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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE NATHANSONS Missionaries to Caracas, Venezuela

ADAM NATHANSON. BALTIMORE, MARYLAND; BELO HORIZONTE, BRAZIL; MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE; BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, CHILE, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, PERU, VENEZUELA, CUBA. The story begins with a "gift" that Maryland Bible College and Seminary, Baltimore, Maryland, gave to the students— a prayer seminar. One of the students was ADAM NATHANSON, a promising soccer player who had turned down a full athletic scholarship at Georgetown University in the District of Columbia to attend the small Bible college founded by Dr. Carl Stevens and the Greater Grace Church in Baltimore. Adam was unable to attend the prayer seminar due to his work schedule but heard all about it from students who attended.

Upon his graduation in 1993, Adam was off to Belo Horizonte to teach in a newly formed Bible institute under the leadership of Mark Schollaert, a seasoned missionary serving with the Greater Grace Church.

A letter from Adam arrived in our office at 2114 Arrow Court, Murfreesboro, Tennessee. "Would it be possible for you to come to Brazil and share the prayer seminar with our students?" The answer was

"Yes!" The wheels began turning. The prayer seminar workbook was translated into Portuguese. A venue was established for several prayer seminars in addition to the one for the students. The time spent with the Greater Grace Team (Pastor Mark and Paula, Cliff and Marcia Vincent, Adam and Dianna) was very special. The Holy Spirit moved mightily. Adam, with his felicity for networking, constantly reached out welcoming people into a circle of acceptance and love, amazed Sue and me. Watching him share the Gospel wherever and with whomever God placed in his life was a beautiful sight to behold. Dianna, who had served as a missionary in Ecuador before their marriage, welcomed us with open arms. They soon felt like a son and a daughter to us. In time Sue prayed with them about a child and Daniel was born; later God gave them David.

It appeared that a door was open in Cuba for Adam to begin a Bible college. However, God wanted them in Venezuela as a pastor and missionary. Not only did we work together several times in Cuba, we have covered Venezuela with prayer seminars with great interest and high attendance. Dianna has not only been invaluable in building the church, she has used her teacher education skills to home school Daniel and David.

As the years have passed, I have spent more time on the road with Adam as my close companion and interpreter than any other person. The blessings have flowed like a mighty river. He has great skills in coordinating seminars— dates, venues, lodging, travel, and all arrangements. I could write a book featuring incidents from our travel

that are deeply burned in my mind. God has opened doors, provided every need, and touched many lives.

In the very last visit to Caracas, Venezuela, we sat around the kitchen table in their apartment loving God and loving each other. Actually, I had never heard Adam's story and the personal cost he had paid for his walk with the Lord Jesus Christ, only glimpses. As Adam shared, I sat as if on holy ground. Surely the Lord was in that place. Adam concluded his story by explaining that he knew God had sent Sue and me into his life and that I was the father that he had never had. The bond was cemented. Adam, Dianna, Daniel, and David are our children and grandchildren.

I can only thank God for Adam. Literally, hundreds have trusted Christ as Savior. Thousands have been taught the purpose and power of prayer in their individual lives and in their churches and are Lighthouses of Prayer pushing against the spiritual darkness. I thank God for the young man from Baltimore who had room in his heart for Sue and me and has been the catalyst to touch so many lives in Latin America as well as the United States. God has given Adam favor with evangelical churches that thrive in Venezuela. He was invited to serve on the Steering Committee for evangelicals, which is quite an honor.

After interpreting many prayer seminars, Adam and I were moving along in a seminar when he stopped and looked at me intensely: "I see this! I understand! I have repeated this aloud as I have interpreted. Now I see what you are saying! My prayer life will never be the same!" Then we resumed teaching. Adam has now moved to the next level. He is

not only teaching prayer seminars on his own, he is "training" pastors and other leaders to present the prayer seminars.

One thing I teach is to be specific in bringing needs to the Father in the Throne Room. One of the finest examples of this element of praying is in the prayer needs listed on their prayer card. Remember James says "You have not because you ask not" (James 4:2b) and goes on to say "you ask and do not receive" when your motive is something else other than for the glory of God (4:3).

