

REFLECTOR

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Wise words from the Bible

"Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people" (Proverbs 14:34). "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Luke 12:34).

IS THY HEART RIGHT WITH GOD
WASHED IN THE CRIMSON FLOOD,
CLEANSED AND MADE HOLY, HUMBLE AND LOWLY,
RIGHT IN THE SIGHT OF GOD?

Have thy affections been nailed to the cross?

Is thy heart right with God?

Countest all things for Jesus but loss?

Is thy heart right with God?

Hast thou dominion o'er self and o'er sin?

Is thy heart right with God?

Is there no more condemnation for sin?

Is thy heart right with God?

Does Jesus rule in the temple within?

Is thy heart right with God?

Are all the pow'rs under Jesus' control?

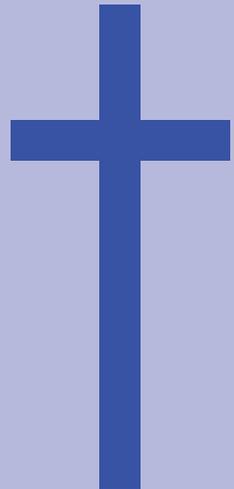
Is thy heart right with God?

Art thou now walking in heaven's pure light?

Is thy heart right with God?

Is thy soul wearing a garment of white?

Is thy heart right with God?



E. A. Hoffman (1899)

Published in 175 hymnals

Wise words from John Wesley

Making an open stand against all the ungodliness and unrighteousness which overspreads our land as a flood is one of the noblest ways of confessing Christ in the face of His enemies."

ONE NATION UNDER GOD

Recovering America's Exceptionalism

Dr. Ben Carson

In 1831, Alexis de Tocqueville, the famous French historian, came to America to study our nation. Europeans and others were fascinated with the success of the fledgling nation, then barely 50 years old and already competing on the world stage.

Such a thing had never before occurred, and Tocqueville was determined to discover the secret. He was duly impressed by our governmental structure, including the separation of powers, but he was in awe of the public educational system, which rendered its recipients completely literate by the completion of second grade. This depth of education was generally only found among the aristocracy in Europe.

Let's put aside the diversionary arguments about lack of educational access for all, which was a huge mistake, and concentrate on the tremendous advantage afforded our predecessors by education. Early settlers not only mastered reading, writing and arithmetic, but also shared practical skills, all of which enabled them to traverse and tame a rugged and frequently hostile terrain from sea to shining sea.

As isolated communities sprang up throughout the nation, they were able to thrive through innovation, industry and compassion. The "can-do" attitude involved hard labor, but it also included a sense of responsibility for those who through injury or other hardships could no longer care for themselves. The spirit of caring, although diminished, remains an important part of who we are today.

Tocqueville was impressed by the fiery sermons that emphasized the word of God and not the social mores of the day. He concluded his American analysis by saying, "America is great because she is good. If America ever ceases to be good,

WILLINGLY

Consecration

Use me, my Savior, for whatever purpose and in whatever way You may require. Here is my poor heart, an empty vessel: fill it with Your grace. Here is my sinful and troubled soul; quicken it and refreshen it with Your love. Take my heart for Your abode; my mouth to spread abroad the glory of Your name; my love and all my powers for the advancement of Your believing people and never allow the steadfastness and confidence of my faith to abate.

Dwight L. Moody

Christian in large type

We ought to be Christian in large type, so that it would not be necessary for others to be long in our society, or to regard us through spectacles, in order to detect our true discipleship.

The message of our lives should resemble the big advertisements which can be read on the street by all who pass by.

F. B. Meyer

WHEREEVER HE LEADS, I'LL GO!

she will cease to be great." America was different because we openly acknowledged the role of God in our lives.

Some will say, "Carson is a religious fanatic because he believes in God and the Bible." Interestingly, the very same people are quick to invoke the name of God and recommend prayer at times of national and personal tragedy. Hypocrisy is their frequent companion.

Some will say America can never make claims of "goodness" owing to her history of slavery. Although it was by far the worst atrocity in our history, we paid a horrendous price in lives lost or destroyed in a Civil War that all but incapacitated a young nation. The guilt, shame and humility that resulted from this dark American episode will teach us and stigmatize us well into the future. Learning from mistakes is a sign of wisdom and goodness.

