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2007

A YEAR OF FRUITFULNESS

"... let us go on..."

Hebrews 6:1

God, in His providence and mercy, has given us the gift of a New Year—2007. In His wisdom and goodness, He hides from our eyes the course of future events. I'm glad that I do not know what is going to happen this year! But I do know Who is directing my life, and my goal for this year is to be sensitive to His leading that I might live each day in His will. Living that way, whatever comes in 2007 will be for my good and for God's glory. I could ask for nothing more. I am sure that you join me in this desire for the New Year.

New Year's resolutions are frowned upon by some because they are so quickly forgotten. In my mind, however, it is good for every Christian to begin the New Year by taking account of how he is investing his time and by establishing priorities and goals for the next twelve months. Time does pass quickly, and each of us would do well to make decisions today that will guide our daily lives.

Here are a few thoughts to help you plan for a year of fruitfulness.

God is able! God is willing! God is waiting! We must order our lives around prayer. The sovereign God has ordained prayer as the tool to get His work done. Prayer is the work that must come before the "greater works" that Jesus promised in **John 14:12-14**. God's command is crystal clear: "Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know" (**Jeremiah 33:3**). Am I obeying His command to pray?

A DAILY PRAYER. Father through Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit, I come to you in prayer. Jesus said to ask, seek, and knock. My intention is to pray without ceasing today. I know that life is fragile and I must handle it with prayer. I know you are able, willing, and waiting for me to call on you asking for specific things to be done for Your glory. May the Holy Spirit keep my eyes directly on You. I ask for a spirit of prayer in Jesus' name. Amen."

Jesus is Lord! Our lives, as Christians, must be built on an unconditional, absolute surrender to Jesus Christ as Lord. Have you developed the "Yes, Lord!" attitude or do you maintain the veto power? This is the key question: "Is there any area of my life where I am reserving the right to make final decisions?" "And He is the head of the body, the church . . . that in all things He may have the preeminence" (**Colossians 1:18**).

A DAILY PRAYER: "Father, You have made Jesus Lord over all. I surrender myself afresh to Him this day. Jesus, I acknowledge Your right to reign over every area of my life. My life is not my own, it is Yours. May my choices, my actions, my words, my attitudes, and even my thoughts reflect Your Lordship. In Your name, I ask and surrender gladly to Your will and way. Amen."

"For me to live is [for Christ to live all over again]" (**Philippians 1:21**).

God's thoughts are revealed in His Word! The Word of God must determine our thinking, direct our decision-making, and reign supreme over every area of our lives. Is there any biblical truth that I know but am not obeying?

A DAILY PRAYER: "Father, more and more I understand that You reveal Your will and ways

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Perspectives

For those who are willing for it to be so, a new year offers an opportunity to have a fresh beginning. As you assess your spiritual progress, don't waste time in regret over things that you did not accomplish last year. There is a land of beginning again. Although it could be any day for a Christian, what better time is there than the beginning of a new year? Certainly one key area to focus on is prayer.

God's provision for His people has always been prayer. Prayer history began when men began to call on the name of the Lord (**Genesis 4:26b**). During our seminars in Peru in June 2006, the Holy Spirit brought to my mind a way to remind the Peruvians what is needed for God to "do great and mighty things" even beyond our expectations (**Jeremiah 33:3**). He lead me to state **GOD IS ABLE, GOD IS WILLING, and GOD IS WAITING!** We, too, need to be so reminded. Think with me about the place of prayer in our lives as we enter into 2007. It is important to understand that God wants us to order our lives around prayer—pray about everything is the general guideline. Jesus Himself said that "men ought always to pray and not faint" (**Luke 18:1**).

A basic definition

What is prayer for the Christian? Prayer is coming to the Father through the Son in the power of the Holy Spirit for self (petition) and for others (intercession). Prayer is to "our Father" according to the pattern for praying given by Jesus in the Model Prayer. John saw the Father sitting on His throne in Heaven (**Revelation 4**) and Jesus is at His right hand (**Romans 8:34**). There is only one way to get to the Father and that is through the Son (**John 14:6**). His name is the authority to open the storehouse of Heaven. The power for prayer is the Holy Spirit who is our interpreter as we bring either words or groanings to the Father (**Romans 8:26**). Amazing! The moment we join to pray both Jesus and the Holy Spirit join us.

Touching three worlds

Prayer touches three worlds. When we touch Heaven, we look toward God with praise for who He is and that is worship. When we touch earth, we look at people and circumstances and that is work. Finally, when we touch hell, we look toward Satan and that is warfare. One reason that Satan does not want us to pray is that genuine prayer brings his defeat. We need to touch all three worlds, but there is a desperate need for us to do the prayer work as a church and as an individual. God is looking for intercessors.

Intercession—touching earth

As we look at our world, our lives and the lives of those around us, we see the need for a fresh touch from God upon us all. There is much work that needs to be done in our families and in our nation. Prayer is the work that must come before all other work in the Lord's service. God is "sovereign," which means that He has final say. The sovereign God has ordained prayer as the tool to get His work done. "Ordained" means that He has laid it out ahead of time. He has established the boundaries and the parameters under which we most serve Him. God works only in concert with the praying of His people.

