# REFLECTOR

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"The Lord is my Shepherd. I shall not want" (Psalm 23:1)

The shepherd was a familiar figure in Israel, and his love for his sheep was legendary. Day and night the shepherd watched over sheep which he knew individually, by name.

The image of God as Shepherd, ever present with His people, remains Scripture's most comforting picture of the believer's relationship with his God. Even in the shadow of death, David, you and I all find comfort in our Shepherd's care.

The Bible's best known and best loved psalm in all literature announces the conviction of the believer that the Lord is his shepherd, and that he has no lack. Although **Doorkeeper Margaret Davis** lost her physical sight over thirty years ago, her husband, **John**, and daughter and son-in-law, **Suzanne** and **Eddie Jones** shared that she quoted the psalm from memory during her last hours on earth.

**J. R. Littleproud's** outline is hard to improve upon:

The secret of a happy life every need supplied.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

The secret of a happy death every fear removed.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for You are with me.

The secret of a happy eternity every desire fulfilled.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

## "Unless the Lord builds the house ..."

"Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it; unless the Lord guards the city, the watchman stays awake in vain" (Psalm 127:1).

**September is my month.** It is the month of my physical birth (Monday, September 30, 1935) and my spiritual birth (Saturday, September 25, 1948).

**Evaluations.** There are two periods in my life each year for special examination. The first is the ending of a calendar year at which time an annual report is drafted that focuses on our ministry. There are annual reports on file for each year of JGHM. Among the set purposes for the annual report are to determine if we have been faithful to the task the Lord has given us, if we have used the resources that He has provided wisely, and if we have shown diligence in each opportunity and each door He has opened. The underlying purpose is to be able to praise God and thank Him for His hand of blessing. Without fail, each annual report reflects this primary purpose.

The second examination is in my month, September, and is intensely personal. Am I growing in the Lord? How is my desire -to -do -His -will level? Do I still want my life to count for Jesus as I did when I began following the Lord? Am I still excited about serving Him?

Is my commitment to obedience reflected in the time that I spend in His Word letting Him speak to me and in the time that I spend in prayer talking to Him? Am I where God wants me to be? Am I doing what God wants me to do? Am I doing my best?

### **SEPTEMBER 2013**

Actually **September 2013 is a landmark month in my life**. It closes the door on the 60th year of my ministry and opens one for my the 61st year. For various reasons, my 2013 reflection has settled in only three categories: **family**, **ministry**, and **the future**.

Family. For fifty-eight years, Sue **Troutman** has been an integral part of my daily life and my thoughts. Fifty-six years ago, on Thursday, April 18, 1957, she became my bride. We exchanged our vows at the Calvary Baptist Church, Somerset, Kentucky and pledged ourselves to each other: "To love and to cherish, honor and sustain [each other], in sickness as in health, in poverty as in wealth, in the bad that may darken [our] days, in the good that may light [our] ways, and to be true to [each other] in all things until death alone shall part [us]." So we promised. I believe that I can say that both of us have endeavored to fulfill the promises. Incidentally, I have before me The Pastor's Manual, a 1956 gift from my pastor, the late Harris Bell Harris, which he used in our wedding and which I have used in over one hundred wedding ceremonies that I have conducted. After so many years, it is worn, almost tattered, but it remains precious to my heart.

Nurse/wife/sister. accomplishments as a nurse are legendary. When she stood by my side in college functions, she was "Dr. Henry's wife," but when I was on her turf at the hospital, I was "Sue Henry's husband." She was a pastor's wife that many turned to in their joys and sorrows. She faithfully taught a ladies Bible class in our local church for years. She carried out her own ministries. For many years, she worked on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota, along with others from Southeast Baptist Church, Murfreesboro, Tennessee. She was a confidante to Pastor Don **Edwards** and, of course, was elected to the Pastor's Search Committee when he moved to First Baptist Church, Sweetwater, Tennessee. During our nineteen years in Murfreesboro, she organized an annual fall ladies' gathering for Bible study and a time of Retreat at Virginia's famous Peaks of Otter in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Sue joined her sisters, Jayne and

Nell, in caring for her parents in their latter years driving to her childhood home in McLean County, Kentucky, from our home in Murfreesboro every third weekend for many, many years. The sisters-in-law joined in providing meals for each day of the week. This was a beautiful thing to behold.



