

“Continue Earnestly in Prayer” Colossians 4:1-18 10/20/24

Today, we'd like to see the title of “Continue Earnestly in Prayer” in Colossians 4:1-18.

To the souls on this Online Word *through Podcast or YouTube Channel*, on the earth, we'd like to suggest the 3 expositional Questions. (**Maranatha Worship Songs**).

Videos are watchable upon the click on the website).

Q1. In verse 1 “Masters, give your bondservants what is just and fair, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven,” what does it mean in the context? And how can we apply it to our lives?

Q2. In verse 2, “Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving,” what does it mean? And what can we learn from here?

Q3. In verse 17, “And say to Archippus, ‘Take heed to the ministry which you have received in the Lord, that you may fulfill it,’” what does it mean? And how can we learn from here?

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

Paul as an arrestee is writing this letter to Colossians while in Acts 28:16, 30-31, “¹⁶ Now when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard; but Paul was permitted to dwell by himself with the soldier who guarded him. ³⁰ Then Paul dwelt two whole years in his own rented house, and received all who came to him, ³¹ preaching the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no one forbidding him.”

Paul's Mission Trips Acts – (1st) 13:1-14:28; (2nd) 15:36-18:22; (3rd) 18:23-21:16; (4th) 21:17-28:31 4th Mission Trip (as an arrestee) (58-63 AD)

In the 4th mission or last mission trip as an arrestee, Paul's Preaching from Jerusalem, Caesarea, and Rome. Acts 21 -28 Jews from Asia caused a turmoil (Acts 21:27) -> 2 centurions/chief captain-> Preaching in Hebrew to the Jews (Acts 22) -> Roman citizenship claim (Acts 22:25) -> Preaching in Sanhedrin court (Acts 23 – dissension between the Pharisees and the Sadducees about resurrection (23:6)) -> Chief captain -> Caesarea (Preaching before Governor Felix (Acts 24); Governor Festus “Appeal to Caesar” (Acts 25), & Herod Agrippa (Acts 26) --

https://calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/IPET/20200220_001422.jpg) -> Sail to Rome with a centurion Augustus (Acts 27) -> arrested/ imprisoned at a House in Rome for 2 years (Acts 28:16, 30) ---- Letters from his imprisoned status at a house in Rome (62-63 AD): Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, & Philemon (64-65 AD) Released; 1 Timothy (64 AD); Titus (65 AD) (66-68 AD) The letter from his dungeon the Mamertine prison in Rome; 2 Timothy – “the time of my departure” (4:6), and Paul was beheaded by Roman Emperor Nero

Source: <https://calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/Paul/2023PaulFoot.pdf>

In the last time, in Colossians 3:25, “But he who does wrong will be repaid for what he has done, and there is no partiality,” Since the master of masters too is Jesus Christ, masters should do heartily as to the Lord, not to men in verse 23. So, be impartial, equal, fair. or just to slaves.

Don't threaten them or wrong to them. If so, you will be punished from their master Jesus Christ in heaven. When we stand before God, we all, either master or slave, stand on the same level.

In verse 13, Colosse was close to Laodicea (a few miles or km in NW) and to Hierapolis (5 miles or 8 km in North)

7 Churches in Revelation



Source: <https://travellingpioneers.com/>

(Revelation 1:19-20) "Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this. ²⁰ The mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands which you saw are the seven churches." In 100 miles or 175 km away from Ephesus in SW, Patmos island where John the Apostle was exiled under Domitian in 95 AD is there. (Ephesus church -loveless; Smyrna-persecuted; Pergamos-compromising;Thyatira-corrupt;Sardis-dead;Philadelphia-faithful;Laodicea-lukewarm -- the 7 churches where John likely had ministered. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IOnQdfjBys>