Prayer is the work that must come before all other work. Most of us are familiar with **John 14:12-14**, which I call the "Greater Works Passage." Jesus told His disciples that they would do greater works than He had done during His time on earth. If you don't keep on reading, however, you will never have a clue as to what this incredible pronouncement means. He said, "as you ask things in My name." Asking in His name is prayer. Prayer must come before greater works are done. God is able! God is ready! God is waiting for us to pray!

Most believers think that prayer is mostly prefix and suffix—what you do before you begin and finish work for the Lord. It is the work which must undergird all other work—such as evangelism, teaching, or preaching. Work implies spending energy. It is important to know that prayer requires energy and time.

The need

Few Christians are prayed for regularly by anyone after they become Christians. You can pretty well say to a new convert, "I'm glad you came to Christ. I hope everything goes well for you. But you are on your own now." Most unsaved people are never prayed for by anyone. Failing to pray for others is one of the greatest sins of the church. One can actually say that the failure of the church is the failure of prayer.

In Isaiah's day, God looked down from Heaven and saw all the people living in Israel and Judah—and "wondered that there were no intercessors" (**Isaiah 59:16**).

We need to pray for the lost regularly. Consider the people who live in the fifth house from your church building. Ask yourself if they have ever heard the name of Jesus in a saving sense one time. Are they going to Heaven when they die? Who is praying for them? The answer usually is "Nobody!" If you are not praying for your children, nobody else is. The need of the hour is intercessors!

Do you have the world on your heart, yet? There are close to six billion people on earth. Many believe that two out of three have never heard the name Jesus in a saving sense (the Gospel) one time. Isn't it time for us to begin to pray earnestly for the Gospel be available for the unreached people? Are you praying for laborers? Are you praying for missionaries?

In order to become intercessors, it is important for a believer to understand biblical teachings that govern this aspect of praying. I have written **Intercession: Prayer as Work** not only to provide basic knowledge, but to provide practical suggestions that will motivate you to become an intercessor and to help your church become a praying church. Copies are available through our office.

May 2007 be the year when we make prayer the top priority in our lives and in our churches. Remember, God is able, God is willing, but He is waiting for us to call on Him (**Jeremiah 33:3**).

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry

Step by step

He does not lead me year by year
Nor even day by day,
But step by step my path unfolds;
My Lord directs my way.

Tomorrow's plans I do not know,
I only know this minute;
But He will say, "This is the way,
By faith now walk ye in it."

And I am glad it is so,
Today's enough to bear;
And when tomorrow comes, His grace
Shall far exceed its care.

What need to worry then, or fret?
The God who gave His Son
Holds all my moments in His hand
And gives them, one by one.

Barbara C. Rybert

No new notes needed

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

Vance Havner

Always true

A wise man observed: "The great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, but in what direction we are moving." Take stock to see that you are moving in God's direction, which will one day lead Home.

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through Your Word. As I open my Bible today, I bow before the supreme authority of Your Word. Please increase my hunger and love for the Scripture. Help me to meditate on it and obey it with all my being. Today, may Your Word shape my thinking and guide my decision-making in every area of my life. In Jesus' name, I ask, for Your glory. Amen."

The Holy Spirit is our power! When we are dependent upon, directed, and energized by the Holy Spirit, the supernatural power of God is manifested in and through our lives. Am I depending on my own abilities, or on the power of the Spirit, to live the Christian life and to serve the Lord?

A DAILY PRAYER. "Thank You, Father, for sending the Holy Spirit to live in me to comfort, lead, and purify me. I want to live this day in the realm of the supernatural, not depending on my natural strength and abilities, but drawing upon the power of Christ. I submit to His control. Through the Spirit, produce in me today the likeness of Your Son, Jesus Christ. In His name, I ask. Amen."

"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" (Psalm 139:23-24).

- ✓ Am I walking by faith depending on the Lord step by step?
- ✓ Am I reflecting the excellence of God's character in my appearance, my attitudes, and my work?
- ✓ Is there any truth I am communicating to others, that I am not practicing in my own life?
- ✓ Am I a servant of Christ and of His people?
- ✓ Is there anyone that I do not esteem better than myself, or that I am unwilling to serve?
- ✓ If revival depended on my prayers, my faith, and my obedience, would my country ever experience revival?

**MY GOAL: TO BEAR MUCH FRUIT
FOR THE LORD JESUS CHRIST
IN 2007**

Annual Report—2006

"... that those who sow and those who reap may rejoice together ..." (John 4:36).

Forty-seven **prayer seminars** were conducted during 2006 in sixteen states (AL, AK, CA, FL, GA, IL, KS, KY, MI, NC, OH, SC, TN, VA, WA, WV) and three nations (Kenya, Peru, South Africa). Miles traveled totaled 52,766 with ninety-seven days on the road. We have now conducted 1,252 seminars in forty-six states, the District of Columbia, and forty-seven nations with miles traveled totaling 2,133,599.

