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Bald Eagle

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THANKSGIVING: IT IS TIME

The year was 1978. Two years earlier, the Holy Spirit impressed upon me the need to turn to the Bible for my personal spiritual food, a step beyond going there for a message to preach. The latter had been my *modus operandi* since my first sermon prepared in September 1953. Then, twenty-five years later, my goal was to know God more intimately through reading devotionally. Gradually, my eyes were opened to life-changing truths that had been there all along.

Among the striking corrections from my Bible reading was one related to the Holy Spirit. My understanding was that Spirit-filled meant having more of the Holy Spirit. After all my perception of more was quantity (e.g., more water, then the glass was filled). Fact: the moment that a person believes in the Lord and places his faith in Him and His work on the cross, he/she is indwelt by the Holy Spirit. His presence is the new life that constitutes a new birth spiritually. At that moment, the believer receives all the Holy Spirit He is ever going to receive. A great moment for me was to understand that Spirit-filled actually should be interpreted as Spirit-controlled (e.g., the drunk man controlled by the drink that is in him as revealed in **Ephesians 5:18**). To so live became an intense desire.

The disciplines of the Christian life became important to me as my understanding developed. Not only was the Word of God important, another example was my view of prayer. Since I was a local church pastor as well as a full-time educator, I realized that it was the custom to pray before preaching. Through the Word of God, I soon saw the need to make a correction. My praying was basically telling God what to do.

STILL IN EFFECT

God is still seeking:

"So I sought for a man among them who would make a wall and stand in the gap before Me, on behalf of the land that I should not destroy it ... "(Ezekiel 22:30a).



BUT ONE DAY

He will cease seeking:

"...but I found no one. Therefore, I [will] pour out my indig-nation on them; I [will consume] them with the fire of My wrath and [will recompense their deeds on their own heads]" says the Lord God (Ezekiel 22:30b,c).



BALD EAGLE EYES

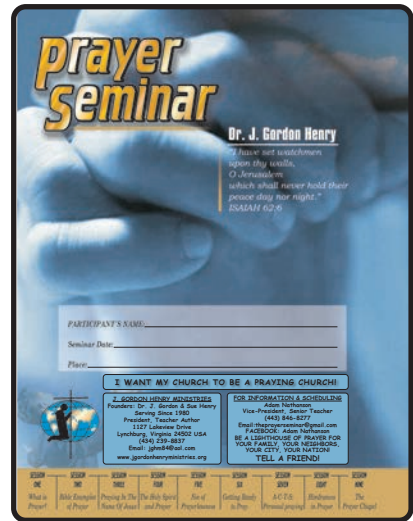
The eagle's ability to see detail at a distance is extraordinary. Its eyesight is 4-8 times sharper than a human's. The eyes are fixed in their sockets, so the eagle has to turn its whole head to look around.

when to do, and how to do it (e.g., Father, I must preach at 8 o'clock. If you are not there, we are both in trouble). Much to my delight, I learned that prayer is not bringing God down to get in on what I was doing; prayer is coming into the very presence of the Father in the Throne Room in Heaven (Hebrews 4:16; 10:19). I was teaching the Pastor's Class in Sunday School at Pleasant View Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Virginia at that time for new believers as well as others wishing to be in the class. I taught them what the Holy Spirit was teaching me. I could hardly wait for a new day to arrive since the first hours each day was my time to be in the Word and in prayer.

The initial motivation for writing lessons on prayer was to prepare 168 prayer warriors for a prayer chapel ministry to undergird the ministry of a local church, **Immanuel Baptist Church, Newport News, Virginia**. The plan was quite simple. We were to build a prayer chapel back in the woods behind the church building and have someone praying in the chapel every hour around the clock, a 24/7 ministry. A framework began to appear for the preparation: (1) What is Prayer?; (2) Bible Examples of Prayer; (3) Praying in the Name of Jesus; (4) The Holy Spirit and Prayer; (5) The Sin of Prayerlessness; (6) Getting Ready to Pray; (7) Personal Praying; and (8) Hindrances to Prayer. Each week, I wrote a lesson and then taught it during the Church Training Hour (one hour before the Sunday evening worship service). The Holy Spirit worked mightily in all of us as we studied and learned; we saw much fruit with many saved and many lives transformed. We were ready!

Fast forward to September 1980 when I was invited to lead a prayer conference at **Madison Baptist Church, Madison, New Jersey**. When our pastor, **Jim Hooten**, extended an invitation to lead an area-wide prayer conference, I agreed, knowing that I had the mimeograph stencils from the earlier studies. The compilation led to a seventy-nine page **Prayer Seminar Workbook**. The prayer seminar itself required six hours of teaching time. This document became the basic teaching tool for the next twenty-five years. A decision was made in 2004 to adapt the twenty-nine page international prayer seminar workbook for the primary workbook for all seminars, both national and international.

Following is the front cover of the



thirty-page English workbook. Each participant in the prayer seminar is provided a workbook. Although there is no charge for a workbook, a suggested contribution to assist in printing is \$5.

Although the elements of prayer are first introduced in Session One, the elements are fleshed out in

Session Seven, a study that deals with one's personal praying. Basically, I begin with another reminder of the **IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER** in one's life and in the work of the Lord (e.g., You have not because you ask not **James 4:2b**). This is followed with **SOME BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES** (and there are two fleshed out: 1. **ESTABLISH A TIME TO MEET THE LORD** (e.g., Set an appointment. Keep the appointment. Early morning praying. 2. **ESTABLISH A PLACE TO MEET THE LORD**. Then there is a suggestion to use an acronym, **A-C-T-S**, to organize a daily prayer strategy to cover the five elements of prayer: **A**-doration, **C**-onfession, **T**-hanksgiving, **S**eeing for self (petition) and **S**eeing for others (intercession).

