

JERICHO WALLS DAILY PRAYER GUIDE

MARCH 2008

Saturday 1 March 2008

Focus on establishing 24/7 houses of prayer

- Lord, pour out Your Spirit of prayer and supplication on Your church world-wide. Grant that houses of prayer will be established all over the world. We ask that Believers will faithfully pray the promises from Your Word night and day so Your kingdom may come and Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven (**Mt.6:10**).
- Pray that Christians will have an increasing desire to spend more time in prayer; not only in intercession, but also in simple worship and adoration of God. Specifically pray for the persecuted Christians of the world, that they will remain standing and have a personal encounter with the Lord daily.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer*: 11 May 2008

1. Most countries in Asia struggle to organise any Christian event. Please pray for every person with a desire to organise a prayer event for this year's *Global Day of Prayer* that God will strengthen them, hide their activities from those who oppose them and open the hearts of many to become involved in the long term.
2. Lord our Maker (**Ps.95:6**), we lift up **Asia** before You in prayer as this is the only continent where Christianity is not the largest religion and thus remains the greatest challenge for world evangelisation. Will You pour out Your Spirit upon Asia, so that they will come and bow down in worship and kneel before only YOU as their Lord and Maker. Be their God and let them be the flock under Your care. Cause them to hear Your voice and let them not harden their hearts towards You (**Ps.95:6-8**). (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130, fax: 021-856 1174).

Sunday 2 March 2008

How the Holy Spirit has changed lives in history and to this day

Acts 4: He will fill you with boldness

Since the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, the behaviour of Peter and John was drastically changed. Instead of fearing the Jews, they were proclaiming the message of the gospel with confidence. When the people saw the boldness of Peter and John and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marvelled. And they realised that they had been with Jesus (**Ac.4:13**). Fellowship with the Holy Spirit gives you boldness to come before God, boldness to stand before men and boldness to resist the devil and his works. Once we realise the person of the Holy Spirit is real in our lives, everything we do changes. We do not need a lot of teaching, a lot of education, a lot of riches, a lot of

opportunities or anything this world offers. Once He comes, all the other things might seem very unimportant and often it is then easy to let go of them. We only really need Him! Have you experienced times when you were bold because of God's presence in your life? Do you long for His presence to increase in your life? Ask Him today to fill your life with boldness through His Spirit, so people will also realise that you have been with Jesus (**Ac.4:13**).

Father, fill my life with the power and boldness of Your Holy Spirit, so I can proclaim the message of Your love with confidence.

Monday 3 March 2008

Hope for Africa equipping the church, transforming the community, discipling the nation

Hope for Africa exists to launch and support movements of the local church in Africa that are envisioned with a Biblical worldview and equipped to practise ministry in all spheres of society. Please pray for them for favour in the work they do, so that many churches will become involved and take hands to help others. (*Hope for Africa*, P.O. Box 9463, Centurion, 0046. Contact Hein van Wyk at tel.: 012-665 0343, fax: 012-665 0381, cell: 082 349 8465. Websites: www.ehcaa.org.za and www.samaritan-strategy-africa.org or e-mail: hein@ehcaa.co.za).

Life-saver water filtration bottle

After witnessing several natural disasters, a businessman invented a bottle that can purify undrinkable water in a matter of seconds. It is able to distil 4,000-6,000 litres without changing the filter. The method of successful ultra filtration using a specially made water bottle has since become quite popular among the military. (Website: <http://www.lifesaversystems.com/> or e-mail: info@lifesaversystems.com). Give praise to the Lord for inventions like these. Ask that it might become available at a reasonable price to people that are threatened with diseases springing from their drinking water.

Tuesday 4 March 2008

Focus on establishing 24/7 houses of prayer

- Pray for the *24-7 Prayer Movement* among the youth in England, under the leadership of Pete Greig. Ask that God would grant them grace and favour, especially with young people from England and neighbouring European countries, so that many more would begin to cry out to God in prayer.
- Pray that God will stir up faith in the hearts of Believers to trust Him for the impossible.

