

Prayer Dispatch #10 / A Modern Day Sarah...



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- II. A picture testimonial of Eleanor and her faith as a modern day Sarah
- III. Prayer Requests: As you pray please allow the accompanying passage 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. Ask God to bless Eleanor with the faith of Sarah

1 Peter 3:6 just as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, and you have become her children if you do what is right without being frightened by any fear.

B. Call upon the Lord to honor the sacrifices Eleanor has made for the ministry

Mark 10:29-31

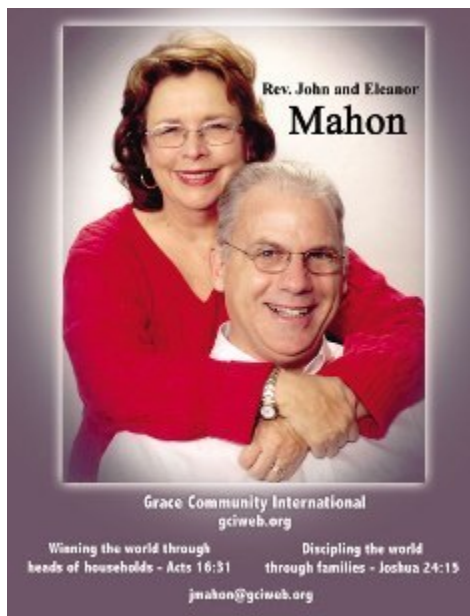
29 Jesus said, "Truly I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or farms, for My sake and for the gospel's sake,

30 but that he will receive a hundred times as much now in the present age, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and farms, along with persecutions; and in the age to come, eternal life.

31 "But many who are first will be last, and the last, first."

C. **Petition the Lord to empower Eleanor as she teaches the Word of God**
Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

D. **Please pray that God would bless the ministry materially, that Eleanor might in turn bless those to whom we minister.**
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,

I thought I would use this Dispatch to give you an idea of the transient lifestyle of my sweet wife Eleanor. She is a true modern day Sarah – spending over half of each year in different countries of the world ministering to me and to the women to whom God has called her.



We will arrive in Lusaka, Zambia almost one year exactly from our last ministry tour. Here Eleanor stands with me on the tarmac. It is 10 hour flight to London, an eight hour layover and another 11 hour flight to Lusaka. Eleanor basically spends 24 hours in flight or in airports .



Once we arrive our travels in the country do not come to an end



Eleanor can often be found packing, unpacking and repacking



In Malawi she finds herself ministering in many differing situations



Again in Malawi and on the road again



Home and then off again for Cameroon



As in Malawi and Zambia - in Cameroon Eleanor is on the road into the interior



Eleanor with Peter's and Noella as we head inland in Cameroon



Stopping along the way for snacks

Then off again - taking the all night flight back to the US



Home for a short time then packing once again for Russia



We travel tourist class and we use our frequent flier miles to enable us to take extra boxes of Bibles, Bible study aids and Bible reference works.



After ministering in St. Petersburg El repacks for Tyumen



After ministering in Tyumen El repacks for St. Petersburg



Up at 2:30 in the morning to catch the flight back to St. Petersburg



After ministering in St. Petersburg El repacks for home.



Well you get the picture, El waiting for the flight home to Houston.

She is now preparing to pack for Zambia - one year later and it starts all again

I close this email 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. -

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/o/f/o/ofor1000.htm>

O For A Thousand Tongues

O for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemers praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.

*My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim,
To spread thro all the earth abroad, the honors of Thy Name*

Jesus! The name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease,
Tis music in the sinners ears, tis life, and health, and peace.

*He breaks the power of canceled sin, He sets the prisoner free,
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.*

On this glad day the glorious Sun Of Righteousness arose;
On my benighted soul He shone And filled it with repose.

*Sudden expired the legal strife, 'Twas then I ceased to grieve;
My second, real, living life I then began to live.*

*I felt my Lord's atoning blood Close to my soul applied;
Me, me He loved, the Son of God, For me, for me He died!*

I found and owned His promise true, Ascertained of my part,
My pardon passed in heaven I knew When written on my heart.

*Look unto Him, ye nations, own Your God, ye fallen race;
Look, and be saved through faith alone, Be justified by grace.*

See all your sins on Jesus laid: The Lamb of God was slain,
His soul was once an offering made For every soul of man.

*Hear Him ye deaf, his praise ye dumb, Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame for joy.*

(Charles Wesley Born: December 28, 1707, Epworth, Lincolnshire, England. Died: March 29, 1788, London, England. Wesley wrote this hymn to commemorate the first anniversary of his conversion to Christ. This origin is reflected in the lyrics, "On this glad day the glorious Sun of Righteousness arose." The stanza that begins "O for a thousand tongues to sing" is verse seven of Wesley's original poem. This work first appeared in Hymns and Sacred Poems in 1740.)

Then with my heart I first believed, Believed with faith divine,
Power with the Holy Ghost received To call the Savior mine
(Early Methodists believed that the Holy Spirit was received at the point of salvation. The manifestations of the Holy Spirit during the time of the great awakening in England and America was not the mystical tongues, gyrations and ecstatic manifestations of Christians going to a higher level but rather the desperate panic of men, convicted of their sinfulness and clearly faced with the prospect of eternity in Hell. Repentance from sin, not health, wealth and spiritual power characterized these events.)