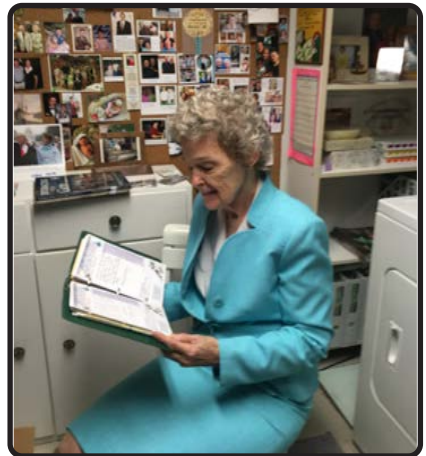
I continue thankful for God choosing to entrust the prayer seminar ministry to Sue and me. I am thankful that He has called **Adam Nathanson** to continue this ministry. I don't have the words to express the joy that I have had to share this material for the past forty years. It is so much a part of my life that I have sometimes awakened realizing that I had been teaching the prayer seminar in my dreams. Many years ago, Sue said that if, one day, someone came to tell her your husband is dead that she is going to ask, Where is his body? She said that she would say to me, You better get up from there and start packing those boxes. You have a prayer seminar!. She then said, If he does not immediately get up then she would know that I had got out and gone!

Since November is **Thanksgiving Day** in America, it has been a tradition to amplify Biblical teaching on **thanksgiving** each year. **If you are**

thankful, you will be thankful. While I will deal with the element itself, please remember that praying is a ministry to pursue, in the same category as preaching, teaching, witnessing. In fact, praying is the work that must come before all other work.

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry



SUE HENRY SITTING IN FRONT OF THE PRAYER BOARD READING ROBIN & TERESA CARLSON'S (NJ) 2020 LETTER

September Letter-Writing Month has been celebrated for many years as the time when the **Doorkeepers** and friends could touch base with us. In the **JGHM Museum**, there are small binders organized by years in which letters are preserved. Thank you for being our partners in the prayer seminar ministry. As we enter a new phase of our lives and ministry, we hope we can stay connected. Send photos for the prayer board. [Email jghm84@aol.com](mailto:jghm84@aol.com)/text (434-239-8837).



"We cannot allow our country to be deprived of the Judeo-Christian values that make it so great."

-Dr. Ben Carson

Lincoln made Thanksgiving our holiday

Abraham Lincoln, 1863 Thanksgiving Proclamation

It is the duty of nations as well as of men to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God; to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations are blessed whose God is the Lord.

We know that by His divine law, nations, like individuals, are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world. May we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war which now desolates the land may be a punishment inflicted upon us for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole people?

We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth, and power as no other nation has grown.

But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God who made us.

It has seemed to me fit and proper that God should be solemnly, reverently, and gratefully acknowledged, as with one heart and one voice, by the whole American people. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November as a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens.



The Reflector

Here's the story

A number of our readers have encouraged Sue and me to keep the **Reflector** going for another year—which would be our sixty-seventh year. Our propensity is to agree but, if we do, we will revert to the 1954 format.

The 1954 format was being used in 1986 and later when there were over 13,000 on our mailing list. Some of our readers have shared that they still have some of the **Reflectors** from this era. We are enclosing the October 1986 **Reflector** to acquaint or re-acquaint you with this format.

There is no charge for the **Reflector**. It has been, and is, a vital part of our lives and ministry. We want the paper to be a blessing to our readers. It is an expression of our love for those whom God has brought into our lives the past sixty-eight years of ministry (in forty-seven states, the District of Columbia and fifty-eight nations). Pray with us as we finalize the 2021 ministry plans.

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NOTES from my BIBLE

Note 5036. The operating principle of the Christian life is faith.

Note 5037. The bottom line of Christianity is obedience.

Note 5038. Jesus IS Lord!

Note 5039. Compromise will dull the cutting edge of faith.

Note 5040. Ministers, pastors, evangelists, Christian teachers are to expound nothing more and nothing less than the whole counsel of God.

FAITH HONORS GOD GOD HONORS FAITH

One thousand notes, favorite poems used in Dr. Henry's sermons, and tributes to Lee "Dick" Henry (my dad) and Willie Troutman (Sue's mother) are included in Notes from My Bible available JGHM. For a list of Dr. Henry's books, check out our web site: jgordonhenryministries.org or contact us (434) 239-8837.

DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

1 Thessalonians 1:2

September 22-October 22, 2020

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SOWING...THEN COMES HARVEST!



PRAYER CALENDAR

November 2020

"I will give myself to prayer..."

Psalm 109:4b

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Mae Adams (NC)
Robert & Susanne Adams (TN)
H. L. & Janie Allen (SC)
David & Eunjo Andersen (VA)
Marvin/Donna Anderson (VA)
Tommy & Pat Apple (NC)
Eldon & Gayle Armstrong (SC)
Leonor Avila (MD)
Mike & Joyce Baker (VA)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Acts 1-4 (Thailand 68.4M)

Marcia Barna (PA)
Linda Beattie (PA)
Tim Bash-GCCC (NJ)
Emily Baskin (TN)
Jean Beasley (TN)
Tommy Bell (TN)
Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)
Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)
Beulah Baptist Church (VA)
Dr. Dennis Hollandsworth

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Acts 5-7 (Trinidad 1.2M)