<p>¹Masters, give your bondservants what is just and fair, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven.</p>	<p>1=Q1 (Then, master-slave relationship was today employer-employee relationship. The master in heaven is the Lord Jesus Christ the Savior in both spiritual & physical worlds. Like the centurion's belief of Jesus's authority over his authority about Jesus' healing his ill servant, there is the chain of command and authority. Maybe you are the owner of the business, yet we are going to one day answer to the Lord. So, a master or employer should treat a slave or employee justly, fairly, or equally. E.g., A decision maker will have to answer to God for the millions of babies that have been aborted as a result of that decision. <i>Mat 8:8-10</i>¹)</p>
<p>²Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving;</p>	<p>2= Q2 (To continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant [watch] in the prayer means to communicate with the Lord seriously and watchfully. Prayer changes things but it doesn't change God's mind. Further the purposes of God are placed upon our hearts during prayer. Prayer opens the door to allow God to do it for God will not violate the free will. During prayer, your desire becomes God's purpose or God's desire. So, God gives you the desire of your heart. E.g. Hannah's prayer for a baby became her heart to dedicate Samuel to the Lord – as the last judge -- during Judges time of Israel history; the Lord's healing Lazarus after his death in order to get His greater glory, responded to his family's prayer request for his healing; So, continue in prayer, don't stop praying. Don't give up. Pray seriously in your communication with the Lord and watch for God's voice in your heart. Being vigilant in it with thanksgiving. Rejoice, Pray, and Thanks always is the will of God. We can give thanks always because ultimately God has handled whatever issues to work together for good according to His purpose as long as you love Him and you are called, even in so difficult hardships or situations. So, we can thank the Lord always. <i>Psalm 37:4; John 15:16; 1 Sam 1:28; John 11:43-44; Mat 26:40-41; 1 Thess 5:16-18; Rom 8:28</i>²)</p>

¹ *Mat 8:8-10* The centurion answered and said, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹ For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this *one*, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does *it*." ¹⁰ When Jesus heard *it*, He marveled, and said to those who followed, "Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!"

² *Psalm 37:4* Delight yourself also in the Lord, And He shall give you the desires of your heart; *John 15:16* You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you.; *1 Sam 1:28* Therefore I also have lent him to the Lord; as long as he lives he shall be lent to the Lord." So they worshiped the Lord there; *John 11:43-44* ³ Now when He had said these things, He cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth!" ⁴⁴ And he who had died came out bound hand and foot with graveclothes, and his face was wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Loose him, and let him go; *Mat 26:40-41* Then He came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, "What! Could you not watch with Me one hour? ⁴¹ Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak; *1 Thess 5:16-18* Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray without ceasing, ¹⁸ in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you; *Rom 8:28* And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to *His* purpose.

<p>³ meanwhile praying also for us, that God would open to us a door for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in chains, ⁴ that I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.</p> <p>⁵ Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time.</p> <p>⁶ <i>Let</i> your speech always <i>be</i> with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one. ⁷ Tychicus, a beloved brother, faithful minister, and fellow servant in the Lord, will tell you all the news about me. ⁸ I am sending him to you for this very purpose, that he may know your circumstances and comfort your hearts,</p>	<p>3-4= (The “mystery of Christ” is the good news of Christ for salvation. Paul and his co-ministers delivered the gospel to the world through his mission trips. Now Paul as an arrestee “in chains” at Rome asked Christians in Colosse to pray for them to speak the gospel clearly – your personal salvation by grace upon faith alone -- to the world ruled by Roman empire. As his prayer request, Paul “preached the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no one forbidding him” in Acts 28:31. <i>Eph 2:8³</i>)</p> <p>5= (Live wisely toward those who are outside of divine wisdom, and save your life time. With those who are lost, dismayed, are the least, or lack the wisdom of God – today there are more Christians than we often realize, but only a few are truly Bible-based Christians -- share His words in the gospel and in all the Scripture, as much as possible but as light as possible with the world. That’s you redeems your left life time on the earth.. https://calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/GoodNews.htm <i>1 Cor 3:19; 1 Cor 1:25⁴</i>)</p> <p>6= (The salvation is by grace, not by human works but through faith. You should share it, properly according to the Lord’s direction – seasoned with salt, with the hearer, who might understand it and be able to believe it by His grace)</p> <p>7=(Tychicus as Paul’s faithful co-minister in the Lord was a deliverer of the epistles of Colossians and Ephesians. In Paul’s 3rd mission tour, Tychicus also delivered the donation to the church in Jerusalem with Paul. <i>Eph 6:21-22; Acts 20:4⁵</i>)</p> <p>8= (Tychicus was delivering this letter to you, that he may know your circumstances, to be circulated with us in Rome, and comforting your hearts)</p>
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³ *Eph 2:8* For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God,

