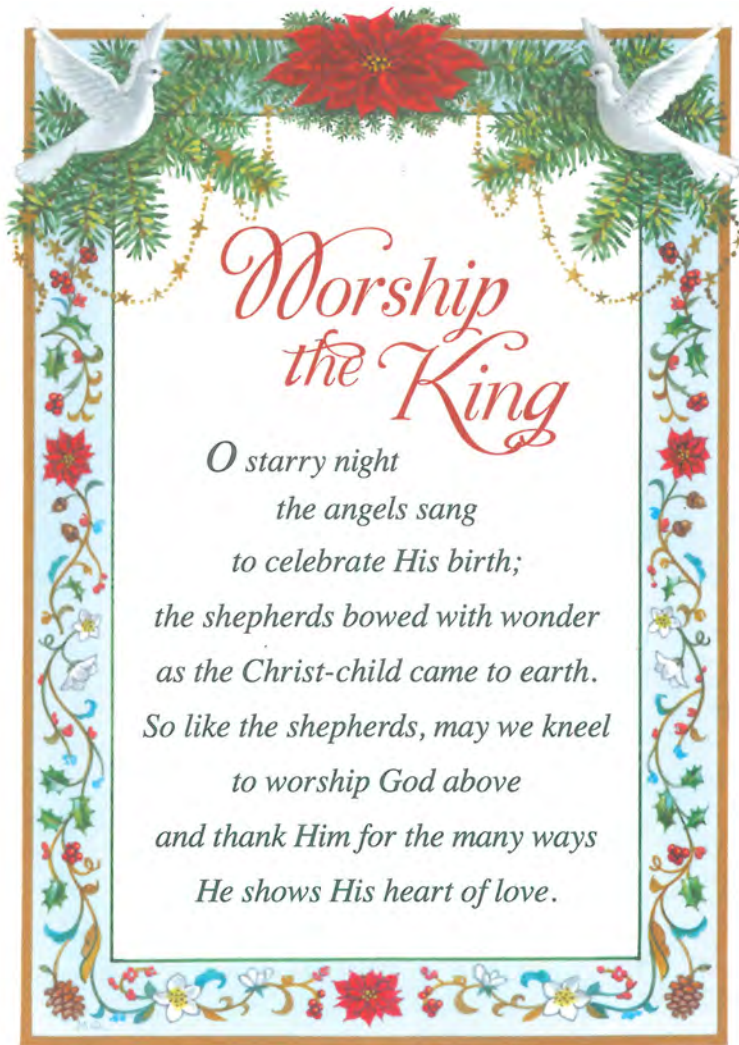


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IT'S **CHRIST**MAS-TIME AGAIN!
TELL ME THE STORY OF JESUS!
SWEETEST THAT EVER WAS HEARD!

The World's Greatest Story

It's Christmas time again! For the readers of the **Reflector**, this is a very precious time to remember what God the Father did for mankind a little over two thousand years ago in the little town of Bethlehem. It is **"the world's greatest story, in the Bible it's told, the story of Jesus that never grows old."** "Tell me the old, old story of Jesus and His love." The angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins" (**Matthew 1:20-21**).

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. 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

Ministry Update



JGHM was incorporated as a non-profit corporation in the State of Tennessee in May 29, 1984, and is recognized as a 501(c)(3) organization by the Internal Revenue Service.

On October 21, 2021 at 12:47 PM, **J. GORDON HENRY MINISTRIES** became **THE PRAYER SEMINAR**. This is a step to ensure a seamless transfer to Adam Nathanson in the near future. Currently Adam is responsible for all matters related to scheduling and conducting prayer seminars. He continues as a missionary to Venezuela with the two churches he and his wife, Dianna, founded in Caracas.

The main office will remain in Lynchburg for the time being and will be managed by the founders, Dr. Henry and his wife, Sue. One of the ongoing ministries will be the monthly **Reflector** reverting to its original format. Generally it will be one 8 1/2 sheet (both sides). Occasionally there will be inserts when additional space is required. Adam's monthly newsletter, **The Nathanson Heartbeats** will be available on line. Checks may be drafted to either JGHM or The Prayer Seminar.

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 in 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 she 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 review this event, plan to 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.

Finally, there are the **SHEPHERDS** who were blessed to learn of the birth of Mary's 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 2021 Christmas activities mailing cards, shopping, wrapping gifts, paying bills breathe a prayer to your 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.

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

A Guide Verses to Use in Celebrating Christmas

First, Read Privately, Prayerfully, Unhurriedly. Read the verses for several days prior to Christmas praying that God will guide you as to when to read and whom to include in this time of worship. He will.

Isaiah 7:14: "Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel.

Isaiah 9:6-7: For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders ; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, On the throne of David and over his kingdom, To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness From then on and forevermore . The zeal of the LORD of hosts will accomplish this.

Luke 1:35: The angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; and for that reason the holy Child shall be called the Son of God.