2007 has been a banner year for the number of prayer seminars. Not only have seminars been conducted by several pastor/teachers in the United States, there have been numerous seminars in other countries including Pakistan, Kenya, Congo, Nigeria, and South Africa.

Other Ministry

Other ministry included:

Sermons preached	15
Devotionals	4
Evangelism clinics	3
Leaders' conferences	2
Baptismal service	1
Mid-week service	1
Wedding	1

Twenty-six years of blessings

Looking back over the prayer seminar ministry, we can only say that "this is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes" (Psalm 118:23). JGHM is a faith ministry depending on the gifts of our **Doorkeepers** and other friends. Thank you for giving to the Lord to make this ministry possible year after year.

REFLECTOR MILESTONE

With this issue, the **Reflector** begins its fifty-third year of publication. With joy, we prepare copy month by month to encourage believers in their Christian walk. We trust that each issue is a blessing to you and your family.

THE ANT'S EVANGELISM: TELL A FRIEND!

The story is told of a man who laid a piece of sweetbread on a table, and then picked up an ant and placed it on the sweetbread. He was astonished to see the little creature rapidly descend by one of the table legs and seek his fellow ants. They seemed to understand the news!

The ant then turned back at once, followed by a long train of his fellow ants, and conducted them to the prize.

ARE THERE NOT MANY WHO KNOW THE SWEETBREAD OF GOSPEL SALVATION WHO MIGHT LEARN A LESSON FROM THE ANT? Let us determine to share our Lord with lost friends and loved ones who so desperately need the Lord Jesus Christ. Remember, dear friends, ***There are no exit signs in hell!***

Then, what about those of you who have found the sweetbread of a prayer seminar's blessings? ***Would you take the time and make the effort to share information about the prayer seminar ministry?*** Sometime ago a gift was received with a note. The person said that he wanted to have a part in helping others through this ministry. One of the most important ways you can help is to be sure that other churches know about the availability of the prayer seminar ministry and the impact it made on your life. **TELL A FRIEND!**

F. B. Meyer, noted preacher from another generation, said, "*The greatest work that any of us can do for another, whether young or old, is to teach the soul to draw its water from the wells of God.*" I have found the great joy of teaching God's children to draw water from the wells of God and see how refreshing a drink is.

You can help others learn to drink from the Word of God for themselves by helping us schedule prayer seminars. Do you know of a pastor or a church that you believe would profit from the prayer seminar? Pray and then go urging them to seek the will of the Lord about scheduling a prayer seminar.

Here are a few testimonies: "*Refreshing! Like a drink of cool water!*" —BSW (FL); "A

shot in the arm! Very spiritual!"—S/JW (FL); "*One of the spiritual highlights of my life!*"—DS, NY; "*My life will never be the same. I have received a great blessing. Thank you for...loving enough to come.*"—AR (FL). "*Your seminar has been like lighter fluid on a burning ember! I could just see the Holy Spirit bring to light the truths you so beautifully set forth. A raging fire of desire to glorify God and serve God through prayer has been kindled. Thank you! Your materials are excellent!*"—JEG (NY)

The first button

"If the first button of your coat is buttoned wrong, all the rest will be out of place."

So said Copernicus, the great scientist of yesteryear. What did he mean by his homely example?

Sometimes we make a wrong start in life. Shall we just keep buttoning down to the end and have all the rest out of place?

There is a better way. Why not make a new start and match things up better? Why not be extra careful to get the first button right?

We all make wrong starts. We all get our buttons mixed up sometimes, but mistakes do not have to be final. We can and should correct many of them.

There is a land of beginning again.

You can't do that . . .

Touch your ear with your elbow.

Discover where darkness goes when the light is turned on.

Always get what you want.

Explain eternity.

Think up answers fast enough to satisfy a small child.

Find any entrance into Heaven aside from Jesus Christ.

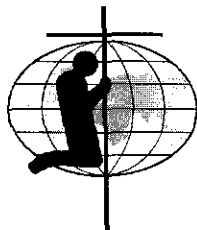
"I am the way, the truth and the life; no man comes to the Father, but by Me."

John 14:6

DOORKEEPER PRAYER CALENDAR

JANUARY 2007

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



MONDAY, JANUARY 1

Genesis 1-2 (Argentina 39.6M)

Wayne & Edie Aardsma (IL)
Burnace Abrams (OH)
Mae Adams (NC)
Marie Adams (VA)
Robert & Susanne Adams (TN)
Rosalee Adams (VA)
Norma Ailes (FL)
Leonor Avila (MD)
Lon & Denise Anderkin (FL)
Ron Anthony (MD)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

Genesis 3-5 (Australia 20M)

