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INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH



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There are many countries in the world today where Christians are martyred for their faith. Believers in Afghanistan are facing death threats; Christians in Uzbekistan, Nigeria, and many other countries all around the world face violence, imprisonment, and even death. There are other places in the world such as North Korea where acts of persecution take place, but we don't see or hear of it. Brother Andrew of Open Doors once said, "Our heroes are not with us simply because they are in prison."

The modern church has set apart the month of November to remember and pray for the persecuted church, through the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church (IDOP).

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HOH Fall Programs in Canada, NY, and PA!

Wed. Oct. 17	@ 7:00pm	<i>Prairie Mennonite Church</i>	Raymond, Alberta
Thu. Oct. 18	@ 7:30pm	<i>Countryside Community Church</i>	La Crete, Alberta
Oct. 19-21		<i>Living Hope Evangelical Missions Conference</i>	La Crete, Alberta
Sun. Oct. 21	@ 7:30pm	<i>House Fellowship</i>	Stony Plains, Alberta
Wed. Oct. 24	@ 7:00pm	<i>Kossuth Community Chapel</i>	Bolivar, NY
Thu. Oct. 25	@ 7:30pm	<i>Glad Tidings Mennonite Fellowship</i>	Tara, Ontario
Fri. Oct. 26	@ 7:30pm	<i>Heritage Mennonite Church</i>	Millbank, Ontario
Sun. Oct. 28	@ 10:20am	<i>New Covenant Menn. Fellowship</i>	Glen Allan, Ontario
Sun. Oct. 28	@ 7:45pm	<i>Woodlawn Mennonite Fellowship</i>	Dorking, Ontario
Tue. Oct. 30	@ 7:30pm	<i>Shekinah Mennonite Fellowship</i>	Croghan, NY
Wed. Oct. 31	@ 7:00pm	<i>Faith Christian Fellowship</i>	Middleburg, PA
Wed. Nov. 11	@ 7:00pm	<i>Millwood Mennonite Church</i>	Gap, PA

IDOP cont.

It is a time for us to remember thousands of our Christian brothers and sisters around the world who suffer persecution, simply because they confess Jesus Christ as Lord.

This information was taken from www.idop.org

Are you or your church willing to get involved in IDOP 2012? Will you commit to praying for your persecuted brothers and sisters? To order an IDOP kit, download bulletin inserts, and access many more resources, go to www.persecution.com/idop or www.onewiththem.com or www.idop.org

BIBLE THANK YOUS!



Thanks & praise be to our eternal Father who loves us daily in Jesus name, I hope this e-mail finds you doing well. I am

among the six people that received from the Bibles you sent to us through Pastor John.

I have already given my life to Christ but I had no Bible and my stand in Christ is not strong until I received the Bible you sent and I started reading it daily. I now have fellowship with others going to church and attending church meetings. Because of this Bible my life changed completely. I read my Bible in church and when we are asked to read any passage in the Bible I quickly jump up and I read it out. Each day that passes my faith in Christ become stronger and stronger. I can now use my Bible to tell others about Christ.

I am the happiest person. I pray the Lord will bless

you and your good work will increase. Keep up the good work of building lives and equipping them. I love you.

- Nigeria

I thank God very much for this Bible. You have given me exactly what I needed. I will do all I can to study the Bible and handle it with care. God bless you and your staff.

-Ghana

Thank you for sending me a beautiful Bible and may God bless you much. I am being sharpened, invigorated, and greatly graced by reading the Word. I so much enjoy my Bible and tracts. It is crammed full of wonderful stories and messages which spur me on to greater love for my Lord Jesus and a greater passion to serve Him. Thank you. Keep up the good work.

-Tanzania

Dear Radio Pastor,

Christian greetings to you in the wonderful Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

Thank you very much for your program: "Hope for Today"; that is aired to us in west Africa nations and beyond via the Radio Africa on Sw 2 7190 KH2 41 M.B.

What a blessing you have been to me for many years. You have taught me so much of the Bible that I in turn am able to teach others the words of the living God.

Your Fundamental stand has been a blessing to us all here although many are led astray by false leaders. Please continue with the Word of God on radio broadcast.