What is disturbing in the pursuit of goodness is the turning of a blind eye toward corruption, much like the Romans did before the fall of their empire. Episodes such as the Internal Revenue Service scandal should alarm all Americans, regardless of political affiliation. The fact that one party has characterized it as a "phony scandal" tells you a great deal about the loss of honesty in our society.

The fact that one party is willing to use its majority status to cram a health care bill down the throats of the minority party and the American people and then refuses to acknowledge the obvious illegitimacy of a bill passed largely on the basis of false information provides a barometer on the lack of importance placed on virtue in our society today.

How can such a society in any way claim to be good?

How can a society that kills millions of innocent unborn babies and then labels anyone opposing the practice "anti-woman" claim even a modicum of goodness? How can a nation that uses its news media to subtly trash traditional families, promote a drug-filled lifestyle and ridicule faith in God claim the mantle of righteousness?

I could go on pointing out how far we have strayed from our Judeo-Christian roots. For some, such a departure cannot come soon or dramatically enough. However, I believe the majority of Americans understand that we are different from everyone else, and that difference had a great deal to do with our rapid rise to the pinnacle of world power and wealth.

As we depart from our former values of decency, honesty, compassion and fairness, our status as a blessed nation will also be diminished.

Our decline is not necessary if we can learn from the mistakes of others and reclaim the values upon which our nation was built. I am not advocating for a national religion, but I do think we should seriously consider the words of John Adams, who said, "Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate for the government of any other."

America can be great, but it requires real courage and conviction to resist the urge to be "cool." None of this means we should impose Judeo-Christian values on those who wish to adopt a different kind of lifestyle, but it does mean we should

not allow an alternative lifestyle to be imposed upon us.

Fairness is a two-way street, and so is tolerance. If the majority refuses to fight for its rights, while a vocal minority uses a compliant media to try to fundamentally change America, we will have only ourselves to blame.

SOME THOUGHTS ON THE CARSON ARTICLE

On Independence Day, Americans should give thanks to the Author of liberty that we are privileged to live in this "sweet land of liberty," where we are free to gather and worship God freely, in accord with His Word.

I often think of the sons of Issachar who, so long ago in the days of David, were reported to have "understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do" (1 **Chronicles 12:32**). We need godly men and women who emulate these sons of Issachar. It appears that Dr. Ben Carson has this understanding and what American ought to do. We are in trouble. Liberty itself is the issue.

Our Christian forefathers originally settled this country and later established our nation primarily to be able to exercise this liberty of serving God according to His Word.

Now there is an anti-God movement going on in America that our eyes see and our spirits discern. Let's remember that it will be through prayer that the war will be won.

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry

Lesson from History's Suffering

More Americans died in the Civil War than in all other wars in which the United States has been involved, combined. Families lost husbands, fathers, and sons. Some 26 percent of the men in the South perished in the struggle, and by the end of the war many women and children there were literally starving. Those years, 1861-1865, were marked by intense suffering all over the United States.

Yet during the war the South, and particularly its army, was swept by revival, as many thousands came to know Christ. Against the background of suffering and spiritual renewal, a letter found on the body of a Confederate soldier shows how, in the darkest times, the light of God shines on us.

I asked for strength that I might achieve,

He made me weak that I might obey.

I asked for health that I might do greater things,

I was given grace that I might do better things.

I asked for riches that I might be happy.

I was given poverty that I might be wise.

I asked for power that I might have the praise of men.

I was given weakness that I might feel the need of God.

I asked for all things that I might enjoy life.

I was given life that I might enjoy all things.

I received nothing that I asked for.
All that I hoped for.

MY PRAYER WAS ANSWERED.

Oasis—Hidden Blessings in the Desert Places

Psalm 84

Imagine yourself walking across a burning desert. You struggle through the soft sand, barely able to lift your feet on the shifting surface. The sun beats down on your head, burns through your shirt, drains your body of moisture so that your mouth feels like cotton and your tongue swells.

In a way **Psalms 78–83** describe Asaph's journey through a desert. God's people were weak and struggling. They were victims of enemies that had drained them and their land of every resource, and left them destitute and dying. It's no wonder that Asaph cried out again and again, appealing to God to restore the blessings once enjoyed by His people.