Milcie Arnold (VA)
Solomon & Kriskna Arrington (MD)
Kenneth Banks (NC)
Carolyn Barkley (NY)
Steven & Judi Bartelt (NJ)
Steven & Marie Basilici (KS)
Stan & Emily Baskin (TN)
John & Joan Bateman (PA)
Carter Mylam Baynes (NC)
Russell & Eleanor Beard (FL)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

Genesis 6-9 (Bahamas 301,790)

Jean Beasley (TN)
Tommy & Sue Bell (TN)
Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)
Ruel & Elizabeth Bennett (NY)
Johnny & Juanita Bernard (FL)
Ron & Teri Bernard (IL)
Bethesda Ministries
Jerry & Joan Crain (SC)
Dorothy Spickard Biddle (TN)
Stephen & Joyce Bishop (VA)

Everett & Deborah Boston (MD)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4

Genesis 10-11 (Bahamas 301,790)

Bob & Jewel Bouchard (KY)
William & Debbie Bowden (MD)
Gordon & Chole Ann Bowyer (VA)
Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)
Emilee & Kimberlee Bradshaw (VA)
Mike Bradshaw (SC)
Nancy Bretz (PA)
Von M. Bridges (TX)
Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)
Shirley Brown (VA)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

Genesis 12-14 (Botswana 1.6M)

Jack & Arretta Bruce (KY)
Freddie & Yvonne Brunson (DE)
Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)
Myron Buchholz (NY)
Alvin & Berthena Bullard (FL)
Ruby Burger (TN)
Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)
Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)
Lew & Mary Campbell (ID)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

Genesis 15-17 (Brazil 186.1M)

Joreatha Capers (FL)
Ron & Julia Carlin (AL)
Allen & Betty Carter (MD)
David & Martha Cecil (VA)
Merry J Chandler (MD)
Michael & Alice Chapin (WI)
Edith A. Charity (VA)
Margarie Coffee (VA)
Ted & Terry Cooper (SC)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

Foster & Georgia Covington (VA)
Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)
Robert & Charlotte Crout (SC)
Bill & Beverly Curtis (PA)
Lin & Barbara Custalow (VA)
Ida J. Davis (GA)
Lelia Dean (FL)
Harold & Tama Decker (NY)
Delmarva Evangelistic Church (MD)

Ruth Chamberlain, Pastor

MONDAY, JANUARY 8

Genesis 18-20 (Chile 16M)

Ken & Zommie Dietrich (WA)
Pat & Analee Doney (SC)
Mary J. Dugans (LA)
Walt Edwards (NC)
Paul & Joyce Eggleston (VA)
Grace Eldridge (NJ)
Lynn Elkins (TN)
Evalcna Enoch (VA)
Lynne Farrow (NJ)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

Genesis 21-24 (China 1.3B)

Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)
James Fritz (KY)
Raymond & Estelle Gabbard (KY)

Earl & Diane Garner (NY)

Frank & Pauline Garrett (NJ)
Ben & Colleen Garton (CO)
Frank & Doris Geiger (HI)
Robert & Sara George (GA)
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10
Genesis 25-26 (China 1.3B)
Frances Glass (AL)
Gloucester Co. Community Church

Bruce Sofia, Pastor (NJ)
Ronald & Maryann Gold (CO)
Juanita Granger (VA)
Evelina Graves (VA)
Odelther Gray (GA)
Terry & Linda Gregory (NJ)
Tim & Merry Gregory (VA)
Jim & Joyce Hengoed (FL/CT)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

Genesis 27-31 (Colombia 43M)

Doug Henry (TN)
J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA)
Mark Henry (TN)
Melody Henry (VA)
Roger Henry (OH)
Susan & Jam ey Henry (TN)
Joanna Holland (VA)
John & Glenda Holland (VA)
Jason & Marilyn Hooker (VA)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

Genesis 32-36 (Costa Rica 4M)

Russ & Dorothy Hornbaker (MI)
Mike & Sonya Hosick (VA)
Lamar & Cindy Sue Houser (MD)
Bonnie Houston (TN)
Coy Hunsucker (NC)
Joyce Hunt (TN)
Wilbert & Almaretta Hupp (PA)
Ed Hurlow (IN)

H. J. & Paula Hutchins (MS)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

Genesis 37-40 (Cuba 11.3M)

Oliver & Janic Jackson (NY)
Louis & April Jenkins (DC)
Vernelle Jenkins (MD)
Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN)
Peter & Millicent John (NY)
Dannie & Jayne Johnson (KY)
Jim & Penny Johnson (KY)
Tara Johnson (KY)
Wilbur/Gwendolyn Johnson (AZ)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

Paul & Deanna Jones (KY)
W I & Eloise Jones (SC)
Howard & Suzie Kauffmann (GA)
Shem Kaula (Nigeria)
Harper & Shelia Keebaugh (PA)
Joyce Kelley (OR)
Kerby Knob Baptist Church (KY)
Bruce Kirby, Pastor
Alice Kern (NJ)
Archie & Mary King (TN)

MONDAY, JANUARY 15

Genesis 41-44 (Fiji Islands 893,354)
 Robert & Andrea Klepper (TN)
 Clara Mae Klink (IN)
 Sherry Klutz (WA)