I am a Chaplain who teaches the Word of God by moving on the streets, preaching in the markets, and in prisons. I also move from door to door in different houses and also in different villages. I have so many new believers who are poor and need Bibles for their help. I thank you for helping some of them but not enough. They need Holy Bibles to be reading regularly. So I will be very grateful if you can help us with some new and old materials like Bibles, Books, CDs, and Clothing materials to raise our ministry to it's feet, as we are in need of materials to help our poor people. I hope you would come to our aid in Jesus' Name. I pray that may the good God Himself bless you all. Thank you very much.

Yours in Christ,
Akinuoye Joseph

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The President's View

Giving Thanks

I call you to David's song in Psalm 65 as our hymn of Thanksgiving!

Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Zion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed. O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come. Iniquities prevail against me: as for our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away.

Blessed is the man whom thou choolest, and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

By terrible things in righteousness wilt thou answer us, O God of our salvation; who art the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off upon the sea:

Which by his strength setteth fast the mountains; being girded with power: Which stilleth the noise of the seas, the noise of their waves, and the tumult of the people. They also that dwell in the uttermost parts are afraid at thy tokens: thou makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to rejoice.

Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it: thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, which is full of water: thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it.

Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: thou settlest the furrows thereof: thou makest it soft with showers: thou blessest the springing thereof.

Thou crownest the year with thy goodness; and thy paths drop fatness.

They drop upon the pastures of the wilderness: and the little hills rejoice on every side. The pastures are clothed with flocks; the valleys also are covered over with corn; they shout for joy, they also sing.

Sincerely in HOPE of the Gospel,
HERALDS OF HOPE, INC.

J. Mark Horst, President



Orphans rejoicing in the harvest!

Stewardship

God or Mammon?

God and mammon can be like two bosses each demanding our allegiance. Jesus taught in Luke 16:10-13 that we can't serve two masters. We must choose the one we will serve.

Money can test us in many ways. For example, the way we earn it, the way we spend it, and the way we give it to God and others. All these factors reveal who or what rules our heart, God or mammon.

If our priority is to get all the money we can, by any means we can, and spend it on ourselves, obviously we are serving mammon.

However, if we are serving God then we will be honest in how we earn money, wise in how we spend it, and generous in how we give.

God is the one who enables us to make money and calls us to be a faithful steward of His many blessings. As James 1:17a says, "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above..." and I Cor. 4:7b says, "...What do you have that you did not receive? If then you received it, why do you boast as if you did not receive it?"

I was challenged recently by a donor that asked for prayer that he might have health, strength, and work to continue his support of missions.

What a GREAT motive for working! God wants us to be controlled by our Love and Loyalty to Him and His Kingdom while we still have time and opportunity to share the Gospel.

Are we serving God or mammon?

Grace to be Faithful,
Bob Kauffman

RADIO TAIWAN

TARGETING THE ISLAND OF TAIWAN AND PARTS OF CHINA



Our broadcast on Radio Taiwan makes us an important member of the National Broadcasting System of the Republic of China! Radio Taiwan has been broadcasting to the people in Taiwan and China for over 79 years! Our potential audience is impressive in its sheer size alone--in the Chinese provinces of Fujian, Guangdong, Jiangxi and Zhejiang the number is over 195 million people! Plus, we have the potential of reaching over 2.3 million additional people in the southwestern counties of Taiwan--Chiaya, Yunlin and Changhua!

STATISTICS:

Airs Sunday at 11:00am

1st month - free

2nd & 3rd months - \$39

4th month - \$49

Following is a report on Mrs. Isabelle Yoder from her daughter, Connie.

Dear Family and Friends,

It is with joy that I am able to make this report. Mother has done very well in rehab. God is good! On the 24th financial plans were made and on the 26th furniture was moved and on the 27th Mother was moved to her new home at Mennowood Assisted Living. We are still tweaking a few things but things are good and she is once again in her own bed and among her own things and pictures. She takes her meals in the dining room and there are lots of activities she can do if she wants to. **She would enjoy hearing from any of you. The mail has always been her highlight.** Her address is as follows:

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