⁴ *1 Cor 3:19* For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, “He catches the wise in their *own* craftiness”; *1 Cor 1:25* Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

⁵ *Eph 6:21-22* But that you also may know my affairs *and* how I am doing, Tychicus, a beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, will make all things known to you; ²² whom I have sent to you for this very purpose, that you may know our affairs, and *that* he may comfort your hearts; *Acts 20:4* And Sopater of Berea accompanied him to Asia—also Aristarchus and Secundus of the Thessalonians, and Gaius of Derbe, and Timothy, and Tychicus and Trophimus of Asia.

<p>⁹ with Onesimus, a faithful and beloved brother, who is <i>one</i> of you. They will make known to you all things which <i>are happening</i> here.</p> <p>¹⁰ Aristarchus my fellow prisoner greets you, with Mark the cousin of Barnabas (about whom you received instructions: if he comes to you, welcome him),</p> <p>¹¹ and Jesus who is called Justus.</p> <p>These <i>are my</i> only fellow workers for the kingdom of God who are of the circumcision; they have proved to be a comfort to me.</p>	<p>9= (Onesimus was at one time a slave of Philemon. Onesimus ran away from Colosse. Somehow in Rome he met Paul and was converted, becoming Paul's co-minister. Paul sent his letter to Philemon to forgive Onesimus as his spiritual son. Onesimus will tell you about all happenings to Paul in Rome. <i>Phm 1:10-11, 16⁶</i>)</p> <p>10=(Aristarchus as a Macedonian or a Greek was Paul's co-minister and co-prisoner. He as Paul's travel companion was seized in the riot at Ephesus in Paul's 3rd mission trip. He and Tychicus were with Paul in Greece. He went to Rome with Paul. Mark John the nephew of Barnabas was with Paul in his 1st mission trip, quitting the trip for unknown reasons. Mark separated from Paul in Paul's 2nd mission trip, sailing with Barnabas in Cyprus. Later, in Paul's 4th mission trip, Mark and Paul were reconciled. Mark also had ministered with Peter, writing the Gospel of Mark. <i>Acts 19:29; Acts 20:4; Acts 27:2; Acts 12:25; Acts 13:13; Acts 15:39; Phm 1:24; Acts 12:12-13; 1 Peter 5:13⁷</i>)</p> <p>11=(Jesus was a common name. Jesus is the Greek name for the Hebrew name, like Jesus of Nazareth. Justus also was Paul's co-minister. Jesus called Justus as a Jew lived next to the synagogue in Corinth. Paul met him in his 1st visit at Corinth in his 2nd mission trip. <i>Acts 18:7⁸</i>)</p>
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⁶ *Phm 1:10-11, 16* ¹⁰ I appeal to you for my son Onesimus, whom I have begotten *while* in my chains, ¹¹ who once was unprofitable to you, but now is profitable to you and to me. ¹⁶ no longer as a slave but more than a slave—a beloved brother, especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

