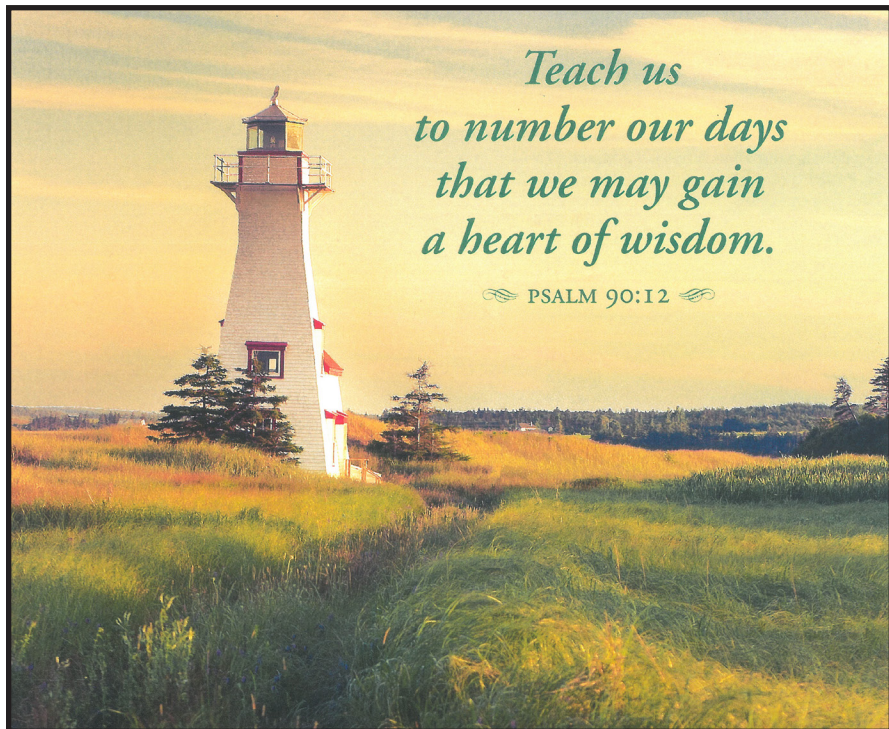


# REFLECTOR

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*Teach us  
to number our days  
that we may gain  
a heart of wisdom.*

☞ PSALM 90:12 ☞

**ON THE WAY HOME, ON THE WAY HOME,  
IT'S TIME TO GET STARTED ON THE WAY HOME.**



**THE HENRYS WALKING DOWN TROUTMAN LANE  
SUE'S CHILDHOOD HOME, McLEAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY**

## Soul Nourishment First

The purpose of the Christian faith is that we might have a meaningful encounter with the true and living God. It is through the Bible and prayer that we learn the value of both in the Christian life and how to use them. **Dwight L. Moody** said the he had never seen a useful Christian who neglected the Word of God. **R. A. Torrey** said that his life changed when he learned to go to God expecting to receive nothing from Him—but just to be with Him. Many other testimonies could be given.

Beyond testimonies from others, I often share that my life did not change until I got into the Word for my food, not just a message to preach. Although I prayed (mainly telling God what to do and how to do it) and asking God to do things or to provide things, I did not have a meaningful prayer life until I learned truths from the Word of God and implemented them.

There are things that I want to share with the **Reflector** readers during the time that I have left in ministry. Many of you are pastors or hold other church leadership positions. Two commitments are vital. Don't settle for anything less than a vibrant prayer life for yourself. Then, don't settle for anything less than a praying church. You and I have a command given to us that is recorded in **Ephesians 5:18. The will of God for each believer is to be Spirit-filled.**

Interestingly enough "Spirit-filled" does not mean "more" of the Holy Spirit. The moment you came to Christ the Holy Spirit moved into you and you were given new life. The new life is referred to as a "new birth," because the Holy Spirit lives in you from the very moment of your salvation. At that very moment, the Holy Spirit "baptized" you into the Body of Christ (1 **Corinthians 12:13**). Let the

## A new name

God alone is the One who makes things new. Whether a new song in the heart of the faithful (**Psalm 40:3**), a new phase in His plan of redemption (**Isaiah 42:9; 43:19**); or a new heaven and earth (**Isaiah 65:17**), we can say with clarity and definitiveness, the Father alone did these things! God alone makes all things new!

Where were you when you trusted God's Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, as your Savior? Do you know that not only was your name written in the Lamb's Book of Life, but at that very moment God gave you a new name? According to **Isaiah 62:2**, "You shall be called by a new name." His children are called:

**SAINTS**, because of their holiness;

**BELIEVERS**, because of their faith;

**BRETHREN**, because of their love;

**DISCIPLES**, because of their knowledge; and

**CHRISTIANS**, because of their Head.

Praise the Lord! That's who we are! Now we have the obligation and the privilege to live up to our names! As we reflect who we are, we will become gospel that everyone can read—gospel in shoe leather! Determine to make each contact count as you touch lives day by day.

text speak for itself. The word baptism is not a translated word, it is a transliterated word. A new word is coined when there is no word in the original language that expresses the meaning. Here, the new word is baptizo (Greek) and means placed into. The Holy Spirit placed you into the Body of Christ. He abides in you. He becomes your Teacher and He uses the Word of God to teach you. This means that He guides and directs learning.