Matthew 1:18-24: Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows : when His mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit. And Joseph her husband, being a righteous man and not wanting to disgrace her, planned to

send her away secretly. But when he had considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife ; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. She will bear a Son ; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." Now all this took place to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet : "BEHOLD, THE VIRGIN SHALL BE WITH CHILD AND SHALL BEAR A SON, AND THEY SHALL CALL HIS NAME IMMANUEL," which translated means, "GOD WITH US." And Joseph awoke from his sleep and did as the angel of the Lord commanded him, and took Mary as his wife

[Luke 2:1-20](#): Now in those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus, that a census be taken of all the inhabited earth. This was the first census taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. And everyone was on his way to register for the census, each to his own city. Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, in order to register along with Mary, who was engaged to him, and was with child. While they were there, the days were completed for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son ; and she wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. In the same region there

were some shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid ; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people ; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there appeared with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased." When the angels had gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds began saying to one another, "Let us go straight to Bethlehem then, and see this thing that has happened which the Lord has made known to us." So they came in a hurry and found their way to Mary and Joseph, and the baby as He lay in the manger. When they had seen this, they made known the statement which had been told them about this Child. And all who heard it wondered at the things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary treasured all these things, pondering them in her heart. The shepherds went back, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, just as had been told them.

GOD'S GREATEST GIFT

HE BRINGS US THROUGH

The Lord has never promised to deliver us immediately from every trial, but He has promised to bring us through. He brings us through the waters and the fire (Isaiah 43:2), and He even takes us through the flood (Psalms 66:6). He brings us safely through the depths (Psalms 106:9), and even through the deserts (Isaiah 48:21). Job 29:3 promised that God will bring us through the darkness and Deuteronomy 2:7 states that He will bring us through the wilderness. When we came to the end of life, Christ takes us through the valley of the shadow of death (Psalms 23:4).

**What a wonderful Savior is He!
He brings us through!**

**WHAT A FRIEND
WE HAVE IN
JESUS!**

**EVERYTHING BY
PRAYER. WHAT A
PRIVILEGE TO CARRY
EVERYTHING TO
GOD IN PRAYER.**

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'TIS THE
SEASON

'TIS THE
REASON



NOTES from my BIBLE

**NO WONDER HIS NAME
IS CALLED WONDERFUL!**

Note 6001. No one was ever born like Jesus--born of the virgin Mary by the Holy Spirit.

Note 6002. No one ever lived like Jesus--holy, undefiled, and separate from sinners.

Note 6003. No one ever spoke like Jesus--so said a Roman soldier.

Note 6004. No one ever died like Jesus--"to take away the sins of the world."

Note 6005. No one ever arose again from the grave like Jesus; He arose the third day, as He said.

**HALLELUJAH!
WHAT A SAVIOR!**

ROPEHOLDER/DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

October 22-November 15, 2021

Regular	52,	\$4,695.00
Adam's Van	14	3,415.00
Total	66	8,110.00

SOWING...THEN COMES HARVEST!



PRAYER CALENDAR**December 2021***"I will give myself to prayer..."*

Psalm 109:4b

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

1 Thessalonians (Philippines 104M)
 Mae Adams (NC)
 Robert & Susanne Adams (TN)
 Norma Ailes (FL)
 H. L. & Janie Allen (SC)
 David & Eunjoo Andersen (VA)
 Marvin/Donna Anderson (VA)
 Tommy & Pat Apple (NC)
 Eldon & Gayle Armstrong (SC)
 Leonor Avila (MD)
 Mike & Joyce Baker (VA)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

2 Thessalonians (Puerto Rico 2.3M)
 Marie Barca (PA)
 Linda Beattie (PA)
 Tim Bash-GCCC (NJ)
 Emily Baskin (TN)
 Tommy Bell (TN)
 Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)
 Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)
 Beulah Baptist Church (VA)
 Dr/ Dennis Hollandsworth

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

1 Timothy 1-3 (Romania 142.3M)
 Beverly Blankenship (TN)
 Loretta Bolen (VA)
 William/Debbie Bowden (NC)
 Kathleen Boyce (PA)
 David & Marna Boyd (OR)
 Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)
 Kim Bradshaw (VA)
 Lurlene Braud (VA)
 Michael Breed (WI)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

1 Timothy 4-6 (Russia 142.3M)
 Nancy Bretz (PA)
 Judy Britt (GA)
 Dorothy Brooks (VA)
 Brenda Brown (NJ)
 Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)
 Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE)
 Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)
 Janet Buck (NJ)
 Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)
 Eileen Camarena (NJ)
 Anne Campbell (VA)
 Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

Robin & Teresa Carlson (NJ)
 David & Loretta Carroll (VA)
 Robert & Anita Carroll (VA)

Vernia Coleman (MD)
 Mary Columbus (VA)
 Kathie Connolly (VA)
 Philip & Jennifer Cooke (VA)
 Larry & Sue Cooper (DE)
 Foster/Ravenna Covington (VA)
 Barry & Melanie Cox (VA)
 Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6

2 Timothy (Rwanda 119M)
 Robert & Charlotte Crout (SC)
 Dufrene/Peggy Cummings (NC)
 Barbara Custalow (VA)
 Tina Darden (MD)
 Bobby & Deborah Davis (VA)
 Harold & Tama Decker (NY)
 Robert & Janice DeLong (VA)
 Carolyn Dodd (VA)
 Jo Ann Dudley (VA)
 Micheal & Diane Eagle (VA)
 Kathryn Eaton (ME)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7