⁷ *Acts 19:29* So the whole city was filled with confusion, and rushed into the theater with one accord, having seized Gaius and Aristarchus, Macedonians, Paul's travel companions; *Acts 20:4* And Sopater of Berea accompanied him to Asia—also Aristarchus and Secundus of the Thessalonians, and Gaius of Derbe, and Timothy, and Tychicus and Trophimus of Asia; *Acts 27:2* So, entering a ship of Adramyttium, we put to sea, meaning to sail along the coasts of Asia. Aristarchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica, was with us; *Acts 12:25* And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem when they had fulfilled *their* ministry, and they also took with them John whose surname was Mark; *Acts 13:13* Now when Paul and his party set sail from Paphos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia; and John, departing from them, returned to Jerusalem; *Acts 15:39* Then the contention became so sharp that they parted from one another. And so Barnabas took Mark and sailed to Cyprus ; *Phm 1:24* as *do* Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, Luke, my fellow laborers; *Acts 12:12-13* So, when he had considered *this*, he came to the house of Mary, the mother of John whose surname was Mark, where many were gathered together praying. ¹³ And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a girl named Rhoda came to answer; *1 Peter 5:13* She who is in Babylon, elect together with *you*, greets you; and so *does* Mark my son.

⁸ *Acts 18:7* And he departed from there and entered the house of a certain *man* named Justus, *one* who worshiped God, whose house was next door to the synagogue.

<p>¹² Epaphras, who is <i>one</i> of you, a bondservant of Christ, greets you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that you may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.</p> <p>¹³ For I bear him witness that he has a great zeal for you, and those who are in Laodicea, and those in Hierapolis.</p> <p>¹⁴ Luke the beloved physician and Demas greet you.</p> <p>¹⁵ Greet the brethren who are in Laodicea, and Nymphas and the church that <i>is</i> in his house.</p> <p>¹⁶ Now when this epistle is read among you, see that it is read also in the church of the Laodiceans, and that you likewise read the <i>epistle</i> from Laodicea.</p>	<p>12=(Epaphras as Paul's co-minister was a faithful work minister to the Colossian church, fervently praying and building up Colossians to be mature to the body of Christ <i>Col 1:7⁹</i>)</p> <p>13= (Epaphras' report to Paul had caused this letter of Paul in Rome, including near local churches – Laodicea and Hierapolis; Colosse was close to Laodicea, a few miles or km in NW, and to Hierapolis, 5 miles or 8 km in North; See above map 7 churches in Revelation)</p> <p>14=(Luke the gentile physician is the author of the gospel of Luke and the book of Acts. Luke spent much time with Paul in Paul's 3rd and 4th mission trips and in the last Mamertine prison at Rome. Demas later forsook Paul due to love for the world. 2 <i>Tim 4:10-11¹⁰</i>)</p> <p>15= (The early churches had met in the homes until the 3rd century. Nymphas had a house church.)</p> <p>16= (Exchange this letter with the church in Laodicea)</p>
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⁹ *Col 1:7* as you also learned from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf,
¹⁰ 2 *Tim 4:10-11* for Demas has forsaken me, having loved this present world, and has departed for Thessalonica—Crescens for Galatia, Titus for Dalmatia. ¹¹ Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful to me for ministry

<p>17 And say to Archippus, "Take heed to the ministry which you have received in the Lord, that you may fulfill it."</p> <p>18 This salutation by my own hand—</p> <p>Paul. Remember my chains.</p> <p>Grace <i>be</i> with you. Amen.</p>	<p>17=Q3 (A good exhortation. Paul exhorted Archippus as a fellow soldier to complete the work he had received in the Lord. He likely had a church meeting in his house. It was probably that of teaching the whole Bible study in his house. What is the ministry that God has called you to do? Everyone of us has a ministry in the body of Christ. We are all a part of the body, "taken a piece of bread, a part of broken body". And each of us has a place of ministry in the body. But we have many ways to leave our works according to each calling, unfinished such as exhaustion, disinterests, factions, angers, laziness, retirement, habits, etc. Be exhorted with this verse! <i>Phm 1:2; Eph 4:11-12¹¹</i>)</p> <p>18= (Due to his eye problem, "a thorn in the flesh...a messenger of Satan," Paul probably dictated his letter to a scribe or stenographer but he ended with his own handwriting for authentication purpose. Remember my chains or my arrest. May Grace be with you. Amen. <i>2 Cor 12:7; 1 Cor 16:21; Gal 6:11; Rom 16:22¹²</i>)</p>
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Note: Most Christians say the Bible is important, but rarely study every word in the Bible and commit it to the Lord. 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 Bible 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 NKJV 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 Bible is the Bible per se. But the opinion to make us understand God's Word is acceptable (*2 Corinthians 10:5*). Further, for 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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Truth matters, regardless of online, offline, indoor, outdoor, at sea, or in sky services.

