

# Voice of Thanksgiving

Calling a Company of Believers Together for Prayer

For the Week of June 17, 2007

*Then he said, "Let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak but once more: Suppose ten should be found there?" And He said, "I will not destroy it for the sake of ten."*  
Genesis 18:32 (NKJV)

## *The Life of Prayer*

### **Desperate Prayer**

David Williamson

Last week we looked at examples of men bold in prayer; Abraham and Moses. There is much to be learned looking at their example. God spent many years working with these men bringing them to the place where they could and would pray like this. It is important for us to remember that God is working with us the same way. He has invested hours, days, week, months, and years to your growth as a man or woman of prayer. Many of you have made great strides; your prayer life is far different from that you had five, ten, even twenty years ago. I believe there is much He still longs to teach.

Another notable factor in the prayers of Abraham and Moses was their boldness before God; another is their desperation in prayer. Both men had a personal stake in their prayers; they were praying for family. Both men were convinced of the reality of fate that rested on those that they were praying for. Both men prayed as though there was only one person who could turn the tide of the fate that awaited these people. This understanding was enough to make them desperate in prayer.

What about you; for what and for whom are you desperate in prayer? To be desperate you must believe that you have a personal stake in the outcome. You must know that in the result of your prayers these people's fate rests. You understand that you are the one who can make a difference for them; the one who can pray and turn the tide. Desperate prayer comes from a man or woman who is responsible for the results.

Today most people seem not to be in desperate situations. Life does not hang by the slender thread with starvation or death lurking at their door. Even in sad and bad situations there is help available. There are places to go. We have lost our understanding of desperation. We do not know what it is like to stand on the precipice of life itself. We warm ourselves, in if not luxury, at least with basic provision. We comfort and pamper ourselves; we do not have to face basic survival. The world seems comfortable and safe, yet all around us the most incredible battles rage; the battle over the immortal soul of men and women. World wars pale by comparison to the battle for souls.

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Every day this battle rages, every day this battle takes its awful toll, men and women shackled with the setting of their eternal destiny. Every man and woman is on the front lines, but God has taken the position of helping with the fight. He sent the Holy Spirit to draw men and women to Himself. He also has called for prayer. By His choice He is moved by prayer; prayer for men and women. He calls for all who are His to join the fight.

*I thank God, whom I serve with a pure conscience, as my forefathers did,  
as without ceasing I remember you in my prayers night and day,  
greatly desiring to see you, being mindful of your tears, that I may be filled with joy,*  
2 Tim. 1:3-4 (NKJV)

The word translated desire in this verse means to “intensely crave possession” in the Hebrew. Desire in prayer is for those that intensely crave for men and women to be saved. It is for those who like Abraham will not take no for an answer; they just keep on asking. It is for those who like Moses will put themselves on the line to win the life of another. The people around us are in a life and death battle. They need prayer, desperate prayer. Will you pray? Will you faithfully pray? Will you stand firm in faith for them? Like Abraham and Moses?

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 the Jewish people and for Israel.

**Pray for the Youth Team** – Pray for the youth team going from Colorado to Poland, June 14 through June 26. They have outreaches in Kolobrzeg and Koszalin Poland. Pray for their travel, safety, meetings, ministry, and health.

**Jacek Gromadzki** – Pray for Jack and his church in Kolobrzeg, Poland. Pray for revival.

**The Brotherhood Beyond Boundaries Conference** – Pray for the BBB Conference, June 22, 23, 24. Pray for the men and women coming to the conference, pray that nothing would hinder them from coming.

**Marianne and David Dean** – Pray for young Christians; as these people put their faith on the line before family and friends pray that they would be bold and courageous.

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**Marek Kaminski** – Pray for Marek and all the arrangements for the BBB Conference.

**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. Pray for his quick, full, and complete healing.

**Pray for the Inntal Prayer Initiative** – Pray for Americans in Germany; there have been several reports of possible terrorist attacks on Americans working and visiting Germany.

**Joyce Abrahamson** – Pray for the finances of the school and the meeting of the needs of students and staff.

**DK Limbu Daniel** – Pray for Pastor Daniel and the work of planting new churches across the region. “Would you pray for our needs as churches are growing we need place for worship. We are going to lease land for the two churches and build temporary facilities. That costs us 1000\$ each. May God bless you, In Him, Bro. DK Daniel”

**Bernhard and Lisa Prumbach** – Pray for the transition of their children to life in Germany that it would be smooth, but that they would continue to grow with favor with the Lord.

**Mark Spencer** – Pray for the finances and arrangement to walk through the doors that have opened for sharing the Gospel message.

**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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