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"Set thee up waymarks" Jeremiah 31:21

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## SOME THOUGHTS REFLECTING ON OUR NATION

"We're in an ethical mess ... Why are we surprised? It's an inescapable consequence of neglecting moral training."

**Chuck Colson**

**"Do not be deceived. God is not mocked; for whatever a man [nation] sows, that he (they) will also reap." Galatians 6:7**

When a nation's law falls into contempt through bad administration or interpretations (by citizens, leaders, judicial officials), the moral foundations of a nation are endangered.

"If the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do?"

**Psalms 11:3**

When a nation's foundations are weakened or destroyed, with God's help, lay the foundations again. It is time, America, to reverse course!

**"The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." Psalm 9:17**

## SIMPLE CONFUSION THINKING

"The Bible says it! I believe it! That settles it!" when the truth is "The Bible says it! That settles it!" It does not matter whether you believe it or I believe it. When God speaks through His Word, that alone settles it.

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## ***I FOUND THE ANSWER; I LEARNED TO PRAY!***

In the very early days of what is now termed "the prayer seminar ministry", an invitation came from my very dear friend, Clint Brooks, to lead a revival in Yellow Branch Baptist Church, Rustburg, Virginia, March 21-24, 1982. A part of our time together was an area-wide prayer seminar on Saturday, March 23. The fellowship with Clint and his wife, Dorothy, was sweet, indeed.

I had driven down from Essex Fells, New Jersey, in the car provided for me by Northeastern Bible College, a Buick Century with a cassette player! Clint shared with me a number of his sermons on cassettes to listen to on the seven and one-half hour drive home.

God has given Clint the gift of preaching. His sermons are often masterpieces, among the best I have ever heard and seldom longer than twenty-five minutes. Knowing that I like good gospel singing as well as good gospel preaching, he graciously prepared a cassette featuring hymns and spiritual songs. The song that became my favorite was one entitled "I found the answer, I learned to pray." I almost wore the tape out listening to this song over and over. For many years, I used the song frequently in the prayer seminars even including it in the **Prayer Seminar Workbook**.

**Doorkeeper Josephine Fitzgerald's** entitled her third book, written when she was 87, **I Found the Answer, I Prayed**. She felt that the phrase encapsulated her own Christian pilgrimage related to the place of the Word of God and Prayer. Without doubt, these are the two primary disciplines every Christian needs to pursue--learning the value of the Word of God and a daily time listening to Him through His written Word. Once you do this, you will be in a position to benefit from a prayer life when you talk to God. Neither comes naturally.

### **Perspective**

God has given us MEMORY that we can relive experiences. Memory is a great gift. Memories can be organized. Family: parents, siblings, spouse, children, grandchildren, and now, for us, great-grandchildren. Education: elementary, secondary, under-graduate, graduate, post-graduate. Profession: teacher, administrator. Church: member, pastor, para-church (prayer seminars, revivals, church growth seminars, evangelism clinics).

Although I have enjoyed each role that I have been called upon to play, none exceeds the blessings of the prayer seminars. Diverse ethnic groups/races; myriad denominational backgrounds; students of all ages and educational levels. Prayer seminars fit everyone. Some are mature believers; others are baby Christians.

Then there are the Doorkeepers. Your partnership means so much to us. Sue, the members of the JGHM Board of Directors, and I know that this has been from the beginning an "our" ministry. Not only the things that we do depend on our **Doorkeepers**, but "how" we do them. Your support has made it possible for us never charge a set fee nor "sell" our books and tapes. With the deepest gratitude that I can express, I thank you for the roles you play in helping us fulfill our mission. Being surrounded with kindred minds who provide the prayer and financial support to continue onward and upward means more than words can express.

Thank God for memories! **Is today going to be a pleasant memory?** By putting Christ first, we will stay on the right path with clear consciences and sweet rest at the end of the day.

**Plan.** It will be helpful if you will take time to think through how to approach the Scriptures for fuller, deeper understanding, experiencing first hand what God has said in His Word, and applying the wisdom and faith of the Bible in your daily life. Make a realistic Bible study plan and stick with it! Set aside a specific time each day for Bible reading. If your attitude is "I will read my Bible today when I get around to it," the devil will certainly see that you never "get around to it." Allow enough time for God to speak to you out of the Word before you start speaking to Him in prayer. Choose a time that can become a regular part of your daily routine. There is no question that you should begin your day with God. Don't wait until you have messed up your day and then bring the pieces for God to put back together. Read privately, by yourself.