Please pray FIVE MINUTES daily ...

Sunday

Spiritual life. Personal walk, and growth.

Monday

Ministry; Evangelism; Church growth, Cell groups.

Tuesday

Family; Strong marriage; the boys future plans; homeschooling.

Wednesday

Relationships with the leadership and people of the church.

Thursday

The countries of Venezuela and Cuba; political, economic.

Friday

Ability to communicate: language and cultural learning.

Saturday

Physical needs: health, safety, emotional stability, peace in the turmoil.

NEEDED: 100 PARTNERS FOR VENEZUELA (OCTOBER 2-16, 2015)

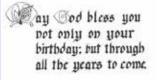


Back to Venezuela

October 2-16, 2015

Our first ministry in Venezuela was in July 1992. This will be our ninth trip. Not only have thousands been taught the purpose and power of prayer, the results speak for themselves. Pastors have testified to great changes in their lives and churches revival, renewal. Beyond that, the number saved is easily over 10,000.

The seminars will be in Vargas State. 1,000 Spanish workbooks have been requested. Due to the unrest, direct flights from the U.S. are virtually impossible. My flight is through Panama. The budget is \$6,900. Pray for Adam Nathanson as he plans. Pray that any hindrance Satan devises will be made null and void and for VICTORY IN JESUS AS GOD IS GLORIFIED.



Love.

aija + John



JGHM Board Member now with the Lord

Jeannette Baker Rolater (Mrs. Fred) January 23, 1938--July 28, 2015



When word arrived that Jeannette Rolater had gone to Heaven, precious memories began to flood my soul. Thirty-two years ago God brought an "Aquila and Priscilla" couple into our lives— Dr. Fred and Jeannette Rolater.

As our friendship grew, we were not surprised when this couple moved from their positions at Middle Tennessee State University and became missionaries in South Korea

Using their numerous spiritual gifts,' their work was fruitful and highly appreciated, as Sue and I witnessed personally. If anyone had the world on her heart, it was Jeannette Rolater.

Upon their return from the mission field, Jeannette became a member of the JGHM Board of Directors and served with distinction.

During our seasons of prayer at board meetings, it was quite clear that she was at home in the Throne Room. In parting, after a warm hug, she always held my hand and said, "Fred and I are praying for you and Sue. We love you." We are sad, but glad. We will greatly miss Jeannette at our board meetings.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."

Psalm 116:15

ENTER INTO THE JOYS OF THE LORD.
EYE HAS NOT SEEN, NOR EAR HEARD,
NEITHER HAS ENTERED THE MIND OF
MAN WHAT GOD HAS LAID UP FOR
HIS CHILDREN.

Touching lives who touch lives



DR. HARRIS VERKAIK
Hudsonville, Michigan
Pastor; Pulpiteer; The speaker on a
powerful radio ministry in
Greater Grand Rapids MI area.

I preached on July 19 for the 50th Anniversary of the Fellowship Reformed Church where we now worship. The message was from Hebrews 12:1-2 with emphasis on the phrase "fix your eyes on Jesus" (eis = into Jesus). I mentioned the Prayer Seminar and your comment, "Do not just look at His hand, but look at His face." Several people remarked how this convicted them. One person was so deeply convicted that she wept about this for hours. A staff member wrote me a letter about how this was the first time he had ever thought of this idea, and thanked me. I thought this might encourage you! Jane and I keep you in our prayers constantly.

Love in Christ, Harris and Jane DOORKEEPERS (Since April 4, 1989)

REMEMBER 9/11

. Through Isaiah, the prophet, God pronounced a series of "woes" on Judah (Isaiah 5:8–30) that could easily fit America. A "woe" is an exclamation, a cry of grief, or anguish, that is typically associated with divine judgment.

