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PEACE

JESUS TO HIS DISCIPLES:

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." **John 14:27**

OFFER STILL GOOD!

But money cannot buy it; good works cannot earn it! Peace comes only from God and only when you make peace with God which is only through the blood of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ!

JESUS TO EVERYONE:

"I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father but by me." **John 14:6**

"He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name." **John 1:11-12**

THIS IS WHAT CHRISTMAS IS ALL ABOUT. GOD'S GIFT MAKES IT POSSIBLE! YOUR CHOICE!

"Men do not have peace in the world nor in their hearts because they do not have peace with God. Nothing is settled until it is settled right and nothing is settled right until it is settled with God."

—Vance Havner

Decisions determine destiny

Reginald and Glo Martin have been faithful Doorkeepers for many years. Reg was one of six preachers who came out of my college pastorate at Liberty Avenue Baptist Church, Berea, Kentucky. From the day he arrived on the Berea College campus, we became fast friends. In his retirement, he has been called to return to serve as interim pastor, First Baptist Church, Zanesville, Ohio, his last pastorate.

The following thoughts related to facing a new year are adapted from an article from his December 1990 First Baptist Church Mt. Gilead, Ohio newsletter. He stated well some basic issues that face all of us when we look toward the gift of a new year, 2007. We need to remember that **DECISIONS DETERMINE DESTINY**. By heeding Reg's advice, we can be in a position to have our best year as a Christian in 2007 and be more fruitful than ever for the Lord Jesus Christ.

This week brings 1990 to a close. Whatever we did or did not do cannot be changed. For the positive aspects of our life, let us give thanks to God. For the negative aspects, let us pray that we can use them to learn and grow. The new year of 1991 offers each of us a challenge. Will we become better persons in 1991 than we were in 1990? Will we commit ourselves more fully to living the Christian life? Will we make a concerted effort to give of our time, talents, and financial resources to [the work of the Lord Jesus Christ] in a way which would be pleasing to God? I pray that we will!

PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR 2007!

Perspective

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Luke 2:13-14

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Muster your thoughts

During these December days, concentrate on your thought life this Christmas season. After all, you are what you think. Exercise your God-given ability to control your mind to focus on the Christmas story afresh and anew. Allow the Holy Spirit to flood your mind with biblical truths revealed only in the Scripture. Make a decision to experience in your own heart and mind a **RIGHT CHRISTMAS**. To do this, understand three symbols associated with Jesus: **CRADLE, CROSS, AND CROWN**. When you understand these symbols, you will be on your way toward celebrating a **RIGHT CHRISTMAS**.

Now, think of the **CRADLE**, the symbol that reminds us that God became flesh and dwelt among men. Mary's son laid in a manger. Every Christmas we come here. Lo, He is born again in a dark manger in our minds; again He is sleeping on the hay. Again the world grows luminous with starshine and soft fragrance. At Christmas, we have tended to stop at the manger

and there is no peace for us. You see the manger is not enough. If only a Child was born there, there is no real Christmas. He grew. He lived. He spoke. He became the great Leader, the Giver of life, the Bearer of our sins on the **CROSS**. Thinking on the **CROSS** is vital to help you understand Christmas; He was born to die. Then the **CROWN** reminds us that He is coming again. The message of the two men in white apparel to those gathered on the Mount of Olives watching Jesus ascend into heaven is a thrilling part of the story of Jesus: "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven" (**Acts 1:11**). Think on these things and you will be blessed.

Translate thoughts into life

Continue thinking about the Christmas story by coming up with ways you can translate what is revealed in the Christmas story into your life. You might begin by concentrating on the key figures in the Christmas narrative. There are the innkeeper, angels, wise men, and shepherds. As you think about the **INNKEEPER**, be sure that you are actually making room for Jesus in your Christmas celebration. One small girl was looking at a nativity scene in the window of a major department store. Her eyes were wide with excitement as you looked at each figure. Then she exclaimed to her mother, "they have forgotten to include the baby Jesus." If you and I are not careful to guard our thoughts, the same will happen to us.