Beverly Blankenship (TN)
Loretta Bolen (VA)
William/Debbie Bowden (NC)
Kathleen Boyce (PA)
David & Marna Boyd (OR)
Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)
Jean Bradshaw (VA)
Kim Bradshaw (VA)
Lurlene Braud (VA)
Michael Breed (WI)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Acts 8-9 (Tobago)

Nancy Bretz (PA)
Judy Britt (GA)
Dorothy Brooks (VA)
Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)
Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE)
Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)
Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)
Anne Campbell (VA)
Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Acts 10-12 (Uganda 39.6M)

Robin & Teresa Carlson (NJ)
Robert & Anita Carroll (VA)
Vernia Coleman (MD)
Mary Columbus (VA)
Kathie Connolly (VA)

Philip & Jennifer Cooke (VA)
Larry & Sue Cooper (DE)
Foster/Ravenna Covington (VA)
Barry & Melanie Cox (VA)
Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Acts 13-15 (Ukraine 44M)

Robert & Charlotte Crout (SC)
Dufrene/Peggy Cummings (NC)
Barbara Custalow (VA)
Tina Darden (MD)
Bobby & Deborah Davis (VA)
John Davis (VA)
Harold & Tama Decker (NY)
Robert & Janice DeLong (VA)
Carolyn Dodd (VA)
Jo Ann Dudley (VA)
Micheal & Diane Eagle (VA)
Kathryn Eaton (ME)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Acts 16-18 (Uruguay 3.4M)

Lynn Elkins (TN)
Jeff & Leeann Englert (KY)
Don & Mary Enoch (FL)
Duane Eriean (WI)
Larry & Cara Fields (VA)
John & Susan Finnessy (MD)
James & Ruth Flanagan (GA)
Nancy Fowser (NJ)
Claire/MaryAnn Fredstrom (NE)
Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Emilee & Emma Fulcher (VA)
John & Kim Gaines (DE)
Pauline Garrett (NJ)
Gloucester Co. Community Ch (NJ)
Bruce Sofia, Pastor
Ron & Carol Godwin (VA)
Ronald & Maryann Gold (ND)
Chad & Wendy Goodner (OK)
Steve & Sue Gordon (VA)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Acts 19-20 (United States 327M)

Sam/Michele Graisbury (NJ)
Dale & Mary Gray (IL)
Odether Gray (GA)
Linda Gregory (UT)
Mike Hall (IN)
Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN)
Sadie Harris (VA)
Hazel Hartless (VA)
William & Sara Hefner (PA)
Mary Pat Hendrick (VA)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Acts 21-23 (United States 327M)

Jim Hengoe (CT)
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)

WEDNESDAY, NOV 11

Acts 24-26 (Zambia 20M)

Steve & Donna Hensel (MN)
Frank & Pat Hitchings (VT)
Jeff Hodge (VA)
Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA)
Bill Hogan (VA)
Joanna Holland (VA)
John & Glenda Holland (VA)
Anita Horton (VA)
Mike & Sonya Hosick (TN)
Coy Hunsucker (NC)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Acts 27-28 (Pakistan 204.9M)

Joyce Hunt (TN)
Wilbert/Almaretta Hupp (PA)
Jide & Bunmi Iware (MD)
Gene Jeffries (AR)
Debbie Jenifer (MD)
Vernelle Jenkins (MD)
Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN)
Jonathan & Julie Jobe (SC)
Millicent John (NY)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Romans 1-3 (Pakistan 204.9M)

Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY)
Ben & Gwen Jones (MD)
Gwen Johnson (AZ)
Aaron & Iris Johnson (MD)
Jim & Penny Johnson (KY)
Rick & Betsy Johnson (TN)
Vicky Johnson (MD)
James Jones (FL)
Paul Jones (KY)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Romans 4-5 (Panama 3.8M)

Theo/Sherry Jones (MD)
W I & Eloise Jones (SC)
Mohan Katta (IL)
Suzie Kauffmann (NC)
Harper/Shelia Keebaugh (PA)
Kerby Knob Baptist Church (KY)
Darren Hisel, Pastor
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15
Harriet Kennedy (VA)
Louis & Jane Kiger (VA)

**LORD,
TEACH US TO PRAY**

Larry & Janet King (NC)
 Ken & Bonnie Kirby (PA)
 Robert & Andrea Klepper (TN)
 Kenneth & Amy Kollar (ID)
 Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Romans 6-8 (Peru 31M)

Korean Branch:

Dr. Shin Kwang Suk
 Joel & Jackie Kramar (VA)
 Woodrow & Linda Kroll (NE)
 Craig & Molly Lampe (AZ)
 Phil & Edra Landers (OK)
 Del & Mary Leach (VA)
 Aaron & Wanda Lewis (MD)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Romans 9-11 (Nigeria 190.6M)

Liberty University (VA)
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 Vincent/Mary Lobisco (MI)
 Ray & Bobbie Long (WV)
 Don & Betty Lowry (SC)
 Manship Chapel (DE)
 Bruce & Vickie Tribbett

WEDNESDAY, NOV 18

Romans 12-16 (Nigeria 190.6M)

Wilma Marcum (KY)
 Nick & Pat Markham (VA)
 Reg & Gloria Martin (OH)
 Larry & Sue Mason (VA)
 Beau Ware Masonry (V)
 Deborah Mathias (NY)
 Murray Mathis (TN)
 Dan & Fay McConville (VA)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

1 Cor 1-6 (Nigeria 190.6M)

R. O. & June McHaney (VA)
 Nancy McPherson (ME)
 Don & Barbara Meduna (CO)
 Terry & Sandra Metzgar (VA)
 Betsy Miedema (MI)
 Roger & Nancy Minney (VA))
 Bill & Sharon Moody (VA)
 Wilma Moore (NC)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

