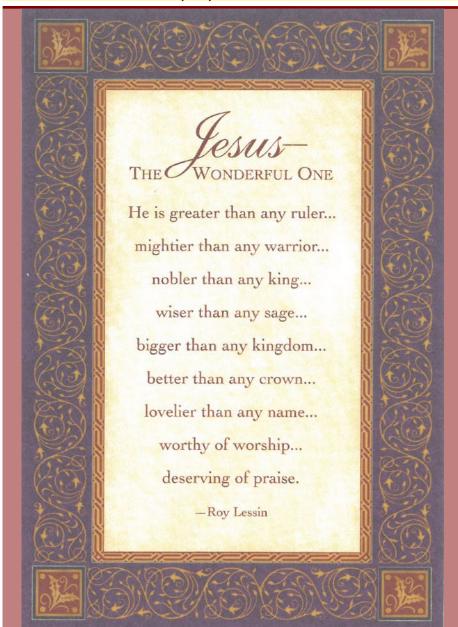
REFLECTOR

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"FAITHFUL TO DEATH," SAID OUR LOVING MASTER,
"A FEW MORE DAYS TO LABOR AND WAIT; TOILS OF
THE ROAD WILL THEN SEEM AS NOTHING, WHEN
[YOU] SWEEP THROUGH THAT BEAUTIFUL GATE."

Question: CAN YOU PRAY FIVE MINUTES WITHOUT ASKING GOD TO DO SOMETHING? Why don't you try it? Paul makes it clear that supplication, which simply means to make a prayer request for ourselves or others asking Him to meet our needs, must be preceded by thanksgiving (Philippians 4:6-7). It is interesting to note that he always thanked God first before he interceded for the people who were receiving the letter he was writing. "First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all " (Romans 1:8); "I cease not to give thanks for you" (Ephesians 1:16); "I thank God upon every remembrance of you" (Philippians 1:3); "we give thanks to God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you" (Colossians 1:3); "we gave thanks to God always for you all" (1 Thessalonians 1:2); "I thank God ... as without ceasing I remember you in my prayers day and night" (2 Timothy 1:3).

In arranging my daily time with God, I have learned to begin by acknowledging that I am coming into His presence (Isaiah 40:31, Psalm 46:10, James 4:8). Affirming His presence makes a tremendous difference. I then read the chapters set aside for the day (following the Doorkeeper Prayer Calendar). It is out of the daily Word that I begin to pray with focus on adoration and worship. What I see in the Word triggers my spontaneous praise and worship. If there is any sin which has not been confessed, it is impossible to worship. Therefore confession and cleansing are basics.

Then I make it a practice to move into thanksgiving. One principle to follow routinely is not to make one request until some thanks has been uttered. If you will try this for one

"IN EVERYTHING, GIVE THANKS!"

1 Thessalonians 5:18

One of the stories I heard while I was in high school was of a woman who seemed to be carrying the cares of the world on her shoulders. The result was that she felt defeated; joy was absent from her life. She felt at "wit's end." One morning, during her devotional time, she read 1 Thessalonians 5:18 and the Holy Spirit spoke: "TRY THANKSGIVING." Her entire life changed!

"Therefore by [Jesus] let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name."

Hebrews 13:15

BE INTENTIONAL READ BIBLE!

Memorize, Meditate PRAY!

Worship, Confess, Express
Thanks. Pray for yourself,
Pray for others.

TELL OTHERS!
WHILE KEEPING
YOUR EYES ON
JESUS.

week, you will experience a great change. We are often so caught up with requests related to what we think we need that we fail to give God credit for what He is doing in our lives. We need to practice giving God the recognition He so rightly deserves and thanksgiving is the element of prayer which enables us to do this. Intentionally, PUT EFFORT INTO THANKSGIVING until giving thanks becomes a basic part of your prayer life and your everyday living.

