

Prayer Dispatch #10 05.30.12/ Report On Zambia



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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. Conserving The Fruit

- 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.*
- Isaiah 30:21 Your ears will hear a word behind you, " This is the way, walk in it," whenever you turn to the right or to the left.*

B. Built Up In The Word

- Acts 20:32 And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified.*
- Acts 17:11 Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so.*

C. Protection From satan and False Teachers

(Eleanor and I have found that liberals sometimes come in after us and teach against spanking, against children being trained, against wives submitting to their husbands, against Proverbs being the Word of God, against the Biblical importance of child raising, marriage and family life and more. This is

getting tiresome. We ask that you, our prayer warriors, bring this meddling of satan and fallen teachers to an end.)

- False Teachers: Romans 1:32** *and although they know the ordinance of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, they not only do the same, but also give hearty approval to those who practice them.*
- The Authority of the Book of Proverbs: Proverbs 7:2** *Keep my commandments and live, And my teaching as the apple of your eye.*
- Those Who Would Undermine God's Word and The Family: Titus 1:11** *who must be silenced because they are upsetting whole families, teaching things they should not teach for the sake of sordid gain.*
- The Attacks of satan On God's Word Concerning The Family: James 4:7** *Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.*

D. Pray For Couples Who Attended the Marriage Covenant Seminar

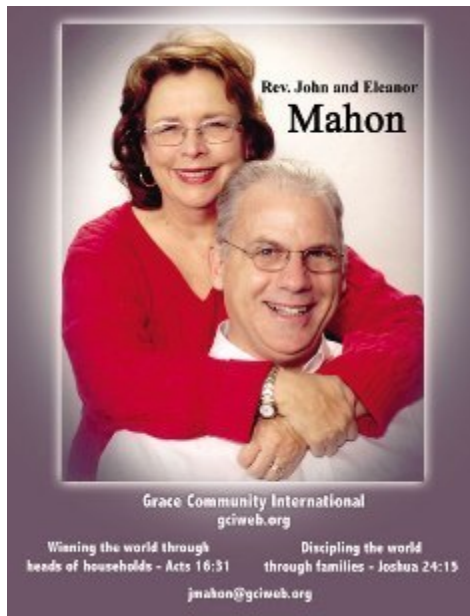
- Joshua 24:15** *If it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served which were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my house , we will serve the LORD.*

E. Pray For Couples Who Attended the Family Discipleship Seminar
Colossians 3:18-21

- Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.*
- Husbands, love your wives and do not be embittered against them.*
- Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord.*
- Fathers, do not exasperate your children, so that they will not lose heart.*

F. Pray For Pastors and Leaders Who Received Study Bibles

- Ezra 7:10** *For Ezra had set his heart to study the law of the LORD and to practice it, and to teach His statutes and ordinances in Israel.*



Dear Prayer Warriors,

God honored your co-laborship with us in intercession

We could feel the power of your prayers as we ministered the Word of God up and down Zambia. From the Copper Belt in the north to Lusaka in the south central, the ministry proceeded smoothly and without interruption. Jesus was lifted up, pastors were equipped, marriages bolstered, families strengthened and the church exhorted to preach Jesus. Without your faithful and sacrificial intercessions, we would have had neither the stamina nor the spiritual empowerment with which we ministered. We are so thankful to you, our prayer warriors, for ministering so faithfully by our side through your intercessions and want to turn in this report to you of the fruit of your labors.

Bibles, Bible study aids and Bible reference works to pastors, national staff and

student workers One of the frustrations of my early Christian life was to be exhorted in an area without being trained in how to do it. We have made it our goal to not only tell those to whom we minister "What" the Bible says on an issue, but also, from the Bible, "Why." Then we are committed to telling them "How" to obey the Word of God through practical methods. Lastly, we are committed to giving them the tools necessary to obey.



John preaches at Woodlands Baptist Church - what the Bible says and, from the Bible, why this is important.



Dan and Judy McCollum and Eleanor teach practical workshops on how to apply what has been preached.



Bibles, Bible study aids and Bible reference works are then supplied, that those attending the conference might have the necessary tools to obey, apply and then pass on that which was preached.