1 Cor 7-10 (Romania 21.5M)

Doris Moos (NJ)
 Elaine Moser (MN)
 Drever/Roberta Morton (VA)
 Bob & Diane Nichols (VA)
 Betty Nichols (WA)
 NE Baptist College (VT)
 Mark Ballard, President
 Oconto Gospel Chapel (WI)
 Peter Dorn, Pastor

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

1 Cor 11-14 (Russia 142.3M)

Zach & Jackie Olcott (VA)
 Ann Palumbo (PA)
 Cliff & Mary Pavalonis (VA)
 Pecks Baptist Church (VA)
 Bryan (Ada) Sheehan, Pastor
 Sandy Pederson (MN)
 Jack & Carolyn Peerman (VA)
 Jim & Barb Peterson (MI)
 Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Greg/Christine Powell (VA)
 Marshall & Lois Powell (KY)
 Jeanne & Maggie Pribble (VA)
 Marjorie Randall (TX)
 Dave Ricker (ME)
 Joyce Riley (KY)
 Calvin & Valerie Ritchey (VA)
 Cynthia Roach (VA)
 John & Sandra Roberts (NC)
 Dorlos & Betty Robinson (MS)
 Isabel Robotham (NY)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

1 Cor 15-16 (Nigeria 190.6M)

James & Shelly Rode (FL)
 Clark & Marie Rogers (VA)
 Fred & Wanda Rolater (TN)
 Bob & Marlene Rose (MI)
 John Saint (PA)
 Don/Marie Satterwhite (MO)
 Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA)
 Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

2 Cor 1-5 (Nigeria 190.6M)

Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI)
 John & Peggy Seibert (AL)
 Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH)
 Shenandoah Valley Bapt Ch (VA)
 Nellie F. Shepard (CT)
 Lola Simpson (NY)
 Mary Skiles (KS)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

2 Cor 1-5 (Nigeria 190.6M)

Ron & Bonnie Smith (VA)
 Walt & Betty Sommers (VA)
 Helen Sourlis (MD)
 Tim & Pam Steger (Id)
 Carol Snow Stewart (CT)
 Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA)
 Charles Stinson (VA)
 Johnny/Rosie M. Street (TX)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26

2 Cor 10-13 (Nigeria 190.6M)

William Suttles (NC)
 Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)
 Brian/Janice Tarraferro (TX)

Billy & Sharon Taylor (PA)
 Ron Taylor (VA)
 Stephanie Taylor (GA)
 Jimmy & Mary Thomas (VA)
 Mona Henry Thomas (VA)
 W. D./Jackie Thomason (TN)
 Montez Thompson (WI)
 Cathy Tilton (VA)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Galatians (Scotland 5.3M)

Paula Tipton (TN)
 William & Katie Toney (NC)
 Virginia Trask (VA)
 Carroll/Ouida Troutman (KY)
 Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY)
 Diane Troutman (KY)
 Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY)
 Joe & Benita Troutman (KY)
 Malcom Troutman (KY)
 Marshall Troutman (KY)
 Frances Turpin (VA)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Ephesians (Nigeria 190.6M)

Sara Underwood (TN)
 Patrick/Patricia Vaden (TN)
 Jane Verkaik (MI/FL)
 George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ)
 Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ)
 Mary Ann Voss (DE)
 Michael/Sandra Ward (IN)
 Beau/Ashley/Willow/Will Ware (VA)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Philippians (Nigeria 190.6M)

Joyce Warpoole (TN)
 Holland & Mary Warren (VA)
 Rodger Watts (WI)
 Frank & Nell Weer (KY)
 Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY)
 Paul & Diane Wieland (PA)
 Reg/Mary Ann Wilburn (VA)
 Jeff Williamson (FL)
 Ken & Carol Willis (VA)
 Julie L. Wilson (PA)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Colossians (Nigeria 190.5M)

Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA)
 Eva Winebarger (VA)
 Amos & Celia Wipf (GA)
 Jon & Selena Wood (PA)
 Layden Wood (VA)
 Greg & Lori Worley (GA)
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DAILY INTERCESSION: J. GORDON & SUE HENRY ADAM & DIANNA NATHANSON

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You never have to bear your burden alone. We are eager to pray with you and then supply needed prayer support daily. Keep us updated.

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Silas & Comfort Yashim (Nigeria)

PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

DAILY WATCHWORD "Keep your eyes on Jesus"

**Looking back, Thank Him;
Looking ahead, Trust Him.
Looking around, Serve Him.
Looking up, Expect Him.**

A FAVORITE VERSE

**"Blessed be the Lord,
Who daily [not every now
and then!] loads [not a little
but a lot!] us with benefits,
The God of our salvation! "
Psalm 68:19**

REMEMBER! DAILY!

Sovereign God

"Sovereign" means final say. "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" **Galatians 6:7**

**PRAYER TOUCHES EARTH.
PRAYER LOOKS TOWARD PEOPLE
AND CIRCUMSTANCES.**

THAT IS WORK!

The Sovereign God has ordained prayer as a tool to get His work done. "Ordained" means "laid out ahead of time. God works only in concert with the praying of His people" (John Wesley). **PRAYER IS THE WORK THAT MUST COME BEFORE ALL OTHER WORK.**

PRAYER SEMINAR WORKBOOK, p8

TWO AMERICAS 2020



THE LINES ARE DRAWN

IT'S TIME FOR AMERICA TO HEAR WHAT YOU THINK!

IT'S TIME TO TAKE A STAND.