We have ample cause for thankfulness in the fact that the Lord Jesus Christ loved us enough to give Himself for us. A farmer was once found kneeling at a soldier's grave near Nashville. Someone came to him and said: "Why do you pay so much attention to this grave? Was your son buried here?" "No," he replied. "During the war my family were all sick and I knew not how to leave them. I was drafted. One of my neighbors came over and said: 'I will go for you; I have no family.' He went off. He was wounded at Chickamauga. He was carried to the hospital, and there died. And, sir, I have come a great many miles that I might write over his grave these words, 'He died for me.'" Every day, we need to remember Him and "By Him, then, let us offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips which give thanks to His name" (Hebrews 13:15).

When Paul asked the Philippians to include thanksgiving in all their prayers and supplications, he said the result will be that the **peace** of God would "keep" their hearts and minds (Philippians 4:6-7). The Greek word he used, translated

"keep" in the King James Version, is **phrourein**, a military word for standing on guard. Paul described this peace as surpassing all human thought.

William Barclay points out that this means the peace of God is so precious that man's mind, with all its skill and all its knowledge and all its understanding, can never contrive it, find it, or produce it. This peace is utterly beyond man's ability to obtain by himself. It can never be of man's contriving; it is only of God's giving. The way to this kind of peace is to take ourselves and all of life, including its difficulties, and place them trustingly and thankfully into the hands of God. So what may be interpreted as naivete by onlookers is really the peace of God standing auard.

Do you experience that peace in your life? Is thanksgiving prominent in your prayer life and in your day-to-day living? If not, don't waste time in regret! Let's do it! Make much of thanksgiving. Let's deliberately keep a regular and inviolable place for thanksgiving in daily praying, regardless of our mood or circumstance. Keep your memory in good repair and you will never run out of substantive thanksgiving! We will never come to an end of thanksgiving, for God "daily loads us with benefits! " (Psalm 68:19). Remember "Daily" does not mean "every now and then;" "loadeth" does not mean a little, it means a lot!

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry

YOU ARE IMPORTANT TO GOD!
YOU ARE NO ACCIDENT. BEFORE YOU WERE
FORMED IN YOUR MOTHER'S WOMB, GOD KNEW WHAT
HE WANTED. IMPORTANT! READ PSALM 139:13-18.
NO ONE CAN TAKE YOUR PLACE!

YOU ARE IMPORTANT TO YOUR FAMILY!
YOU ARE IMPORTANT TO YOUR NATION!

Thank God for family

"Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth. Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them" (Psalm 127:3-5b).

We often become careless in praying for those in our family circle. Our nuclear family is composed of four generations living today. Sue and I are the first generation. Our adult children whom we call "the three M's (Mona, Mark, and Melody), are the second generation. The third generation is made up of our six adult grandchildren, Beau, Jeanne, Emilee, Kimberly. Wendy and James. The fourth generation ranges from twelve years old to twenty-two (as of 13 October 2017) days old. Caleb, Lillian, Maggie, Willow, Stone, Caleb, Emma, and Ellie. While Sue has siblings, the Rollie & Willie King Troutman family (Kentucky USA), I am the only remaining one in the Lee Henry & Ira Mae Covington clan (Tennessee USA). She has many nieces and nephews while I have a small number.

While there is much to be said, the bottom line is simple. Pray that each one will be saved and will grow in their Christian life. We choose to pray by name for each member of our nuclear family daily during our family altar time. We open our hearts and minds to the Holy Spirit as we read the Word related to what we need to pray for them. We often are led to pray for their physical and spiritual safety as they move through the day. A major request is that they will have hearts for God throughout their day. For those who have believed that God raised His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, from the dead after He shed His blood on the Old Rugged Cross for his/her sins and that Jesus is Lord and prayed the sinner's prayer asking Jesus to save them, we ask that each will grow in Christ and serve Him in daily obedience. We pray for salvation for each great-grandchild as he/she comes to age of accountability (the age when one knows right from wrong).

