

# Voice of Thanksgiving

## Calling a Company of Believers Together for Prayer

Inner Court Ministries

For the Week of September 18, 2005

### *A Call to Prayer*

Christian soldiers, fighting the good fight of faith, have access to a place of retreat, to which they continually repair for prayer. "Praying always, with all prayer," is a clear statement of the imperative need of much praying, and of many kinds of praying, by him who, fighting the good fight of faith, would win out, in the end, over all his foes.

The Revised Version puts it this way:

***"With all prayer and supplication, praying at all seasons in the Spirit, and watching thereunto in all perseverance and supplications, for all saints, and on my behalf, that utterance may be given unto me, in opening my mouth to make known with boldness the mystery of the Gospel, for which I am in bonds."***

It cannot be stated too frequently that the life of a Christian is a warfare, an intense conflict, a lifelong contest. It is a battle, moreover, waged against invisible foes, who are ever alert, and ever seeking to entrap, deceive, and ruin the souls of men. The life to which Holy Scripture calls men is no picnic, or holiday junketing. It is no pastime, no pleasure jaunt. It entails effort, wrestling, struggling; it demands the putting forth of the full energy of the spirit in order to frustrate the foe and to come off, at the last, more than conqueror. It is no primrose path, no rose-scented dalliance. From start to finish, it is war. From the hour in which he first draws sword, to that in which he doffs his harness, the Christian warrior is compelled to "endure hardness like a good soldier."

E. M. Bounds from *Necessity of Prayer*

### *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.

**John Coon** – John will be in Austria October 4-12. He will be ministering in churches and with individuals including meetings with Christian businessmen in Innsbruck.

**DK Limbu Daniel** – Pray for Pastor Daniel and his ministry in Nepal. Nepal is in the midst of a great move of God; continue to pray for this land. Pray for pastors, churches, and training schools. Pray for pastors and the work in new areas of Nepal. Pray for protection for Christians and favor with the government.

**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. Joyce requests prayer for the effectiveness of the outreach and for finances needed for the ministry.

**Marianne and David Dean** – Marianne and David are in school together preparing to return to the mission field. Pray for men and women to embrace their vision for reaching East Asia and support them with finances and prayer. Pray for endurance and energy as they travel around the southeast telling people about what they are doing.

**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 children ministry and as a witness to the community.

**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 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, please join in prayer for revival in the Inntal.

**The Brotherhood Beyond Boundaries Conference** - The Theme of the June 2005 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. Please 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)*

**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.

*For “who has known the mind of the Lord that he may instruct Him?”  
But we have the mind of Christ.  
1 Cor. 2:16 (NKJV)*

**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.

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**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 plans and outreaches for your church for this fall and opportunities for ministry.

***For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard you,  
And in the day of salvation I have helped you.  
Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.***

2 Cor. 6:2 (NKJV)

**Pray for Israel** to see the Messiah who has come. Pray for their eyes to be opened and behold the Jesus Christ, the Messiah.

***From the end of the earth I will cry to You,  
When my heart is overwhelmed;  
Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.***

Psalm 61:2 (NKJV)

### **Imperative Importance of the Work of Prayer**

**He Plans to Visit**

David Williamson

***After these things the Lord appointed seventy others also,  
and sent them two by two before His face into every  
city and place where He Himself was about to go.  
Then He said to them, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few;  
therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.***

Luke 10:1-2 (NKJV)

Jesus sent out the 70 to go to towns and villages. They were sent out to go where Jesus was going. One modern translation says, "... ***to all the towns and villages He planned to visit.***" He then called for prayer. The command, pray the Lord of the Harvest to send out more workers for His fields.

We are to pray for workers in the places where there are needs, the places where Jesus is going. These prayers should be for workers to work in the places Jesus is going.

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The *Voice of Thanksgiving* is a company of believers who are called together to pray. Each week on the prayer list, *Continue Earnestly in Prayer*, there is a call for prayer for a wide variety of needs. There is a call for prayer for a mission school in Brazil, for outreach in remote regions of Nepal, and for facilities for a church in Poland. There is a call for prayer for people, a young couple preparing to return to East Asia and a pastor with duties in his home church and extending to his nation and the world. There is also a call for prayer for things in your town or village, for vacation Bible school, for local outreaches, and for growth and development of your church. There is a call for prayer for revival in countries like Belarus, Latvia, and Lithuania, in regions like the Inntal, and in places like your town or village.

These are real prayer requests coming from people who have a connection with the *Voice of Thanksgiving* and this company of prayer. As a company we are praying for all these towns and villages and the needs as expressed, this is where Jesus is planning to visit. As you pray for these, this should be a springboard for your prayers of the specific needs for your towns and villages. You know the towns near you; you know the needs of the area and people, the needs that demand a visit from Jesus for answer. Since you are there, since you are aware, you pray. Jesus has placed you there to pray for the towns and villages He will visit, so pray.

Pray as a part of this company for the listed requests. Even if you do not know anyone in Brazil, Nepal, or Belarus, join us in prayer. Then pray for Brazil, Nepal, and Belarus, wherever and whoever that is, that you have contact with or knowledge of, that you have responsibility for. Jesus has sent you to the prayer closet to pray because He plans to visit the towns and villages you are praying for. As a company we are responsible to pray for the people and places He has given us. Each of us is also responsible to pray for the people and places special to each of us individually.

As a company we are praying for several people and needs. For example, we are pray for the couple preparing to return to East Asia, the pastor reaching a village, and the pastor with a world wide vision. These are prayer assignments for the company and are to be a part of our daily prayers. At the same time there are members of this company praying for specific people and their needs close to their heart. We have members praying for the visitation of Jesus on a university campus in Germany, for a visitation for Jesus in a town where a child lives far from family and home, and for the protection of Jesus by His visit to a place you nearly cannot get to.

So as a company we pray for the needs listed, and as individually we pray for the specific needs He presents each of us individually. Jesus is planning to visit the places and people this company is praying for. He is going to the Inntal, to Brazil, to Poland, to East Asia, on trips and visits, in church and communities. He is also planning to visit the towns and village, the specific needs around you that you pray for.

### **Pray for the Town and Villages He Plans to Visit**

### **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)

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