Titus (Scotland 5.3M)
 Lynn Elkins (TN)
 Jeff & Leeann Englert (KY)
 Don & Mary Enoch (FL)
 Duane Eriean (WI)
 Larry & Cara Fields (VA)
 John & Susan Finnessy (MD)
 James & Ruth Flanagan (GA)
 Nancy Fowser (NJ)
 Claire/MaryAnn Fredstrom (NE)
 Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8

Philemon (Singapore 5.9M)
 Emilee & Emma Fulcher (VA)
 John & Kim Gaines (DE)
 Pauline Garrett (NJ)
 Ron & Kay Gavette (VA)
 Gloucester Co. Community Ch (NJ)
 Bruce Sofia, Pastor
 Ron & Carol Godwin (VA)
 Ronald & Maryann Gold (ND)
 Wendy Goodner (OK)
 Steve & Sue Gordon (VA)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9

Hebrews 1-2 (Zambia 20M)
 Sam/Michele Graisbury (NJ)
 Dale & Mary Gray (IL)
 Odether Gray (LA)
 Pastor William Green (FL)
 Linda Gregory (UT)
 Mike Hall (IN)
 Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN)
 Sadie Harris (VA)
 Hazel Hartless (VA)
 William & Sara Hefner (PA)
 Mary Pat Hendrick (VA)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10

Hebrews 3-4 (Swaziland 1.4M)
 Gina Henry (VA)
 J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA)
 Jack Henry (TN)
 James & Kathryn Henry (MS)
 Mark Henry (TN)
 Melody Henry (VA)
 Roger & Sara Henry (OH)
 Sean Henry (VA)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11

Hebrews 5-7 (Switzerland 8.2M)
 Steve & Donna Hensel (MN)
 Frank & Pat Hitchings (ME)
 Jeff Hodge (VA)
 Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA)
 Bill Hogan (VA)
 Joanna Holland (VA)
 John & Glenda Holland (VA)
 Anita Horton (VA)
 Mike & Sonya Hosick (TN)
 Coy Hunsucker (NC)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

Joyce Hunt (TN)
 Almaretta Hupp (PA)
 Jide & Bunmi Iware (MD)
 Gene Jeffries (AR)
 Mark & Debbie Jenifer (MD)
 Vernelle Jenkins (MD)
 Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN)
 Jonathan & Julie Jobe (SC)
 Millicent John (NY)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

Hebrews 8-10 (Tanzania 54M)
 Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY)
 Ben & Gwen Jones (MD)
 Gwen Johnson (AZ)
 Aaron & Iris Johnson (MD)
 Jim & Penny Johnson (KY)
 Rick & Betsy Johnson (TN)
 Vicky Johnson (MD)
 James Jones (FL)
 Paul Jones (KY)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14

Hebrews 11-13 (Trinidad 1.2M)
 Theo/Sherry Jones (MD)
 W I & Eloise Jones (SC)
 Mohan Katta (IL)
 Suzie Kauffmann (NC)
 Harper/Shelia Keebaugh (PA)
 Kerby Knob Baptist Church (KY)
 Darren Hisel, Pastor

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

James (Uganda 39.6M)
 Harriet Kennedy (VA)
 Louis & Jane Kiger (VA)
 Larry & Janet King (NC)

Ken & Bonnie Kirby (PA)
Robert & Andrea Klepper (TN)
Kenneth & Amy Kollar (ID)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16

1 Peter (Ukraine 44M)

Korean Branch:

Dr. Shin Kwang Suk
Joel & Jackie Kramar (VA)
Woodrow & Linda Kroll (NE)
Sylvia Lafond (ME)
Molly Lampe (AZ)
Phil Landers (OK)
Del & Mary Leach (VA)
Aaron & Wanda Lewis (MD)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

2 Peter (United Kingdom 64.8M)

Liberty University (VA)

Jerry Prevo., President
Delores Liely (MD)
Mike & Earlene Lips (MS)
Vincent/Mary Lobisco (MI)
Ray & Bobbie Long (WV)
Don & Betty Lowry (SC)
Manship Chapel (DE)

Bruce & Vickie Tribbett

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

1 John (USA 326.6M)

Wilma Marcum (KY)
Nick & Pat Markham (VA)
Reg & Gloria Martin (OH)
Larry & Sue Mason (VA)
Deborah Mathias (NY)
Murray Mathis (TN)
Dan & Fay McConville (VA)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

R. O. & June McHaney (VA)
Nancy McPherson (ME)
Don & Barbara Meduna (CO)
Terry & Sandra Metzgar (VA)
Betsy Miedema (MI)
Roger & Nancy Minney (VA)
Bill & Sharon Moody (VA)
Wilma Moore (NC)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20

2 John (Uruguay 3.4M)

Doris Moos (NJ)
Elaine Moser (MN)
Drever/Robert Morton (VA)
Eleanor Muse (NJ)
Bob & Diane Nichols (VA)
Betty Nichols (WA)
NE Baptist College (VT)

Mark Ballard, President
Oconto Gospel Chapel (WI)
Peter Dorn, Pastor

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

3 John (Venezuela 31.3M)

Zach & Jackie Olcott (VA)
Cliff & Mary Pavalonis (VA)
Pecks Baptist Church (VA)
Bryan Sheehan, Pastor
Sandy Pederson (MN)
Jack & Carolyn Peerman (VA)
Jim & Barb Peterson (MI)
Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

Jude (Zambia 16M)