One legacy that I am leaving is a study Bible that I used for one calendar year filled with my personal notes. Since I have one for each year since 1977, forty-four Bibles are available. However, Sue and I want to leave the legacy of prayer covering as well. Don't forget to pray and thank God for your children!

THANKS BE UNTO GOD FOR HIS UNSPEAKABLE GIFT"

2 Corinthians 9:15

"Father, I really thank you for my family. Sometimes I take them for granted, in the hustle and bustle and challenges of my daily life. Help me to take a long look at them today, and see what I can do with Your help to demonstrate my love. In Jesus' name." Pat Boone

Meet the two newest additions to the Henry family: great-granddaughters (now there are seven)!



Elizabeth James Henry

Ellie arrived on Friday, September 22, 2017. Her parents, James & Kathyrn Henry, Columbus, Mississippi, are strong Christians active in their local church. Our newest great-grandchild, Ellie is two hours old in this photo.



Emma Leighann Fulcher

Emma's mother is Emilee, our daughter, Melody's daughter. She arrived April 12, 2016. Her father is Travis and older brother, Caleb. The family resides in Amherst County, Virginia and has church ties there.

When the Henry family gathered to celebrate my 82nd birthday, it was inevitable that specific blessings from God came to mind.

#1. For over sixty years, Sue has stood by my side. A few years ago, Berea College, our alma mater, honored me with an award. At the same time, they presented Sue with an engraved dish acknowledging her role. Earlier in the day, Sue and I had named each of the three children, six grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren during our family altar. Of course, the prayer seminar ministry and the faithful **Doorkeepers** (Ropeholders) were high on the list of blessings.

The Blessing of "Shalom" means that God's peace will be your covering; that your heart will know His fullness; that by His mighty power you will know victory over every enemy; that He will bring to pass the deepest desires of your heart; that His covenant promises will be fulfilled in your life, and that through His suffiency, every need you have will be met by His limitless resources.

Roy Lessin

LIFE

Life is a story in volumes three.
The past, the present, and yet-to-be.
The first is finished and laid away.
The second we're reading day by day.
The third & the last of volumes three,
Is locked from sight, God keeping the key.
Old friends, old scenes, will lovelier be
As more of Heaven in each we see.

Selected

No new notes needed

We need no new notes in our message. The old theme may sound monotonous to some, but "What more can He say than to us He has said?" I heard of a would-be cellist who kept sawing away on one string. Someone said, "That is not the way to play a cello. You must run your fingers up and down the strings to find the different notes." Oh, no," he replied, "those fellows are looking for the right note, but I've found it!" Some are trying to find new notes in the gospel message today, but blessed is the man who has found and keeps sounding the key note.

Vance Havner

PRAY DAILY FOR AMERICA! PRAY DAILY FOR PRESIDENT TRUMP!

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NOTES from my BIBLE

Note 4016. God is able! God is willing! God is waiting! PRAY!

Note 4017. Amazing things start happening when we start praying!

Note 4018. Sometimes we think we are too busy to pray. That is a great mistake, for praying is a saving of time. Charles H.

Spurgeon

Note 4019. No time is so well spent in every day as that which we spend upon our knees. J.C. Ryle Note 4020. Prayer is not conquering God's reluctance, but taking hold of God's willingness. Phillips Brooks

DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

1 Thessalonians 1:2 9/20--10/16/17

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HOLDING THE ROPES!

WELCOME! NEW DOORKEEPERS! Pecks Baptist Church (VA) Bryan Sheehan, Pastor

PRAYER CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2017

"I will give myself to prayer..."