Six specific sins particularly grievous are these six issues: (1) a desire for wealth (Isaiah 5 8-10); (2) hedonistic living that shows no regard for the deeds of the Lord (w 11-17); (3) scoffing at divine judgment (w 18-19); (4) calling evil good and good evil (v 20); (5) relying on one's own counsel rather than revelation (v 21); and (6) failing to take governmental responsibility soberly (vv 22-23). ABOMINATIONS were being committed everywhere.

Since the 2001 attack it seems our nation is completely adrift politically, morally, and spiritually. Decisions have been made through executive order" and "judicial activism" that have underminded the very character of our nation. We condone abortion (murdering fetuses and newborns), perversions, same-sex marriage and open mockery of God, His Son, His Book, His church. Several times during the past few years, I have warned against the danger of complacency. As the spiritual darkness deepens and militant Islam spreads to our land, the only sure way to push against the darkness is prayer. As we pray, we join God in His established mandates.

PUT YOUR ARMOR ON, GO TO THE BATTLEFIELD OF PRAYER!

Message from Kenya

I have missed you even though I always read the Reflector every month and it encourages me all the time. Thank you for your support to my brother, Martin Shikuku. May God bless you and give you strength and long life. Again thank you for helping me to love teaching about prayer because this is my best subject. I always teach about prayer in ever place I go. It has been a blessing to me and my family. I talk about you as my mentor. You need to know that whether you are in U.S.A, there is somebody carrying your mantle. It does not matter the costs. What matters is the seed you planted .Every place I go I must plant Lighthouses of Prayer. May God bless you and the ministry. Shalom,

Your Son, Andrew Sakari (Kenya)

-- Charles F. Stanley

"The time has come for us to pray _ believing that the Father can mightily reverse the tide assailing our nation. The truth of the matter is, when we fight our battles on our knees, we win every time."



ITINERARY--SEPTEMBER

9 THE BEN ARMISTADS' VISIT
(IMB Missionaries to Europe)
12 JGHM BOARD MEETING
Murfreesboro, Tennessee
27 MEMORIAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Lynchburg, Virginia

The Pictorial Prayer Board

I cannot tell you the blessing that comes when I stand or kneel before the Pictorial Prayer Board and look upon the faces of **Doorkeepers**, **family members**, **and friends**. Sometimes I simply pause there and tears come--mighty close to Heaven. You would honor us by sharing a picture.

Stan and Emily Baskins, Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Doorkeepers since January 2, 1985
Sometimes we have a note from
Emily commenting on something in
the **Reflector** that touched her
heart. This is their picture on the
prayer board.



LET THE BIBLE BE
YOUR GUIDE;
PUT CHRIST
FIRST;
HE WILL SUPPLY
YOUR NEEDS
ACCORDING TO
HIS
RICHEST IN
GLORY.
MATTHEW 6:33



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NOTES from my BIBLE

Note 2291. Turn your eyes toward Jesus; seek those things above.

Note 2292. Trust in Christ, God's only Son who died for you.

Note 2293. Trusting Jesus, that is all! There is strength for today! Note 2294. Without Him, we can do nothing; without Him, we would surely fail; we would be drifting, like a ship without a sail.

Note 2295. Faith looks forward in anticipation, but fear looks backward in anxiety.

DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

1 Thessalonians 1:2 July 21--August 17, 2015

 Regular
 42
 \$3,185.00

 Van - Martin
 33
 4.785.00

 Total
 50
 \$7,970.00



THANKS, DOORKEEPERS!
Partners with God 1 Corinthians 3:6-9

PRAYER CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2015

"I will give myself to prayer..."