Now suddenly, with **Psalm 84**, another psalmist reminds us that no matter how desperate our situation, any desert God's people may find themselves in has an oasis. In Old Testament times, God's people directed their feet upward. Approaching Jerusalem, buoyed up by the thought that they would soon appear before God in Zion, His people went from "strength to strength."

For you and me, the oasis is even more available. We need only to close our eyes to find ourselves in the very presence of the Lord. When our soul yearns for God, we can simply turn our thoughts to Him, and we are there, with Him.

Our days may be filled with troubles, and our hearts may ache, yet we can know the blessedness of those "whose strength is in You, who

have set their hearts on pilgrimage." As pressures mount, we can visit the Lord in our hearts, and be reminded that "no good thing does He withhold from those whose walk is blameless."

The peace, the quiet confidence, the strength we need, are all there, available in our desert places. As we draw on them we cry with the psalmist, "O Lord Almighty, blessed is the man who trusts in You."

Larry Richards

When sickness strikes

When sickness strikes, the first thing we should do is to make sure that we have no unconfessed sin in our life. Then we should ask the Lord to work out His purpose in the illness and to heal us. After that it is proper to resort to a physician and to the use of medicine, but we must be careful that our trust is in the Lord and not in the means that He uses (2 Chronicles 16:12). All healing is from the Lord, whether miraculous or ordinary. If in any particular case He does not choose to heal, then He will give grace for suffering or for dying. Ordinarily we do not get dying grace until we need it.



JGHM LOGO: A WORLD, A CROSS, AND A PRAYER WARRIOR

Until then . . .

My heart can sing when I pause to remember,

A heartache here is but a stepping stone
along a trail that's winding always upward,
This troubled world is not my final home.

Refrain:

But until then my heart will go on singing,
Until then with joy I'll carry on--
Until the day my eyes behold the city,
Until the day, God calls me home.

The things of earth will dim and lose
their value

If we recall they're borrowed for awhile;
And things of earth that cause the heart
to tremble,

Remembered then will only bring a smile.
Refrain

This weary world with all its toil and
struggle

May take its toll of misery and strife;
The soul of man is like a waiting eagle,
When it's released, it's destined for the
skies.

Refrain.

Stuart Hamblen

NOTES from my BIBLE

Note 2221. The more difficult our days, the more we need to draw strength from God, and experience the blessing that is ours now through trust.

Note 2222. Our Lord offers an Emancipation Proclamation to every slave of sin.

Note 2223. Too many people within our borders are Americans only in name but un-American in their hearts and anti-American in their conduct. --Vance Havner

Note 2224. Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me. **BREAK ME. MELT ME. MOLD ME. FILL ME. SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD, FALL FRESH ON ME.** - Daniel Iverson

Note 2225. STILL APPROPRIATE: Paul's question when he was traveling on the Damascus Road and ENCOUNTERED Jesus: "So he trembling and astonished said, 'Lord what do you want me to do?'" (**Acts 9:6**). **What would you have**

AMERICA! AMERICA!
GOD SHED HIS GRACE ON THEE,
AND CROWNED THY GOOD WITH
BROTHERHOOD,
FROM SEA TO SHINING SEA.

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DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

1 Thessalonians 1:2

May 23--June 20, 2014

Regular	40	\$2,891.00
Kenya	<u>50</u>	<u>6,241.45</u>
Total	90	\$9,132.45



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

PRAYER CALENDAR**JULY 2014***"I will give myself to prayer..."*

Psalm 109:4b

TUESDAY, JULY 1**PROVERBS 1-4 (Greenland 57,714)**

Zane & Burma Abbott (VA)
 Mae Adams (NC)
 Marie Adams (VA)
 Robert & Susanne Adams (TN)
 Wayne & Jennie Agee (VA)
 Norma Ailes (FL)
 H. L. & Janie Allen (SC)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2**PROVERBS 5-9 (Grenada 109,378)**

Tommy & Pat Apple (NC)
 Milcie Arnold (VA)
 Leonor Avila (MD)
 Bill & Karen Baker (OK)
 Consuela Baker (NC)
 Mike & Joyce Baker (VA)
 Marilyn Barry (VA)
 Stan & Emily Baskin (TN)