IT'S TIME FOR CHRISTIANS/BELIEVERS TO AWAKEN FROM THEIR SLEEP AND ENGAGE IN THE BATTLE.

One of the interesting pages in the PRAYER SEMINAR WORKBOOK is page nine in the Session One section. The overall thrust of this session, the first ten pages, is to survey a question, "What Is Prayer?" There is a multi-faceted answer. Other questions are posed for a serious disciple to ponder. An example is "Does God want His children to pray?" "Does God want me to pray?" "Does God want you to pray?" The Scriptures, which reveal God's point of view, are used to answer the questions.

Prayer touches three worlds, Heaven (page seven), Earth (page eight), and Hell (page nine). When you touch Heaven you focus on God and that is worship; when you touch Earth, your focus is on people and circumstances, and that is work; when you touch Hell, your focus is on Satan and that is warfare. A key thought related to SPIRITUAL WARFARE is given on page nine. "I will never win the war if I do not know where the battle is fought."

A key Scriptural passage on spiritual warfare is cited, **Ephesians**

6:10-18. The foundation is laid in verse ten: "**Be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.**" Our strength is not enough; we must have His strength. God has provided armor to protect us from the wiles of Satan, but He does not put the armor on for us (vv 11-12). It is our responsibility to put the armor on. How can we put it on if we do not know what it is? Again, we are reminded that we need to immerse ourselves in the Word of God (**Hear the Word, Read the Word, Study the Word, Memorize the Word, Meditate on the Word, Apply the Word.**)

Where is the battle fought? **PRAYER.** The first activity mentioned after our armor is in place is prayer (verse eighteen). **C. T. Studd** said, "I want to build a workshop within a yard of [the gates of] hell." This pioneer missionary was not looking for a soft easy place where he would never have to risk his life. Fact. We need recruits who are ready to fight on their knees a hot fierce war against the very gates of hell. **IT IS TIME FOR CHURCHES TO WAKE UP OR THE WAR IS LOST! PRAY AND VOTE! VOTE AND PRAY!**

The Prayer Seminar

The pandemic months (beginning mid-March 2020) have been a factor in getting The Prayer Seminar up and running full force. If you have been following the transition in the leadership, you know that a decision has been made to use **The Prayer Seminar** as the identifying name. **JGHM** is pleased with this selection. Although **Adam Nathanson** will continue in his work as a missionary as circumstances allow, he has assumed responsibility for prayer seminars both in the United States, and in other nations as God opens doors.

Adam has used the months to establish the foundation for his new ministry. Groundwork has been laid for prayer seminars in Alabama, Florida, Missouri, Pennsylvania and Texas. Although we could focus on very significant undertakings such as his use of ZOOM teaching pastors/teachers, take a glimpse at The Prayer Seminar activated.

We pinpointed October 1 as a quasi-official launching of The Prayer Seminar. Since that date, Adam has traveled 1,600 miles working with three churches, preaching on prayer in three services, and conducting two complete prayer seminars. His venues have been in **Maine**. October 7-9, he ministered at Grace Bible in Gorham, Maine. Then on October 10, he conducted a prayer seminar at the Salvage Church in Rockland, Maine. Among the comments Adam shared about the launching on the prayer seminars was how the unction of the Holy Spirit rested upon the Word that was shared. There was deep conviction with a grown man" weeping before God, an event that deeply moved Adam.

TELL A FRIEND ABOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF THE LIFE-CHANGING PRAYER SEMINAR (NEEDED SIX HOURS OF TEACHING TIME). GUARANTEED TO BRING A FAITH LIFT!



Looking forward

Although space does not allow a full picture of Adam's plans, a brief glimpse will help readers understand why he is the man to lead us forward. Remember that he is still operating within the constrictions of the "pandemic limitations."

A trip is being planned for **Houston, Texas**. 28-29. Adam will lead a prayer seminar for fifty participants in **Birmingham, Alabama** October 30-31. Adam has a seminar scheduled in **Baltimore, Maryland** on November 7 and one in **Indiana, Pennsylvania** November 13-14. He will teach a prayer seminar for the **Ambassadors' weekend** on November 21-22.

Through his networking, Adam

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has connected with **ABWE** that presents myriad opportunities for sharing prayer seminars. The **Association of Baptists for World Evangelism (ABWE)**, headquartered in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, was founded by **Dr. Raphael Thomas**, a missionary doctor serving in the Philippines. When his sending agency informed the missionaries that they should no longer include in their mission planting churches, but give full attention to the medical needs, the Lord led him to resign and ABWE was born in 1927. Currently 1,000 missionaries from ABWE serve in seventy nations. This group has invited Adam to share the prayer seminar with the missionaries, pastors, and other leaders. The tenacles are many and far-reaching to many locations and the prospects are amazing.

JGHM is providing needed financial and prayer support to ensure that The Prayer Seminar itself will have firm footing during the formative days. **We continue to pray for God's will related to the different branches in other nations.** Presently, we are providing funds for a number of those who are conducting prayer seminars. Hopefully, we can continue to provide funds for workbook printing, a valuable contribution to other nations. Supporting the international outreach is a main concern that calls for much prayer and fasting.

**"I WANT MY CHURCH TO BE
A PRAYING CHURCH.
SCHEDULE A PRAYER SEMINAR**

A DAY IN GOD'S COURTS

A TIME TO GIVE THANKS

**O
GIVE
Thanks . . .**



. . . unto the Lord, for He is good,
for His mercy endureth forever (**1
Chronicles 16:34**).

It is a good thing to give thanks unto
the Lord, and to sing praises unto Thy
name, O most High (**Psalms 92:1**).