Psalm 109:4b

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

HOSEA 1-3 (Mexico 120.2M)

Mae Adams (NC)

Marie Adams (VA)

Robert & Susanne Adams (TN)

Wayne & Jennie Agee (VA)

Norma Ailes (NJ)

H. L. & Janie Allen (SC)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

HOSEA 4-6 (Micronesia 105,681)

Tommy & Pat Apple (NC)

Eldon & Gayle Armstrong (SC)

Leonor Avila (MD)

Bill & Karen Baker (OK)

Consuela Baker (NC) Mike & Joyce Baker (VA)

Marilyn Barry (VA)

Stan & Emily Baskin (TN)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

HOSEA 7-8 (Moldova 3.6M)

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)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

HOSEA 9-11 (Monaco 30,500)

Robert/Hilda Bondurant (NC)

Everett/Deborah Boston (MD)

William/Debbie Bowden (NC)

David & Marna Boyd (OR)

Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)

Ed & Jean Bradshaw (VA)

Emilee & Kim Bradshaw (VA)

Nancy Bretz (PA)

Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

HOSEA 12-13 (Mongolia 32.9M)

Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)

Arretta Bruce (TN)

Joe & Martha Bruno (CO)

Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE)

Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)

George & Janet Buck (NJ)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Janice Bugg (TN/Chin)

Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)

Robin & Teresa Carlson (NJ)

Don & Lucy Campbell (VA) Mary Campbell (ID)

Laura Cannon (FL)

Joeretha Capers (FL) Robert & Anne Carroll (VA)

David & Martha Cecil (VA) MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

JOEL 1-3 (Montenegro 650,036)

Gus/Janice Christofield (VA)

Harry & Nancy Coffee (VA)

Vernia Coleman (MD)

Mary Columbus (VA)

Foster/Georgia Covington (VA)

Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)

Jerry & Joan Crain (SC)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

AMOS 1-2 (Monteerrat 5,212)

Dan Cravey (VA)

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

John Davis (VA)

Alan & Rebecca Dockrey (KY)

Mary J. Dugans (LA)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER

AMOS 3-5 (Morocco 33M)

Paul & Joyce Eggleston (VA)

Lynn Elkins (TN)

Don & Mary Enoch (FL)

Gene & Shirley Farley (CA)

Fellowship Baptist Ch (FL) William & Virginia Green

Larry & Cara Fields (VA)

James & Ruth Flanagan (GA)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

AMOS 6-7 (Mozambique 24.7M)

Claire/Mary Ann Fredstrom

(NE) Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)

James Fugate (CA) Estelle Gabbard (KY)

Mike & Lerlyne Garcia (VA)

Pauline Garrett (NJ)

Frank Geiger (HI)

Sara George (GA)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

AMOS 8-9 (Namibia 2.2M)

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

OBADIAH (Nauru 9,488) Linda Gregory (UT)

Charles Hale (VA)

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

Gina Henry (VA) J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA)

Jacqueline Henry (VA) Jack Henry (TN)

James & Kathryn Henry (MS) Mark Henry (TN)

Melody Henry (VA)

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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Steve & Donna Hensel (MN)

Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA) Joanna Holland (VA)

John & Glenda Holland (VA)

Anita Horton (VA)

Mike & Sonya Hosick (VA) Sam & Linda Hough (VA)

Coy Hunsucker (NC)

Joyce Hunt (TN) MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

JONAH (Nepal 31M)

Ed Hurlow (IN)

Jide & Bunmi Iware (MD)

Betty Jackson (OH)

Gerald/Tanny Jackson (WA)

Gene/Rose Marie Jeffries (AR)

Vernelle Jenkins (MD)

Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN)

William/Marsha Jester (DE)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 MICAH 1-2 (Netherlands 16.9M)

Millicent John (NY)

Bob & Rhonda Johnson (FL) Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY)

Gwen Johnson (AZ)

Jim & Penny Johnson (KY)

Ben & Gwen Jones (MD) Dave & Debbie Jones (VA)

James Jones (FL)

Paul Jones (KY)

W I & Eloise Jones (SC) Mohan Katta (IL)

WEDNESDAY, SEPT.16

MICAH 3-5 (N Caledonia 267,840)) Howard/Suzie Kauffmann (GA) Harper/Shelia Keebaugh (PA) Kerby Knob Baptist Church

(KY) Darren Hisel, Pastor Larry & Janet King (NC)

Robert/Andrea Klepper (TN)

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

Mark & Lois Knolls (DE)

Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Marshall & Lois Powell (KY)