- Ask for Christians not to feel sorry for themselves, but to become strong prayer warriors that lay hold of the kingdom of God, so that many others will come to Christ.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer*: 11 May 2008

1. *God TV* and *Global Day of Prayer* took hands and will present an international broadcast of the *Global Day of Prayer*, up until 2010! Praise God for this partnership. Please pray for the final arrangements and preparations for these broadcasts to take place. Please pray for the release of the necessary funds to make this possible. Also ask for grace for the technical teams that will have to make this happen and that numerous TV and radio stations will be willing to broadcast this day of prayer. Also pray for continuous broadcasts on the Internet (**Ps.50:1**).
2. Blessed One (**1Tim.6:15**), we lift up **Asia** before You in prayer. Reveal Your Son as the radiance of Your glory. Let the people of **Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Bhutan and Brunei** see Jesus as the exact representation of Your being and the One who sustains all things by His powerful word. Let them know Him as the One who provided purification for their sins (**Heb.1:3**). (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130, fax: 021-856 1174).

Wednesday 5 March 2008

How to pray for victory over pride (Continued from 27 February)

Often times of persecution, failure, pain, loneliness, humiliation, shame, grief and opposition reveal our pride to us and bring us to the end of our own abilities. Pride puts 'self' on the throne, but in heaven the Lamb that was slain is on the throne. There is really no limit to what God can do through a person who is free of pride. When the devil cannot keep us from praying and spiritual labour, he will make us proud of ourselves and we will fall into this dangerous trap where God cannot use us. Pride in general is a sure indication that the specific person does not understand God's love for him/her and does not experience love from other people. Let us continue to pray from Scripture for deliverance from pride.

Portions of Scripture for prayer

1. *But when his heart became arrogant and hardened with pride, he was deposed from his royal throne and stripped of his glory* (**Dn.5:20**).
2. *Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love* (**Eph.4:2**).
3. *Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves* (**Php.2:3**).

4. *Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you for the prize. Such a person goes into great detail about what he has seen and his unspiritual mind puffs him up with idle notions. Such regulations indeed have an appearance of wisdom, with their self-imposed worship, their false humility and their harsh treatment of the body, but they lack any value in restraining sensual indulgence (Col.2:18, 23).*
5. *But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble" (Jas.4:6).*

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Thursday 6 March 2008

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- Continue to pray for God to pour out His Spirit of prayer and supplication on every house of prayer across the world (**Zech.12:10**). Ask for strength for each intercessor, perseverance and unity among leadership, favour with Believers and non-Believers in the surrounding communities and the necessary funds and premises for each house of prayer to continue in their work.
- Pray that all resistance to the planting and establishing of night-and-day prayer in cities like Cape Town, Durban, Port Elizabeth, Pretoria etc. will soon completely crumble. Ask for a breakthrough to come soon so every major city in South Africa and Africa will be covered with night-and-day prayer.

Focus on Global Day of Prayer: 11 May 2008

1. Pray for the *Global Day of Prayer* co-ordinating task teams in South Africa and every other country in the world. Ask for wisdom, insight, physical strength and the knowledge to help and support those who contact them. Also pray for God's purpose in every strategic planning session. Ask for more personnel and volunteers to become involved in the process. Remember to pray for the smooth operation of all computers and other equipment necessary to continue with the work. Also pray for the family of every individual involved (**2Th.3:3**).
2. King of Glory (**Ps.24:7**), we lift up **Asia** before You. Lift up the gates of **Cambodia, China, East Timor, Georgia, India, Indonesia and Iran**, so that Your glory can come into these countries. Reveal Yourself mighty in the battle for souls! Let even the ancient religions lift their heads and open their gates so the King of glory may come in (**Ps.24:8-9**). (*Transformation Africa*, website:

Friday 7 March 2008

Government saves R213m in fraud payouts

Government has in the past year saved R213 million by preventing fraudulent social grant payouts. The investigation by the *Special Investigation Unit (SIU)* into fraud, corruption and misadministration that plagued the social grant system has — since it started in 2005 — prevented R690 million from being paid out to fraudulent claimants. A total of 288,682 people who were illegally receiving grants were removed from the system. (Website: <http://business.iafrica.com/news/641631.htm>). Give thanks to the Lord for answers to prayers against crime and corruption. Continue to pray for government to have success in these efforts to catch criminals.