Enter into His gates with thanksgiv-
ing, and into His courts with praise; be
thankful unto Him and bless His name
(**Psalms 100:4**).

Giving thanks always for all things
unto God and the Father in the name of
our Lord Jesus Christ (**Ephesians
5:20**).

Be careful for nothing; but in ev-
erything by prayer and supplication
and thanksgiving let your requests be
made known unto God (**Philippians
4:6**).

In everything give thanks for this is
the will of God in Christ concerning you
(**1 Thessalonians 5:18**).



GOD IS SO GOOD!

1,739 PRAYER SEMINARS

2,851,422 MILES TRAVELED =

14.33 TIMES AROUND THE WORLD

How can I thank my Lord enough?

He has done so much for me!

THANK YOU, DOORKEEPERS

**for faithfully providing
financial and prayer support.**

YOU PRAYED;

YOU GAVE;

GOD GAVE THE INCREASE!

**TO GOD BE THE GLORY,
GREAT THINGS HE HAS DONE!**

**PRAY FOR ADAM NATHANSON
AS HE TAKES UP THE MANTLE!**



DR. HENRY PRESENTS A SET OF HIS BOOKS TO BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sue's comment as we traveled home, "You really enjoy preaching, don't you?"

The Great Commission

Is not "Come and Hear" but "Go and Tell" It is important to get it right!
"As you are going, make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always even to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20).
 You cannot spell GOSpel without GO. FOR JGHM, calling is TEACHING.

Rules for Daily Living

Begin the Day with God. Kneel down to Him in prayer; lift up thy heart to His abode, and seek His love to share.

Open the Book of God. And read a portion there; that it may hallow all thy thoughts, and sweeten all thy care.

Go through the Day with God. What'er thy work may be; where'er thou art—at home, abroad—and He still is near to thee.

Converse in Mind with God. Thy spirit Heavenward raise; acknowledge every good bestowed, and offer grateful praise.

Conclude the Day with God. Thy sins to Him confess; Trust in the Lord's atoning blood, and plead His righteousness.

Lie down at Night with God. Who gives His servants sleep, and when thou tread'st the value of death He will thee guide and keep.

VICTORY IN JESUS!

Bob Lawrence

Salisbury, Maryland

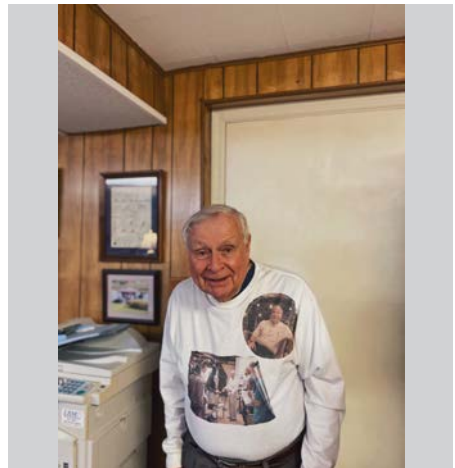
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"Absent from the Body ...

Present with the Lord"

2 Corinthians 5:8b

IN LOVING MEMORY



A MOMENT TO REMEMBER
Calvary Baptist Church
New York City
Annual Men's Retreat
September 26-28, 2004

Matthew Henry



"An active faith can give thanks for a promise, though it be not yet performed; knowing that God's bonds are as good as ready money."

Point of view

Matthew Henry, the famous Bible expositor, was once accosted by thieves and robbed of his purse. He wrote these lines in his diary:

Let me be thankful, first, because I was never robbed before; second, because, although they took my purse, they did not take my life; third, because, although they took my all, it was not much, and fourth, because it was I who was robbed, not I who robbed.

The Gates of Hell

"ON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH, AND THE GATES OF HELL SHALL NOT PREVAIL AGAINST IT" (Matthew 16:18).



C. T. Studd said, "I want to build a workshop within a yard of hell." This pioneer missionary was not looking for a life of ease. How can we look around us in the United States of America today and not sense how near we are to the gates of hell? For Bible-believing Christians, the clarion call is for us to engage in the spiritual battle that is raging all around us. It is time for us to wage battle on our knees, understanding that the conflict will be fierce war

against the very gates of hell.

Leaders are priding themselves on their open minds under the guise of "civil rights." **America is courting the severe judgment of God.** The very things that God has termed "abominations" are now supported by our legislators and our judicial system. We could wish that it were not so, but sin abounds. This is a call to pray. It is also a time to vote. Pray and vote! Vote and pray!

The decisive battles in life when we stand at the Gates of Hell are fought out in the prayer chamber. As our prayer, so will be our work and also our influence. It was a laymen's prayer meeting that changed America in 1857 and 1858. Do it again, Lord!

On the Road Again

We are glad to report that God is moving not only in the **United States**, but in **South Africa, Cuba, Nigeria, Pakistan, and Kenya** with prayer seminars scheduled. Thank you for standing with us during challenging times as we continue onward.

Plans are to share an update in the December **Reflector**. Pray that our dream of somehow continuing the support for these well-established ministries that are mobilizing believers to become Lighthouses of Prayer. The need is great; the hour is late.

**Yesterday God helped me;
Today, He'll do the same.
How long will this continue?
FOREVER, praise His name!**

IN LOVING MEMORY DOORKEEPERS

Willis James Snow
11/24/1901-9/16/1991
Carol Snow-Stewart
(Mrs. Willis Snow)
2/24/1925-2/7/2019
Waterford, Connecticut

When word came from Carol early Monday, September 16, 1991, that her husband and our **Doorkeeper, Willis James Snow**, was hovering at the door of death, many thoughts came to my mind as I began to pray. At that point, no man had touched me more than Willis. I quickly asked God to release him from his earthly tent if indeed his work on earth was finished and God was ready for him, and to strengthen Carol every needed way.