THURSDAY, JULY 3**PROVERBS 10-13 (Guam 160,378)**

Jean Beasley (TN)
 Tommy Bell (TN)
 Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)
 Johnny/Juanita Bernard (FL)
 Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)
 Beverly Blankenship (TN)
 Ed & Loretta Bolen (VA)

FRIDAY, JULY 4**PROV 14-17 (Guatemala 14.4M)**

Everett/Deborah Boston (MD)
 Bob Bouchard (KY)
 William/Debbie Bowden (MD)
 David & Marna Boyd (OR)
 Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)
 Ed & Jean Bradshaw (VA)
 Emilee & Kim Bradshaw (VA)
 Nancy Bretz (PA)
 Jim & Judy Britt (GA)
 Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)

SATURDAY, JULY 5**PROV 18-21 (Guernsey 65,605)**

Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)
 Arretta Bruce (TN)
 Joe & Martha Bruno (CO)
 Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE)
 Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)
 George & Carol Buck (NJ)

SUNDAY, JULY 6

Janice Bugg (TN/Chin)
 Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)
 Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)
 Mary Campbell (ID)

Laura Cannon (FL)
 Joeretha Capers (FL)
 Robert & Anne Carroll (VA)
 David & Martha Cecil (VA)

MONDAY, JULY 7**PROVERBS 22-24 (Guinea 11.2M)**

Gus/Janice Christofield (VA)
 Harry & Nancy Coffee (VA)
 Vernia Coleman (MD)
 Mary Columbus (VA)
 Kathie Connolly (VA)
 Larry & Sue Cooper (DE)
 Foster/Georgia Covington (VA)
 Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)
 Dan Cravey (VA)
 Robert & Charlotte Crout (SC)
 Dufrene/Peggy Cummings (NC)

TUESDAY, JULY 8**Proverbs 25-29 Gu-Bissau 1.7M)**

Ida J. Davis (GA)
 John Davis (VA)
 Harold & Tama Decker (NY)
 Alan & Rebecca Dockrey (KY)
 Mary J. Dugans (LA)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 9**Proverbs 30-31 (Guyana 739,903)**

Paul & Joyce Eggleston (VA)
 Lynn Elkins (TN)
 Don & Mary Enoch (FL)
 Gene & Shirley Farley (CA)
 Fellowship Baptist Ch (FL)
 William & Virginia Green
 Larry & Cara Fields (VA)
 James & Ruth Flanagan (GA)

THURSDAY, JULY 10**Ecclesiastes 1-6 (Haiti 9.9M)**

Claire/Mary Ann Fredstrom (NE)
 Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)
 Estelle Gabbard (KY)
 John & Kim Gaines (DE)
 Mike & Lerlyne Garcia (VA)
 Frank & Pauline Garrett (NJ)
 Frank Geiger (HI)
 Sara George (GA)

FRIDAY, JULY 11**Ecclesiastes 7-12 (Holy Sea 839)**

Gloucester Co. Community Ch (NJ)
 Bruce Sofia, Pastor
 Ron & Carol Godwin (VA)
 Ronald & Maryann Gold (ND)
 Chad & Wendy Goodner (OK)
 Sam/Michele Graisbury (NJ)
 Velma Graven (KY)
 Dale & Mary Gray (IL)
 Odether Gray (GA)

SATURDAY, JULY 12**Song of Solomon (Honduras 8.8M)**

Linda Gregory (UT)
 Charles Hale (VA)
 Uel & Hazel Hartless (VA)
 George & Joy Harper (VA)
 Bruce & Vivian Harris (TN)
 Jim Hengoed (CT)
 Gina Henry (VA)
 J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA)

SUNDAY, JULY 13

Jacqueline Henry (VA)
 Jack Henry (TN)
 James & Kathryn Henry (MS)
 Mark Henry (TN)
 Melody Henry (VA)
 Roger & Sara Henry (OH)
 Sean & Bethany Henry (VA)
 Steve & Donna Hensel (MN)
 Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA)
 Joanna Holland (VA)
 John & Glenda Holland (VA)
 Russ/Dorothy Hornbaker (MI)
 Anita Horton (VA)
 Mike & Sonya Hosick (VA)
 Sam & Linda Hough (VA)
 Coy Hunsucker (NC)
 Joyce Hunt (TN)

