCH 9**JUD 6-8 (Cuba 11.1M)**

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

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN)
 Uel & Hazel Hartless (VA)
 J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA)
 Jacqueline Henry (VA)

Jack Henry (TN)
 James & Kathryn Henry (MS)
 Mark Henry (TN)
 Melody Henry (VA)
 Roger & Sara Henry (OH)
 Ruth Henry (OH)
 Sean & Bethany Henry (VA)

MONDAY, MARCH 11**JUD 9-12 (Curacao 142,180)**

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 12**JUD 13-16 (Cyprus 1.1M)**

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13**JUD 17-21 (Czech Rep 10.2M)**

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

THURSDAY, MARCH 14**1 SAM 1-3 (Denmark 5.5M)**

Mohan Katta (IL)
 Howard/Suzie Kauffmann (GA)
 Harper/Shelia Keebaugh (PA)
 Kerby Knob Baptist Church (KY),
 Bruce Kirby, Pastor
 Larry & Janet King (NC)
 Robert & Andrea Klepper (TN)
 Robert & Rose Klous (VA)
 Quentin & Mary Knauer (PH)
 Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY)
 Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI)

FRIDAY, MARCH 15**1 SAM 4-8 (Djibouti 774,389)**

Korean Branch:
 Dr. Shin Kwang Suk
 Joel & Jackie Kramar (VA)
 Woodrow & Linda Kroll (NE)
 Craig & Molly Lampe (AZ)

Phil & Edra Landers (OK)
Charles & Cynthia Larson (MI)
Bob Lawrence (MD)
Del & Mary Leach (VA)
Raymond & Janet Lemay (VT)
Gaylen & Linda Leverett (VA)

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

1 SAM 9-12 (Dominica 73,126)

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 (SC)
Manship Chapel (DE)
Pastor Bruce/Vickie Tribbett
Wilma Marcum (KY)
Reginald & Gloria Martin (OH)

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

Larry & Sue Mason (VA)
Deborah Mathias (NY)
Murray & Loretta Mathis (TN)
Dan & Fay McConville (VA)
R. O. & June McHaney (VA)
Don & Barbara Meduna (CO)
Memorial Christian Ch (VA)
Virgil & Sue Knipp, Pastors

MONDAY, MARCH 18

1 SAM 13-15 (Dom Rep 10.1M)

Terry & Sandra Metzgar (VA)
Gwen Miller (VA)
Earl & Marvel Mills (VA)
Roger & Carolyn Minney (VA)
Bill & Sharon Moody (VA)
French & Laura Moore (VA)
Ronald & Wilma Moore (NC)
Elaine Moser (MN)

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

1 SAM 16-19 (Ecuador 15.2M)

Bob & Diane Nichols (VA)
Chet & Betty Nichols (WA)
Ann Palumbo (PA)
Roger & Kay Pede (VA)
Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA)
Mildred Pittman (NC)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

1 SAM 20-23 (Egypt 83.7M)

Ben Poplin (VA)
Ayers Porter (TN)
Marshall & Lois Powell (KY)
Jeanne & Maggie Pribble (VA)
Jeannette Ralph (VA)
Marjorie Randall (TX)
John Reed (NH)
Dave Ricker (ME)
Alice Riddick (NC)
Mike & Joyce Riley (KY)

Cynthia Roach (VA)

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

1 SAM 24-26 (El Salvador 6.1M)
Clark & Marie Rogers (VA)
Fred & Jeannette Rolater (TN)
Bob & Marlene Rose (MI)
Sandra Rumore (VA)
John Saint (PA)
Don & Marie Satterwhite (FL)

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

1 SAM 27-31 (Eguinea 685,981)
Dwayne Schmaltz (WI)
Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA)
Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA)
Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI)
John & Peggy Seibert (AL)
Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH)
Wonsub/Young Mi Sheen (Korea)
Shenandoah Valley Bapt Church
(VA) Eric Farel, Pastor

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

2 SAM 1-4 (Eritrea 6.1M)

Nellie F. Shepard (CT)
Mary Skiles (KS)
Faye Skaggs (KY)
Walt & Betty Sommers (VA)
John & Helen Sourlis (MD)
Leroy/Suk Hi Standifer (WA)
Tim & Pam Steger (ID)

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

2 SAM 5-7 (Estonia 1.3M)

Carol Snow Stewart (CT)
Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA)
Charles & Irene Stinson (VA)
Johnny & Rose M. Street (AR)
William Suttles (NC)
Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)
Tabernacle Baptist Church(DC)
Dr. William Stroman, Pastor

MONDAY, MARCH 25

2 SAM 8-10 (Ethiopia 93.8M)

Brian & Janice Tarraferro (TX)
Ron & Mazie Taylor (VA)
Stephanie Taylor (GA)
Mona Henry Thomas (VA)
W. D & Jackie Thomason (TN)
Montez Thompson (CO)
William & Katie Toney (NC)

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

2 SAM 11-14 (Eur Un 503.8M)

Virginia Trask (VA)
Carrol & Ouida Troutman (KY)
Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY)
Joe & Benita Troutman (KY)
Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY)
Malcom Troutman (KY)
Marshall/Mary Troutman (KY)
Willie & Diane Troutman (KY)

