



Internet is spotty at best on the mission field. The two best ways to keep up with real time events while I am in Nigeria -

1. Liking our ministry Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/gciweb](http://www.facebook.com/gciweb)
2. And by tracking our blog follow the link and look at the task bar at the top and then choose "blog"... <http://www.sermonaudio.com/gci>.

In this Prayer Dispatch...

- I. We will take the gospel but we look to you to pray
- II. 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 use the attached Spiritual Warfare Prayer Sheets to guide your prayers for our ministry in Nigeria
- B. That God would bless the ministry materially, that we might in turn bless those to whom we minister.

*2 Corinthians 9:10-11*

- Now He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food,
- will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness; you will be enriched in everything for all liberality,
- which through us is producing thanksgiving to God.

*Philippians 4:19*

- And my God shall supply all your needs
- according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

*Psalm 67:1-2*

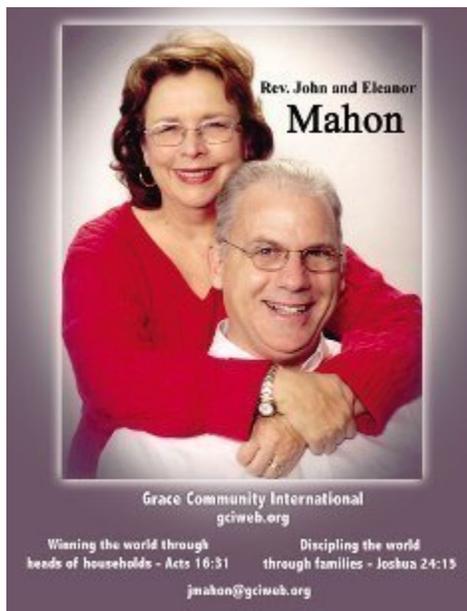
- God be gracious to us and bless us,
- and cause His face to shine upon us-- .
- That Thy way may be known on the earth,
- Thy salvation among all nations.

*Psalm 67:6-7*

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

2 Corinthians 9:8-11

- And God is able to make all grace abound to you,*
- that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed;*
- as it is written, "He scattered abroad, he gave to the poor, His righteousness abides forever."*
- Now He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food, will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness;*
- you will be enriched in everything for all liberality,*
- which through us is producing thanksgiving to God.*



Dear Prayer Warriors,

We are taking the gospel to Nigeria but we are depending upon you to pray. These are perilous times for those who preach Jesus and teach His holy, eternal, inerrant written Word.

Take a moment to follow the link below and you will see that the church of Nigeria is under attack.

<http://www.foxnews.com/world/2014/06/29/gunmen-torch-churches-kill-dozens-in-nigeria/>

Please use the attached prayer guide to roll back the forces of darkness that God might be glorified, souls be saved, the church built up, pastors supplied with the Word of God and tools of the ministry, marriages fortified and families brought into conformity to the Word of God. Together we will engage the enemy on two fronts. While we carry out the spiritual ground war you will carry out the spiritual aerial assault of prayer. Neither satan, the world, the flesh, the host of demons nor the servants of the kingdom of darkness stand a chance in the face of this spiritual onslaught.



1\_ Dan McCollum and Ron Brown came over about 10 a.m. to get the items organized for the Packing Party. I used to spend all day doing this but Dan and Ron knocked it out by lunch time.



2\_ One aspect of the Packing Party is administrative. I praise God for these godly women who give up their evening to help Eleanor out. She used to spend two days at this job and now they knock it out in an evening.



3\_Meanwhile the men put together the boxes, sort, pack, weigh and seal them. This used to take El and I about three days but now it is done in an evening.



4\_The objective: 50lbs boxes of Bibles, Bible study aids and Bible reference works for pastors, ministers, student workers and missionaries. Each box is labeled in English, Hausa and Yoruba. The verse is *Leviticus 19:11* "***You shall not steal, nor deal falsely, nor lie to one another.***" God has used this verse to open doors for witnessing and to cause men and women to not steal or damage our precious cargo by convicting them of sin.



5\_ The objective nears. Above is a picture of last year's conference. By your faith, prayers and generosity these faithful Nigerian servants of the Lord will be blessed, encouraged and built up in the faith. Their churches will grow and the families will conform to the holy, eternal, inerrant, written Word of God.



6\_ This is when the mission trip is real to me – when El has the suitcases on the bed and we begin packing and weighing. By your faith and prayers I will depart Monday morning.

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

Grace Community Int. – Preparing to depart for northern Nigeria to preach Jesus and teach His holy, eternal, inerrant written Word.

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/a/b/abidewme.htm>**

Abide with me – fast falls the even tide; The darkness deepens Lord, with me abide;  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

*Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away  
Change and decay in all around I see; O Thou who changest not, abide with me.*

Not a brief glance I beg, a passing word; But as Thou dwell'st with Thy disciples, Lord,  
Familiar, condescending, patient, free. Come not to sojourn, but abide with me.

*Thou on my head in early youth didst smile; And, though rebellious and perverse meanwhile,  
Thou hast not left me, oft as I left Thee, On to the close, O Lord, abide with me.*

I need Thy presence every passing hour; What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

*I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless, Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness  
Where is death's sting where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still if Thou abide with me.*

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine thru the gloom and point me to the skies  
Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee, In life, in death O Lord abide with me.

(Henry Francis Lyte *Born: June 1, 1793, Ednam, Scotland. Died: November 20, 1847, Nice, France. Orphaned at an early age, Lyte attended Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland, distinguishing himself in English poetry. In 1815, he was ordained, and served a number of parishes in Ireland and western England. However, for most of his career, he was pastor at All Saints Church in Lower Brixham, Devonshire, England. He wrote two books of religious poetry and hymns. Lyte was inspired to write this hymn as he was dying of tuberculosis; he finished it the Sunday he gave his farewell sermon in the parish he served so many years. The next day, he left for Italy to regain his health. He didn't make it, though—he died in Nice, France, three weeks after writing these words. Here is an excerpt from his farewell sermon: "O brethren, I stand here among you today, as alive from the dead, if I may hope to impress it upon you, and induce you to prepare for that solemn hour which must come to all, by a timely acquaintance with the death of Christ.")*