MONDAY, JULY 14**Isaiah 1-4 (GHong Kong 7.2M)**

Ed Hurlow (IN)
 Jide & Bunmi Iware (MD)
 Betty Jackson (OH)
 Gerald/Tanny Jackson (WA)
 Gene/Rose Marie Jeffries (AR)
 Vernelle Jenkins (MD)
 Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN)
 William/Marsha Jester (DE)

TUESDAY, JULY 15**Isaiah 5-7 (GHungary 9.9M)**

Millicent John (NY)
 Bob & Rhonda Johnson (FL)
 Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY)
 Gwen Johnson (AZ)
 Jim & Penny Johnson (KY)
 Dave & Debbie Jones (VA)
 James Jones (FL)
 W I & Eloise Jones (SC)
 Mohan Katta (IL)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16**Isaiah 8-12 (Iceland 315,281)**

Howard/Suzie Kauffmann (GA)
 Harper/Shelia Keebaugh (PA)
 Kerby Knob Baptist Church (KY)
 Darren Hisel, Pastor
 Larry & Janet King (NC)
 Robert/Andrea Klepper (TN)
 Robert & Rose Klous (VA)
 Sherry Klutz (WA)

Quintin & Mary Knauer (OH)
 Mark & Lois Knolls (DE)
 Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY)

THURSDAY, JULY 17

Isaiah 13-16 (India 1.2B)

Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI)
 Korean Branch:

Dr. Shin Kwang Suk

Joel & Jackie Kramar (VA)
 Woodrow & Linda Kroll (NE)
 Craig & Molly Lampe (AZ)
 Phil & Edra Landers (OK)
 Charles/Cynthia Larson (MI)
 Bob Lawrence (MD)
 Del & Mary Leach (VA)
 Raymond & Janet Lemay (VT)

FRIDAY, JULY 18

Isaiah 17-20 (Indonesia 251M)

Gaylen & Linda Leverett (VA)
 Liberty University (VA)
 Jerry Falwell Jr., President
 Mike & Earlene Lips (MS)
 Vincent/Mary Lobisco (MI)
 Ray & Bobbie Long (WV)
 Don & Betty Lowry (SC)
 Rachel Mann (NC)
 Manship Chapel (DE)

Bruce & Vickie Tribbett

Wilma Marcum (KY)

SATURDAY, JULY 19

Isaiah 21-23 (Iran 79.9M)

Reg & Gloria Martin (OH)
 Larry & Sue Mason (VA)
 Deborah Mathias (NY)
 Murray/Loretta Mathis (TN)
 Dan & Fay McConville (VA)
 R. O. & June McHaney (VA)
 Don & Barbara Meduna (CO)
 Memorial Christian Ch (VA)
 Virgil & Sue Knipp, Pastors
 Terry & Sandra Metzgar (VA)

SUNDAY, JULY 20

Betsy Miedema (MI)

Gwen Miller (VA)

Earl & Marvel Mills (VA)

Roger Minney (VA)

Ted & Natalie Monroe (KY)

Bill & Sharon Moody (VA)

French & Laura Moore (VA)

Ronald & Wilma Moore (NC)

Joseph & Doris Moos (NJ)

MONDAY, JULY 21

Isaiah 24-27 (Iraq 31/(M)

Elaine Moser (MN)

Bob & Diane Nichols (VA)

Chet & Betty Nichols (WA)

Ann Palumbo (PA)

Raleigh & Janet Parker (VA)

Roger & Kay Pede (VA)

Sandy Pederson (MN)

Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA)

Mildred Pittman (NC)

TUESDAY, JULY 22

Isaiah 28-30 (Ireland 4.8M)

Ben Poplin (VA)

Ayers Porter (TN)

Marshall & Lois Powell (KY)

Jeanne & Maggie Pribble (VA)

Dave & Marilyn Rainey (VA)

Jeannette Ralph (VA)

Marjorie Randall (TX)

John Reed (NH)

Dave Ricker (ME)

Alice Riddick (NC)

Mike & Joyce Riley (KY)

Calvin & Valerie Ritchey (VA)

Cynthia Roach (VA)

Bo & Betty Robinson (MS)

