

Voice of Thanksgiving

Calling a Company of Believers Together for Prayer

Inner Court Ministries

For the Week of February 27, 2005

A Call to Prayer

Prayer is asking God for something, and for something which He has promised. Prayer is using the divinely appointed means for obtaining what we need and for accomplishing what God proposes to do on earth. E. M. Bound from *Possibilities of Prayer*

This Week in Prayer

- Pray for **Mark Spencer** and **Marek Kaminski** as they travel to Belarus, March 3 through March 6, and Lithuania, March 6 through March 9. They will be ministering in churches throughout these areas and meeting with many of the pastors from the ***Brotherhood Beyond Boundaries Conference***.
- Pray for Israel. As nations align themselves for and against Israel, the fate of these nations is set. Pray for nations to support Israel.
- Pray for the ***Brotherhood Beyond Boundaries Conference***. The ***Brotherhood Beyond Boundaries Conference*** is possible, due to the support of people who have caught its vision, Christians working together to bring the Gospel to people in towns and cities around the world. Your prayers and support make the conference, as well as other ministry outreaches and activities possible. Thank you for praying and giving. Please continue, perhaps God will do even more with this conference and the deep and lasting relationships it has fostered.
- ***Rise Up O People of God! – Calling the Believing Church to Victorious and Effective Prayer in the Last Days!*** This is the theme of the ICM e.V. conference, June 2005. Pray for the churches and people who will participate.

Souls from Every Nation

We have prayed for many people and events, this has been good, but it is imperative we pray for the lost to be saved. There is no higher or more important calling for those who pray.

***Ask of Me, and I will give You
The nations for Your inheritance,
And the ends of the earth for Your possession.***
Psalm 2:8 (NKJV)

Continue Earnestly in Prayer

DK Limbu Daniel – Pray for Christians in Nepal.

Students unions and Parties are preparing to launch peaceful protest against king's action and another hand Maoist are escalating their attack and declaring their anniversary next week. We don't see immediate threat to Christianity. But in the midst of tumult and trouble God is protecting us. People are receiving Christ as their savior. But I would request you to rally prayer on behalf of us. May God bless you,

Marek Kaminski – Marek has a very busy schedule for the next few months. Pray for him and his ministry. He will be in Sweden February 15-20, **March with Mark Spencer in Belarus and Lithuania**, April in Ukraine, June 16-18 translating for David Wilkerson, June 24-26 hosting the BBB conference. Pray for his family to go with him to Australia in July. Marek has responsibilities in many areas and asks for prayer. He oversees nine major ministries in Poland.

Marianne Burns – Marianne is a missionary to China with Campus Crusade for Christ. Pray for the work on several campuses and an upcoming special presentation for students (there are no English majors on some campus and so all outreach must be in Chinese).

John Coon – John will be traveling to Poland June 3 through 12. He will meet with Marek in Koszalin for a few days. He will then be ministering to and with many of the pastors throughout this region. Many of these men and women John has worked with for many years.

Jacek Gromadzki – Jack and Agnes are a young couple who pastor a church plant in a town about 30 or 40 minutes from Koszalin, Poland. In a recent email, Jack asks for prayer:

Prayers of believers are powerful. I'd like to ask you about next information of our church in "Voice of Thanksgiving". We're still praying in faith about more people. We'd like to see the saving of new people in our city. We work on it, but we need God's grace, more and more. I can see that people in our church need help in that work, encouragement, support, and to see fruits of work. Prayers are powerful so, please, remember us. Jack

Imperative Importance of the Work of Prayer

Preparation for Prayer

David Williamson

John the Baptist prepared the way.

The voice of one crying in the wilderness:

Prepare the way of the Lord;

Make His paths straight.

Mark 1:3 (NKJV)

His job, his ministry, was to prepare the way for the Lord. He prepared the hearts and minds of the Israel to receive the Messiah.

***He will also go before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah,
'to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children,'
and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just,
to make ready a people prepared for the Lord."***

Luke 1:17 (NKJV)

Prayer needs this same type of preparation. We need to prepare for prayer. It is true with many ministries, an especially true with prayer, we must prepare. What is the preparation for prayer? Preparation includes many things, it will vary from person to person and from day to day, but it is what ever is necessary to enter into God's presence ready to listen and obey.

Jacob prepared,

***And Jacob said to his household and to all who were with him,
"Put away the foreign gods that are among you, purify yourselves,
and change your garments.***

Genesis 35:2 (NKJV)

Paul explained preparation to Timothy,

***Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter,
he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master,
prepared for every good work.***

2 Tim. 2:21 (NKJV)

In Psalms, a preparation,

***Lord, You have heard the desire of the humble;
You will prepare their heart;
You will cause Your ear to hear,***

Psalm 10:17 (NKJV)

Ezra prepared,

***For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the Law of the Lord,
and to do it, and to teach statutes and ordinances in Israel.***

Ezra 7:10 (NKJV)

How would God have you prepare for prayer? What is He saying to you today? He has called us to be men and women of prayer, so what is your preparation for prayer?

***But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,
and all these things shall be added to you.***

Matthew 6:33 (NKJV)

*Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended;
but one thing I do,
forgetting those things which are behind
and reaching forward to those things which are ahead,
I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.*
Philip. 3:13-14 (NKJV)

*I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord,
beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called,*
Ephes. 4:1 (NKJV)

*Put on the whole armor of God,
that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.
For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities,
against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age,
against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.*
Ephes. 6:11-12 (NKJV)

*Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed,
not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence,
work out your own salvation with fear and trembling;
for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.*
Philip. 2:12-13 (NKJV)

What are you doing to prepare for prayer?

Joining This Company

All Christians who will pray are welcome. *Voice of Thanksgiving* is available by e-mail to all who will commit to prayer as members of this company. *Voice of Thanksgiving* is a guide to challenge us and direct our prayers. The fee for joining is your commitment to pray. Please join us in praying for the nations. Also, tell your friends and prayer partners about *Voice of Thanksgiving*. We are gathering a company of believers who will pray. Together we will reach nations for Jesus Christ.

To receive *Voice of Thanksgiving*
Send an e-mail with word JOIN in the subject line to
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Prayer Requests in Fear God Forums

Visit our interactive forums located at: <http://www.feargod.com/forum/>

I would like to hear from you. Post your prayer requests and answers and pray for the requests of others.

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