Choose a quiet place to study, free from distractions such as television, radio, telephone calls. Have a cleared desk or table to work on, with references, notebook, and pen or pencil at hand. Choose a comfortable chair and have a good reading light. Determine to let nothing infringe upon your quiet time. Watch for distractions that will rob you of your concentration. Resist the devil when he brings things to mind which you need to be doing, now! God's provision is for us to first "submit to God" and then "resist the devil and he will flee from you" (**James 4:7**). Remember that "Greater is He who is in you [the Holy Spirit] than he [Satan] who is in the world" (**1 John 4:4**).

**Make a month's schedule.** As you approach the matter of daily Bible reading, you should develop a method

to guide your reading of the Scripture. Be flexible. Change your method from time to time to assure freshness. Be sure your method is working for you. Modify the method as needed.

You might begin by choosing a quantity of reading to be done each day. Select an amount small enough to avoid rushing. Make out a month's schedule at a time. The **Doorkeeper Prayer Calendar** includes the schedule of reading that I follow year by year that takes me through the Bible each year. You might want to follow it since it is seldom cumbersome and time consuming. I do not schedule systematic reading on Sundays since that is a day when one can be open to the leadership of the Holy Spirit as you prepare to assemble for worship (**Hebrews 10:25**). Sunday is a good day to review what you have read the week before.

**Speak to the Author.** All of us, in reading some book, have wished the author were present to answer and explain something; but that is seldom possible. Isn't it amazing, however, that we can speak directly to the Author of the Bible? The same Holy Spirit, who led these men to write, longs to lead us to understand. Always begin Bible reading with prayer for divine guidance. On the note sheets that I use each day during my Bible reading, the following verse is prominently displayed: "Open my eyes, that I may see wondrous things from Your law" (**Psalms 119:18**). If you don't understand something, remember "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God" (**James 1:5**). God enjoys giving us wisdom and understanding, especially with regard to His Word.

John Newton, saved slave trader

who wrote **Amazing Grace** said: "By one hour's intimate access to the throne of grace, where the Lord causes His glory to pass before the soul that seeks Him, you may acquire more true spiritual knowledge and comfort than by a day's or a week's converse with the best of men, or the most studious perusal of many folios." Without the guidance of the Holy Spirit, our Teacher, we read the Scriptures in vain.

I particularly profited from the advice in the third stanza of "I've Found the Answer:": "Keep your Bible with you, read it ev'ry day, Always count your blessings and always stop to pray; Learn to keep believing and faith will see you through, Seek to know contentment and it will come to you."

Yours in Calvary love,

*J. Gordon Henry*

## Reflections from our Mailbox

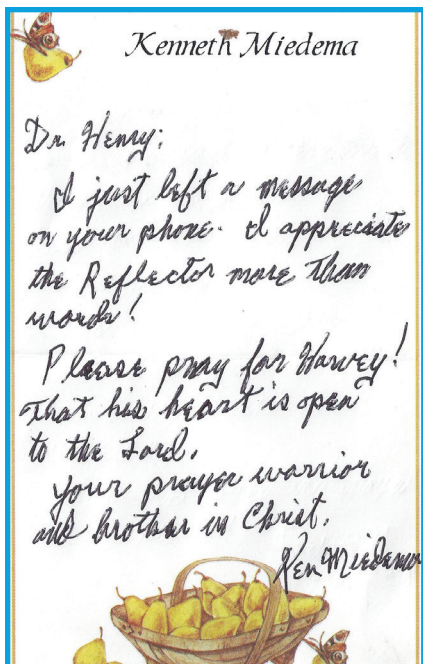
*"May the God  
of hope fill you  
with all joy  
and peace  
as you trust  
in Him,  
so that you  
may overflow  
with hope...."*

ROMANS 15:13

### Front of Kay's Note Card

Any note from **Kay Warmerdam** (TX), faithful **Doorkeeper** since September 13, 1988, always blesses and is a treasure to hold dear. This word is dated November 1, 2009: "Dear Dr. Henry, my brother in Christ Praise God for His strength in you. May you continue till He comes!! Enclosed is a little help for the next ministry trip. May your cup overflow in the prayer seminars for His glory! In Him, **Kay**."

