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THE DOORKEEPERS

"And there were 202 Doorkeepers in those days ...
chosen on the basis of their genealogies ..and appointed
because of their reliability." 1 Chronicles 9:22 LB

INTERCESSION; FOCUS ON UNSAVED HOW TO PRAY FOR THE LOST

"And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before Me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none. Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord God." **Ezekiel 22:30-31**

There are many facets of the element of prayer we call "intercession." The comments that follow were first shared with the **Doorkeepers** in June 1990 and later appeared as a chapter in **Adoration: Prayer as Work**.

Although the whole idea of intercession is somewhat a mystery, it is God's will that He operate in answer to prayer. Prayer enables God to do things that He would not otherwise not do. Prayer is not a means to get man's will done in Heaven; rather, prayer is God's ordained means for getting His will done on earth.

The following fundamental principle encapsulates what is involved in this type of praying and is provided in the **PRAYER SEMINAR WORKBOOK** (page 29): **Intercession:** "Focus the power of God on another person or on a specific situation."

My intention for 2018 has been to flesh out basic ideas related to prayer. There are five basic elements of prayer taught in the prayer seminar termed, the **A-C-T-S Plan**:

A-DORATION, C-ONFESSION, T-HANKSGIVING, S-EEKING FOR SELF (PETITION) AND S-EEKING FOR OTHERS (INTERCESSION).

The hope is that individual prayer lives can be enhanced and that churches will become praying churches, literally **Lighthouses of Prayer** that push against spiritual

darkness that encompasses the world in which we live. A major supposition is that **prayer is the work that must be done before all other work**, a conclusion supported by the very words of the Lord Jesus Christ Himself recorded in **John 14:12-14**.

Following a recent message by **Dr. Dennis Hollandsworth**, our pastor, at Beulah Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Virginia, the Holy Spirit led him to purpose an evangelism effort based on an account in **Mark 2:1-5**.

Many times during my twenty-seven years as a local church pastor, as have most pastors, I have been led to bring a message from this text. My subject in bringing this message has been "**When Jesus Comes to Town.**" According to my records, I preached this sermon eighteen times. The first time was at Rosedale Baptist Church, Richmond, Kentucky on January 22, 1961; the eighteenth and last time was at the Old Buck Creek Baptist Church, Livermore, Kentucky on November 21, 1982. At that time, I was no longer pastor since I had become president at the **Northeastern Bible College** in 1980. I loved preaching this sermon and the unction of the Holy Spirit was quite powerful the moment I began to speak.

Crowds gathered and people filled the house in **Capernaum** where Jesus taught. One of the greatest experiences for any community

anytime, anywhere is to be present when Jesus comes to town and the word goes out, "Jesus has come to town!"

Note the "paralyzed sinner" in our text. The man was helpless; he could not walk! We know that today a man in sin is in the same circumstance. Help came. This man was brought to Jesus because someone became interested in him when he heard that Jesus had come to town. Two truths come to mind. Plans were made to bring this man to Jesus. One man got to thinking about his bedfast friend who could not walk. but was bedfast. He knew he could not carry the man by himself. He knew he could, if he had help. So he went down the street to a man's house and secured his help. Then they found two more men who would help them. Four men joined in bringing a friend to the Lord Jesus Christ. They made plans to get this man into the presence of Jesus.

Today we, too, must make plans to bring helpless sinners to Jesus. Few will be reached without such help. If we are to see our lost loved ones (spouses, children, grandchildren and other family members) come to Jesus, it is necessary to make plans to reach them. The evangelism effort at Beulah is for four believers to join to pray for the salvation of one (or more) person(s) to be saved during 2018. I like this paradigm very much.

An old adage

How many identify with the psalmist who said, "I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that would know me: refuge failed me; **no man cared for my soul**" (Psalm 142:4-5). As a young pastor in his early twenties, I remember the Saturday

when a passage from Jeremiah broke my heart: "Many rulers have destroyed My vineyard, they have trodden My portion underfoot; they have made My pleasant portion a desolate wilderness. They have made it desolate; desolate, it mourns to Me; the whole land is made desolate, **because no one takes it to heart**" (Jeremiah 12:10-11). A passage that reinforces the need for human instrumentality to participate is **John 5:1-8**. Jesus asked a man who had suffered an infirmity for thirty-eight years: "Do you want to be made well?" His answer is heart-breaking, "Sir, **I have no man** to put me into the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me" (v 7)." God uses human instrumentality to bring people. That need is unchanged.

The answer to Cain's age-old question, "Am I my brother's keeper?" (**Genesis 4:9**) is "yes." God's first question in the Bible was "Where art thou?" One is responsible for himself, but one is also responsible for others.

The second point to be stressed is that these four men pushed their plans. When the men came to the house in Capernaum where Jesus was speaking, they could not get near him. because the crowd was so large. **BUT THEY PUSHED THEIR PLANS.** They headed up to the flat roof, They simply dug out the filling between two beams (about three feet apart) and let their friend down into the presence of Jesus. **Obstacles must be overcome. Men must help! There needs to be intercessors,** someone standing between a person and God.

