

# Voice of Thanksgiving

Calling a Company of Believers Together for Prayer

For the Week of July 8, 2007

*Yet now, if You will forgive their sin--but if not, I pray,  
blot me out of Your book which You have written.*

Exodus 32:32 (NKJV)

## *The Life of Prayer*

### **Commitment and Prayer**

David Williamson

“There are only two creatures of value on the face of this earth, those with a commitment and those who require the commitment of others”. John Adams in a letter to his wife Abigail Adams

While serving in congress for the colonies of what would become the United States, John Adams wrote to his wife Abigail, “There are only two creatures of value on the face of this earth, those with a commitment and those who require the commitment of others”. It is an interesting statement, one that is given short span of thought if any, then and the same of less today. Commitment is sadly lacking in many fields of endeavor. Most people make causal statements and have little if any follow-up. There are many reasons this is true, but the power to overcome comes from commitment.

Commitment is a very powerful force. It has and can change a person's life. Without commitment little of lasting value is done. Many a disappointed look back at ones life is as it is, because of lack of commitment. There were dreams, we all have dreams, but there was never the commitment to follow through and act. Commitment makes the difference; with commitment a man will not take no for the final answer. He will persevere, finding a way to make his dreams happen. With commitment a man will fight though all obstacles to reach his goal.

The last few weeks we have been looking at Abraham and Moses as an example of men who pray. They are champions in prayer and a good example for us to study and follow. In addition to the other attributes of successful prayer, they also demonstrate that they were men of commitment. Many times in their lives it would have been easy to let things go. There were hardships and set backs that would have been enough to turn most men away. Most men would have given up. Abraham and Moses did not.

Look at Moses for an example. While He was on the mountain with God the people turned to other gods and made the golden calf. God said He would destroy them. He said He would start over with Moses, but Moses was a man of commitment and interceded for the people. Later the people challenged Aaron and Moses' authority; this was once again a time when many men would have turned from the people, but not Moses. He was committed. Through thick and thin Moses would not turn from his commitment.

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It was this commitment and that of Abraham that made them great men of prayer. It made them champions of prayer. No matter what came at them they were committed.

*But let him ask in faith, with no doubting,  
for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.*

James 1:6 (NKJV)

*that we should no longer be children,  
tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine,  
by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting,*

Ephes. 4:14 (NKJV)

If we are to pray we must be men and women of commitment. We must be committed to God. He must be our God and we must let Him be fully God. That means whatever He says that we will do. The negative example of this, where so many people are,

*For their heart was not steadfast with Him,  
Nor were they faithful in His covenant.*

Psalm 78:37 (NKJV)

The positive example of this, the place where we need to be and what we must do,

*So Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the judgments.  
And all the people answered with one voice and said,  
“All the words which the Lord has said we will do.”*

Exodus 24:3 (NKJV)

We must be committed to the ministry He has given us, both in prayer and action we must serve both God and man.

*Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving;  
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. 4:2-3 (NKJV)

To what are you committed? Prayer – let no forces or hindrance stop you. To receiving answers, by faith, then press on until you receive God’s answers.

Let us Pray!

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## 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 Jerusalem and Israel** – Pray for the Jewish people and for Israel and for God’s hand to protect them and that He will reveal to them His Son, Jesus Christ the Messiah.

**Marianne and David Dean** – Pray for the Christian students returning to their homes for the summer — often to families that disapprove of their faith. Pray that their faith would be strong even in the midst of persecution.

**Jacek Gromadzki** – Pray for Jack and his church. Pray for their new building and the many things they need to do to be ready for winter. Pray also for the building of the church; building the faith of the members and bring new members to the church.

**The Brotherhood Beyond Boundaries Conference** – Pray for the work of the Holy Spirit going from the BBB Conference to the church and communities of Eastern and Western Europe and the United States. God is building His church, may we work with, not against Him.

**Marek Kaminski** – Pray for God’s guidance for Marek as he spends time with his family and as he ministers in Poland and the United States. .

**Pray for the church in Belarus and Lithuania** – Pray for opportunities for the sharing of the Gospel and the message of hope for the people of these countries.

**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 opportunities to minister in Germany and throughout Europe.

**Joyce Abrahamson** – Pray for the finances of the school. Pray that God would meet every need for students, families 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 a 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”

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**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 guidance for him, what he should do and when, in response to open doors of opportunity.

**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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