Comoro Islands

Thank you for your continuous prayer in *Jericho Walls* for those living on these islands. Our prayers were answered! Continue now to pray for the funding of a Bible project to get Bibles to the islands. The new Believers are without Bibles. Continue to pray for the literature project to finish this year and to reach the target. Pray for the audio work. We need His sustaining power. Help us pray for new strategies and to hear His voice clearly. (Source: Confidential, e-mail: rentia@lfn.org.za).

Saturday 8 March 2008

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- Pray for people of every age and from every sphere of life to be raised up as prayer warriors in each and every place in our country. Ask that they will faithfully and continuously persevere in prayer for the salvation of the lost.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer*: 11 May 2008

1. There is a dream in our heart that in every village, town and city in South Africa, there will be people praying for 10 days from 1-10 May this year. Ask of the Lord that this will become a reality in our country and in every other nation of the world.
2. Lord our Rock (**Ps.144:1**), we lift up **Asia** before You. Reveal Yourself to the people of **Laos, Lebanon, Macau, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia and Myanmar (Burma)**, as their loving God and fortress, as their stronghold and deliverer and as their shield in whom they can take refuge (**Ps.144:2**).

Sunday 9 March 2008

How the Holy Spirit has changed lives in history and to this day

Acts 5: Your relationship with the Holy Spirit

Peter started to work as co-labourer with the Holy Spirit. His new Friend may have been invisible to others, but was a reality to him. He told the Sanhedrin, the supreme Jewish court, "*We are His witnesses to these things, and so also is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him*" (**Ac.5:32**). The Holy Spirit was real to them, and the evidence of His presence in their life was there for all to see. **Hebrews 2:4** says: *God also bearing them witness, both with signs and wonders, and with diverse miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will.* This was part of the power that Jesus had promised to them before He ascended into heaven (**Ac.1:8**). Most Christians have a personal relationship with their heavenly Father and with Jesus Christ. Yet, not all of us experience a personal relationship with the Holy Spirit as the third Person of the Trinity (**1Jn.5:7 NKJ**). He is the voice of God, He is the One who makes known the will of the Father, He is the One who awakens our hearts to follow God. He is precious and gentle and never forces Himself on man. Do you want to know Him personally? Do you want to hear His voice? Will you not take time today to pray and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal Himself to you as the third Person of the Trinity?

Heavenly Father, give us the Holy Spirit (Lk.11:13). Holy Spirit, lead us like You led Jesus (Lk.4:1), teach us what to say (Lk.12:12), teach us all things and bring to our remembrance the words of Jesus (Jn.14:26). Help us never to resist You by being stiff-necked and having uncircumcised hearts and ears (Ac.7:51).

Monday 10 March 2008

Government putting R100 million into fish farms

Government is going to invest R100 million in six marine fish farming projects. There are huge opportunities in marine aquaculture, which will not only reduce the pressure on wild stocks, but provide new economic opportunities. Aquaculture presents a good opportunity to diversify fish production to satisfy local demand, export opportunities and the creation of new jobs. (Website: <http://business.iafrica.com/news/666510.htm>). Pray for these new initiatives, that they would benefit the communities in which they invest. Ask for quality products to come from these farms, also for exporting to other countries.

Persecution of Christians: No sign of improvement

At least 200 million Christians suffer persecution or discrimination for their faith. In some countries the situation has deteriorated over the past year. One in every ten Christians is

subject to severe restrictions or hostilities. A rise in acts of violence directed at Christians is recorded in India and Pakistan. Converts to the Christian faith face the harshest persecution, even murder. (*ASSIST News Service (ANS)*, P.O. Box 609, Lake Forest, CA 92609-0609 USA. Website: www.assistnews.net or e-mail: assistnews@aol.com). Continue to pray for the persecuted Believers in these and other countries, that they will remain strong in their faith and boldly continue their witnessing of Jesus Christ.