A vivid example of the importance of intercession is found in the text above when judgment fell on a nation after God's failure to find a person

to stand in the gap for the land. God needed a man to stand in the gap for the land that He would not destroy it. The practice of intercession can keep the wrath of God from coming upon an individual or a nation. Do you understand this truth? Another Biblical example is the time the intercession of Moses prevailed when God was going to destroy the people who had sinned (**Exodus 32:11-14**).

The Lord willing, we will resume our basic study in prayer from the context of spending a day in prayer in a later 2018 **Reflector**. **This month we will share some thoughts about praying for the lost (a person who has never trusted Christ as his/her personal Savior) in the light of the emphasis of the "Carried by Four" Project.** My thoughts are to deal with two other **vital areas of intercession**: how to pray for our nation (July) and how to pray for world evangelization including how to pray for missionaries (August).

BACKGROUND. Paul expressed his burden to pray for his people, Israel, that "they might be saved" (**Romans 10:1**). Earlier, he described his burden as "great heaviness and continual sorrow in [his] heart" (**Romans 9:2**). The context (**vv 1-3**) includes a statement that the Holy Spirit is his witness that he is telling the truth since the treatment he had received from his own people would lead an observer to question his veracity in the matter. He sounded much like Moses interceding for Israel (**Exodus 32:11-14**) when he shared that his burden was so intense that he would be willing to go to hell if his people could be saved. Note, there is little incentive to exercise

the discipline needed to pray for the unsaved without a burdened heart.

How do we pray for the salvation of the lost? Before you start praying for a lost person, you should master the truths of **1 John 5:14-15**. Read the passage. Do you believe it? If not, read it again. My suggestion is that you prepare a list of key words: (1) **pray**; (2) **will of God**; (3) **confidence**; (4) **God's promise to answer**. Pray for the lost person by name. Remember fundamental principle of intercession is focusing the power of God on a person or specific situation. There are five things to remember in praying for a lost person by name. Let's say "Sam is lost and you want to see him saved.

You are burdened for Sam's salvation. You want him to go to Heaven, not hell. Results are assured when there is a burdened heart (**Psalms 126:5-6**). As the gospel seed is watered with tears of concern, the precious seed (which is the Word of God) will have great impact. Since we are so preoccupied with this life, it is so easy simply to forget life in eternity which will either be Heaven or Hell dependent on what a person does with the Lord Jesus Christ, the world's only Savior. We can be confident that when we ask anything according to His will, God hears us and will answer (**1 John 5:14-15**) our requests. What is His will concerning the salvation of the unsaved person for whom you are interceding. God is "long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but all should come to repentance" (**2 Peter 3:9**). "All" includes everyone in the incontrovertible statement of God's desire. He wants "all" to come to repentance. He loves people of the

whole world (**John 3:16**). Christ is the propitiation for the sins of "the whole world" (**1 John 2:2**). Paul's charge to Timothy is that he pray "for all men" since "God our Savior [would] have all men to be saved, and to come to the knowledge of the truth" and that "Christ Jesus ... gave Himself a ransom for all" (**1 Timothy 2:1, 3-6**). Praying for the lost is a very important need in intercession. Our intercession frees God to do some things He would not otherwise do; God has chosen to involve us in His plan and has chosen to limit Himself to our praying. What an awesome thought! With confidence we can pray for the lost because saving the lost is His will. You can say with confidence, "Father, I pray Sam's salvation. I know that it is in Your will for him to be saved. I know that the blood of Jesus was shed for Sam's sins."

Again, as we recount how to pray for the lost, it is important to be specific not general. Intercede for a particular lost person BY NAME not just "all" lost people. My name is "James Gordon Henry." If I had never trusted Christ as my Savior and you were burdened to pray for me to be saved, you would pray for "James Gordon Henry." Name the person in prayer and focus the power of God on that person. This is an extremely important part of praying for the lost. Remember that few people ever come to Christ for salvation until someone begins to pray for them by name.

THREE DIRECTIONS FOR PRAYING FOR THE LOST

There are three directions to focus your praying for the lost: toward Satan, toward the Savior, and toward the Saints. (1) Ask God to save Sam in the light of what God's Word reveals--His will that all be saved.

(2) Why is Sam lost? The answer is **1 Corinthians 4:4**. Satan has blinded his mind and he cannot hear anything said to him about becoming a Christian. You share the steps to take and he does not understand. What you must do, then, is to ask God to allow the Holy Spirit to bind Satan over Sam's mind so that he does hear what is being said.

(3) Pray that the Holy Spirit will bring conviction to Sam's heart. This means that he will become conscious that he is lost and needs to be saved.

(4) Pray that God will send someone along side Sam to tell him how to come to Christ. I use **Romans 10:8-13** to lead a person to Christ. The content of the **Evangelism Clinic** that is used with a prayer seminar covers this passage in detail. Over the years, we have often commented in the **Reflector** on how to speak in His name: (1) using your testimony; and (2) using a passage of Scripture to bring someone to Christ. "Believe" is more than intellectual. It is to "trust" Christ as Savior asking His forgiveness for your sin of unbelief and putting your FAITH in the Lord Jesus Christ. Give Sam an opportunity to pray a prayer of salvation.

