"Give Thanks to the Lord" Psalms 107-109 *10/11/26*

Today, we'd like to see the title of "**Give Thanks to the Lord**" in Psalms 107-109.

To the souls on this Online Word *through MP3 or YouTube Channel,* on the earth, we'd like to suggest the 3 expositional Questions. (***Maranatha Worship* Songs : Videos**[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wqeQ0qR4HPvPQ5b3HRAOaw#ehgKyJTCUEdpYTAs]) (***CCMV | A Ministry of CCAH PRESS*® : Music Videos**[https://www.calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/CCMV.htm])

Q1. In 107:2 " Let the redeemed of the Lord say *so,* Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy," what does it mean in the context? And what can we learn from here? Q2. In 108:1 "O God, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory," what does it mean in the context? And what can we learn from here? Q3. In 109:6-7, "Set a wicked man over him, And let an accuser stand at his right hand. 7 When he is judged, let him be found guilty, And let his prayer become sin," what do these mean in the context?" And how can we apply these to our lives?

(Background *for context of this text on Daily Bible Reading and Studying Weekly Book Basis***)**

In the last time, in Psalm 106:47-48 "Save us, O Lord our God, And gather us from among the Gentiles, To give thanks to Your holy name, To triumph in Your praise. 48 Blessed *be* the Lord God of Israel From everlasting to everlasting! And let all the people say, 'Amen!' Praise the Lord!" The psalmist asks God to save and gather His people so that they may give thanks to His holy name and praise Him. The psalm concludes: "Blessed be the LORD God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting: and let all the people say, Amen. Praise ye the LORD." God is good, and His mercy endures forever.

Psalm 107 is anonymous and begins Book Five, the final section of the 150 Psalms, traditionally associated with Deuteronomy, the fifth book of the Torah. Psalms 108 and 109 are attributed to David. Psalms 109 is often classified as **Messianic psalms** with Psalm 110 because they contain themes and passages that Christians understand in relation to Jesus Christ.

Psalm 109 describes the suffering of a righteous person who is falsely accused, hated, and repaid with evil for good. It is both a lament over injustice and a prayer for divine intervention. In its Christian interpretation, it points to the rejection and suffering of Jesus Christ and warns of the judgment awaiting those who persist in wickedness without repentance.

When people speak blasphemously against Jesus Christ, we may feel sorrow and righteous indignation. Nevertheless, we must not take vengeance into our own hands. Instead, we should pray for those who oppose the Lord, remain faithful in proclaiming the truth, and leave judgment to God, the righteous Judge who deals with evil according to His perfect justice.

TEXT: [NKJV] Inductive **Explanation** in context & syntax

107 1 Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for *He is* good! For His mercy *endures* forever.	**107** **1-3= Give Thanks to the Lord** 1= This psalm recounts the Lord's delivery of the people experience distress. People cry out to the Lord, and He delivers them. The central message is that God is good

	and His mercy endures forever. Sometimes our own foolishness brings us into trouble, yet when we humble ourselves and cry out to the Lord, He hears us and responds according to His will. We should never take His goodness for granted but continually give Him thanks for His mercy and deliverance.
2 Let the redeemed of the Lord say *so,* Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,	2: =Q1 Redemption is one of God's greatest blessings. We were once enslaved to sin, but Jesus Christ paid the price of our redemption through His precious blood. Peter explains that we were not redeemed with corruptible things such as silver and gold, but with the precious blood of Christ (1 Pet. 1:18–19[1]). Paul likewise identifies redemption through Christ's blood as one of our spiritual blessings, bringing forgiveness of sins (Eph. 1:7[2]). Redemption means being purchased and set free. Through Christ, we no longer need to live as slaves to sin. He has paid the price to set us free from its dominion. However, although our spirits have been redeemed, we still live in mortal bodies affected by the desires of the flesh. This creates an ongoing conflict between the flesh and the Spirit (Gal. 5:16–17[3]). We eagerly await the redemption of our bodies, when God will complete His work of salvation and free us from the limitations of our present mortal condition (Rom. 8:22–23[4]). In the historical context of this psalm, the redeemed initially refers to God's people delivered from their enemies and, particularly, their captivity. The principle also reminds us of the greater redemption we have through Jesus Christ.
3 And gathered out of the lands, From the east and from the west, From the north and from the south.	3= God gathered His people from the east, west, north, and south. The Hebrew word translated “south” can also refer to the sea, possibly indicating the regions around the Mediterranean Sea where God's people had been scattered.
	4-9= God’s delivery of the Wanderers in the Wilderness
4 They wandered in the wilderness in a desolate way; They found no city to dwell in. **5** Hungry and thirsty, Their soul fainted in them.	4-5=The people wandered through a desolate wilderness without finding a city in which to dwell. Hungry and thirsty, they became exhausted and faint.

[1] 1 Pet. 1:18–19knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, *like* silver or gold, from your aimless conduct *received* by tradition from your fathers, **19** but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

[2] Eph. 1:7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.

[3] Gal. 5:16–17 I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. **17** For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.

[4] Rom. 8:22–23 For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. **23** Not only *that,* but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.

6 Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, *And* He delivered them out of their distresses.	6= In their distresses, they cried out to the Lord, and He delivered them from their troubles.
7 And He led them forth by the right way, That they might go to a city for a dwelling place. **8** Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the Lord *for* His goodness, And *for* His wonderful works to the children of men!	7= Although they were lost and unable to find their way, God led them along the right path to a place where they could dwell. 8= The psalmist repeats the call to praise the Lord for His lovingkindness and wonderful works toward humanity. We must not take God's blessings for granted. When Jesus healed ten lepers, only one returned to give Him thanks. Jesus asked, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine?" (Luke 17:17[5]). God often works through ordinary circumstances, and we can easily overlook His goodness. Therefore, we should continually acknowledge His work in our lives and give Him thanks.
9 For He satisfies the longing soul, And fills the hungry soul with goodness.	9= God satisfies the longing soul and fills the hungry soul with goodness. These verses describe people who were lost, hungry, thirsty, and exhausted. Their experience also illustrates our spiritual need. Jesus is the way to the Father (John 14:6[6]), the living bread who gives life (John 6:35[7]), and the giver of living water (John 4:10–14[8]). He also gives rest to those who come to Him (Matt. 11:28–30[9]). We should praise God for satisfying our spiritual thirst and filling our lives with His goodness.
	10-16= The Lord's Freeing Those Bound in Darkness
10 Those who sat in darkness and in the shadow of death, Bound in affliction and irons— **11** Because they rebelled against the words of God, And despised the counsel of the Most High,	10-11= Some people sat in darkness and the shadow of death, bound in affliction and iron chains. Their suffering was connected to their rebellion against God's Word and their rejection of His counsel.

[5] Luke 17:17 So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where *are* the nine?

[6] John 14:6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

[7] John 6:35 And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.

[8] John 4:10–14 Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."
11 The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? **12** Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?" **13** Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, **14** but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."

[9] Matt. 11:28–30 Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. **29** Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. **30** For My yoke *is* easy and My burden is light."

12 Therefore He brought down their heart with labor; They fell down, and *there was* none to help. **13** Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, *And* He saved them out of their distresses.	12= Because of their rebellion, God humbled them through suffering. They fell, and no one was able to help them. 13= When they cried out to the Lord in their distresses, He saved them. Although they had brought trouble upon themselves, God's mercy remained available when they turned to Him.
14 He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, And broke their chains in pieces.	14= God brought them out of darkness and broke their chains. This deliverance illustrates God's power to free those who are held captive by sin and darkness.
15 Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the Lord *for* His goodness, And *for* His wonderful works to the children of men! **16** For He has broken the gates of bronze, And cut the bars of iron in two.	15-16= The psalmist again calls God's people to thank Him for His lovingkindness and wonderful works. He broke the gates of bronze and cut the bars of iron in two. The imagery emphasizes the Lord's power to release those whom no human strength can free. Although sin has consequences and God's judgment is real, those who genuinely turn to Him can receive forgiveness and deliverance through His mercy.
	17-22= The Lord's Healing Those Afflicted by Their Foolishness
17 Fools, because of their transgression, And because of their iniquities, were afflicted. **18** Their soul abhorred all manner of food, And they drew near to the gates of death.	17–18= Some people suffered because of their foolishness and sinful behavior. Their affliction became so severe that they lost their appetite and approached the gates of death. Sin often brings painful consequences. However, we should not assume that every physical illness is the result of a person's particular sin; Scripture itself warns against such a simplistic conclusion (John 9:1–3[10]).
19 Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, *And* He saved them out of their distresses. **20** He sent His word and healed them, And delivered *them* from their destructions.	19= In their distresses, they cried out to the Lord, and He delivered them from their troubles. 20= What a glorious demonstration of God's mercy! Even when people have contributed to their own suffering, the Lord can respond compassionately when they turn to Him. We should seek His forgiveness, trust His wisdom, and depend on His power to deliver us according to His will.
21 Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the Lord *for* His goodness, And *for* His wonderful works to the children of	21-22= The psalmist calls the delivered to thank the Lord, offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, sing joyfully, and declare His works. Our thanksgiving should be a sincere

[10] John 9:1–3 Now as *Jesus* passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. **2** And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" **3** Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him.

men! **22** Let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, And declare His works with rejoicing.	offering of praise to God, acknowledging His goodness and proclaiming what He has done.
	23-32= The Lord's Calming the Storm
23 Those who go down to the sea in ships, Who do business on great waters, **24** They see the works of the Lord, And His wonders in the deep.	23–24= Those who conduct business on the sea witness the Lord's works and wonders in the deep.
25 For He commands and raises the stormy wind, Which lifts up the waves of the sea. **26** They mount up to the heavens, They go down again to the depths; Their soul melts because of trouble.	25–26= At His command, a powerful storm arises, lifting the waves high and plunging the ships into the depths. The sailors become terrified as their lives are threatened.
27 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, And are at their wits' end.	27= They stagger like drunken men, unable to find their bearings. Their wisdom and experience cannot save them from the storm. Paul experienced a similar crisis during his voyage to Rome. When a violent storm threatened the ship, the crew threw cargo and equipment overboard in an effort to survive. Eventually, they lost hope of being saved by ordinary means (Acts 27:18–20[11]).
28 Then they cry out to the Lord in their trouble, And He brings them out of their distresses.	28= In their distresses, the sailors cry out to the Lord, and He brings them out of their troubles. Why do we so often wait until we reach the end of our own resources before seeking God? We try many solutions, even those in which we have little confidence, before turning to the One who is able to help us. We should learn to seek the Lord first rather than treating Him as our last resort.
29 He calms the storm, So that its waves are still. **30** Then they are glad because they are quiet; So He guides them to their desired haven.	29–30 = God calms the storm and stills the waves. The sailors rejoice when the sea becomes calm, and He brings them safely to their desired harbor.
31 Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the Lord *for* His goodness, And *for* His wonderful works to the children of men! **32** Let them exalt Him also in the assembly of the people, And praise Him in the company of the elders.	31–32 = Those who have experienced God's deliverance should praise Him publicly, both among the congregation and before the elders. Hardship can deepen our appreciation of God's lovingkindness. When we experience His faithfulness in times of distress, we gain a greater understanding of His goodness. We should share our testimonies and give Him the glory He deserves.

[11] Acts 27:18–20 And because we were exceedingly tempest-tossed, the next *day* they lightened the ship. **19** On the third *day* we threw the ship's tackle overboard with our own hands. **20** Now when neither sun nor stars appeared for many days, and no small tempest beat on *us,* all hope that we would be saved was finally given up.

	33–43 = The Lord's Bringing Down the Proud and Lifting Up the Needy
[33] He turns rivers into a wilderness, And the watersprings into dry ground; [34] A fruitful land into barrenness, For the wickedness of those who dwell in it.	33–34= God can turn rivers into wilderness and fertile land into barren ground because of the wickedness of its inhabitants. The passage emphasizes His authority over the land and the consequences that can follow human sin.
[35] He turns a wilderness into pools of water, And dry land into watersprings. [36] There He makes the hungry dwell, That they may establish a city for a dwelling place, [37] And sow fields and plant vineyards, That they may yield a fruitful harvest. [38] He also blesses them, and they multiply greatly; And He does not let their cattle decrease.	35–38= Conversely, God can transform a wilderness into pools of water and dry land into springs. He provides a place for the hungry to dwell, enables them to establish cities, sow fields, plant vineyards, and enjoy their harvests. He blesses them with fruitfulness and increasing livestock. Bread and wine were essential provisions in the ancient world, representing the fruit of the fields and vineyards. These verses portray God's ability to restore what was barren and provide what His people need.
[39] When they are diminished and brought low Through oppression, affliction, and sorrow, [40] He pours contempt on princes, And causes them to wander in the wilderness *where there is* no way;	39–40= The Lord can also bring people down through oppression, trouble, and sorrow. He humbles rulers and causes them to wander in desolate places.
[41] Yet He sets the poor on high, far from affliction, And makes *their* families like a flock.	41= Yet He lifts the needy out of affliction and blesses their families, making them like a flock.
[42] The righteous see *it* and rejoice, And all iniquity stops its mouth.	42= The upright see God's works and rejoice, while the wicked are silenced.
[43] Whoever *is* wise will observe these *things,* And they will understand the lovingkindness of the Lord.	43= Whoever is wise will observe these things and understand the lovingkindness of the Lord. God is sovereign over human circumstances. He can humble the proud and sustain the needy. Therefore, we should pay attention to His works, learn from His dealings with humanity, and trust His wisdom and mercy.

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	1-5= A Heart Firmly Set on Praising God
[1]O God, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory.	1=Q1 Psalm 108 combines portions of two earlier psalms: Psalm 57:7–11[12] (vv. 1-5) and Psalm 60:5–12[13] (vv. 6-13). David repeats these words of praise and prayer, demonstrating the importance of a steadfast commitment to the Lord. Like the hymn "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus," David's words express a settled determination to follow and serve God. His heart is fixed on the Lord regardless of his circumstances.
2 Awake, lute and harp! I will awaken the dawn. **3** I will praise You, O Lord, among the peoples, And I will sing praises to You among the nations.	2–3= David calls his musical instruments to awaken and declares his intention to praise God among the nations. He is determined to proclaim the Lord's glory and sing His praises before all peoples.
4 For Your mercy *is* great above the heavens, And Your truth *reaches* to the clouds. **5** Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, And Your glory above all the earth;	4–5= God's mercy is higher than the heavens, and His truth reaches to the clouds. David prays that God will be exalted above the heavens and that His glory will be over all the earth. These verses repeat the message of Psalm 57:7-11, emphasizing the greatness of God's mercy and faithfulness. Repeating this truth is worthwhile because our praise should arise from a firm commitment to exalt the Lord, regardless of our circumstances.
	6-9= God Is Sovereign over His People and Their Enemies
6 That Your beloved may be delivered, Save *with* Your right hand, and hear me.	6= David asks God to answer and deliver His beloved people with His right hand.
7 God has spoken in His holiness: "I will rejoice; I will divide Shechem And measure out the Valley of Succoth. **8** Gilead *is* Mine; Manasseh *is* Mine; Ephraim also *is* the helmet for My head; Judah *is* My lawgiver.	7–8= God declares His authority over the land of Israel. Shechem and Succoth represent territories on opposite sides of the Jordan River, while Gilead and Manasseh refer to regions associated with Israel's tribes. Ephraim is described as a protector, and Judah as the lawgiver or ruling tribe. The declaration emphasizes God's ownership of the land and His authority over His people.
9 Moab *is* My washpot; Over Edom I will cast My shoe; Over Philistia I will triumph."	9= Moab is described as God's washbasin, Edom as the place where He casts His sandal, and Philistia as a territory over which He triumphs. These expressions portray God's sovereignty over Israel's neighboring enemies. Moab, Edom, and Philistia opposed Israel, but none could overcome the purposes of the Lord.

[12] Psalm 57:7,11 [7] My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and give praise. [11] Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; *Let* Your glory *be* above all the earth.

[13] Psalm 60:5,12 [5]That Your beloved may be delivered, Save *with* Your right hand, and hear me.[12] Through God we will do valiantly, For *it is* He *who* shall tread down our enemies.

	10-13 = Trusting God Rather Than Human Strength
10 Who will bring me *into* the strong city? Who will lead me to Edom? **11** *Is it* not *You,* O God, *who* cast us off? And *You,* O God, *who* did not go out with our armies?	10–11= David asks who can lead him into the fortified city and bring him into Edom. David recognizes that military strength alone is insufficient and asks whether God has rejected His people by no longer going out with their armies.
12 Give us help from trouble, For the help of man is useless.	12= David recognizes the limitations of human assistance. We often turn first to people, resources, and our own abilities, but none can replace the Lord's help. We must learn to depend on God rather than trust in human strength alone.
13 Through God we will do valiantly, For *it is* He *who* shall tread down our enemies.	13= David prays not merely for survival but for victory. God is his strength and helper. As Paul declares, if God is for us, who can be against us? (Rom. 8:31[14]). Our confidence is not in our own abilities but in the Lord, who strengthens and sustains us according to His will.
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	1-5= A Prayer against False Accusations
[1]Do not keep silent, O God of my praise!	1= David appeals to the God whom he praises, asking Him not to remain silent.
2 For the mouth of the wicked and the mouth of the deceitful Have opened against me; They have spoken against me with a lying tongue. **3** They have also surrounded me with words of hatred, And fought against me without a cause.	2–3= His enemies speak against him with deceitful tongues, surround him with words of hatred, and attack him without cause. These experiences also resemble the treatment Jesus received when false witnesses and hostile accusers spoke against Him (Matt. 26:59–61; 27:39–44[15]).
4 In return for my love they are my accusers, But I *give myself to* prayer.	4= David responds to hatred with prayer. Although he loves his enemies, they oppose him. David is deeply troubled by evil, yet he turns to prayer rather than taking

[14] Rom. 8:31 What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *can be* against us?

[15] Matt. 26:59–61 Now the chief priests, the elders, and all the council sought false testimony against Jesus to put Him to death, **60** but found none. Even though many false witnesses came forward, they found none. But at last two false witnesses came forward **61** and said, "This *fellow* said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.' "; Matt 27:39–44 And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads **40** and saying, "You who destroy the temple and build *it* in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross." **41** Likewise the chief priests also, mocking with the scribes and elders, said, **42** "He saved others; Himself He cannot save. If He is the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe Him. **43** He trusted in God; let Him deliver Him now if He will have Him; for He said, 'I am the Son of God.' " **44** Even the robbers who were crucified with Him reviled Him with the same thing.

	vengeance into his own hands. We must oppose evil while continuing to love others, including those who do evil, because God desires that people turn to Him.
5 Thus they have rewarded me evil for good, And hatred for my love.	5= His enemies repay good with evil and love with hatred. This also reflects the rejection Jesus experienced despite the goodness and love He demonstrated.
	6-20= A Prayer for God's Judgment on the Wicked
6 Set a wicked man over him, And let an accuser stand at his right hand. **7** When he is judged, let him be found guilty, And let his prayer become sin.	6–7=Q3 David asks God to bring judgment upon his adversary. These severe words belong to the category of **imprecatory prayers**, which ask God to bring judgment upon the wicked. Under Mosaic Law, punishment was to be proportionate to the offense (Deut. 19:21[16]). However, Jesus taught His followers to love their enemies and pray for those who persecute them, reflecting God's love in giving His Son to die for our sins (Matt. 5:43–48[17]). Therefore, we should not use God's justice to justify personal hatred or a desire for vengeance. In Psalm 109, David appealed to God to judge the wicked rather than taking vengeance into his own hands. This differs from Psalm 41:10[18], where David asks God to raise him up so that he may repay his enemy. Prayer must be sincere and consistent with a heart that seeks God. Merely claiming to pray does not excuse persistent rebellion against Him, because cherished sin hinders fellowship with God (Ps. 66:18; Isa. 59:1–2[19]).
8 Let his days be few, *And* let another take his office.	8= Peter applies this verse to Judas Iscariot in Acts 1:20[20]. Judas betrayed Jesus, and after his death, another was appointed to take his place among the apostles.
9 Let his children be fatherless, And his wife a widow. **10** Let his children continually be vagabonds, and beg; Let them seek *their bread* also from their desolate places. **11** Let the creditor seize all that he has, And let strangers plunder his labor. **12** Let there be none to extend mercy to him,	9–13= David describes the devastating consequences of judgment upon the wicked man's household, possessions, and descendants. The language is severe because it portrays the seriousness of divine judgment against persistent wickedness, extending beyond the imprecatory statements themselves.

[16] Deut. 19:21 Your eye shall not pity: life *shall be* for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.

[17] Matt. 5:43–48 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' **44** But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, **45** that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. **46** For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? **47** And if you greet your brethren only, what do you do more *than others?* Do not even the tax collectors do so? **48** Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect.

[18] Psalm 41:10 But You, O Lord, be merciful to me, and raise me up, That I may repay them.

[19] Ps. 66:18 If I regard iniquity in my heart, The Lord will not hear.; Isa. 59:1–2 Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, That it cannot save; Nor His ear heavy, That it cannot hear. **2** But your iniquities have separated you from your God; And your sins have hidden *His* face from you, So that He will not hear.

[20] Acts 1:20 For it is written in the Book of Psalms: 'Let his dwelling place be desolate, And let no one live in it'; and, 'Let another take his office.'

Nor let there be any to favor his fatherless children. **13** Let his posterity be cut off, *And* in the generation following let their name be blotted out.	
14 Let the iniquity of his fathers be remembered before the Lord, And let not the sin of his mother be blotted out. **15** Let them be continually before the Lord, That He may cut off the memory of them from the earth; **16** Because he did not remember to show mercy, But persecuted the poor and needy man, That he might even slay the broken in heart.	14–16= David asks God to remember the wickedness of his adversary because he showed no mercy to the needy and pursued the afflicted. The passage emphasizes the gravity of cruelty toward the poor and vulnerable, extending beyond the imprecatory statements themselves.
17 As he loved cursing, so let it come to him; As he did not delight in blessing, so let it be far from him. **18** As he clothed himself with cursing as with his garment, So let it enter his body like water, And like oil into his bones. **19** Let it be to him like the garment which covers him, And for a belt with which he girds himself continually. **20** *Let* this *be* the Lord's reward to my accusers, And to those who speak evil against my person.	17–20= The wicked person loved cursing rather than blessing; therefore, David asks that the consequences of his actions return upon him. This reflects the biblical principle that people reap what they sow (Gal. 6:7[21]). These verses should not be understood as permission for personal revenge. David brings his complaint before God, asking the righteous Judge to deal with evil according to His justice. Scripture reminds us that vengeance belongs to the Lord (Rom. 12:19[22]), extending beyond the imprecatory statements themselves.
	21–25= An Appeal for God's Mercy and Deliverance
21 But You, O God the Lord, Deal with me for Your name's sake; Because Your mercy *is* good, deliver me.	21= David appeals to the Lord's name and lovingkindness, asking Him to deliver him. To ask God to act for His name's sake is to appeal to His own character, including His faithfulness, goodness, and mercy.
22 For I *am* poor and needy, And my heart is wounded within me. **23** I am gone like a shadow when it lengthens; I am shaken off like a locust.	22–23= David describes himself as poor, needy, and deeply wounded in heart. His life seems to fade like an evening shadow, and he is carried away like a locust.

[21] Gal. 6:7 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.

[22] Rom. 12:19 Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but *rather* give place to wrath; for it is written, "Vengeance *is* Mine, I will repay," says the Lord.

24 My knees are weak through fasting, And my flesh is feeble from lack of fatness. **25** I also have become a reproach to them; *When* they look at me, they shake their heads.	24–25= Fasting has weakened his knees and wasted his body, while his enemies mock him and shake their heads. These descriptions express profound suffering and humiliation. They also bear similarities to the rejection and suffering of Jesus Christ. Reading these verses alongside the account of Jesus praying in Gethsemane helps us consider the depth of His sorrow as He prepared to face the cross (Matt. 26:36–39[23]).
26 Help me, O Lord my God! Oh, save me according to Your mercy, **27** That they may know that this *is* Your hand— *That* You, Lord, have done it!	**26-31= Confidence in God's Deliverance** 26–27= David asks God to save him according to His mercy so that his enemies may recognize that the Lord Himself has acted.
28 Let them curse, but You bless; When they arise, let them be ashamed, But let Your servant rejoice.	28= Even if others curse him, David asks God to bless him. He trusts God rather than fearing his enemies.
29 Let my accusers be clothed with shame, And let them cover themselves with their own disgrace as with a mantle.	29= David asks that his adversaries be covered with shame, as though they were wearing a garment of disgrace. The psalm continues to leave judgment in God's hands.
30 I will greatly praise the Lord with my mouth; Yes, I will praise Him among the multitude. **31** For He shall stand at the right hand of the poor, To save *him* from those who condemn him.	30–31= David promises to give abundant thanks to the Lord and praise Him publicly, trusting that God stands at the right hand of the needy to deliver them from those who condemn them.

Note: Most Christians say the Scripture is important, but rarely study every word in the Scripture and commit it to the Lord (Mat 4:4; Mat 28:20). So, it's better to study it and live accordingly after the Spirit for the Lord (2 Tim 2:15). This online word for global crusade in effect develops from the expositional sermon (KJV), into spiritual transformation in daily love fellowship with the Lord throughout the Scripture Study (NKJV) -- *All Scripture Expositional Study from verse by verse Inductive Studies* -- of which application is the Discipleship and Spiritual Formation, closer to the image of Christ. Also the whole verses of NIV as a reference are observed equally to KJV and N KJV for every online word. We think that "Any human opinion is not really important rather than what God says. So, the best commentary on the Scripture is the Scripture per se. But the opinion to make us understand God's Word is acceptable *(2 Corinthians 10:5)."* Further, for

[23] Matt. 26:36–39 Then Jesus came with them to a place called Gethsemane, and said to the disciples, "Sit here while I go and pray over there." **37** And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and He began to be sorrowful and deeply distressed. **38** Then He said to them, "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch with Me." **39** He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You *will*."

the application, a life or spiritual experience might be helpful to understand how to apply an understood word in the text column, but it is temperately used like Paul, because nobody should think above that literal experience (2 Cor 12:6, Jer 23:28; Ne 8:8).