I fell in love with this couple at our first encounter and began to delight in what Willis had to offer. It was the first week in August 1983 at Rumney Bible Conference in New Hampshire where I had gone to conduct a prayer seminar for Conservative Baptists during their special week. My first memory was joining Willis and Carol in the dining hall. We talked about many things--including their son Mark who had enrolled at Northeastern Bible College during my tenure as president. We laughed together because there was no alternative as Willis began to stir our minds with some of the most humorous anecdotes I had ever heard. Before the meal was over, I knew that I was securely imbedded in the hearts of this dear couple; I knew they would forever be in my heart.

Willis' strong commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ and getting His Gospel around the world, along with



Rumney Bible Conference Center,
New Hampshire

His confident faith, were established points from the very beginning. During one free period, Willis and Carol asked if I would enjoy seeing some of the beautiful scenery surrounding Rumney. I did. Among the places visited was the early house of the founder of the Christian Science Church, Mary Baker Glover Eddy. What fun that trek was!

For the next few years, Willis ministered to me through correspondence. What an amazing intellect! What a tremendous facility to put thoughts into words. In all my work in higher education with many students sitting in my classes and many well-educated faculty members/administrators, none came near Willis. He was a literary genius, a superb communicator.

I never returned from a trip to other nations when there was not a letter awaiting me from Willis. Here is an example: *"Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised. We praise Him for blessing your efforts in Nigeria and granting you a wonderfully bountiful harvest. Your efforts were rewarded with the ripple effect of your conscientious and loving labor, like an eddy in a quiescent mill pond, will, without doubt, spread outward*

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MY WISHES CAME TRUE

Willis James Snow

Huntington Street Baptist Church
Waterford, Connecticut

Long did I wish that I might see my
Savior's face

In all its strength and
transcendent beauty;

With eyes deep, mysterious,
piercing;

And yet in their depths much
tenderness and love.

A brow like finest marble, tanned
by the elements

On hill, in dale, and by the angry
sea.

Nose straight and narrow—symbol
of nobility.

A mouth so fashioned no Greek
sculptor could excel—

At one moment stern in reproof,
And in another kind and gentle.

I wished that I might see my
Savior's hands—

Strong and sinewy from wielding
craftsman's tools,

And yet not coarse or marred—
Except for a scar in the center of
each one.

Hands that could point an accusing
finger at all evil,

And yet would lift an ill and filthy
beggar to health,

A dead man to life and a sinner to
salvation.

I wished that I might see my
Savior's feet—

That trudged uncounted miles
Of dusty roads and stubble fields,
O'er rocky hills and by the pebbled
shore,

To bring good news to sad and

heavy hearts;

That He might comfort, teach,
admonish, and exhort—

Because He loved the lost,
His unshod feet left footprints in
the dust.

They were not smooth—

There was a scar-print in each one.

I wished, oh, how I wished that I
might walk behind Him,
Along a footpath through the fields
of Galilee,

And over the age-old hills near
Nazareth,

To feast my eyes on Him,
To know the sweet taste of living
Manna from Heaven.

I wished that I might dare reach
forth, trembling to touch His
garment,

As did the woman amidst the
surging, jostling crowd—

And for her faith she was made
whole.

Long years these wishes filled my
heart.

Life has been good to me,

But now I'm aged, ill and weary
Much like that woman in the market
place,

I think I'll reach forth and just
lightly touch His tunic's edge.

Do I dare?

I shall—I've nearly reached it—

A voice! His voice—gentle and kind.
He is speaking to me:

"Come. Come unto me, and I will
give you rest."

Darkness—utter darkness!

Those who loved me said that I had
died,

The darkness was but for a
moment.

Now everywhere there is
 indescribably glorious light.
 And I'm alive—more alive than I
 have ever been before!
 But whence comes all this light?
 For there is neither sun, nor moon,
 nor stars.
 I was blinded by its brilliance,
 But now I begin to see.
 Oh, it can't be—but it is!
 This glorious holy radiance radiates
 from One who stands before me—
 My Savior—my own precious Savior;
 And He is smiling at me and His
 smile says, "I love you."

I look at His face—more beautiful
 than I had ever dreamed.
 Little scars across His brow where
 the thorns tore;
 But they only enhance the beauty
 of His countenance.
 His eyes dark with yearning that all
 might come to Him;
 Then flashing with the light of
 victory,
 And deep, deep down the
 unquenchable fire of love.

I look at His hands—
 Held out to me in welcome,
 As though to say, "This is your
 home, you know.
 I've been waiting for you—quite a
 long time;
 And I'm so very glad you're here."
 His hands—those marks—those
 scars!
 Oh, yes, how well I remember.
 I look at my own hands, unmarked,
 unscarred.
 He did it for me.