Remembering that across the nation and in many countries around the world that there is prayer covering for Sue and me encourages our hearts. There is no explanation for the blessings that keep falling on our ministry than the prayers of God's people. Knowing that God is on our side keeps us confident in every time of sowing His word and "preaching the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence ..." (**Acts 28:31**).



ONE OF KEN MEIDEMA'S NOTES

## God's Amazing Ways

### JGHM--EAST AFRICA BRANCH

#### Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi

Never one time did I think about ministry in other nations at the level that God had planned and did not understand what He was doing until Sunday, August 12, 1990 in Semarang, Indonesia (over 10,000 miles from my Murfreesboro, Tennessee, home). By that time, I had conducted prayer seminars in India, South Korea, Japan, Nigeria, Philippines, Jamaica, Switzerland, Italy, and England using vacation time from the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS). That Sunday was one of the most amazing days in my life. My call was to bring the message at three services in the church in Samarang that had hosted the area-wide prayer seminars. At 6 a.m., 2,000 people gathered. Then at 8 a.m., another 2,000; at 10 a.m. another 2,000 for a total of 6,000 people.

My message was from 1 Thessalonians 5:23 speaking of how God has made us. Man is a trichotomy, not a dichotomy. We are spirit, soul, and body. The real person lives inside the body. When Adam sinned, his spirit died to God. Everyone born since Adam has been born dead to God. When a person trusts God's provision for his salvation the Lord Jesus Christ who died on the cross shedding His blood to pay for our sins, there is new life as the Holy Spirit moves into our spirit. We are born again. Then I spoke of "death" which means "separation" when spirit and soul moves out of the body. The message was well received with a large number trusting Christ as Savior. Many, including the church leaders, said that they had never heard what I preached before.

The light came on! God had brought into existence J. Gordon Henry Ministries to stand alongside indigenous churches already established, but who needed a teaching ministry just like the Great Commission says. As we have gone forth, I have never forgotten our task. Time after time, believers have said that there had never been an organized Christian-life ministry in their areas. The Indonesian church provided an excellent Indonesian edition of the prayer seminar workbook and taped each session to be used later promising to continue teaching the materials until the Lord Jesus returns.

**Kenya-Uganda.** When you receive this edition of the **Reflector**, **Martin Shikuki** and I are working in Uganda. After we conducted four seminars in west Kenya, we crossed the border into Uganda for prayer seminars in Tororo, Mbale, Kumi, Sorot, Lira, either Luwero or Gula, Kampala, Jinja, Iganga, Busia, and Bugiri. Certainly, this is a venture of faith. Continue to pray for traveling grace, health/physical stamina, participants with teachable spirits and willing hearts; unction of the Holy Spirit upon each word spoken, and spiritual awakening in each heart and church. Thanks for your prayer and financial support, we will come along side these pastors/churches to launch **JGHM EAST AFRICA BRANCH**. It is our goal to establish hundreds of Lighthouses of Prayer in **Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, and Burundi**. Pray for Martin and his team as they undertake a teaching ministry among the churches.



## EAST AFRICA GLIMPSES



**MARTIN SHIKUK, DIRECTOR**

### Itinerary

**"Finally, brethren, pray for us that the Word of the Lord may have free course." 2 Thessalonians 3:1**

#### May

- 1 - 14 Prayer Seminars  
JGHM: East Africa Branch  
Kenya/Uganda  
18 JGH: 60th Class Reunion  
White Pine High School, TN



### WELCOME, NEW DOORKEEPERS

**William & Marshal Jester (DE)**  
**Marjorie Randall (TX)**



## NOTES from my BIBLE

**May God Bless America!**

**Note 2151.** The battle that began in Eden is being waged with equal ferocity today.

**Note 2152.** Satan assaults the Christian with information that contradicts the Word of God.

**Note 2153.** Every Christian is called upon to decide what is true.

**Note 2154.** Is truth what the world says or is truth what the Word says?

**Note 2155.** The Christian can, if he will, hear God as readily as he hears what the world has to say.

Note: These notes are from an address Dr. Henry gave in Ellenville, New York on Saturday, October 11, 1980. His first sentence was: "People need to be reminded as well as instructed."