As you remember the **ANGELS**, with their message and their songs, take time to praise and worship God from the very depths of your spirit. Then, in your thoughts, revisit the **WISE MEN** and reflect on what the birth of Jesus meant to them as they brought their gifts to lay before Him. As you reflect on your own life, give a gift to Him. After all, since we are celebrating His birthday, our largest and most expensive gift should be His. Be sure that you have given Him the gift of yourself.

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son and were invited to go see for themselves baby Jesus. They hastened forth to share with others what they had seen. Think about the implications of this for your life and share the Christmas story with your family, friends, and others—especially those who are lost. Make witnessing a major Christmas activity.

Think strategy

In **Philippians 4:8**, Paul advises us to develop a **THINK STRATEGY**. “Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.”

Long ago, I learned that it is important to focus thoughts on the Lord Jesus Christ. Make Him preeminent (first and foremost) in your thoughts as He already is first and foremost in the Father’s thoughts. He is Creator, the Image of God, the Firstborn of all creation, and the Head of the Church. He not only designed all things that exist, but holds all things together.

In summary, Christ is already Lord! In order for Him to be the Lord of your life, He will first need to become the Lord of your thought life. Christmas is a good season to examine your thoughts to determine if you are on track and to make any needed adjustments.

So, as you go about the 2006 Christmas activities—mailing cards, shopping, wrapping gifts, paying bills—breathe a prayer to your personal Savior: “Jesus, be the Lord of my thoughts and my activities.” As you put Him foremost in your thoughts, you will experience a renewed peace, a renewed zeal. Remember new vitality and new life are just a prayer away.

A Savior

Yes, the coming of Jesus is the world’s greatest story. Think again on the good tidings brought to the shepherds by the angel, “For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord” (**Luke 2:11**). You can’t read this message like you read a newspaper or hear a newscast. If a news reporter were reporting, he would say, “To

man was born a Savior.” But they angel said, “To **you** was born a Savior.” And this means **YOU** no matter who you are, no matter how good or bad you are. For your sake, God became man. The best gift that you can give Jesus is yourself. If you have not done so, make the Christmas season 2006 special in your life.

Paul’s prayer for believers

As I think of you, fellow believers, this Christmas, my thoughts are encapsulated in Paul’s prayer for the believers in Philippi: “And this I pray that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God” (**Philippians 1:9-11**). May you have a blessed Christmas as you think on the things related to Christmas that can make a difference in your life each day.

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry



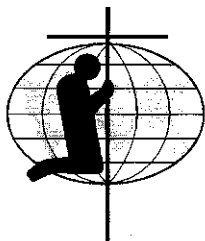
CENTER
your Christmas
in
CHRIST

DOORKEEPER PRAYER CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2006

"I will give myself to
prayer..."

Psalm 109:4b



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

1 Thess 1-5 (South Africa 44.2M)

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)

Milcie Arnold (VA)

Solomon/Kriska Arrington (MD)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

2 Thess 1-3 (South Africa 44.2M)

Kenneth Banks (NC)

Carolyn Barkley (NY)

Steven & Judi Bartel (NJ)

Steven & Marie Basiliaci (KS)

Stan & Emily Baskin (TN)

John & Joan Bateman (PA)

Carter Mylam Baynes (NC)

Russell & Eleanor Beard (FL)

Jean Beasley (TN)

Tommy & Sue Bell (TN)

Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)

Ruel & Elizabeth Bennett (NY)

Johnny & Juanita Bernard (FL)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

(South Africa 44.2M)

Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)

Bethesda Ministries

Jerry & Joan Crain (SC)

Dorothy Spickard Biddle (TN)

Stephen & Joyce Bishop (VA)

Everett/Deborah Boston (MD)

Bob & Jewel Bouchard (KY)

William/Debbie Bowden (MD)

Gordon/Chloe A. Bowyer (VA)

Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

1 Tim 1-3 (South Africa 44.2M)

Emilee & Kim Bradshaw (VA)

Mike Bradshaw (SC)

Nancy Bretz (PA)

Von M. Bridges (TX)

Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)

Shirley Brown (VA)

Jack & Arretta Bruce (KY)

Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE)

Myron Buchholz (NY)

Janice Bugg (TN)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

1 Tim 4-6 (South Africa 44.2M)

Alvin & Berthena Bullard (FL)

Ruby Burger (TN)

Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)

Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)

Lew & Mary Campbell (ID)

Ron & Julia Carlin (AL)

David & Martha Cecil (VA)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

2 Tim 1-3 (Belgium 10.4M)

Merry J Chandler (MD)

Michael & Alice Chapin (WI)

Edith A. Charity (VA)

Margarie Coffee (VA)

Quentin/Vernia Coleman (MD)

Ted & Terry Cooper (SC)

Foster/Georgia Covington (VA)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

Titus 1-3 (Belize 287,730)

Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)

Robert & Charlotte Crout (SC)

Bill & Beverly Curtis (PA)

Lin & Barbara Custalow (VA)

Ida J. Davis (GA)

Lelia Dean (FL)

Bob & Virginia DeBoer (NE)

Harold & Tama Decker (NY)

Delmarva Evangelistic Ch (MD)

Ruth Chamberlain, Pastor

Ken & Zannie Dietrich (WA)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

Philemon (Benin 7.9M)

Mary J. Dugans (LA)

Walt Edwards (NC)

Paul & Joyce Eggleston (VA)

Grace Eldridge (NJ)

Lynn Elkins (TN)

Evalena Enoch (VA)

Lynne Farrow (NJ)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

Hebrews 1-2 (Bermuda 65,773)

June Fisher (TN)

Josephine Fitzgerald (AL)

Claire/Mary A. Fredstrom (NE)

Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)

James Fritz (KY)

Raymond/Estelle Gabbard (KY)

Frank & Pauline Garrett (NJ)

Frank & Doris Geiger (HI)

Robert & Sara George (GA)

Frances Glass (AL)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

Gloucester County Community
Church (NJ)

Bruce Sofia, Pastor

Ronald & Maryann Gold (CO)

Juanita Granger (VA)

Odether Gray (GA)

Terry & Linda Gregory (NJ)

Tim & Merry Gregory (VA)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

Hebrews 3-4 (Bhutan 2.3M)

Jim & Joyce Hengoe (FL/CT)

Doug Henry (TN)

J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA)

Mark Henry (TN)

Melody Henry (VA)

Roger Henry (OH)

Susan & Jamey Henry (TN)

Joanna Holland (VA)

John & Glenda Holland (VA)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

Hebrews 5-7 (Boli ia 9M)

Russ/Dorothy Hornbaker (MI)

Mike & Sonya Hosick (VA)

Jason & Marylynn Hooker (VA)

Lamar/Cindy Sue Houser (MD)

Bonnie Houston (TN)

Coy Hunsucker (NC)

Joyce Hunt (TN)

Wilbert & Almareta Hupp (PA)

Ed Hurlow (IN)

Oliver & Janie Jackson (NY)

Louis & April Jenkins (DC)

Vernelle Jenkins (MD)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

Hebrews 8-10 (Bosnia &

Herzegovina (4.5M))

Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN)

Peter & Millicent John (NY)

Dannie & Jayne Johnson (KY)

Jim & Penny Johnson (KY)

Rodney & Tara Johnson (KY)

Wilbur & Gwen Johnson (AZ)

Paul & Deanna Jones (KY)

W I & Eloise Jones (SC)

Howard/Suzie Kauffmann (GA)

Shem Kaula (Nigeria)

Harper & Shelia Keebaugh (PA)

Joyce Kelley (OR)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

Hebrews 11-23 (Botswana 1.6M)

Kerby Knob Baptist Church (KY)

Bruce Kirby, Pastor

Alice Kern (NJ)

Archie & Mary King (TN)
Robert & Andrea Klepper (TN)
Clara Mae Klink (IN)
Sherry Klutz (WA)
Quentin & Mary Knauer (OH)
Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY)
Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI)
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15
James 1-5 (Brazil 188.1M)
Korean Branch:

Dr. Shin Kwang Suk
Craig & Molly Lampe (AZ)
Phil & Loetta Landers (OK)
Charles & Cynthia Larson (MI)
Stephen Latong (Nigeria)
Bob Lawrence (MD)
Raymond & Janet Lemay (VT)
Glenn & Mary Littlepage (TN)
Vincent/Mary Lobisco (MI/FL)
Norma P. London (Canada)
Ray & Bobbie Long (WV)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16
1 Peter 1-5 (Brunei 379,444)
Francis & Deirdre Lyons (ME)
Manship Chapel (DE)
Bud & Wilma Marcum (KY)
Larry & Sue Mason (VA)
Dan & Meribeth Martin (VA)
Reginaid & Gloria Martin (OH)
Murray & Loretta Mathis (TN)
Bill & Merle Matheny (VA)
Bill & Shirley Maybin (SC)
John & Cheryl McFall (NJ)
Sid & Jane McLaughlin (AL)
Jim & Lin McLean (MD)
Leonard/Martha Meador (VA)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17
Don & Barbara Meduna (CO)
Memorial Christian Ch (VA)
Bill & Becky Mientz (FL)
Ken & Betsy Miedema (MI)
Lewis & Martha Miller (IN)
Mike & Cherylann Miller (CO)
Randy & Shirley Miller (CO)
Earl & Marvel Mills (VA)
Katherine Morgan (VA)
Leslie & Tabitha Morsalane
(South Africa)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18
2 Peter 1-3 (South Africa 44.2M)
Adam & Dianna Nathanson
(Venezuela)
Bill & Lois Needham (WA)
Chet & Betty Nichols (WA)
Rebekah Norman (TN)
Craton & Helen Noyes (KY)
Tom & Ann Palumbo (NJ)
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19
1 John 1-5 (Bulgaria 7.4M)
Jim & Barb Peterson (MI)
Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA)

Luther & Leslie Poellnitz (MD)
Ben Poplin (VA)
Tom & Sue Powell (WA)
Ayers & Nina Porter (TN)
Marshall & Lois Powell (KY)
Brandon, Jeanne Pribble (VA)
Maggie Pribble (VA)
Maryann Primo (NJ)
Phyllis Reed (NH)
JoAnn Richards (OH)
Roscoe/Helen Richmond (GA)
Cynthia Roach (VA)
Windi & Caleb Roach (OK)
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20
2 John (Bukina Faso 14M)
Dudley & Isabel Robotham (NY)
David & Cathie Rocke (IA)
Clark & Marie Rogers (VA)
Fred & Jeannette Rolater (TN)
Bob & Shirley Rose (MI)
John Saint (PA)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21
3 John (Burundi 8.1M)
Don & Marie Satterwhite (MD)
Tyler & Rebecca Scarlett (VA)
Dwayne Schmaltz (WI)
Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA)
Philip & Wendy Schrank (WI)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22
Jude (Cambodia 13.9M)
Dennis & Monica Shannon (OH)
Shenandoah Valley Baptist Ch
(VA)
Eric Farel, Pastor
Nellie F. Shepard (CT)
Jasper & Sherilyn Sherrod (NJ)
Sam & Lola Simpson (NY)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23
Rev 1-3 (Cameroon 17.3M)
Mary Skiles (KS)
Doris Snyder (FL)
John & Helen Sourlis (MD)
Wilfred & Merle St.Hillaire (NY)
LeRoy & Suk Hi Standifer (WA)
Onesimus Sule (Nigeria)
Marion J. Stansell (TX)
Tim & Pam Steger (ID)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24
Gordon & Carol Stewart (AZ)
Gary/Leta Fern Stillwagon (GA)
Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA/FL)
Johnny & Rose M. Street (AR)
Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)
Brian & Janice Tarraferro (TX)
Ron & Mazie Taylor (VA)
Stephanie Taylor (GA)
MONDAY, DECEMBER 25
Revelation 4-6 (Canada 33.1M)
Matthew & Carrie Teyssier (NJ)
Mona Henry Thomas (VA)
David & Montez Thompson (MI)