(5) **2 Corinthians 6:2.** Pray that Sam will decide today. Tomorrow may be too late.

TOWARD SATAN. The first target should be Satan. It is the power of Satan that holds the sinner in bondage. You will remember that Jesus did not deal with surface problems, but the power behind the problems. When Jesus revealed to the disciples that He would go to Jerusalem, where He would suffer many things, be killed, and raised again the third day, Simon Peter told Him that He did not know what He was talking about. The sense of what Peter said to Jesus was "This will never happen!" Jesus realized the power behind Peter's remark and targeted Satan: "Get thee behind Me, Satan" was His response (**Matthew 16:21-23**). Paul spoke directly to the demon who possessed the young girl in Philippi (**Acts 16:16-18**). He further described SPIRITUAL WARFARE pointing out that we are not to use carnal weapons in the flesh, but spiritual weapons which can pull down strongholds that enslave people (**2 Corinthians 10:3-5**). By the way, note that the strongholds are in the mind "imagination," "knowledge," and "thought." In **Ephesians 6:12**, Satan's spiritual hierarchy of organization is given. We need not be ignorant of Satan's devices. Satan is not omnipotent, omniscient, or omnipresent, but he is organized with his mighty princes everywhere to represent Satan and carry out his plans. Study the passage (**v 10-18**). God has provided armor to protect His children during warfare, but He does not put it on for us. Learn what the armor is and put it on piece-by-piece; that is a wise way to begin a day. After a believer has his armor of protection on, he is ready for battle. You and I will never win the war if we don't know where the battle is fought.

Prayer is where the battle is fought, where Satan is defeated, and where victory comes.

Thus, the primary focus of evangelism is toward Satan. A lost person is "bound by the god of this world," and is in the "snare of the devil ... taken captive by him at his will" (**2 Timothy 2:25-26**). Further, Satan has "blinded the minds of them which believe not" (**2 Corinthians 4:4**). The devil is the "strong man" who must first be bound (**Matthew 12:29**) and Jesus is the One who is stronger than the devil, the One who can bind him" (**Luke 11:21-22**). Through intercessory prayer we can focus the power of God against Satan as we appropriate the truth that Jesus has totally defeated Satan. This happened when Jesus died on the cross and rose from the dead. He conquered Satan. Further, redemption means that Jesus has bought us out of slavery, redeemed and ransomed. Satan's strongholds can be attacked and defeated directly through intercessory prayer. This work is vital before witnessing to an unsaved person. As long as his/her mind is blinded, the person does not hear what you are saying in your appeal to trust Jesus as Savior.

To summarize, before a lost person can be saved, Satan's stronghold needs to be torn down and this is accomplished through intercessory prayer. The conquest that Jesus accomplished must be appropriated. It doesn't mean anything at all for the devil to be defeated two thousand years ago if we do not awaken to that fact and claim the work accomplished at the Cross of Calvary. In praying for the lost, the word of command that we have been given is the authority in

His name to ask God to bind what He has bound in Heaven and loose what He has loosed on earth (**Matthew 16:19, Mark 11:23**). In the name of Jesus, we can ask that the obstacles and hindrances to the will of God be removed. Before a lost person can believe, Satan must be bound. God wants us to cooperate by binding and loosing rebuking and standing against Satan on lost person's behalf and bind him from that person's life so that he can hear the call to salvation, understand the steps to be taken, and trust Christ for salvation.

As we use the authority to ask God to bind Satan in an unbeliever's mind (**Matthew 18:18; Mark 3:27**), Satan's influence is defanged. We are called of God to be conquerors in spiritual warfare on this earth (**Ephesians 6:11-12**). As we prepare our hearts to go to the battle for the soul of a person who needs to be saved, there are three key verses to understand and apply. The first is **1 John 4:4**, "Greater is He who is in you than the one who is in the world." The Holy Spirit, who indwells each believer, is stronger than Satan, the prince of this world. The second verse is **Ephesians 4:27**, a verse that means that in a Christian Satan does not have a place (literally "ground to stand") unless he/she gives him a place to stand. The third verse is extremely important and answers the question "how do I get ground yielded back." For victorious Christian living, it is crucial to understand **James 4:27**, a verse that has two parts. Many are familiar with the last part of the verse, "Resist the devil and he will flee from you." Many, who are tired of being oppressed by Satan, tell him that you no longer want him

around. "Leave me alone, Satan. I am tired of you! I rebuke you in the name of Jesus. Get behind me, Satan." And the devil does not leave; he laughs at you. The critical point is that this verse begins with "Submit yourself to God." Only after doing this, you and I are given authority to resist the devil and see him leave you alone for a season.

Submission to God begins when the Holy Spirit makes you aware of sin in your life. Consciousness of sin is called "conviction." My advice is to set aside time alone with God, the Father. He knows your heart. He knows your sins. He knows your desires. When you ask Him to let you know what you are doing (sins of omission) that He does not want you to do and/or what you are not doing (sins of commission) that He wants you to do. You can count on Him showing you sins. "Conviction" is the beginning point of getting clean before God. Conviction is the responsibility of the Holy Spirit. He uses the Word of God to show you sins in your life.