Encouragement is given to each believer to read the Word of God systematically and regularly. By reading three chapters a day and five on Sunday, you can read the Bible in one year. Until you are in the Word of God for yourself, you will never become **a prayer warrior—the greatest need in the church today.** Therefore, it is wisdom to develop a plan to **READ THE WORD OF GOD.** One advantage of having a plan to read through the Bible is that you will know what you are going to read tomorrow and can stay on course.

Establish a time to meet God. Make an appointment to meet God in His Word and in prayer. Keep the appointment. For many years, my appointment has been in the early morning. I go to bed at nine and get up at four a.m. I start my time with Bible in hand reading systematically through the Bible. Sue and I follow a Through-the-Bible-in-a-Year plan that we share in each Reflector. I have a set place, a shut place, and a secluded place. We read devotionally expecting to hear a message from Him for our daily needs. Three hours later, we meet around the dining room table to share what we have received and then enter into our

prayer time. We are both retired and are unhurried or rushed. When we did work, we both left for our offices early.

Long ago, I discovered that the best approach to my **quiet time** (which is early morning) is to spend a brief moment in remembering that I am coming into the presence of God to acknowledge Him, to listen to Him; then, to commune with Him through prayer. I first **prepare my mind by thinking about what I am doing.** I determine to **wait before Him (Isaiah 40:31), to be still and know He is God (Psalm 46:10),** and to take the initiative in **drawing nigh to Him as He draws nigh to me (James 4:8).** This brief moment gets my reflection and meditation gets my mind in gear!

In the **Prayer Seminar Workbook (page 24),** I call this **"A" AFFIRMING GOD'S PRESENCE.** The result is an atmosphere of serenity, calmness, expectation and spiritual excitement. **READ THE BIBLE FIRST knowing THE BIBLE IS THE VOICE OF GOD.** I **ask Him to open my eyes to be able to see wonderful things out of His Word (Psalm 119:18)** as I open the Bible and begin to read. God reveals Himself in His written Word.

Seldom is it necessary to read more than a few verses until I see something revealed about God the Father, or the Lord Jesus Christ, or the Holy Spirit that brings me to an attitude of worship and praise. **My prayer time begins with praising God for Who He is as revealed in the Holy Scriptures.** I read with a pen or pencil in my hand that produces a readiness in my mind to have a message from Him from a

word, a phrase, a verse, or a passage. By taking a page of notes out of my reading each day, I remain focused and alert.

For many years, the worship aspect of my prayer time has never been stale. As "His mercies are new every morning" (**Lamentations 3:23-24**), so is His Word. **Discipline and prioritizing** are necessary for any genuine movement in your Christian life.

Scattered throughout this issue of the **Reflector** are articles to flesh out many areas related to both Bible reading and prayer. I hope to share some practical ideas that you can use in your private devotions. When I began the prayer seminar ministry, 95% of the six-hour prayer seminars were scheduled on a Sunday since I had a day job through the week leading an accrediting agency. Observing the level of commitment in most churches today, it is difficult to find a pastor who is willing to schedule **A DAY IN GOD'S COURT**. Could this be one of the underlying causes of the lack of power in many local churches? We now settle for a Saturday seminar (9 a.m.-4:30). Usually I stay and preach on Sunday mornings. Many pastors can join me in testifying that many people who were in the beginning sessions of a prayer seminar changed their afternoon plans in order to be in the seminars. Don't underestimate God's people!

We want praying churches and the only way for this to come to fruition is to have praying people. Revival is possible according to God's Word. There are many **"If" ... "then" constructions** in Scripture. God says

He is ready but we must ask.

Yours in Calvary love,

*J. Gordon Henry*

## His Character, Attributes, Essence

Adoration is looking at God and loving Him for who He is. Recall His character, attributes, and essence as revealed in the Word of God to guide your praise and worship. Who is God?

One way to think about who God is that has been beneficial to many is to find key words describing Him for each letter of the alphabet. I learned this in the early '80s and found it to be an exercise that keeps me focused.

For each letter, I endeavored to make a list of as many words as I could for what I already knew about God. Over time, I added to the list. Although I did not use a concordance, it is obvious that one way to develop an initial list or add to a list would be to do that.

Not only have I periodically used this approach in prayer during my quiet time, I have found it helpful at other times during the day in praising the Lord. In fact, I have often driven down the highway praising the Lord looking at license plates of automobiles. Why don't you see what words you already have in your repertoire or suitcase with which you can use to praise and worship the Lord? Worship is the loving ascription of praise to God for Who He is, both in Himself and in His ways. Key words will keep you focused.



**A** Able, Almighty, All-Sufficient;  
**B** Beautiful, Beginning, Bread;  
**C** Changeless, Creator, Complete; **D** Deliverer; **E** Eternal; **F** Faithful, Forgiving, Friend;  
**G** Good, Gracious, Glorious;  
**H** Holy; **I** Immutable, Infinite, Invincible; **J** Just, Judge, Jealous; **K** Kind, King, Knowing; **L** Love, Life, Light, Limitless; **M** Majestic, Merciful, Mighty; **N** Near; **O** Omniscient, Omnipotent, Omnipresent, Omega; **P** Patient, Pure, Present **Q** Quiet;  
**R** Righteous, Responsive, Reliable; **S** Sovereign, Strong, Sufficient; **T** Tender, Truth, Trustworthy; **U** Understanding, Universal; **V** Victorious; **W** Wise, Wonderful; **X** Excellent; **Y** Yearning; **Z** Zealous.