Psalm 109:4b

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

ACTS 1-4 (Mariana Isl 42,234) Mae Adams (NC)

Robert/Susanne Adams (TN)

Wayne & Jeannie Agee (VA)

Norma Ailes (NJ)

Allie Allen (LA)

H. L. & Janie Allen (SC)

David/Eunjoo Andersen (VA)
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER

ACTS 5-7 (Moldova 3.5M)

Tommy & Pat Apple (NC)
Eldon & Gay Armstrong (SC)

Milcie Arnold (VA)

Leonor Avila (MD)

Bill & Karen Baker (OK)

Mike & Joyce Baker (VA)

Tim Bash-GCCC (NJ)

Linda Beard (MD)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

ACTS 8-9 Monaco 37,731)

Jean Beasley (TN)

Tommy Bell (TN)

Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)

Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL) Beulah Baptist Church (VA)

Dr. Dennis Hollandsworth Beverly Blankenship (TN)

Ed & Loretta Bolen (VA)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

ACTS 10-12 Mongolia 3M)

Everett/Deborah Boston (MD)

William/Debbie Bowden (MD)
David & Marna Boyd (OR)

Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)

Ed & Jean Bradshaw (VA)

Kim Bradshaw (VA) Nancy Bretz (PA)

Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)

Arretta Bruce (TN)

Joe & Martha Bruno (CO)

Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE) Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)

George & Janet Buck (NJ)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

ACTS 13-15 (Montenegro 647,073

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

Eileen Camarene (NJ)

Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)

Mary Campbell (ID) Cliff/Laura Cannon (FL)

Joretta Capers (FL)

Robin & Teresa Carlson (NJ)

Robert & Anita Carroll (VA)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

ACTS 16-18 (Montserrat 5,241))

Mary Columbus (VA)

Kathie Connolly (VA)

Larry & Sue Cooper (DE)

Foster Covington (VA)

Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)

Jerry & Joan Crain (SC) WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 8

ACTS 19-20 (Morocco 33.3M)

Barbara Custalow (VA)

John Davis (VA)

Harold & Tama Decker (NY)

Thomas DeWindt (WI)

Alan & Rebecca Dockrey (KY)

Bessie Eggleston (MD)

Paul & Joyce Eggleston (VA) Lynn Elkins (TN)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

ACTS 21-23 (Mozambique 24.7M)

Jeff & Leeann Englert (KY)

Don & Mary Enoch (FL)

Gene & Shirley Farley (CA)

Larry & Cara Fields (VA)
First Baptist Pimlico (MD)

John & Susan Finnessy (MD)

James & Ruth Flanagan (GA) Nancy Fowser (NJ)

Claire/Mary Ann Fredstrom (NE) Freedom Through Faith (MD)

Robert Thibdeau

Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)

James Fugate (CA)

Travis/Emilee Fulcher (VA)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

ACTS 24-26 (Namibia 2.2M) John & Kim Gaines (DE)

Mike & Lerlyne Garcia (VA)

Pauline Garrett (NJ)

Ron & Kay Gavette (VA)

Frank Geiger (HI)

Sara George (GA)

Gloucester Co. Community Ch (NJ) Bruce Sofia, Pastor

Ron & Carol Godwin (VA)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

ACTS 27-28 (Nauru 9,540)

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)

Joy Harper (VA)

Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN) Hazel Hartless (VA)

Jim Hengoed (CT)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Gina Henry (VA)

J. Gordon & Sue Henry(VA)

Jack Henry (TN)

James & Kathryn Henry (MS)

Mark Henry (TN)
Melody Henry (VA)

Roger & Sara Henry (OH)

Sean & Bethany Henry (VA)

Steve & Donna Hensel (MN) Ed & Donna Hindson (VA)

Frank & Pat Hitchings (VA)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

ROMANS 1-3 (Nepal 31.6M)

Jeff Hodge (VA)

Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA)

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

Anita Horton (VA)

Mike & Some Hosick (TN

Mike & Sonya Hosick (TN)

Coy Hunsucker (NC)

Joyce Hunt (TN)

Wilbert/Almaretta Hupp (PA) Ed Hurlow (IN)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

ROMANS 4-5 (Netherlands 17M)