Interestingly enough, the week started with the very first prayer seminar (October 5-7) at the Madison Baptist Church, Madison, New Jersey.

## DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

**1 Thessalonians 1:2**

**March 20 - March 29, 2013**

Designation	#	Amount
Regular	13	\$1,265
East Africa	30	\$2,718
Total	43	\$4,083

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

**PRAYER CALENDAR****MAY 2013***"I will give myself to prayer..."***Psalms 109:4b****DAILY INTERCESSION****Health issues**

CARTER BAYNES (NC)  
 BOB BOUCHARD (KY)  
 MARGARIE COFFEE (VA)  
 JIM CONNOLLY [KATHY] (VA)  
 LIN CUSTALOW [BARB] (VA)  
 MARGARET DAVIS [JOHN] (VA)  
 JOYCE HENGOED [JIM] (CT)  
 BRUCE HENRY [GINA] (VA)  
 DEANNA JONES [PAUL] (CT)  
 LOWRY MILLER [MARJORIE] (VA)  
 ISABEL ROBOTHAM [DUDLEY] (NY)  
 JEAN SMITH [JIM] (KY)  
 PASTOR BILL THOMASON (TN)  
 SAM SIMPSON [LOLA] (NY)  
 VIRGINIA WHITTNER (FL)

**International**

Tim & Merry Gregory (Taiwan)  
 Shem/Deborah Kamla (Nigeria)  
 Mulumba Kituta (DR Congo)  
 Nuhu & Mercy Leo (Nigeria)  
 Leslie/Tabitha Motsalane (S Africa)  
 Enock & Patience Mulomba (Botswana)  
 Adam & Dianna Nathanson (Venezuela)  
 Isias Rojas (Venezuela)  
 Andrew & Celestine Sakari (Kenya)  
 Martin & Anne Shikuku (Kenya)  
 Onesimus Sule (Nigeria)  
 Paula Tipton (Thailand)  
 Cliff & Marcia Vincent (Brazil)  
 Silas Yashim (Nigeria)

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 1****EZRA 1-3 (KENYA 43M)**

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)

**THURSDAY, MAY 2****EZRA 4-6 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

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

**FRIDAY, MAY 3****EZRA 7-8 (KENYA 43M)**

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)

**SATURDAY, MAY 4****EZRA 9-10 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

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)

**SUNDAY, MAY 5**

Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)  
 Janice Bugg (TN/China)  
 Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)  
 Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)  
 Mary Campbell (ID)  
 Laura Cannon (FL)  
 Joeretha Capers (FL)  
 Robert & Ann Carroll (VA)

**MONDAY, MAY 6****NEH 1-2 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

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

**TUESDAY, MAY 7****NEH 1-2 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

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)  
 Wm (Virginia) Green, Pastor  
 Larry & Cara Fields (VA)  
 Claire/Mary Ann Fredstrom (NE)

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 8****NEH 5-7 (KENYA 43M)**

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

**THURSDAY, MAY 9****NEH 8-10 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

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

**FRIDAY, MAY 10****NEH 11-13 (KENYA 43M)**

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)

**THURSDAY, MAY 11****ESTHER 1-2 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

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)

**SUNDAY, MAY 12**

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)

**MONDAY, MAY 13****ESTHER 3-4 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

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

**TUESDAY, MAY 14****ESTHER 5-7 (KENYA 43M)**

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 (OH)  
 Mark & Lois Knolls (DE)  
 Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY)  
 Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI)

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15****ESTHER 8-10 (KENYA 43M)**

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)

**THURSDAY, MAY 16****JOB 1-2 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

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)

**FRIDAY, MAY 17****JOB 3-4 (KENYA 43M)**

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 Church (VA)  
 Virgil/Sue Knipp, Pastors

**SATURDAY, MAY 18****JOB 5-7 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

Terry & Sandra Metzgar (VA)  
 Betsy Miedema (MI)  
 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)

**SUNDAY, MAY 19**

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

**MONDAY, MAY 20****JOB 8-10 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

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)

**TUESDAY, MAY 21****JOB 11-14 (KENYA 43M)**

Clark & Marie Rogers (VA)  
 Fred & Jeannette Rolater (TN)  
 Bob & Marlene Rose (MI)  
 Sandra Rumore (VA)  
 John Saint (PA)  
 Don & Marie Satterwhite (FL)

