



The Pilgrim Holiness Church of NY, Inc.

MISSIONARY BULLETIN

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Greetings fellow intercessors for the Kingdom,

One of the greatest *promises* in the Word dealing with prayer is recorded in John 15:7. “If ye abide in me, and my Words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.”

One of the most precious *assurances* concerning prayer is found in II Chronicles 7:15. “Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attent to the prayer that is made in this place.”

I believe the greatest *incentive* to prayer is found in Ephesians 3:20 & 21. “Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory...”

Prayer – The Secret Weapon

Prayer is one inseparable part of successful harvest. “They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.” Psalms 126:5. We are to pray that the Lord of harvest will send forth laborers into the harvest. Matt. 9:38

The challenge today is to practice the presence of God in the place of prayer. Read Ephesians 6:18-20 to discover that Paul needed the faithful prayers of the church.

1. That he might know what to say. Verse 19
2. That he would have the courage to speak. Verse 19
3. That he would proclaim the mystery of the Gospel. Verse 19
4. That he would do so even in prison. Verse 20

“Oh,” one would say, “You mean that invisible shroud that pervades the atmosphere, that irresistible, formidable area that surrounds the few who are called to a life of prayer.” No, this secret weapon is available to the youngest Christians: to the immature as well as mature; to the established and those still struggling; to pastor and laymen; the child and the senior citizen.

God is not asking for:

1. Better methods but better men.
2. Better preachers but better prayers.
3. Skillful players; but faithful prayers.

4. Armor bearers, but armor wearers.
5. Strategists who can out maneuver, but loyal soldiers who get their orders on their knees in prayer.

God needs laborers who know and practice the art of soul intercession; who get on their knees and stay there until they have heard from heaven.

Consider some ideas to practice God's presence in prayer.

1. Give God your waking thoughts. Before you step out of bed, step into His presence.
2. Give God your waiting thoughts. Spend time with Him in silence.
3. Give God your whispering thoughts. Imagine considering every moment as a potential time of communion with God.
4. Give God your waning thoughts. Conclude the day as you began it; talking to God.

Max Lucado- "Grace for the Moment"

NEWS FROM THE FIELD

Brazil: The July visit to St. Joseph was blessed with God's protection on the waterways and His presence in the services. Bro. Mills' vision for the future of this work is to train the local lay leader to take up the role of pastor at St. Joseph. The question was asked, "How do they know when you are coming?" Bro. Mills calls the radio station he knows they listen to and asks them to announce the date of their next visit. If they are listening at the time of the announcement they will get the message, "We're coming!"

Some of the news in this bulletin will have been included in the camp meeting missionary services. For those in the Binghamton Camp Zone this news might still be ringing in your ears!! Thank the Lord that it has been possible to have live contact with the Mills in all four camps.

Prayer is requested for Pastor Arilson's daughter, Evelyn. She has recently chosen to leave home and has brought heartache and burden to the hearts of her parents. Please pray that as God places a hedge of prayer around her, she will respond to the tender calling of the Holy Spirit.

Bro. Mills reports that the City of God people have responded very generously to meet their part of the cost of their newly drilled well. As of the last report, they have only \$200.00 remaining to be repaid to mission funds. Pastor Arilson and his wife testify to getting a renewed vision and burden for their people. The recent ministerial with Rev. Delbert Howard was a real blessing to them.

Bro. Mills called for a work day on Aug. 8th to build a half wall around the covered patio. It appears that some little girl needs an expanded area to roam without wandering too far away!! Bro. Mills asks for prayer as he uses the 10 Commandments in a series of messages to the Monte Pascoal congregation.

Bro. and Sr. Mills have changed the number to be used by stateside callers to Brazil. The number is: 1-570-495-1924. Thank you for praying for and communicating with our missionaries in Manaus, Brazil.

Haiti: Bro. Don Mobley is in the States until the first part of September. While here he will attend the annual conference of the God's Missionary Church, and do deputation with the local churches in the Conference. Plans are in the making for Bro. Mobley to meet with the missionary committee before he returns to Haiti. Our next visit to Haiti is scheduled for March 20-27, 2018.

Felix and Bill Dawson, two of our young men recently graduated from the Bible College at Carrefour, have completed a 4 year ministerial degree program. This Bible College is a ministry of the God's Missionary Church in Haiti. These two men graduated with the top honors in their class. Please pray that the Lord will clearly direct them in their future ministry with the Pilgrim Holiness Church of Haiti.

Thank the Lord for dedicated pastors and the leadership team that keeps the message of Holiness ablaze in the Central Highlands of Haiti. The Lord help us to be faithful to 'hold the ropes' in prayer for our Haitian brethren and sisters in the Lord.

Winnipeg: Rev. Dale Sherman plans to visit Winnipeg with Eric Heimlich during the month of September. The purpose of this visit is to survey the work and its potential for a possible redirection of ministry. In the meantime, Raymond and Mena Kurten continue to hold Sunday services. They have agreed to continue their ministry there as long as the need remains. The Lord knows the needy hearts that the Kurtens can bring into the Kingdom.

Let us keep praying that God will give direction to those responsible to keep the light of the Gospel shining in this needy city.

Prayer needs review:

1. Evelyn-daughter of Pastor Arilson: she will return to Christ,
2. Bro. Mills' focus ministry on Monte Pascoal,
3. Felix and Billedawson-discern the will of God for their future,
4. Dale Sherman-wisdom for the Winnipeg ministry.

Thank you for being faithful in prayer for the work of Conference missions.

With confidence in Christ,

Rev. Ken Sickler
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