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In this Prayer Dispatch...

- I. **Prayer Requests: As you minister with us throughout the world through your intercessions please allow the accompanying passages from the Word of God to guide your prayers**

2 Corinthians 1:11 "you also joining in helping us through your prayers, so that thanks may be given by many persons on our behalf for the favor bestowed on us through the prayers of many."

- A. **Please pray through the Parable of the Sower. As you do pray against the impediments to the preaching of the holy, eternal, inerrant written Word of God and pray for the blessing of the same.**

Mark 4:14-20

- 14 *"The sower sows the word.*
- 15 *"These are the ones who are beside the road where the word is sown; and when they hear, immediately Satan comes and takes away the word which has been sown in them."*
- 16 & 17 *"In a similar way these are the ones on whom seed was sown on the rocky places, who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with joy; and they have no firm root in themselves, but are only temporary; then, when affliction or persecution arises because of the word, immediately they fall away. "*
- 18 & 19 *"And others are the ones on whom seed was sown among the thorns; these are the ones who have heard the word, but the worries of*

the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things enter in and choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.

- 20 *"And those are the ones on whom seed was sown on the good soil; and they hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirty, sixty, and a hundredfold."*

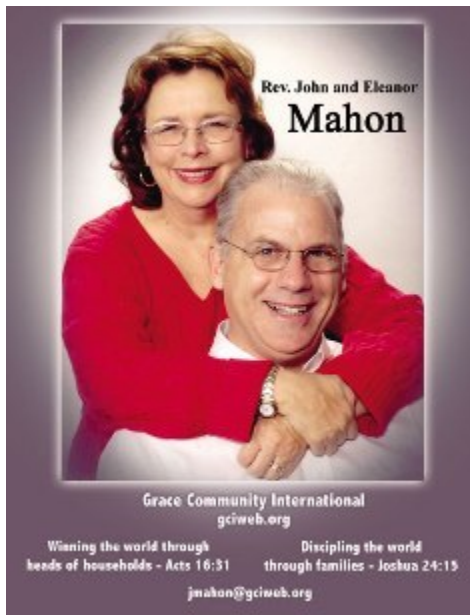
B. Ask God to bless the ministry of Dan McCollum and Rich and Kathy Smith.

- John 15:16 " You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and that your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you."*

C. That God would bless the ministry materially, that we might in turn bless those to whom we minister.

Psalms 67:6-7

- 6 *The earth has yielded its produce; God, our God, blesses us .*
- 7 *God blesses us , That all the ends of the earth may fear Him.*



Dear Prayer Warriors,

Our Packing Party was a great success! Thank you for praying. In addition to this our Cameroonian Visas arrived – again your prayers came through on this one. As the time nears for our departure we ask that you go before us in prayer and ask that God empower the preaching and teaching of His holy, eternal, inerrant, written Word.



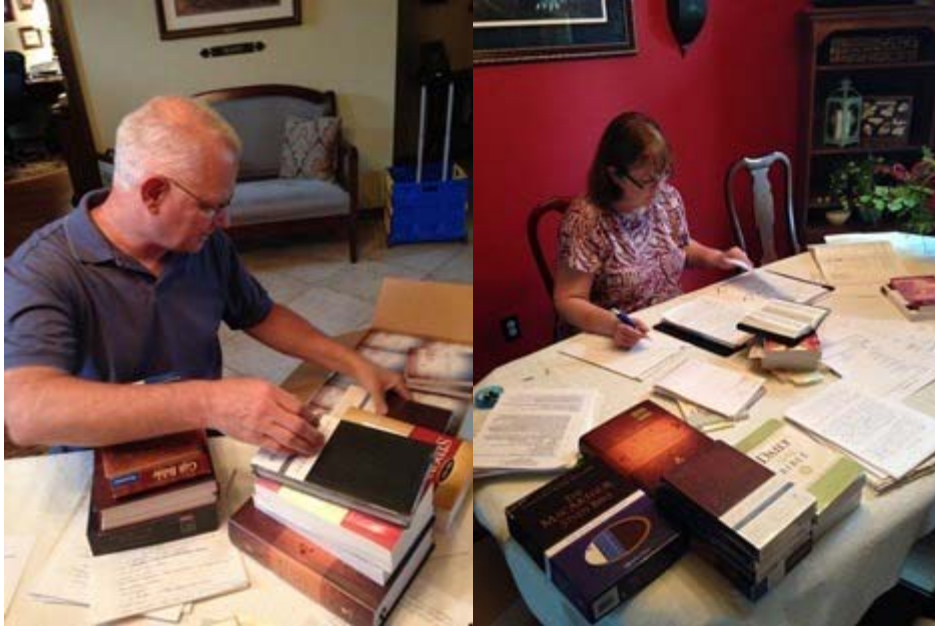


We got all boxes sorted, packed, sealed, weighed, labeled and ready to go. Hats off to Mark Brooks, friend of over 20 years and veteran of countless Packing Parties.



Megan, Rowena Brooks, Pam Stephens all pitched in to get admin work done before our departure

One of the high points of the Packing Party is the prayer time at the end where we gather to dedicate the Word of God and our labors to the Lord.



Meanwhile in Edmond, Oklahoma Rich and Kathy Smith were hard at work getting their boxes and materials together. Rich and Kathy have ministered in both Cameroon and Kenya with GCI and have taken countless Bibles, Bible study aids and Bible reference works to Africa.



While up in Minnesota Judy McCollum was getting her husband Dan's boxes ready for Cameroon. Dan and Judy have ministered with GCI in Kenya, Zambia and Cameroon. They are old Africa hands in terms of this missionary stuff.

I close this e-mail, as always, with a deep and abiding thankfulness for your sacrificial and effectual prayers, which empower and drive this ministry ever forward in the cause of Christ.

By His mercy,
II Corinthians 4:1
Rev. John S. Mahon

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Please allow me to close this dispatch with a hymn from my prayer notebook that has been especially meaningful to me...

(Psalms 104:33-34 "I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being. Let my meditation be pleasing to Him; As for me, I shall be glad in the LORD.")

Link to music/tune for this hymn: <http://nethymnal.org/htm/m/j/mjesusil.htm>

My Jesus, I love Thee

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

*I love Thee because Thou has first loved me,
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree.
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.*

I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;
And say when the death dew lies cold on my brow,
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

*In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.*

William R. Featherston 1864; (Featherston was only 16 years old at the time) *Born:* July 23, 1846, Montreal, Quebec, Canada ;*Died:* May 20, 1873, Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Little is known of Featherston, except that he belonged to the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Montreal (later renamed St. James Methodist Church, then St. James United Church).