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While believers themselves are God's spiritual temple under the New Testament, a church building remains a valuable meeting place for prayer, worship, teaching, fellowship, and the proclamation of God's Word. Buildings should never become objects of pride or greed, nor should they replace the true church (the people of God). They are simply instruments for God's glory and the ministry of His people (1 Cor 3:16; Mat 21:13).

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"For we are not, as so many, peddling the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ" (2 Cor 2:17).

Truth matters, regardless of online, offline, indoor, outdoor, at sea, or in sky services.

Denominations of the Protestant Christianity

Let's go back to the Bible - the impact of the Protestant Reformation

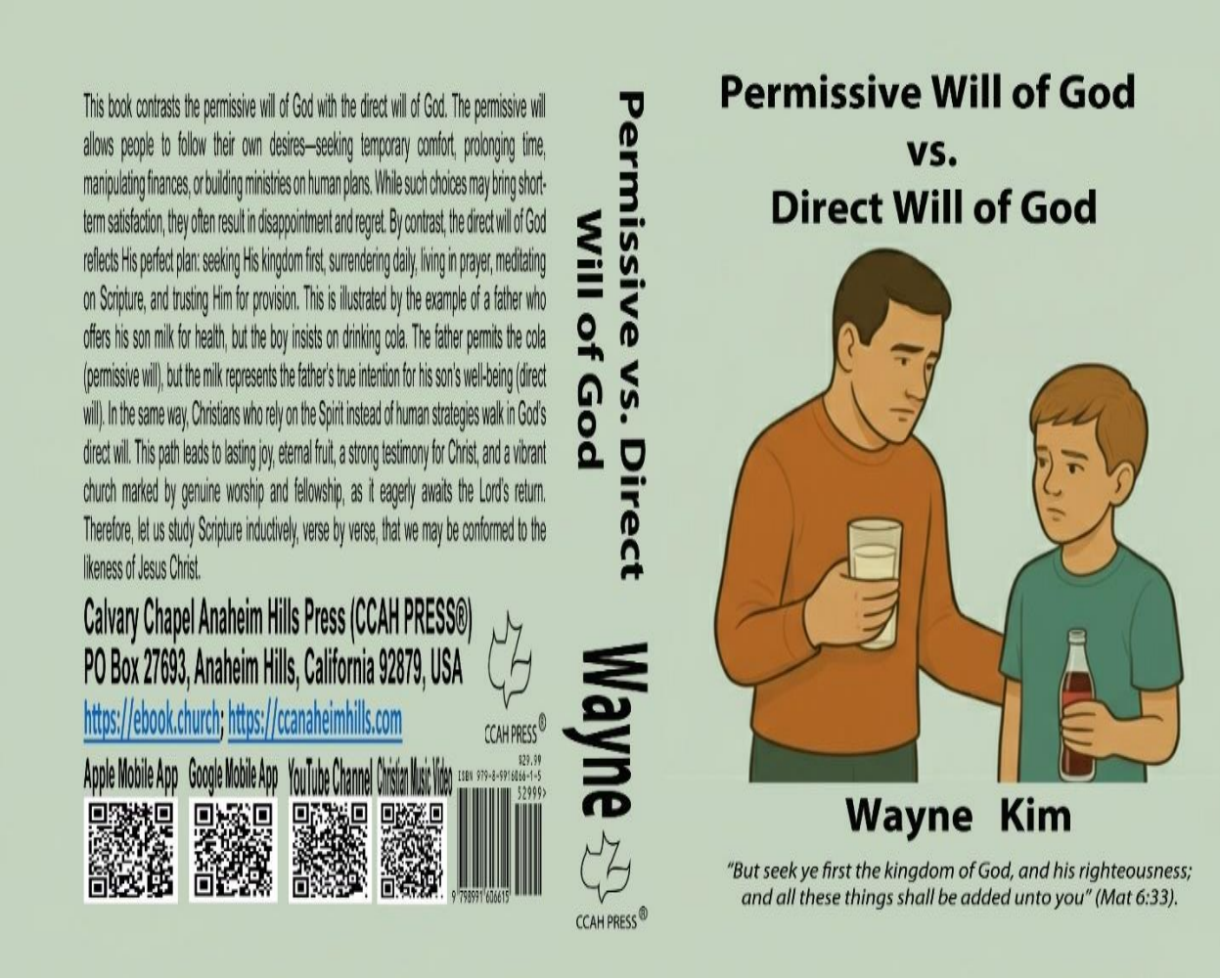
Tradition / Group	Origin / Background	Key Characteristics	Notes
Lutheran Church	Martin Luther, Reformation, Northern Europe	First Protestant church; strong respect for tradition; Scripture-centered	Retains some Catholic-like structure
Calvinism (theology, not a single church)	John Calvin	Clarified doctrines: predestination, calling/vocation	Influenced Reformed churches
Presbyterian Church	From Calvin's disciples	Elder-led (presbyter) system; Reformed theology	Influenced Scotland & England
Anglican Church	England, Henry VIII	National church; politically driven Reformation; broad theology	Also called the Church of England
Baptist Church	Reaction against Anglicanism; Puritan roots	Emphasizes personal faith; believer's baptism only (no infant baptism)	Largest denomination in the U.S.

Tradition / Group	Origin / Background	Key Characteristics	Notes
Methodist Church	Revival movement within Anglicanism	Discipline, methodical Christian life	Strong growth in America
Holiness Church	From Methodist movement	Emphasizes holiness and faith experience	Focus on sanctification
Pentecostal Church	From Methodist/Holiness movement	Emphasizes supernatural experiences (e.g., speaking in tongues); active evangelism	Fast global growth
Salvation Army	Industrial Revolution era	Focus on helping the poor and social ministry	Known for charity kettles

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Thank you everybody. Come to Jesus!

Thank you for your prayer regarding the receipt of the LCCN. Please continue to thank our Lord for the publication, so that it may strengthen the ministries of many believers, guiding them to walk the Direct Path rather than the permissive one, all for His glory.



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"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

God's Continuing Work through His Church CCAH Acts 29

Calvary Chapel Anaheim Hills (CCAH), through its publishing arm CCAH PRESS®, is a poor church in materials and in spirit compared to other local churches. Despite this, it is deeply committed to serving not just a community but also those in need, providing free Bibles, food, and support to the most marginalized members of society—including drug addicts, the homeless, the elderly, veterans, and the indigent. Although CCAH does not own or possess a dedicated physical building, it utilizes at least seven different locations out of 15 available places each week to hold services and ministries. Each week, approximately 2,000 people are connected to the church's work. Beyond its local reach, CCAH connects globally through its mobile apps on Google Play and the Apple App Store. Over the past years, church representatives have traveled to Europe, Latin America, Africa, and Asia. Recently, an online supporter generously donated to sustain the teaching of God's Word, recognizing that CCAH's 15 ministers provide verse-by-verse inductive Bible teaching—unlike most local churches, which focus on brief topical messages—while faithfully preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ anytime and anywhere.

Note: The open, connected members of CCAH should not be discouraged by the fact that the church neither owns nor possesses a physical building. This actually frees the fellowship from the burden of mortgage or rental payments tied to maintaining such a property. Instead, we are reminded that we ourselves are the church—not a building—as we gather together in Jesus' name. At present, the Lord has graciously provided at least seven meeting places among fifteen available each week. And if the Lord desires for CCAH to have a permanent building in the future, He will provide it in His time, for CCAH belongs wholly to Jesus, who is all in all.

Pray for God's power, grace, and protection of the underground church and ministers in Iran in the last days

INTERVIEW WITH HAMID

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MY JOB IS TO HELP IRANIAN CHRISTIANS PREPARE TO FACE PERSECUTION

Human rights lawyer and Elam team member Hamid explains how Iranian believers are being equipped to stand firm in the face of persecution. Choosing Christ can carry a high price, but – Hamid says – many believers bravely see imprisonment as an opportunity to share the Gospel.

Hamid, can you share your story with us?

I was born into a devout Muslim family in Iran. As a young man I was passionate about the law and attended university hoping to become a judge. But as I studied, I saw the corruption of the judiciary branch and so became a lawyer instead to try to do good for others. Disillusioned by Islam, I explored other spiritual experiences. Then one of my co-workers introduced me to Jesus and everything changed.

I attended Elam's three-month leadership training and have served the church ever since. I dedicated my life to advocating for human rights and serving those who face persecution in the Iran region. This work made me a target for persecution, so I left Iran with my family. Today, as part of the Elam team, I help fellow Iranian Christians prepare for

What is it like to be a Christian in Iran?

It can be very hard. Conversion from Islam to Christianity is illegal; many believers face arrest, torture, and long prison sentences for their ministry. But this is not a surprise for us. The Bible makes it clear that living for Jesus means facing persecution. The world hates Him, so it hates those who love Him. That doesn't make it easy, but it gives us something to remember and hold onto amid the hardships. That's why spiritual formation in this area is so important.

How do you prepare someone for persecution?

An important foundation is exploring the Biblical perspective on suffering in general and persecution in particular. The practical insight we give the students on best practices for security is important but helping them engage with God's Word has the most enduring impact.

How do you help Iranian Christians overcome fear?

Proverbs 29:25 says: "Fear of man will prove a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is kept safe." We study this verse and others to explore fear.

Pastoral Training of Asia

Ministering to Ministers

CALVARY CHAPEL KOREA

Loudermilk Family Occasional Newsletter – December 2024

Dear Friends and Family,

After nearly 19 years here in Korea (16 years since starting Calvary Chapel in Daejeon), we finally had an actual American style Thanksgiving dinner at the church. Everyone had a great time as we got to see some people we hadn't seen in a while, and some visitors were brought in as well. It was a good time of fellowship and getting into God's Word to be reminded of the need for thankfulness and prayer.

*Rejoice in the **Lord** always.*
*Again I will say, **rejoice!***
Let your gentleness be known to all men.
*The **Lord** is at hand.*
Be anxious for nothing,
*but in **everything by prayer***
*and supplication, with **thanksgiving**,*
*let your requests be made known to **God**;*
*and the **peace of God**,*
which surpasses all understanding,
will guard your hearts and minds through
***Christ Jesus**.*

Philippians 4:4-7



Everyone is now even more excited about our upcoming Christmas party on December 25th where we will worship with songs of Christmas, share the Gospel of God's Grace, and enjoy the fun of a white elephant gift exchange which we have done every year from the beginning. It is another chance for evangelism as people who don't normally attend church tend to come enjoy the time with us. Please pray for effective outreach for those who need to know God's salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.

As you consider us with your prayers in 2025, please pray that God would raise up an army of young people that are on fire for the Lord with a desire for evangelism. Pray that us older folks would be ready and willing to disciple them and help them along the way.

Pray that all of us would increase in the knowledge of His will, to walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, to be fruitful and increase in the knowledge of God. Strengthened with His power, patient with joy, and always giving thanks to Him.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!
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Pray for Christians and Underground Churches in Iran.

NOVEMBER 2024

In a region at war, the Lord remains at work

Dear Friend,

With all that has been taking place this year in the Middle East, I know many hearts are heavy. Our thoughts and prayers are turned towards this war-torn region and all those suffering there.

I want to encourage you today that the Lord is at work in this part of the world. 2024 has been a year of much ministry and, by God's grace, we have seen many people putting their trust in Jesus, many lives transformed, and the hope of the Gospel changing communities.

In this letter, I am delighted to share with you just two of the many stories from this year. One is the story of my friend and colleague Magda, who serves with our women's ministry team. The other is of Firouz, one of the many church planters we have trained for the Iranian church, and who we continue to support.

As you will read, both Magda and Firouz have stood firm for Jesus under unimaginable pressure. Both have paid a great price as a result. Both testify that God is faithful even in the darkest chapters of our lives. And both believe Christ - and His beautiful Gospel of hope - is worth any cost.

It is our privilege to serve people like Magda and Firouz. We are deeply grateful for your prayers and partnership which have allowed us to do so.

Our desire, as we look forward to 2025, is to do even more. We want to train, equip, and send more faithful ministers of the Gospel for the Persian-speaking church.

To do this, we need your help, so I ask you to consider making a gift this end of year. On the reverse of this letter are examples of how your gift can strengthen the Persian-speaking church at this time. We would be grateful for your prayerful consideration.

As we approach the close of the year with all its festivities, we pray it's a wonderful time for you and your loved ones. I pray the stories in this letter would encourage you and would help lift your eyes afresh to our beautiful Savior who - as Magda and Firouz testify - is faithful and good and worthy of our all.

Grace and peace,

David Yeghnazar
Executive Director, Elam Ministries

P.S. We want to do more to support the Persian-speaking church to declare the hope of Christ. On the reverse of this letter you'll discover the tangible ways your gift can make a real difference. Thank you for your prayerful consideration. We are so grateful for your partnership.

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European Union Mission

(Thank you for your prayers. EU mission team has had a safe & joyful tour, sharing Jesus face to face with EU people. Most of them were so glad to share Jesus amazingly as you prayed.)

From 9/26 To 10/4, 2024

In 2023, during Paul's footsteps mission tour and evangelism, several significant observations were made: Firstly, English emerged as the predominant language among people in the European Union (EU). Secondly, despite a rich Christian history, there are relatively a few Scripture-based Christians in the midst of a post-Christian culture. Thirdly, it was noted that upon sharing the words of God, many individuals displayed unexpected curiosity or interest. Lastly, leveraging artificial intelligence (AI) tools, the dissemination of God's words can be accelerated significantly, aligning with the prophecy of Daniel 12:4b, "many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased."

These findings serve as a compelling motivation for us, as debtors of Jesus' love, to endeavor to spread the entirety of God's words throughout the EU whenever providence allows.

Soli Deo Gloria! For those on the EU Mission from 9/26 to 10/4, the mobile apps have been launched. We the Board invite you to review any eBook that encourages others to dive into our expositional study and grow in their knowledge of Jesus and their life by faith. If the Lord wills, please consider doing so. Use the code "Review" for free access, and "Calvary" for a 30% discount. The Apple App Store, with over 650 million users per week, and Google Play Store, with over 2.5 billion users per month. The more increasing materialism, the more demanding this kind of App the whole counsel of God in exposition to every soul at all nations.



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Gospel

"Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away" (Mathew 24:35).

"He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3:30).
https://calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/EU.htm

Christian Population By Country

This list includes approximate numbers for the Christian population in key countries across different regions.

North America

- **United States**: 230 million
- **Canada**: 22 million
- **Mexico**: 120 million

Central America and the Caribbean

- **Guatemala**: 13 million
- **Honduras**: 7 million
- **El Salvador**: 6 million
- **Nicaragua**: 5 million
- **Cuba**: 6 million
- **Dominican Republic**: 9 million
- **Haiti**: 6 million

South America

- **Brazil**: 180 million
- **Argentina**: 35 million
- **Colombia**: 35 million
- **Peru**: 25 million
- **Venezuela**: 25 million
- **Chile**: 16 million

Europe

- **Russia**: 105 million
- **Germany**: 50 million
- **United Kingdom**: 40 million
- **France**: 38 million
- **Italy**: 44 million
- **Spain**: 37 million
- **Poland**: 35 million
- **Ukraine**: 30 million
- **Romania**: 18 million
- **Netherlands**: 12 million

Middle East

- **Egypt**: 10 million
- **Lebanon**: 2 million
- **Iraq**: 0.5 million
- **Syria**: 0.5 million
- **Jordan**: 0.4 million

Asia

- **Philippines**: 90 million
- **China**: 70 million
- **India**: 31 million
- **Indonesia**: 25 million
- **South Korea**: 15 million
- **Vietnam**: 7 million
- **Kazakhstan**: 4 million

Oceania

- **Australia**: 14 million
- **Papua New Guinea**: 8 million
- **New Zealand**: 2 million
- **Fiji**: 0.6 million

Africa

- **Nigeria**: 85 million
- **Democratic Republic of the Congo**: 65 million
- **Ethiopia**: 45 million
- **South Africa**: 37 million
- **Kenya**: 35 million
- **Uganda**: 34 million
- **Tanzania**: 30 million
- **Ghana**: 24 million

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.
19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:
20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." (Mat 28:18-20).

Note: there are more Christians than we often realize, but only a few are truly Scripture-based Christians. So, anyone among them who wanders from the truth should be turned to the life by faith through all the Scripture (Jame 5:19; Dan 12:3)

Sources:
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christianity_by_country;
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hQBeX0M3Eqo

Delivery of the words of God

in the Gospel and in all the Scripture

Calvary Chapel Anaheim Hills **(all Scripture)**

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. 17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, The just shall live by faith (Romans 1:16-17).

English	Spanish	French	German	Italian	Dutch	Greek	Turkish

Affluent and Well-prepared Retiree **And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry. 20 But God said to him, Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided? 21 So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God (Luke 12:19-21).**

Let go, Let God **CCAH has been led daily by the Spirit in the Whole Counsel of God for its beliefs, and their consequent practices since over 20 years ago. Through CCAH, our Lord has been increasing faith, the word of God, its consequent practice, love, or joy with the perishable means. God has faithfully been touching the least souls like flames such as the addicted, the retirees, the indigent, the homeless, the veterans, and the rarely touched souls in the world -- free from where Christ is named, commercial capitalism is controlling, territorial boundaries are lined, and racial, material, or hereditary partiality underscores -- in the light of Matthew 25:40, "And the King will answer and say to them, Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me."**

"...teach all nations..." **(Matthew 28:19)**

We have been volitionally, joyfully, and thankfully praying and following His continual direction until our Lord comes again. That's our privilege and our blessing. Please pray through our love for each other as long as we the one body of Christ on the earth are not against the principles of the doctrine of Christ.

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The entirety of God's words is truth. The truth matters in the eternity wherever - indoor, outdoor, online, offline, at sea, or in sky - and whenever - Sunday, Saturday, weekday, every day, this generation time, or the future generation time - and whatever - mega church, basilica, or chapel (Psalm 119:160; John 4:23; 5:39; 17:17; Col 2:16-17) Christian Population by Country

teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you.....(Matthew 28:20a)

Calvary Anaheim Hills Missions:

"Greater Works" in John 14:12 -Our prayer support group are praying, offering, or going. You may do so. Psalm 83:18 "That they many know that You, whose name alone is the Lord, are the Most High over all the earth."

Bosnia and Herzegovina -- street evangelists.... MAP genocide

China -- Hannah, Jeremy, Merry, Mi Young... MAP

European Union – Lily, Wayne, Jane, T K, Raura, Paul…..MAP EU

France -- Joy Diacou… MAP

Haiti – Brian McDaniel MAP

India -- Abraham Motakatia, Varughese Saji, Kris Davis, Y Suri, K P Yohannan MAP

Iran -- Christina, David, Ray Sleiman, Shahin, Reza, Brian.... MAP

Indonesia -- Choon Choi, Jong Kim, Robinson Pea MAP

Iraq, Afghanistan -- Heather Mercer, Sami T (in other Muslim countries)..... MAP MAP

Israel -- street evangelists.... MAP genocide

Italy -- Brent Harrell... MAP

Japan -- Chester Hudspeth, Janet Mctaggart, Kyomasa & Taeko.... MAP

Kenya -- Ed Compean, Helen Ju, Rob Gordon... MAP

Lebanon -- Raymond Sleighman... MAP

Nepal -- Joseph & Esther Choi…… MAP

Nicaragua -- Michael & Jackelin Gaude…… MAP

Mexico -- Alex & Cruz Sanchez, Garry & Keri Goo, James & Monica Arista, Octavio, Martin, Victor & Sonia Mayoral…… MAP

North Korea -- Ed, Inquired Anonymous Missionaries..... MAP

Peru -- Timothy Kim, J Y Oh, Lucho Garcia, Alberato Sanchez..... MAP

Philippines -- Dodong, Jim Davis…… MAP

Russia -- Robert Ovcharenko…… MAP

Scotland -- Chris & Jenn Lawsons, Steve Kostlan MAP

South Korea -- Mike, Peter, Seoung, Victor, Loudermilk... MAP

Sudan -- Gary Kusunoki, Robert, In Hwa Shin(Leprosy in other African countries), Wes ... MAP

Uganda -- Brian Kelly... MAP

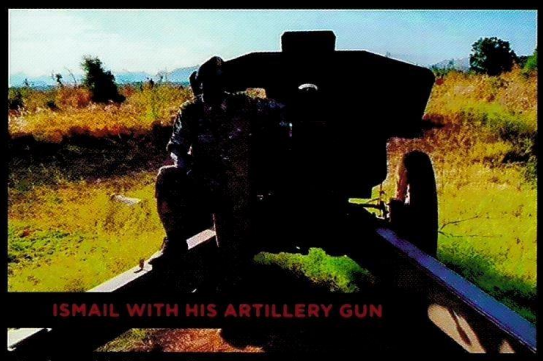
United Arab Emirates – Simon Baek …. MAP

Ukraine, Kyrgyzstan -- Jed & Renee Gourley, George & Pam Markey.. MAP MAP

Please pray for Missionaries and for Christians over all the earth.
James 5:16b ".....The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much."

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Pray for the Feeding People From Starvation and Sickness.



ISMAIL WITH HIS ARTILLERY GUN

God could deliver him. Ismail said that if God can heal me from this, He is real, and I will follow him and he did.

In one particular battle Ismail was in, his unit was being attacked by 700 Islamic enemy soldiers and his unit had only 100 men. His unit was told to attack even though they were greatly outnumbered, but he said, "Today is Sunday. Let us pray this whole day and seek our God that He will be with us." So, all the soldiers spent the day in prayer. The next day, Ismail took his artillery gun and fired seven shots; all seven hit critical enemy positions, and within a few minutes, the enemy was in full retreat leaving the area and did not return. The men spent the day giving thanks to the Lord for His deliverance. Ismail was known for many great feats of heroism, once capturing 16 enemy soldiers and three trucks full of military supplies. On another occasion, his position was hit by a surface-to-air missile (SAM) that killed over 100 soldiers and 30 civilians. Once again, Ismail escaped uninjured, and the people said it was because of his relationship with Christ that he was delivered.



WE STARTED THE FEEDING PROGRAM TO KEEP PEOPLE FROM STARVATION AND SICKNESS

I am at the chaplain base as this letter is being written. We sent for Ismail's wife to be brought from the Nuba Mountains to the base. We will do our best to comfort her in her grief and give her the stipend that we give for each fallen chaplain, which can take care of her for years.

Ismail was around 55 years of age and served in the war for 37 years. In his life, he had brought many men and women to Christ. He had planted a church in a radical Muslim area where the people were some of the most violent, but to this day, his church is still alive with over 200 converted Muslims.



NEW CHURCH BUILT BY JOSHUA SPRINGS CALVARY CHAPEL AND JEREL HAGERMAN

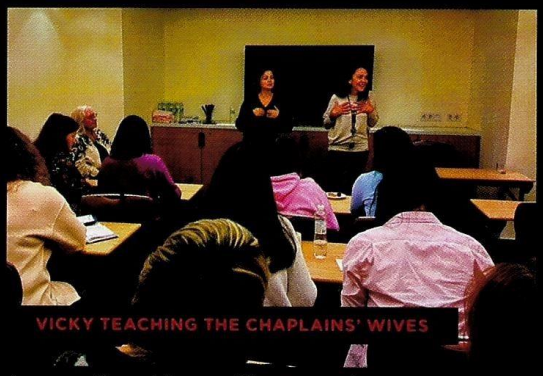
He never knew the comforts of this world but will know great peace throughout eternity, having given his all to protect his people and serve Christ.

Wes Bentley

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Far Reaching Ministries

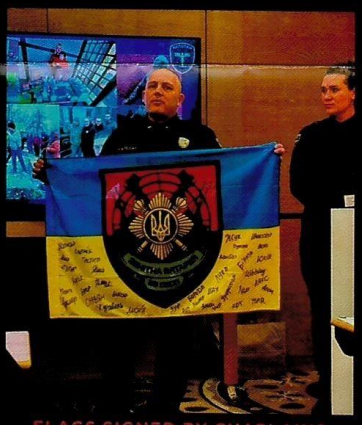
Pray for Abandoned children in Ukraine and for His increase



VICKY TEACHING THE CHAPLAINS' WIVES

I cannot live with myself knowing this is going on, and I am willing to spend the rest of my life protecting and caring for those who do not have the ability to protect and care for themselves.

I have always thought that if I reached an age when I was too old to travel, I would enjoy restoring a classic car. I enjoy watching shows that take an old car that is a wreck and bring it back to life. Truthfully, I would enjoy having a garage with half a dozen cars that I could slowly restore. Watching shows that bring a wreck back to a thing of beauty reminds me of how the Lord takes broken lives and restores them. But I would far more desire to save these children and set up places of refuge for the handicapped and children of all ages, including babies and toddlers. Please understand we plan on starting what does not exist in Ukraine, and when we find children who are being abused by parents, we will not allow it to continue. When the laws of the land do not protect women and children, we, as believers, answer to a higher law, God's law, and will do what is necessary to ensure these children are not harmed by parents or anyone, such as a boyfriend.



FLAGS SIGNED BY CHAPLAINS GIVEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF OUR TEAM IN APPRECIATION FOR SUPPORTING UKRAINIAN CHAPLAINS

In March of last year, we wrote about children who were being sexually abused in Central and South America, and I was truly stunned by how the body of Christ responded. It was far beyond what I ever expected. Because the response was so tremendous, many children are being rescued, but now we need people to come alongside and help us build the infrastructure to save children in Ukraine. You can sign up for a monthly amount of whatever you feel led to give. It could be $25, $50, $75 or $100. And if you can give far more because of how God has blessed you, we welcome the gift and assure you that these funds will be used solely for this project. I want to let you know that as we begin this project, we cannot send you a biography and photo of a specific child. Once we have children in our care, we will send you information about a child for whom you can pray. So please consider joining us in the rescue of these children.

Hopefully, in time, we will have the ability to facilitate adoptions. It would be my heart's desire that the homes would be a place of love until we can find a family that will care for these children.