Tuesday 11 March 2008

Focus on establishing 24/7 houses of prayer

- Pray for *Global Prayer Watch* in Cape Town under the leadership of Daniël Brink, that God will strengthen the work of night-and-day prayer, so the fire on the altar will never go out. (**Lev.6:12-13**) Also pray that established prayer watches like this one, would continue to grow in night-and-day prayer and in the number of committed people willing to take up leadership and ownership of such watches.
- Pray for more people in old age and frail care homes as well as hospitals to become involved in prayer. That they will read the Bible out loud as a proclamation and sign of their simple devotion and worship of the Lord.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer*: 11 May 2008

1. The theme of the *Global Day of Prayer* is for the whole earth to be filled with the glory of the Lord (**Hab.2:14**). As it will also be a day of humbling ourselves in prayer, **2Chr.7:14** is used as foundational Scripture for this day. Ask the Lord to heal the nations – the poor and needy ones – that people will be reconciled with Jesus Christ, and for the church to grow in the ministry of reconciliation in practical ways (**2Cor.5:18-20**).
2. Ancient of days (**Dan.7:13-14**), we lift up **Asia** before You in prayer. Reveal to the people of **Nepal, North Korea, Oman, Pakistan, Philippines, Qatar and Saudi Arabia**, Jesus Christ as a chosen and precious cornerstone in whom they can trust and who will never put them to shame. Let all resistance and offence towards You be removed from their hearts, so they will not stumble and fall (**1Pe.2:6-8**). (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130, fax: 021-856 1174).

Wednesday 12 March 2008

How to pray for your children

Many parents struggle to raise their children as a 'godly offspring' (**Mal.2:15**). The pressures of society and peer groups that young people are part of are not making this task any easier. Often you might feel so discouraged and angry with your children that you can think of nothing positive about them any more. This is why it is so important to ask God for His thoughts towards them, for His thoughts are as many as the sand of the sea!

(**Ps.139:17-18**). Regularly bless your children. Use the prayer in **1Chr.4:9-10** or **Nm.6:23-27**. Also remember to pray that God's purpose for them will be revealed. Ask that they will understand God's purpose for them and why He created them. Pray God's promises for your children without ceasing. Pray **Acts 2:17-20** for your children. Do not pray according to what is wrong in their lives or according to your expectations for their lives. God has committed Himself to honour His promises. The following are a few guidelines on how to begin to pray for your children from Scripture.

What to pray for your children:

1. Pray for their salvation: *Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory (2Tim.2:10). In the same way your Father in heaven is not willing that any of these little ones should be lost (Mt.18:14).*
2. Pray that honesty, integrity and faithfulness will be part of their value system: *May integrity and uprightness protect me, because my hope is in you (Ps.25:21).*
3. Pray that God's Spirit of power, love and self-control will fill them and that they will be free from fear: *So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be alert and self-controlled (1Th.5:6). There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love (1Jn. 4:18).*
4. Pray that they will love the Word of God: *They [the laws of the Lord] are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the comb (Ps.19:10). I lift up my hands to your commands, which I love and I meditate on your decrees (Ps.119:48).*
5. Pray for self-respect and respect for other people: *Show proper respect to everyone: Love the brotherhood of Believers, fear God and honour the king (1Pe.2:17).*
6. Pray that they will be pure and holy before God and that they will be sexually pure until marriage: *Create in me a pure heart, O God and renew a steadfast spirit within me (Ps.51:10).*
7. *"In the last days" God says, "I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days and they will prophesy" (Ac.2:17-18).*

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Thursday 13 March 2008

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- Continue to pray for God to pour out His Spirit of prayer and supplication on every house of prayer across the world (**Zech.12:10**). Ask for strength for each intercessor, perseverance and unity among leadership, favour with Believers and non-Believers in the surrounding communities and the necessary funds and premises for each house of prayer to continue in their work.
- Ask for a greater hunger to be stirred in the hearts of pupils to pray. Pray that they will spontaneously start prayer meetings before school, during school breaks, at sports or training meetings etc. Ask that prayer times will increase in every school in South Africa and for many testimonies in answer to prayer.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer: 11 May 2008*

1. There are still countries in which we do not have local Christian contacts to partake in the *Global Day of Prayer* on May 11th. As the Lord leads you, consider prayer and fasting to see these breakthroughs come in time, so that the Bible promise for Jesus' return can be fulfilled: *...every tribe and tongue and nation will praise Him*. This is a time and season for significant breakthroughs for the Kingdom of God. Persevere with thousands of Christians in unceasing night-and-day prayer.
2. God full of goodness (**Ps.73:1**), we lift up **Asia** before You. Reveal Yourself to the people of **Singapore, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Syria, Taiwan, Tajikistan and Thailand**. Guide them with Your counsel and give them eternal life. Be to them the strength of their hearts and their portion forever (**Ps.73:24-26**). (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130, fax: 021-856 1174).