Dave & Marilyn Rainey (VA)

Jeanne & Maggie Pribble (VA)

Mildred Pittman (NC)

ZEPHANIAH (Niue 1,190)

Barbara Powell (NY)

Ben Poplin (VA)

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 17 MICAH 6-7 (New Zealand 4.4M) Korean Branch: Dr. Shin Kwang Suk Joel & Jackie Kramar (VA) Woodrow & Linda Kroll (NE) Steve & Donna Lambert (NC) Craig & Molly Lampe (AZ) Phil & Edra Landers (OK) Charles/Cynthia Larson (MI) Bob Lawrence (MD) Del & Mary Leach (VA) Raymond & Janet Lemay (VT) FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 NAHUM (Nicaragua 5.8M) Gaylen & Linda Leverett (VA) Liberty University (VA) Jerry Falwell Jr., President Mike & Earlene Lips (MS) Vincent/Mary Lobisco (MI) Ray & Bobbie Long (WV) Don & Betty Lowry (SC) Edward Lucas (VT) Rachel Mann (NC) Manship Chapel (DE) Bruce & Vickie Tribbett Wilma Marcum (KY) SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 HABAKKAK (Niger 17.5M) 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 (VA) Betsy Miedema (MI) Gwen Miller (VA) Roger & Nancy Minney (VA) SUNDAY, SEPT.20 Ted & Natalie Monroe (KY) Bill & Sharon Moody (VA) French & Laura Moore (VA)

Ronald & Wilma Moore (VA)

Joseph & Doris Moos (NJ)

Bob & Diane Nichols (VA)

Chet & Betty Nichols (WA)

Raleigh & Janet Parker (VA)

Elaine Moser (MN)

Ann Palumbo (PA)

Sheryl Parker (VA)

Roger & Kay Pede (VA)

Jim & Barb Peterson (MI)

Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA)

Sandy Pederson (MN)

Jeannette Ralph (VA) Marjorie Randall (TX) John Reed (NH) TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 Haggai (Norfolk Isle 2,210) Dave Ricker (ME) Alice Riddick (NC) Joyce Riley (KY) Calvin & Valerie Ritchey (VA) Cynthia Roach (VA) Bo & Betty Robinson (MS) Isabel Robotham (NY) Clark & Marie Rogers (VA) Fred Rolater (TN) WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 23 ZECH 1-3 (N Mariana Isl 51,170) Bob & Marlene Rose (MI) Sandra Rumore (VA) John Saint (PA) Don/Marie Satterwhite (FL) Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA) Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA) Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI) THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 ZECH 4-6 Norway 5.1M) John & Peggy Seibert (AL) Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH) Shenandoah Valley Baptist Ch (VA) Gene Jones, Pastor Nellie F. Shepard (CT) Walter Shields (VA) FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 ZECH 7-8 (Oman 3.2M) Charlie & Liz Sill (VA) Richard Shorter (NJ) Bobby & Cindy Smith (TN) Paul & Mary Smith (TX) Ron & Bonnie Smith (VA) John & Helen Sourlis (MD) SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 ZECH 9-11 (Oman 3.2M) Leroy/Suk Hi Standifer (WA) Gene Steele (VA) Tim & Pam Steger (ID) Carol Snow Stewart (CT) Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA) Charles Stinson (VA) Johnny & Rose M. Street (TX) William Suttles (NC)