Strengthening Marriages In Kitwe - the Copper Belt



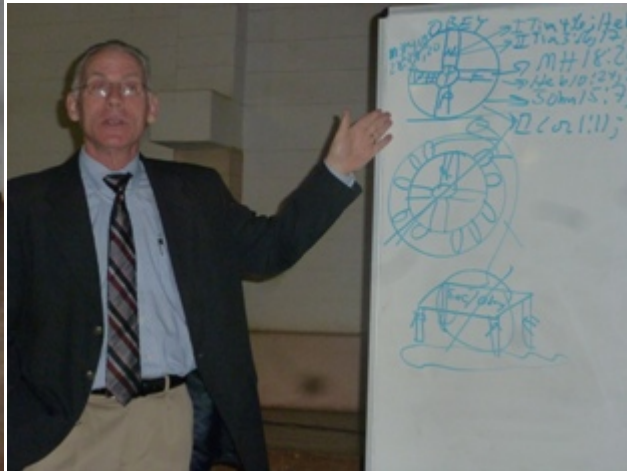
Lighthouse Christian Church, in conjunction with Nelson Musipa of the Navigators, hosted The Marriage Covenant Seminar to a multi-church conference.

Equipping Parents In Lusaka - the Capital



Woodlands Baptist, as facilitated by Nelson Musipa of the Navigators, hosted the Family Discipleship Seminar in Lusaka, Zambia.

Teaching Discipleship - Twin Palms Baptist at the Baptist Seminary in Lusaka



Dan gives his testimony and then I teach...

Preaching Jesus and Exhorting To Evangelism - Sunday Service



Dan teaches the Word Hand at a combined Sunday School and then I preach Jesus at a village church. On Sundays I am found in the pulpit. As the great Bible teacher, Mr. Gene Warr (whom Billy Graham called "the greatest lay-witness of the 20th century") exhorted me, "Love God, Hate Sin, Preach Jesus!!"



Didn't we just do this? El packs and unpacks our life for the 5th time in two weeks, traveling an average of five to six hours inland each time to support me in the ministry. How I praise God for a godly and loving wife who will stand by me as my helpmate in very trying and difficult ministry tasks. Few have such a blessing and I do not take her sacrificial love lightly nor for granted. Pray for Eleanor that God will sustain and bless her for her faith, vision and zeal for the Lord.



Redeeming the time. We are well aware that your sacrificial gifts and prayers are offered up in the context of us laboring hard in the harvest fields of the world. Here I am working on this dispatch and El does administrative duties during the 10 ½ hour flight from Lusaka to London where we will connect for the 9 ½ hour flight home.

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 with dispatch with two hymns from my prayer notebook that has been especially meaningful to me. These two hymns especially ministered to my heart during my early Christian years. They impressed upon my heart the great value and worth of the Word of God and became the earnest prayer of my daily devotionals... (*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/b/t/bttblife.htm>

Break Thou The Bread Of Life

Break Thou the bread of life, dear Lord to me,
As Thou didst break the loaves Beside the sea;
Beyond the sacred page I seek Thee Lord;
My spirit pants for Thee, O living Word

*Bless Thou the truth, dear Lord, To me, to me,
As Thou didst bless the bread By Galilee;
Then shall all bondage cease, All fetters fall;
And I shall find my peace, My all in all.*

Thou art the bread of life, O Lord, to me,
Thy holy Word the truth That saveth me;
Give me to eat and live With Thee above;
Teach me to love Thy truth, For Thou art love.

*O send Thy Spirit, Lord, Now unto me,
That He may touch mine eyes, And make me see;
Show me the truth concealed Within Thy Word,
And in Thy Book revealed I see Thee Lord.*

(Mary Artemesia Lathbury; 1841-1913; Daughter of a Methodist minister. Active in the women's temperance movement and wrote for several Christian periodicals. Of her gift for poetry she said she felt the Lord had impressed upon her these thoughts concerning this, "Remember, my child, that you have a gift of weaving fancies into verse and a gift with the pencil of producing visions that come to your heart; consecrate these to Me as thoroughly as you do your inmost spirit.")

How I Love Thy Law, O Lord

How I love Thy law O Lord, Daily joy its truths afford;
In its constant light I go, wise to conqueror every foe.

*Thy commandments in my heart Truest wisdom can impart;
To mine eyes Thy precepts show Wisdom more than sages know.*

While my heart Thy word obeys, I am kept from evil ways;
From Thy law, with Thee to guide, I have never turned aside.

(Refrain)

Sweeter are Thy words to me Than all other good can be;
Safe I walk, Thy truth my light, Hating falsehood loving right.

(Words: The Psalter, 1912.)