Quentin & Mary Knauer (OH)
 Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

Genesis 45-47 (France 60.7M)

Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI)
 Korean Branch:

Dr. Shin Kwang Suk
 David & Cathy Laing (FL)
 Craig & Molly Lampe (AZ)
 Phil & Loetta Landers (OK)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

Genesis 48-50 (England)

Charles & Cynthia Larson (MI)
 Stephen Latong (Nigeria)
 Bob Lawrence (MD)
 Raymond & Janet Lemay (VT)
 Glenn & Mary L. Littlepage (TN)
 Vincent & Mary Lobisco (MI/FL)
 N. P. London (Canada)

Ray & Bobbie Long (WV)
 Francis & Deirdre Lyons (ME)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

Exodus 1-2 (Germany 82.4M)

Manship Chapel (DE)
 Bud & Wilma Marcum (KY)
 Larry & Sue Mason (VA)
 Dan & Meribeth Martin (VA)
 Reginald & Gloria Martin (OH)

Deborah Mathais (NY)

Bill & Mirle Matheny (VA)
 Murray & Loretta Mathis (TN)
 Bill & Shirley Maybin (SC)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

Genesis 3-6 (India 1.1B)

Sid & Jane McLaughlin (AL)
 Jim & Lin McLean (MD)
 Leonard & Martha Meador (VA)
 Don & Barbara Meduna (CO)
 Memorial Christian Church (VA)

Bill & Becky Mentz (FL)
 Ken & Betsy Miedema (MI)
 Lewis & Martha Miller (IN)

Mike & Cherylann Miller (CO)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

Genesis 7-10 (Indonesia 242M)

Randy & Shirley Miller (CO)
 Earl & Marvel Mills (VA)
 Katherine Morgan (VA)
 Leslie & Tabitha Motsalane (South Africa)
 Adam & Dianna Nathanson (Venezuela)
 Bill & Lois Needham (WA)
 Chet & Betty Nichols (WA)
 Rebekah Norman (TN)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

Tom & Ann Palumbo (NJ)

Jim & Barb Peterson (MI)
 Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA)
 Luther & Leslie Poellnitz (MD)
 Ben Poplin (VA)
 Ayers & Nina Porter (TN)
 Marshall & Lois Powell (KY)
 Tom & Sue Powell (WA)
 Brandon Jeanne, Maggie Pribble (VA)

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

Exodus 11-12 (Italy 58.1M)

Maryann Primo (NY)
 Phyllis Reed (NH)
 Roscoe & Helen Richmond (GA)
 Earnest & Lucy Ricks (VA)
 Cynthia Roach (VA)
 Windi & Caleb Roach (OK)

John & Sandra Roberts (FL)

A. K. & Lula Robinson (GA)

David & Cathie Roche (IA)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

Exodus 13-15 (Jamaica 27M)

Clark & Marie Rogers (VA)
 Fred & Jeannette Rolater (TN)
 Bob & Shirley Rose (MI)
 John Saint (PA)
 Don & Marie Satterwhite (MD)
 Tyler & Rebecca Scarlett (VA)
 Dwayne Schmaltz (WI)
 Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

Exodus 16-18 (Israel 6.3M)

Philip & Wendy Schrauk (WI)
 Dennis & Monica Shannon (OH)
 Shenandoah Valley Baptist Ch (VA)

Eric Farel, Pastor
 Nellie F. Shepard (CT)
 Jasper & Sherilyn Sherrod (NJ)
 Sam & Lola Simpson (NY)
 Mary Skiles (KS)
 Doris Snyder (FL/OH)
 John & Helen Sourlis (MD)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

Exodus 19-20 (Japan 127.4M)

Wilfred & Merle St. Hillaire (NY)
 LeRoy & Suk Hi Standifer (WA)
 Onesimus Sule (Nigeria)
 Marion J. Stansell (TX)
 Tim & Pam Steger (ID)

Gordon & Carol Stewart (AZ)

Gary/Leta Fern Stillwagon (GA)

Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA/FL)

Johnny & Rose M. Street (AR)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

Exodus 21-24 (Kenya 34M)

Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)
 Brian & Janice Tarraferro (TX)
 Ron & Mazie Taylor (VA)
 Stephanie Taylor (GA)
 Matthew & Carrie Teysier (NJ)
 Mona Henry Thomas (VA)
 David & Montez Thompson (MI)
 Mildred V. Thompson (GA)

Paula Tipton (TN)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

Exodus 25-27 (S. Korea 48.4M)

William & Katie Toney (NC)
 Norb & Jo Totsky (WI)
 Virginia Trask (VA)
 Carrol & Ouida Troutman (KY)
 Malcolm Troutman (KY)
 Marshall & Mary Troutman (KY)
 Tommy & Frances Turpin (VA)
 Sara Underwood (TN)

Patrick & Patricia Vaden (TN)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