## The Names of God

There are nine special names of God in the Old Testament derived from His works. Each one provides insight into who God is and what He does for His children. There are occasions when it is proper to focus on His names in worship. Learn the name and the context of the revelation. Knowing His names will help us know Him better.

Jehovah-Jireh - "the Lord will see to it" or "the God who provides" (Genesis 22:14).

Jehovah-Rophe - "the Lord who heals" (Exodus 15:26).

Jehovah-Nissi - "the Lord our Banner" (Exodus 17:15).

Jehovah-McKaddesh - "the Lord our Sanctifier" (Leviticus 20:8).

Jehovah-Shalom - "the Lord our peace" (Judges 6:24).

Jehovah-Tsidkenu - "the Lord our righteousness" (Jeremiah 23:6).

Jehovah-Rohi - "the Lord my Shepherd" (Psalm 23:1).

Jehovah-Sebaoth - "the Lord of hosts [armies]" (Psalm 46:7).

Jehovah-Shammah - "the Lord is there" (Ezekiel 48:35; Joel 3:21).

The Lord is to us all that we need, no matter what that need may be. He will perform. "From the rising of the sun to its going down, The Lord's name is to be praised" (**Psalm 113:3**). Worship Him for all that He is. It will make a difference in helping us walk with Him in confidence.

## Seek His Face

Have you ever been in love? When you fell in love, the night didn't get too dark, the rain too heavy, the snow too deep, or the fog too thick, to keep you from wanting to be with the one you loved. For what purpose? Being in the physical presence of the one you love is enough within itself. Lovers often gaze in each other's face.

The focus on PRAISE is on God Himself — and not what He has done. Thanksgiving in prayer is offering specific thanks to God for things He has done for us or others. There is a difference in thanking Him for what His hand of blessing has provided and in praising Him for Who He is.

Before you ask Him for anything, spend time in meditation. Praise Him! Bless His name! Think about His greatness and seek to understand Him. Delight in Him! Love Him!

## SEPTEMBER IS MY MONTH

PHYSICAL BIRTH, SPIRITUAL  
BIRTH, BEGINNING PASTORAL  
MINISTRY, FIRST PRAYER  
SEMINAR OUTSIDE MY OWN  
CHURCH

### "A grateful heart"

September 30, 2018: Completing  
eighty-three years of life (sixty-  
five in active ministry beginning in  
September 1953)

Above all, I am deeply grateful to God for calling me into ministry and opening doors of service around the world. I am grateful for those who have provided prayer covering for me personally, my family, and my ministry. It is impossible for me to tell you what an encouragement it has been to know that faithful prayer warriors were standing with me in intercession wherever He led. Whatever has been accomplished for the Lord Jesus Christ as the result of the prayer seminar ministry is the result of so many faithful partners. There has never been a prayer seminar when I did not sense the Holy Spirit working in a wonderful way. Thank you for your part. "How can I ever praise my Lord enough. He has done so much for me!"

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## NOTES FROM MY BIBLE

**Note 4066.** "His praise shall continually be in my mouth" (Psalm 34:1).

**Note 4067.** Praise is the language of Heaven; in every glimpse of heaven praise is going on and on and on.

**Note 4068.** God wants His people to enter His courts and begin worship with praise; praise is worship.

**Note 4069.** Praise is faith at work.

**Note 4070.** When you need faith, there are two steps to take--go to God's Word and begin praising Him.

## DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

1 Thessalonians 1:2

July 19--August 22, 2018

Regular	71	\$6,400.00
Nigeria	1	250.00
Total	72	\$6,650.00



Welcome, New Doorkeepers!

Michael & Diane Eagle (VA)

Louis & Jane Giger (VA)

**PRAYER CALENDAR****September 2018***"I will give myself to prayer..."*

Psalm 109:4b

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1****HOSEA 1-3 (USA 324.6M)**

Zane & Burma Abbott (VA)  
 Mae Adams (NC)  
 Robert/Susanne Adams (TN)  
 Wayne & Jennie Agee (VA)  
 Norma Ailes (NJ)  
 H. L. & Janie Allen (SC)  
 David/Eunjoo Andersen (VA)

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**

Tommy & Pat Apple (NC)  
 Eldon/Gayle Armstrong (SC)  
 Leonor Avila (MD)  
 Bill & Karen Baker (OK)  
 Mike & Joyce Baker (VA)  
 Tim Bash - GCCC (NJ)  
 Emily Baskin (TN)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3****HOSEA 3-6 (BR Virgin Isl 34,232)**

Jean Beasley (TN)  
 Tommy Bell (TN)  
 Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)  
 Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)  
 Beulah Baptist Church (VA)  
 Dennis Hollandsworth, Pastor  
 Beverly Blankenship (TN)  
 Loretta Bolen (VA)

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4****HOSEA 7-8 (Brunei 436,620)**

Everett/Deborah Boston (MD)  
 Wm/Debbie Bowden (NC)  
 David & Marna Boyd (OR)  
 Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)  
 Ed & Jean Bradshaw (VA)  
 Kim Bradshaw (VA)  
 Lurline Braud (VA)  
 Michal Breed (WI)  
 Nancy Bretz (PA)  
 Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)