DAILY INTERCESSION

Margarie Coffee (VA)
Bob Bouchard (KY)
Jim Connolly [Kathy] (VA)
Lin Custalow [Barb] (VA)
Margaret Davis [John] (VA)
Joyce Hengood [Jim] (CT)
Bruce Henry [Gina] (VA)
Deanna Jones [Paul] (KY)
Ken Miedema [Betsy] (MI)
Lowry Miller [Marjorie] (VA)
Katherine Morgan (VA)
Isabel Robotham [Dudley] (NY)
Jasn Smith [Jim] KY
Pastor Bill Thomason (TN)
Sam Simpson [Lola] (NY)
Virginia Whitner (FL)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

2 SAM 15-18 (Falkland 49,483)

Tommy & Frances Turpin (VA)
Sara Underwood (TN)
Patrick & Patricia Vaden (TN)
Harris/Jane Verkaik (MI/FL)
George & Jeanette
Vernarchik (NJ)

Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ)

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

2 SAM 19-20 (Faroe Is 49,483)

Keith/Doris Snyder Verrell (FL)
Horace & Becky Ward (NC)
Michael & Sandra Ward (IN)

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

2 SAM 21-22 (Fiji 890,057)

Beau/Ashley/Willow/Will Ware (VA)
Kay Warmerdam (TX)
Don/Joyce Warpoole (TN)

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

2 SAM 23-24 (Finland 5.3M)

Rodger & Jean Watts (WI)
Frank & Neil Weer (KY)
Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY)
Pat & Kay Wice (TN)
Paul & Diane Wieland (PA)
Julie L. Wilson (PA)

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

Herbert & Kay Wice (TN)
Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA)
Roy/ Eva Winebarger (VA)
David & Lili Wykle (VA)
Silas Yashim (Nigeria)
Fred & Susan Zeller (MD)

I'M EXCITED! A NEW THING!

WE NEED YOU to tell others about the prayer seminar. We are currently scheduling for 2013 and are thrilled when seminars are scheduled. Many of you have taken brochures or prayer seminar workbookss during seminars to share with other churches and pastors. Of course, Satan does not want others to schedule prayer seminars. He frightens pastors so that they will not ask their members to invest six hours in their spiritual lives. Therefore, you will have to overcome his intimidation and do it anyway. Most seminars are scheduled through a personal word. The JGHM Board of Directors and I continue to pray that invitations will come from Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, and Utah since that would complete prayer seminars in every state in the U.S.A., a long-time dream.

WE NEED YOU to pray with us about the international prayer seminars. We have committed ourselves to **FOCUS ON EAST/CENTRAL AFRICA FOR THE NEXT FEW YEARS** (Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, and DR Congo) under the auspices of JGHM East/Central Africa Branch (**A New thing**). While **Martin Shikuku** (the JGHM **E/CA** Director) and his team are busy conducting prayer seminars and evangelizing/training, we are planning at least two trips there in 2013 to encourage and assist him - one week in Kenya and one week in Uganda.

We are scheduled to work with **Adam Nathanson** in **VENEZEULA'S Amazonos** and hope to include a week in the northeast region of Brazil at that

time. The Gospel is free, but someone must pay the freight bill. Although we know that the bottom-line motive for those who provide the prayer and financial support for these forays is reaching the world with the Gospel in the light of eternity's values, all gifts through **J. Gordon Henry Ministries** are tax deductible as well.

IN LOVING MEMORY

DOORKEEPERS

**"...absent from the body,
present with the Lord"
(2 Corinthians 5:8)**

**Earline Thigpen (Mrs. Clipper)
4/10/1931-1/17/2013
Murfreesboro TN**

**Leila Dean (Mrs. Sanford)
7/19/1911-2/19/2013
New Port Richey FL**

A word of thanks

Thank you for allowing us to keep in touch with you through the **Reflector**. Not only do we want you to be able to keep up with the prayer seminar ministry, we want to encourage you in your work as a prayer warrior. Are you making prayer a matter of priority or are you walking alone? God is not going to do for you the work you must do for yourself. He will not do your Bible reading, praying, witnessing, or giving for you. He feeds the birds, but He does not put the worms in their nests. If you are too busy to pray and read the Word, you are busier than our Lord ever intended you to be. **MAKE SURE YOU SPEND TIME DAILY BEFORE HIS THRONE FEEDING ON HIS WORD.**

Watching in Prayer

“Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication” (Ephesians 6:18).

NOTE: The following excerpt is from Dr. Henry’s book *Spiritual Warfare* (pp 116-117). You and I will never win the war if we do not know where the battle is fought and Ephesians 6:18 answers the question. Put your armor on to go to battle (vv 10-17), but don’t go in and sit in your easy chair and read a book or watch a TV show. Put your armor on and go to battle. The first command after you get your armor on is go to battle. Prayer is where the battle is fought. It is not easy to pray. Satan would rather you do anything than pray. Read the excerpt for additional understanding. There is much to be said about spiritual warfare and the book was written to “flesh out” the basic teaching from the prayer seminar. The late Sue Bell, Dr. Henry’s secretary and executive assistant for nineteen years, felt that this is the most helpful book he has written. Copies are available from JGHM.