¹¹ *Phm 1:2* to the beloved Apphia, Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: *Eph 4:11-12* And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, ¹² for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,

¹² *1 Cor 12:7* And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. *1 Cor 16:21* The salutation with my own hand—Paul's; *Gal 6:11* See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand!; *Rom 16:22* I, Tertius, who wrote *this* epistle, greet you in the Lord.



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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 Bible-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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"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>

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Christian Population By Country

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

North America <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United States: 230 million • Canada: 22 million • Mexico: 120 million 	Europe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 	Asia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Philippines: 90 million • China: 70 million • India: 31 million • Indonesia: 25 million • South Korea: 15 million • Vietnam: 7 million • Kazakhstan: 4 million 	Africa <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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
Central America and the Caribbean <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guatemala: 13 million • Honduras: 7 million • El Salvador: 6 million • Nicaragua: 5 million • Cuba: 6 million • Dominican Republic: 9 million • Haiti: 6 million 	Middle East <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Egypt: 10 million • Lebanon: 2 million • Iraq: 0.5 million • Syria: 0.5 million • Jordan: 0.4 million 	Oceania <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australia: 14 million • Papua New Guinea: 8 million • New Zealand: 2 million • Fiji: 0.6 million 	<p>“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).</p> <p>Note: there are more Christians than we often realize, but only a few are truly Bible-based Christians.</p>
South America <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brazil: 180 million • Argentina: 35 million • Colombia: 35 million • Peru: 25 million • Venezuela: 25 million • Chile: 16 million 			<p>Sources: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christianity_by_country; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hQBeX0M3EgQ</p>

Delivery of the words of God

in the Gospel and in all the Scripture

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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).

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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).

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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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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

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Peru -- Timothy Kim, J Y Oh..... 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

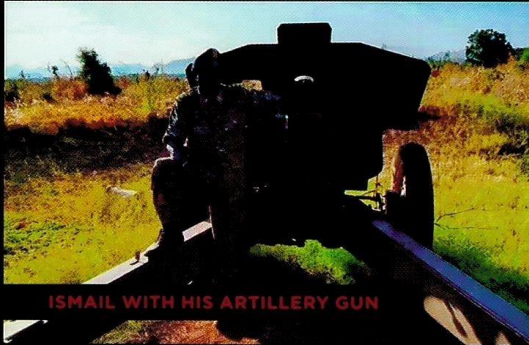
United Arab Emirates – Simon Baek MAP

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."*

See <https://calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/missioncountries.htm>

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



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

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.

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



NEW CHURCH BUILT BY JOSHUA SPRINGS CALVARY CHAPEL AND JEREL HAGERMAN

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.

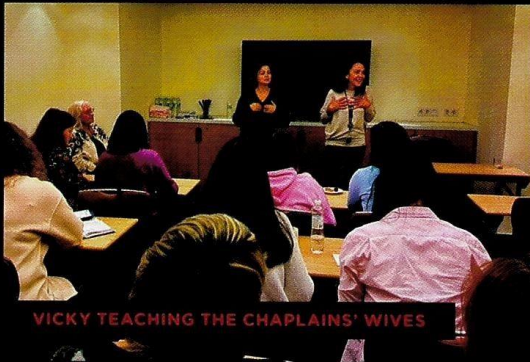
He never knew the comforts of this world but will know great peace throughout eternity, having given his all to protect his people and serve Christ.

Wes Bentley

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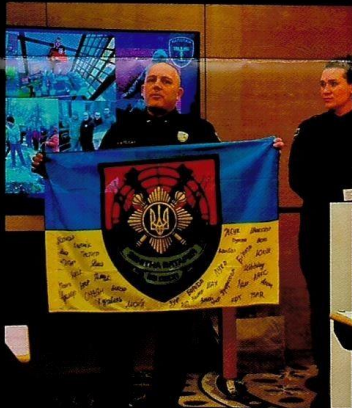
Pray for Abandoned children in Ukraine and for His increase



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.