Once you know there is a sin, the next step is to change your mind about that sin. This is called repentance and is your responsibility something you have to do. The next step is vital and is based on **1 John 1:9**. "If [or when] we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." Since the word "confess" means "to agree with" or "to say the same thing," confession must focus on specific sins. For example, what are the sins that have brought conviction in our heart? Be specific. General confession does not meet the requirements of the word "confess." No one has ever been cleansed by saying "forgive me of all my sins, dear

Lord." When you do this, you simply cut the top off the weed leaving the root in the ground. Of course, the weed will soon grow back. In God's sight, any sin that is confessed is placed behind His back and ends up in the sea of forgetfulness. A very critical step is next. There is no such thing as partial forgiveness, but we have to accept the forgiveness as an accomplished fact. Once you move through these points, your life is changed and you are moving in the correct direction. The final step is yielding and surrendering your life to the Holy Spirit afresh and anew, You will then be on praying ground and in a position to resist the devil and watch him flee You and I do not have to be defeated. We can "walk in the Spirit" and don't have to "walk in the flesh."

A knowledge of spiritual warfare should not make us afraid; in fact, it should give us great encouragement in our role as intercessors. We have power in this warfare. The Lord Jesus Christ Himself is that power (**Ephesians 6:10**), We must stand our ground in this spiritual battle using the authority given by God. A "stronghold" is a military term and simply refers in this section of Scripture to where the enemy is in control. Strongholds are in our minds. By hiding the Word in our minds, the Holy Spirit will bring that Word alive when we need it and we will be "overcomers."

Just as a policeman can stop or move traffic by a gesture of his hand, so we, in Christ's name command evil powers that bind the souls of people to release their captives. Through intercessory prayer (in His name by His authority) Satan is perfectly defeated. Remember, greater is He

who is in us than the one that is in the world.

Through intercession, we claim the work of Calvary in the lost person's life. The shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ has atoned for the sins of the whole world. To pray in the name of Jesus is to claim everything that His work has purchased. The sins of an unsaved person have already been paid for by the blood of Jesus that has already been shed (**1 John 2:2, John 1:29**). A person never goes to hell because of his sins (drinking, lying, stealing, fornicating, murdering, etc.). Rather, he is condemned because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ (**John 3:18**). Since Jesus has already paid for his redemption, we have the right to claim him in Jesus' name. **IN HIS NAME, THE INTERCESSOR HAS THE RIGHT TO CLAIM WHAT HIS BLOOD HAS PURCHASED.**

TOWARD THE SAVIOR. It is important to remember that a person does not come to Jesus except the Father draws him (**John 6:44**). It is through the Holy Spirit that the Father draws a person to the Savior. Jesus explained that it would be the work of the Holy Spirit to convict the world "of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment to come" (**John 16:8**). Further, the Holy Spirit calls attention to Jesus not Himself (**John 16:13-14**). It is certainly appropriate for us to ask the Father to send the Holy Spirit to the unsaved person to convict him of his spiritual need and his lostness, and to draw Him to the Savior. One can easily imagine the result in a lost person's thinking when he becomes conscious of his lostness

and the coming judgment. Not only will the Holy Spirit bring a sense of conviction, He will do it in the light of calling attention to the Lord Jesus Christ.

TOWARD THE SAINTS. In **Romans 10:1-3, 8-13**, Paul gives the clear path of salvation with the conclusion that "whoever calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." Then, he poses a question in **verse 14**; viz., how can a person call on someone he has never heard about? Jesus instructed His disciples to pray that God will send laborers into the vineyard that is white already to harvest (**Matthew 9:35-38**). Some have postulated that two out of three living today have never heard the name "Jesus" in a saving sense one time. A praying church should be instructed to major on this mandate by the Lord Jesus Christ, which is as true today as it was when He gave it. Focus the power of God on laborers for the harvest. This is God's method. He prepares a sinner and He prepares a witness. In **Acts 10**, Cornelius was the prepared sinner who had been praying a fasting four days; Peter was the prepared witness. God's way is to bring together prepared sinners and prepared witnesses.

Through intercessory praying God moves to prepare the sinner. The intercessor needs to continue the cycle and ask God to prepare the witness that he will speak as he ought to speak and then give him an opportunity to share (**Colossians 4:12**). Don't be surprised if you become the witness God calls and uses.

It is time to PRAY FOR THE LOST. One very practical approach

in praying for the lost is to identify five unsaved persons represented by the five fingers on your left hand and another five who will be represented by the fingers of your right hand. Pray for these every day following the ideas provided above. When one gets saved, replace that person with someone else. Remember that it is the will of God that each of these persons be saved. Pray in the direction of Satan, in the direction of the Savior, and in the direction of the saints.

It is sad to note that there are saved people living with unsaved people under the same roof often members of the same family--and no one is praying for their salvation. If you are not praying for your children or your grandchildren, it is highly likely that no one else is. If you have lost your burden because of the pressures all around you and the pull of this world, take this matter directly to the Father through the Son in the power of the Holy Spirit. He will deal with it and make things different!