Nana with Will, our youngest great-grandson

Mother, "Nana." On Thursday, April 24, 1958, Sue became a mother. During this time I was directing the senior play at Berea High School (KY). The students were as excited about the up-coming birth as much as we were. Mona Lee was welcomed by many young friends! On Thursday, October 8, 1959, our son, Mark Alan, arrived. Melody Ann joined us on Sunday, May 7, 1961. Now we are not only grandparents, but great-grandparents as well. Sue has been "Nana" since Beau joined us October 2, 1979. Now she is "Nana" to Jeanne, Emilee, Kimberlee, Wendy, Jamey, Caleb, Lillian, Willow, and Will.

**Spiritual growth.** Sue has continued growing spiritually as a Christian. As did Elijah, she has learned to "go hide" yourself before she "goes show" herself. Each day finds her studying the Bible and spending long periods in intercessory prayer. When our alma mater, Berea College (KY) honored me with an "Outstanding Service to Higher Education" award, they honored Sue at the same time noting that behind every successful college educator is a supporting

wife. Certainly, my wife, Sue, deserved this recognition. Both of us were designated "Kentucky Colonels" by the governor of Kentucky for the service we were rendering as an educator and as a nurse. Many call Sue "best friend."

The Ministry. "Unless the Lord builds the" ministry, we labor in vain. For over three decades, His hand has been upon us. There have been seminars in 48 states, the District of Columbia, and 57 other nations. Total seminars is 1,575; total miles traveled is 2,556,447. Not only have thousands been taught, thousands have been saved. The printed ministry has thrived. The prayer seminar workbook, itself, is available in many languages. Others are teaching the seminar around the world. One underdeveloped mode is our website. I hope to utilize this avenue more in days ahead.

Life's winter. These have been good years. We're probably entering into life's winter now (JGH 78, STH 75), but the springtime, summer and fall have been long and good, and our God of all grace has certainly been a loving heavenly Father in all seasons. Looking back, there are few changes that I would want to make. We have family and friends who love us, actually scattered around the world. Sue and I could knock on their doors at any hour of the day or night and be welcomed! We are blessed!

The Future. Of course, we don't know the future. We do know that we are available to serve as long as God continues to open doors and provides a measure of health. I am more excited about the prayer seminar ministry than ever before. I am eager to share as often and as widely as possible. Thanks for being our friends and our partners in ministry.

Yours in Calvary love, J. Gordon Henry

## In Loving Memory Doorkeepers "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints" (Psalm 116:15)

James H. "Jim" Connolly May 28, 1941 July 25, 2013 Carolyn Minney (Mrs. Roger) Sept. 21, 1946 August 3, 2013

Bruce M. Henry Nov. 11, 1935--August 5, 2013 Margaret Davis (Mrs. John) Oct. 10, 1934 August 8, 2013

Many of you have been faithfully praying daily for these Central Virginia Doorkeeper families all from the Lynchburg area. Being with them through much physical suffering and seeing faith demonstrated has enriched my life. To think, that four more **Doorkeepers** are now "present with the Lord" (2 Corinthians 5:8) reminds us of our own prospects as believers.

Continue to provide prayer covering for **Kathy Connolly (Sean & Rick)**, **Roger Minney (Donna & Tim)**, **Gina Henry (Jackie, Sean & Bethany)**, and **John Davis (Suzanne**). There are grandchildren and one great-granddaughter who hold rich memories of what it means to live & die by faith.