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22****JOB 15-17 (KENYA 43M)**

Dwayne Schmaltz (WI)  
 Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA)  
 Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA)  
 Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (IL)  
 John & Peggy Seibert (AL)  
 Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH)

Wonsub/Young Mi Sheen (Korea)  
 Shenandoah Valley Baptist Ch (VA)  
 Eric Farel, Pastor

**THURSDAY, MAY 23****JOB 18-19 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

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)

**FRIDAY, MAY 24****JOB 20-21 (KENYA 43M)**

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

**SATURDAY, MAY 25****JOB 22-24 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

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)

**SUNDAY, MAY 26**

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)

**MONDAY, MAY 27****job 25-27 (UGANDA 35.9M)**

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

**TUESDAY, MAY 28****JOB 29-31 (KENYA 43M)**

Keith/Doris Snyder Verrell (FL)  
 Walter & Patsy Ann Voss (DE)  
 Horace & Becky Ward (NC)  
 Michael & Sandra Ward (IN)  
 Beau & Ashley Ware (VA)



## Thinking of Ken Miedema (8/12/1937--3/21/2013)

A man who caught the vision of the purpose and power of prayer was Ken Miedema, Grandville, Michigan, whom I viewed as the proverbial "man's man." He and his wife, Betsy, became **Doorkeepers** on March 3, 1996. One thing that I could count on was a note from Ken after his monthly **Reflector** arrived with the assurance that EVERY MORNING, he and Betsy prayed for me, for Sue, and the prayer seminar ministry. Often, there was a phone call from Ken with words of encouragement. One thing he said frequently was how much the **Reflector** meant to him. Sometimes he would say, "This is the best **Reflector** yet. I read every word and then later re-read it."

A few years ago, Ken shared that he had Parkinson's disease and often asked for prayer for God's grace and/or healing. Many of you were praying for him. As his health declined, Betsy stood by him providing for his every need. Through God's grace she was able to meet a challenge. His death announcement in the Grand Rapids Press continued his testimony: "On the first day of spring, March 21, 2013, new life began for Ken Miedema, age 75, of Grandville, Michigan, as he experienced perfect peace and rest with the Lord and Savior. Ken may have lost his physical battle with Parkinson's Disease, but Jesus had victoriously claimed his soul many years ago ... Ken loved his family, and his children are deeply grateful for the way Ken modeled his love for God and Scripture. Ken enjoyed Bible study, visiting and praying with people, and lay preaching at the jail. His desire was for people to know the love, joy, and forgiveness of the Lord that he experienced himself."

Although Ken was very physically challenged, his friends and wife said that when he learned about the prayer seminar in Kentwood there was no way that he could be kept away. There he was listening intently and agreeing with every word I said. We cherish the last picture that we had with him and the last notes and phone calls. He

and Betsy will continue to live in my heart until the Glad Reunion Day comes. "Absent from the body, present with the Lord ... enter into the joy of your Lord" (2 Corinthians 5:8b; Matthew 25:21b). His impact was tremendous.



Ken, Betsy & Dr. Henry  
Union Seminar --4/29/2012

### MONDAY May 29

JOB 32-34 (KENYA 43M)

Kay Warmerdam (TX)  
Don & Joyce Warpoole (TN)  
Rodger & Jean Watts (WI)  
Frank & Nell Weer (KY)  
Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY)  
Herbert & Kay Wice (TN)

### THURSDAY, MAY 30

JOB 35-39 (UGANDA 35.9M)

Paul & Diane Wieland (PA)  
Julie L. Wilson (PA)  
Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA)

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## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER--MAY 2

Many point out, rightly so, that some participate in public services related to the National Day of Prayer who are not on praying ground. The scripture that is often claimed is **2 Chronicles 7:14**: "If My people who are called by My name, will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land." Certainly, America needs healing and only God can bring the healing. It is important to remember, however, that God is speaking to "His people called by His name" (since **Acts 11:26** believers have been called "Christians"). Until God's children meet His requirements, there will be no healing in the land. As we meet God's conditions, there will be healing.

At the same time, I concluded a number of years ago that **a National Day of Prayer is a good thing** for several reasons. On one day, across the nation in cities, towns, villages, and rural areas, God is acknowledged. For eight years, JGHM (at considerable expense of time, energy, and resources) served as the Tennessee state coordinator for the National Day of Prayer. Among the activities we promoted was an annual governor's prayer breakfast, attended by a large number from across the state. We worked with the Governor in proclaiming the day and issuing a resolution. We promoted the day with officials in every county. Year by year, the number involved increased.