Jide & Bunmi Iware (MD)

Gene/Rose Marie Jeffries (AR) Vernelle Jenkins (MD)

Paul/Suzanne Jennings (TN)

Jonathan/Julie Jobe (SC)

Millicent John (NY)

Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY) Gwen Johnson (AZ)

WEDNESDAY, NOV 15

ROMANS 6-8 (USA 325.2M)

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

Dave & Debbie Jones (VA)

James Jones (FL)

Paul Jones (KY)
W I & Eloise Jones (SC)

Judy Jordan (VA)

Mohan Katta (IL) Suzie Kauffmann (NC)

Harper/Shelia Keebaugh (PA) Kerby Knob Baptist Church (KY) Darren Hisel, Pastor

Larry & Janet King (NC)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

ROMANS 9-11 (Venezuela 31.7M)

Robert/Andrea Klepper (TN) Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY) Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI) Korean Branch: Dr. Shin Joel & Jackie Kramar (VA) Woodrow & Linda Kroll (NE) Craig & Molly Lampe (AZ) Phil & Edra Landers (OK) Del & Mary Leach (VA) Raymond & Janet Lemay (VT) FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17 ROM 12-16 (New Zealond 4.4M) Liberty University (VA) Jerry Falwell Jr., President Mike & Earlene Lips (MS) Vincent/Mary Lobisco (MI) Ray & Bobbie Long (WV) Don & Betty Lowry (SC) Ed Lucas (VT) Rachel Mann (NC) Manship Chapel (DE) Bruce & Vickie Tribbett SATURDAY, NOV 18 1 COR 1-6 (Nicaragua 5.9M) Wilma Marcum (KY) Beau Ware Masonry (VA) Reg & Gloria Martin (OH) 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 Terry/Sandra Metzgar (TN) SUNDAY, NOV 19 Marjorie Miller (VA) Roger & Nancy Minney (VA) Bill & Sharon Moody (VA) French & Laura Moore (VA) Ronald & Wilma Moore (NC) Joseph & Doris Moos (NJ) Driver/Roberta Morton (VA) Elaine Moser (MN) Bob & Diane Nichols (VA) Chet & Betty Nichols (WA) NE Baptist College (VT) Mark Ballard, President Oconto Gospel Chapel (WI) Zack & Jackie Olcott (VA_ MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20 1 COR 7-10 (Niger 18M) Ann Palumbo (PA) Raleigh & Janet Parker (VA)

Pecks Baptist Church (VA)

Bryan Sheehan. Pastor

Sandy Pederson (MN)

Jimmy & Mary Thomas (VA)