#### **EMPTY SHOES. WHO WILL FILL THEM?**

Dr. Henry Madison Morris Oct. 6, 1918 Feb. 25, 2006 Mary Louise Morris (Mrs. Henry) June 15, 1917 Nov. 8, 2006

"a man [and a woman] sent from God" John 1:6

## Question: Is Heaven a real place?

**Answer:** Actually, the Bible speaks of three "heavens." One of these is the earth's atmosphere, the "open firmament of heaven" in which "fowls fly above the earth" (**Genesis 1:20**). Another is the vast region of the sun and moon and stars. Of these the psalmist said, "When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which Thou has ordained; what is man, that Thou are mindful of him" (**Psalm 8:3-4**).

But there is, of course, a "third heaven" (2 Corinthians 12:2), sometimes called the "heaven of heavens" (2 Chronicles

**6:18**; **Nehemiah 9:6**; **Psalm 148:4**). This is the heaven of God's presence, the location of the throne of God. It was to this heaven that Jesus Christ ascended after His resurrection. "So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God" (**Mark 16:19**).

Many and marvelous have been the speculations of men about life after death and heaven. But those who have actually died and thus are in a position to really know about such things are not in any position to come back and report

their observations to us! "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (**Hebrews 9:27**).

With one exception! Jesus said: "No man hath ascended up to heaven, but He that came down from heaven, even the son of man which is in heaven" (**John 3:13**. After his death and resurrection, He said, "I ascend unto My Father" (**John 20:17**).

The Lord Jesus is the one man, in all history, who died and then rose again bodily from the dead, "alive forevermore" (**Revelation 1:18**). If we wish to have certain knowledge concerning life after death, therefore, we must learn it only from Him and from His Word, the Holy Scriptures.

Furthermore, we must somehow get the idea out of our minds that the Bible reveals truth only in vague, symbolic language which we then try to decipher and apply in terms of our own experience. Such an approach to God's Word in effect makes it impossible for God to communicate with us at all. That is, if God's Word does not mean what it says (allowing, of course, for figures of speech, which are always clearly self-interpretative in the Biblical context itself), then how are we to know what it does mean?

Thus, on the question at hand, we should realize the Bible teaches that heaven is a real place, not just some intangible, spiritual concept, some kind of fourth-dimensional, anti-matter, looking-glass sort of existence.

Jesus said, "In My Father's house are many mansions; ... I go to prepare a place for you for you" (**John 14:2**). He is preparing a place, not a state of mind nor some vague sphere of spirit activity. The fact of Christ's bodily resurrection and ascension is of basic importance. The Scriptural records are emphatic in teaching that it was not His Spirit but His body that was raised from the dead. It was a glorified body, but nevertheless a physical body, in the most real sense. And it was this physical body which ascended into heaven and which will some day return from heaven. "This same Jesus, which was taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven"

(**Acts 1:11**). [Heaven is a real, physical place, existing somewhere in this physical universe.]

Thus, right now, Jesus Christ is in heaven, in His physical body! And so, for that matter, are Enoch (**Hebrews 11:5**) and Elijah (**2 Kings 2:11**), both of whom were taken directly into heaven without dying. The third heaven is just as real and physical as the heaven of the clouds and the heaven of the stars.

The Bible always speaks of this heaven as somewhere "up" from the earth, so that one must "ascend" when he goes there. Since the earth continually rotates on its axis, "up" could mean any and all directions away from the earth. The third heaven thus, in some sense, is all around the starry heaven, just as the latter likewise surrounds the atmospheric heaven. It cannot be reached by telescopic observations, because the second heaven is itself too vast, and possibly also, if relativity theory is valid, curving back upon itself.

Nevertheless, it is there, and Christ is there! "He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that He might fill all things" (**Ephesians 4:10**).

Dwelling in heaven, with Christ, are "an innumerable company of angels" and the "spirits of just men made perfect" (Hebrews 12:22-23). When a believer dies, his spirit "departs to be with Christ" (Philippians 1:23), probably carried thence by angels (Luke 16:22). [His spirit is translated immediately into the presence of the Lord.] "For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens" (2 Corinthians 5:1).

