

# Voice of Thanksgiving

## Calling a Company of Believers Together for Prayer

Inner Court Ministries

For the Week of November 13, 2005

### *A Call to Prayer*

Prayer possibilities open doors for the entrance of the Gospel: “Withal praying also for us that God would open to us a door of utterance.” Prayer opened for the Apostles doors of utterance, created opportunities and made openings to preach the Gospel. The appeal by prayer was to God, because God was moved by prayer. God was thereby moved to do His own work in an enlarged way and by new ways. Prayer possibility gives not only great power, and opens doors to the Gospel, but gives facility as well to the Gospel. Prayer makes the Gospel to go fast and to move with glorious fastness. A Gospel projected by the mighty energies of prayer is neither slow, lazy nor dull. It moves with God’s power, with God’s effulgence and with angelic swiftness.

E. M. Bounds from *The Possibilities 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 reaching nations for Jesus Christ. Pray for open doors of opportunity for the Gospel.

*meanwhile praying also for us, that God would open to us a door for the word,  
to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in chains,*

Col. 4:3 (NKJV)

**The Inntal Prayer Initiative** – Continue to pray for revival in the Inntal, our prayers are making a difference. From Innsbruck, Austria to Rosenheim, Germany people are praying for revival, join in this prayer for the Inntal. Here is a note from Bernd concerning prayer in Germany.

The churches started with a monthly prayer meeting with all the free-churches together. It is always at the last Friday of the month. The meeting in November is in Brothaus church and the meeting in December is in a Lutheran church. The main reason they started these prayer meetings is a big evangelistic crusade in some European countries called "Pro Christ". The main meeting will be in Munich in the "Olympia Halle" from there the program will be transferred via satellite to hundreds of cities in Germany and to some European countries. Pro Christ will be every evening from March 19 to 26th 2006.

**The Brotherhood Beyond Boundaries Conference** – It is time to begin praying for the 2006 BBB conference. Pray for the men and women who will come to the 2006 conference, this is the time of God’s preparation. God has great plans for this conference and plans for touching the nations through this event.

**Marianne and David Dean** – Marianne and David are traveling in the United States meeting with people sharing their vision for ministry. Pray for men and women to embrace their vision for reaching East Asia and support them with finances and prayer.

*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 10:2 (NKJV)

**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.

**Jacek Gromadzki** – The church in Kolobrzeg, Poland continues to reach out to the community. Pray for their boldness of faith and ministry.

**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.

**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.

**John Coon** – John has just returned from Austria and time with churches and individuals of that region.

**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 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.*

Psalms 61:2 (NKJV)

## *Imperative Importance of the Work of Prayer*

### **Diet and Prayer**

David Williamson

A sound diet is important for good health. Men and women need to take in the nutrients and vitamins the human body needs to function properly. The body needs exercise and rest, but without the proper input, the body will suffer and may fail.

The Christian life is a continual time of growth; from the moment of our new birth. God is working in our life He is molding and making us into the image of His Son. Some stages of growth is explosive, the changes come very rapidly, like a teenager growing rapidly in height. Other times the growth is slow and even unperceivable to the natural eye.

The same is true for prayer; to be successful a person needs a good prayer diet. What we take in makes a difference in our prayers. The proper prayer diet begins with the Word of God. This is the first and main source of food for successful prayer.

***You shall speak My words to them,  
whether they hear or whether they refuse,  
for they are rebellious.  
But you, son of man, hear what I say to you.  
Do not be rebellious like that rebellious house;  
open your mouth and eat what I give you."***

Ezekiel 2:7-8 (NKJV)

***If you instruct the brethren in these things,  
you will be a good minister of Jesus Christ,  
nourished in the words of faith  
and of the good doctrine which you have carefully followed.***

1 Tim. 4:6 (NKJV)

The daily input of the Word of God is necessary for a good prayer life. God directs our prayer and builds a base for prayer on and by His Word; to limit its intake is to limit our growth and effectiveness.

The Word is the source of nutrition for our prayer life, but we also should add other ingredients just as we add vitamins and exercise to a good diet for the body. The vitamin of prayer is faith. The effective prayer life is full of faith; there is a confidence and an expectation that God is able and willing to answer prayer. There is full assurance that God is present to listen to our prayers and desires to act on our prayers. Day-by day we need to check our diet, are we getting our full required input of faith into our prayer life. Without faith our prayers are weak and results in few answers, with faith...

***I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.***

Philip. 4:13 (NKJV)

As is true with vitamins for the body, the best source is through the natural food we eat (the food we should eat), this is also true with faith.

***So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.***

Romans 10:17 (NKJV)

Our source of faith is the Word of God, without this daily input into our life our prayer life will suffer. We must allow the Word to build our prayer faith until we overflow with faith. Just as we check the state of our bodies, we should check on the state of our prayers. Today are your prayers fill to overflowing with faith?

Another part of a sound diet is exercise. The body needs to be worked regularly and a sound prayer life will be exercised regularly as well.

***My voice You shall hear in the morning, O Lord;  
In the morning I will direct it to You, And I will look up.***

Psalm 5:3 (NKJV)

***pray without ceasing,***

1 Thes. 5:17 (NKJV)

***Now Peter and John went up together to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour.***

Acts 3:1 (NKJV)

***The next day, as they went on their journey and drew near the city,  
Peter went up on the housetop to pray, about the sixth hour.***

Acts 10:9 (NKJV)

The regular practice of prayer helps build a strong prayer life.

A sound diet, taking nourishment from the Word of God, empowered by faith, and exercised regularly is the key to a successful Christian prayer life. How is your diet?

## **Diet of 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)

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