Folks, I have some investments that should bring a great return in the next couple of years, and if the Lord blesses I will willingly give it to care for these children.

The Bible says in Psalm 68:5-6 that He is a father to the fatherless and sets the lonely in families.

We will actively seek to follow every lead to find the children who are abandoned and abused. A few years ago, a couple was arrested, and when the police came, they found that the couple had a little girl. When the officers asked her what her name was, she responded, "Stupid." The child had a black eye and deep-purple

Pray for the Rescue from Afghanistan & Ukraine and for His glory.



When My Heart is Overwhelmed

I have too much to share once again but let me just give you an update on Afghanistan first.

On our Afghanistan operation, we have rescued around 2,700 individuals. During this operation, we raised about $5.5 million, but we will have spent close to $6.5 million by the time our last refugees are safely resettled. Brent came to me and asked what I wanted to do when the money had run out, and I told him that we would spend what was needed to get every last person the Lord had entrusted us with to relocate to a safe country. For all of you who have given, thank you, I believe you have touched the heart of God. And I would like to give a special thanks to North Country Chapel for helping to save so many lives. Far Reaching Ministries is in the final stages of shutting down operations in Afghanistan.

THEY DID NOT CHOOSE THIS WAR; IT WAS FORCED UPON THEM

In March, Luke, Vicky, and I were at the chaplain refresher course in Ukraine. The time was far better than I could have imagined. We had brought eight pastors from the U.S., most had been with us the last time men like Pastor Lloyd Pulley, Pastor James Class, and Pastor David Mercer to name a few. The fact that many of us returned had great meaning to the Ukrainians. One of the chaplains said that the last year had been "hell on earth". And when he was traveling with his family, his son said, "Dad, where are we going?" His father replied, "Paradise!" I was told that the Radisson Resort we were staying at, in the Carpathian Mountains, was considered by many Ukrainians to be a once in a lifetime destination. One brother told me that if you had stayed at this resort, you had arrived and were considered to have lived a life worth living. It was a nice hotel, but by U.S. standards it would be considered average. But for our chaplains and their families, these retreats are a great blessing.

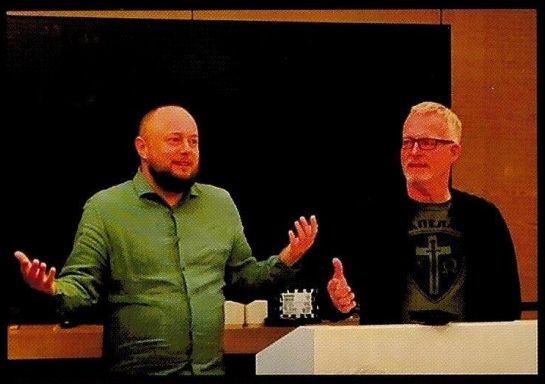
After the conference the pastors traveled back to the U.S.,

Pray for Feeding the Lord's Lambs in Ukraine and in S Sudan

Second, I want to share an update on our orphanage project in Ukraine. We have found a great location that is even better than the first. It not only has room for an orphanage but future Bible school as well as a chaplain base. The property is seven acres and has a natural waterway. When the owner found out believers from the U.S. wanted to help Ukrainian orphans, he lowered the price from $180,000 to $140,000. We have raised the complete amount to purchase the property so that the next phase will be the construction of the first dorm for 100 children. For another $250,000, we will be able to complete a kitchen and cafeteria, and the new children's dorm. We have already raised the first $100,000 and only need another $150,000 to complete the initial phase of the project. One of the ideas is to build the buildings in an Austrian or German Bavarian style so that the children will grow up in a beautiful home and have many happy memories.



THIS WILL BE THE STYLE OF THE CHILDREN'S HOME

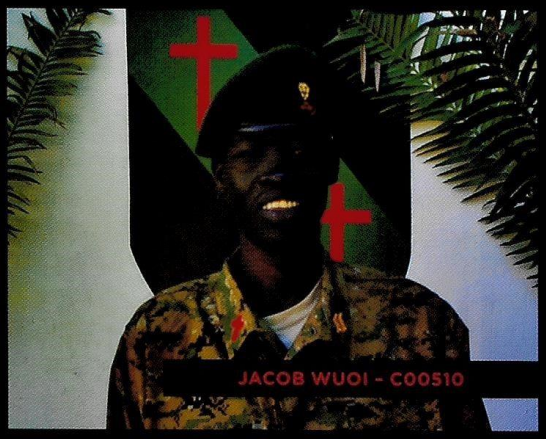


PASTOR LLOYD TRAINING CHAPLAINS IN UKRAINE

We are also looking for pastors to come to Ukraine to train the chaplains.

The third thing I need to share is that Far Reaching Ministries (FRM) has shipped a container of Bibles into China. We can share no details so as not to hamper future operations.

The fourth thing we must report is the loss of two more chaplains–Chaplain Jacob Wuoi and Chaplain John Ebele. With the death of three more chaplains in the last year, this brings the total to 76 chaplains lost since the beginning of the ministry.



JACOB WUOI - C00510

Jacob joined the chaplaincy program in 2019. He fell ill one evening and was gone by morning. Being in South Sudan, he was buried the next day, and whatever took him, we will never know. Jacob had graduated in Class 11 and served for four years before he was summoned home by our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Q 1. How many members or offerings are at CCAH?

A 1. People say, "How many people have been saved?" we don't know, but God knows, although we acknowledge that God has arranged over 1,000 units of communities, 7 sober living facilities, over 200 units of veteran community, KJV English & RVR Spanish Scriptures & 200 lunches per week for the homeless, and over a million online visitors (Mat 25:40 "unto one of the least of these"). It doesn't matter. It's something we leave the numbers with God. He knows those that are His and that's the important thing (e.g. David's motive for census in 1 Chro 21:1). Therefore, we don't worry about the numbers of the members and of tithes and offerings because the Lord has given the increase, He has added them to CCAH so far (1 Cor 3:7; Acts 2:47; 2 Sam 24:1-3), not as we have done at all, and CCAH is His own church (souls), the Lord's church, "Jesus is all in all," purchased with His blood (Mat 16:18; 1 Cor 6:20; Acts 20:28). Since His foolishness is wiser than men, such as all men's visions/ plans/ programs (1 Cor 1:25; Zechariah 4:6), and His thoughts unto each soul are more in number than the sand (Psalm 139:17-18), we are just active obedient followers of the Lord, venturing out in faith, "Let CCAH go, let God."

And if you did indeed receive the increase, why do you boast as if you had not received it? (1 Cor 4:7) For we are not, as so many, peddling the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ (2 Cor 2:17), CCAH continues faithfully in teaching the entire Scripture simply without alteration, fellowship, communion, and prayers, being the witnesses to Christ, powered with the Spirit, in Jerusalem, all Judea, Samaria, and to the end of the earth (Acts 1:8; 2:42, 47). The truth the Word of God matters wherever - offline, indoor, outdoor, online, at sea, or in sky - and whenever - Sunday, Saturday, weekday, every day, this generation time, or the future generation time (John 5:39; 17:17). The truth shall make us free (John 8:32), from where Christ is named, where commercial capitalism is controlling, where territorial boundaries are lined, or where racial, material, or hereditary partiality underscores. Every Christian is exhorted to go to church at any convenient place unless she is against "the principles of doctrine of Christ" (Heb 6:1) because of "one church (Eklesia) on the earth" (Eph 1:22-23). Touchable over 1,000 souls by offline and foreseeable over 1 million souls by online at CCAH are being fed by the whole counsel of God throughout the Spirit, living by every His word (1 John 2:27; Luke 4:4). CCAH does care about each soul because we believe that everybody is impartially created by God in His image (Gen 1:26) -- regardless of race, gender, age, wealth, or education such as Caucasian, male, youth, rich, Ivy league graduate, or not-- and that the eternal value of each soul is much greater than the value of any material/ temporal/ perishable things on the earth (James 3:17; Mat 16:26).
When God leads, God provides (1 Chronicles 22:11). So, we don't seek money because it follows the faith in the almighty Lord by the love of God. Therefore, we never ask people for money, but would offer what we have to the Lord and pray Him to handle the issues (like Andrew rather than Philip in John 6:6-9). Individually, we can discern our each mind before the Lord, as how much love for Him can be observed (1) by the money index to divide willing expenditures to God by total expenditures (Luke 12:34; 21:2-3), as well as (2) by how much the words of God we love (John 1:1). We know that any offering to God without willing mind is not accepted by God (2 Cor 8:12). The public love money especially in capitalism society because without money capitalism would not exist. However, we as Christians should not love money but should know its nature (1 Timothy 6:10). CCAH has been controlled not by money even in the capitalism society but by sovereign almighty God. The foundation of CCAH finance has begun from a homeless person's 2 dime offering to the Lord for CCAH at the Rock Fortress facility. The willing mind part for an offering should always prevail over its money part. An offering box in a church service or a donation button on websites through CCAH is a way to express a donor's love for God by willing donation, the 1st part rather than 2nd money part, according to the Scripture (Mark 12:43; Luke 21:3-4). In fact, the fund raising or the fund seeking is not necessary for CCAH but the Lord seeking is sufficient because God is continually working through His church, CCAH, in Acts 29 (1 Chronicles 28:9; 2 Chronicles 15:1-2). We have spent offerings/donations about 40% for external ministries (for missions in Philippians 4:15-19 & for charity in Matthew 25:40) based upon our faith of "one church (Eklesia) on the earth" -- the holy universal church, not unholy ecumenical church -- (e.g. 1st Quarter 2014, 43.15%; 4st Quarter 2013, 55.6 %; 3rd Quarter 2013, 20.11%; 2nd Quarter 2013, 55.91%; 1st Quarter, 2013 43.26%; 4th Quarter, 2012 45.57%, etc.), rather than spent them for additional social/cultural/popular internal programs. But about 60% for the internal ministries following the model of the early church in the Book of Acts is spent for sheep to be fed with spiritual food (Galatians 6:6) and for staff (1 Timothy 5:17-18).

CCAH is the poor in material and spirit, but is the rich to give it away for Christ's sake, e.g., about 40% of annual offerings, with the poor hearts in spirit. The Lord is the shepherd of CCAH who is "as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things" (2 Cor 6:10).

Acts 2:42 "And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers." Acts 2:47b "...And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved." Matthew 16:26 "For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" 1 Corinthians 4:7 "For who makes you differ from another? And what do you have that you did not receive? Now if you did indeed receive it, why do you boast as if you had not received it?" ***Source: https://www.calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/Q&A.htm for full Q&A***

Prayer for Ukrainian Children & Orphans' Necessity with His love.

UKRAINIAN CHILDREN'S HOME – GHOST OPERATIONS



I have never had a project weigh so heavily on my heart as to the need for caring for abandoned and handicapped children.

In Ukraine, there are no homes for abandoned or handicapped children. Far Reaching Ministries wants to raise funds to start a first-of-its-kind children's home for both abandoned and handicapped children.

We need people to come alongside us and help us build the infrastructure to save children in Ukraine. A project of this magnitude will require that we raise $1,000.000. You can sign up for a monthly amount from $25 to $100 or more if able to do so. We welcome gifts of any amount and assure you that these funds will be used solely for this project.

Please consider joining us in the rescue of these precious children by marking ***"Ukrainian Children's Home"*** on the enclosed gift card along with your donation.

UKRAINIAN ORPHAN



After traveling to Ukraine, Far Reaching Ministries witnessed firsthand the condition of the abandoned and handicapped children. These precious children suffer not only through war-torn conditions, but also non-existent infrastructure to care for them, the most vulnerable of society.

We have an urgent need for sponsors to come alongside us with a $75 monthly sponsorship. If you are not able to commit to this amount, any gift will be welcomed.Your sponsorship will not only provide a home for the children, including necessities such as food, clothing, and medical care, but most importantly they will receive love along with being raised in a Christian family.

Please prayerfully consider helping in this dire situation, and if you would count it a privilege to financially support one of these precious children, please mark ***"Ukrainian Orphan"*** on the enclosed gift card along with your donation. After we receive your monthly commitment, we will then send you a photo of a child that you can pray for.

Pastoral Training of Asia

Ministering to Ministers

Dear Calvary Chapel Pastor, July 2024

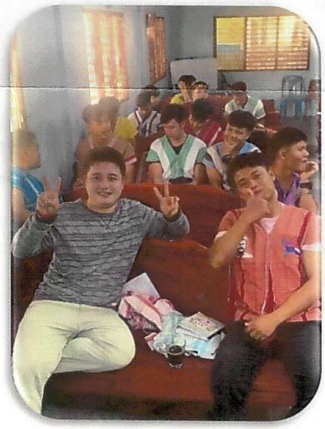
ON OUR WAY TO CLASS A WILD ELEPHANT CROSSED THE ROAD. What a sight! Only tourists want to see wild elephants, not so with the locals, as they can be incredibly destructive, in some cases kill humans. On the Thai/Burma border many elephants come from Burma as they often are poached but are protected in Thailand. The Karen still come in numbers into Thailand for similar reasons being displaced and killed by the Burmese military. Pray for these hurting people.



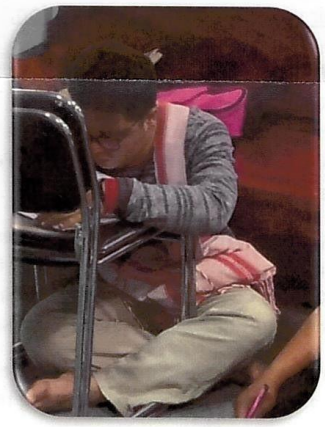
This mother survived the accident, but her son did not.

SORROW GREETS US ON THE BORDER. Two horrific accidents occurred days before we arrived. Poor people often travel in the back of pick-up trucks, this was the case and all in the back were thrown out, 4 died (all young people) most hospitalized. They all lived in the Karen community (18 in one truck, 10 in the other). We became part of the pastoral team, visited 3 hospitals, bringing comfort, prayer and some financial assistance (God provided). Next came the memorial services in which the unbelievers present were all able to hear the message of eternal life available to all who put their trust in Jesus.

PTA TRAINING A BIG HIT Pastors, Church workers and Bible School students all joined together in learning Inductive method of Bible Study and Evangelism & Discipleship. One that joined was in my class 24 years ago when he said, " For the first time I can understand the Bible!" **House to house evangelism** was fruitful as several people prayed and came to the Church service that night. I wish you could see the radiating joy flooding their faces as the students shared their personal experiences in sharing the gospel. **Pray** for the new believers and seeds.



Boys on one side...



All were diligent in their Bible study.



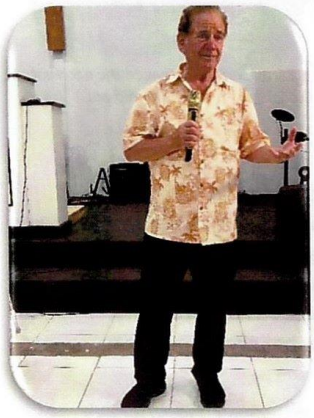
.... Girls on the other!

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INDONESIA: FROM JAVA TO SUMATRA With a Muslim population of over two hundred million my heart is always heavy when we land in this great country. Sad to confess in preparation I needed to pray, "Dear Lord, help me to see Muslims as You see them, in need of the Savior Jesus." With my heart adjustment it makes a great difference in how I look at them. Most are just trying to work and care for their families. I was blessed watching one of our PTA Team members share Jesus with a Muslim family on the boat over to Sumatra. They are open!



SHONDA'S TESTIMONY BROUGHT APPLAUSE Because of discrimination, oppression, and persecution; many Christians feel discouraged. Shonda was asked repeatedly to share her testimony which includes losing her eyesight 24 years ago. Even though legally blind, she continues to love, pray for people, and has a great attitude, loving the Lord even through one of the worst disabilities. She has a loving, listening ear combined with a compassionate heart which brings comfort to all those she ministers to.



SUMATRA TEACHATHON! The last day of the Seminar I taught from 9:00 am until 9:00 pm! The pastors and wives were extremely motivated and thankful for our training in Inductive method of Bible Study and Marriage & Family. Many have struggling congregations yet love the Lord and share their faith with the lost. We can't use the word "missionary" publicly for they are illegal. So, when we talk, we just use the word, "M" instead of the whole word. Pray for Christian Indonesians, for boldness in their witness and God's protection.



Pastors & wives at the Sumatra PTA Seminar

CALVARY CHAPEL KNOXVILLE, TENNESEE : PTA TAUGHT INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY What a super group of students, over 100 studied, discussed and were blessed learning how to better understand the Bible. If you are interested in me coming to your Calvary, just email me. Feel free to contact Pastor Mark Kirk for a reference.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Sorry to say, after Pastor Chuck went to heaven some congregations have slowly move away from the Word of God. Emerging church ideas, seeker friendly and spiritual formations seem to be creeping into some Calvary Chapel churches. My position is the "old-fashioned" Jesus People, Pastor Chuck & his brother Paul and "what does the Bible say?" kind of guy, just FYI.

Please pray for us, we believe that we are indeed in the Last Days and that the people need to know the Lord, that is our Mission, building up the Church and evangelizing the lost. If the Lord moves you, we could use your support, Thank you!

Lord bless you,

Jim & Shonda Davis

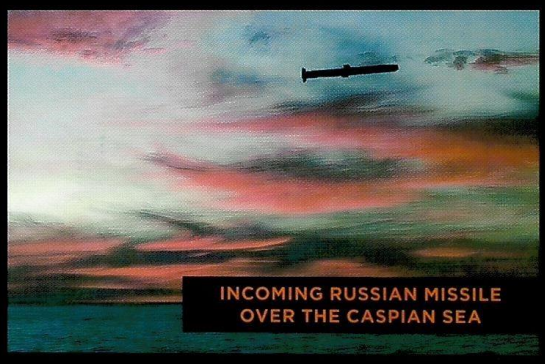
Pray for Ukrainians to be Protected from Explosions and for Peace in Christ

Luke and I met with Ukrainian officers in charge of training their chaplains and showed them pictures of our base and training center in South Sudan. We showed them videos of the chaplain silent drill team we use for evangelical outreach. Just like the Marine Corps silent-drill team, our men do a 15-minute drill without any verbal command. The men then share God's Word, and many soldiers get saved. I am not sure if the officers that Luke and I met with are truly saved, but both were very respectful. At the end of our conversation, the senior officer asked how I would motivate his men as their military is very demoralized.



BATTLESHIP REPLICA

At this moment in our conversation, I knew this was a time to give them something of substance that they could relate to. I said that at the future chaplain training school there would be a large aquarium, and, on the bottom, there would be a sunken battleship with the word Moskva on it. I knew that this would be meaningful to them. You see, at one of the worst times in the war with Russia, when it looked as if all might be lost, Ukraine miraculously got two Neptune missiles working. They fired them at the Moskva, the flagship of the Russian fleet while it was in port, and amazingly, they hit the ship. Not wanting to accept defeat, the Russians pulled the ship out to sea and said it had sunk in heavy seas, but truthfully, it was the damage the Ukrainian army inflicted on the ship that sank it. This was the largest ship in the Russian fleet, and nothing like this has happened since the Second World War. I told the officers about the war in South Sudan and said that we refused to surrender when we were outmanned and outgunned but not outfought, and we won the war. The two men laughed and said that we had a great strategy for encouraging the men. Sometimes, men need to be reminded to never give up and never surrender. They need to understand that they have a God given role to protect women and children, even at the cost of one's life. See folks we do not fear men, we fear the Lord. As men we were made for battle; we were made to protect those that cannot protect themselves. It is important that Luke and I live trusting the Lord so that those around us can see what true faith looks like. This is why we go to the frontlines. Many times, non-believers do not understand why we would go to such dangerous places, but you see this action opens the door to share about the Lord.



INCOMING RUSSIAN MISSILE OVER THE CASPIAN SEA

I was in Europe when a Russian missile hit a children's hospital and maternity ward in Ukraine, killing mothers and children. One photo, in particular, troubled me.



UKRAINIAN MOTHER HOLDS HER BABY DAUGHTER WHO IS VERY AFRAID OF EXPLOSIONS

The photo was of a baby girl covering her ears and holding on to her mother. It is hard for me to see children afraid. Even worse, the death of a parent is devastating for a child. In an instant, the love and security they have known is gone—leaving the child utterly traumatized. Russia and Ukraine continue to be at war, but no one can justify targeting a hospital with

Pray for Iran, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and other Muslim countries, especially underground Christians.



Pray for Saving People As Many As Possible Wherever Our Lord Leads



BUDDHIST BACKED BURMA ARMY

ONE LONG JOURNEY

When I first met Tirza in Russia, it was probably in 1994. She was from the Dutch office of a sister organization, and I was leading a team into the Russian prisons. At that time, I never thought that she would still be in my life 30 years later. When we met, Tirza spoke six languages and worked harder than any two men on my team. Today, she speaks 12 languages. She began working as an assistant to the director of the Dutch office right out of high school and had always worked for minimum wage so as not to be a burden to the ministry. She and her husband, Hans, have been married for 37 years, as he likes to say, because they love each other. Hans wrote for a newspaper, and they humbly lived off his salary.

I PRAY YOU JOIN US IN SAVING AS MANY AS POSSIBLE

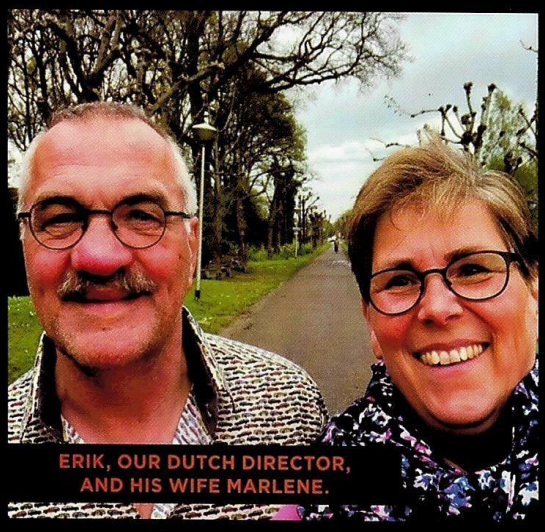
In the early days in Russia, when I traveled from prison to prison, it was hard to find food. I would go for weeks only eating Borsch, a Russian cabbage and beet soup. And, often, I would only eat twice a day. When I would return to Moscow after each of my trips, I would run to the only McDonald's in the city to find food. Every month, when I would travel, I would lose at least 20 pounds, but it was never a problem; instead, it was a great joy.

I often traveled with Mark Piester, who also worked alongside Tirza in Holland. Mark, an American, had worked for years smuggling Bibles behind the Iron Curtain. He and I would spend days on trains and buses–going from prison to prison sharing Christ–most of the time in the dead of winter. I would stare out the window for hours, looking at the snow drifts and Russian countryside, but I loved every minute. I never felt alone; it was me and the Lord, and I will always remember it as the most enjoyable time of ministry. Vicky knows the look when she sees me in this state. She always says, "What part of the world are you

planning to conquer next?" I respond back and just say, "I am lost in my thoughts, Love." But she smiles back and says, "You might as well tell me." Which makes me smile at how well she knows her husband. Then I tell her what I believe is God's next plan for the ministry.

Once, I got very sick in Russia and could find no medicine, so I traveled to Holland to stay with Tirza and Hans, and they took great care of me. The Dutch climate during winter is always rainy and overcast, but I did not mind because the rainy weather has always been my favorite. I stayed in the third-story attic of Tirza and Han's home. The attic had been turned into a nice bedroom with a window that I could open at night and listen to the rain. Tirza made great meals to nurse me back to health. When I got better, we rode bicycles to the Dutch office every morning, and we would stop at a bakery on the way to get something warm. The Dutch bakeries are the best in the world!

Tirza and Hans have been close friends of mine ever since. Hans loved American peanut butter, but it was unavailable in their home country 30 years ago. At the time, I worked at a food bank in America, and they would give me whatever food I wanted to give away. Back then, I had no money, but KLM Airlines would allow me to take two 75-pound boxes with me, so I brought Hans 140 pounds of peanut butter–my way of saying thanks to them for their hospitality. Vicky and I just recently visited them on a trip to Europe.

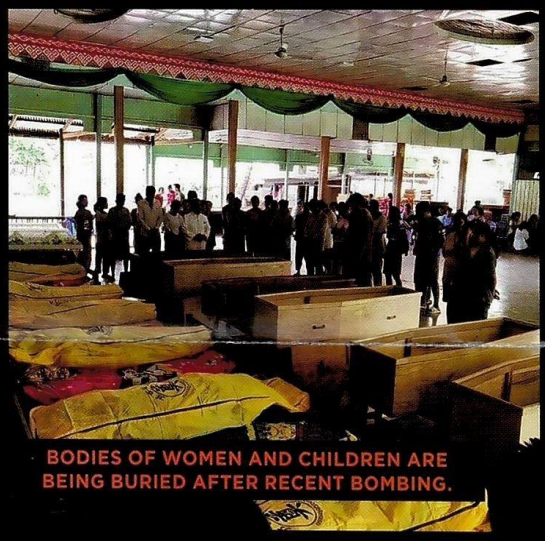


ERIK, OUR DUTCH DIRECTOR, AND HIS WIFE MARLENE.

Unfortunately, Erik, the director of the Dutch office, had a heart attack at age 63 and went home to be with the Lord. It was a shock to all of us, and the Dutch office is having to deal with such a great loss. We gave his wife, Marlene, our love and support, and I assured them that Far Reaching Ministries would not let this mission organization falter but will be with them through this very difficult time.

I will miss Erik and his passion for the Lord.

There is a very important and terrible need that Tirza informed me of. She never asks anything for herself. A few years ago, we purchased her a new car for work. When I told Tirza that we were going to buy her a much-needed car, she spent two days trying to talk me into giving it to other missionaries, but I knew it was God's will for her to have this car. This is why when she calls and says she has a great need, I know it is from the Lord.



BODIES OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN ARE BEING BURIED AFTER RECENT BOMBING.

