

# *Voice of Thanksgiving*

Calling a Company of Believers Together for Prayer

For the Week of April 22, 2007

The Holy Spirit will give to the praying saint the brightness of an immortal hope, the music of a deathless song, in His baptism and communion with the heart, He will give sweeter and more enlarged visions of heaven until the taste for other things will pall, and other visions will grow dim and distant. He will put notes of other worlds in human hearts until all earth's music is discord and songless.—REV. E. M. BOUNDS

## ***The Life of Prayer***

### **A Light Touch**

David Williamson

Prayer is a most interesting thing. There is so much to it and it is so varied, that it is hard to describe it fully. It takes more than a life time to master it. Unfortunately many people try to characterize prayer as just this or that. They would define prayer to suit their needs and desires; however, we want prayer to be all it can be, combined with our being all we can be in prayer. People get excited about power in prayer and how to be strong in prayer, but prayer requires a light touch. It is more like handling dynamite, rather than a stick or a club.

We serve a wonderful God; remember He is the one who made us as He did, in His image. He made the beauty of creation, overwhelming to all with eyes to see, subdued though it is by the curse. This creator designed it all; He chose to give us special treats, like taste buds to enjoy our food and drink. Remember there is no need for taste buds; even though there is no need for this when nourishing a body. This is a great God who has given us great and wonderful things and He has given us prayer as well.

Prayer is by the will of God and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is like salvation, we are not our own. It was He who called us, He who made the way for us, and He who keeps us. Salvation is a gift from God; likewise prayer is a gift from Him. We do not make our own demands or conditions on God, we work with Him. We work within His will, His ways, and His wonderment. That is our wonder of what He does. He is the wildcard factor in every situation. He does the impossible, improbable, and inconceivable; they are His norm.

***Now this is the confidence that we have in Him,  
that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.***

1 John 5:14 (NKJV)

If we are to be partners with Him in prayer we must learn to have a light touch. Too often we make demands, we act like we are god and He is our slave. Effective prayer makes demands, stands firm, and is filled with faith, however, our demands must be His demands, our firmness of stand must be

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on His command, and our faith must rest on His will. It is an interesting partnership. His power and might, his foreknowledge and planning, coupled with our faith and willingness to pray. It is like handling dynamite; with care and proper use, prayer can be very effective.

*Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication,  
with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;*

Philip. 4:6 (NKJV)

Let us pray!

## *A Call for Prayer*

*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)

**Pray for Israel and the peace of Jerusalem** – Pray for true peace to come to these people and this place. Pray that the Messiah would be seen and known by the Jewish people of this land and around the world.

**John Coon** – Pray for all the arrangements for John's trip to Poland in May. Pray for the hearts of men and women to be warmed to the Gospel message and life in Christ Jesus.

**Bernhard and Lisa Prumbach** – Pray for their ministry in Germany. Pray for openings to share the Gospel with young people where they live.

**Marianne and David Dean** – Pray that many students would attend the training, and that the Lord would provide the needed support for as many students as possible to go on the mission trip.

**Jacek Gromadzki** – Pray for Jack and his church in Kolobrzeg, Poland. Pray for the spiritual climate of Kolobrzeg to warm to the message of Christ and His salvation.

**Marek Kaminski** – Pray for Marek and for plans and provision for this spring and summer. Pray for great outreach to Koszalin and to the rest of Poland. Pray that this nation would have revival.

**Joyce Abrahamson** – Pray for Joyce and for those who help her in this ministry in Brazil. Pray for provision and protection for Joyce, workers, teachers, students, and families.

**DK Limbu Daniel** – Pray for Pastor Daniel and the pastors under his care. Pray for new areas of opportunity for the Gospel message. Pray for willing workers to respond to God's call and go to these new areas.

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**William Williamson** – Bill is a pastor in Eastern Colorado, and a long time member of this company. We have prayed for Bill and the teams he has lead to India for several years. On the night of March 28 the town of Holly, Colorado, where Bill is a pastor, was hit by a tornado. Please pray for Bill, his family, for the members of his church, and for the people of this community.

**Pray for the Inntal Prayer Initiative** – Pray for new opportunities to share the life of prayer, in our prayer seminars. Pray for our ministry across more of Germany.

**The Brotherhood Beyond Boundaries Conference** – Pray for the message of the fifth BBB Conference. God has a word for East and West and plans to speak, as He has many times, at this conference. Pray for the deliverance of this message and for the men and women who should be there to hear and receive from God.

**Mark Spencer** – Pray for clarity of message and vision for Mark and Patty as they minister in Colorado and around the world. Pray for open doors of opportunity, for willing obedience, and for God's provision for walking out all of His will.

**Pray for your Home Church** – Pray for outreaches for your church. Pray that each member will do the work of the ministry as God gives them the means to do so.

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