

# Voice of Thanksgiving

## Calling a Company of Believers Together for Prayer

Inner Court Ministries

For the Week of July 24, 2005

### *A Call to Prayer*

Three words practically the same in the processes of Divine discipline are found, temptation, trial and trouble, and yet there is a difference between them. Temptation is really a solicitation to evil arising from the devil or born in the carnal nature of man. Trial is testing. It is that which proves us, tests us, and makes us stronger and better when we submit to the trial and work together with God in it “My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.” From *Essentials of Prayer* by E. M. Bounds

### *Continue Earnestly in Prayer*

Pray for these men, women, and ministries. The Holy Spirit is looking for partners who will join with these ministries in prayer and support to reach nations for Jesus Christ.

**The Inntal Prayer Initiative** - Inner Court Ministries e.V. and various Churches of the Rosenheim area sponsored “Rise Up O People of God! – A Seminar on Prayer” June 16-18, 2005. This seminar called churches of the region together for encouragement and prayer. One result was a renewed and strengthened desire for revival. From Innsbruck to Rosenheim, people are praying for revival. They know that nothing short of revival can change the course of this region. They are asking for a revival, drawing men and women to Christ and changing every aspect of German and Austrian life. You prayed for the conference, which was a great success, now please join in prayer for revival in the Inntal.

**The Brotherhood Beyond Boundaries Conference** - The Theme of the conference was “Preparing for Revival”, Pastors and their wives from seven countries (Poland, Germany, Belarus, Lithuania, Latvia, Scotland, and the United States) gathered together to hear from God and be refreshed in His presence. Their desire is to see God move in a mighty revival in their homeland. Each message of the conference presented requirements for revival and further stirred these men and women to seek God. You prayed for the BBB conference, which was a wonderful success, now join with these men and women in praying for revival.

*O Lord, I have heard your speech and was afraid;  
O Lord, revive Your work in the midst of the years!  
In the midst of the years make it known; In wrath remember mercy.*  
Habakkuk 3:2 (NKJV)

**DK Limbu Daniel** – Pray for Pastor Daniel and his ministry in Nepal. Prayer is needed for, church building, training school, support for new pastors and missionary families in new areas of Nepal, adoption of a little girl, and travel into eastern Nepal to meet with the churches there.

**Marek Kaminski** – Marek has responsibilities in many areas as a husband and father, as pastor of his church, as a leader of his denomination in Poland, and as leader of *Brotherhood Beyond Boundaries* and the work with pastors. Please pray that God will direct him and give him wisdom.

**Mark Spencer** – Mark has responsibilities in many areas as a husband and father, as pastor of his church, as leader of *Brotherhood Beyond Boundaries* and the work with pastors, and as leader of the German Verein ICM e.V. which is the sponsor of the *Rise Up O People of God! – A Seminar on Prayer*. Please pray that God will direct him and give him wisdom.

**Marianne and David Dean** – Marianne and David are in school together preparing to return to the mission field. Pray for quick understanding and wisdom in school and for clear understanding of God's call to missions.

**Jacek Gromadzki** – The church in Kolobrzeg, Poland bought their building in January. They are now restoring the building. They have an opportunity to buy a plot of land next to their property, which would be a great place for kids ministry. Jacek writes,

We pray about good price for it because it's a very big chance to buy it very cheap. All the time we share a testimony about Jesus among people in our town. Our church becomes well-known in the town and we hope it will break through people's resistance. I know we need to serve people in the power of Holy Spirit. It's a way to their hearts. We pray about it and teach about anointing over us as believers. And we can to see first fruits of walking in faith. That's all. Thanks for your hearts for our ministry, for your prayers. You're our partners in ministry and it's honor for us. God bless you. Jack

**Joyce Abrahamson** – Joyce is a missionary working in Brazil. She runs a school for children and a Bible school. Pray for protection, anointing, and provision.

**Your Home Church** – Pray for your home church, that it would have great fruit in the work of saving people in your city. Pray for your church to be active in the work of saving people. Pray for Vacation Bible School, summer outreaches and opportunities for ministry.

**Pray for Israel** – Pray for eyes to open to see the Messiah.

*But their minds were blinded.  
For until this day the same veil remains unlifted in the reading of the Old Testament,  
because the veil is taken away in Christ.  
But even to this day, when Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart.  
Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.*

2 Cor. 3:14-16 (NKJV)

## *Imperative Importance of the Work of Prayer*

### **Lessons in Prayer**

David Williamson

What are you doing about prayer? What principals have you been taught? What lessons have you learned? The life of prayer is a life of growing and learning. It is not for those who know it all, nor for those who have no need. It is for those desperate to see His Kingdom come here on earth as it is in heaven. It is for those who long for all to come to the saving grace of God. It is for those who live and work and have their being in God's will being done first in them and also in the world.

The Biblical command is to pray without ceasing and to pray in everything. This is a command expressing the will of God, a command calling for the sleepless energy of prayer, of the exhaustless possibilities of prayer, and of the exacting necessity prayer. Prayer can do all things. Prayer must do all things. The injunction and the practice are not one in the same. Often we fall short of the goal, the perfection that was found in Jesus the first born of many in prayer. It is His prayer life that is our goal and His prayer life that is our example.

Every day God is working with the believer, working through the Holy Spirit, He is teaching us. He is serious about every aspect of our Christian life, this includes prayer. He teaches us by lesson, each lesson an aspect of prayer. Some simple adjustments, others major changes, but every day lessons.

***Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart,  
and you will find rest for your souls.***

Matthew 11:29 (NKJV)

The goal of our lessons is to be like Jesus. However, we should make note of how Jesus became our goal. He was perfected. He learned to be the perfect example. The Holy Spirit ministered to Him and taught Him. His lessons include learning how to pray.

***And having been perfected,  
He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him,***

Hebrews 5:9 (NKJV)

Our goal is to be just like Him. That goal is obtained just He came to His place, but the daily lessons of the Holy Spirit. This is how Jesus learned and how we learn. Jesus using the Holy Spirit has our teacher is finishing our faith. He is teaching us to pray.

***You also gave Your good Spirit to instruct them,  
And did not withhold Your manna from their mouth,  
And gave them water for their thirst.***

Neh. 9:20 (NKJV)

***But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit.  
For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.  
For what man knows the things of a man  
except the spirit of the man which is in him?***

*Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God.  
Now we have received, not the spirit of the world,  
but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things  
that have been freely given to us by God.  
These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches  
but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual.  
But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God,  
for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them,  
because they are spiritually discerned.*

1 Cor. 2:10-14 (NKJV)

*looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith,  
who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross,  
despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

Hebrews 12:2 (NKJV)

What is your lesson for today? What is God teaching you today? In many areas He is teaching each of us. He is teaching us to pray. What was your lesson in prayer today?

### **Lessons in 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 [david@innercourt.com](mailto:david@innercourt.com)

#### **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.

#### **Calling a Company of Believers Together for Prayer**