Tirza shared with me that in Burma, the Junta Army is attacking and killing the Karen, Karenni, and Kachin Christian people. They bomb schools and kill for no reason. The Burma Army is Buddhist-backed, which dispels the image of Buddhists as being peace-loving. But the game the soldiers love is the rape of Christian women, often in front of their husband. Many women have been raped by as many as 20 men to the point they pass out and wake up naked hours later to find that their husband was killed during the rape.

One commander raped a woman and then told 20 of his men that if they did not also rape her, he would kill them; the men did as ordered. When she was finally released, the woman went home and told her husband what happened. He was not a good man and kicked her out of the house. Because she was in so much despair, she took her own life. How I wish the woman had met

Donation(Offering; Gift) *Luke 21:1,4,5*

"No One Loves Me Like You."

Why does CCAH use an online donation button or donation basket?

1. CCAH is the Lord's Church

Calvary Chapel Anaheim Hills (CCAH) belongs to God, as expressed when Jesus told Peter, "I will build My church" (Matthew 16:18). This affirms that CCAH is not a human institution seeking financial gain but a group where followers of Christ gather to worship Him and advance His kingdom. The church's focus is to fulfill God's calling, ministering through the provision and guidance He provides, rather than through conventional fundraising methods or material wealth.

2. The Lord Doesn't Need Money but Your Heart

God, being self-sufficient, does not require human wealth. In Acts 17:25, Paul reminds us that God is not served by human hands, "as though He needed anything," because He gives life and all things. Therefore, offerings, tithes, gifts, or donations are not payments to God but expressions of love, faith, and obedience to His Word. God desires our hearts, and giving is a demonstration of where our heart is with Him. As Jesus taught in Matthew 10:37, loving God above all else—including family and possessions—is essential to being worthy of Him. It is not the amount we give but the love and devotion that accompany our giving.

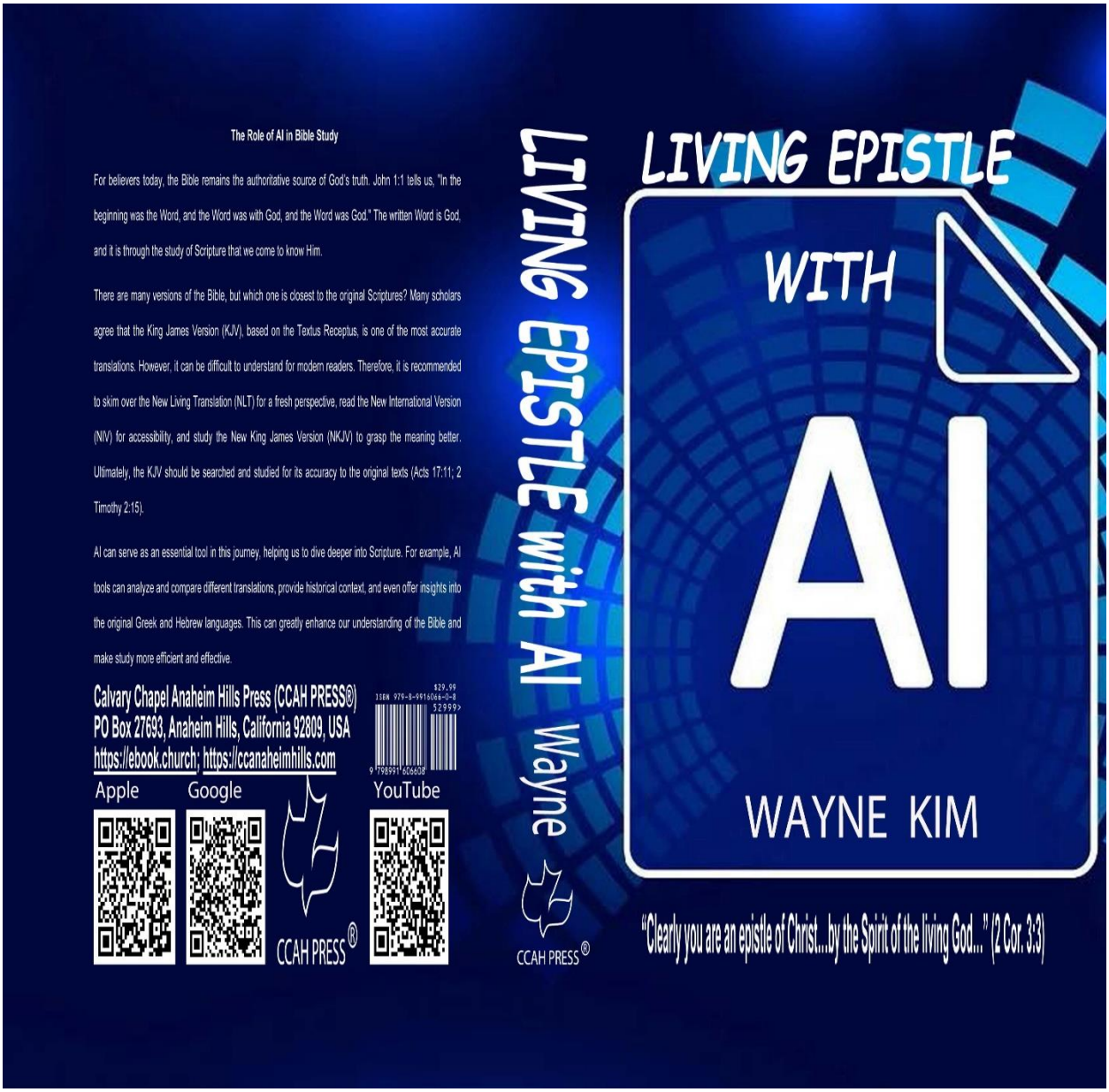
3. A Donation Basket or Online Donation Button as a Reflection of Your Love for God

In today's world, shaped by capitalism and materialism, money has become central to human life. However, how we allocate our financial resources reflects the priorities of our heart. As Matthew 6:21 states, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." CCAH uses a donation basket or online donation button as a way for individuals to examine their love for God, gauging it through their willingness to support His work. These tools are not for fundraising but rather to encourage believers to align their financial priorities with their faith, recognizing that where one's money goes often indicates where their heart lies.

CCAH follows a Spirit-led approach, relying on God's provision rather than human efforts to seek funds. Therefore, donations at CCAH serve as a personal testament to one's love for God, and are gratefully accepted as an act of faith and commitment to advancing His kingdom. Note that we do tolerate others' fund raising for Godly things which are in Jesus, because of the supremacy of Agape love.

https://ccanaheimhills.com/offering.htm

This book of “LIVING EPISTLE WITH AI” the title contemplated from the verse-by-verse inductive expository studies – has been published on October 15, 2024, coming from the CCAH sheep’s inductive & expositional Scripture Studies from September 17, 2023, to September 15, 2024, via the “Online Word for Global CrusadeTM” viewed by multitudes on the earth. A free either ebook (“Review”, 30% “Calvary” Code) or free paperback book is available for “first-come first-served.” https://ebook.church or https://amazon.com



In today's world, many factors—like pandemics, family matters, work pressures, factions, materialism, hierarchies, partialities, or even the rise of a post-Christian culture—often give us reasons to excuse ourselves from going to church. However, we can never make excuses when it comes to having fellowship (exclusively bond relationship) with our Lord Jesus Christ, our Savior, naturally overflowing our relationships with family and others. To know Him more and to live by faith through His Word, we have access to platforms like Apple, Google, WordPress, or YouTube anytime and anywhere, if the Lord permits.

Pray for wherever our Lord leads for His kingdom (e.g., Russia, Georgea…)

FAR REACHING MINISTRIES



CASPIAN MOUNTAINS IN GEORGIA

NO MAN WILL WANT ME

I first met Jason and Britny Havertape in Russia almost 17 years ago. They were a young family with three small children and had been serving in Russia for about nine years. They had both learned to speak fluent Russian and were planting a Calvary Chapel. Even the children were speaking the Russian language. They did not own a car because they lived off of only about $900 in monthly support. During the winter, Britny would take the children around by pulling them on a snow sled, even going to the church and to buy groceries for the family. Eventually, the family could grow to include eight children.

GOING WHERE FEW WOULD DARE TO GO

Jason and Britny came home from the mission field for a couple of years, but both realized that they did not belong in the U.S. They prayed and decided to go and start a new work in the country of Georgia. While it is a former part of the Soviet Union, it has a completely different language. People refer to it as the spaghetti language because the letters look like curled-up spaghetti noodles.

Recently, Vicky and I flew into Tbilisi, the capital of Georgia, and Jason picked us up and drove us to the hotel. We were having a pastors' conference with pastors from a closed country to encourage them in their respective ministries. The subject of the conference: Preparing for Persecution.

The country of Georgia is rich in history and in the middle of Tbilisi is a castle that dates back to the year 400 A.D. And the Caspian Mountains are one of the most beautiful mountain ranges I have ever seen. The Georgian flag has five crosses on it to testify to their Christian roots.

Keep on Prayer for Peru and other Latin America to Turn Back to the Truth (James 5:19). 5/20 – 5/28 CC Peru Lima, Lucho/Alberto

Cory and I have the same heart to open a home to rescue these children. A home where they can grow up and have the life that a child is supposed to have and fulfill the biblical mandate that God has for each believer's life.



CALVARY CHAPEL TRUJILLO, PERU

I know we will need to purchase a piece of property to build these homes, but right now, we are not asking for people to give. We need prayer first for God's direction as we form a battle plan on how to rescue these children.

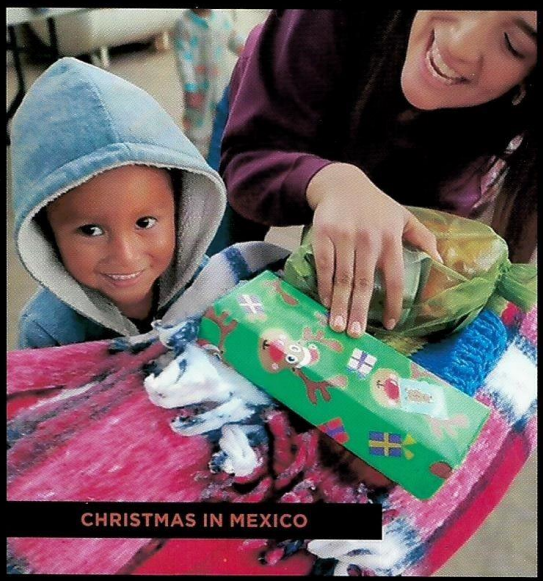
Calvary Chapel Trujillo has a great team that wants to get involved in helping these young ladies. What impressed me was that Cory already had top lawyers and other people at the top of their fields committed to the work.



THE CHURCH IS ALIVE AND GROWING

In the First and Second World Wars, the Western Front was where all the most extreme fighting took place. As the Lord makes us aware of new areas where spiritual warfare is tremendous, I see each of these as a new front. I have always believed that the Body of Christ is supposed to be a wrecking ball to Satan's kingdom. By prayer, evangelism, and showing God's love, we are called to destroy the kingdom of darkness.

For Far Reaching Ministries, Sudan was a war front, and then came our involvement in Afghanistan, Ukraine, Burma, and many other nations. I now firmly believe that the Lord will have us open up another front in South America. I have only ever had one real dream in my life: to fight battles with men of God that could change the course of history–fighting to win nations for Christ, giving people the tools they need to understand God's will. Ultimately, our calling is to help people not miss the life they were created for. Now, for all of you who want this life, it is crucial to understand that for every front-line combat soldier, it takes five to seventeen support soldiers to keep them in the battle. During D-Day in the Second World War, they needed 17 support soldiers for each combat soldier in battle. I want to encourage you all to be a part of this new front through prayer, financial support, or other ministry opportunities.



CHRISTMAS IN MEXICO

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Mission To Georgia; Pray for the more the closer to Jesus

THE WAR CROSS

Far Reaching Ministries (FRM) Chaplain Corps proudly presents the War Cross, a distinguished honor awarded in three classes—Bronze, Silver, and Gold—to recognize courage and dedication in war:

- **Bronze** is awarded for five years of wartime service.
- **Silver** honors those with seven years of service.
- **Gold** acknowledges a decade of unwavering faithfulness.



THE WAR CROSS

While traditionally reserved for Chaplain Corps members, FRM recently honored two Americans, Dustin Cummings and Roger Ulman, both pastors with Calvary Chapel. These men have shown extraordinary commitment, often giving up personal family vacations, to work with our chaplains and chaplain cadets at our base in South Sudan. Pastor Dustin has served for twelve years, and Pastor Roger for nine years. Their commitment, along with the sacrifices of their incredible wives, reflects a deeply profound dedication to the Gospel.

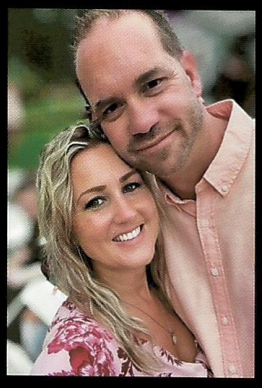


CALVARY CHAPEL TBILISI'S NEW SANCTUARY

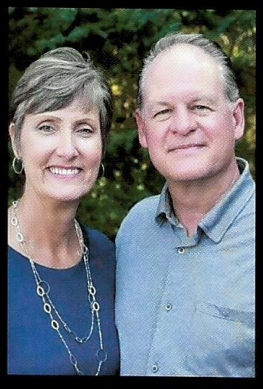
MISSION TO GEORGIA

Calvary Chapel Tbilisi, in the country of Georgia, has found a bigger church home. Being led by Jason and Britney Havertape, they are a vibrant, growing church in this former Soviet Union nation. They are unwavering in their continued mission to transform lives and the country through Bible and English language schools.

Far Reaching Ministries (FRM) is assembling a new team of missionaries ready to go there for one to three years to help plant churches and expand the work across Georgia. Whether you are young or elderly and have passion, dedication, and spiritual gifts, FRM wants to hear from you. If you feel you are being called, contact our office at (951) 677-4474.



PASTOR DUSTIN AND ANGELA CUMMINGS



PASTOR ROGER AND LISA ULMAN



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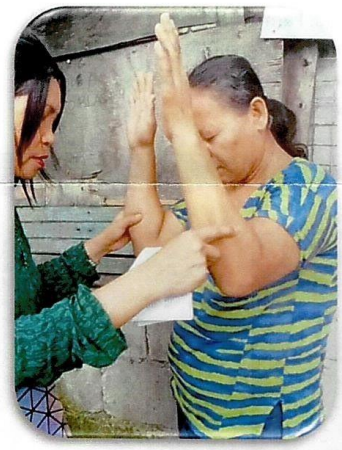
Pray for Philippine Ministry and Other Countries in Asia

Pastoral Training of Asia

Ministering to Ministers

Dear Calvary Pastor, December 2024

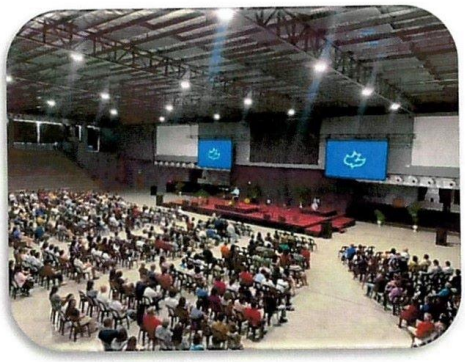
THE PHILIPPINES: 21 PEOPLE ASK JESUS INTO THEIR HEARTS! The angels in Heaven rejoice! This happened in Bacolod City as the PTA participants went out into the streets and houses with the Gospel. Two homes requested to have home Bible studies which usually brings more salvation as people hear the Word of God explained. Please pray for these new believers and the home Bible studies.





PHILIPPINES: 70 PASTORS & CHRISTIAN WORKERS LEARN HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE Mindanao Island is feared by some because of the radical Muslim presence, yet they are mostly active in remote areas. The Seminars were held in the City of Ozamiz, which I had taught in the same church back in 1985! Our PTA staff Pastor Rey and missionary, Steve Michaels did excellent jobs in communicating according to the reports; "I was glad to attend, because I was having a difficult time making outlines of my sermons but now, I learned the simplest way on how to do it!" Another Pastor said, "I haven't heard of the Inductive Method of Bible Study, but both facilitators explained it well. I will be using this method and encourage other pastors as well." As the pastors are given tools to help them understand the Word of God, so the Church is fed and grows!





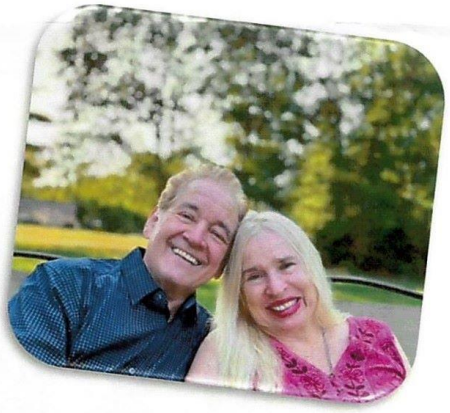
THE PHILIPPINES: AN INSATIABLE HUNGER FOR THE BIBLE! Calvary Chapel of Dumaguete City is our Filipino Home Church. Years ago, I was the Senior Pastor. I brought on Pastor Joseph Jo to be my Assistant and in a short time, we swapped positions, and I became his assistant and then at the right time, completely turned it over to Pastor Jo who has grown the church and planted several others. I am speaking in the new building that was donated to the Church! Our PTA Print Shop supplies tracts and new believer books for the outreaches.



SHONDA TAUGHT THE KIDS They love her as she loves these poor kids as she was one of them in her childhood. They love to hear of Jesus and His love for children. I taught the Helping Hands group which is teenagers PTA is helping through HS and College. Even though we sat outside as it rained, they all listened earnestly to the Bible Study (including some parents).

CONCERNING MY POSITION Sorry to say that after Pastor Chuck went to heaven a few Calvary Chapels have slowly moved away from the Word of God. Emerging church ideas, seeker friendly, spiritual formations and progressive ideas seem to have creeped in. My position is the "old fashioned" Jesus People, Pastor Chuck and his brother Paul church, and "what does the Bible say?" kind of guy, just FYI.

COME TO THE PHILIPPINES, BRING A TEAM! We have a Mission Center, a place to stay, open doors, gospel tracts in Filipino languages and a full staff. Music groups, children, youth, adult.... hearts are ready to hear about Jesus. Email me for more information. Tremendous fruit awaits!



Please Pray for us, we need more missionaries, short and long term. And if the Lord moves you, we could use your support. **THANK YOU SO MUCH! HAVE A BLESSED CHRISTMAS!**

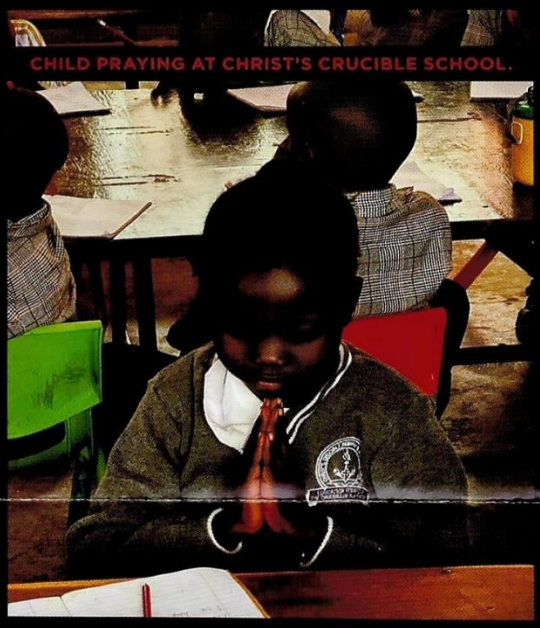
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Keep on Prayer for Evangelism against the kingdom of hell in Africa for 30 years, e.g., Christ's Crucible School in Uganda

and actually the polar opposite of Christlikeness. God's Word is very clear; it is the love of God that compels a person to repentance. Jesus, when He spoke of Himself, said, "I am meek, gentle of heart, and I offer you eternal rest for your souls." The Lord has called us to train men to behave with selflessness, generosity, great integrity, and, above all, not to shame the name of Christ.



CHILD PRAYING AT CHRIST'S CRUCIBLE SCHOOL.

When my daughter was young, she told me about a classmate everyone picked on at her school. I told her to befriend this girl, sit with her at lunch, play with her, and, if others ridicule her, defend her. She said, "But Dad, if I do this, I will be unpopular." I said, "I did not raise you to be popular but to be an example of Jesus Christ to a lost world!"



WE BUILT CHRIST'S CRUCIBLE SCHOOL FOR $300,000, WHICH INCLUDES THE WALL, TWO THREE-STORY BUILDINGS, ONE TWO-STORY BUILDING, A CAFETERIA, AND A DINING ROOM.

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In October 2024, we started a construction project in Uganda to build a new Bible school. One of the great things about Africa is that you can do so much for very little. Our existing school in Uganda was built to resemble a castle and sits on a compound that covers about 150-200 square yards. It has two three-story buildings that house 700 children, a kitchen, a dining hall, an administration block, and classrooms. If we had built the same building in the U.S., it would probably cost a fortune, but we were able to construct it for about $300,000. We built the school to train up future leaders. I tell the community I will most likely be gone in 10-15 years, but this school will serve for years to come.

Now, my heart is to invest in the people training the leaders of the church. I want this new Bible school to house and train up to 200 students and staff. I recently met with Pastor Jerel Hagerman and Pastor Don McClure about registering this facility as a Calvary Bible Institute (CBI). In many African nations, the only training for a pastor is to learn how to listen to a sermon and repeat as much as you can in order to excite your audience. This Bible school will be a year-long resident

IN THE U.S., A SCHOOL LIKE THIS PROBABLY WOULD HAVE COST $10 - $15 MILLION.

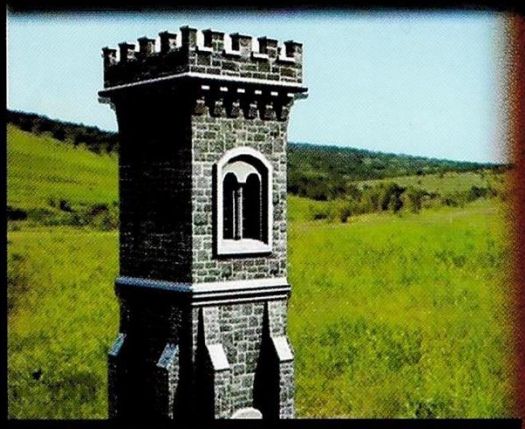


program, taking students verse by verse from Genesis to Revelation. We will also give practical ministry training in four areas: evangelical outreach, Children's Ministry, discipleship for adults, and counseling and visitations (spending three months in each module). In addition, students will learn about church government and financial administration, so they will have all the tools and training to build a healthy church family.

The new school will be built to have the look of a true European castle built 500 years ago. The reason this is important is that every nation has places like Cambridge

Pray for the ministries for the Bible Schools to train pastors (1) in Africa, the Fatherless' Food and the Elderly's home (2) in Ukraine.

CHRIST FOR A CONTINENT



THE BIBLE SCHOOL WILL BE BUILT TO LOOK AS IF IT WERE A EUROPEAN CASTLE

Far Reaching Ministries is building a Bible school to train pastors to serve across Africa. Each year, up to 200 students will study the Word of God comprehensively—from Genesis to Revelation, chapter by chapter, verse by verse. They will be hands-on in ministry and are being trained to equip them to serve on the battlefield, as well as in hospitals, prisons, evangelism, and church planting.

For many pastors in Africa, the only training they receive is if they occasionally hear another pastor's sermon. This Bible school will provide a foundation that frontline pastors must have to be sent out across Africa, including to combat the rapid spread of radicalized forms of Islam.

The cost to build this Bible school, complete with student housing, is between $250,000 - $350,000, a small fraction of the tens of millions it would cost in the United States. This is a practical, cost-effective, and urgently needed school to prepare a new generation of frontline pastors. To be part of this vital project, please mark ***"Bible School"*** on the enclosed gift card, along with your donation.

FEDOR AND ALEX IN UKRAINE



NIGHTLY FEEDING OF THE HOMELESS, AND HEARING THE GOSPEL PREACHED

Fedor and his ministry assistant, Alex, often do not have enough to feed their families.

Far Reaching Ministries has committed to giving them $500 a month to help them, hoping to raise $1,000 a month for each of them. This support will enable them to focus on ministry work and not worry about how to feed their families.

If you would count a privilege to bless these ministry leaders, please mark ***"Fedor in Ukraine"***, or ***"Alex in Ukraine"*** along with your donation on the enclosed gift card.

UKRAINE HOME FOR THE ELDERLY



ELDERLY MAN FINDS CHRIST

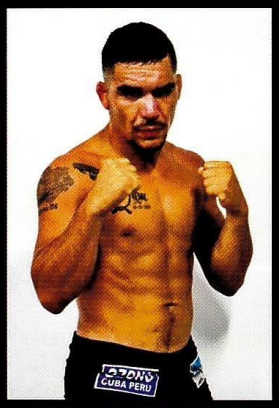
Far Reaching Ministries (FRM) has recently been introduced to Fedor from Odesa, Ukraine. Fedor has a ministry that helps the elderly and poor who have no place to live. Currently, they live in a crowded room on the second floor. There is just enough room to walk around the beds and no place for them to sit.

Many of the elderly cannot walk, so once a week, they are carried down from the second story, bathe, and then sit in the sun for a while.

Fedor's dream is to build a home for the elderly and poor so that they can have a better quality of life. So, we at FRM would like to help Fedor fulfill his dream. We will need $500,000-$750,000 to purchase land and build this home that will house 200 elderly.

If you would like to help with this urgent need, please mark ***"Home for Ukraine Elderly"*** along with your donation on the enclosed gift card.

Pray for Missionaries in all of the World, e.g., Peru, Afghanistan, Vietnam, etc.