Greg & Christine Powell (VA)
Marshall & Lois Powell (KY)
Jeanne & Maggie Pribble (VA)
Marjorie Randall (TX)
Mark/Michelle Rasnake (VA)
Walt & Daphne Reamer (FL)
Dave Ricker (ME)
Joyce Riley (KY)
Calvin & Valerie Ritchey (VA)
Cynthia Roach (VA)
John & Sandra Roberts (NC)
Dorlos & Betty Robinson (MS)
Isabel Robotham (NY)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23

Revelation 1-3 (Afghanistan 34.1M)

James & Shelly Rode (FL)
Clark & Marie Rogers (VA)
Wanda Rolater (TN)
Bob & Marlene Rose (MI)
St. Paul Baptist Church (IN)
Dr. C. L. Adams, Pastor
John Saint (PA)

Don/Marie Satterwhite (MO)
Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA)
Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA)
Mark & Paula Schollaert (PA)
Sam & Jill Scott (VA)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24

Revelation 4-5 (Albania 3M)

Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI)
John & Peggy Seibert (AL)
Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH)
Shenandoah Valley Bapt Ch (VA)
Lola Simpson (NY)
Ron & Jennifer Siver (VA)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25

Luke 2 (World)

Ron & Bonnie Smith (VA)
Walt & Betty Sommers (VA)
Helen Sourlis (MD)
Tim & Pam Steger (ID)
Reba Stinnett (FL)
Charles Stinson (VA)
Johnny & Rosie Street (TX)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

William Suttles (NC)
Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)

Brian/Janice Tarraferro (TX)
Billy & Sharon Taylor (PA)
Ron Taylor (VA)
Stephanie Taylor (GA)
Jimmy & Mary Thomas (VA)
Mona Henry Thomas (VA)
W. D./Jackie Thomason (TN)
Montez Thompson (WI)
Cathy Tilton (VA)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27

Revelatin 8-13 (Argentina 44.3M)

Paula Tipton (TN)
William & Katie Toney (NC)
Virginia Trask (VA)
Carrol/Ouida Troutman (KY)
Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY)
Diane Troutman (KY)
Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY)
Joe & Benita Troutman (KY)
Marshall/Mary Troutman (KY)
Frances Turpin (VA)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

Revelation 6-8 (Angola 29.3M)

Sara Underwood (TN)
Patrick/Patricia Vaden (TN)
Jane Verkaik (MI/FL)
George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ)
Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ)
Mary Ann Voss (DE)
Michael/Sandra Ward (IN)
Beau/Ashley/Willow/Will Ware (VA)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

Revelation 14-16 (Australia 23.2M)

Joyce Warpoole (TN)
Holland & Mary Warren (VA)
Frank & Nell Weer (KY)
Nancy Wetzel (KY)
Paul & Diane Wieland (PA)
Reg/Mary Ann Wilburn (VA)
Ken & Carol Willis (VA)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

Rev 17-19 (Bahamas 329,988)

Julie L. Wilson (PA)
Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA)
Eva Winebarger (VA)
Amos & Celia Wipf (GA)
Jon & Selena Wood (PA)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

Revelation 20-22 (Bahrain 1.4M)

Layden Wood (VA)
Greg & Lori Worley (GA)
Lili Wykle (VA)
Yeshua Ministries (TN)
Dr. Frank Bell, Pres.
Fred & Susan Zeller (VA)
Mary & Mary Sue Zink (MI)

DAILY INTERCESSION: J. GORDON & SUE HENRY ADAM & DIANNA NATHANSON

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You never have to bear your burden alone. We are eager to pray with you and then supply needed prayer support daily. Keep us updated.

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Kenneth & Barbara Mann (VA)

Murray Mathis (TN)

R.O. "Mac" McHaney [June] (VA)

Aija Ozolins [John] (Latvia)

Bobby Smith [Cindy] (VA)

BonnieSmith [Ron] (VA)

Walt & BettySommers (VA)

Reba Stinnett (FL)

Pablo & Jessica Torres (VA)

PRAY and BELIEVE

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Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (USA)

Sunday & Martha Congo (Nigeria)

James & Elizabeth Dean (Pakistan)

Digmar & Lisbeysi Garcia (Cuba)

Shem & Deborah Kamla (Nigeria)

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Enock & Patience Mulomba (Botswana)

Adam & Dianna Nathanson (Venezuela)

Martin & Anne Shikuku (Kenya)

Robert & Joana Waismam (Brazil)

Silas & Comfort Yashim (Nigeria)

PRAY and RECEIVE



What Christ Is to Us

The Shield from ev'ry dart;
The Balm for every smart;
The Share of each load;
Companion on the road.

The Door into the fold;
The Anchor that will hold;
The Shepherd of the sheep;
The Guardian of my sleep.

The Friend with whom I talk;
The Way by which I walk;
The Light to show the way;
The Strength for ev'ry day.

The Source of my delight;
The Song to cheer the night;
The Thought that fills my mind;
The Best of All to find is JESUS.

Author unknown

THE PROMISE OF HIS PRESENCE

"Lo, I am with you always even until
the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20b)

INFORMATION and SCHEDULING

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PRAYER TOUCHES THREE WORLDS

HEAVEN. LOOKING TOWARD GOD
AND THAT IS WORSHIP.

See Prayer Seminar Workbook (pp 7,25) for suggestions.