CHAPLAINS AT FRONT REACHING MANY

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.

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.,

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FORCED UPON THEM**

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.

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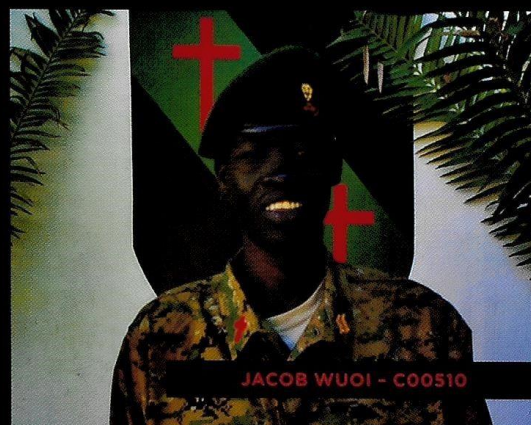


PASTOR LLOYD TRAINING CHAPLAINS IN UKRAINE

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 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.

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 Bibles & 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 Bible 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 (Ekklesia) 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 Philipppians 4:15-19 & for charity in Matthew 25:40) based upon our faith of "one church (Ekklesia) on the earth" -- the holy universal church, not unholy ecumenical church -- (e.g. 1st Quarter 2014, 43.15%; 4th 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).

CCAHA 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

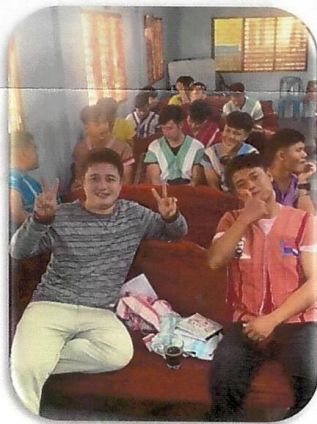
ON OUR WAY TO CLASS A WILD ELEPHANT CROSSED THE ROAD. What a sight! Only tourists want to see wild elephants, not so with the locals, as they can be incredibly destructive, in some cases kill humans. On the Thai/Burma border many elephants come from Burma as they often are poached but are protected in 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.

SORROW GREETES 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.

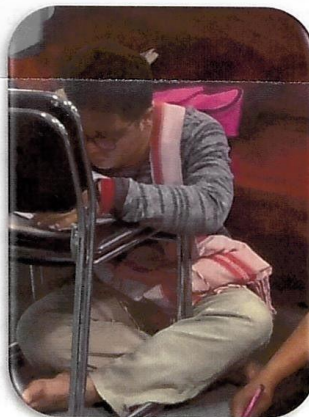


This mother survived the accident, but her son did not.

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.

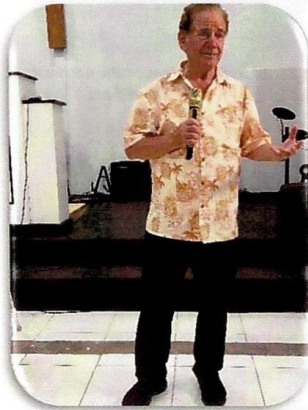


.... Girls on the other!

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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.



CALVARY CHAPEL KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE : 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.

Pastors & wives at the Sumatra PTA Seminar

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

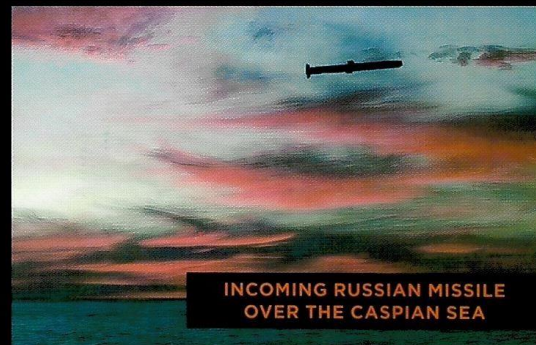
Pray for Ukrainians to be Protected from Explosions and for Peace in Christ

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.