Harris & Jane Verkaik (MI/FL)
 George & Jeanette Vernarchik (NY)
 Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ)
 Tommy Waddell (TN)
 Horace & Becky Ward (NC)
 Michael & Sandra Ward (IN)
 Beau Ware (VA)
 Kay Warmerdam (TX)

Don & Joyce Warpoole (TN)

MONDAY, JANUARY 29

Exodus 28-31 (Malaysia 24M)

Melba Whitehurst (VA)
 Alan & Shirley Whitmore (TN)
 George & Virginia Whittier (FL)
 Paul & Diane Wieland (PA)
 Edward & Virginia Williams (NC)
 Julie L. Wilson (PA)
 Roy & Eva Winebarger (VA)
 Dot Winfield (MD)
 Armos Wipf (GA)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

Exodus 32-34 (Mexico 106.2M)

The Word Church (NJ)
 Buzz Offenbacher, Pastor
 Greg & Lori Worley (GA)
 Todd & Stephanie Wright (KY)
 Lili Wykle (VA)

Silas & Alice Yashim (Nigeria)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

Exodus 35-40 (Mexico 106.2M)

Second coming

James Sullivan noted that when it comes to the return of the Lord Jesus Christ: "God did not put me on His Time & Place Committee. He put me on the Preparation Committee." This is a wise thought indeed.

Perhaps Jesus will return today. Be ready! Be watching! Be working!

RESOURCES AVAILABLE

From his prison cell in Rome, Paul wrote to Timothy, his young comrade, in what was his last epistle. As he closed his letter (**2 Timothy 4:9-18**), he explained his situation and urged Timothy to be diligent to come quickly (**v 9**). He asked him to bring Mark (**v 11**), his coat, and his books (**v 13**).

In the early nineties, the Lord impressed upon me the importance of reducing key truths and insights He was teaching me to writing to help His children in their daily walk with Him.

The print and tape ministry provides an opportunity for individuals to study on their own or in small groups—either as review or to further their knowledge and understanding of the essentials of the Christian faith: Bible study, prayer, witnessing, stewardship, and walking in the Spirit as a lifestyle. I have generally used a twelve-study format that lends itself to systematic study for either an individual or a small group. Each year study groups (Sunday school classes, Bible study groups) use several of the books as guides for study.

Books:

1. **A Christian's Necessary Food.** Twelve in-depth studies on how to study the Bible profitably. (\$8)
2. **Adoration: Prayer as Worship.** Twelve in-depth studies on various aspects of praise and worship in prayer. (\$8).
3. **The Enabler.** Thorough study on the Holy Spirit, including how to be Spirit-filled. (\$8)
4. **Hey! I'm Saved!** Designed to help a new believer to get started right, the content deals with ten key areas. Why not get one for each Christian in your family? (\$4)
5. **Intercession: Prayer as Work.** Twelve in-depth studies on how to engage in intercession as a prayer warrior. (\$8)
6. **The Model Prayer.** An in-depth study of the pattern provided by Jesus, Himself, on how to pray. A must for the serious student of prayer. (\$8)
7. **Notes from My Bible 2nd Editon.** 1,000 pithy sayings on the Christian life, favorite poems, tributes to Dad Henry and Mom Troutman. (\$8)
8. **Spiritual Warfare.** Provides biblical information on our enemy, the nature of the warfare, and God's provision for our protection and victory. (\$8)
9. **Upper Room Discourse.** Fifteen studies to help a believer master **John 13-14-15-16-17**, a key section of Scripture in which Jesus' gives final instructions to His disciples just hours before His crucifixion. Excellent to help in understanding the place of prayer and the Holy Spirit in one's life. (\$8)

10. **Prayer Seminar Workbook.** The basic teaching tool for the prayer seminar ministry. (\$5).

11. **Prayer Seminar Workbook.** An expanded edition (79 pages) that includes content beyond what is taught in a prayer seminar. Both the prayer seminar on cassette and video are correlated to the expanded workbook (\$8).

Tapes:

1. **Prayer Seminar Album.** The entire prayer seminar featuring eight hours of teaching correlated to guide a study of the **Prayer Seminar Workbook** (79 pages). One **Prayer Seminar Workbook** (79 pages) included. (\$20)
2. **Prayer Seminar on DVD.** The entire prayer seminar featuring twelve thirty-minute segments correlated to guide a study of the **Prayer Seminar Workbook**. Two workbooks (79 pages) included. (\$20)
3. **Spirit-filled tape.** Two hours dealing with Holy Spirit in OT and NT including what Jesus taught and the coming to "all flesh" in the book of **Acts**. Vital teaching is included on the meaning of Spirit-baptism and Spirit-filled—and how to be filled. (\$4)
4. **Witnessing tape.** One-hour instruction on how to share your faith. **Side one.** (Thirty minutes) How to develop your personal testimony using Paul's testimony (**Acts 22 & 26**) as a model: 1) *I've not always been a*

Christian; 2) Here's how God got my attention; 3) Here's what I did when God got my attention; 4) Here's how my life changed. (thirty minutes)

Side Two. (Thirty minutes) How to use a passage of Scripture (**Romans 10:1-3, 8-13**) to lead a person to Christ. **A must for Christians needing practical help in sharing their faith through witnessing to others.** (\$4)

YOU MAY PLACE YOUR ORDERS BY TELEPHONE, E-MAIL, OR BY REGULAR MAIL.