EARTH. LOOKING TOWARD PEOPLE AND
CIRCUMSTANCES
AND THAT IS WORK.

See Prayer Seminar Workbook
(pp 8, 29) for suggestions.

HELL. LOOKING TOWARD SATAN
AND THAT IS WARFARE.

See Prayer Seminar Workbook
(pp 2,9) for suggestions.

In the six-hour prayer seminar, we use an acronym to guide one's personal prayer time: **A-C-T-S**. **"A" stands for** adoration and covers praise and worship. A simple thought to get started is **PRAISE GOD FOR WHO HE IS IN HIS ESSENCE, CHARACTER, AND ATTRIBUTES**. This is the time in your "Quiet Hour" to look at God as He is revealed in the Scriptures and praise Him for who He is. A practical suggestion is to find key words (example His names) related to Who God is for each letter of the English alphabet. Some words that provide insight are Magnify, Exalt, Extol. "LORD, you are my God; I will exalt You. I will praise your name." **Isaiah 25:1**

A Framework

"Heavenly Father, I come to You through Jesus (through His blood, and in His name) in the power of the Holy Spirit. **I exalt You** for who You are--You are my God and I praise Your name! [Be as specific as possible. Here it would be helpful to express details about a wonder or two. Perhaps use the English alphabet and memorize names for each letter of the alphabet to use as a repertory

at this time in your praying. Unhurriedly, meditate and reflect on each name.] Thank You, Heavenly Father, for sending Your Son, born as a baby to live in human likeness and to die on the old rugged cross for my sins. I am overwhelmed by Your Gift. Your amazing grace and Your lovingkindness. Please help me know more about Jesus and imitate daily His humble obedience to Your will. Help me to show love and grace to others, starting with my closest family members. Let others see Jesus in me as I keep telling His story and reflecting His light and love. I pray this prayer in the name of Jesus, the name that is above every name. I love you, Father, and serve you gladly. Amen."



THE PRAYER SEMINAR

Adam Nathanson has been responsible for the prayer seminars since January 2020. In spite of the limitations imposed by the Corena Pandemic, God has opened doors for him both at home and abroad. Not only has he been able to conduct prayer seminars, he has networked with a large number of pastors and churches who have expressed interest in bringing a prayer seminar to their areas.

RECAP: In 2021, Adam conducted 20 "full" seminars and 7 "mini" seminars. He preached in three services; There were 2 "full" using the ZOOM format, one for Kentucky pastors and another for Argentina Gideons. Around 1,000 participants, 200 pastors, and 100 churches were involved. He conducted prayer seminars in Argentina, Nicaragua, the United States (Florida, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Nevada), and Venezuela. He traveled on fifty-one days. Miles - 25,603 (air: 22,603 and ground: 2,819).

Recently, we have become aware of a matter of concern. His private van, a 2004 Odyssey Honda, which had 114,000 miles when he purchased it in 2014. It now has 235,000 miles. To help him along the way, he needs a reliable, safe vehicle for his work in the USA. We shared the need with many of our faithful Ropeholder Doorkeepers. In response to an appeal sent on November 3, fourteen have given \$3,415. PLEASE PRAY.

INTERNATIONAL

Brazil. Roberto and his prayer warriors are on day 291 of early morning praying via Zoom

Cuba. Digmar is over the COVID when the country was shut down. His mother died during this time. He is now leading a Zoom prayer seminar with over 100 Gideons of Argentina.

Kenya. Martin's 2021 report: 20 prayer seminars, 1,455 participants, 564 churches, 482 pastors, 238 saved. Glory Baptist Church has celebrated its 25th Anniversary.



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God's will

The surest method of arriving at a knowledge of God's eternal purposes about us is to be found in the right use of the present moment. God's will does not come to us in the whole, but in fragments and generally in small fragments. It is our business to piece it together, and to live it as one orderly vocation.

F. W. Faber

REFLECTOR PUBLICATION

DURING THE PAST FEW WEEKS, THERE HAVE BEEN MANY STATEMENTS OF APPRECIATION FOR THE REFLECTOR THAT HAVE TOUCHED MY HEART. Many have "urged" (and that is the word used) me to continue. FROM ITS FIRST ISSUE IN 1954, I HAVE KNOWN THAT IT WAS TO BE AN INSTRUMENT TO BOTH INFORM AND INSPIRE. There was a time for it to be launched and there will be a time to prepare copy for the last issue. Your letters have confirmed that that time has not arrived.

A recent letter was from **Marie Barca**, New Jersey, and is dated November 7.

Dear Dr. Henry,

Please keep the "Reflector" going for at least one more year. I think that the single 8 1/2 x 14 inches format is perfect.

I like to learn from your ministry and keep notes and use the hard copy of the Bible on paper.

I attended the prayer seminar at **Gloucester County Community Church** in New Jersey.

Thank you for your ministry.

Marie Barca

"Giving thanks through Jesus to God the Father.

Colossians 3:17



THE JANUARY 2022 REFLECTOR WILL REVERT TO THE ORIGINAL FORMAT USED IN 1954. A MAJOR FACTOR IN THE CHANGE IS THE NEED TO GIVE MORE ATTENTION TO MY CAREGIVER ROLE FOR SUE (65TH Wedding Anniversary on April 18, 2022) AS HER ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE PROGRESSES. I ACTUALLY PLANNED TO MAKE THIS MOVE WITH THE LAST ISSUE IN DECEMBER 2020. HOWEVER, JOHNNY AND ROSIE STREET, DOORKEEPERS FROM CELENA, TEXAS, PROVIDED FUNDS FOR 2021'S PUBLICATION.