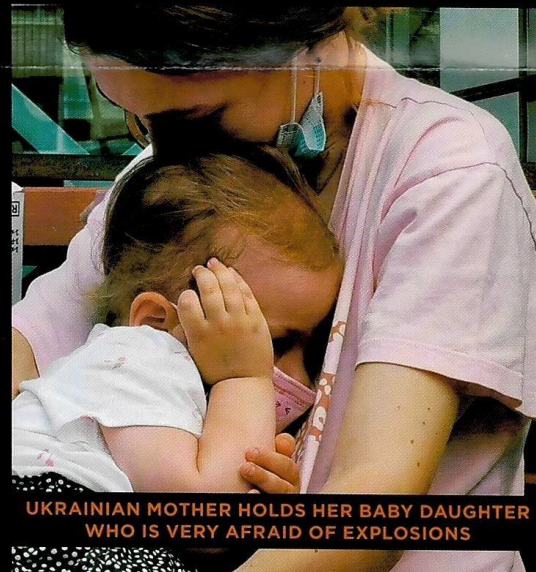


At this moment in our conversation, I knew this was a time to give them something of substance that they could relate to. I said that at the future chaplain training school there would be a large aquarium, and, on the bottom, there would be a sunken battleship with the word Moskva on it. I knew that 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.



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.



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



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.

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.

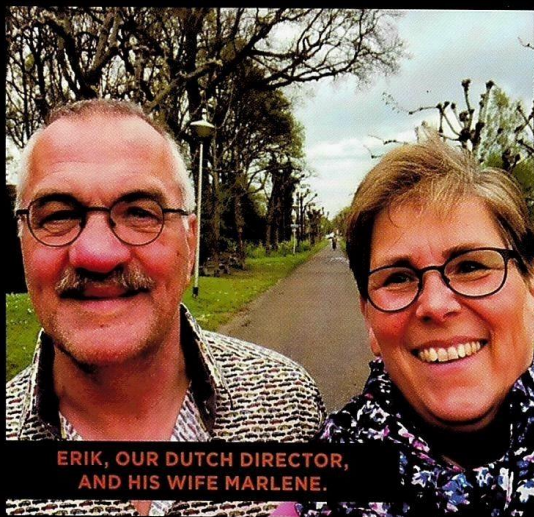
**I PRAY YOU JOIN US
IN SAVING AS MANY
AS POSSIBLE**

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 Hans'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.**

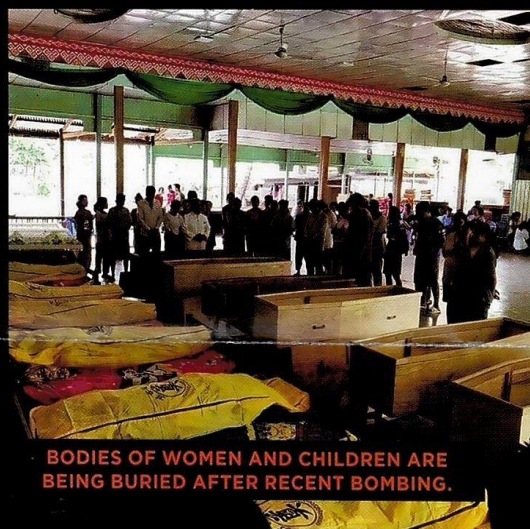
Unfortunately, Erik, the director of the Dutch office, had a heart attack at age 63 and went home to be with the Lord. It was a shock to all of us, and the Dutch office is having to deal with such a great loss. We gave his

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wife, Marlène, 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 (CCA) 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.