**WED, SEPTEMBER 5****HOSEA 9-11 (Bulgaria 1.2M)**

Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)  
 Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)  
 Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE)  
 George & Janet Buck (NJ)  
 Janice Bugg (TN)  
 Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)  
 Eileen Camarena (NJ)  
 Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6****HOSEA 12-14 (Burkina Faso 9.5M)**

Dallas &amp; Anne Campbell (VA)

Cliff & Laura Cannon (FL)  
 Robin & Teresa Carlson (NJ)  
 Robert & Anita Carroll (VA)

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7****JOEL 1-3 (Burma 56.9M)**

Mary Columbus (VA)  
 Kathie Connolly (VA)  
 Larry & Sue Cooper (DE)  
 Foster Covington (VA)  
 Barry & Melanie Cox (VA)  
 Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)  
 Jerry & Joan Crain (SC)

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8****AMOS 1-2 (Burundi 11.1M)**

Robert/Charlotte Crout (SC)  
 Dufrene/Peggy Cummings (NC)  
 Barbara Custalow (VA)  
 John Davis (VA)  
 Harold & Tama Decker (NY)  
 Robert & Janice DeLong (VA)  
 Carolyn Dodd (VA)  
 Michael & Diane Eagle (VA)  
 Katherine Eaton (ME)  
 Bessie Eggleston (MD)  
 Lynn Elkins (TN)  
 Jeff & Leann Englert (KY)

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

Don & Mary Enoch (FL)  
 Eric & Mary Farel (VA)  
 Larry & Cara Fields (VA)  
 John & Susan Finnessy (MD)  
 James & Ruth Flanagan (GA)  
 Nancy Fowser (NJ)  
 Freedom Through Faith (MD)  
 Bob Tribodeau, Pastor  
 Claire/MaryAnn Fredstrom (NE)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10****AMOS 3-5 (Cabo Verde 553,432)**

Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)  
 James Fugate (CA)  
 Travis & Emilee Fulcher (VA)  
 John & Kim Gaines (MD)  
 Pauline Garrett (NJ)  
 Ron & Kay Gavette (VA)  
 Sara George (GA)

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11****AMOS 6-8 (Cambodia 1.6M)**

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)

**WED, SEPTEMBER 12****AMOS 9-11 Cameroon (24.4M)**

Linda Gregory (UT)  
 Charles Hale (VA)  
 Mike Hall (IN)  
 Joy Harper (VA)  
 Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN)  
 Sadie Harris (VA)  
 Hazel Hartless (VA)  
 Mary Pat Hendrick (VA)  
 Jim Hengoed (CT)  
 Gina Henry (VA)  
 J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA)

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13****OBADIAH (Canada 35.4M)**

Jack Henry (TN)  
 James & Kathryn Henry (MS)  
 Mark Henry (TN)  
 Melody Henry (VA)  
 Roger & Sara Henry (OH)  
 Sean & Bethany Henry (VA)  
 Ed & Donna Hindson (VA)  
 Steve & Donna Hensel (MN)  
 Frank & Pat Hitchings (VA)  
 Jeff Hodge (VA)  
 Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA)

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14****JONAH (Cayman Isles 57,268)**

Joanna Holland (VA)  
 John & Glenda Holland (VA)  
 Anita Horton (VA)  
 Mike & Sonya Hosick (TN)  
 Coy Hunsucker (NC)  
 Joyce Hunt (TN)  
 Wilbert/Almaretta Hupp (PA)  
 Ed Hurlow (IN)  
 Tide & Bunmi Iware (MD)  
 Vernelle Jenkins (MD)  
 Paul/Suzanne Jennings (TN)  
 Jonathan & Julia Jobe (SC)

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15****MICAH 1-2 (Central Af Rep (5.5 M))**

Bob & Rhonda Johnson (VA)  
 Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY)  
 Gwen Johnson (AZ)  
 Jim & Penny Johnson (KY)  
 Rick & Betsy Johnson (TN)  
 James Jones (FL)  
 Paul Jones (KY)  
 Theodore/Sherry Jones (MD)  
 W I & Eloise Jones (SC)  
 Judy Jordan (VA)

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**

Mohan Katta (IL)  
 Suzie Kauffmann (NC)  
 Harper/Shelia Keebaugh (PA)  
 Harriet Kennedy (VA)  
 Kerby Knob Baptist Ch (KY)  
 Daren Hisel, Pastor

Louis & Jane Kiger (VA)  
 Larry & Janet King (NC)  
 Robert/Andrea Klepper (TN)  
 Mark & Lois Knolls (DE)  
 Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

**MTCAH 3-5 (Chad 11.9M)**

Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI)  
 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)

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

**MTCAH 6-7 (Chile 17.7MM)**

Liberty University (VA)  
 Jerry Falwell Jr., President  
 Mike & Earlene Lips (MS)  
 Vince/Mary Lobisco (MI)  
 Ray & Bobbie Long (WV)  
 Don & Betty Lowry (SC)  
 Manship Chapel (DE)

Bruce & Vickie Tibbett  
 Maranatha Baptist Ch (MD)  
 Wilma Marcum (KY)  
 Nick & Pat Markham (VA)