TOP MMA FIGHTER IN PERU NOW STUDYING FOR MINISTRY

one mixed martial arts (MMA) fighter in Peru, so he is famous in the nation. He told me that when he started fighting, he did not even have enough money to eat. After training when all the gym broke for lunch, he would go for a walk, because he did not have any money for food, and he did not want others to know how poor he was. After winning many fights, he started to get sponsors and could buy food and better provide for himself, but he said this was a blessing in disguise because the struggles made him stronger.

Luis' gym is only a block from Calvary Chapel Trujillo, and he was invited to visit one weekend. He met Jesus Christ and received eternal life almost immediately. Soon after, Luis felt the Lord asking him to give up fighting and serve Him, and he obeyed without question. He has completed his first year of Bible school and just started his second. He is not a prideful, aggressive, or loud fighter as one may expect; instead, I saw a brother, humble and committed to serve Christ with all his heart. Cory wants to eventually move him into full-time ministry. The Lord spoke to Vicky and me and told us to give him $1,000. He later said that his wife had called and was looking for their last four dollars. With the gift they were able to get caught up on all their bills and they are celebrating their fourth anniversary. I believe the Lord wants us to support Luis; I would ask for 10 to 20 people to sponsor him so he can be in full-time ministry.

I want to encourage all of you to invest in others serving the Lord, and I have no doubt you will reap great treasures in heaven. You can sign up to support for as little as $10 a month, or if the Lord leads you $50, $75, or $100. I want to raise at least $1,000 a month for Luis and his wife, who are both currently serving voluntarily.

Many of you have heard of Jim and Elizabeth Elliott. Elizabeth is the author of the book ***Through the Gates of Splendor*** which shares the tragic killing of her husband and four other men. They were murdered by the very tribe they were trying to win for Christ. Shortly after, Elizabeth and her daughter moved into the village where the murders occurred to demonstrate Christ's love. Pastor Pablo Elliott, the adopted son of Bert Elliott, has been shepherding the flock and running the school built by his father. Pablo has faced corruption, and an evil man trying to steal the ministry's land. Pablo has had to spend a considerable amount of his personal support and is fighting to keep the land. As we listened to Pastor Pablo's struggle, God led me to give him $10,000, but I know they need more. If the Lord leads you to give a gift, we will pass it along giving 100% of what you give.



ADOPTED SON OF JIM ELLIOTT'S BROTHER WHO WAS ALSO A MISSIONARY

Far Reaching Ministries is involved in multiple clandestine operations to save believers and innocent lives. I have shared in previous newsletters about our work in Afghanistan.

During the Afghanistan evacuation operation, we were contacted by Shannon Spann, a former CIA agent, and she asked us to help extract 28 people who worked for the agency. These were people who had worked for the U.S. government but were left behind. The entire intelligence world was caught by surprise when the withdrawal from Afghanistan was done with no advanced notice. What was done resulted in tens of thousands of men, women, and children being tortured, raped, and brutally murdered. Folks, I do not have any knowledge of the inner workings of the CIA, but I did know what would happen to these people.

During the Vietnam war both the Hmong and Montagnards indigenous people helped the CIA and the 5th Special Forces Group, which are Green Berets trained hard to fight Viet Cong forces. The Hmong and Montagnards were Christians fighting against communism, so they created deep bonds with the U.S. soldiers. When the United States pulled out of Vietnam, our government abandoned them, and they suffered horribly in what is referred to as the forgotten genocide. To others, promises made might not matter, but to me they do.

Keep on Prayer for Evangelism & Discipleship in Iran, e.g., equip.

EQUIP

Darius: trained leader equips new believers with God's Word

Faithful Darius chased a car through the streets of his city to deliver a precious copy of the Bible. As a result, a small group of new believers is now equipped to grow in their faith.

Trained church planter Darius was halted at a red light on his bike one day when something in an adjacent car caught his eye. It was a small cross hanging from the rear-view mirror.

Darius knew this symbol was popular among the increasingly non-Islamic people of Iran and was not necessarily indicative of an active Christian faith. Yet his heart quickened.

In that moment, Darius decided to give the driver of the car the Persian Bible that was stashed in his backpack. This precious Bible was one of only ten that had escaped attention when his home was raided earlier that year by intelligence agents. Darius had spent six weeks in prison following the raid, yet his passion for giving others the Word of God had not been diminished.

As Darius was about to knock on the car window, the light turned green, and the car sped off. Undeterred, Darius gave chase on his bike. As the car stopped at a second red light, Darius was relieved to have caught up. But once more, the lights changed. Darius was starting to give up hope when he saw the car pull over.

Now hot and tired, Darius pulled over too. As he approached, he could see the driver had his head bowed. The driver looked up and lowered the window when Darius knocked. "I want to give you a gift," Darius explained breathlessly. He reached into his bag for the Bible. "This book is about Jesus," he said. "Your cross is a symbol of what He has done for us."

The face of the man – whose name was Farhad – lit up. "Do you know what I was just doing?" Farhad asked, excitedly. "I was praying because my friends and I became Christians, but we had no idea how to find a Bible!"

Through God's providence and Darius' boldness, Farhad and his friends now have access to the Bible as well as to discipleship and fellowship resources like *Safar* and *Weekly Fellowship*. This group of new believers has been equipped to not only believe the Gospel, but to actively follow Jesus as Lord.

Farhad and his friends are one group out of many that have been equipped with the Bible and other resources to help them grow this year. Please pray for their continued walk with Christ and for Darius as he continues in ministry.



Hundreds of thousands

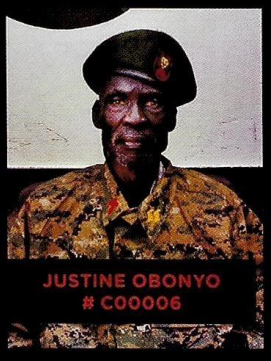
of Persian speakers were equipped to grow in faith in 2024 as they gained access to the Word of God and to discipleship and fellowship resources.

Keep on Prayer for Continual Ministry wherever our Lord leads, such as, S Sudan, Ukraine, Haiti, Georgia, etc.

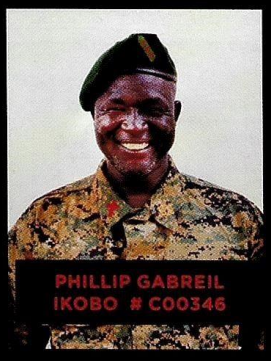
with them, but we had given them $5,000 once to help feed them. While I could have said they are not my responsibility, I know the heart of the Lord. In the end, 17 Haitians, mostly women and children, were saved, and it cost $411.76 for each soul. I would hope if my family were in danger and needed help, believers would not let money stop them from helping.

I heard Alistair Begg share that when he met the woman who would be his future wife, she had a bunch of guy friends who were U.S. Marines, and he said they had muscles in places that he did not even have places. It makes us laugh at his humor, but whatever he lacked in physical strength, he seems to have far more in spiritual strength. One of the great things about following Christ is if you are diligently seeking the Lord, you can be used greatly. While the Lord seems to be tasking us with caring for so many, I never lose sight that the Bible says it is the love of God that compels people to repentance, and I do care for people who are lost in darkness.

Often, Vicky tells me she never thought she could be so happy in marriage, and I love taking care of her. But, as believers, I believe that our hearts should have enough room for those who have never felt loved. Getting people to support missionaries in dangerous countries or children is very easy, but few are inclined to support the elderly. Sadly, in Ukraine many abandon their mothers and fathers, dropping them off at a home owned by Pastor Fedor, who cares for those too old to care for themselves. Many want their parents' apartment to start a life with whatever man or woman they are involved with and willingly abandon both mother and father. I want to encourage many of you to join us in caring for people like this. The Bible says as much as you do it unto them it will be done unto you.

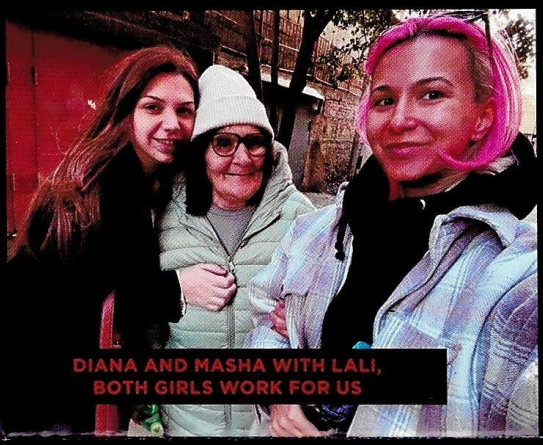


JUSTINE OBONYO # C00006



PHILLIP GABREIL IKOBO # C00346

At this time, I must report that we have lost two more chaplains. Justine Obonyo, chaplain number C00006, and Phillip Gabreil C00346, have both finished their race for the Lord Jesus Christ. Justine served the Lord in the Chaplain Corps for 26 years. He was the sixth man to join the Chaplain Corps and graduated in the first class of chaplains in 1999. He had been in more than 20 heavy combat engagements serving Christ at the front lines, putting his life in harm's way so that others might know Christ. Michael, my senior chaplain, said that Justine had spent the great majority of his life in combat, serving others, and rose to the rank of Major. He was deeply committed to prayer because he knew that only through Christ could he reach the men. It is believed his death was the result of an old wound that he never fully recovered from. He was truly a real man of God, and we do not see his death as a loss but as a graduation to glory.



DIANA AND MASHA WITH LALI, BOTH GIRLS WORK FOR US

Michael said that Phillip graduated from class nine. Unlike Justine, he did not see much earthly combat but did see a tremendous amount of spiritual combat. He was known as a man of great prayer and spent his life sharing Christ and teaching God's word to the military units he was deployed to. The men respected Phillip because he lived what he taught, and they said he was on fire for Christ. During his military service, he rose to the rank of Sergeant Major. Though we believe he died of an illness, we will never truly know what took him.

In the Second World War, when Nazi Germany and the Empire of Japan were defeated, the first groups of men who came home were greeted with great celebrations and parades. By the time the other men, who had to stay after the war ended, came home six months to a year later, the parades and parties were over. They were content with seeing families and friends. For those who fought in the longest-running war in Africa, the men never came home to celebrations because the country had suffered too much from war and genocide, and the general population was traumatized from suffering through so many years of war. But it makes my heart happy to think of the reception that Phillip and Justine received when they stood before the Lord Jesus and the angels and the glory of His heavenly kingdom.

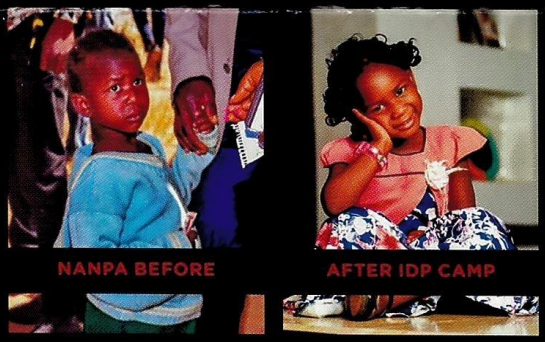
DANGEROUS PLACES
PRAY FOR

Nigeria Operations:

On Christmas Eve in 2023, in typical African villages in Plateau State, Nigeria, brothers, sisters, relatives, and friends had arrived from towns and cities near and far away. As preparations were in top gear for the Christmas celebration, out of nowhere came the shout of Allah hu Akbar (God is great). Next, the sounds of AK-47s and other automatic weapons of war suddenly cut short the celebration of joy in the middle of the night.

The attacks on these villages continued throughout the night until dawn. There was no intervention by soldiers or security, so the terrorists had their field day raping, maiming, and killing as they wished. In barely 48 hours, over 200 had been killed in a cluster of villages by radical Islamic militias.

In one of the villages, following the shouts of Allah hu Akbar, about 16 close relatives, including men, women, and children, were either hacked down by double-edged swords or gunned down by AK-47s. Following the sudden massacre, their homes were destroyed and some set on fire. All the relatives were killed except for one survivor–a little girl whose mother managed to hide her just behind a window blind. Her name is Nanpa. Nanpa's father, mother, and four siblings were gruesomely murdered. Miraculously, she did not make a single noise as her father, mother, and siblings were



NANPA BEFORE

AFTER IDP CAMP

slaughtered by these very wicked and evil terrorists. The following day, after the terrorists had wreaked their havoc, Nanpa was rescued. When she was picked up, she was soaked from her feet to her shoulders in the blood of her parents and siblings that had flowed to where she was hiding.

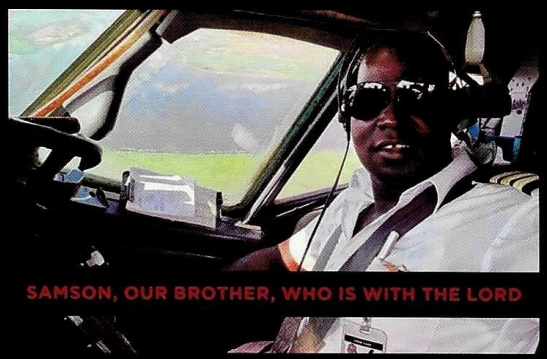
Nanpa's story touched many hearts and made many cry. When a head pastor (whom we are supporting to train former Muslims to be followers of Jesus) and his wife visited the IDP camp where Nanpa was, they knew that they had to take her with them. Later, Nanpa was adopted by the pastor and his wife. When they thought the chapter of having more children was closed, God brought them this little girl. When she was first brought into their home, she would awaken every night in terror, but through love, she has become a happy little girl again.

Far Reaching Ministries has been involved in supporting over 100 former Muslims who have converted to Christianity. Most of them had witnessed Christians be tortured and killed for the name of Christ when they refused to deny their faith. The former Muslims had seen the evil of Islam and murder and wanted nothing to do with it. They also witnessed the love and forgiveness Christians had. After leaving Islam, they were inspired to not only follow Christ but also to be trained to become missionaries. All they asked for was training and $50 a month so they could eat while sharing their faith. What is even more remarkable was that they wanted to go back to their people, knowing that they could very well suffer torture and death. Some missionaries spoke of an incident that changed everything for them.

One of the Muslim militants, who had been the biggest killer of Christians, had come to Christ. He knew returning to his people would mean death, but he had counted the cost. An extremist told the new Christian that if he did not return to Islam, he would be tortured and skinned alive. But he told the extremist that he would not deny the One who died for him. The new Christian suffered a long, horrible night of torture, but he never wavered. The Muslims who watched said no man could have endured if God had not been with him. This act of torture backfired when over 100 of them converted to Christ after watching this brother sacrifice himself so others might know the Lord. And they have chosen to be willing to suffer the same fate.

South Sudan Operations:

We have lost two more men in South Sudan. One was Samson Ohiede, who was a great brother in the Lord. He had been sent to South Africa to train as a pilot for transport planes and as a fighter pilot. I had known him for at least 20 years, since he was a young man. He was flying passengers into Darfur from the United Arab Emirates, Canada, and the United States. As his plane



SAMSON, OUR BROTHER, WHO IS WITH THE LORD

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Thank you for your prayer about the Peru Mission Tour (5/20-5/28)



Service at a planted church in Lima, Peru on 5/25/25



Photo with Missionaries & Pastor Alberto Sanchez the translator

I wouldn’t contend

By CCMV | A Ministry of CCAH PRESS®

I wouldn't contend for our church. I would see Jesus' own church, all in all.

I wouldn't contend for our purpose. I would seek God's purpose.

I wouldn't contend for our wisdom. I would love even the foolishness of God.

I wouldn't contend for the exact budget by prayer requests. I would offer what I have to the Lord and pray Him to handle the issues.

I wouldn't contend for church increase by cajoling. I would willingly decrease so that He may increase.

I wouldn't contend for a select few of God's words in a popular message. I would deliver sincerely every word of God for His increase.

I wouldn't contend for a mega church to be. I would daily live by every divine word according to the Spirit.

I wouldn't contend how much amount is donated. Individually, the sincerity of the members' hearts would be discerned as how much portion of each member's expense is willingly dedicated to God.

I wouldn't contend how many members attend at once. I would nurture the daily fellowship of each member with Him.

I wouldn't contend for a gift, a ministry, or an operation. I would honor diverse gifts, ministries, and operations all directed by the same Spirit's working in all.

I wouldn't contend for our word, our voice, and our sight. I would savor His word, His voice, and His sight.

Whatever circumstances are contended for or not, I'd be content day by day through the sovereign Lord who strengthens me to do all things for His glory, eagerly awaiting His quick return.

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As I Walked through the Forest

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As I walked through the forest in the stillness of early morning, I was suddenly reminded of the Apostle's Creed—formed in the closing days of the early church. Its words, rooted in the authoritative Word of God, stand as the most effective principles of the doctrine of Christ.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord:

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and
sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Universal Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

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Worship Rises thorough the Pain

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Worship rises through the Pain.
Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them. And when they saw him, they worshipped him, but some doubted.
Even when we're full of doubt,
He is near without a shout.
Worship rises through the pain.
He is worthy, still the same.

And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying,
all power is given unto me in heaven and in earth

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Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Let us go with power and grace,
Sent to every tribe and place.
Baptize all in holy flame.
Father, Son, and Spirit's name.
Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you:
and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen…..

We are never left behind,
He is with us, heart and mind.
To the end, He leads the way
Christ is near, both night and day.
Even when we're full of doubt,
He is near without a shout.
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Your Word Forever True

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And God spake all these words, saying, I am the Lord thy God, Which brought thee out of Egypt, Out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me. Thou shalt not make a graven image, Nor bow to them or serve them, For I the Lord thy God am a jealous God.

We worship You, O holy Lord,
Your Word forever true.
Our hearts belong to You alone,
We live to honor You.

Showing mercy unto thousands, To them that love Me and keep My commands. Thou shalt not take My name in vain, For I will not hold guiltless that taketh it in vain. Remember the sabbath day, keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh is the sabbath of the Lord thy God, In it thou shalt not do any work...

Forever You are faithful Lord,
Your mercy has no end.
From age to age, we trust Your voice,
Your Word our guiding Friend.

Honor thy father and thy mother, That your days may be long upon the land. Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet anything of your neighbour's.

Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God With all thy heart, and soul, and mind. This is the first and greatest commandment.

And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments Hang all the law and prophets.

Your Word is life,
Your truth is love,
Forever we will sing.
We live by grace, obey by faith,
You are our risen King.

Praise You forever,
Praise You forever,
We will follow You.

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Soli Deo Gloria! Continually Pray for the More People to Accept our Lord Jesus Christ the Savior in Asia.

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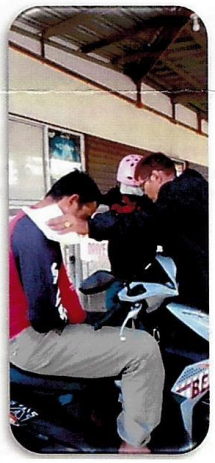
Ministering to Ministers

Dear Calvary Chapel Pastor,

PHILIPPINES: 44 RECEIVE JESUS! Our pastoral team went to Katipunan on Mindanao Island and hearts were hungry for the Lord! Rich or poor, we all need God in our lives, it's just easier for the poor to come. 84 Pastors and workers attended, to learn evangelism and Inductive Method of Bible Study, 5,500 PTA salvation tracts were distributed, 44 people gave their hearts to the Lord and 13 homes were open for Bible studies! Wow! Rain is always an issue going house to house, so they prayed and, "the rain really stopped when we started our evangelism!" **Please pray for these new believers** and these new home Bible studies which have the potential of introducing dozens of people to a personal experience with Christ.







They went two by two and shared the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. It was a wonderful feeling when somebody received Jesus Christ. They felt power was being released through prayers!

PHILIPPINES: CALVARY CHAPEL WESTGROVE, CALIFORNIA BRINGS A SHORT-TERM TEAM

What a joy to behold, fourteen American young people filled with the love of Jesus and a heart for the Filipino people. They arrived ready to serve and had a very busy schedule. They ministered in a Juvenile Detention Center, several churches, preaching and teaching in the Sunday Schools, and visited a Christian school and served. They also were able to get into the public high school and share the Word of God and personal testimonies of salvation. The group took over the Boulevard Street Church and ministered both to the younger children and the older Helping Hands youth. Last night was for free time, but instead of resting, they chose to return to the kids from the slums and "hang out" with them. Calvary Chapel Westgrove, California sent the best!



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THAI/BURMA BORDER The Karen tribal group are amazing people full of joy as they are refugees safely living in Thailand after fleeing the brutal butchery of the Burmese military. All my students in the Bible School have come from Burma, many living in the jungle hiding from the murdering Burmese. Coming back from teaching, there was a large elephant right next to the road! Bless the Lord he didn't move onto the road! We left the border to go and teach the Thai at a Thai Church. God is so good!



Welcome to Thailand! A land of Buddhists, spirits and people who need Jesus!



A lovely couple that I was able to do pre-marital counseling with and share the marriage message at the wedding



Shonda & a beautiful Karen girl

VIETNAM & LAOS We will be in Philippines all June then go to Vietnam and Laos in July. Tourists are welcome but Christians are still persecuted, especially tribal people. Please pray for God's protection, blessing and provision.

HOSTILE TAKEOVER: CALVARY CHAPEL OF MISSION VIEJO Our home church, where I was the senior pastor before we moved to the Philippines in 1987, has been taken over. The pastor, who does not have a Calvary background, has embraced doctrine and practices which are not traditional Calvary, but progressive. When members share their feelings, they are told, "maybe you should leave, find another church". The building is paid off; our support was totally cut as well as many other missionaries and we are not allowed to enter. **PLEASE PRAY** as lots of suffering older saints, faithful members for 40 years have been put out.

SEND A SHORT-TERM TEAM TO THE PHILIPPINES! We just had a great team from CC Apple Valley come and serve; all were blessed! Contact me for information.

CAN YOU HELP? People are getting saved, the Word is being taught, we are busy evangelizing and discipling, and PTA has printed over 12 million Salvation tracts, all given free. Can you help? If you need a reference talk to Mike MacIntosh or Ron Wilkins about us. **THANK YOU!**



Your Calvary missionaries for Asia,

Jim & Shonda Davis

Pray for the Christians and Innocent People persecuted in Syria and Afghanistan for God's grace

that. I may not yet know how to save these women, but I believe the Lord can give us a plan, and with prayer and determination, these women can be freed.

I am pursuing a meeting with members of the Trump administration. The new Syrian president, Ahmad al-Sharaa, desperately wants U.S. sanctions lifted. If America insisted that every abducted woman be returned before sanctions are even considered, I believe we would see quick results.

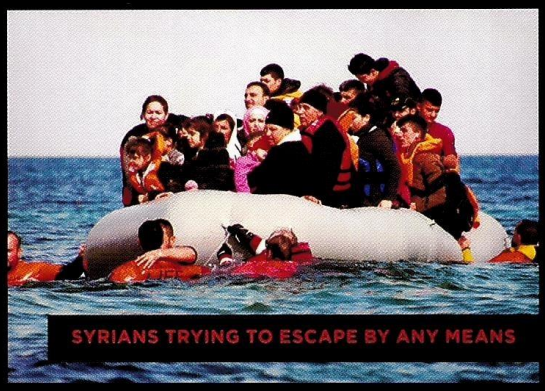


THIS SOLDIER JUST KILLED A WOMAN

God may already be opening doors. A former F-35 fighter pilot, now a top-level official and regular guest on Tucker Carlson and Fox News, supports Far Reaching Ministries. I spoke with him, and he is committed to helping. If diplomacy fails, and I have to buy these women's freedom, I will. Please pray with me; I believe in a God who makes a way when there is none.

Since leaving Ukraine, I have committed to praying daily that God would bring an end to Putin's slaughter. For the next 40 days, would you join me personally and pray every evening with your family at dinner?

The suffering is deep and widespread. A female staff member's brother was recently killed at the front, and she and her family are in tremendous pain. Over 70,000 Ukraine soldiers are missing in action, and their wives are waiting in anguish for husbands who may never return because 99% will never be found. Without confirmation



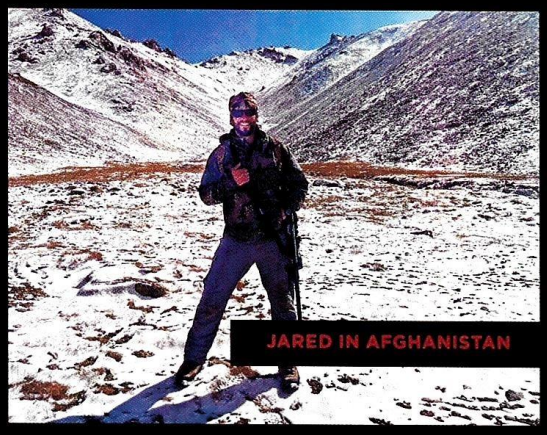
SYRIANS TRYING TO ESCAPE BY ANY MEANS

of death, the family receives no compensation for their loved ones. One woman keeps paying her husband's phone bill, calling it daily, hoping he will answer, but he never does.

When a father dies in Ukraine, they say the family dies. Chaplains bring hope, but the weight is crushing. One mother told me her body feels like an open wound, but she goes on only for her children's sake.

In Sudan's Nuba Mountains, once again, the Islamic north is trying to take what is not theirs. Fighting has intensified, and our chaplains are under fire again. I received a video from the frontline—one man's head was gone from the chin up, and another man's body was missing from the waist up. This year alone, we have lost three more chaplains—bringing our total to over 70 who have died in service to Christ. South Sudan continues to suffer; food is scarce, and the need has become critically urgent.

I have been praying about writing a book for Ukrainian soldiers. I would probably call it *Living in the Valley of the Shadow of Death*. Next year, I will have been in South Sudan for 30 years, and I have a wealth of



JARED IN AFGHANISTAN

God's Blessings and Our Gratitude

"In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (1 Thessalonians 5:18)

We are deeply thankful for God's provision and faithfulness in these areas:

- **New Service Location:** Thank God for opening the Premier sober living facility for women at 3735 Shamrock Ave, Riverside, for His service every Thursday at 5 PM. Please uplift Manager Gabby and Minister Salve in prayer.

  “For we are not, as so many, peddling the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ” (2 Cor 2:17).