Isabel Robotham (NY)

Clark & Marie Rogers (VA)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

Isaiah 31-35 (Isle of Man 86.159)

Fred/Jeanette Rolater (TN)

Bob & Marlene Rose (MI)

Sandra Rumore (VA)

John Saint (PA)

Don/Marie Satterwhite (FL)

Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA)

Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA)

THURSDAY, JULY 24

Isaiah 36-39 (Israel 7.7M)

Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI)

John & Peggy Seibert (AL)

Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH)

Shenandoah Valley Baptist Ch

(VA) Gene Jones, Pastor

Nellie F. Shepard (CT)

Walter & Pearl Shields (VA)

Charlie & Liz Sill (VA)

FRIDAY, JULY 25

Isaiah 40-43 (Italy 61.5M)

Mary Skiles (KS)

Paul & Mary Smith (TX)

Walt & Betty Sommers (VA)

John & Helen Sourlis (MD)

Leroy/Suk Hi Standifer (WA)

Tim & Pam Steger (ID)

SATURDAY, JULY 26

Isaiah 44-48 (Jamaica 2.9M)

Carol Snow Stewart (CT)

Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA)

Charles & Irene Stinson (VA)

Johnny & Rose M. Street (AR)

William Suttles (NC)

Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)

Tabernacle Baptist Ch (DC)

William Stroman, Pastor

SUNDAY, JULY 27

Brian/Janice Tarraferro (TX)

Billy & Sharon Taylor (PA)

Ron & Mazie Taylor (VA)

Stephanie Taylor (GA)

Rose Tengstrand (VA)

Mona Henry Thomas (VA)

W. D./Jackie Thomason (TN)

Montez Thompson (WI)

William & Katie Toney (NC)

Virginia Trask (VA)

MONDAY, JULY 28

Isaiah 49-51 (Japan 127.3M)

Carrol/Ouida Troutman (KY)

Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY)

Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY)

Joe & Benita Troutman (KY)

Malcom Troutman (KY)

Marshall/Mary Troutman (KY)

Willie/Diane Troutman (KY)

TUESDAY, JULY 29

Isaiah 52-57 (Jersey 95.732)

Tommy/Frances Turpin (VA)

Sara Underwood (TN)

Patrick/Patricia Vaden (TN)

Harris/Jane Verkaik (MI/FL)

George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ)

Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ)

Keith/Doris Snyder Verrall (FL)

Walter/Mary Ann Voss (DE)

Horace & Becky Ward (NC)

Michael/Sandra Ward (IN)

Beau/Ashley/Willow/Will Ware (VA)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

Isaiah 58-62 (Jordan 127.3M)

Kay Warmerdam (TX)

Don/Joyce Warpoole (TN)

Rodger & Jean Watts (WI)

Frank & Nell Weer (KY)

Gale & Nancy Wetzal (KY)

Kay Wice (TN)

Paul & Diane Wieland (PA)

Reg/Mary Ann Wilburn (VA)

THURSDAY, JULY 31

Isaiah 63-66 (Kazakhstan 17.7M)

Jeff & Terri Williamson

Ken & Carol Willis (VA)

Julie L. Wilson (PA)

Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA)

Amos & Celia Wipf (GA)

Greg & Lori Worley (GA)

David & Lili Wykle (VA)

Fred & Susan Zeller (MD)

DON'T FORGET TO CHECK

THE DAILY PRAYER LIST!

DAILY INTERCESSION

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You do not 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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Pray for safety and that
the Word of the Lord will
have free course.

INTERNATIONAL

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Andrew & Celestine Sakari (Kenya)

Martin & Anne Shikuku (Kenya)

Paula Tipton (Thailand)

Cliff & Marcia Vincent (Brazil/China)

Silas Yashim (Nigeria)

KENYA UPDATE

Thanks for **HOLDING THE ROPE** for Martin Shikuku and his team as they serve as faithful stewards (1 **Corinthians 4:2**) in **Kenya**, a nation that is in the news as this copy is being prepared. We have been praying for **Nigeria**, **Pakistan**, and other areas where militant Muslims have worked havoc killing Christians and destroying churches. Now it is happening in Kenya.