**WED., SEPTEMBER 19**

**NAHUM (China 1.4B)**

Reg & Gloria Martin (OH)  
 Larry & Sue Mason (VA)  
 Beau Ware Masonry (VA)  
 Deborah Mathias (NY)  
 Murray/Loretta Mathis (TN)  
 Dan & Fay McConville (VA)  
 R. O. & June McHaney (VA)  
 Nancy McPherson (ME)  
 Don & Barbara Meduna (CO)  
 Memorial Christian Ch (VA)  
 Terry/Sandra Metzgar (TN)

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

**HABAKKUK (Christmas Isle 2,205)**

Betsy Miedema (MI)  
 Roger & Nancy Minney (VA)  
 Keith & Joan Mistretta (ME)  
 Bill & Sharon Moody (VA)  
 Ronald & Wilma Moore (NC)  
 Joseph & Doris Moos (NJ)  
 Drever/Robert Morton (VA)  
 Elaine Moser (MN)  
 Eileen Murphy GCCC (NJ)  
 Bob & Diane Nichols (VA)  
 NE Baptist College (VT)  
 President Mark Ballard  
 Oconto Gospel Chapel (WI)  
 Peter Dorn, Pastor  
 Zach & Jackie Olcott (VA)

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**

**ZEPHANIAH (Cocos 596)**

Ann Palumbo (PA)  
 Raleigh & Janet Parker (VA)  
 Cliff & Mary Pavalonis (VA)  
 Pecks Baptist Church (VA)  
 Bryan Sheehan, Pastor  
 Jack & Carolyn Peerman (VA)  
 Jim & Barb Peterson (MI)  
 Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA)  
 Barbara Powell (NY)  
 Elbert/Barbara L. Powell (VA)  
 Marshall & Lois Powell (KY)  
 Jeanne/Maggie Pribble (VA)  
 Marjorie Randall (TX)

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

**HAGGAI (Colombia 47.2M)**

Dave Ricker (ME)  
 Joyce Riley (KY)  
 Calvin & Valerie Ritchey (VA)  
 Cynthia Roach (VA)  
 John & Sandra Roberts (NC)  
 Dorlos/Betty Robinson (MS)  
 Isabel Robotham (NY)  
 James & Shelly Rode (FL)  
 Clark & Marie Rogers (VA)

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

**ZECHARIAH 1-3 (World 7.3 Billion)**

Fred & Wanda Rolater (TN)  
 Bob & Marlene Rose (MI)  
 John Saint (PA)  
 Don/Marie Satterwhite (MO)  
 Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA)  
 Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

**ZECHARIAH 3-4 (Comoros 744,198)**

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

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

**ZECHARIAH 3-4 (Congo DR 81.3M)**

St. Paul Baptist Church (IN)  
 C. L. Adams, Pastor  
 Walt & Betty Sommers (VA)  
 Helen Sourlis (MD)  
 Randy & Cheryl Stauter (MN)  
 Tim & Pam Steger (ID)

**WED., SEPTEMBER 26**

**ZECHARIAH 5-6 (Congo 4.9M)**

Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA)  
 Charles Stinson (VA)

Johnny/Rose M. Street (TX)  
 William Suttles (NC)  
 Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)  
 Brian/Janice Tarraferro (TX)  
 Billy & Sharon Taylor (PA)

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

**ZECHARIAH 7-8 (Cook Isle 0,556)**

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

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**

**ZECH 9-11 (Costa Rica 4.9M)**

William & Katie Toney (NC)  
 Carroll/Ouida Troutman (KY)  
 Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY)  
 Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY)  
 Joe & Benita Troutman (KY)  
 Malcom Troutman (KY)  
 Marshall/Mary Troutman (KY)  
 Frances Turpin (VA)  
 Sara Underwood (TN)  
 Patrick & Patricia Vaden (TN)  
 Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ)

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**

**ZECH 12-14 (Ivory Coast 23.7M)**

Jane Verkaik (MI)  
 George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ)  
 Patsy Ann Voss (DE)  
 Michael & Sandra Ward (IN)  
 Beau/Ashley/Willow/Will Ware (VA)  
 Kay Warmerdam (TX)  
 Joyce Warpoole (TEN)  
 Holland & Mary Warren (VA)  
 Rodger Watts (WI)  
 Naomi Webb (NJ)  
 Frank & Nell Weer (KY)  
 Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY)  
 Paul & Diane Wieland (PA)  
 Reg/Mary Ann Wilburn (VA)

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

**MALACHI (USA 324.6)**

Jeff Williamson (FL)  
 Ken & Carol Willis (VA)  
 Julie L. Wilson (PA)  
 Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA)  
 Eva Winebarger (VA)  
 Amos & Celia Wipf (GA)  
 Jon & Selena Wood (PA)  
 Layden Wood (VA)  
 Yeshua Ministries (TN)  
 Frank Bell, Pastor  
 Fred & Susan Zeller (VA)



## 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 5:14**). **You never have to bear your burden alone.**

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**Melody Henry (VA)**  
**Bruce Kirby [Wanda] (KY)**  
**Edra Landers [Phil] (OK)**  
**Jean Smith [Jim] (KY)**  
**Willie Troutman [Diane] (KY)**  
**Dr. Harold Willmington [Sue] (VA)**



**Thanks for your prayers.**  
**Melody has two more chemo treatments. The Henrys are closer to the Lord as a result of this event in our lives.**