Jim & Barb Peterson (MI) Mona Henry Thomas (VA) Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA) W. D./Jackie Thomason (TN) Cathy Tilton (VA)) Barbara Powell (NY) Larry Thompson (VA) Elbert/Barbara Powell (VA) Montez Thompson (WI) Marshall & Lois Powell (KY) Paula Tipton (TN) Jeanne/Maggie Pribble (VA) William & Katie Toney (NC) Marjorie Randall (TX) Carrol/Ouida Troutman (KY) Dave Ricker (ME) SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26 Alice Riddick (NC) Joyce Riley (KY) Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY) Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY) TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21 Joe & Benita Troutman (KY) 1 COR 11-14 (Nigeria 181.6M) Malcom Troutman (KY) Calvin & Valerie Ritchey (VA) Marshall/Mary Troutman (KY) Cynthia Roach (VA) MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27 John & Sandra Roberts (NC) Dorlos/Betty Robinson (MS) GALATIANS (Palau 21,265) Isabel Robotham (NY) Terri & Debra Turbin (MD) Clark & Marie Rogers (VA) Frances Turpin (VA) Fred & Wanda Rolater (TN) Sara Underwood (TN) Bob & Marlene Rose (MI) Patrick/Patricia Vaden (TN) Sandra Rumore (VA) Harris/Jane Verkaik (MI/FL) WEDNESDAY, NOV 22 George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ) 1 COR 15-16 (Miue 1,190) TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28 John Saint (PA) EPHESIANS (Panama 3.7M) Don/Marie Satterwhite (MO) Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ) Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA) Mary Ann Voss (DE) Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA) Michael/Sandra Ward (IN) Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI) Beau/Ashley/Willow/Will Ware (VA) John & Peggy Seibert (AL) Kay Warmerdam (TX) Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH) WEDNESDAY, NOV 29 Shenandoah Valley Baptist Ch PHILIPPIANS (Paraguay 6.8M) (VA) Gene Jones, Pastor Joyce Warpoole (TN) Nellie F. Shepard (CT) Holland & Nary Warren (VA) THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 Rodger Watts (WI) 2 COR 1-5 (Norfolk Isl 2,210) Naomi Webb (NJ) Ray Shields (VA) Frank & Nell Weer (KY) Lola Simpson (NY) Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY) Mary Skiles (KS) Paul & Diane Wieland (PA) Paul & Mary Smith (TX) Reg/Mary Ann Wilburn (VA)) Ron & Bonnie Smith (VA) THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30 Walt & Betty Sommers (VA) COLOSSIANS (Peru 30.4M) Helen Sourlis (MD) Jeff Williamson (FL) Randy & Cheryl Stauter (MN) Ken & Carol Willis (VA) Tim & Pam Steger (ID) Julie L. Wilson (PA) FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24 Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA) 2 COR 6-9 (Norway 5.2M) Eva Winebarger (VA) Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA) Amos & Celia Wipf (GA) Charles Stinson (VA) John & Selena Wood (PA) Johnny & Rose Street (TX) Greg & Lori Worley (GA) William Suttles (NC) David & Lili Wykle (VA) Bob & Sandy Swain (VA) Betty Yates (WI) Brian/Janice Tarraferro (TX) Yeshua Ministries (TN) Billy & Sharon Taylor (PA) Frank Bell, President Ron & Mazie Taylor (VA) Fred & Susan Zeller (MD) SATURDAY, NOV 25 2 COR 10-13 (Pakistan 199M) Stephanie Taylor (GA)

DAILY INTERCESSION

HEALTH

Burma Abbott [Zane] (VA)
Stan Baskin [Emily]
Dr. Jim Britt [Judy] (GA)
Murray & Loretta Mathis (TN)

Ruth Henry (OH)

Bruce Kirby [Wanda] (KY)
Jean Smith [Jim] (KY)
Willie Troutman [Diane] (KY)
Harris Verkaik [Jane] (MI)

DO YOU HAVE THE WORLD ON YOUR HEART YET?

Remember
"The fields are white."
PRAY FOR LABORERS!
Matthew 9:35-38

INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Ben & Judy Armacost (UK & Europe)
Digmar & Lisbeysai Garcia (Cuba)

Shem & Deborah Kamla (Nigeria)

Leslie/Tabitha Motsalane (South Africa)

Enock & Patience Mulomba (Botswana)

Adam & Dianna Nathanson (Venezuela)

Andrew & Celestine Sakari (Kenya)

Joseph & Esther Tan (Singapore)

Unnamed (Pakistan)

Cliff & Marcia Vincent (Brazil/China)

Roberto & Joanne Waisman (Brazil)
Orthnel Wakil (Nigeria)

Silas & Comfort Yashim (Nigeria)

ONLY BELIEVE

Pray and believe, all things are possible, pray and believe!

REMEMBERING SAM HOUGH

10/5/1930-9/30/2017

Lynchburg, Virginia
"ABSENT FROM THE BODY ...
PRESENT WITH THE LORD"
2 Corinthians 5:8
Condolences to Linda & family

A grateful heart

Thou has given so much to me,
Give me one more thing
a grateful heart,
Not thankful when it pleases me,
As if Thy blessings had spare days
But such a heart
Whose pulse may be Thy praise.
George Herbert

YOU WILL BE THANKFUL IF YOU ARE THINKFUL!