June 10-29: Fifteen prayer seminars were scheduled in three areas: Mombasa, Nairobi, and West Kenya (Eldoret area) with Martin and his team teaching. **This is the first major venture led by anyone but Dr. Henry.** Since there will come a day when he cannot travel as extensively as he has done the past thirty-four years (2.6 million miles in fifty-eight nations), JGHM is exploring other options.

A full report will be given in the August Reflector. Thanks to the **ROPE HOLDERS** for this effort. The budget was set at \$9,000. As of June 20, sixty-seven contributions have been received totaling \$7,536.45. We are waiting on the Lord for \$1,463.55. Through your giving, transportation, 2,000 Swahili prayer seminar workbooks/pens, lodging and food have been provided.

The year was 1792. **William Carey** agreed **to go to India**, which seemed like going into a deep, unexplored mine, if the **members of the newly formed Particular Society for Propagating the Gospel Among the Heathen** would "hold the rope." That is what our **Doorkeepers** have done faithfully since 1985 providing prayer and financial support. **THANKS!**

Departed to be with Christ

Pearlease Carter Mylam Baynes

Birth: Sunday, December 12, 1915

Death: Wednesday, June 4, 2014

The word "death" means separation. We know from New Testament teaching that a believer (spirit-soul) departs to be with Christ at the time of death while his body goes into the grave (**2 Corinthians 5:8; Philippians 1:23**). The believer himself is in the conscious presence of the Lord, worshiping Him in a way he never could on earth.

Since the early 1960's we have counted Carter a friend. She moved into the "best friend" category in 1967-68 when I served as her pastor. Sue, Mona, Mark, Melody and I often feasted at Carter's table loaded with vegetables (often out of the Mylam garden), meats, and homemade desserts beyond description. The meats always included big slices of country ham with red-eye gravy! We were at home!

Those of you who are acquainted with the Prayer Seminar Workbook (pages 18-19) will remember my reference to "my "best friend's questions" during this time: (1) what is the difference in the Bible between "spirit, soul, and heart" and what happens to the believer when he dies? That "best friend" was Hugh Bryan Mylam, Carter's husband. These were questions being asked by the members of the Sunday school he was teaching in Kentuck Baptist Church, Pittsylvania County, Virginia.

Finding answers to Hugh Bryan's questions resulted in my including a section on "who you are as a person" in the prayer seminar. The key Scripture Hugh Bryan and I found on a Saturday afternoon in our home in Lynchburg in 1977 was 1 Thessalonians 5:23 where Paul explained God made man a trichotomy (three), and not a dichotomy (two). We decided to use three circles to show this and I have used this model to teach many

spiritual lessons. A big circle represents the body. Inside that circle is a second circle that represents the soul (person: mind, emotion, will). Inside the second circle is a smaller circle that represents the spirit (where the control seat is). The "heart" is not your blood pump, but is another word for the inner man, where you think, feel, and make decisions.

Adam's spirit died to God when he disobeyed in the Garden of Eden. Read about it in **Genesis 3**. God told Adam that he would die if he ate the forbidden fruit. He did not die physically at that time. Neither did he die as a person. But he did die. How did Adam die? His spirit died to God. Everyone since Adam has been born dead to God because Adam sinned. Then who sits on the control seat. "Self" sits on the control seat.

When a person hears and believes the Gospel story (the "Good News" of Jesus' birth, sinless life, death, and resurrection for our sins), the Holy Spirit indwells him. That which was dead to God, man's spirit, comes alive to God. He is born again. His name is written in the Lamb's Book of Life, the Holy Spirit places him into the body of Christ, the Holy Spirit gives him a charisma (grace) gift, and he is placed on the Road to Heaven.



Sue and Carter were traveling companions across the nation Glorieta, New Mexico; Schroon Lake, New York; Peaks of Otter (ten years) and in Israel, Egypt, Jordan, Italy, the Caribbean (cruise). The "twice a year" visits from Carter were highlights of our lives. Game skills

were sharpened because Carter was a worthy opponent. **Memories** . . .