**DO YOU HAVE THE PEOPLE  
 OF THE WORLD ON YOUR  
 HEART?  
 DON'T FORGET TO PRAY!**

## IN LOVING MEMORY

"absent from the body,  
 present with the Lord"  
 2 Corinthians 5:8

### DOORKEEPERS

Frank Geiger

9/29/1928-2/15/2018

Honolulu, Hawaii

Dr. W. Jim Britt

1948-7/3/2018

Ashburn, Georgia

Briggs Hensley

12/21/1938-7/28/2018

Forest, Virginia

**PLEASE KEEP YOUR REFLECTOR  
 IN YOUR BIBLE FOR DAILY  
 REFERENCE FOR THOSE ON  
 THE DOORKEEPER PRAYER  
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**SEPTEMBER IS LETTER-  
 WRITING MONTH!**

## FAITH AT WORK

Have you ever noticed the way that God multiplies your faith when you begin praising Him? There are times when it is more important to praise God than to pray a prayer of intercession—to seek His face, not His hand, to seek the Gift, not the Giver. Praise lifts your eyes from your circumstances to your Almighty Father who is Ruler over all. Not one circumstance in your life can come without His permission, and that means that He has a way of causing it to work together with other things for His glory and your good. **PRAISE IS FAITH AT WORK.**

Praise lifts your eyes from the battle to the victory, for Christ is already Victor; and though we do not yet see all things under His feet, they are there (**Hebrews 2:8; Ephesians 1:22**) in a divine reality. When you need faith, go to God's Word, read, and begin praising Him. These two go together as naturally as hydrogen and oxygen together make water. Stop worrying, fearing; try praising. You need faith? **PRAISE THE LORD.**

## SIN IN THE CAMP

'Get up! Why do you lie thus on your face? Israel has sinned, and they have also transgressed My covenant which I commanded them" (**Joshua 7:10**). "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me" (**Psalms 66:18**).

Tests come to one and all. In each crisis when God meets the soul in a new way, He brings unspeakable joy, new peace, a touch of His glory, and **praise is as inevitable as for**

**water to flow from a fountain.** Whenever the clouds of darkness begin to hide God's loving face, praise is the quickest way through to His glorious light again. **Today, is your life lacking in joy? Be sure there is no hidden sin, then just start praising the Lord.** As in the life of King David, sin robs the believer of the joy of God's salvation. The good news is that God is ready to restore the joy when you repent, confess, and receive His forgiveness.

The picture drawn in an incident at Ai, as the children of Israel moved into the Promised Land is haunting, indeed. After the destruction of Jericho is recounted, a striking statement is given: "So the Lord was with Joshua, and his fame spread throughout all the country" (**Joshua 6:27**). God had promised Israel a land flowing with milk and honey as their inheritance. After wandering in the wilderness for forty years, it was time for them to enter in to claim His promises. The account of their defeat at Ai is given. The word had been that Israel need not send a large contingency into battle, "Do not weary all the people there, for the people of Ai are few" (7:3). Consequently, about three thousand men went up. Amazingly enough, they were routed by the men of Ai: "And the men of Ai struck down about thirty-six men, for they chased them from before the gate as far as Shebarim, and struck them down on the descent; therefore the hearts of the people [of Israel] melted like water" (7:5).

One thing that Joshua had learned serving as Moses' second-in-command was what to do when trouble comes—take your burdens to

the Lord in prayer. That is exactly what he did: "Then Joshua tore his clothes, and fell to the earth on his face before the ark of the Lord until evening, both he and the elders of Israel; and they put dust on their heads. And Joshua said, 'Alas, Lord God, why have You brought this people over the Jordan at all to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us? Oh, that we had been content, and dwelt on the other side of the Jordan" O Lord, what shall I say when Israel turns its back before its enemies? For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of the land will hear of it, and surround us, and cut off our name from the earth. Then what will You do for Your great name?" (7:6-9).

God heard the cry of Joshua and His answer was blunt and direct. "So the Lord said to Joshua: 'Get up! Why do you lie thus on your face? Israel has sinned, and they have also transgressed My covenant which I commanded them. For they have even taken some of the accursed things, and have both stolen and deceived; and they have also put it among their own stuff. Therefore the children of Israel could not stand before their enemies, but turned their backs before their enemies, because they have been doomed to destruction. Neither will I be with you any more, unless you destroy the accursed from among you. Get up, sanctify yourselves for tomorrow, because thus says the Lord God of Israel: There is an accursed thing in your midst, O Israel; you cannot stand before your enemies until you take away the accursed thing from among you"' (7:10-13). There was sin in the camp that had to be dealt

with before God's hand of blessing rested upon His children.

Every true Christian knows that before a revival will be sent by God, attention must be given to the Word of God and prayer. If you are not in the word of God, that is sin! A Christian who is not in the Word is not pleasing God. My own life did not change until I got in the Word for my own food, not for a message to preach. If you are not praying, that is sin! Actually, many of the statements related to prayer are commands. In the Old Testament, an example is **Jeremiah 33:3**: "Call to Me and I will answer you and show you great and mighty things which you know not." In the New Testament, Jesus Himself directed His followers: "Ask [and keep on asking], Seek [and keep on seeking], Knock [and keep on knocking] and it shall be given to you" (**Mathew 7:7**). Disobedience is sin to be dealt with without exception.