Friday 14 March 2008

Alcohol, drug crisis grips South Africa

About 7-31% of SA citizens between the ages of 25-45 has an alcohol problem or is at risk of developing a problem. Some 265,000 citizens use five metric tons of cocaine annually, valued at R1.43 billion. In Cape Town 'Tik' is used by nearly 42% of all patients. Prescription medication is the primary drug of choice for between 2-6% of all patients admitted for drug rehabilitation treatment. Medicines most abused are pain relievers, tranquillisers, cough mixtures and slimming tablets. (Website: http://www.iol.co.za/index.php?set_id=1&click_id=79&art_id=vn20070821061625100C120472&newslett=1&em=177813a6a20070929ah). Cry out to God about this situation, especially for family and friends caught up in these addictions. Ask the Lord to show you addictions in your own life and bring these before Him.

Ethne unreached peoples project: Eastern Europe and Eurasia

Eastern Europe and Eurasia are comprised of 20 countries with 188 least-reached peoples remaining among them. Serbia and Montenegro lead with 66.8% of their population, almost 7 million people, remaining least reached and less than 5% adherents to any form of Christianity. Pray for God to set the captives free from bondages to addictions such as alcohol and drug abuse, sexual addictions, pornography and gambling, in order that they may be as lights in the world, examples of God's grace and goodness in Jesus. (Website: <http://www.ethne.net/Helps/Regions> or www.joshuaproject.net/ethne_globalregion.php, e-mail: ethne06@ethne.net).

Saturday 15 March 2008

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- Lord, pour out Your Spirit of prayer and supplication on Your church world-wide. Grant that houses of prayer will be established all over the world. We ask that Believers will faithfully pray the promises from Your Word night and day so Your kingdom may come and Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven (**Mt.6:10**).
- Pray for the protection of small groups gathering for prayer on a regular basis. Ask that their whereabouts will not be discovered by any of their persecutors or the government. Ask for them for favour, even with their Muslim, Hindu or Buddhist neighbours.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer*: 11 May 2008

1. Pray that the Lord will raise up the right contacts in every country world-wide. There are still a few countries that are not yet involved. Pray especially for those opposed to the spreading of the gospel. Please ask for specific breakthroughs in countries in North and East Africa, the Middle East and Central Asia. Also pray for the safety of Christians in these countries, as well as creative ways in which they can partake in the day of prayer.
 2. Jesus Christ our peace (**Eph.2:14**), we lift up **Asia** before You. Reveal Yourself to the people of **Iraq, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait and Kyrgyzstan**, so those without hope and without God in the world will now in Christ Jesus be drawn near through the blood of Christ. Give them peace and reconcile them to the Father through Your sacrifice on the cross (**Eph.2:12-14**). (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130, fax: 021-856 1174).
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Sunday 16 March 2008

How the Holy Spirit has changed lives in history and to this day

Acts 6: He will change your position

The story of Stephen: He was not an apostle and before becoming a deacon, he held no high office. Stephen was simply active in the church of Jerusalem, a man full of the Holy Spirit and faith (**Ac.6:5**). It is apparent that the Holy Spirit was moving in a special way, touching not only the preachers but also ordinary people. **Acts 6:8** says: *Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and signs among the people.* How did he move from a position as a layman, to a position in ministry as an usher or administrator, to an evangelist? An important reason was his fellowship with the Holy Spirit, which gave him great authority and changed his position. When members of the synagogue began to argue with Stephen, they were not able to resist the wisdom and the Spirit by which he spoke (**v.10**). It is favour with God that grants us favour with men. Do you long for such a relationship with the Holy Spirit? Our temptation today, when having this special relationship with the Holy Spirit, is to become more captivated by the favour we have with people, and neglect the One who favoured us in the first place.