Whether you attend a public prayer observance, you can have a part in this special day. My suggestion is a simple

one that we promoted throughout Tennessee:

### TAKE 5 AT 12 NOON

Join thousands of others across America at 12 noon on Thursday, May 2, for at least five minutes of united prayer.

- Acknowledge our dependence upon God.
- Give thanks for the many blessings He has given us.
- Confess specific sins in our nation and ask for God's mercy upon us.
- Ask for a spirit of repentance among God's children.
- Ask God to guide our leaders and to bring healing and spiritual wholeness to our nation and all our people.

May this 63<sup>rd</sup> consecutive National Day of Prayer be special in your life and in the life of a nation that in many ways has forgotten God.







Virginia Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli speaks to a group of pastors and church leaders at the "Christian Citizenship and Godly Government" at the Bragg Hill Family Life Center in Fredericksburg on Thursday.

# Attorney general urges church leaders, pastors to speak out

**Cuccinelli says failure to do so concedes battle**

The Associated Press

FREDERICKSBURG — Virginia's outspoken, conservative attorney general urged pastors and other church leaders to speak out politically Thursday, telling them that failure to do so concedes the battle over Christian values to "the other side."

"You can speak to any issue in America from the pulpit, full-throated, ears pinned back," Kenneth Cuccinelli told about

250 Fredericksburg-area clergy at a "Christian Citizenship and Godly Government" breakfast.

The event was sponsored by the conservative Virginia Christian Alliance. Donald Blake, the Richmond-based organization's chairman, said Cuccinelli was invited to speak because church leaders are looking for assurance that they can talk about political issues without risking their tax-exempt status.

They can do that, Cuccinelli said, as long as they are careful to avoid explicitly endorsing or advocating the defeat of a candidate on behalf of the

church.

Pastors can endorse candidates personally as long as they make clear that their church affiliation is given just for identification purposes, he said.

Cuccinelli said it's common for Christians to think "politics is dirty" and avoid getting involved.

When that happens, he said: "You just left the field to the other side."

It was clear that the side Cuccinelli was referencing includes abortion-rights and same-sex marriage supporters.

The Republican alluded to those hot-button issues in his speech.

"Pull out a map of Virginia and look where the abortion clinics are," Cuccinelli told the crowd, which included a large number of pastors from black churches. "That doesn't make you mad? You're a calmer person than I am. It makes me mad."

He also said "the homosexual agenda" arises during every General Assembly session. But he said that is not the only issue threatening conservative values.

"We have an out-of-wedlock problem," Cuccinelli said.

"I mean, real men actually get married, right?"



Johnny Lange

## I Found the Answer

Johnny Lange



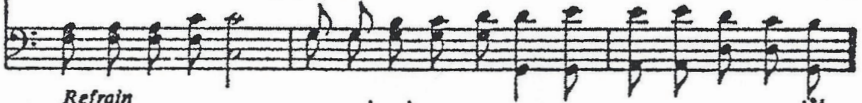
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 2. I was sad and lone-ly, all my hopes were gone, Days were long and  
 3. Keep your Bl-ble with you, read it ev - 'ry day, Al-ways count your



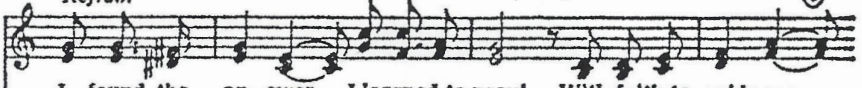
dark-ness, I could-n't find my way; Then a light came shin-ing to  
 drear-y, I could-n't car-ry on; Then I found the cour-age to  
 bless-ings and al-ways stop to pray; Learn to keep be-liev-ing and



lead me from de-spair, All my sins for-giv-en, and I was free from care.  
 keep my head up high, Once a-gain I'm hap-py and here's the rea-son why:  
 faith will see you through, Seek to know con-tent-ment and it will come to you.



## Refrain



I found the an-swer, I learned to pray! With faith to guide me,



I found the way; The sun is shin-ing for me each



day, I found the an-swer, I learned to pray!