However, this is not the believer's final body, but only an intermediate spirit-body, real and distinct, but not physical. The latter awaits the great resurrection day when "the Lord himself shall descend from heaven... and the dead in Christ shall rise " (1 Thessalonians 4:16). At that time, He "shall change our body of humiliation

that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body" (**Philippians 3:21**). Spirits and bodies will be reunited when Christ comes again.

At the present time, the angels, who are "ministering spirits" (**Hebrews 1:14**) apparently can cross easily and quickly from the third heaven to the earth (note Luke **1:19, 26**). Their bodies, though capable of materialization in the form of men as occasion requires, are essentially spiritbodies and thus not subject to gravitational forces, mass-energy relationships, and other physical restrictions common to objects in the universe of observational science. They "excel in strength" (**Psalm** 103:20) and can "fly swiftly" (Daniel **9:21**), not limited even to the velocity of light, although of course neither their strength nor their speed is infinite, since they also are created beings.

Ultimately, the "heavenly Jerusalem" (Hebrews 12:22; Galatians 4:26) will descend from heaven to the earth (Revelation 21:10), which will have been "made new" (**Revelation 21:5**), to serve as the perfect home for redeemed men through the eternal ages to come. For the present, although we may understand very little as yet concerning the actual nature and structure of heaven, we can be confident that it does really exist. The supremely important issue confronting all men, therefore, is whether they are destined for heaven or hell. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to His abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God, through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time" (1 Peter 1:3-5).

Heaven is a real, physical place, existing somewhere in this physical universe. Somewhere, right now, far out beyond the starry heavens, too far to be observed by

man's puny telescopes or space vehicles but quite real nonetheless, exists "a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God" (**Hebrews 11:10**. The place that He is now preparing is described in **Revelation 21:2**: "I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adored for her husband." This passage is not a description of heaven; rather it describes a city coming down out of heaven, to the earth. God's throne is itself in the midst of the city. "And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it" (**Revelation 22:3**).

In this city are abiding the departed spirits of all those whose bodies are "asleep in Christ" in their graves. These are the ones who are now "absent from the body and present with the Lord" (2 Corinthians 5:8).

Henry M. Morris, Ph.D.



Doorkeeper Wilma Moore (NC) has returned from remarkable ministry in unreached villages in eastern Bolivia. Around 100 came to Christ and will be taught by national pastors. One of the few Latin nations that has not had prayer seminars, Wilma carried with her fifty Spanish prayer seminar workbooks and is praying that this nation will be open to prayer seminars.

## PRAYER CALENDAR

#### SEPTEMBER 2013

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

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

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)

## **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**

HOSEA 1-3 (Argentina 42.2M) Tommy & Pat Apple (NC)

Milcie Arnold (VA) Leonor Avila (MD)

Bill & Karen Baker (OK) Consuela Baker (NC)

Mike & Joyce Baker (VA) Marilyn Barry (VA)

Stan & Emily Baskin (TN)

#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**

**HOSEA 4-6 (Australia 22M)** 

Jean Beasley (TN) Tommy Bell (TN)

Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN) Johnny & Juanita Bernard (FL) Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)

Beverly Blankenship (TN) Ed & Loretta Bolen (VA)

## **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

**HOSEA 7-8 (Bahamas 316,182)** 

Everett/Deborah Boston (MD) William/Debbie Bowden (MD)

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

Ed & Jean Bradshaw (VA) Emilee/Kim Bradshaw (VA)

Nancy Bretz (PA)

Jim & Judy Britt (GA) Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

HOSEA 9-11 (Botswana 2.1M)

Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ) Arretta Bruce (TN)

Joe & Martha Bruno (CO) Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE) Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY))

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

HOSEA 12-13 (Brazil 206.7M) Janice Bugg (TN/Chin)

Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL) Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)

Mary Campbell (ID) Laura Cannon (FL) Joeretha Capers (FL) Robert & Anne Carroll (VA) David & Martha Cecil (VA)

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

JOEL 1-3 (Burundi 10.6M)

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

Vernia Coleman (MD) Kathy Connolly (VA)

Larry & Sue Cooper (DE)

Foster/Georgia Covington (VA)

Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)

Jerry & Joan Crain (SC)