Father, we confess that we easily fall prey to the fascination and sentiments of the world. Holy Spirit, fill us with faith and power to also do wonders and signs among people, like You did with Stephen. Purify our hearts to be set on You and loving You so that Your will, will be more important to us than what You do through us and that You will be more important to us than the esteem of men.

Monday 17 March 2008

Jericho Walls International Prayer Network

Please pray today for each volunteer/staff member working at the different offices of *Jericho Walls International Prayer Network* across the country. Ask for their safety, strength and health. Also pray for God to provide in their practical and physical needs. Give thanks to the Lord for answering so many prayers, for raising up so many intercessors who are taking up the burden of prayer for their own circumstances and in their communities. Please pray this month that booklets will reach their destinations – a lot of mail is still lost without apparent reason. (*Jericho Walls International Prayer Network*, Private bag X22, Lynnwood Ridge, 0040. Tel.: 012-365 3213, fax: 012-365 3214. Website: www.jwipn.com or e-mail: info@jwipn.com).

SAT-7

SAT-7 was born of a vision in which churches and ministries in the West became united with churches and ministries in the Middle East (including Macedonia), to strengthen the church and share the gospel with all. SAT-7 regularly broadcasts fifteen phone numbers

that viewers can call if they want to speak to a counsellor. (SAT-7. Website: www.sat7.org or e-mail: DavidHarder@sat7.org). Give thanks to the Lord for the millions of people watching SAT-7 and each one that turns his/her hearts towards Jesus Christ! Continue to pray for the protection of this ministry and that it will continue to grow in favour and stature in the Middle East.

Tuesday 18 March 2008

Focus on establishing 24/7 houses of prayer

- Pray for the prayer movement in Russia to increase and spread and cover whole nations. Ask for favour to do this as a prayer seminar focusing on 24/7 prayer that will take place from 20-22 March 2008 in Russia.
- Pray for an increase in the number of people who pray for the mental, emotional and physical protection of the police on a daily basis, as well as breakthroughs for those in counselling.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer*: 11 May 2008

1. Please pray for individuals who partook in last year's *Global Day of Prayer*, to once again set their hearts towards God for breakthroughs during this year's *Global Day of Prayer*. Ask that they will mobilise many people, not only in stadiums, but in every community, in houses, in churches, so that millions will stand before God on May 11th, 2008.
2. Creator God (**Gen.1:1**), we lift up **Asia** before You in prayer. Reveal Jesus Christ to the people of **Turkey, Turkmenistan, United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan, Vietnam and Yemen**, as Your covenant and as the light for the Gentiles. Open their blind eyes, set free from prisons the captives and release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness (**Is.42:6-7**). (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130, fax: 021-856 1174).

Wednesday 19 March 2008

How to pray for your children (Continued from 12 March)

The greatest challenge facing a parent is to continue to pray in faith and a positive manner for their children. Do not complain and grumble when you pray for your children. Pray and trust God. Do not allow bitterness or unforgiveness towards your children. Ask God for His love in your heart; unconditional love, love regardless of what happened in the past, love in spite of how your child behaves. Rather discuss your children with God before asking advice from other people. Parents often discuss the behaviour and problems of their children with other people, ask for help, complain about their children, read books on raising children and seek professional help, but do not pray for them. Be sure to pray for your children. Pray for your children, do not accuse them. Your role is to come before God

as a priest to plead for grace and mercy. The devil is the accuser. If you accuse your children before God and tell Him of all the wrong things they do, you are doing exactly what the devil does.