Mildred V. Thompson (GA)
Paula Tipton (TN)
William & Katie Toney (NC)
Norb & Jo Totsky (WI)
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26
Revelation 7-9 (Cape Verde 421,000)
Virginia Trask (VA)
Carrol & Ouida Troutman (KY)
Malcom Troutman (KY)
Marshall & Mary Troutman (KY)
Tommy & Frances Turpin (VA)
Sara Underwood (TN)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27
Revelation 10-13 (Cayman 45,436)
Patrick & Patricia Vaden (TN)
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)
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28
Rev 14-16 (Central African 4.3M)
Don & Joyce Warpoole (TN)
Melba Whitehurst (VA)
Alan & Shirley Whitmore (TN)
George & Virginia Whitner (FL)
Paul & Diane Wieland (PA)
Edward & Virginia Williams (NC)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29
Rev 17-19 (Chad 9.9M)
Julie L. Wilson (PA)
Roy & Eva Winebarger (VA)
Dot Winfield (MD)
Amos Wipf (GA)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30
Rev 20-22 (Chile 16.1M)
The Word Church (NJ)
Buz Offenbacher, Pastor
Greg & Lori Worley (GA)
Todd & Stephanie Wright (KY)
Lili Wykle (VA)
Silas & Alice Yashim (Nigeria)
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

IN LOVING MEMORY

*"Precious in the sight of the
Lord is the death of His saints"*
Psalm 116:15

Mary Louise Morris
(Mrs. Henry)
6/15/1917--11/8/2006

Dr. & Mrs. Morris, faithful Doorkeepers
for many years, are now together in the
presence of the Lord. We will miss them.
God is good.

Stirring up the waters

Just as a stone thrown into the waters causes an unending flow of ripples, the waters of Christian vitality were stirred in Nigeria on Saturday, November 28, 1988, during a prayer seminar in Jos, Plateau State. This was the last of a series of seminars conducted jointly by ECWA (Evangelical Church of West Africa) and SIM (Sudan Interior Missions) in their Bible colleges and seminaries.

The president of ECWA, **Panya Baba**, whose churches had a membership of 2.2 million, drove all night from Port Harcourt to Jos to be in the prayer seminar. He later reported that a spirit of revival swept across Nigeria as a result of the moving of God in the prayer seminar. The Jos seminar was memorable because it was the birthplace of an amazing prayer ministry that is very much alive today.

During the seminar, the Holy Spirit called a leading pastor, **Onesimus Sule**, to resign his positions as pastor and chaplain of the seminary to conduct prayer seminars using our materials. A young man, **Sunday Bwanhot**, joined him in conducting prayer seminars and preparing materials, including a Hausa translation of the workbook. The foundation that these two men of God laid was solid. Now there have been hundreds of prayer seminars in churches throughout the land. The result has been unbelievable. Now ECWA reports 4.6 million members. The leadership attributes this growth to prayer. Prayer is the work that must come before all other work.

Some of you know the story of the Lord moving **Sunday and Grace Bwanhot** (and their three sons) to Chicago to serve as missionaries. Sunday has continued to conduct prayer seminars throughout the Chicago area. Sunday stated: "Dr. Gordon's one-day seminar in Jos on November 28, 1988, transformed my prayer life totally. Within twelve months, God took me from a managerial position into full-time prayer ministry. It has been a blessing year after year to witness God's transforming work in the lives of individuals and churches in Nigeria and in the United States."



**Sunday & Grace Bwanhot visiting
with Sue Henry in October**

Beginning with this issue of the **Reflector**, we will share an article written by Sunday as an encouragement to our readers who have a high level of interest in leading their churches to become praying churches.

Christian concern by Sunday Bwanhot

Things that we are concerned about are often ranked in order of priority. For many of us rent or mortgage payments normally come first followed by gas, lights, water, phone, and such. When rent or mortgage is due and the funds are not there, we go to any length, endure any circumstance to ensure that we get the money to pay up. God had a chat with prophet Jonah who had no concern for the people of Ninevah, and even then, wished the city burnt to ashes. God's remark to Jonah was put in a question form: 'Ninevah has more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left, and many cattle as well. Should I not be concerned about that great city?' (**Jonah 4:11**).