Some years ago, it became clear that I needed to include a practical section in the **Prayer Seminar Workbook (page 29)** on praying for the lost. Consequently, one of the last items I teach is praying for the lost. My encouragement to my students is to become intercessors by developing a prayer list approach. In fact, I make a statement that seems set in concrete: **NO PRAYER LIST, NO PRAYER LIFE.** My mentors in this approach included **Jack Taylor, Ron Dunn, and Peter Lord.** The latter was pastor of the Park Avenue Baptist Church, Titusville, Florida. All three were popular speakers in the Southern Baptist Convention. Our church began

a 24/7 prayer chapel under the influence of these men. **Peter Lord** allowed **JGHM** to provide his popular prayer guide as the **A-C-T-S Prayer Journal**, three-ring binder. Thousands were disseminated and many utilized this approach to develop a strong prayer life. Beginning in 1991, a monthly publication, **The Doorkeeper Report**, enabled full studies to be shared with our partners with the intention of strengthening their Christian lives. Eight books came out of these studies.

Saturday was highlighted as the day to pray for the lost. One major consideration was that the Holy Spirit would lead unsaved people to our church on Sunday and be ready to respond to the Gospel. The last two years that I served as pastor, I personally baptized over 100 each year. Others were saved who joined other local churches. After we prayed around the clock the first week, nineteen came to Christ the next Sunday morning. Is praying for the lost necessary in soul-winning? It certainly is.

Several times over the years, churches have scheduled an all-day Sunday prayer seminar (six hours) as early in the year as possible. One was **Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky**. The pastor was **Dr. Hershel York**, who now teaches in **The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky**. Many committed to become prayer warriors. The result was that well over one-hundred came to Christ during the next twelve months. Sadly enough, few churches are praying churches. Many talk about prayer, but make no effort to teach their members to become prayer warriors.

To reenforce the prayer seminar ministry, an evangelism clinic was developed and hundreds have been conducted around the nation and in other nations. The role of prayer for the lost is highlighted. A lady in Boise, Idaho, heard the teaching and decided to use the approach taught for her father, mother and brother who had all shown nothing but hospitality toward Christianity. A short time later, she wrote our office in Murfreesboro, Tennessee to say that mother and brother were gloriously saved and she continued to pray for the salvation of her father.

The work most needed is prayer work. Unless the prayer work is done, evangelism will make little difference. In fact, it is safe to conclude that it is possible to contact face to face every individual in a county or city with a gospel witness and see nothing happen if the prayer work is not done. May the Holy Spirit clearly teach each of us the needed truths that will result in our giving time and attention to prayer for the lost.

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry

John 3:17
Zechariah 8:21b

Thanks! The funds have been received to meet the established budget for Pakistan 2018--400 pastors in four majors cities. Now pray for a mighty moving as the Holy Spirit brings the Word of God alive!

PRAYER CALENDAR**JUNE 2018****"I will give myself to prayer..."****Psalms 109:4b****FRIDAY, JUNE 1****Psalm 1-6 (Venezuela 31.7M)**

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

SATURDAY, JUNE 2**Psalm 7-12 (Fiji 896.758)**

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

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

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

MONDAY, JUNE 4**Psalm 13-18 (Finland 5.3M)**

William/Debbie Bowden (NC)
 David & Marna Boyd (OR)
 Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)
 Ed & Jean Bradshaw (VA)
 Kim Bradshaw (VA)
 Lurlene Braud (VA)
 Michal Breed (WI)
 Nancy Bretz (PA)
 Jim & Judy Britt (GA)
 Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)

TUESDAY, JUNE 5**Psalm 19-24 (France 66M)**

Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)
 Freddie/Yvonne Brunson (DE)
 Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)
 George & Janet Buck (NJ)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6**Psalm 25-30 (Fr Polynesia 277,293)**

Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)
 Eileen Camarena (NJ)
 Dallas & Anne Campbell (VA)
 Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)

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

THURSDAY, JUNE 7**Psalm 31-36 (Gambia 1.9M)**

Mary Columbus (VA)
 Kathie Connolly (VA)
 Foster Covington (VA)
 Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)
 Jerry & Joan Crain (SC)

FRIDAY, JUNE 8**Psalm 37-44 (Gaza Strip 1.8M)**

Robert & Charlotte Crout (SC)
 Dufrene/Peggy Cummings (NC)
 Barbara Custalow (VA)
 John Davis (VA)
 Harold & Tama Decker (NY)
 Robert & Janice DeLong (VA)
 Carolyn Dodd (VA)
 Jo Anne Dudley (VA)
 Kathryn Eaton (ME)
 Bessie Eggleston (MD)

SATURDAY, JUNE 9**Psalm 45-49 (Georgia 4.6M)**

Jeff & Leeann Englert (KY)
 Lynn Elkins (TN)
 Don & Mary Enoch (FL)
 Larry & Cara Fields (VA)
 John & Susann Finnessy (MD)
 James & Ruth Flanagan (GA)
 Nancy Fowser (NJ)