What to pray for your children:

1. Pray for humility: *But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble" (Jas. 4:6).*
2. Pray for a sense of responsibility and to finish what they started: *For each one should carry his own load (Ga.6:5).*
3. Pray that they will be content and grateful: *Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus (1Th.5:18).*
4. Pray that they will grow in faith: *The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you" (Lk.17:5-6). Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see (Heb.11:1).*
5. Pray for the powerful development of their prayer life, that they will learn to pray and that prayer will be a joy to them: *For my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations (Is.56:7). And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints (Eph.6:18).*
6. Pray that they will fearlessly take a stand against peer pressure. Pray that they will hate sin and resist temptation: *No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it (1Cor.10:13).*

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- Pray that God will raise up all generations, young and old, to inspire others for focused times of prayer and fasting for their nations. Ask that the testimonies of God answering prayer will cause many more to once again cry out to the Living God for their needs and the needs of others.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer: 11 May 2008*

1. The Pacific remains one of the most remote areas to effectively reach with the gospel. At this time, please pray that God will pour out a hunger and thirst in the hearts of Believers to cry out night and day for His kingdom to come. Ask for a prayer event to be held in every one of the small islands in this area.
2. Righteous One (**1Jn.2:1-2**), we lift up **Australasia and the Pacific** before You in prayer where in every state and territory except Fiji, the great majority of people are Christian, but nominalism and secularism have eroded commitment to the Church. We ask that once more they would realise and embrace Jesus Christ the Righteous One who is the atoning sacrifice for their sins, not theirs only, but also for the sins of the whole world (**1Jn.2:1-2**). (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130, fax: 021-856 1174).

Friday 21 March 2008

Police track down alleged robber

Johannesburg police arrested a man in connection with an armed robbery at a supermarket in Mulbarton a while ago. A group of armed men went into the supermarket and stole an undisclosed amount of cash, including customers' personal belongings. They then hijacked some vehicles outside the shop to get away. Police recovered two AK-47 rifles, one 9mm pistol, an undisclosed amount of cash and other stolen items. Website: http://www.mg.co.za/articlePage.aspx?articleid=324051&area=/breaking_news/breaking_news__national/). This is just one testimony of a thwarted robbery. Give thanks to the Lord for every time a robbery or hijacking is prevented, or fails. Let us not get weary of crying out for God's protection over our people and His conviction of sin and repentance in the hearts of criminals.

Bible translation into deaf sign languages

People using sign language as a primary means of communication often know no other language, including the national spoken language. Praise God for a training event for Bible translation for sign languages in Kenya during September 2007. This event was the first translation training for sign languages ever held in Africa. Pray that adequate communication of the gospel will become available for the Deaf. *Ethnologue, Languages of the World*, a comprehensive reference volume cataloguing all known living languages in

the world today, describes 121 Deaf sign languages. (Online version: <http://www.ethnologue.com/>. *Wycliffe Prayer Focus* Bulletin, e-mail: asianrd@sr21.com).

Saturday 22 March 2008

Focus on establishing 24/7 houses of prayer

- Lord, pour out Your Spirit of prayer and supplication on Your church world-wide. Grant that houses of prayer will be established all over the world. We ask that Believers will faithfully pray the promises from Your Word night and day so Your kingdom may come and Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven (**Mt.6:10**).
- Pray for God to favour the establishing of prayer rooms in every company and workplace, even if they are very small or simple. Ask for a breakthrough in establishing 24/7 prayer everywhere in South Africa.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer*: 11 May 2008

1. A special booklet with prayers for the 10 days prior to the *Global Day of Prayer* has been prepared, so Christians world-wide can partake in this effort to cry out to God for the salvation of the nations. Please pray for volunteer translators and proofreaders in every language to step forward and help with this task. Also ask that printed copies will become available in every country so people will join in this special time of prayer.
2. Son of God (**Jn.1:49**), we lift up **Australasia and the Pacific** before You. Reveal Yourself to the people of **Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Wallis and Futuna Islands**; let them come to know You personally, in all their ways to be crucified with Christ so that it will no longer be they that live, but You in them. Show them that You love them and gave Yourself for them (**Ga.2:20**). (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130 fax: 021-856 1174).

Sunday 23 March 2008

How the Holy Spirit has changed lives in history and to this day

Acts 7: He will change your vision

A relationship with the Holy Spirit will change what you see. Instead of looking down, He opens your eyes and causes you to look up. Stephen was about to be bound and carried through the streets of Jerusalem and stoned for his faith, but the Holy Spirit gave him a glorious vision. *Being full of the Holy Spirit, [he] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God (Ac.7:55)*. It was only Stephen's relationship with God that caused him to view his terrible circumstances in a different way. Paul says in **Colossians 3:2**; "*Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.*" What do we see when we look at terminal illnesses, at rape victims, at murder, at crime or violence? How do we set our minds on things above amidst such terror? We need a

clearer understanding of the way God views these things and it might take more than any book we read or story or sermon we hear. Are you and I desperate enough to call on God to reveal to us the 'things above' and what they truly mean?