God's concern for the salvation of man is still His number one priority and you would think that should be our number one priority as well. Unfortunately, that is not the case. How many of us are counting the number of unbelievers in our cities, blocks, and workplace and care enough to sacrifice everything else to reach out to them with the Gospel. When we are concerned for the lost, we will do something to reach them every day. We need Christian concern that only you and I can give.

YEAR-END GIFTS

As you plan your own December giving, remember that Jesus is the reason for the season.



What are you giving Jesus for His birthday this year? **WHAT'S UNDER THE TREE** for Him? Is Jesus first on your shopping list?

Since Christmas is based on giving that involves buying gifts, you will have many reminders that the very best and most expensive gift that we give should be to honor the Lord Jesus Christ.

The prayer seminar is a faith ministry that trusts God to provide the financial needs through local churches and individuals. Therefore, we do not charge a set fee. We provide a prayer seminar workbook to each participant regardless of a contribution. There is no subscription price for the **Reflector**.

December is a time to catch up on making gifts you planned to make earlier in the year. Taxpayers who itemize their deductions such as home mortgage interest and medical expenses, may deduct charitable gifts. A larger-than-usual gift may boost your deductions above the standard deduction, allowing you to enjoy more tax savings. Gifts postmarked by December 31 are deductible this year.

It very well may be that as you pray about your December giving that you will want to make your gift in honor of the Lord Jesus Christ through the prayer seminar ministry. If so, we will be grateful. Again, thank you **Doorkeepers**, for your faithful partnership that enables us to minister around the nation and the world.

Looking ahead

With the world in such deep trouble, let's re-commit ourselves to be "workers together with Christ" (2 **Corinthians 6:1**) in 2007, making a difference in individuals and churches around the world through providing prayer seminars.

NOTES from my BIBLE

Note 1056. When fear knocked at the door, faith answered. No-body was there. —Old English Proverb

Note 1057. The man who will not read is no better off than the man who cannot read.

Note 1058. Most time is wasted not in hours, but in minutes. Watch time leaks.

Note 1059. Time spent in prayer is never wasted time.

Note 1060. You will find the Living Word in the written Word.

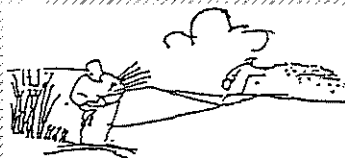
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"We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers"

1 Thessalonians 1:2

October 20-November 9, 2006

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SOUTH AFRICA	40	\$3,564.12
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SEASON'S GREETINGS

May the Lord richly bless you and your loved ones and grant you a full measure of His incomparable love. We hope you will have a splendid Christmas and a wonderful new year. May the coming year bring you continued growth in your walk with the Lord as you discover new things about His plans for you.

May you have the blessing of the Lord (**Proverbs 10:22**) fully. May the power of God uphold you (**1 Corinthians 2:5**), and the peace of God enfold you (**Philippians 4:7**). May the Word of God direct you (**1 John 2:14**) and the armor keep, protect you (**Ephesians 6:11**). May His good news ever cheer you (**1 Thessalonians 3:2**), and His perfect love draw near you (**Romans 5:5**) to keep you sure. Jesus—now—forever (**Hebrews 13:8**)—faileth never (**Psalms 52:8**).

J. Gordon & Sue Henry

The Empty Manger

Doorkeeper Willis Snow, Waterford CT
1901-1991

Do you worship a Babe in a manger,
Where munching cattle softly low?
I no longer am in that stable,
I left there a long time ago;
To go where men's souls were hungry,
And their bodies wracked with pain;
To encourage and comfort and love them,
And bring hope to their hearts again;
To feed them with manna from Heaven,
Give Living Water their thirst to quench;
To guide them to the Way everlasting,
And present Truth for their spirit to clench.

'Twas a long way from Bethlehem to Calvary,
Which led to the hill with a cross;
But I willingly followed that pathway,
That man's spirit should suffer no loss.
O, do not go back to the manger,
When Christmas joy is in the air,
Just open your heart with love for Me
And I promised you'll find me there.