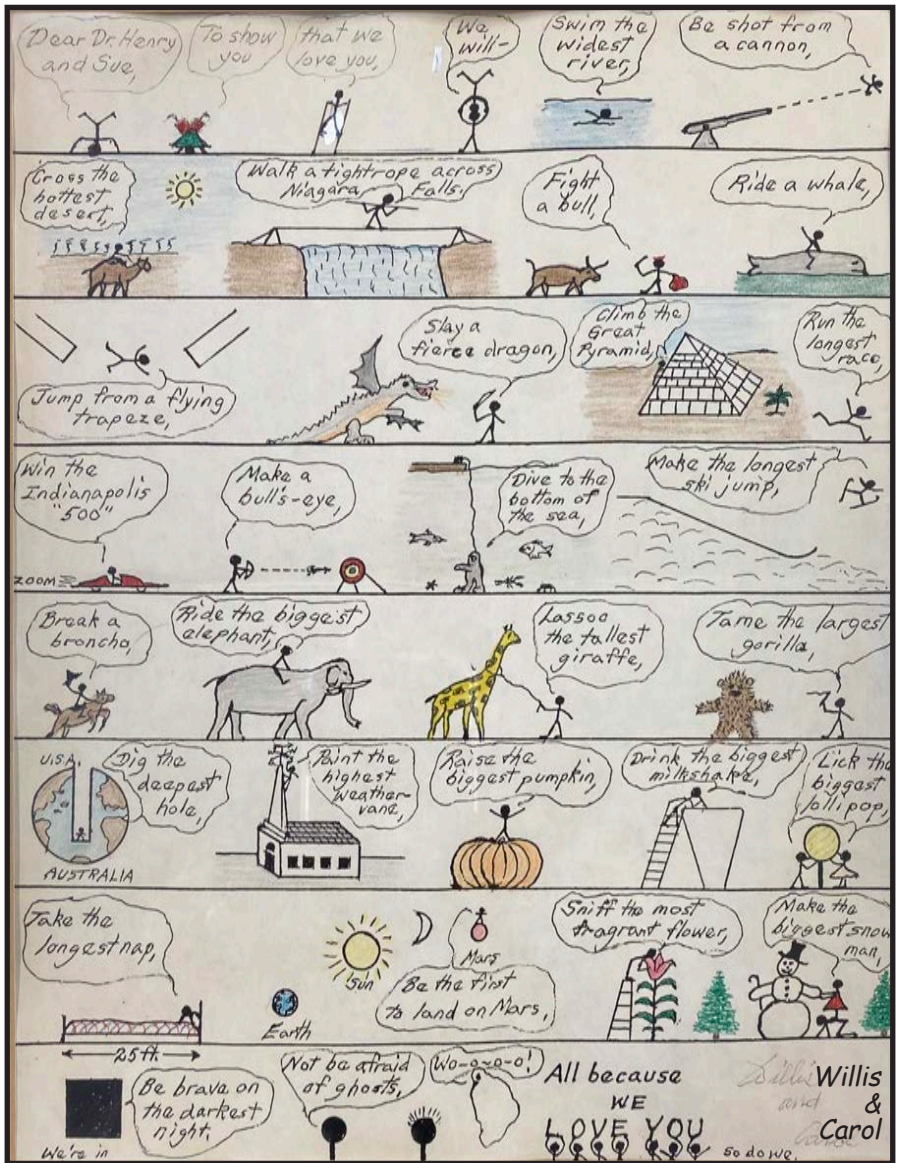
I look at His feet—
 Feet that were meant to bring good
 tidings of peace.

And they did—but He was spurned.
 Feet that went out of their way to
 bring succor and solace to others;
 Feet that had been burned by
 scorching roads
 And wet with the cold dew of early
 morn,
 Feet that knew the soft touch of
 summer grass,
 But also the harsh, biting abrasions
 of the jagged rocks of Golgotha.
 They had scars, too—my feet had
 none.
 He did it all for me.
 I wonder if He'd let me walk behind
 Him—
 For just a little way.
 As I used to wish that I might do?
 He is putting His arm around me.
 I'm not going to walk behind Him—
 I'm going to walk beside Him!
 He is speaking to me, with a voice
 that overflows with love;
 "Come—we'll walk through Heaven
 together."
 Yes, we're walking through Heaven
 together—my Savior and I.
 All my wishes have come true.

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*and outward touching an untold
 number of people for the good of
 their souls. The waters of Nigeria,
 like the pool at Bethsaida, needed to
 be stirred and you apparently did it
 very effectively. We anticipated good
 results and were not disappointed.
 Shall we start praying for your
 invasion of Australia now?*

Will you be able to satisfy all
 the demands of your seminars in the
 U.S.A. before you visit the continent
 'down under'? I sometimes think
 we have more heathen here than
 anywhere else in the world.



Testimony from Calvary Baptist Church (NYC) Men's Retreat

Thanks for sharing God's truth so powerfully with us this weekend (9/26-28-2004). You have left us with much work to do with a tremendous challenge to upend our lies and place prayer at the top of our priority list. You have given us some great tools. It was very helpful to hear you acknowledge that we must be patient with ourselves and just keep at this until we gradually become more consistent in our prayer lives. I now know that we need not let short-term failures keep us from reaching our goals. It is easy to come away from a retreat with big goals and then feel defeated after a couple of failures. Thanks for leading our retreat. P.W., Kew Gardens NY.

EVERY DAY IS ELECTION DAY!

Choose you this day whom you will serve (Joshua 24:15)

In my mind, my home, my community, my job

In my state and nation

Every day directive:

Seek you first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be added to you (Matthew 6:33)

ELECTION DAY

Tuesday, November 3, 2020

Pray Listen to God Vote your values

The greatest act of patriotism is prayer. Lloyd Ogilvie

The future of this republic is in the hands of the American vote.

Dwight D. Eisenhower

Many of us are concerned about abortion, gay marriage and the destruction of Christian values. But what are we willing to do about it? Some say that only one of every five evangelicals cast a vote in many elections. It very well may be that the 2020 elections are the most important that America has ever faced. We are a representative democracy and elect leaders to represent us. On November 3, millions will go to the polls who do not share our concerns, needs, and values. It is crucial that YOU pray, listen to God, and VOTE your values.



"The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad."
Psalm 126:3