



Dispatch 06/23/14 - Preparing for departure to Nigeria and Cameroon

Prayer Requests: (Please allow these passages to guide your prayers)

1. Visas for Nigeria and Cameroon

Daniel 1:9 "Now God granted Daniel favor and compassion in the sight of the commander of the officials,"

Proverbs 21:1 "The king's heart is like channels of water in the hand of the LORD; He turns it wherever He wishes."

2. Recovering from our ministry in Zambia and South Africa and re-charging for our coming ministry in Nigeria and Cameroon

Isaiah 40:31 "Yet those who wait for the LORD Will gain new strength; They will mount up with wings like eagles , They will run and not get tired, They will walk and not become weary."

3. Wisdom in the use of time during my brief stay here in Houston between mission trips

James 1:5 "But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him."

4. That God would continue to bless the ministry with material and financial funds that we might in turn bless those to whom we minister on foreign fields. We ask nothing for ourselves but only for the privilege of ministering to the material and spiritual needs of national pastors, ministers, staff, student workers and foreign missionaries.

Philippians 4:19 "And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."

2 Corinthians 9:8 "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed;"

Dear Prayer Warriors,

We have just posted our latest blog entitled "Is It Really Cool To Be Crude" you can access it by following this link and choosing the "blog" option at the top of our Sermon Audio Page

http://www.sermonaudio.com/source_detail.asp?sourceid=gci

You can also browse this site to access other blogs or messages. One nice thing about this site is that messages from conferences for which you prayed are posted. Most are in English but some are translated into the indigenous language. These messages have God's eternal truth presented from the holy, eternal, inerrant written Word but also practical applications which often are universal but sometimes specific to the culture. You may find this both interesting and edifying.

Another way to keep in touch with our ministry is to **Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/gciweb**

The benefit of our GCI Facebook page is that we can post more photos and short videos of our ministry. Also the Facebook page is usually updated daily so you can have real-time access to your ministry with GCI, what God is doing and how to pray. I also post my daily Bible readings and devotionals on this page for your edification.

Next: For Family Discipleship messages, Bible studies, daily devotionals and other ministry resources at no cost, follow this link to www.gciweb.org You can listen to actual messages preached on the mission field as well as accessing many free discipleship materials. We do not attach "cookies" to anyone who visits this site so you will not be bombarded with financial appeals and adverts. This site is solely for your edification and all materials are offered for free, that God might bless your, your church and your ministry.

Last but not least: Grace Community International goes mobile! The Grace Community International free app for iPhone, iPad, and iPod touch is now available on the App Store. With this app you can, listen to sermons and workshops delivered at conferences around the world, keep up-to-date with our blog and view Grace Community International's ministry photo albums. Search "Grace Community International" on the App Store and simply download the free app.

During our time here in Houston before departing for Nigeria we are getting to reconnect with family and friends.



El and Rowena at the Brooks / Green wedding. It was my privilege to officiate at this wedding.



Our daughter Megan is such a joy and delight to our heart. Here is a picture of her with El's birthday gift. The next shot is of the "Houston Family" gathered at dinner. The family gathered on our return to celebrate Mother's Day, Father's Day and El's Birthday - all of which were missed while we were in Zambia and South Africa. What a joy and delight to have such a loving and compassionate family to honor us on our return. Sam and Anne are always so supportive and go out of their way to make our family times special and to honor us as parents. We are truly blessed.



Joe, Lizzy, Rebekah and baby Eleanor have come to spend a week with us!! It always touches our hearts to see how attentive and loving are children are. Joe and Lizzing are preparing for thier move to Indiana yet still make time to come a spend a week with us. We are truly blessed!!



The two Eleanors!!

By His mercy,

II Corinthians 4:1

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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/a/l/t/altheway.htm>

All The Way The Savior Leads Me

All the way my Savior leads me;
What have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt His tender mercy,
Who through life has been my Guide?
Heav'nly peace, divinest comfort,
Here by faith in Him to dwell!
For I know, whate'er befall me,

Jesus doeth all things well;
For I know, whate'er befall me,
Jesus doeth all things well.

*All the way my Savior leads me,
Cheers each winding path I tread;
Gives me grace for every trial,
Feeds me with the living Bread.
Though my weary steps may falter,
And my soul athirst may be,
Gushing from the Rock before me,
Lo! A spring of joy I see;
Gushing from the Rock before me,
Lo! A spring of joy I see.*

All the way my Savior leads me
O the fullness of His love!
Perfect rest to me is promised
In my Father's house above.
When my spirit, clothed immortal,
Wings its flight to realms of day
This my song through endless ages —
Jesus led me all the way;
This my song through endless ages —
Jesus led me all the way.

Fanny Crosby

Frances Jane Crosby *Born:* March 24, 1820, Putnam County, New York. *Died:* February 12, 1915, Bridgeport, Connecticut Fanny Crosby was probably the most prolific hymn-ist in history. Though blinded by an incompetent doctor at six weeks of age, she wrote over 8,000 hymns. About her blindness, she said: **"It seemed intended by the blessed providence of God that I should be blind all my life, and I thank him for the dispensation. If perfect earthly sight were offered me tomorrow I would not accept it. I might not have sung hymns to the praise of God if I had been distracted by the beautiful and interesting things about me."** In her lifetime, Fanny Crosby was one of the best known women in the United States. To this day, the vast majority of American hymnals contain her work.