We loved being in the presence of Carter because it was easy to sense that she was a woman of faith! Liquid love flowed from her talk and walk. Hearing her sing was heavenly. In 1967, she introduced a song, *Until Then* written by Stuart Hamblen, that became her trademark. When we planned her funeral (to take place in Wilmington, North Carolina) many years ago, we decided that I was to preach her NGLED funeral. If her call to Heaven came when I was away in another country, she specified that Sue was to conduct her memorial service. She wanted our daughter, Mona, to provide the music and to conclude the service with "Until Then." The day came on Saturday, June 7, at noon in the Coble Ward-Smith Funeral Home on Oleander Drive. Not only did I "preach," but Sue spoke as well. With the music ministry of Mona, we had a taste of Heaven on earth. Her body rests in the beautiful Oleander Memorial Gardens in Wilmington to await the resurrection!

On Saturday, April 12, we were in Murfreesboro, Tennessee for the JGHM Board of Directors' meeting. During dinner celebrating the 50th wedding anniversary of Don and Joyce Warpoole, we received the news from Carter's niece, Cheryl. We aborted the trip to Murfreesboro and rushed to Charlotte. Letting her squeeze my hand while four technicians unsuccessfully attempted to get a needle in a vein is something I will never forget. She recovered, went through rehab, and returned to Carmel Place in Charlotte. Our last lunch together was a Red Lobster on Friday, May 16. Her favorite flower was the African violet and Sue left her two. At the luncheon, we laughed and loved. We planned a 99th birthday luncheon for December 12, 2014. The next time we saw Carter was on Wednesday, May 28. As she held my hand, she said "I was really sick this time." My heart was broken.

As she recovered, it was obvious she could not return to Carmel Place. Cheryl arranged for her to move to a beautiful assisted living facility in Waxhaw, North Carolina. The transport was on Tuesday, June 3. We prayed continually for her well being but decided we would wait until Thursday, June 5, to drive to Waxhaw, giving her time to get adjusted and settled. She was quite restless once she arrived at her new home, but could not tell Cheryl where she was hurting. The Waxhaw physician felt she should return to the hospital. She settled down and fell asleep and woke up at 2:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 4, Home in Heaven.

Think of stepping on shore and
finding it Heaven!
Of taking hold of a hand and
finding it God's hand.
Of breathing new air, and finding
it celestial air,
Of feeling invigorated, and finding
it immortality,
Of passing from storm and
tempest to an unbroken calm,
Of waking up, and finding it Home!

Selected

THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER (Last Stanza)

**O thus be it ever when free men
shall stand between their loved
homes and the war's desolations
Blest with vict'ry and peace, may
the heav'n rescued land praise
the Pow'r that hath made and
preserve us as a nation! Then
conquer we must, when our cause
it is just and **this be our motto: "In
God is our trust!"** And the Star-
Spangled Banner in triumph shall
wave o'er the land of the free and
the home of the brave.**

**"In God have I put my trust: I
will not be afraid of what man
can do unto me."
Psalm 56:11**

A PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

O God, whose truth is the only sure foundation of the kingdoms of men: pour out Thy Spirit, we beseech Thee, upon this nation, that it may be a source of wisdom and strength, of order and integrity, throughout the world.

Lord, bless this country that there may be peace and prosperity in all its borders. In peace, so preserve it that it corrupt not; in trouble, so defend it that it suffer not. So order it, whether in plenty or in want that we may seek Thee, the only sure foundation of both men and states. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

--Author unknown

A Poem to my Triune God

There are not enough words in my mind,
 You are so gracious, loving, and kind.
 I am speechless before you my Lord,
 You are all that You say in Your word.
 Heaven and earth are in awe at Your throne,
 All glory and praise belongs to You alone.

I humbly bow at Your feet;
 It is there that my joy is complete.
 Nothing can compare to You, my King,
 You make my heart and voice sing.
 I join with the angels and saints in their mirth,
 All glory to God in Heaven and on earth.

I love You Holy Spirit, Father, and Son,
 You are indeed the Great Three in One.
 You created the whole universe for Your glory:

Your marvelous redemption tells me the story.

I LOVE YOU, I THANK YOU, I PRAISE YOU,

YOUR GRATEFUL CHILD,

DOORKEEPER IRV KOOPMAN

Zeeland, Michigan

Franz Josef Haydn's testimony

"When I think upon my God, my heart is so full of joy that the notes dance and leap from my pen; and since God has given me a cheerful heart it will be pardoned me that I serve Him with a cheerful spirit."