2022 WILL BE THE 68TH YEAR FOR THE REFLECTOR. I GIVE GOD GLORY, HONOR, AND PRAISE FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. Continue, please, to pray for each issue to touch lives while there is time.

"OUR FATHER"
PRAYER IS BASED ON
SONSHIP,
NOT FRIENDSHIP!

Uncharted Blessings

Dear Dr. Henry and Sue,

Happy Birthday, Brother Jim [September 30, 2021]. We pray that the Special Day holds uncharted blessings for you and yours. We count you as family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Our devotional reading today centers on **Philippians 4**. My prayer for us, you and me, focuses on verses 6 and 7 ["Be anxious for nothing, but in every thing by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be known to God, and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.]"

We love you,
John & Glenda Holland
Yorktown, Virginia
9-24-21

The Hollands were among the first **Doorkeepers** for **J. Gordon Henry Ministries**. Their daughter, **Joanna**, has been a great encourager to me, personally, the past few years with notes and phone calls to cheer both Sue and me up. Always, we felt love flowing with each encounter. When **JGHEM**, now **THE PRAYER SEMINAR**, was formed three families in the **Tidewater Virginia** area, were named **Honorary Board Members**, namely, **John and Glenda Holland**, **Katherine Goff Morgan**, and **Dr. Len and Barbara Custalow**. We have shared every step with the Honorary Board members.

So, I have a special message to these who have been Honorary Board members. Thank you for being our friends and partners, standing with us for over four decades. May God bless you. Let's stay in close touch until we join in reunion in Heaven.

Now I have a message for every **Doorkeeper** and **Board Member**, also from **Philippians 4**. "Nevertheless you have done well that you share in my [ministry]. Now you Philippians know also that in the beginning of the gospel,



when I departed from Macedonia, no church shared with me concerning giving and receiving but you only. For even in Thessalonica you sent aid once and again [multiple times] for my necessities. Not that I seek the gift but I see the fruit that abounds to your account [in Heaven]. Indeed I have all and abound. I am full, having received from Epaphroditus the things sent from you, a sweet-smelling aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well pleasing to God. And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Now to our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen." (vv 14-20).

In **verse 17**, Paul has in mind the financial support sent to him. "Account" is business terminology. The Philippians gifts were producing spiritual profit just as money deposited in a bank account accrues interest. But Paul was not as concerned with their gift as with the development in the Philippians of the spiritual ability to give. I believe that we all will be surprised to see the results of our labors while here on earth, the dividends that have accrued.

As **JGHEM** becomes **THE PRAYER SEMINAR** under the leadership of **Adam Nathanson** my role changes to become one of the **Ropeholders** for this much-needed ministry, I ask each **Doorkeeper** and each **Board Member** to affix the following verse in your mind to remember my continuing prayer for you and your family: "The Lord repay your work, and a full reward be given you by the Lord God of Israel, under whose wings you have come for refuge" (**Ruth 2:12**).

Liberty University Under Attack

"Thus says the LORD, Stand in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths, where the good way is, and walk in it..." **Jeremiah 6:16a**

Some, but not all, of you know of my relationship with **Liberty University** (aka LBC: Lynchburg Baptist College, Liberty Baptist College). My family and I relocated to Lynchburg in April 1972 from Richmond, Kentucky and **Eastern Kentucky University**, at the very end of the first year of LBC's existence. My position there was director of **Model Laboratory School**, a department in the College of Education. At that institution, I was elected as a member of the Faculty Senate and appointed on the Committee on Committees. An assignment from **President Robert Martin** was to serve as the representative of EKVU on the statewide planning committee for higher education. My teaching area was Human Development. My responsibilities as principal of the **Berea City Schools** (KY) and those given to me at EKVU provided excellent preparation to join LBC to help build a respected academic institution and program to serve Christians—operating without an identity crisis.

My first desk at Liberty was a cardboard box, quite different from the palatial offices afforded me at EKVU with a carpeted, well-ordered administrative suite. One of the initial dreams was to develop a fully accredited Christian teacher education program with a degree of excellence that would result in Virginia certification. Further, as the first Vice-President for Academic Affairs (now called Provost), I had the responsibility of building an academic program at LBC that would be accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. With the help of the men and women who joined us as fellow administrators, faculty, and staff, both objectives were achieved.

Anyone wishing to review these foundational years can find my files in the Archives of Liberty University. The Academic Dean's Memo records the unfolding of the history quite

well as well as concept minutes (which means full background information of any matter, not just the actual action stated) of the Council on Academic Affairs (each of the chairperson of the academic divisions as well as one elected faculty represented. Major moments include approval by Virginia to grant degrees and the work that led LBC to accreditation following an evaluation team visit. During the exit interviews of both the state evaluation team visit and the SACS evaluation team visit included the



Dr. Henry
at LBC

following statement: "We have identified problems during our visit, but we have not found a problem that is not already being addressed." Actually, the chairman of the Virginia committee added in his statement of approval a revealing statement: "The committee all agrees that one reason we will recommend your institution to be recognized in Virginia is the fact that Dr. Henry is a Berea College graduate, We know and respect Berea College as a Christian institution worthy of emulation. We believe Dr. Henry is the right person to lead in the foundational years."