Bob & Sandy Swain (VA) SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 Brian/Janice Tarraferro (TX) Billy & Sharon Taylor (PA) Ron & Mazie Taylor (VA) Stephanie Taylor (GA) Rose Tengstrand (VA) Mona Henry Thomas (VA) W. D./Jackie Thomason (TN) Montez Thompson (WI) William & Katie Toney (NC) Virginia Trask (VA) MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 ZECH 12-14 (Pakistan 196.2M) Carrol/Ouida Troutman (KY) Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY) Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY) Joe & Benita Troutman (KY) Malcom Troutman (KY) Marshall/Mary Troutman (KY) Willie/Diane Troutman (KY) TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 MALACHI 1-3 (Palau 21,186) 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 Verrall (FL) Horace & Becky Ward (NC) Michael/Sandra Ward (IN) Beau/Ashley/Willow/Will Ware (VA) Kay Warmerdam (TX) Joyce Warpoole (TN Rodger Watts (WI) WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 30 MALACHI (Panama 3.6M) Frank & Nell Weer (KY) Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY) Kay Wice (TN) Paul & Diane Wieland (PA) Reg/Mary Ann Wilburn (VA)) Jeff & Terri Williamson Ken & Carol Willis (VA) Julie L. Wilson (PA) Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA) Eva Winebarger (VA) Amos & Celia Wipf (GA) Greg & Lori Worley (GA) David & Lili Wykle (VA) Fred & Susan Zeller (WV) PUT REFLECTOR IN YOUR BIBLE FOR YOUR

DAILY READING AND PRAYING.

DAILY INTERCESSION

HEALTH

Burma Abbott [Zane] (VA) Milcie Arnold [Carrol] (VA) Dr. Jim Britt [Judy] GA Margarie Coffee (VA) Kathie Connolly (VA) Harold Decker [Tama] NJ George & Joy Harper (VA) Dorothy Hornbaker (MI) Sam Hough [Linda] (VA) Joyce Koopman [Irwin] (MI) Lowry Miller [Marjorie] (VA) Marvel Mills (VA) Fred Rolater (TN) Sam Simpson [Lola] (NY) Mary Skiles (KS) Jean Smith [Jim] (KY) Walt & Betty Sommers (VA) Donna Thompson [Larry] (VA)

LOOKING AHEAD--OCTOBER

2-16 VENEZUELA
MISSIONS CONFERENCE,
17-18 GLOUCESTER COUNTY
COMMUNITY CHURCH
Washington Township, New Jersey

INTERNATIONAL

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)
Joseph & Esther Tan (Singapore)
Paula Tipton (Thailand)
Cliff & Marcia Vincent (Brazil/China)
Robert & Joanne Waismam (Brazil)
Silas & Comfort Yashim (Nigeria)

Pray for safety and that the Word of the Lord will have free course.

Ending and Beginning

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us" (1 Samuel 7:12); "Give account of thy stewardship" (Luke 16:2); "The memory of the just is blessed" (Proverbs 10:7)

In a letter dated December 1, 1996, David Asare, an alumnus of the prayer seminar who was, at that time, a student at the Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary in Ogbomoso, asked a pointed question and followed it with a thought-provoking statement: "How is the ministry the Lord has entrusted to you? I hope you are doing your best as the Holy Spirit enables you."

There is no better time than the end of a year of life and, in my case, a year of ministry, to reflect on these very issues. David's questions evoked introspection and evaluation. It became the lead sentences in my 1996 annual report to the JGHM Board of Directors. How is the ministry to which I have been entrusted and have I done my best?

My earthly sojourn began on September 30, 1935. My new life in Christ began on September 24, 1948. My pastoral ministry began in September 1953 in Berea, Kentucky. To those who have received the **Reflector** over the years, you have read a lead statement in the September issues, "September is my month!"

I sometimes think of the priests of Judah in Malachi's day who were confronted for failing to honor God (Malachi 1:6-14). Although they cynically denied that they were doing so, Malachi went on to identify three ways these religious leaders showed contempt and disrespect for the Lord: by placing "defiled food on My altar" (vv 6-7), by offering disqualified sacrifices (vv 8-9, 13-14), and by disdaining the privilege of leading in worship finding it a "burden" and sniffing "at it contemptuously" (vv 10-14). The third is so sad. They had totally lost any sense of God's presence, and were merely going through the motions of worship. This is a constant danger for those entrusted with a ministry like the prayer seminar.