  Let go, let God – CCAH has progressed from a time – and location-bound community into an open and connected church.
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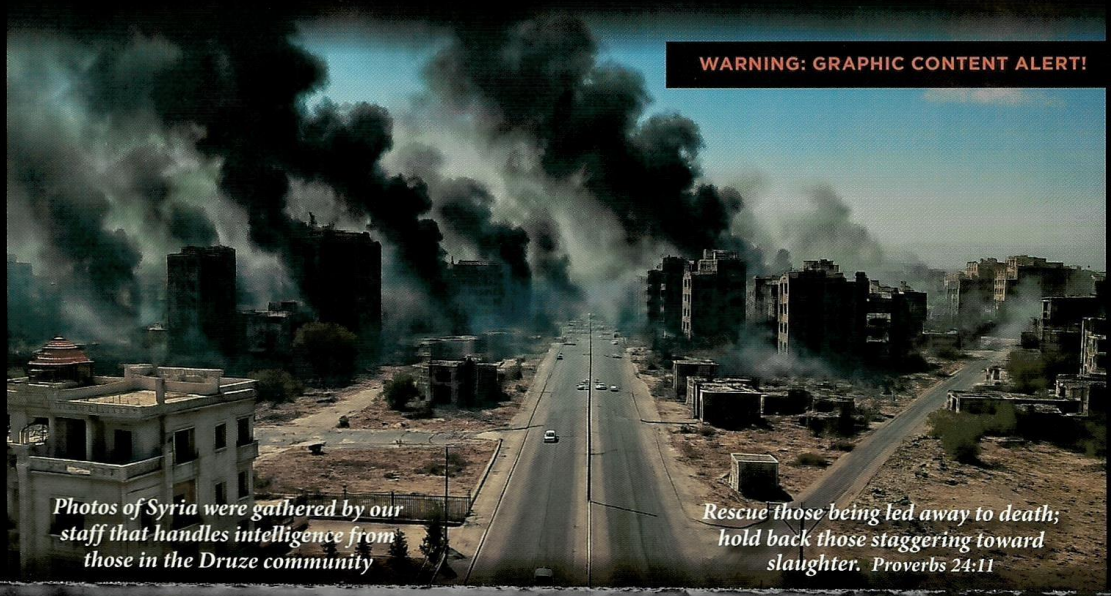
- **Inspiring Conference:** We are grateful for the CGN International Conference held from May 22-25 at Reliance Church in Temecula (29825 Santiago Road).
  https://conference.calvarychapel.com/ministry-2025/

- **Ongoing Fellowship:** Thank you for the consistent co-minister prayer meeting every Tuesday at noon at Corner Bakery, 1040 W Imperial Hwy, Ste B 111, La Habra, CA 90631.

Let us remain joyful and **pray without ceasing**, continually giving thanks for His goodness! “Rejoice always, [17] pray without ceasing,” (1 Thessalonians 5:16-17).

Pray for the innocent who suffer, for persecuted Christians, and especially for missionaries serving courageously as unto the Lord.

FAR REACHING MINISTRIES



HIDDEN HOLOCAUST

In the Hope We Will Save a People Group from Extinction

Before you read this newsletter, I want to warn you that what we are sharing is beyond shocking. And if you cannot handle this, then do not read on, then call and complain.

Luke, who served internationally for 33 years, is a former Marine officer and FBI agent in intelligence. His expertise is in counterterrorism, international operations, rapid deployment, and special operations, with SEALs, Raiders, Delta, and Tier One operators. Needless to say, I give Luke difficult and critical operations. One of his key contacts is a Druze man and his family in Israel. When Luke was in the FBI, he had three immersions in the Middle East for both learning Arabic and intelligence to deal with terrorists. One of those immersions was when he met a Druze family. In Israel, the Druze community is a distinct group that neither identifies as Jewish nor Muslim but is allied with Israel and is said to have a special "Blood-Bond" with the Jewish nation. They are citizens of Israel who serve in the Israeli military and pay taxes. They describe themselves as Muwahadin, coming from the Arabic and Hebrew word meaning as one. They share some roots with Abraham, Moses, and Muhammad, and became a new faith in the eleventh century.

MAY MY HEART BE MOVED BY THE THINGS THAT MOVE THE HEART OF GOD.

Luke's friend recently sent us a video that was about seven minutes long. Within the first minute, a soldier takes a young man, pushes him to the ground, and cuts his head halfway off. The man who did this was acting as if it were no big deal. Also, in the video the atrocities continue, men rubbing their feet on dead women's faces as a sign of shame in the Arab world. I watched one family in terror as the men smiled and began to slap the father while videoing themselves smiling. The wife and children are terrified, knowing

Praise God's Grace to Keep Sending Hope of Jesus Back Home Iran

SEPTEMBER 2025

Introducing...
SEND HOPE BACK HOME

Dear Friend,

God is writing a beautiful story for Iran: against a backdrop of severe persecution, Iran's church is–by God's grace–one of the fastest-growing in the world.

One reason? Many Persian speakers outside Iran are coming to faith and then sharing Jesus with loved ones back home. Indeed, one of our key Elam leaders became a Christian in Iran after his brother encountered Jesus in Austria!

Now imagine that story multiplied thousands of times over the next few years–with Iranians in the West courageously and prayerfully "sending hope back home" to family and friends in Iran. The Kingdom impact could be extraordinary.

With this dream in mind, this year we've launched *Send Hope Back Home,* an initiative to mobilize and equip more Iranians in the West for this ministry, with the prayers and support of their local church community. Flip to the back page to see how it works!

If there is even one Iranian in your local church, we'd love you to join this movement. Discover more at **elam.com/send-hope** or by watching our latest podcast episode–just scan the QR code below. And don't miss the inspiring stories on the following pages, which give a glimpse of the fruit God is already bringing in Iran.

And the fruit isn't only in Iran. Churches participating in *Send Hope Back Home* are seeing Iranian members:

- Discover their place in God's bigger story
- Grow bold in sharing the Gospel both in their local community and abroad
- Become more mature in their faith as they lead others to Jesus

If your church doesn't have Iranian members, you can still help–by praying, by sharing this vision with others, and by partnering with us to see the Gospel flourish in Iran.

This is a unique moment. Let's not miss it. Together, we can send hope back home.

Grace and peace,

David Yeghnazar
Executive Director, Elam Ministries

Scan the QR code to hear the vision of *Send Hope Back Home* explained in the new series of our *Jesus Speaks Farsi* podcast:

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Thank you the Lord for the 17th anniversary of Calvary Chapel in Daejeon, South Korea. Keep on Prayer to Spread His word.

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CALVARY CHAPEL DAEJEON

South Korea

Loudermilk Family Newsletter

Dear Friends and Family,

This month we are enjoying our 17-year anniversary for Calvary Chapel in Daejeon, South Korea. It was on September 7, 2008, when we had our first worship service and (with a change of location) have continued ever since. We have always celebrated the church anniversary on the first Sunday of September, and it just so happens that this year the first Sunday is also September 7th. We invited lots of people to join us that have moved on to other fellowships as the Lord has led them and we look forward to getting to see people we haven't seen for a while. Of course by the time you read this, it will have passed. But we plan to do a few special things on this special Sunday including a time of communion, a baby dedication and of course a video of some of the things we have done over the years. The service and video will be on Facebook by the time you get this letter (www.facebook.com/calvary.daejeon).

Here are some ways you can pray for us in the coming months:

- **Jintotolo, Philippines:** As we have committed to this on a biennial (a new word I learned) basis, it is time to prepare for our trip in February of 2026. We need to plan songs, games, events and of course teaching for the children we will enjoy ministering to while we are there. This is a time when we also provide school supplies to the children on the island since for some it is unaffordable. Please pray for us as we begin this important planning. And please feel free to contact me if you would like more information for the possibility of joining with us – all are welcome in Christ (if you don't get seasick :).





- **Church (CCD):** We have seen an influx of Filipinos recently in church. In general they are foreign workers that came here to earn money to send back to their families in the Philippines. Some of them come from a Catholic background but they still feel drawn to an English worship service. Of course we are far from the only one around, but we are different in that we are not tied to any other Korean church. As a Calvary Chapel we planted 17 years ago, our independence from some of the burdens of being under another church is appealing to people. Pray for us just to minister to them and draw them into a living relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Some are young and dedicated. Pray that we can disciple them and provide them with outreach opportunities.

Thank you for your prayers and support,
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Pray for the Rescue of Christians at Syria and for Potatoes for the Elderly at Ukraine in God's Grace and Mercy.

SYRIA RESCUE



Syria is facing an immediate humanitarian crisis with the rise of Hay'at Tahrir al-Sham (HTS) into government power. HTS is a radical Islamic military faction progressing out of al-Qa'ida. Designated as a Terrorist Organization by the U.S., HTS has initiated a violent and widespread campaign against Christians, as well as ethnic cleansing. There are numerous ongoing reports of door-to-door attacks, widespread rape, and mass executions.

Sunni extremists are engaging in systematic ethnic cleansing, violence, and atrocities such as sexual assault and killings. Far Reaching Ministries (FRM) is urgently working to address the targeted killings of Christians, as well as violence against women, children, and the elderly.

FRM has launched an Emergency Response Mission requiring $1.5 million to $2.5 million for rescue operations, safe housing, and the critical support needed. If you can help with this critical need, please mark ***"Syria Rescue"*** on the enclosed gift card, along with your donation.

POTATOES FOR GRANDMOTHERS



Once again, we are preparing to make provisions for the elderly in Ukraine. With the ongoing war, feeding the elderly continues to be an urgent matter. Far Reaching Ministries will care for as many of them as we are able to get through the coming winter. Just $300 per individual provides essential food items, including canned meat, fish, and chicken, as well as fresh vegetables. If you would count it a privilege to be part of this huge blessing, please indicate ***"Potatoes for Grandmothers—Ukraine"*** on the enclosed gift card along with your donation.

Thank you for Water Baptism and for University Outreach at South Korea.

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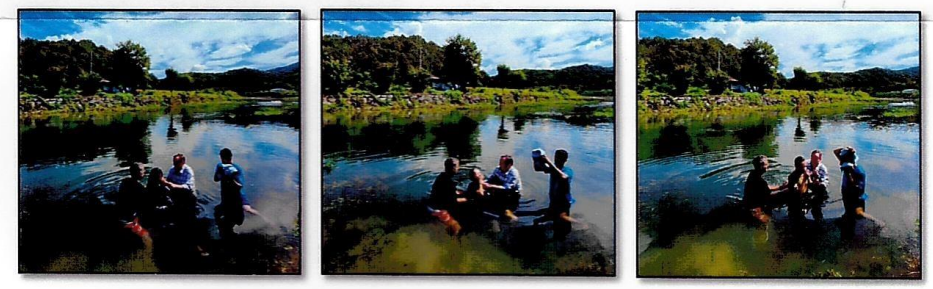
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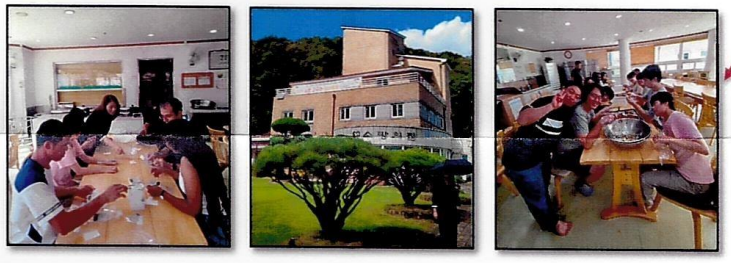
South Korea

Dear Friends and Family,

We had the wonderful privilege from the Lord to baptize a few people a couple weeks ago before it gets too cold to reasonably do it. From left to right we have Israela from Brazil, Ean (with her husband helping on the left) from South Korea, and Jucy from the Philippines.



We did it in front of House of Hope, a home for people with special needs, so we were able to do a little work for them with some of the residents after the fact. The pictures show help with pealing ginger and labeling bags that are used for some health products that they sell to earn funds for the home.



Known as the miracle baby. She was left in a trash bin after birth and was not ever supposed to be able to walk. God proved everyone wrong.

Here are some ways you can pray for us in the coming months:

- **Jintotolo, Philippines:** Please pray for us as we plan activities for the 700+ elementary school students and those at the middle schools, and high school (only one on the island).
- **Church (CCD):** We always appreciate prayers for motivation and ideas for university outreach.

Thank you for your prayers and support,
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Calvary Chapel Anaheim Hills (CCAH) Thanksgiving Fellowship Service
Calvary Chapel Anaheim Hills (CCAH), through its publishing arm **CCAH PRESS**, is a poor church in materials and in spirit compared to other local churches. Despite this, it continues to serve faithfully with the Spirit Led Church in the Whole Counsel of God for its beliefs and their practices. Though we do not own a church building, the Lord has graciously provided 15 meeting places each week, allowing us to reach and minister to nearly 2,000 people locally and globally through our in-person gatherings and mobile apps on Google Play and the Apple App Store.

CCAH remains devoted to teaching God's Word verse by verse and serving those in need—including the homeless, elderly, veterans, and others facing hardship—by providing free Bibles, food, and spiritual support. Each service includes **Bible teaching, communion, fellowship, and prayer**, following the example of the early church in Acts 2:42, "And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers." We thank the Lord for sustaining His work through the generosity and prayers of His people.

As we approach Thanksgiving, we are reminded that **we are the church—not a building—but a fellowship gathered in Jesus' name.**

You are warmly invited to join (1) **2025 CCA International Conferences** Monday 11/10 to Thursday 11/13 at CC Golden Springs; 22324 Golden Springs Dr, Diamond Bar Ca 91765 (2) **Thanksgiving Fellowship Service** on Saturday, November 22, 2025; 3:00–4:00 PM; CCAH Headquarters, 8021 E Santa Ana Canyon Road, Anaheim Hills, CA 92808

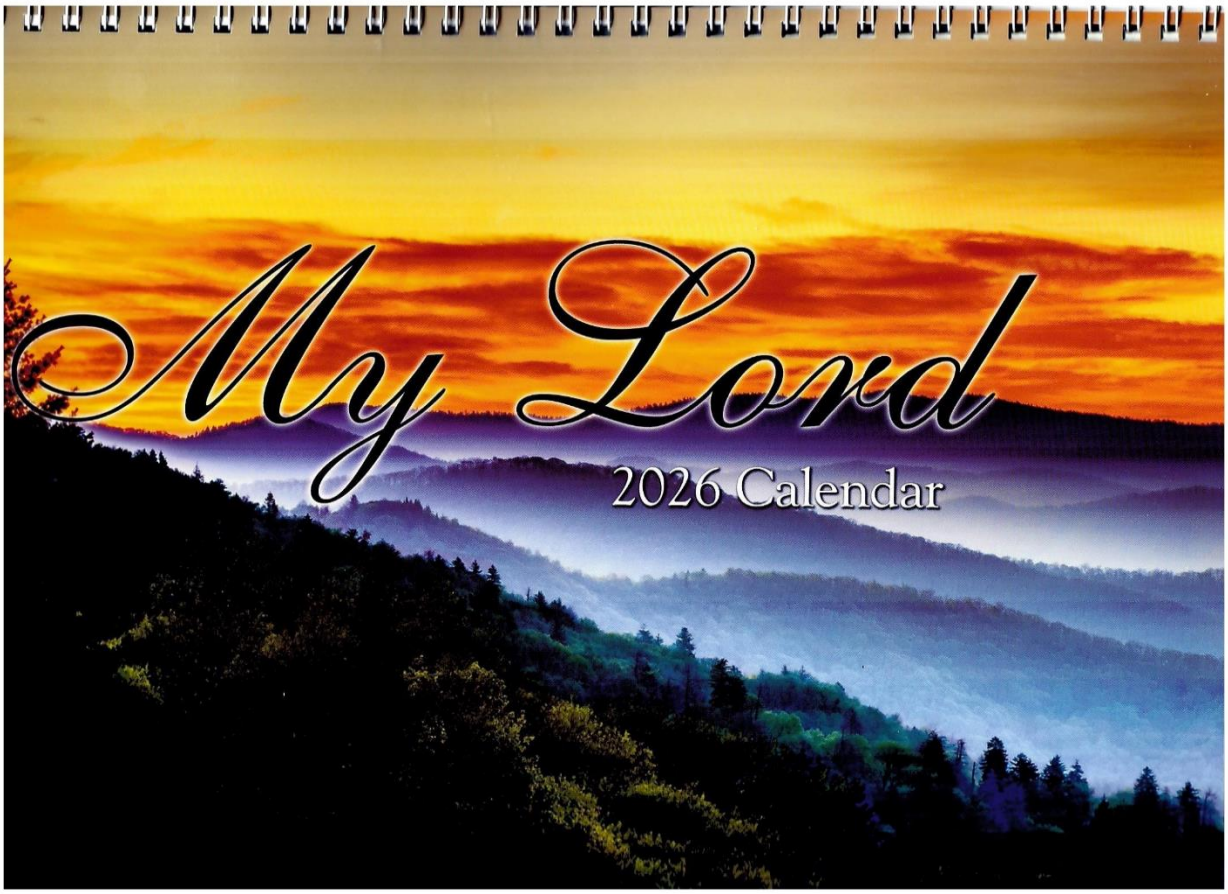
As a **token of thanksgiving to the Lord**, the **God's Word Meditation 2026 Calendar** is prepared and is given to whomever **on a first-come, first-served basis**.

We give daily thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ, who continues to lead His church in spirit and truth.

— **Calvary Chapel Anaheim Hills (CCAH)**

I Wouldn't Contend
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z2tuO7SDMPQ

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2025 CCA International Conference

Monday, Nov 10, 2025 5:00 PM - Thursday, Nov 13, 2025 12:00 PM PST

Calvary Chapel Golden Springs



" Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God" (Matthew 22:29).

Thanksgiving Fellowship Service
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Songs

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Opening Prayer

Father, thank You for giving us Your only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, the Savior. He died for each of us, shedding His blood, was buried, and rose again. To every believer, You have given the Holy Spirit who dwells in us forever. Therefore, we can always rejoice, pray in Jesus' name, and give thanks in everything—especially during this Thanksgiving season and as we break bread in remembrance of Jesus' death and share our thanksgiving meal together.
In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Meditation on God's Word (Let's read together)

1 Thessalonians 5:16–18
"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."
Acts 2:42
"And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers."
1 Corinthians 11:26
"For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes."
Matthew 25:40
"And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.'"

Breaking of Bread

Communion followed by our Thanksgiving Meal

Share Jesus' Love

As we celebrate this Thanksgiving season, let us remember to share the love of Christ with our neighbors, especially those in need.

Pray for Iran & Underground Church. We are one body of Christ as long as any soul is not against the principles of the doctrine of Christ (Heb 6:1; Eph 1:22-23)



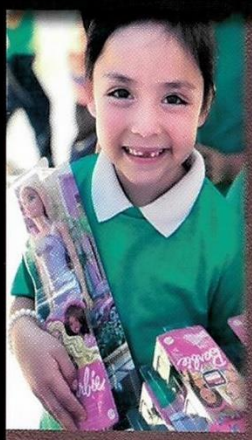
Pray for a famine of food and a famine of the Word of God for Ukraine, Mexico, Peru, and Syria in Christmas Season.

POTATOES FOR GRANDMOTHERS - UKRAINE



Once again, we are preparing to make provisions for the elderly in Ukraine. With the ongoing war, feeding the elderly has become an urgent matter. Far Reaching Ministries will care for as many of them as we are able so they can get through the coming winter. Just $300 per individual provides essential food items such as canned meat, fish, and chicken along with fresh vegetables. If you would count it a privilege to be part of this huge blessing, please indicate ***"Potatoes for Grandmothers—Ukraine"*** on the enclosed gift card along with your donation.

CHRISTMAS OUTREACHES - MEXICO, UKRAINE, AND PERU



We are at that time of year again when we will celebrate Christmas with underprivileged and war-torn children in Ukraine, Mexico, and Peru.

We will have a Christmas party for the children to celebrate the birth of Jesus, where each child will receive a gift to unwrap, a Christmas meal, and, most importantly, the Gospel message. In a country still reeling from war, children in Ukraine will also receive a new jacket to keep them warm during the cold winter.

This Christmas, you can provide for a child in Mexico, Ukraine, or Peru for $40. For $400, you can provide for 10 children, and for $4,000, you can provide for 100 children. If you would like to be part of these outreaches, please mark ***"Mexico Christmas Outreach"***, ***"Peru Christmas Outreach"***, and/or ***"Ukraine Christmas Outreach"*** on the enclosed gift card along with your donation.

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Hi brothers and sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the Lord.

Much of the content comes from our verse-by-verse inductive studies over the past year, along with reflections on the permissive path and the direct path of the Christian life. If it may be a blessing to you, you are welcome to download the book using the code SM8. Another book is also available while we await the paperback printing.
https://ebook.church/product/permissive-will-of-god-vs-direct-will-of-god/

Blessed Christmas Celebration Lunch on Saturday, December 20, 2025, from 12 PM to 1:00 PM, at 19501 E Ontario Ave, Corona, CA 92881 (CCAH Vehicle Donation Center)

If the Lord permits, everyone is cordially invited to New Year Day Worship Service on Thursday, January 1, 2026, from 10 AM to 11 AM, at a veteran chapel 10080 Rose Hills Road Gate 10, Whittier, CA 90601

Thank you for your prayers and fellowship.
Happy New Year!

In Christ,

Wayne
Brother Wayne



Christmas Song Videos Angels We Have Heard On High | Maranatha! Music (Lyric Video) - YouTube

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

New Year's Day Service

(designed to refresh the mind and body and to renew commitment to God)

1/1/every year 10 AM
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As we stand at the threshold of the new year 2026, we gather here at Rose Hills Park, a place where many rest from this life. Solomon wisely said, *"Better to go to the house of mourning than to go to the house of feasting, for that is the end of all men; and the living will take it to heart"* (Ecclesiastes 7:2). Visiting this place reminds us that life is fleeting, and our time on earth is short compared to the eternity that awaits. As Moses reflects in Psalm 90:10, *"The days of our lives are seventy years; and if by reason of strength they are eighty years, yet their boast is only labor and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away."* Indeed, life is brief, and each moment is precious. Yet, while our earthly lives fade like grass and flowers, God's word endures forever. Isaiah declares, *"The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God stands forever"* (Isaiah 40:8). For the Christian, this truth is made alive in us through the Spirit of Christ. Each believer carries within them the living presence of Christ. Though our bodies may perish, the Spirit within us is an earnest, a downpayment, of the eternal inheritance that awaits in God's kingdom. Through death, we gain everlasting life with Christ, and this eternal perspective gives purpose and hope to our daily walk.

As we enter this new year, let us embrace the life Christ calls us to live. Paul declares in Galatians 2:20, *"I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."* This is not merely a statement of faith—it is a call to transformation. Our goal is not to cling to the temporary things of this world, but to allow Christ to live fully through us, shaping our thoughts, actions, and hearts according to His will.

Therefore, as we step into 2026, let us heed the exhortation of Hebrews 6:1: *"Therefore, leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God."* Let us press forward in our spiritual journey, striving to be more like Jesus in every aspect of life. Let us grow in love, humility, and obedience, letting our lives reflect His light to the world.

This new year is not simply a turning of the calendar—it is an opportunity to deepen our union with Christ, to walk faithfully in His Spirit, and to pursue holiness and maturity in Him. May we dedicate every moment, thought, and action to living as He lived, so that when we are called home, we may hear His welcome, *"Well done, good and faithful servant."* Let us go on, not merely to live on earth, but to live in Christ, reflecting His character, until we inherit the fullness of His eternal kingdom.

https://youtu.be/NuFXB5vnPWg

Now the Prayer House is held at the Veterans Chapel, Gate 10 of Rose Hills–Whittier at 10080 Rose Hills Road, Gate 10, Whittier, CA 90601, under a revocable license for any daytime hours, so that we honor our Lord forever.

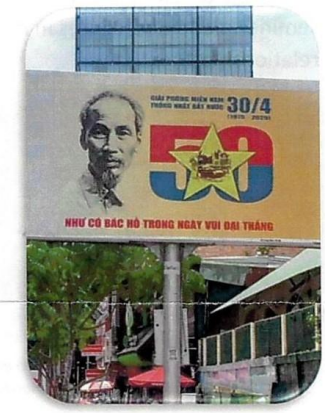
Pray for believers in Vietnam to be bold in sharing the gospel, so that millions may hear the good news of Jesus Christ, and for the Philippines' PTA (Pastoral Training of Asia), the headquarters of the Asia Mission Area at Calvary Chapels.

Pastoral Training of Asia

Ministering to Ministers

Dear Calvary Pastor, December 2025

VIETNAM: 50 YEARS OF COMMUNISM & 100 YEARS OF THE BIBLE IN VIETNAMESE



30 years ago, we started teaching in Vietnam, police downtown carried AK 47's and often followed us around, hidden meetings with the Underground Church, testimonies of beatings & imprisonment were common. Today, downtown looks like Disneyland with tourists everywhere, shops, and restaurants and less persecution of Believers. False teachers, now coming from China and Korea, are attacking the church yet with the Bible as the faithful witness, those that know it are protected. It is still illegal to share Christ publicly **Pray** for boldness for believers to share for millions have yet to hear the Name of Jesus. I met a Pastor who was in my Inductive Method class 30 years ago and he is said IBS training was a key for him to understand the Bible and he is still using it!

OUR FIRST THANKSGIVING IN THE PHILIPPINES I was gone teaching seminars that week as Thanksgiving is not a Filipino holiday. My Beloved, Shonda was home alone with the kids. It was very hot, humid and had rained 17 days straight! We had no washer or dryer; everything was done by hand. We hung the clothes up in the house, but they seemed never to fully dry and smelled of mildew. That wasn't a problem because everyone in town smelled the same! There were no turkeys or ham in town, so Shonda did her very best to make the kids feel at home. In truth, we were home sick, lonely for family, friends and working with a very tight budget. Yet two things we brought with us that made all the difference: our family and our loving God and for that we were truly thankful!