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

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

Ida J. Davis (GA) John Davis (VA) Harold & Tama Decker (NY) Alan & Rebecca Dockrey (KY) Mary J. Dugans (LA) Ivy Early (NC)

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

AMOS 1-2 (Canada 34.3M)

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

Gene & Shirley Farley (CA) Fellowship Bapt Ch (FL

Wm/Virginia Green Larry & Cara Fields (VA) James/Ruth Flanagan (GA) Claire/Mary Ann Fredstrom (NE)

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)

## **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

AMOS 3-5 (Chile 17M)

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)

WED, SEPTEMBER 11

#### AMOS 6-7 (China 1.3B)

Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN) Uel & Hazel Hartless (VA) Jim Hengoed (CT)

Jacqueline Henry (VA)

Gina Henry (VA)

Jack Henry (TN) Jamey & Kat Henry (MS) Mark Henry (TN)

Melody Henry (VA)

Roger & Sara Henry (OH) Sean & Bethany Henry (VA)

#### THURS, SEPTEMBER 12

#### AMOS 8-9 (Colombia 46.2M)

Steve & Donna Hensel (MN) Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA) Joanna Holland (VA) John & Glenda Holland (VA)

Russ/Dot Hornbaker (MI)

Anita Horton (VA) Mike & Sonya Hosick (VA)

Sam & Linda Hough (VA) Coy Hunsucker (NC)

Joyce Hunt (TN)

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

OBADIAH (Congo D.R.)

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

H. J. Hutchins (LA) Jide & Bunmi Iware (MD)

Betty Jackson (OH)

Oliver & Janie Jackson (NY)

Gene/Rose Marie Jeffries (AR)

Vernelle Jenkins (MD)

Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN) Millicent John (NY)

Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY)

## SAT, SEPTEMBER 14

JONAH 1-4 (Costa Rica 4.6M)

Gwen Johnson (AZ) Jim & Penny Johnson (KY) Dave & Debbie Jones (VA)

James Jones (FL) W I & Eloise Jones (SC)

Jean Jonte (SC)

## **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**

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)

Sherry Klutz (WA) Quintin & Mary Knauer (OH)

Mark & Lois Knolls (DE)

Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY)

Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI)

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**

MICAH 1-2 (Cuba 11.1M)

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)
Gavlen & Linda Leverett (VA)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

#### MICAH 3-5 (Ecuador 15.2M)

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 (NC) Manship Chapel (DE)

Pastor Bruce/Vickie Tribbett

Wilma Marcum (KY) Reg & Gloria Martin (OH)

#### **WED, SEPTEMBER 18**

MICAH 6-7 (England)

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 Churc (VA) Virgil & Sue Knipp, Pastors

THURS, SEPTEMBER 19

NAHUM 1-3 (Fiji 890,057)

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

Gwen Miller (VA)

Lowry & Marjorie Miller (VA)

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 HABAKKUK 1-3 (France 65.6M)

Earl & Marvel Mills (VA) Roger Minney (VA)

Bill & Sharon Moody (VA)
French & Laura Moore (VA)
Ronald & Wilma Moore (NC)

Elaine Moser (MN)

## SAT, SEPTEMBER 21

ZEPHANIAH 1-3 (Germany 81.3M)

Bob & Diane Nichols (VA) Chet & Betty Nichols (WA) Ann Palumbo (PA) Roger & Kay Pede (VA)

Roger & Kay Pede (VA Sandy Pederson (MN) Jim & Barb Peterson (MI) Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA)

Mildred Pittman (NC) Ben Poplin (VA)

Ayers Porter (TN)

Marshall & Lois Powell (KY) Jeanne & Maggie Pribble (VA)

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 33

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Dave & Marilyn Rainey (VA)

Jeannette Ralph (VA) Marjorie Randall (TX)

John Reed (NH)

John Reed (NH)

Dave Ricker (ME)

Alice Riddick (NC)

Mike & Joyce Riley (KY) Cynthia Roach (VA)

Clark & Marie Rogers (VA)