ITINERARY

November

- 1-7 Travel New England
- 2 Northeastern Baptist College Bennington, Vermont
- 4 Prayer Seminar
 The Bible Speaks Church
 South Berwick ME
- 5 Evangelism Clinic

A.M. Preaching

The Bible Speaks Church

A SPECIAL DAILY PRAYER REQUEST: PRAY EARNESTLY EACH DAY THAT GOD WILL RAISE UP A MAN OF PRAYER, WHO WALKS IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD, TO TAKE THE REINS FOR THE WORDWIDE PRAYER MINISTRY PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 OR SOONER. JGH/STH

YOU PRAYED! YOU GAVE! GOD GAVE THE INCREASE!

Since April 2006, Martin Shikuku has been a name on our prayer list. He is now one of the teachers and leaders in the prayer seminar ministry. His territory is basically East/Central Africa. Under his efficient leadership, there have been prayer seminars in Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, and the DR Congo.

Martin is the founder-pastor of the Glory Baptist Church, Eldoret in Kenya's beautiful Rift Valley (home of the world famous distance runners. Since our association, he has developed a plan to establish Lighthouses of Prayer throughout Kenya and the other nations in East/Central Africa. Although serving his church, as well as the Kenya Baptist Convention, his work with us conducting prayer seminars is impeccable.

One major reason the JGHM Board of Directors decided to focus the largest portion of our resources on Martin is his ministry is fruitful beyond measure in winning people to Christ and equipping them for ministry. He touches many lives and keeps on target as pastor and teacher.

REPORT

January 1-September 30, 2017
Seminars ---- 23
Participants ----3,177
Churches --- 797
Pastors ---- 1,157
Saved ----- 397
Miles traveled --3,101

Pray for Martin & Anne--family &

DON'T FORGET!
THE BEST WAY
TO EXPRESS
THANKSGIVING
IS THANKSLIVING!

Don't lose the children

Take a moment to read Proverbs 23:24-25. Joy comes to parents who see their children succeed. But when those parents have faith in the LORD, the greatest joy comes from seeing their children be faithful to Him. As one who "has been there and done that" I have grown more concerned about what I observe with my own eyes. The bottom line is that very reliable studies have confirmed that we are losing our children. There are obviously many reasons why this is happening. Could it be that Christian parents and grandparents have not prayed earnestly for their children and grandchildren? Could it be that have never verbally indicated how vital it is for our children to prepare for eternity knowing that it is appointed to each person to die and after that the judgment.

A Faith Lift

"Wilt Thou not revive us again, that Thy people may rejoice in Thee?"

Psalm 85:6

If you are not as close to God as you used to be, isn't it time to return? See James 4:8

THE PRAYER SEMINAR MINISTRY
IS SUPPORTED BY THE
GIFTS OF OUR FRIENDS.



THANKSGIVING FOR CLASSMATES—"THE PHOTO"

Words simply can never express what classmates and teachers at White Pine School, Tennessee, have meant to my life. The firm foundation for my formal education could not have been better. There have been few gifts during my eight-two years more prized than a photo of my eighth grade class. Miss Fannie Spurgeon was my teacher. In case you don't recognize my photo, check out the third row, second from the left. I had just turned thirteen years old. This is perhaps the most important period of my life. Let me tell you why.

Six days before my thirteenth birthday, I attended a tent meeting in White Pine where Evangelist Hubert Taylor presented the Gospel nightly. Toward the very end of the six-week meeting, I attended a service, hearing things I had not heard before. I learned that there is a Father in Heaven, our Creator, who has sent His only Son to earth to purchase my salvation through His own blood on the Cross of Calvary. Mr. Templin, an elderly friend of our family came to me during the invitation period and asked if I wanted to become a Christian. My answer was "yes, but I do not know what to do." He told me to ask Jesus to save me, in essence what is recorded in Romans 10:8-13. I followed his counsel and decided to follow Jesus. I wept with joy as my sins were washed away.