SUNDAY, JUNE 10

Claire/Mary Ann Fredstrom (NE)
 Freedom Through Faith (MD)
 Robert Triboboeau, Pastor
 Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)
 James Fugate (CA)
 Travis & Emilee Fulcher (VA)
 Pauline Garrett (NJ)
 Ron & Kay Gavette (VA)
 Frank Geiger (HI)
 Sara George (GA)

MONDAY, JUNE 11**Psalm 50-54 (Germany 81.1M)**

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

TUESDAY, MAY 12**Psalm 55-59 (Ghana 25.2M)**

Linda Gregory (UT)

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13**Psalm 60-66 (Gilbraltar 29,111)**

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)
 Briggs Hensley (VA)
 Ed & Donna Hindson (VA)
 Frank & Pat Hitchings (VA)
 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)
 Joyce Hunt (TN)
 Wilbert/Almaretta Hupp (PA)

THURSDAY, JUNE 14**Psalm 67-72 (Greece 10.8M)**

Jide & Bunmi Iware (MD)
 Gene/Rose Marie Jeffries (AR)
 Vernelle Jenkins (MD)
 Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN)
 Jonathan & Julie Jobe (SC)

FRIDAY, JUNE 15**Psalm 73-77 (Kenya 44M)**

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

SATURDAY, JUNE 16**Psalm 78-83 (Cuba 11.3M)**

Howard/Suzie Kauffmann (GA)
 Harper/Shelia Keebaugh (PA)
 Kerby Knob Baptist Church (KY)
 Darren Hisel, Pastor
 Larry & Janet King (NC)

SUNDAY, JUNE 17

Korean Branch:

Dr. Shin Kwang Suk
 Joel & Jackie Kramer (VA)
 Woodrow & Linda Kroll (NE)
 Craig & Molly Lampe (AZ)
 Phil & Edra Landers (OK)
 Del & Mary Leach (VA)

MONDAY, JUNE 18

Psalm 84-89 (Kenya 44M)

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

Bruce & Vickie Tribbett
 Wilma Marcum (KY)
 Nick & Pat Markham (VA)

TUESDAY, JUNE 19

Psalm 90-97 (Cuba 11.3M)

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

Psalm 98-103 (Cuba 11.3M)

Betsy Miedema (MI)
 Roger & Nancy Minney (VA)
 Ted & Natalie Monroe (KY)
 Bill & Sharon Moody (VA)
 Ronald & Wilma Moore (VA)
 Joseph & Doris Moos (NJ)

THURSDAY, JUNE 21

Psalm 104-106 (Cuba 11.3)

Elaine Moser (MN)
 Eileen Murphy GCCC (NJ)
 Bob & Diane Nichols (VA)
 NE Baptist College (VT)
 Mark Ballard, President
 Oconto Gospel Chapel (WI)
 Peter Dorn, Pastor
 Zack & Jackie Olcott (VA)
 Ann Palumbo (PA)
 Raleigh & Janet Parker (VA)
 Cliff & Mary Pavalonis (VA)
 Pecks Baptist Church (VA)
 Bryan Sheehan, Pastor
 Sandy Pederson (MN)

Jack & Carollyn Peerman (VA)
 Jim & Barb Peterson (MI)
 Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA)

FRIDAY, JUNE 22

Psalm 107-110 (Cuba 11.3M)

Barbara Powell (NY)
 Elbert & Barbara Powell (VA)
 Marshall & Lois Powell (KY)
 Jeanne & Maggie Pribble (VA)
 Marjorie Randall (TX)
 Dave Ricker (ME)
 Joyce Riley (KY)
 Calvin & Valerie Ritchey (VA)
 Cynthia Roach (VA)
 John & Sandra Roberts (NC)
 Dorlos & Betty Robinson (MS)
 Isabell Robotham (NY)

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

Psalm 111-118 (Cuba 11.3M)

James & Shelly Rode (FL)
 Clark & Marie Rogers (VA)
 Fred & 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)

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA)
 Mark/Pamela Schollaert (PA)
 Phil/Wendy/Steve Schrank (WI)
 John & Peggy Seibert (AL)
 Dennis/Monica Shannon (OH)
 Shenandoah Valley Bapt Ch (VA)
 Nellie F. Shepard (CT)
 Lola Simpson (NY)

MONDAY, JUNE 25

Psalm 119 (Cuba 11.3M)

Mary Skiles (KS)
 Bobby & Cindy Smith (TN)
 Ron & Bonnie Smith (VA)
 Walt & Betty Sommers (VA)
 Helen Sourlis (MD)
 Randy/Cheryl Stauter(MN)
 Tim & Pam Steger (ID)

TUESDAY, JUNE 26

Psalm 120-127 (Cuba 11.3M)

Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA)
 Charles Stinson (VA)
 Johnny & Rosie Street (TX)
 William Suttles (NC)
 Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

Psalm 135-139 (Cuba 11.3M)

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)
 Larr Thompson (VA)
 Montez Thompson (WI)
 Cathy Tilton (VA)
 Paula Tipton (TN)
 William & Katie Toney (NC)

TUESDAY, JUNE 28

Psalm 135-139 (Cuba 11.3M)