The Registrar. A major reason for our success that can be easily documented was the work of **June McHaney** as the Registrar. Major strides were achieved due to her diligence and her leadership ability. If anyone deserves an honorary doctor's degree from Liberty (and I refused to allow such an award during my tenure believing that this should come after LBC had developed a track record to assure that an honorary doctorate meant something) it would be Mrs. McHaney. She knows well the internal affairs of building a reputable institution.

The Council on Academic Affairs. Full minutes of the Council on Academic Affairs are in the Archives. **Dr. Amos Wipf**, who served as the chairman of the Division of Science and is now 97 was a member of this council who guided the development of LBC. Without their service, we could never have moved as rapidly as we did.

Faculty. Some from the foundational faculty are still active. One person I hired and have followed closely is **Dr. Ed Hindson**. Others



Boyd Rist (

include **Dr. John Pantana** and **Dr. James Borland**, who live in the Lynchburg area. But I want to honor the memory of **Dr. Boyd Rist** by mentioning his wife, **Norman Jean Rist**, Dr. Rist came to teach history, but he often said before they got out of the office at their initial interview, I already was giving them assignments. That was true of all of those who joined us during my tenure. **Mrs. Rist** taught English and is one of the ones who recommended Liberty Baptist College as the new name to replace **Lynchburg Baptist College** brought about by confusion with nearby **Lynchburg College**. I recently came across a letter that Dr. Rist had written me during his tenure as **Provost** in which he said that he kept a picture of me in his office. When the going got rough, he looked at the picture and said, "What would Dr. Henry do?"

THE TASK, Building a College. Both Dr. Jerry Falwell (founder/president) and Dr. Elmer Towns (co-founder/executive vice-president) indicated that they wanted to build a college that would excel in every way. Although there was an open-admissions policy, each indicated that they wanted a "real" college

that would have standing among other institutions of higher learning. Dr. Towns and I traveled to Atlanta, Georgia to visit with the head of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Dr. Blank encouraged us noting that starting where we were would be an advantage since we would not have the restraints of tradition that often hinders the development of a strong academic program.

One of my first moves was to invite **Dr. Grover Andrews, SACS**, for a visit. I shared with him the "dream" and he was quite helpful. When I took him to the airport, he said, "Dr. Henry," you are the man to do this, but I will tell you what your first task must be. You **must teach Dr. Falwell what a college is** and the evaluative criteria that must be met for accreditation."

Did we succeed? It was a great day when we earned the status of "Candidacy for Accreditation" from Southern Association with only a few areas to strengthen for "Accreditation status." When it was time for me to leave LBC to accept another position, Dr. Falwell said he would accept my resignation only if I agreed to return for monthly visits until accreditation was achieved.



THE HENRYS AND THE MCHANEYS

Mrs. McHaney and I were responsible for the first five commencements. The first four were at Thomas Road Baptist Church,

but the fifth was held outside on Liberty Mountain, the future site of the new campus. As we sat there on the platform that beautiful May Sunday afternoon, Dr. Falwell reached over and took my work copy of the Graduation Bulletin in which I had made my organizational notes. He proceeded to write something in my bulletin and handed it back. I have presented the original bulletin to the LU Archives. It reads:

"To Dr. and Mrs. Jim Henry, Your contribution has helped, probably more than any other single family, to **make LBC a college**. I shall be forever grateful. And Sue—your care for Mom will never be forgotten. — Jerry Falwell."

In 1972, Dr. Falwell said his greatest desire was an accredited college that would prepare champions for Christ. Through God's grace and the hard work of the foundational years' team, a college, in the fullest sense of the word was up and functioning well as was attested at that fifth commencement.

Sue, my wife, was head nurse in the Intensive Care Unit, Virginia Baptist Hospital and had taken care of Dr. Falwell's mother.

Dr. Falwell urged me to accept the position of Executive Vice President when it was created, but I declined due to my pastorate at Pleasant View Baptist Church. I suggested he consider Pierre Guillermin who had headed the Lynchburg Christian Academy (for which I was Vice-President). He asked if I would call Dr. Guillermin. The choice was made.

My next educational assignments were (1) president for

Northeastern Bible College, Essex Fells, New Jersey (2) Executive Director, Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools. My interest in LBC continued strong as the years unfolded. Many times during those years, Dr. Falwell, including just prior to his death, would say to me, "Dr. Jim, When you are ready to come back to LU, let me know. You can name your position." However, the call for the prayer seminars remained loud and clear.

HOW TO APPROACH PRAYING FOR LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

Some of our readers know nothing about Liberty University, but God does. Many do not know the names of current leadership at LU, including

me, but God knows. Few of those who were my fellow administrators during my tenure are left.