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

HAGGAI 1-2 (India 1.2b)
Fred & Jeannette Rolater (TN)

Bob & Marlene Rose (MI) Sandra Rumore (VA)

John Saint (PA)

Don & Marie Satterwhite (FL)
Dwayne Schmaltz (WI)

Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA) Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA)

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

ZECH 1-2 (Indonesia 248.2M)

Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI) John & Peggy Seibert (AL) Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH) Shenandoah Valley Baptist Ch

(VA) Jones, Pastor Nellie F. Shepard (CT)

#### **WED, SEPTEMBER 25**

ZECHARIAH 3-4 (N. Ireland)

Faye Skaggs (KY) Mary Skiles (KS)

Walt & Betty Sommers (VA) John & Helen Sourlis (MD)

John & Helen Sourlis (MD) Leroy & SukHi Standifer (WA)

Tim & Pam Steger (ID) Carol Snow Stewart (CT)

Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA)

## THURS, SEPTEMBER 26

**ZECHARIAH 5-6 (Israel 7.6M)**Charles & Irene Stinson (VA)

Johnny & Rose M. Street (AR) William Suttles (NC)

Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)
Tabernacle Baptist Church (DC)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 ZECH 7-8 (Italy 61.3M)

Wm Stroman, Pastor

Brian & Janice Tarraferro (TX) Billy & Sharon Taylor (PA) Ron & Mazie Taylor (VA) Stephanie Taylor (GA) Mona Henry Thomas (VA) W. D & Jackie Thomason (TN) Montez Thompson (CO)

#### SAT, SEPTEMBER 28 ZECH 9-11 (Jamaica 2.7M)

William & Katie Toney (NC) Virginia Trask (VA)

Carrol & Ouida Troutman (KY) Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY) Joe & Benita Troutman (VA) Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY) Malcom Troutman (KY)

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 ZECH 12-14 (Japan 127.4M)

Marshall/Mary Troutman (KY) Willie & Diane Troutman (KY)

Tommy & Frances Turpin (VA) Sara Underwood (TN)

Patrick & Patricia Vaden (TN) Harris & Jane Verkaik (MI(/FL)

George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ) Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ)

Keith & Doris Snyder Verrell (FL) Walter/Mary Ann Voss (DE)

Horace & Becky Ward (NC)

Michael & Sandra Ward (IN) Beau/Ashley Ware (VA)

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

MALACHI 1-4 (Kenya 43M)

Kay Warmerdam (TX)
Don & Joyce Warpoole (TN)
Frank & Nell Weer (KY)

Rodger & Jean Watts (WI)

Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY)

Kay Wice (TN)
Paul & Diane Wieland (PA)

Reg & Mary Ann Wilburn (VA) Ken & Carol Willis (VA)

Julie L. Wilson (PA)

Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA) David & Lili Wykle (VA)

Fred & Susan Zeller (MD)

A SPECIAL WORD
On the September-October
PRAYER CALENDARS, we
will pray for nations
that have hosted prayer
seminars.

## **Daily intercession**

The "Daily Intercession" list is for pressing needs. Most relate to health issues. For God's glory, let's ask for healing (James 4:2b-3). Remember, intercession is focusing the power of God on a person or circumstance. Life is dynamic for any family never knowing what a day will bring forth. Four **Doorkeepers** for whom we have been praying for some time have been promoted to their eternal home, "absent from the body, but present with the Lord" (2 Corinthians 5:8). Their spouses and families need continued daily intercession: Kathy Connolly (VA), Gina Henry (VA), John Davis (VA), Roger Minney (VA). Word has been received that **Bob Bouchard** (KY) is cancer-free. We left him on the **Daily Intercession** list last month for added prayer support.