TWO BROTHERS SUFFER FROM AGENT ORANGE Both Vietnam Veterans and one recently went to heaven, Phil Hutton, a brother and friend who suffered greatly and the other, Pastor Ron Wilkins, C.C. Pacific Coast, CA. This chemical, used as a defoliant, never goes away and has caused lots of suffering. Every rainy season, agent orange chemicals come out in the rain and air which adversely affects people. Please **pray** for our Vets that still suffer from Agent Orange.

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1. Christian Living Devotion
2. Verse-by-Verse Exposition

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"I am the vine, you are branches…" (John 15:5)"

CCMV Series

"Sing to Him a new song; Play skillfully with a shout of joy" (Psalm 33:3).

Title	Theme	Source
I Wouldn't Contend	**Be humble and live by faith**	The Lyric coming from the poem on 10/5/21 opening https://ebook.church Watch on YouTube
As I Walked through the Forest	**The Apostles' Creed**	The Apostles' Creed was most effectively formed to express the foundational principles of the Doctrine of Christ—chief among them, the bodily resurrection of Jesus: "And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins." — 1 Corinthians 15:17 Watch on YouTube
Worship Rises through the Pain	**The Great Commission**	The pain experienced by a family (grieving the loss of father) beginning on Good Friday can open the heart to a deeper understanding and empathy for Christ's suffering—"…obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." (Philippians 2:8) Watch on YouTube
Your Word Forever True	**The 10 Commandments & 2 Greatest Commandments**	The 10 Commandments have been fulfilled and renewed in the 2 Greatest Commandments — "new wine in new wineskins." — Matthew 9:17 Watch on YouTube

"Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God." -- Hebrews 6:1 Watch on YouTube **"Principles" by CCMV**

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"speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord" (Ephesians 5:19).

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Pray for Medical Staff in Syria and for the Elderly Ministry in Ukraine.

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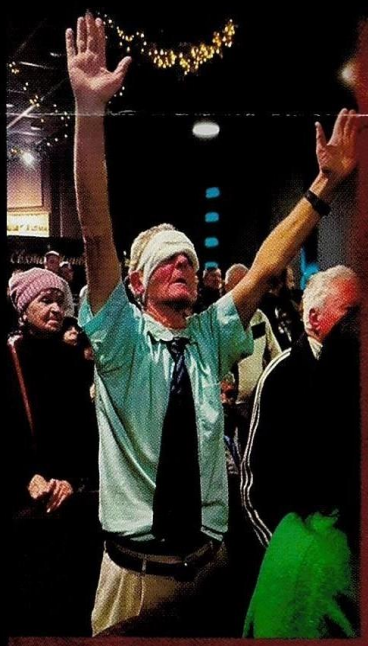


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Mission Cards



Baltic Sea Mission Tour

September 3 (Thursday) – September 11 (Friday), 2026

Mission Focus
High cultural Christianity, strong secular life, and low daily Bible engagement.
Calling people back to a **Christ-centered, whole-Bible, daily life faith**.
Mission Card – "The Whole Bible. In Context. For Daily Life."
From isolated verses to Christ in all Scripture.

🌎 **Universal Mission Message**

- Honors Christian heritage without attacking tradition
- Gently challenges shallow or fragmented faith
- Centers on Christ and all Scripture — not institutions
- Ideal for Scandinavia and Germany

📊 **Christianity & Secular Life Snapshot**

Country	% Identifying as Christian	Notes
Denmark	~71–73% nominal	Very low weekly attendance (~3%)
Sweden	~51% nominal	Highly secular; religion often "not important"
Norway	~63–65% nominal	Strong heritage Christianity, weak practice
Germany	~49–50%	Intellectual respect, declining personal faith

📖 **Reformation Lens**
"Let's go back to the Bible" — the heart of the Protestant Reformation. Denominations

A call not to abandon history, but to return to Scripture, rightly understood, Christ-centered, and lived daily. Gospel of Christ

Cruise Reference (Northern Europe 2026)
MSC Cruises – Baltic Sea Route
APPLY here to proclaim the praises of Him, if our Lord permits.
"But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9).

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Delivery of the words of God
in the Gospel and in all the Scripture
https://calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/GoodNews.htm

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. 17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, The just shall live by faith (Romans 1:16-17).

Mobile App

This app on the devices is essential for anyone with a deep curiosity, interest, or love for every word of God in exposition to know Jesus more and to live by faith, especially in a world increasingly focused on materialism, where **so many** are **peddling the word of God** (2 Cor 2:17).

Podcast & Manuscript

You can download the podcast & the manuscript from the website.
Online Word of Global Crusade

Gospel Tracts

Christian Population by Country

English	Spanish	French	German	Italian	Dutch	Greek	Turkish

Affluent and Well-prepared Retiree And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry. 20 But God said to him, Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided? 21 So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God (Luke 12:19-21).

Let go, Let God CCAH has been led daily by the Spirit in the Whole Counsel of God for its beliefs, and their consequent practices since over 20 years ago. Through CCAH, our Lord has been increasing faith, the word of God, its consequent practice, love, or joy with the perishable means. God has faithfully been touching the least souls like flames such as the addicted, the retirees, the indigent, the homeless, the veterans, and the rarely touched souls in the world -- free from where Christ is named, commercial capitalism is controlling, territorial boundaries are lined, and racial, material, or hereditary partiality underscores -- in the light of Matthew 25:40, And the King will answer and say to them, Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.

We have been joyfully and thankfully praying and actively following His continual direction, venturing out in faith with the living hope of our Lord's quick return. That's our privilege and our blessing. Please pray through our love for each other as long as we the one body of Christ on the earth are not against the principles of the doctrine of Christ.

Every Word from A few words of God

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1. Topical Sermon: From a few words of God to an explanation.
2. Custom: From a few words of God, through generations, to a lifestyle.
3. Testimony: Personal life experience with a few words of God.
4. Sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ: Using a few words of God.
5. Songs: Including Hymns and Spiritual Songs with a few words of God.
6. Quiet Time (QT): From a few words of God to an explanation.
7. Plays or Stories: With a few words of God.

These practices are preferred over secular activities.

Within the syntax and context of all Scripture, these are good and accepted. Outside their syntax and context of all Scripture ("peddling the word of God"):

1. If they go against the principles of the doctrine of Christ (Hebrews 6:1), we cast them down (2 Corinthians 10:5).

2. If they contradict Scripture, we cast them down and, if the Lord permits, convince people with Scripture.

3. Otherwise, we tolerate them because of the supremacy of Agape love in the body of Christ on earth (Ephesians 1:22-23).

4. We embrace an expository and inductive approach to teaching every word in Scripture, because studying each word for understanding is rare today (2 Corinthians 2:17: 'not peddling the word of God'; 2 Timothy 2:15: 'study to show yourself approved unto God').

5. We reference the four types of false pastors in Jeremiah 23:
    - o Verse 13: Prophesying in Baal.
    - o Verse 16: Following the imagination of their own heart.
    - o Verse 28: Sharing dreams rather than the Word of God.
    - o Verse 36: Perverting the words of God.
    - o We also reference Jesus' sayings in Luke 4:4 ('live by every word of God') and Matthew 28:20 ('teach them to observe all things').

Pray for Indonesia as it recovers from the heavy floods and for the lodge for the elderly in Ukraine.

FOOD & AID FOR INDONESIA

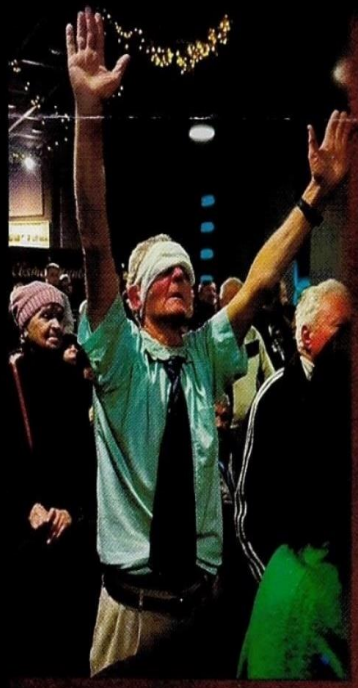


Indonesia has had torrential rains for weeks, triggering floods that inundated cities and major roads, with no end in sight. People are desperate for food and aid. Many have been living on roofs of buildings or, if available, on the second floor.

Far Reaching Ministries (FRM) has committed to helping the people of Indonesia with food and aid in their time of need. We are accepting donations for this purpose, and every penny received will be given to these desperate people. FRM will not keep any of the funds, even for administrative costs.

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Pray for the Church in Iran, that Christ would strengthen, equip, and uphold believers in these difficult days.

JANUARY 2026

Thy Kingdom Come: The Lord's Prayer for Iran

Dear Friend,

Iran is once again dominating headlines. At the time of writing, unrest grips the nation. The atmosphere is heavy. The people are enduring unimaginable suffering.

We do not know how events will unfold—indeed, by the time this letter reaches you, the situation may have changed entirely.

What will not have changed is the need to fervently pray and stand with believers across the region, and to strengthen and equip the Church to shine with courage in the days ahead.

For more than 46 years, Iranians have endured oppression under the Islamic regime—and as the darkness has grown, so has the light of Christ through His courageous Church. Now, with thousands reportedly massacred by the state in just a few days, many Iranians are calling this the darkest hour yet.

We believe that as darkness increases, Christ's light will shine even brighter. So we continue to pray with faith: "Your kingdom come, Your will be done."

Would you join us?

Scan the QR code, and you'll find a video of our team praying the Lord's Prayer. Please join with us in praying these powerful words over Iran—in English, Persian (Farsi), or whatever language you speak.

Enclosed, you will find two bookmarks with the same invitation. Please **keep one** in your Bible or stick it to your fridge, and please **give the other to a friend** to help them pray. Please join us in interceding *now and throughout 2026.*

In the following pages, you will find **three stories of God's goodness that emerged from Iran in 2025**—a year marked by pain and war. They remind us that even in the darkest times, God is at work. We trust that, in the days ahead, there will be many more similar stories to tell.

Thank you for standing with us in this important moment.

Grace and peace,

David Yeghnazar
Executive Director, Elam Ministries

Pray for Moldovan Chaplains and Ukraine Home for The Elderly

We will keep deploying, feeding the hungry, and offering shelter to the abandoned. Christ will be shared in places where darkness thinks it owns the night.

In keeping with our call, we are raising support for a brother who has a tremendous heart for reaching everyone–the head chaplain in Moldova. He and his wife have a meager income of only $600 a month and are in desperate need of a reliable vehicle. To provide this for him so that he can reach even more people, we are going to purchase a new Toyota Highlander that will cost $55,000.

For the ministry as a whole, in the first two months of 2026, we have spent $1,000,000 more than we have brought in, but I know God's will, and when He says give, I obey.

Wes Bentley

In Christ,

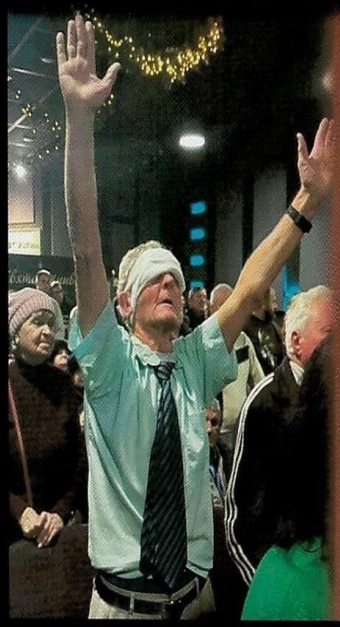
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MOLDOVAN CHAPLAINS

Far Reaching Ministries is now training chaplains in Moldova. To be able to reach many people to share the Gospel, the Moldovan Chaplain Corp needs a reliable vehicle.

We want to raise $40,000 to meet this need. If you would like to help with this project and bless these men, please mark ***"Moldovan Chaplains' Vehicle"*** on the enclosed gift card along with your donation.

UKRAINE HOME FOR THE ELDERLY



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Many of the elderly cannot walk, so once a week, they are carried down from the second floor to bathe and then sit in the sun for a while.

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Christ(C)'s Death & Resurrection (*Our vs *Jewish calendar*)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sun
MORNING Triumphal Entry in Jerusalem [Palm Sun] **EVENING**	Cleaning Temple	1.Question of C's Authority 2. Widow's two mites offering	Woman's anointing C at Bethany	1. Washing feet of 12 disciples 2. Last Supper; 3.Prayer in Gethsemane	Sanhedrin + Pilate + Herod + Pilate **C's crucifixion (9 AM) Noon (Darkness) About 3 PM (Passed away) C's Burial	*** Res urre ctio n [Eas ter]
Mon (2nd)	*Tue (3rd)*	*Wed (4th)*	*Thu (5th)*	*Fri (6th)*	*Sat (7th)*	*Mon*
			Judas' betrayal in heart	C's arrest C's trial (Annas + Caiaphas + Peter's denial)	*(+ 1 day: Double Sabbaths)*	
CROSS-REFERENCES Mt 21:1-11 Lk 19:28-40; Jn 12:13	Mt 21:12-17 Lk 19:45-48	Lk 20:1-8 Mt 21:23-27 Lk 21:1-4	Mt 26:6-7 Mk14:3-9 Mk 14:10-11 Lk 22:1-6 Mt 26:14-16 Jn 13:1-2	Jn 13:3-30 Lk 22:7-23 Mk 14:12-26 Mt 26:26-30 Lk 22: 39-45 Mk 14:27-42 Mt 26:36-46 Lk 22: 47-71 Mt 26:47-75 Mk 14:43-72	Lk22:66-71 Lk 23:1-7 Lk 23:8-25 Mt 27 Mk 15:25 Lk 23:50-56 Jn 19	Lk 24:1 Mt 28:1
Sun	**Mon**	**Tue**	**Wed**	**Thu**	**Fri**	**Sun**

* . A Jewish day begins at evening;
A Jewish time + 6 hours = Our time: ("this 3rd hour" Mark 15:25 is 9 AM; "the 9th hour" Matthew 27:46 is 3 PM): A Jewish month in Jewish lunar calendar + about 3 months = our month

** 7 statements on the cross
(1) Luke 23:34
(2) Luke 23:43
(3) John 19:26-27
(4) Matthew 27:46
(5) John 19:28
(6) John 19:30
(7) Luke 23:46

* ** Resurrection
1. Time Table "3 (+40) 43 (+7) 50"
(1) Passover (Crucifixion)
(2) 3 days (Burial + Resurrection)
(3) 40 days (Resurrected C's teaching on earth; Acts 1:3; C's ascension, Acts 1:9)
(4) Pentecost (50 days as of the Passover; 7 days after C's ascension[24]) The Spirit came
2. Eye Witnesses
(1) Luke 24:10; Matthew 28:9
(2) Luke 24::34-35
(3) John 20:27
(4) Mark 16:14
(5) 1 Corinthians 15:5-8

Source: Wayne Kim, "Chuck Smith's Theology," (California: CCAH Press, 2010).

[24] See http://www.churchyear.net/pentecost.html - Different time "10 days after Christ's ascension"

Two Paths, One Scripture: A Contrast of Two Communities

Two communities read the same Word,
call upon the same Lord,
and walk under the same name—
yet their paths unfold in quiet contrast.

One Community
walks in transparency,
bringing what is seen and unseen into the light.
They seek God's view, not their own,
lifting every matter before Him.
They wait and ask,
"What is Your will, O Lord?"
Not what may work,
but what is true.
They follow the direct will of God,
however costly, however slow,
trusting that obedience
is greater than outcome.

The Other Community
moves in obscurity,
not always false,
but not fully clear.
They lean on an economic view,
measuring, calculating, weighing—
deciding what is efficient,
what is sustainable,
what appears wise in the moment.
They proceed with plans in hand,
and afterward say,
"Lord, bless what we have done."
They live, not in open rebellion,
but within the permissive will of God,
where much is allowed,
yet not all is led.

Neither seeks to do evil.
Neither desires harm.
Yet the difference runs deep.
For the unseen are often affected—
the weak, the searching, the unsure.
And often,
the one who walks in light suffers
from what is done in obscurity—
misunderstood, overlooked, even wounded—
until they learn to discern
what is of God's leading
and what is merely allowed.

So let there be understanding:
Transparency must walk with humility.
Clarity must remain gentle.
And those who follow the Lord directly
must not be crushed
by what they do not yet discern.
Let obscurity be brought into light.
Let calculation bow before truth.
Let permission not replace obedience.

For in the end,
it is not method, nor system, nor outcome
that draws souls near—
but Jesus Christ alone,
who calls not into confusion,
but into His light,
His will,
His life.

One Body, One Christ: Beyond Divisions

“Dispensation” is written.
“Covenant” is declared.
“Free will” is given.
“Grace” is bestowed.
“Predestination” is revealed.
“Baptism” is practiced.

All are in the Scripture—
not hidden, not absent,
but present within the counsel of God.

“And He put all things under His feet,
and gave Him to be head over all things
to the church,
which is His body,
the fullness of Him who fills all in all”
(Ephesians 1:22-23).

If we are one Body in Christ,
why do we contend
as though His Word were divided?

Why deny what is written—
as if one truth cancels another?
Why elevate a part
and wound the whole?

Doctrine was given for growth,
not for fracture.
Understanding was given for unity,
not for strife.

My desire is singular:
to know Christ,
to be conformed to His image,
by the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are not bound by names,
nor defined by divisions.
We do not reject denominations,
but we refuse their excess
when it weakens love
and scatters the Body.

For the true ground of fellowship
is not agreement in all things,
but the love of Christ—Agape—
which surpasses knowledge
and covers all differences.

Without this love,
we speak in emptiness.
With this love,
we stand as one.

Let us return, then,
not to argument,
but to Christ—
the Head,
the fullness,
the One who fills all in all.

Pray for Iran, Christians, and Church.

APRIL 2026

Amid War, The Church is Alive

Dear Friend,

As I write, Iran is in the midst of war. By the time this letter reaches you, the situation may look very different. Yet amid the uncertainty of these days, I want to encourage you with something a church leader inside Iran expressed to me recently:

"The Church is alive."

This leader had just returned from a village where he had been sharing the Gospel. Despite the danger and disruption of war, he told us, *"Life is hard. But we are continuing. And God is showing His glory."*

He is one of many believers who are continuing to share the love of Christ during this time. We have also heard stories of:

- House churches distributing food parcels to neighbors as the economic situation worsens
- Christians visiting the homes of grieving families, praying with them, and offering comfort
- Believers speaking about Christ with friends and neighbors who are searching for hope amid the uncertainty

Stories like these—and the ones you will find on the reverse of this letter—remind me that the Lord has been preparing Iran's Church for this moment.

As I consider both the faithfulness the Church is demonstrating in these days and the openness of the Iranian people to the Gospel, I believe we could be on the brink of the greatest turning to Christ in Iran yet.

That's why I invite you now to press into prayer. **We have created a new Iran 30 app to help you pray with clarity and hope.** Please use the enclosed postcard to download the app today, and please share with your church.

Whatever the future holds, our ministry will continue. Indeed, it may need to accelerate significantly. Our work to strengthen Iran's Church is not tied to a particular political outcome but rests on the promise that Christ will build His Church.

Thank you for standing with us. **Your prayerful partnership is a key reason there is a Church in Iran that is alive and shining the hope of Christ in these historic days.**

Grace and peace,

David Yeghnazar
Executive Director, Elam Ministries

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YOUR PRAYERS MATTER

Iran is at a crossroads. Now is the time to press into prayer.

On the Iran 30 app, you'll find:

- **30-day prayer journey**
  pray with focus and guidance
- **Daily prayer requests**
  stay updated with urgent needs
- **Real testimonies**
  hear stories from believers in Iran

"Knowing we are prayed for gives us courage."
Believer in Iran



Pray for S Sudan, Christian Armies, and Church



CHAPLAINS IN DRESS AND COMBAT UNIFORMS

FIVE GALLONS OF OIL

When I write about trials that we go through, it is not because I need to get them off my chest or somehow identify the individuals involved. It is to help those in ministry and those going into ministry recognize spiritual warfare and not let the attack cause them to lose hope or any of the vision the Lord has given them.

The great number of personal attacks that I go through are from missionaries and pastors—most of whom I have never met.

TRUST, BELIEVE, AND KNOW THE WILL OF GOD, AND HOW TO KNOW THE VOICE OF CHRIST.

I had heard about one group that I thought had a great legacy for the Kingdom, and I looked forward to meeting them. Their ministry was spread across many nations. In one nation, I heard one of them had a church, and I sent missionaries from Far Reaching Ministries (FRM) to ask if they needed funds to build a sanctuary. They responded that the political climate made it better not to build, but to meet in private homes, which I understood.

In another country that was at war, I gave another individual from the same group $100,000 to help people suffering from the war.

Then I got a message sent through one of our staff saying that before I did anything in that country, I needed to write a proposal, and a particular woman in this group would let me know if I was approved or not. I sent back a message saying that when the Lord calls us to do a work, we do not ask others for permission. That being said, we were not working in the areas they were in, and they had nothing to worry about. We had no desire to steal sheep from them or encroach on their work, if that was their concern.

Pray for Moldova, Ukraine, Russia, Syria, Christians, and Church

MOLDOVAN OR UKRAINIAN CHILD



In Moldova and Ukraine, Far Reaching Ministries has witnessed many poor single mothers who have been abandoned by their husbands. Their precious children suffer from a lack of food.

We have an urgent need for sponsors to come alongside us with a monthly sponsorship for these children. If you are not able to commit to a monthly sponsorship, a one-time gift is welcome.

Please prayerfully consider helping in this dire situation, and if you would count it a privilege to financially support one of these precious children, please mark ***"Moldovan or Ukrainian Child"*** on the enclosed gift card along with your donation.

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From Confusion to Comfort in Christ

From confusion into comfort—through Jesus Christ—
a quiet path is seen among a thousand sheep,
where a few, unseen by many,
offer with steady hearts.

Each gift, whether in secret or in sight,
is sown into four sacred fields:
to care for the flock,
to send forth the gospel,
to serve the least,
and to honor those who labor in the Word.

“The earth is the Lord’s,”
not silver, but love He seeks;
for where treasure rests,
there the heart reveals its dwelling.

With order and integrity,
the house gives account in due season—
not for the praise of men,
nor to display the hands that give,
lest reward be spent on earth,
but kept where heaven remembers.

A few entrusted with stewardship may see,
yet speak not—
guarding what is holy before God.
Even so, what is hidden among men
is never hidden before the Lord.

Among the assembly stand the faithful few—
giving not in abundance, but in constancy;
their offerings speak, though their voices are low.

Yet others speak much,
their words adorned with Scripture,
while their hands remain still,
and their counsel stretches beyond their sacrifice.

Perhaps their gifts are laid elsewhere—
the Lord alone knows.
For not all giving is seen,
and not all silence is emptiness.
Yet in the light of truth,
where treasure goes, the heart follows.

In a land shaped by provision and measure,
the flow of substance reveals devotion;
not as judgment among men,
but as a mirror before God.

Behold also the servant who gives beyond strength—
pressing on through loss and affliction,
feeding the least from personal need;
zeal without fullness of knowledge,
yet seen by Him who weighs the heart.

All things are known to the Lord.
All works are measured in truth;
Therefore, let faithful hearts be strong,
For steadfast giving is not in vain.

Let the apparent faithful be awakened:
true worship is not in lips alone,
but in spirit and in truth.
As body without spirit falls,
So faith without works is dead as stone.

For in the Lord—
all things work together for good
to those who love Him
and are called according to His purpose.

And this is the comfort:
the church belongs to the Lord—
His own,
His fullness,
His work in all.

A Mother's Calling Before the Lord

The man called his wife's name Eve,
The mother of all living born;
From Eden came a sacred trust
To guide the child from night to morn.

Every one shall revere
His mother and his father dear;
So mothers walk in holy fear,
With gracious words for all to hear.

Raise up your children in the light,
To seek the Lord with all their might;
Teach them to pray and love the way
Of Christ who leads both night and day.

Honor your father and your mother,
That days be long within the land
The Lord your God Himself has given;
So teach them truth by heart and hand.

Let harmony within abide,
Walk faithfully beside your own;
A gentle spirit, patient love,
Will make the peace of Christ well known.

Her children rise and call her blessed,
Her husband too will give her praise:
"Many have done excellently,
But you surpass them all your days."

Charm is deceitful, beauty fades,
Yet faith that fears the Lord shall shine;
For earthly glory passes fast,
But those who trust in Him are fine.

So let the greatest hope remain:
To love the Lord through joy and pain;
To fix the heart on Christ alone,
Whose kingdom ever shall remain.

Then mothers walking by His grace
Will leave a light for years untold,
Till home and children, saints and heirs,
Rejoice before the Savior's throne.

Memorial Day Hope

Two hundred fifty years beneath the skies,
A nation stood where sacrifice still cries;
Through blood and tears the forefathers pressed on,
For freedom's light before the break of dawn.

Upon the money, simple words remain:
"In God We Trust" through blessing, loss, and pain.
Not built by ease, nor sheltered from the flame,
But hearts that feared the Lord and praised His Name.

From distant fields where soldiers fought and fell,
From roaring seas and every battle's swell,
Many gave breath that others might stand free,
A fleeting life for hope and liberty.

Yet greater still the unseen war within,
Against the prince of darkness, death, and sin.
The battlefield is not of flesh alone,
But every soul before the Father's throne.

"Put on the whole armor of God" today,
That saints may stand when evil blocks the way.
The shield of faith, the sword the Spirit gives,
The truth of Christ by which the believer lives.

"Prepare for war!" the prophet's voice resounds,
Wake mighty men from sleep in every town.
Not rage of man, nor hatred's passing fire,
But holy hearts consumed with one desire:
To fight the good fight firmly to the end,
To keep the faith and on the Lord depend;
Though stumbling oft in weakness, grief, or night,
The Lord Himself shall yet become our light.

"Do not rejoice, O enemy," we cry,
For though cast down, again we shall arise.
Though darkness covers lands from shore to shore,
The King is coming back forevermore.

Then Memorial Day becomes a sign:
Earth's fading wars point to the war divine.
The trumpet soon may sound from heaven above,
And Christ shall gather all redeemed by love.