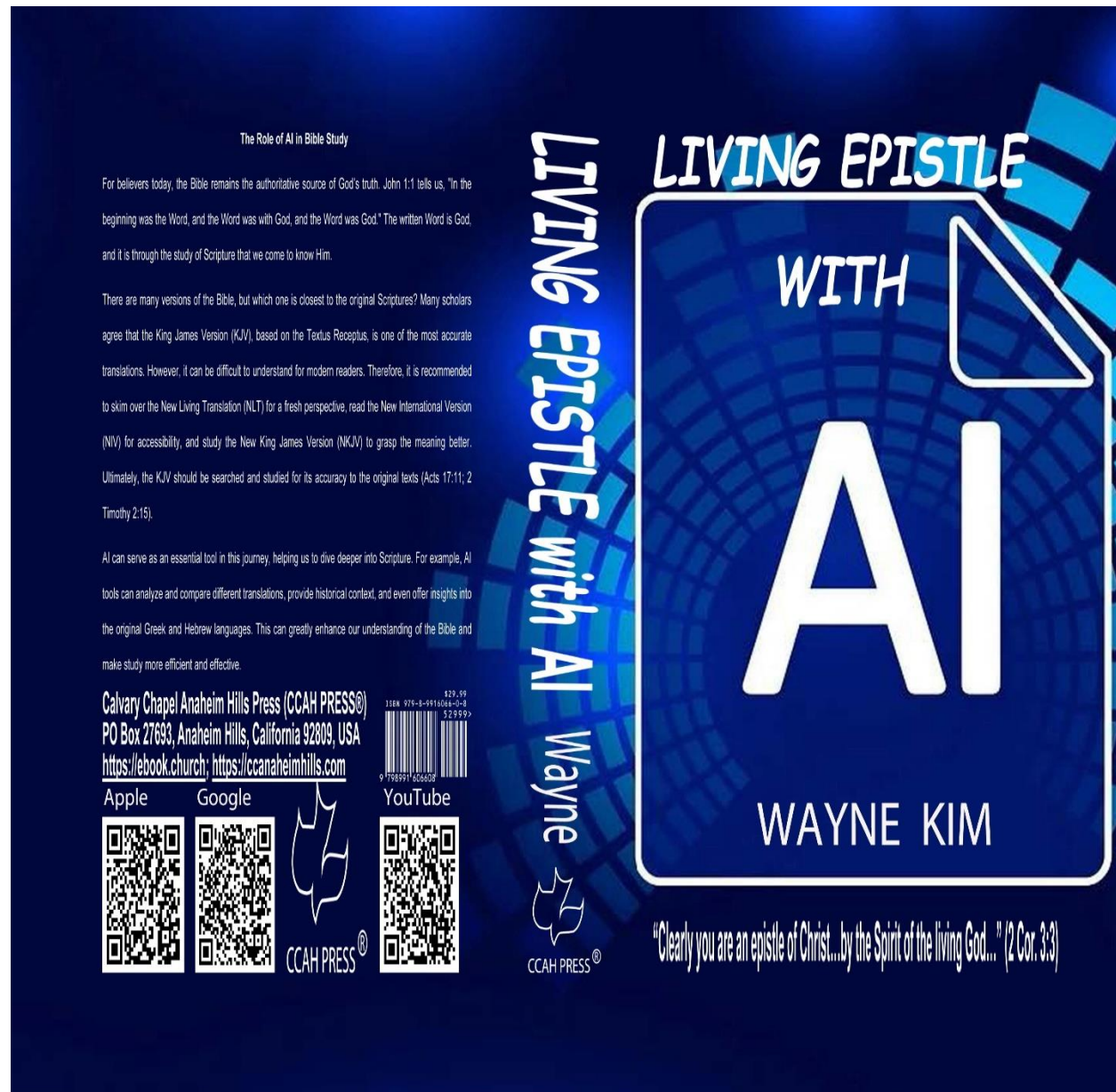
3. A Donation Basket or Online Donation Button as a Reflection of Your Love for God

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.

CCA 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.


<https://ccanaheimhills.com/offering.htm>

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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 expansion (e.g., Russia, Georgia...)



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.

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.

**GOING WHERE FEW
WOULD DARE TO GO**

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.