Carter Mylam Baynes (NC)
Margarie Coffee (VA)
Lin Custalow [Barbara] (VA)
Sue Henry [Jim] (VA)
Deanna Jones [Paul] (KY)
Lowry Miller [Marjorie] (VA)
Katherine Morgan (VA)
Jim Peterson [Barb] (MI)
Isabel Robotham [Dudley] (NY)
Sam Simpson [Lola] (NY)
Jean Smith [Jim] (KY)
Virginia Whitner (FL)
Eva Winebarger [Roy] (VA)

Let us know IMMEDIATELY when a special need arises. Call any hour of the day or night (JGH): (434) 851-4721 (SUE): (434) 851-4722. E-mail: jghm84@aol.com or suethenry@aol.com. Mailing address: 1127 Lakeview Drive, Lynchburg VA 24502. You do not have to bear your burden alone. We are eager to pray with you and then supply needed prayer support daily. Keep us updated.

## SEPTEMBER: LETTER-WRITING MONTH

For over twenty years, **JGHM** has designated **September as Letter-Writing Month.** Friendship means identity in thought, heart, and spirit. Communicating with one another helps friendships grow. I am thankful to call you "friend" and thank you for allowing me to come into your life each month through the **Reflector**. As Paul said to the church at Philippi, you are in my mind, my heart, and often in my prayers.

Each September, we encourage our readers, especially our **Doorkeepers**, to write to us sharing their lives. Your message need not be long, but it will encourage our hearts. We have had as many as one hundred **Doorkeepers** to write to us. Perhaps this year, we could have 120, two for each year of my ministry. You can use either "E-mail" or "Snail mail." Your message need not be long. "Just a word" will be enough. Last month, I included a reply form without comment just a "hint" one month ahead of time.

### **INTERNATIONAL**

Representative missionaries/ National workers

Ben & Judy Armacost (England)

Tim & Merry Gregory (Taiwan)

Shem & Deborah Kamla (Nigeria)

Mulumba Placide Kituta (DR Congo)

Nuhu & Mercy Leo (Nigeria)

Leslie/Tabitha Motsalane (South Africa)

**Enock/Patience Mulomba (Botswana)** 

Adam/Dianna Nathanson (Venezuela)

Andrew & Celestine Sakari (Kenya)

Martin & Anne Shikuku (Kenya)

**Onesimus Sule (Nigeria)** 

Paula Tipton (Thailand)

radia riptori (manana)

Cliff & Marcia Vincent (Brazil)

Silas Yashim (Nigeria)

DO YOU HAVE THE WORLD ON

**YOUR HEART?** 

## **Itinerary**

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

2 Thessalonians 3:1

## September

6-30 Martin Shikuku, Director JGHM: East/Central

## Africa Branch:

Minnesota, Oregon, Oklahoma

- 11 Carter Mylam Baynes Charlotte, North Carolina
- 12 Durham, North Carolina
- 21 Board of Directors
  Murfreesboro, Tennessee
  Paula Tipton (Thailand)
  to be honored
- 29 Prayer SeminarHyland Heights Baptist

Church

Rustburg, Virginia

#### October

#### **Martin Shikuku:**

- 8-11 Lynchburg, Virginia
- 12-14 Roanoke, Virginia

15-16 Lynchburg, Virginia **JGH:** 

19-31 Venezuela

## November

1-4 Venezuela

Seminars are scheduled in Caracas. Then **Adam Nathanson** and I will travel to the jungles called Amazonas to teach native Indians. PTL!

Martin is coming

When Martin Shikuku went through the prayer seminar in 2006 for the first time, it was in a college class at Brackenhurst Conference Center outside Nairobi, Kenya. Little did we know that seven years later, he would be visiting the United States for the second time, would see great growth in Glory Baptist Church,

Eldoret, West Kenya, and would be the Director of JGHM East/Central Africa Branch. Already there have been prayer seminars in Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, in the D.R. of Congo. His goal is to mobilize churches throughout East and Central Africa to become Lighthouses of Prayer serving as watchmen on the wall that will never hold their peace day or night.

After ministry in Minnesota, Oregon, and Oklahoma September 5-October 7, Martin will conclude his visit in Lynchburg and Roanoke October 8-16. He will leave for home on October 17. We will arrange for two receptions for Martin at our home and for a speaking engagement on Wednesday, October 9. He will be with Pastor Foster Covington and his congregation in Roanoke October 12-14. PRAY FOR TRAVELING GRACE AND HIS FAMILY AND HIS CONGREGATION WHILE HE IS TRAVELING.