Carrol/Ouida Troutman (KY)
 Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY)
 Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY)
 Joe & Benita Troutman (KY)
 Malcom Troutman (KY)
 Marshall/Mary Troutman (KY)
 Frances Turpin (VA)
 Sara Underwood (TN)
 Patrick/Patricia Vaden (TN)
 Jane Verkaik (MI)
 Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ)
 George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ)

FRIDAY, JUNE 29

Psalm 140-145 (Cuba 11.3M)

Mary Ann Voss (DE)
 Michael/Sandra Ward (IN)
 Beau/Ashley/Willow/Will Ware (VA)
 Joyce Warpoole (TN)
 Holland & Mary Warren (VA)
 Rodger Watts (WI)
 Naomi Webb (NJ)
 Frank & Nell Weer (KY)
 Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY)

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

Psalm 146-150 (Cuba 11.3M)

Paul & Diane Wieland (PA)
 Reg/Mary Ann Wilburn (VA)
 Jeff Williamson (FL)
 Ken & Carol Willis (VA)
 Julie L. Wilson (PA)
 Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA)
 Eva Winebarger (VA)
 Amos & Celia Wipf (GA)
 Jonathan & Selena Wood (PA)
 Greg & Lori Worley (GA)
 David & Lili Wykle (VA)
 Betty Yates (WI)
 Yeshua Ministries (TN)
 Dr. Frank Bell, President
 Fred & Susan Zeller (MD)

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Dr. Jim Britt [Judy] (NC)
 Pastor Peter Dorn [Marilee] (WI)
 Edra Landers [Phil] (OK)
 Jean Smith [Jim] (KY)
 Willie Troutman [Diana] (KY)
 Dr. Harold Willmington [Sue] (VA)

INTERNATIONAL [Representative]

Ben & Judy Armacost (England/Europe)
 Digmar & Lisbeysi Garcia (Cuba)
 Shem & Deborah Kamla (Nigeria)
 Enock & Patience Muloma (Botswana)
 Leslie/Tabitha Motsalane (South Africa)
 Enock & Patience Mulomba (Botswana)
 Adam & Dianna Nathanson (Venezuela)
 Martin & Anne Shikuku (Kenya)
 Joseph & Esther Tan (Singapore)
 Cliff & Marcia Vincent (Brazil/China)
 Roberto & Joana Waismam (Brazil)
 Othnel Wakili (Nigeria)
 Silas & Comfort Yashim (Nigeria)

WELCOME, NEW DOORKEEPERS
 Theodore & Sherry Jones (MD)

DON'T FORGET THAT
 PRAYER IS THE WORK
 THAT MUST COME
 BEFORE ALL OTHER WORK

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NOTES from my BIBLE



Note 4051. Lead me to some soul today; teach me, Lord, just what to say.

Note 4052. Friends of mine are lost in sin and cannot find their way.

Note 4053. Live so that when people get to know you, they will want to know Christ.

Note 4054. Throw out the lifeline; someone is sinking today.

Note 4055. Eyes of faith see God at work in everything.

IN LOVING MEMORY DOORKEEPER

ED BOLEN

4/19/1933-4/23/2018

Lynchburg, Virginia

"Absent from the body, present
 with the Lord" (2 Corinthians 5:8)
 Our prayers are with Loretta.

DOORKEEPER REPORT

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

1 Thessalonians 1:2

April 23--May 23, 2018

Regular	63	\$4,595.00
Pakistan	18	2,350.00
Kenya-Martin	4	884.50
Total	66	\$7,829.50



IN LOVING MEMORY OF DOORKEEPERS

The Lady from Lewisville, Texas

Kay Warmerdam

21 February 1925 24 February 2018

Since October 1988, "**Kay Warmerdam (TX)**" has appeared on the monthly **Doorkeeper Prayer Calendar**. For the first time in thirty years, her name does not appear. Nearing ninety-three years old, she was active and going strong. On February 16, Kay had a damaging fall. Five days later, she reached ninety-three and three days after that she was promoted to her home in Heaven. "Precious to the LORD is the death of his saints" (**Psalm 116:15**). Her influence on the prayer seminar ministry in other nations was significant. There were many times that she provided funds to cover a day of the mission, But undoubtedly, her greatest impact was providing prayer covering. Notes of encouragement were frequent; many were used in the **Reflector** or **The Doorkeeper Report**. Her understanding of Scriptures and their application were exceptional. Knowing she was praying for the prayer seminar ministry and for Sue and me the past thirty years always made a difference.

Several times over the years, I have shared an incredible experience with **Kay Warmerdam** with the **Doorkeepers**. The following article is from the **Reflector** (VOL. 56, No. 1, March 2010, p11):

It's simple!

Trust God and tell the people

Often I have been asked how **JGHM** has been able to provide prayer seminars in so many countries for so long a time. The explanation is that our **Doorkeepers** and other partners have provided prayer and financial support. Some, who either have similar ministries or would like to establish one, have inquired, "What is your 'secret'?"