If you are not in the Word and are not praying, you need not expect a revival to come to the your life or in the lives of the people of God until there are behavioral changes in these areas. That fact needs no debating. "If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from Heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land" (**2 Chronicles 7:14**). Then, why wait? Why not pray?

Sin for the Christian has two aspects. God says in His Word that there are some things that I do not want my children to do. What is sin for the Christian? Doing forbidden things. What am I doing that God does not want me to do? Then God says in His Word that are some

things that He wants all His children to do, such as reading His Word, praying, witnessing, giving, serving. What am I not doing that He wants me to do? You and I can be sure that God does not require a gold vessel or a silver vessel to do His work. But He does require a clean vessel. Revival starts with kneeling down before a mighty God and asking that He show you sin in your life. Conviction is becoming conscious of sin and that is the role of the Holy Spirit and He usually uses His Word to show sins. Are you serious about a closer walk with your Lord and Savior? Learn to deal daily with any sin in your life. It is then that you can yield and surrender to the Holy Spirit. As you get in the Word you will know His will more clearly and more fully.

Don't be surprised if Satan makes a move when you become serious about your spiritual life. I can imagine the conversation. He will say, "What is it that you intend to do?" You explain that you are going to get into the Word and become a prayer warrior. He will say, "You?" and immediately he will bring up your past to prove you cannot reach the heights of closeness to the Lord that is available.

It is at that moment that you need to follow John's instruction in his epistle to the church in Ephesus. His words were, "My little children [note, this is a term for Christians], these things write I unto you that you sin {a lifestyle of sin} not; but if any man sins [misses the mark unintentionally] we have an **Advocate**, the Lord Jesus Christ" (1 John 2:1). A participant in a prayer seminar at Marion State Prison (Ohio) said that an "Advocate" is a defense attorney. And that is true! When Satan begins to accuse you of a past that has been

cleansed by the Blood of Jesus, you can respond to him: "If you want to talk about my past, I can't talk to you. Go see my Attorney." He will have no answer to your words because they are true.

Actually, you have a model who is the exemplar of a believer wanting to be clean before God. That is David praying for himself recorded in **Psalm 139:23-24**: "Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me, and know my thoughts; and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me, in the way everlasting." Ask God to show you the sins in your life, when he does, make a sin list! Begin by praying a prayer like David's prayer. Once you know there is a sin, there is something that you must do: **repent**. Related to cleansing, this means that you have changed your mind about the sin. Then you must **confess** (naming the sin specifically that the Holy Spirit has convicted you of doing). The wonderful thing is that the moment you confess a sin you have God's forgiveness. Through the blood of Jesus, you are cleansed. Then as you yield and surrender to the Holy Spirit, you will understand more fully what He wants and, with His help, you can be "doers of the Word and not hearers" only (**James 1:22**).

Revival in America is in your hands. It is in my hands. Hands folded in prayer. That is the hope for revival in your life, your family, your church, and your nation. Are you ready to get off to yourself and ask God to show you your sins? Are you ready to stroll down Halleluljah Avenue? God is counting on us. It is time to deal with sins. It is time for revival and renewal.

Zechariah 8:21b



# Spiritual Preparation for Overseeing God's Work

JGHM Board Meeting  
Friday, August 3, 2018  
Murfreesboro, Tennessee

**EXPLANATION:** Each meeting of the J. Gordon Henry Board begins with a brief Bible study to prepare our hearts for doing His work for the prayer seminar ministry. What follows is the study for Meeting # 136. The first meeting of the Board was in May 1984. **Dr. Murray Mathis**, at that time, pastor, Third Baptist Church, Murfreesboro, Tennessee was elected chairman. He is still the board chairman and the board meetings are generally in the Mathis home. We thank God for the precious men and women who serve with us so faithfully: **Susanne Adams** (Vice Chairman), **Beverly Blankenship**, **Sue Henry**, **Loretta Mathis**, **Murray Mathis**, **Jackie Thomason**, **W. D. Thomason**, **Paula Tipton**, and **Joyce Warpoole** (Secretary-Treasurer). A number who have served are now enjoying life in Heaven. **Barbara Custalow** (VA), **Glenda Holland** (VA), and **John Holland** (VA) serve Honorary Board Members. Our attorney is **Paul Jennings** (TN).

"From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work which they had completed. And when they had come and gathered the church together, they reported all that God had done with them, and that He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles." (Acts 14:26-27).

## "Commended to the grace of God"

When the church at Antioch sent out Paul and his team as the first missionaries, they were "commended to the grace of God." The believers in Antioch trusted in the Lord to impart sufficient grace for this demanding mission. When the work was over, they gathered the church together and rehearsed all that God had done with them and how He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.

## The first missionary journey

What an amazing journey it was as they constantly faced obstacles place after place. Early in the trip, as they attempted to reach a local official in Cyprus, they encountered a false prophet, Elymas. Paul boldly

confronted his opponent, by the power of the Spirit: "O full of deceit and all fraud, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the straight ways of the Lord?" (Acts 13:10). When the Lord struck the sorcerer blind, the official believed.

Then, in Perga, Paul effectively preached the risen Christ in the synagogue. "Almost the whole city came together to hear the Word of God" (Acts 13:44). When strong, ugly opposition arose, the team offered the Gospel to the Gentiles. "When the Gentiles heard this, they were glad and glorified the word of the Lord . . . And the word of the Lord was being spread throughout all the region" (v 48a 49).