There have now been 1,650 prayer seminars. My concern is that each seminar receives the very best effort I can give with God's help, and not be "routine." My strong desire is to show respect for God and deep appreciation for entrusting me with the prayer seminar. To fulfill this desire, I must assess whether I am giving my best and not just leftovers. Constant personal preparation is necessary to teach the things I am teaching in a credible way. I do not want to fall into the ways of the priests of Malachi's day. Only then can I teach effectively with a vital sense of Christ's living presence. A new year is an ending and a beginning. It is a new sheet upon which to write. It is a time to focus again on God's love for us in the Lord Jesus Christ and to ask Him to fan our love into flames afresh and anew!

Although I have conducted prayer seminars since 1980, J. Gordon Henry Ministries (JGHM) was incorporated in May 1984. This means that we have been going across the nation teaching

prayer seminars for thirty-five years with thirty-one years under the auspices of JGHM. As I think back over the years with a wide-awake memory, there are many precious memories upon which I reflect from time to time, with great joy! Not only has God been faithful, but so have **Doorkeepers** and partners who love the Lord, love the Word, and love His children around the world enough to send us (with a prayer seminar workbook in the language of the people we are teaching and a pen) over 2.8 million miles to provide the prayer seminars with many sacrificial gifts. My greatest joy and satisfaction during these sixty-two years of ministry has been teaching and preaching the Scriptures. Only eternity will reveal the full impact of what we have been able to do together.

Thinking back over the years is an occasion for thanksgiving to God for His guiding hand and His gracious provision day by day. Truly September 30, 2015, the Lord willing, will be a day when I fill the day with expressions of gratitude for the many ways He has blessed me, my family (Sue, Mona, Mark, Melody, our grandchildren—Beau, Jeanne, Emilee, Kimberlee, Wendy, James, our great-grandchildren Caleb, Maggie, Willow, Lillian, Will, my ministry, my friends, my nation, and my world. He, alone, is worthy of our worship. Let's praise Him with our whole being as never before!

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry

"THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS"

Jeremiah 23:6

"THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS" or JEHOVAH-TSIDKENU is one of seven compound Hebrew names of Jehovah. Robert Murray M'Cheyne wrote an excellent hymn based on his increasing appreciation of the Lord under this title. The very last sentence is a reminder to any believer, certainly to me as I move toward my eightieth birthday.

JEHOVAH TSIDKENU THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS

I once was a stranger to grace and to God, I knew not my danger, and felt not my load; Though friends spoke in rapture of Christ on the tree,

Jehovah Tsidkenu was nothing to me.

I oft read with pleasure to soothe or engage, Isaiah's wild measure and John's simple page; But e'en when they pictured the bloodsprinkled tree,

Jehovah Tsidkenu seemed nothing to me.

Like tears from the daughters of Zion that roll.

I wept when the waters went over His soul; Yet thought not that my sins had nailed to the tree

Jehovah Tsidkenu 'twas nothing to me.

When free grace awoke me, by light from on high,

Then legal fears shook me, I trembled to die; No refuge, no safety in self could I see Jehovah Tsidkenu my Saviour must be.

My terrors all vanished before the sweet name:

My guilty fears banished, with boldness I came

To drink at the fountain, life-giving and free **Jehovah Tsidkenu** is all things to me.

Jehovah Tsidkenu! My treasure and boast,

Jehovah Tsidkenu! I can n'er be lost:

In Thee I shall conquer by flood and by field My cable, my anchor, my breastplate and shield!

Even treading the valley, the shadow of death, This watchword shall rally my faltering breath; For while from life's fever my God sets me free, Jehovah Tsidkenu my death-song shall be.

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SEPTEMBER: 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. If available, send a photo for the prayer board.

A recent letter from prayer seminars conducted several years ago told of both a men's and a women's prayer meeting. "There has been lasting fruit from your ministry here!."



DR. AIJA OZOLINS AND HER
HUSBAND, JOHN
SEPTEMBER 30, 1980. She was Professor
of English during Dr. Henry's tenure at
both Lynchburg Baptist College (now
Liberty University) and Northeastern
Bible College (NJ). They reside in Latvia.





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Dear Dr. Henry and Sue,

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