So honor those who gave their earthly breath,
Yet seek the One who conquered sin and death.
Stand watchful now until the skies unfold,
For faith is worth far more than earthly gold.

Until that day the saints press on in grace,
With steadfast hope to finally see His face.
And through the storm this anthem shall remain:
In God we trust — for Christ alone shall reign.

Pray for Syria, Russia, and Ukraine

Pray for all the chaplains who are being supported by FRM. These men are carrying heavy loads. They are ministering to the traumatized, the grieving, the exhausted, and the dying. They are pouring themselves out again and again. They need to be refreshed, strengthened, and reminded that they are not forgotten.

While much of the world talks, debates, and looks away, the Lord still calls His people to move toward the persecuted.

Wes Bentley

Wes Bentley
Far Reaching Ministries

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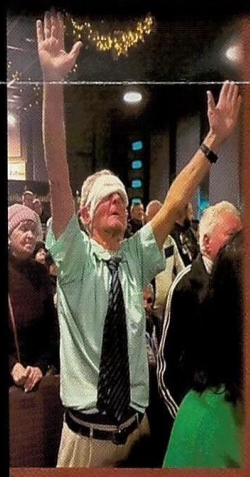


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Ruled by the Spirit

Emotion and money are gifts in our earthly life.
Through emotion we experience comfort and joy,
Sorrow and compassion, laughter and tears.
Without emotion, life becomes dry and colorless.

Money also serves an important purpose.
It provides food for the table,
Care for the sick, shelter for the family,
And support for the work entrusted to us.

Yet both emotion and money are dangerous masters.
When ruled by the flesh, they lead us astray.
Uncontrolled emotions bring anger, fear, jealousy, and despair.
Uncontrolled money brings greed, pride, and endless trouble.

The flesh pulls us away from God,
But the Spirit leads us into life and peace.
The flesh seeks its own desires,
But the Spirit seeks the will of God.

When emotion is controlled by the Spirit,
Love overcomes hatred,
Peace overcomes anxiety,
Patience overcomes frustration,
And joy remains even in the midst of trials.

When money is controlled by the Spirit,
It becomes a tool for righteousness,
A blessing to the needy,
And an offering that honors the Lord.

The Holy Spirit teaches us the way of Christ.
He reminds us of the words of our Lord, Guides us into truth,
He never speaks against the Holy Scriptures,
And leads us to search the Scriptures
That reveal the Savior from beginning to end.

Therefore let neither emotion nor money rule our lives.
Let the Spirit of God sit upon the throne of our hearts.
Then our emotions will reflect His love,
Our resources will serve His purpose,
And our lives will bring glory to His name.

What is governed by the flesh passes away,
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The rewards of this world fade and perish,
But the rewards of faithful obedience endure forever.

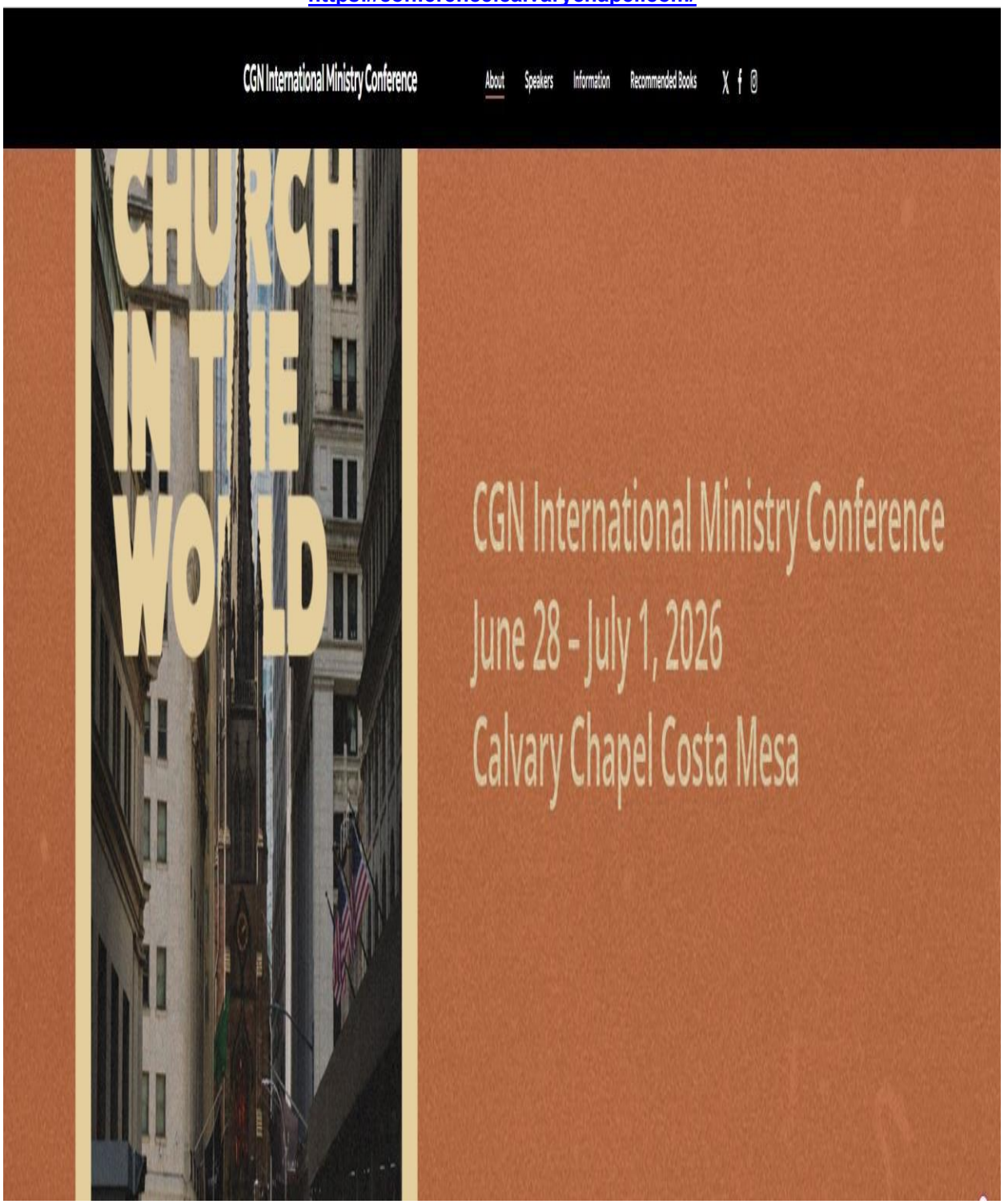
May our emotions be surrendered to the Spirit.
May our money be surrendered to the Spirit.
And may every part of our lives
Be ruled by the Lord who gave them.

Pray for CGN International Ministry Conferences (6/28 – 7/1/26)

"For Such & Time on This: The Church in the World"

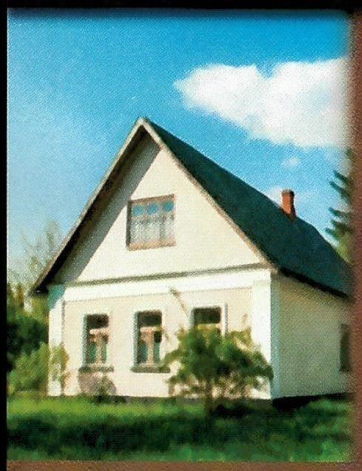
Even if we live in the world, our life should live in a way of Christ.

https://conference.calvarychapel.com/



Pray for Ukraine, Ministries and Ministers (e.g. Roman, The Elderly…)

HOME FOR ROMAN



Far Reaching Ministries was recently introduced to Roman, a disabled Ukrainian chaplain.

Although Roman was forced out of the military because of his injury, he did not leave the mission. He still goes to the front lines to minister to soldiers, pray with them, strengthen them, and share Christ with them.

Roman's disability income is only $250 a month. His wife and daughter live close to the fighting, and every day they live with the reality that they could be killed.

As the family of God, we want to care for this faithful man of God by buying a house for him.

We are raising $75,000 to purchase a house for Roman, his wife, and his daughter. The house will be a small, safe home far away from the constant threat of death.

Please stand with us to protect Roman's family and give them a safe home. If you would like to help, please mark ***"Home for Roman"*** on the enclosed gift card, along with your donation.

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Pray for Asia and Pastoral Training of Asia (PTA) ministries.

Pastoral Training of Asia
Ministering to Ministers

Dear Calvary Pastor, June 2026

55 RECEIVE JESUS! REMOTE ISLAND, ROMBLON Going to homes, a hospital and on the streets with our PTA Evangelism training and tracts proved fruitful. The tracts are in the Tagalog language, spoken on this island. There was joy for those who went, joy for the new believers and joy in heaven! A true triple blessing. If you need more joy in your walk, may I suggest this is the answer. Please PRAY for these new believers and the request for 7 new home Bible studies as these also bring fruit when people hear the Word, understand it and come to the Lord.

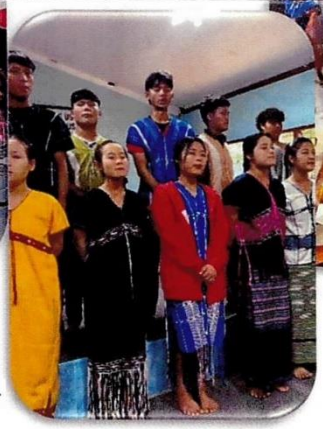


Worship and Teaching are foundations for the Seminars!

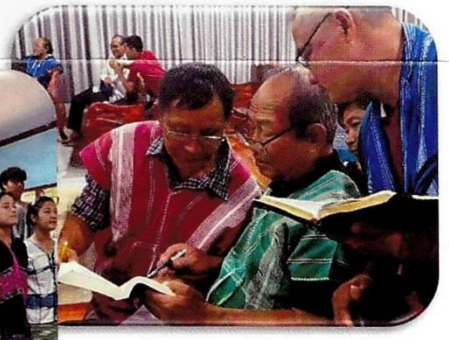
ON THE THAI/BURMA BORDER: JOY & EXCITEMENT OVERFLOWED Joy and excitement overflowed out the window! The truck, full of our students returned from sharing the Gospel in the village exuded "joy unspeakable and full of glory". Sharing with their own Karen people, Animist, Buddhist and nominal Christians, many precious seeds were planted, and many were prayed for. The Thai/Karen Bible School will now have monthly house to house evangelism as a part of their regular curriculum. A question for you: Is joy missing in your Christian walk? Here's a way to have joy, share your faith! Luke 10:17 **Please pray** for these seeds that they will grow.



Karen love to sing praises to the Lord!



Bible School students who are all from Burma.



Pastors sharing insights into the Word during our Inductive Method of Bible Study class.

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Life Is Too Short, Yet Not Empty
Youth blooms for a moment,
then fades like evening light.
Faces once bright with promise
grow lined beneath the passing years.

Life is brief,
too brief for bitterness,
too brief for endless grudges,
too brief to be consumed
by the opinions of others.

The world says,
"Let it be,"
and seek comfort while the days remain.
Yet time slips away,
and pleasure cannot stop its flight.

Without eternal hope,
the passing years become a fading shadow,
a journey ending where all earthly glory
returns to dust.

But true peace is found
not in surrendering to fate,
but in trusting the One
who holds every tomorrow.

The heart rests in unchanging truth,
casts away its burdens,
and walks a path directed from above.

Life is short,
yet not empty.
Life is fragile,
yet not meaningless.

Each day becomes a gift
to honor what is eternal,
to seek wisdom,
to walk in faith,
and to treasure what cannot perish.

Then "let it be"
is no longer resignation,
but quiet confidence—
resting in divine care,
guided by enduring truth,
and filled with a joy
the passing years cannot steal.

Baltic Sea Mission Prayer



Where church bells still echo
through ancient streets,
yet many hearts walk quietly alone,

we come not to condemn,
but to remember
the faith that once
set Europe aflame.

Martin Luther called,
"Back to the Bible."
John Calvin proclaimed
the majesty of God
and the authority of His Word.

Their witness still invites us:

To read the whole Bible,
in its true context,
finding Christ
from beginning to end,
and living His Word
each day.

May this generation
honor its Christian heritage,
renew its love for Scripture,
and follow the Gospel of Christ
with faithful hearts.

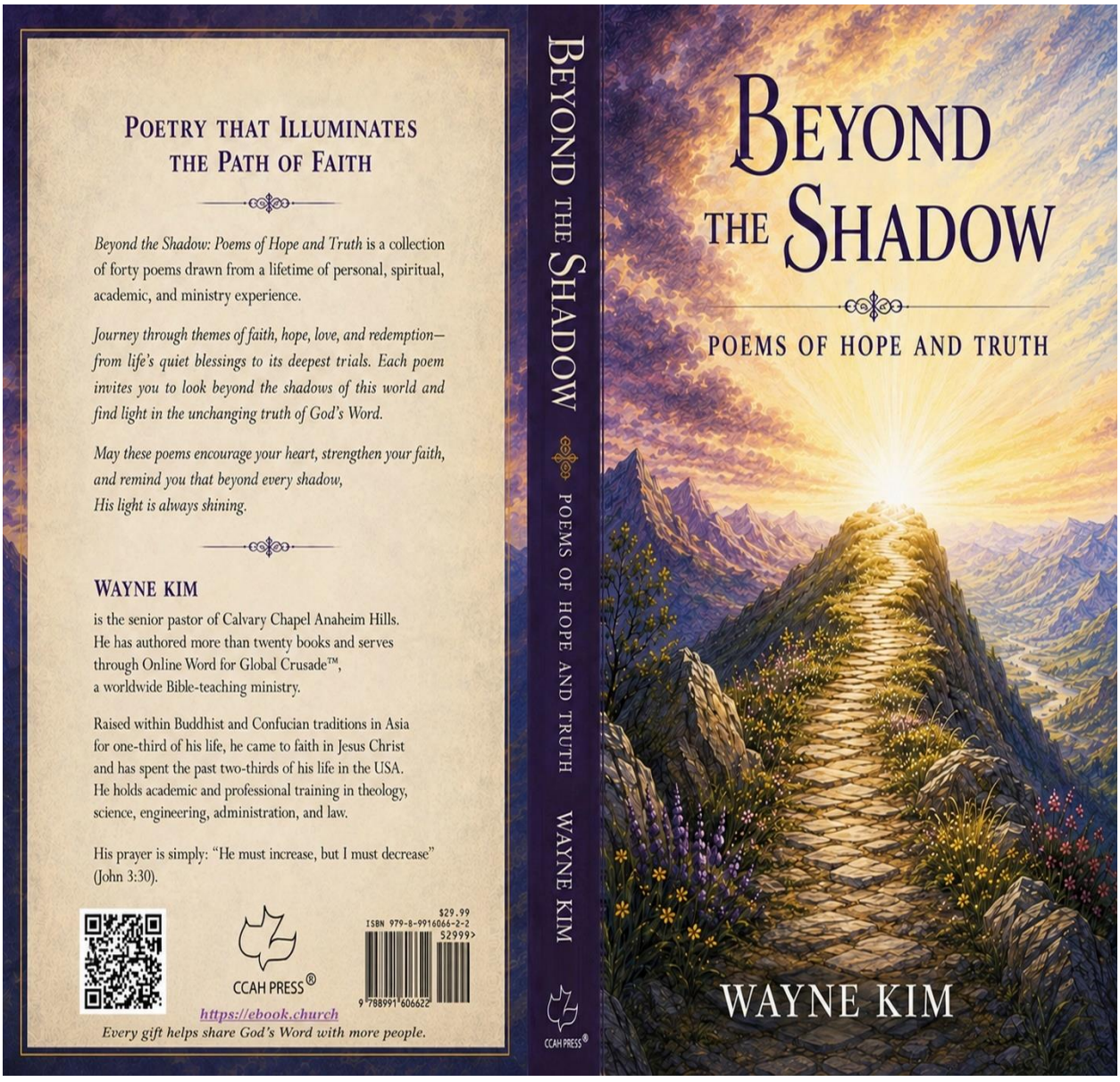
If the Lord permits,
may we proclaim His praises,
who called us
out of darkness
into His marvelous light—

bringing the whole Bible,
in context,
for daily life,
revealing Christ
in all Scripture
for every generation.

Baltic Mission Journey (9.1-9.12.26) has done by His grace and with His power, our sharing God's Word & Gospel of Christ through Mission Cards. Keep on Prayer for the souls.

Please pray for our Baltic Mission Journey (Sept. 3–11).

May God use *Beyond the Shadow* to share the hope of Jesus Christ, bring many to faith, and encourage believers to walk faithfully according to His Word.



Free eBook: https://ebook.church → All Products → *Beyond the Shadow* → Gift Code: *love* The Hardcover book available through participating bookstores and online retailers worldwide. Search by title, author, or ISBN to purchase it.

As debtors to God's agape love, CCAH joyfully shares this hardcover book with you as an expression of gratitude and encouragement, praying that you will continue to walk faithfully with the Lord where He has placed you.

August 24, 2026

3 things: God's faithful Work

Brothers and sisters in Christ:
Greetings in the Lord.

I want to take a moment to share how God has been so faithfully at work through **our direct ministry**, which is the ministry carried out according to God's direct will, while permissive ministry is ministry carried out according to God's permissive will. **Much like Andrew**, who was directed to bring joyfully the boy's five loaves and two fish to Jesus (not Philip's economic view), we are watching the Lord perform amazing things when we put our resources straight into His hands!

Over the past few months, CCAH faced three major operational challenges, but God provided clear solutions for each one:

Post Office: When our local branch post office, which we had used for more than 20 years, closed, God provided a larger mailbox at the main Anaheim Hills post office, including a street-address permit—and the first month was free.

Web Hosting: After 20 years with our previous host, whose prices had risen significantly because our storage and traffic exceeded its service limits. We successfully moved to InterServer $20/month with no memory or traffic limits.

Book Distribution & Storage: To avoid rising Amazon storage fees, which we had used for more than 15 years, we transitioned to IngramSpark, a major global distribution platform serving Amazon, universities, bookstores, and other retailers worldwide. There are no storage fees, and our Poetry collection is now available on wholesale worldwide!

Through each challenge, **the Lord has faithfully provided** not only what was needed, but graciously something far better for His glory. **Soli Deo Gloria**!

Please join us in praying that many will come to know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, grounded in all of Scripture to know Him more intimately. Please also keep our Baltic mission journey (Sept 3–11) in your prayers as we prepare to share His truth.

Let us all continue to love the Lord above all else and truly enjoy the life He has blessed us with for His glory!

With love,

Bro Wayne 🙏

Pray Chaplains in S Sudan and Others in Africa

FAR REACHING MINISTRIES



THE LINE OF NEW CADETS GOES ON TO THE HORIZON

DANGER DOES NOT MATTER

Eighty Far Reaching Ministries (FRM) chaplains have lost their lives in the service of Christ. They knew the ground was dangerous, but the mission was critical, and it came before their own safety.

Right now, 135 chaplain cadets are in training. We began with 150 candidates, but 15 have already dropped out due to the rigorous nature of the training, and it is intended to be this way. Our standard cannot be lowered, because the battlefield is merciless and unforgiving. When I joined the Marines and went through boot camp, I believe we lost about 20 percent of the men because the training was simply too hard.

There comes a point when a man must take command of his mind, even when everything in his body is telling him to stop, and our chaplains are trained to do the same. They must be able to hold steady when artillery fire is close, when men around them are wounded and dying, and when every instinct tells them to run. They must be prepared to move toward the battle and stand in the gap for the wounded and dying, especially when death is near for a dying soldier. I believe the difficulty of the chaplain cadet training is one reason we have lost 80 men—not 180.

GO INTO ALL THE WORLD AND MAKE DISCIPLES

I hear the same testimony from our chaplains again and again. In the worst combat conditions, when every visible route of escape was gone, and death seemed a foregone conclusion, they relied on the training they had received and chose to trust the Lord. And that very trust moved the hand of God to work powerfully and deliver them. Faith is not pretending the danger is not there: faith is obeying God when danger is all you can see.

One of those men was Chaplain Ahmed Abdula, C00201, from the Nuba Mountains. He graduated with Class Four and served faithfully for

Pray for Iranians, especially Christians.

IRAN'S CHURCH:

A Blessing Amid War

In 2026, conflict has brought fear, grief, and deep uncertainty to many across Iran.

For members of the country's growing underground church, these realities have been no different. They, too, have experienced loss, disruption, and anxiety about the future. At times, the circumstances have seemed far removed from anything that could be called a blessing.

And yet, across Iran—as leaders have held to the conviction that God still intends to bless—a different story has unfolded. In quiet, often unseen ways, many believers have continued to follow Jesus, turning to His Word, loving their neighbors, and sharing the Gospel. In doing so, they have become channels of God's blessing in the very places where it seems least likely. Here are three of their stories.

For more, listen to the 'Iran's Church Amid War' series of the *Jesus Speaks Farsi* podcast



Ali

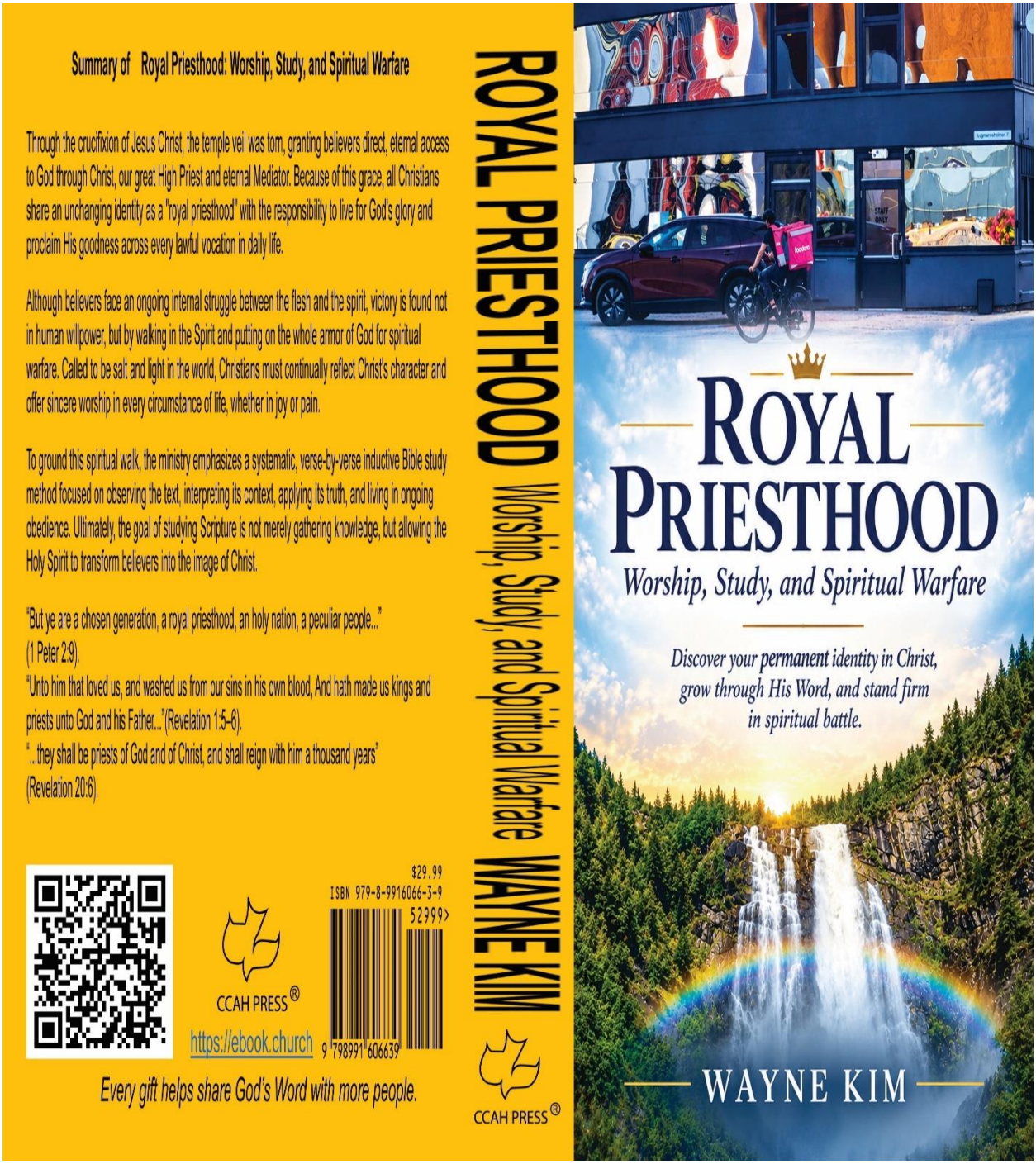
Rooted in the Word, Praying for His Enemies

When internet access was cut off in the early days of the war, new believer Ali was initially unsettled. Without it, his mind felt restless—like an addict searching for something to read or watch. But after a few days, he turned to his Bible. He began to read it slowly, word by word, listening for the voice of Jesus.

As he read, he felt the words were speaking directly to him—as if written for this very moment in his life. One day, he began to weep while reading. He found himself praying for people in the regime, asking Jesus to forgive them. To his surprise, a deep love rose in his heart—a genuine compassion and desire for them to know Christ, despite all the suffering they had meted out.

Ali says he can hardly believe this change in himself—that, on most days at least, he can love those he once feared. He now finds himself continually drawn into conversation with Jesus, delighting in His Word. Many Iranian believers, like Ali, are going deep into God's Word in difficult days.

The Verse by Verse Exposition Annual Book **(9/21/25 – 9/13/26) has been published. The book cover attached. A free copy is available upon request. Please pray for this ministry—that many will draw closer to Christ and grow in God's Word. https://ebook.church/product/royal-priesthood-worship-study-and-spiritual-warfare/**



Pray for 2026 CCA West Coast Conference.
Monday, Oct 26, 2026 10:00 AM - Wednesday, Oct 28, 2026 12:00 PM PDT [Calvary Chapel Golden Springs](#) Let's join if the Lord permits.
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