Next in Iconium, there was much

fruit in spite of substantial opposition from the Jews. "... A great multitude both of the Jews and also of the Greeks believed. But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles, and [poisoned their minds]" against the brethren. Therefore they stayed there a long time, speaking boldly in the Lord, who was bearing witness to the word of His grace" (Acts 14:1-3).

Later at Lystra, Paul was stoned by those who resisted the gospel. Yet, he would not be silent, continued to Derbe and other towns. "And when they had preached the gospel to that city and made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium,

and Antioch, strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith" (Acts 14:21-22).

Now, the missionaries are back at their home church in Antioch. The work God intended was finished because His grace brings His work to completion. **Remember, they had been commended to the grace of God for the work which they had completed.** Then, when they brought their report, the spoke of what God did, not what they did. "They reported all that God had done with them" (v 27).

### The lesson

FOR the past thirty-six years, God has given to **JGHM** an itinerant ministry going to different venues sharing the Word of God both in the United States and other nations. We have never encountered the level of opposition that Paul did. However, times are changing. When **Adam & Dianna Nathanson** were returning to their home in Venezuela a few months ago, the elders of their churches in Caracas asked them to remain in Panama City since it was unsure that their safety would be certain in Venezuela. There are dangers in Nigeria, in Kenya, in Pakistan. In fact, our representatives in Pakistan have asked that we not use their personal names nor advertise the places for prayer seminars in that nation. We are reminded to rely upon His grace to sustain us, not our strength. Often when we trust ourselves, we end up with an unfinished job. Because our work is through His grace, when our responsibilities are completed, we give all glory to God. One prayer request to our board members and our Doorkeeper family is for them to commend every individual who teaches to the grace of God for the work they are doing. His grace will be sufficient.

**SEPTEMBER IS LETTER-WRITING MONTH AND HAS BEEN FOR DECADES. THROUGH THE REFLECTOR AND OTHER TIMES, WE COMMUNICATE WITH YOU. PERHAPS WE ONLY HAVE A FEW MORE SEPTEMBERS TO COMMUNICATE ON THIS EARTH. THUS, THIS IS AN IMPORTANT EVENT IN MY LIFE! SPECIAL!**

# Everything by Prayer Ministries International

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The Nathansons: David, Dianna, Adam, Daniel

As the years have rapidly sped by, we have been increasingly aware that there would come a day when a leadership change would be in order due to my age and other family responsibilities. The board members have been praying for the Lord's guidance in the matter. Other have joined in praying for the Lord to raise up a leader.

**Adam and Dianna Nathanson** are missionaries to Venezuela. He has been Dr. Henry's Spanish/Portuguese interpreter in many nations. Although he will continue his missionary status, Adam has agreed to serve as JGHM's Vice President and Senior Teacher. Already, he has been teaching prayer seminars in several nations as well as the United States.

Plans are for Dr. Henry to continue his leadership (business as usual) until September 30, 2020, his eighty-fifth birthday. He asked the board members to rename the ministry noting that the present name might one day be a hindrance to the prayer seminar ministry. After considering a number of names, the decision was to change the name to **EVERYTHING BY PRAYER MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL**. Coupled with the ministry logo, there could never be misunderstanding about the purpose of the ministry.

The board unanimously approved the new name and it became in effect on August 18, 2018 and will be transitioned in during the next few months. The runner-up name was **Lighthouses of Prayer Ministries International**. The board agreed that we must continue using the lighthouse of prayer paradigm.

In all probability Dr. Henry will limit his international and domestic travel. He will continue to edit **the Reflector** and coordinate the support for the work in other nations. When Adam travels to other nations, JGHM will raise funds for international travel, for prayer seminar workbooks/pens and other costs related to the seminars. Adam will be responsible for arranging domestic travel on the trips as well as food and lodging.

Please put the Nathansons on your daily prayer list.

## B I B L E EMERGENCY NUMBERS

When in sorrow .....	John 14
When man fails you .....	Psalms 27
When you have sinned.....	Psalms 51
When you have worry.....	Matthew 6:19-34
When you are in danger.....	Psalms 91
When God seems far away.....	Psalms 139
When your faith needs stirring.....	Hebrews 11
When you are lonely and fearful.....	Psalms 23
When you grow bitter and critical.....	1 Corinthians 13
When you feel down and out.....	Romans 8:31-37
When you want peace and rest.....	Matthew 11:25-30
When the world seems bigger than God.....	Psalms 90
When you want Christian assurance.....	Romans 8:8-30
When you leave home for labor or travel.....	Psalms 121
When your prayers grow narrow and selfish.....	Psalms 67
When you want courage for a task.....	Joshua 1
To get along with your fellowman.....	Romans 12
For a great intervention or opportunity.....	Isaiah 55
For Paul's secret to happiness.....	Colossians 3:12-17
If you want to be fruitful.....	John 15
If your pocketbook is empty.....	Psalms 37
If you're lacking confidence in people.....	1 Corinthians 13
If people seem unkind.....	John 15
If discouraged about your work.....	Psalms 126
Find the world growing small and yourself great.....	Psalms 119

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praised;  
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He's the Lord of Glory,  
The Ancient of Days;  
The Great "I Am";  
He is worthy to be  
praised.