It's simple! **We have trusted God and told the people.** Just as **Paul** wanted the church at **Ephesus** to know how things were going, I have sat down to draft letters to our partners. For the past twenty-five years [now thirty-four], the Lord has stirred the hearts of His people to reach thousands of lives in fifty-four nations [now over sixty nations] sharing the prayer seminar (which actually covers the basics of the Christian life).

In planning for the first international prayer seminar (**India 1985**), the budget needed seemed monumental because we were providing seminars in a number of cities, as well as an evangelistic crusade in **Hydrabad-Secunderabad**. **Dr. Sam Simpson**, long-time friend and pastor of the **Bronx and Wake Eden Baptist churches in New York City** accompanied Sue and me and did evangelistic preaching. I need not have been fearful because every penny was provided. God was teaching me to trust Him.

Only one time did it appear that the need would not be met. **JGHM** agreed to provide funds for 200 pastors to attend a prayer seminar [in **Miri, Borneo, East Malaysia**]. The budget was the largest ever. **Sue Bell**, my administrative

assistant/secretary, and I prepared the appeal letters. But the response was very slow and small. I asked Doorkeepers for special prayer. I grew increasingly concerned that the funds would not arrive in time.

Just a few days before the departure date, a telephone call came from Lewisville, Texas. **Kay Warmerdam** said, "The money for the Borneo pastors is on its way!" She explained that when she began praying for the funds that in her side vision she sensed movement. She saw a figure with moneybags. The figure seemed startled that she had seen



him. "In my spirit, I knew immediately that the figure was Satan and that the funds for the seminars were in the bags." She said that in the name of **Jesus**, she rebuked Satan and asked that the funds be released. He dropped the moneybags and fled. Quickly the funds arrived! [She then started to pray aloud for Sue and me, for the Borneo pastors, and for God's anointing on the prayer seminar ministry. For the first time in my life, I literally felt chills run all over my body! Praise Jehovah-Jireh who is the One who will see to it the Lord who provides!]

We provided for 215 pastors, but 357 pastors registered from all over Borneo walking over the mountains, traveling down dangerous rivers, and using every means of travel to be there. The Miri Bible College chapel with a seating capacity of 500 was filled. One day, in heavy rain, a large number stood around the windows to hear. **Thank God for Kay Warmerdam's discernment!**

The GENTLEMAN FROM OHIO/INDIANA EDWARD OWEN HURLOW

6 July 1924 8 May 2018

Friend since December 1962; Doorkeeper since May 1984.

Ed and Donna took care of our three "Ms" (Mona, Mark, Melody) for several years when Sue and I attended annual meetings of the Southern Baptist Convention. **SPECIAL FRIENDS.**

NOTE FROM VICKY (MRS. JERRY ALLISON)

Dear Jim and Sue, As you can see, my dad passed away at almost 94 years old. He had a wonderful life and now has a wonderful future. He had many fond memories of the time spent with you. He enjoyed keeping up with you reading the **Reflector**. Signed: Vicky and Jerry

WE ARE GOING DOWN THE VALLEY ONE BY ONE
WITH OUR FACES TOWARD THE SETTING OF THE SUN.
CHRIST IS WITH US AS WE JOURNEY HOME.

THANK YOU, DOORKEEPERS!

For almost thirty-eight years, "Doorkeepers" has been an active construct in my mind. Actually, I can tell you precisely where I was when this paradigm found a lodging place in my mind as a partnership mode. It was during my early morning devotions, between four and six a.m. on Thursday, July 17, 1980, in The President's Home, **Northeastern Bible College**, Essex Fells, New Jersey. It came as I read 1 Chronicles 9:22 in the Living Bible: "There were 212 Doorkeepers in those days ... chosen on the basis of their genealogies ... and appointed because of their reliability." Since Northeastern depended on gift income to exist, I asked Ken Payne to develop a Doorkeeper Program as a vehicle for NBC's financial support.

Once the prayer seminar ministry was birthed as a separate entity in May 1984, God began to open doors, first in the United States, and then into other nations. It was obvious that we needed partners in the prayer seminar ministry. **The Holy Spirit stirred hearts to come along side and hundreds have done so.** There has never been a day that Doorkeepers have not come to my mind.. I looked carefully at the names on the **Doorkeeper Prayer Calendar** in the **Reflector**. As I pray for each one by name, I express thanksgiving for bringing him/her into our lives and ministries. Thanks for your partnership. My meditation is anchored in the Lord, the Rock upon which I stand. From that anchor, I reach out to our **Doorkeepers**—partners in this ministry. Many years ago, **Joy Baugh, Bradenton, Florida** wrote: "We feel you belong to us." It has been a joy to "belong to you" and know that it is not "my ministry," it is "our ministry."



INTRODUCING ADAM & DIANNA NATHANSON (Front row-R 3&4)

JGHM FIVE-YEAR PLAN HAS BEEN REVISED TO WELCOME ADAM AS **THE NEW JGHM VICE-PRESIDENT**. He has been closely associated with the ministry since 1998 and serves as Dr. Henry's interpreter in many Latin Countries. He is focusing on prayer seminars as a major part of his work both in the United States & other nations. The photo is from a recent conference in the Bahamas.