Throughout the world, I have found that most do not know what happened to them when they made a decision to trust Jesus as Savior. Some years ago, I formulated a list to bring those attending our services up-to-date with five points: 1. Your name was written in the Lamb's Book of Life; 2. Holy Spirit came to live inside you; 3, Holy Spirit placed you into the Body of Christ; 4. Holy Spirit gave you a Spiritual Gift ("charisma" or "grace" gift) to use in serving Him; 5. He placed your feet on the road to Heaven. As a twelve-year old, I had no idea about the first four on the list. However, I was fully aware of the change that had occurred in my heart. I knew I was on the Road to Heaven! I have often said that as I walked home that I do not think my feet touched the ground. Seventy years later, I do know what happened! Praise to Lord for His leadership to bring me to the tent meeting!

I immediately begin to carry a Bible to school and read it often. I began to talk to my teachers and classmates about coming to Jesus.

The photo "appeared" on a table at a recent "Pinefest" event in my hometown, White Pine, and a classmate, Robert Hugh Klepper, sent a copy. I am thrilled! I am deeply touched! Friends are many, but there is something special about these eighth grade classmates, many now in eternity either in Heaven or Hell. I am glad that I came to Christ. I am glad that I shared Christ with each of them.

IN TOUCH WITH GOD







In 1997, JGHM received a letter from **Doorkeeper Craton Noyes** (KY), who was living in Florida at the time, along with a contribution for the prayer seminar ministry. He shared: "I certainly enjoy the contents of the Reflector, but more important than my enjoyment is the fact this paper helps me keep in touch with God. Often times, I quote what I have read because it is just the answer I need in a given situation."

2017 THANKSGIVING PRAYER RELATED TO THE REFLECTOR

THANK YOU, FATHER, THAT YOU GAVE YOUR SON TO DIE FOR MY SINS, DREW ME TO YOU THROUGH THE WORKING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AS YOUR WRITTEN WORD WAS PRESENTED, CALLED ME TO MINISTRY IN SEPTEMBER 1953, AND LED ME TO BEGIN THE REFLECTOR. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING THE HOLY SPIRIT TO HELP ME WRITE ARTICLES AND SHARE NUGGETS WITH READERS AROUND THE WORLD. YOU HAVE CHOSEN TO

PROVIDE ENCOURAGEMENT TO MANY OF YOUR CHILDREN AND TO POINT UNSAVED PEOPLE TO CALVARY. THANKS FOR GIVING US DOORKEEPERS WHO MAKE THIS PART OF OUR MINISTRY POSSIBLE. PLEASE CONTINUE TO BLESS THEM AS THEY PROVIDE THE FINANCIAL AND PRAYER SUPPORT FOR OUR WRITTEN MINISTRY.

FATHER, IN JESUS' NAME, I PRESENT THIS PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING TO YOU.

From its very beginning sixty-three years ago, preparing copy for each issue has been a labor of love and joy. My intention has been two-fold, (1) to inform and (2) to inspire. I want you to "reflect" on your life in the context of biblical truths. I want each article to result in a believer's seeing Him more clearly and loving Him more dearly.

There has never been a subscription price for the **Reflector**. Through the gifts of our **Doorkeepers**, we have been able to maintain this publication (printing and postage are primary costs). As a faith ministry, we depend solely on gifts from our friends to maintain the work (which includes providing a prayer seminar workbook for each person in a seminar regardless of a workbook contribution).

Each month, the **Reflector** wends its ways into homes across the nation. My dream is that we can continue this aspect of our ministry for many years to come. My prayer is that each issue will inspire each reader to "keep in touch with God." Thanks for your prayers for this goal.