So I am asking our prayer warriors to join me. Begin by moving in your mind to praying ground. "Father, through Jesus and in His name, I pray for Liberty University. I do not know everything that is happening, but I join Dr. Henry in praying that You will protect LU and move in the hearts of friends and enemies to promote and to protect this institution ..." Then spend some silent time waiting and pray as the Holy Spirit directs you. He will guide you. **PRAY.**



Jerry Prevo

A REPRESENTATIVE At this point, I have no idea how many administrators, faculty members, or staff work at Liberty University. I have yet to have the privilege of meeting **Jerry Prevo**, a fellow Tennessean, who serves as president of the institution. God does know. Let's let **Dr. J. Randall Price**, Th.M. Dallas Seminary, Ph.D University of Texas, represent all of them in order to have a face. Suffice it to say he is the "Distinguished Professor of Biblical and Judaic Studies" at LU in the John W. Rawlings School of Divinity. His credentials are impeccable and his accomplishments are monument and unparalleled in the areas of archeology and prophecy. Google him and see for yourself.

America: A Reminder

"I will make Samaria a heap of rubble, a place for planting vineyards. I will pour her stones into the valley and lay bare her foundations. All her idols will be broken to pieces."

Micah 1:6-7 NIV

I love America. I want my nation to be strong and stable. I want it to be right, not wrong. God has poured out blessings of liberty and abundance as has never been known by any nation before. God has blessed America your land and my land beyond measure.

A firm foundation. There is no doubt that a nation is a reflection of the values of the people. Evidence is abundant that from the very beginning the founding fathers and other leaders were influenced by what is known as Judeo-Christian values which are laid out quite succinctly in the Word of God. For two centuries, those values have provided the firm foundation and moral fiber needed for our free society. In our homes, our schools, and our culture overall, we knew what was right and what was wrong and taught our children accordingly. Around the world we were known as "the Christian nation."

A nation under attack. There is abundant evidence that many Americans no longer hold those values. We are in a spiritual war that appears to have accelerated during the past four decades. The moral boundaries of our society have been shrinking. Sins once publicly decried are now portrayed as normal

behavior. Unless Christians wake up and take a stand, unless our voice is heard, God will surely act against our country to "judge you according to your conduct and repay you for all your detestable practices" (Ezekiel 7:8). In December 2021, Christians/churches are under attack to the level that a large contingent are serious about "canceling" Christianity.

Any nation that rejects the knowledge of the Lord loses its moral fiber and has no means of support when trouble comes. This is true of the United States of America, my nation and the land that I love.

Will you pray for our nation?

"Almighty God, we acknowledge our dependence upon Thee and beg Thy blessing upon us, our parents, our teachers and the country."

In 1963, this prayer, recited in New York's public schools, was banned by the Supreme Court of the United States of America. A case could be made that this was a wise decision because we must be cautious about recited, ritualistic prayers. However, I am one who can attest to the value of including prayer to begin a school day. My school, Grades 1-12 (1941-1953), was White Pine School, White Pine, Tennessee. There was not a day that began without Bible reading (without commentary), prayer (often prayed by a student) and the pledge of allegiance (always led by a student). I was not a Christian until my eighth grade year (1948). The encounter

with the Word of God and prayer molded my thinking and prepared me for receiving the Gospel in a tent meeting.

It was not long until the Bible was removed from our schools. Billy Graham, an upcoming evangelist, made a comment in "The Hour of Decision," his radio program. "America has sown to the wind and will reap a whirlwind." Fast forward to 2021 and make the judgment yourself. Look at what has happened to the "home of brave" and "the land of the free." The late Dr. R. G. Lee often said America has become the "home of the rave" and "the land of the spree." Lawlessness and violence is always just around the corner. Cities have burned without any accountability demonstrated even when we know the culprits. How would you like to be in law enforcement today?

September 2021 marked the 20th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks that snuffed out some 3,000 lives. We continue to grieve with those who lost loved ones and the wounded that was afflicted on our nation. We were shocked. We prayed to God. Those who were around at that time will remember the way our nation came together during this tragic time. Then—and now—God is the only hope for the United States of America. Examine your own life. Pray with me for a moving of the Holy Spirit to bring repentance, faith, and renewal.

The Constitution of the United States of America



"So long as we govern our nation by the letter and spirit of the Bill of Rights, we can be sure that our nation will growth in strength and wisdom and freedom."

DWIGHT DAVID EISENHOWER

October 14, 1890--March 20, 1969

34th President of the United States



January 20, 1953-January 20, 1961

A Correction. In the October Reflector (pp 4-5), I lovingly shared my remembrance of Wilbert Hupp, now with the Lord. I understood that before the accident with a piece of farming equipment that "he was too busy on his farm to go to church." His dear wife, Almaretta, shared that there was no time after their marriage that they were no in church. Actually, that is the Wilbert whom I knew. A precious couple, indeed!



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"The Lord is good to all and His tender mercies are over all His works" (Psalm 145:9).

THE LORD IS GOOD; THEN TELL OF HIM.
THE LORD IS GOOD; THEN TRY HIM.
THE LORD IS GOOD; THEN TRUST HIM.
THE LORD IS GOOD; THEN THANK HIM.

This is a good day to tell of Christ wherever you go. Someone needs the tract you can leave behind, the smile you can give, or the word concerning Christ you can say. DO IT. Then you will find this day will be richer if you just drop a word for Christ along your way.

Be sure **Matthew 6:33** is placed prominently on your "To Do List" for each day. This will keep your eyes in the right direction as you cherish each day.

HAPPY NEW YEAR
MAY 2022 BE THE BEST YEAR
EVER IN YOUR CHRISTIAN LIFE!

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