Martin & Dr. Henry



DOORKEEPERS PROVIDED A MEAL IN THE NAME OF JESUS

I lost my sight by Margaret Davis (Mrs. John) 10/10/1934-8/8/2013 Forest VA



For forty years or more I walked the earth with sighted eyes,

Seldom bothering to look into the skies. I missed some smiles and I missed some frowns;

I even found a few coins lying on the ground.

I felt guilty to partake of HIS cup. Then He put me on my back so I would look up.

Lying in the darkness night after night, Feeling so low and lonely, thinking of myself only,

Wondering if I had gotten my share of things that were fair.

Feeling like a little whipped pup, I knew God had put me on my back so I would look up.

My friends and family were so kind and true.

When they were around, I wasn't even blue.

I didn't darken a church door for five years or more,

Those feelings inside I could not ignore, For with Him and friends I wanted to sup He put me on my back so I would look up.

Now as I pray diligently night and day, I am more at ease and can cope more with my disease.

Unworthy, I now partake of HIS cup. He surely had to put me on my back before I would look up,

And I really almost gave up.



## **NOTES from my BIBLE**

**Note 2131.** Obey God and always leave the consequences to Him.

**Note 2132.** God's Word is an immovable anchor in times of storm.

**Note 2133.** You reap what you sow, more than you sow, and later than you sow.

**Note 2134.** Fight all your battles on your knees and you will win every time.

**Note 2135.** Prayer is life's greatest time saver.

Each note by Dr. Charles Stanley

## DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

1 Thessalonians 1:2

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

WELCOME NEW DOORKEEPERS!
BILLY & SHARON TAYLOR (PA)

## I AM A SOLDIER

## In Memory of Green Beret Bruce Marlon Henry, DOORKEEPER (VA)

**I am a soldier** in the army of my God. The Lord Jesus Christ is my Commanding Officer. The Holy Bible is my code of conduct. Faith, Prayer, and the Word are my weapons of warfare. I have been taught by the Holy Spirit, trained by experience, tried by adversity, and tested by Fire.

I am a volunteer in this army, and I am enlisted for eternity. I will either retire in this army at the Rapture or die in this army. But I will not get out, sell out, be talked out or pushed out. I am faithful, reliable, and dependable. If my God needs me, I am there. If He needs me in the Sunday school to teach the children, work with the youth, help adults, or just sit and learn, He can use me because I am there!

<u>I am a soldier</u>. I am not a baby. I do not need to be pampered, petted, primed up, pumped up, picked up or pepped up.

<u>I am a soldier</u>. No one has to call me, remind me, write me, visit me, entice me or lure me.

**I am a soldier.** I am not a wimp. I am in place, saluting my King, obeying His orders, praising His name and building His kingdom! No one has to send me flowers, gifts, foods, cards or candy, or give me handouts. I do not need to be cuddled cradle, cared for or catered to. I am committed. I cannot have my feelings hurt bad enough to turn me around. I cannot be discouraged enough to turn aside. I cannot lose enough to cause me to quit.

**I am a soldier.** When Jesus called me into this army, I had nothing. If I end up with nothing, I will still come out ahead. I will win. My God has and will continue to supply all my needs. I am more than a conqueror. I will always triumph. I can do all things through Christ. The devil cannot defeat me. People cannot disillusion me. Weather cannot weary me. Sickness cannot stop me. Battles cannot beat me. Money cannot buy me. Governments cannot silence me, and hell cannot handle me.

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E-mail: jghm84@aol.com Web: www.jgordonhenryministries.org SKYPE: Dr. J. Gordon Henry I am a soldier. Even death cannot destroy me. For when my Commander calls me from His battlefield, He will promote me to captain and then allow me to rule with Him.

I am a soldier in the army, and I'm marching claiming victory. I will not give up. I will not turn around. I am a soldier, marching Heaven bound.

## HERE I STAND! WILL YOU STAND WITH ME?