How important is it to have such materials to use with your Bible study? Charles Spurgeon encouraged his preacher boys to build a good library even if they had to go hungry! Often God has inspired authors to share in ways that provide deeper insight into areas being studied.

You can read or listen at your own pace and re-read statements that grasp your interest. You can have instant replay to review ideas, as well. **BUILD YOUR OWN LIBRARY FOR PERSONAL USE AND FOR POSPERITY!**

Classic Moody

For the past few months, attention has been given to the issue of Calvinism. In a nutshell, Calvinists believe that God has already selected or pre-ordained those who will be saved. In fact, LifeWay Research of the Southern Baptist Convention conducted a study to determine where their churches/pastors are in regard to Calvinism. Are people's eternal destinies fixed already or can they make their own choice? This seems to be the issue. Calvinists believe, among other things, in what is known as unconditional election. They maintain that God decreed from eternity to elect certain individuals to salvation. The study concluded that ten percent of Southern Baptist pastors embrace Calvinism.

This is not a new question. Dwight L. Moody, in his day, provided the classic answer to this query that will provide insight and guidance for evangelism today. Here is his statement:

"How many men fold their arms and say, 'If I am one of the elect, I will be saved, and if I am not, I won't. No use bothering about it.'

I have an idea that the Lord Jesus saw how men were going to tumble over this doctrine of election, so after He had been thirty or forty years in Heaven, He came down and spoke to John one Lord's day in Patmos. He said to him, 'Write these things to the churches.'

John kept on writing. His pen flew very fast. And then the Lord, when it was nearly finished, said, "John, before you close the book, put in one more invitation. 'The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst, come. And *whosoever will*, let him take of the water of life freely' (**Revelation 22:17**)."

Seeking the lost

While I believe firmly that God knows the decisions people will make, I do not believe He has pre-ordained anyone to spend an eternity in Hell. Ever since the Garden of Eden, God has allowed men and women to make choices.

God gave Jesus a specific purpose. "For the Son of man has come to seek and to save that which was lost" (**Luke 19:10**). In the parable of the lost sheep (**Luke 15:4-7**), Jesus reminds us that just as a shepherd must go and search for that one lost sheep, we are to keep seeking that one lost sinner. Why bother if God already knows who is going to heaven or not? Why did Jesus give the Great Commission (**Matthew 28:19-20**) if we are not to evangelize? And, finally, why would God allow His Son to be crucified on the cross if His death meant nothing?

Pray for the lost to be saved

We need to pray for our lost loved ones by name. We know that it is the will of God for them to be saved (**2 Peter 3:9, 1 Timothy 2:3-4**). Ask God to bind Satan so that he can no longer blind their minds (**2 Corinthians 4:4**). Pray that the Holy Spirit will convict them (**John 16:8-11**). Pray that someone will share the Gospel message with them (**Luke 10:2**). Pray that the decision will be made now (**2 Corinthians 6:2**) since tomorrow may be too late.

But God

I know not, but God knows;
Oh, blessed rest from fear!
All my unfolding days
To Him are plain and clear.
Each anxious, puzzled "Why?"
From doubt or dread that grows,
Finds answer in this thought:
I know not, but He knows.

I cannot, but God can;
Oh, balm for all my care!
The burden that I drop
His hand will lift and bear;
Though eagle pinions tire,
I walk where once I ran.
This is my strength, to know
I cannot, but God can.

I see not, but God sees;
Oh, all-sufficient light!
My dark and hidden way
To Him is always bright.
My strained and peering eyes
May close in restful ease,
And I in peace may sleep;
I see not, But He sees.

—Annie Johnson Flint

In the crucible of daily experience . . .

Happy moments, praise God;
Difficult moments, trust God;
Quiet moments, worship God;
Painful moments, trust God;
Every moment, thank God.

Shared by **Doorkeeper**
Marie Rogers (VA)

Our condolences to **Doorkeepers Paul and Suzanne Jennings (TN)** upon the death of Paul's father, Paul Jennings Sr., on December 2 at the age of 97. He was a great friend of our ministry.