The precision of the warrior’s prayer is detailed in the phrase “watching thereunto.” The matter of praying is not something that lacks the diligence of the warrior, but is something over which he must be very diligent. He must “watch unto” his prayer life. He

must be vigilant, permitting nothing in his life to unfit him for prayer.

Prayer is not just that which is confined to the protracted moments you give to God, but prayer actually begins in the hours before, in the decision you make at night and what you do in preparation for prayer the next day. You can’t stay up and watch the eleven o’clock news or the late show on television and still get up with God’s time protected with a vigilant and alert heart. There are decisions to be made about praying. The prayer warrior must guard his time, plan his schedule, and watch for everything that feeds and fosters his prayer life; he must guard against everything that will hinder it. Exactly what does it mean to be watchful? Praying with watchfulness means that there is an awareness of what is going on. Praying without content is not effective.

The word “watch” is the Greek word *gregoria*, which means to be vigilant or to keep awake in order to guard. It is close observation to be on the alert. The idea is that we are to stay awake spiritually and to keep guard. Watching means staying awake, alert in prayer. We are to stay alert in prayer. To pray correctly, we must be mentally alert and vigilant.

Often when we begin to pray, our mind wanders and we lose concentration. That is a subterfuge of Satan. Much prayer is hampered by a dull, drowsy frame of mind. The devil will subtly attack us to establish strongholds to defeat our alertness. Dr. Charles Stanley, pastor, First Baptist Church, Atlanta GA, shared that for a long period of time he struggled with alertness in prayer. He found himself falling asleep. While he had no trouble studying the Bible, he could not pray

five minutes without falling asleep. Only when he realized the devil produced the spirit of drowsiness and stood against it in the power of the Holy Spirit, was the stronghold broken up.

Three times we are commanded to "watch and pray." Jesus commanded His followers to watch and pray in order to win over the world (**Mark 13:33**) and to win over the flesh (**Mark 13:35**). Paul noted that we are to watch and pray to win over the devil (**Ephesians 6:18**). Do you remember Nehemiah in the Old Testament, who defeated the enemy by watching and praying as he set his face to rebuilding the wall around Jerusalem? He said: "Nevertheless, we made our prayer unto God and we set a watch" (**Nehemiah 4:9**).

Peter went to sleep when he should have been praying and got into trouble (**Mark 14:29ff**). Jesus asked him and the other disciples: "Couldn't you watch with Me for one hour?" (**Matthew 26:40**).

We know what it is like to be talking to someone and have that person to drift off and we have all done the same. It is not very respectful, is it? We need to do what is needed to keep our minds alert while we are praying. Paul said, "Continue in prayer and watch in the same" (**Colossians 4:2**).

The Break of Day

**When you come to the break of day
And the world beckons you away.**

**Do you watch the rising sun.
And think of all that must be done?**

Will you give God a smile.

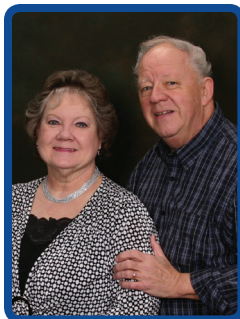
Will you stop and pray awhile?

As you are blessed on your way.

**Make someone aware
of His loving care.**

Today !

Walt. Sommers 1/20/2013 A.D.



**Walt & Betty Sommers
DOORKEEPERS
Lynchburg VA**

Itinerary

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

2 Thessalonians 3:1

March

- 2 Prayer Seminar Areawide
Manship Chapel
Felton, Delaware
- 3 Evangelism Clinic, Preaching
Manship Chapel DE
Bruce Tribbitt, Pastor
- 11 Durham, North Carolina

**GOD BLESS THE USA
PROTECT US YOUR MIGHT**

Through Christ

**It is through Christ's atoning death that the
penalty of our sins may be forgiven; it is through
His indwelling Spirit that the power of our sins
may be broken.**

John R. W. Stott

FOCUS: WE ARE NOT SAVED BY HIS LIFE, WE ARE SAVED BY HIS DEATH.

**“Without the shedding of blood,
there is no remission for sin” (Hebrews 9:22)**

One Solitary Life

“Sir, we would see Jesus” (John 12:21).

“Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full into His wonderful face;
And things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.”

Helen H. Lemmel

He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in another village, where He worked in a carpenter shop until He was thirty. Then for three years, he was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never traveled 200 miles from the place where He was born. He did none of the things one usually associates with greatness.

He was only thirty-three when the tide of public opinion turned against Him. He was turned over to His enemies and went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. When He was dead, His body was laid in a borrowed tomb.

Almost twenty centuries have come and gone, and today He is the central figure of the human race and the leader of mankind's progress. All the armies that ever marched, all the navies that ever sailed, all the kings that ever reigned have not affected the life of man as much as that ONE SOLITARY LIFE.

May the love, grace, and mercy of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, be with you and yours as you continue to serve Him. Let others see Jesus in you each day. “Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus” (**Acts 4:13**).

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