Itinerary: 2007

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

2 Thessalonians 3:1

January

- 6 Prayer Seminar:
First Congregation Church
Reidsville NC (contact: 336-349-7347)
- 7 Evangelism Clinic/A.M. Preaching
First Congregation Church
Reidsville NC
- 11-13 Beacon University: IOM
Christian Life Church
Thomasville NC*
- 13 Prayer Seminar
Chapin United Methodist Church
Chapin SC (contact: 803-345-5086)
- 18-20 Beacon University: IOM
Heart's Cry
Columbia SC*
- 20 Grace Bible Fellowship
Rockland ME (contact: 207-596-7117)

February

- 3-16 Hawaii
For information: Dr. Adrian Yuen
(808) 672-7958
- 22-25 First Baptist Church
Monongahela PA
For information: Mark Schollaert
(724) 565-5241 or 258-7750

*Video—Beacon University—Institute of Ministry
(10 hours)

PRAYER IS HARD WORK by Sunday Bwanhot

Although the Bible teaches extensively about prayer with many commands and examples, we relegate prayer to the back burner. Rather than seeing prayer as the hard work necessary to win spiritual battles and accomplish our God-given tasks, we see prayer as an obstruction and burden. We willingly give ourselves to ten hours a day of ministry, but find it over-taxing to give a solid hour to prayer for the tasks. No wonder so little is accomplished and there are tons of discouragement from the enemy. Prayer work must be engaged in before we engage ourselves in other ministry. Let's be devoted to prayer (**Colossians 4:2**).



THE TEAM: L-R LESLIE, DR. HENRY, PASTOR MAHALE, PASTOR PAUL

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of Prayer to penetrate the darkness wherever God opens doors. This clarification enables us to guide pastor/leaders to know what to do as a next step for an on-going intercessory prayer ministry anywhere in the world.

Thank you

Sue and I are grateful that the Lord entrusted us with the prayer seminar twenty-five years ago and continues to enable us to minister. Through your prayer and financial support, we have been able to touch lives in forty-seven nations (with the workbook translated into many languages), forty-six states, and the District of Columbia.

One of the great blessings as we have gone country to country is to see how the Lord stirs hearts of His children to provide the needed prayer and financial support. **Ninety-three families provided \$8,963.36 for South Africa—2006, which exceeded our budget.**

You prayed! You gave! God gave the increase! There were fourteen prayer seminars in two provinces in the Zulu Kingdom: Kwa-Zulu Natal and Mpumalanga provinces. I preached three Sundays during the morning worship services. Seventy-five were saved. Miles traveled internally were 2,200. Many of your brothers and sisters in South Africa asked us to thank you on their behalf for the seminar and the prayer seminar workbook.

2007 INTERNATIONAL SCHEDULE

- April 2-16 Venezuela - Adam Nathanson
- June 1-15 Peru -- Ted Cooper
- August Myanmar - Dr. Joseph Tan
- November South Africa - Leslie Motsalane
- PRAY:** **Unscheduled--Kenya/Congo**



NOTES from my BIBLE

Note 1061. Don't expect God's approval on plans on which He has not been consulted.

Note 1062. Love is the hammer that will break the hardest heart.

Note 1063. Don't fail to do something for Christ just because you can't do everything.

Note 1064. God's best becomes known by surrender, not struggle.

Note 1065. Life here below is only for a moment; life above is life without end.

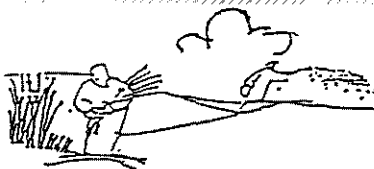
DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

1 Thessalonians 1:2

November 10--December 13, 2006

REGULAR	48	\$13,450.00
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TOTAL	68	\$16,485.12



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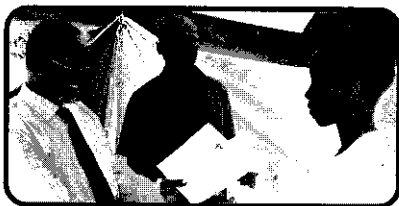
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STUDENTS EAGER FOR INSTRUCTION

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LESLIE PRESENTING CERTIFICATE A VERY MEANINGFUL MOMENT

From the moment we landed on Saturday in Durban (after a 28-hour journey), we were on the move. **Leslie Motalane** (Director—JGHM-Southern Africa Branch, Welkom, Free State) and his assistant **Abram Mohale** (pastor, Qua Qua), with open arms and smiling faces were there to welcome us. The venue Leslie had established was rigorous with fourteen prayer seminars in two provinces—KwalaZula-Natal and Mpumalanga. We concentrated on the Zulu Kingdom, one rich in history.

We enjoyed the astoundingly beautiful landscape from the far northern sector of the Zulu Kingdom ministering twenty miles from the Swaziland border. There is a unique combination of grasslands, forests, mountains, and plains in this area.

We moved across the two provinces using four cities (Pietermaritzburg, Newcastle, Ermelo, Secunda) as our headquarters and then worked out from them to the adjacent black townships. We concluded by traveling to Leslie's church in Welkom, Free State for the Sunday services. While I do not have the number, many pastors attended. Around seventy-five made professions of faith.

Lighthouses of Prayer

God gave believers in Pakistan a vision to establish Lighthouse of Prayer across their nation to penetrate the spiritual darkness of Islam. God then sent them the prayer seminar ministry to prepare the prayer warriors for the lighthouses.

During the South Africa ministry, our ninth year in South Africa, the Holy Spirit clarified our mission. We are to establish Lighthouses

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