Father of glory, we choose to set our minds on things above and not on things on earth. Holy Spirit, teach us the ways and thoughts of the Father, for they are higher than ours (Is.55:8-9). Your ways are law and justice. You are a God of faithfulness without breach or deviation, just and true (Dt.32:4).

Monday 24 March 2008

Bikers Church

Christian bikers reach out to other bikers on a regular basis. Please pray for bikers to receive the gospel despite a possible negative state of mind and to subsequently gain victory over addictions and preconceived ideas. Ask for grace so that ungodly relationships between the various groups of bikers will not prevail. Pray especially for those who make a decision to follow Christ – especially women. Ask that members will remain strong and not become judgmental. Pray for an increased spiritual unity between Christian bikers and an increased awareness among members that their calling is a matter of life and death. (*Bikers Church*, P.O. Box 1755, Brackenfell, 7561. Tel.: 021-982 2303, fax: 021-982 0997. E-mail: bikerCRC@mweb.co.za).

Threats and violence toward Christians continue in Iraq

The hostility toward Christians in Iraq has reached such a level that it can only be termed ethnic cleansing or genocide. Threats make it clear that the extremists seek to rid their country of Christians, who are generally offered the choice of converting to Islam, leaving, or being killed. Pray for the many Iraqi Christian families in similar situations. The Lord knows them all – pray that He will protect, comfort and strengthen them. Pray for the hundreds of thousands of Iraqi Christian refugees, especially those in Syria, which is where most of the poorest and neediest have gone. *Barnabas Fund* is assisting with their needs. (*Barnabas Fund*, e-mail: subscribe@barnabasfund.org).

Tuesday 25 March 2008

Focus on establishing 24/7 houses of prayer

- Specifically pray for the 24-7 watches that have been established in townships across South Africa over the last 24 months. Ask for grace for each one to continue, to grow in number and stature and for unity among intercessors.
- Ask for God to raise up many prayer warriors to continuously pray for reconciliation between church leaders and denominational leaders. Pray that many leaders will begin to take hands across these borders and start praying together.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer: 11 May 2008*

1. There has been an extraordinary response so far to the scheduled *Global Day of Prayer* on Pentecost Sunday, 11th May. Please pray that local congregations, denominations and Christian organisations world-wide will become involved and be part of this day of prayer (**Mt.21:13**).
2. Glorious Father (**Eph.1:17**), we lift up **Africa** before You. Reveal yourself to the people of **Swaziland, Tanzania, Gambia, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe**. Pour out the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that they may come to know You better. Enlighten the eyes of their hearts, so they may know the hope to which You have called them (**Eph.1:17-18**). (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130, fax: 021-856 1174).

Wednesday 26 March 2008

How to pray for your children (Continued from 19 March)

When it seems to take a while for things to start changing, it becomes more difficult to pray for change with faith and expectation. It is important to remember that God loves your children much more than you could ever love them. Therefore, try not to do the work of the Holy Spirit. You cannot convict your child of sin. You cannot change your child's heart. That remains the work of the Holy Spirit. Do not be in a hurry with your child. Do not expect your child to change overnight. Most things develop during a long process of change. (Do you remember that it was the same when you were a child?) As parents, our responsibility to God is to produce godly offspring (**Mal.2:15**). Simple prayers are good enough. Sometimes a single sentence prayed several times during the day is enough. Do not pray complex prayers. Do not try to give God advice. It is important that you pray regularly for your children. Try to take time to pray for your children at least 3-4 days per week.

What to pray for your children:

1. Pray that they will understand God's plan for their lives and that they will trust Him with their lives and future: *Now listen, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money." Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that." As it is, you boast and brag. All such boasting is evil. Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn't do it, sins (**Jas. 4:13-17**).*
2. Pray for the right friends and for their future spouses: *Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him and*

- he will make your paths straight. Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil. This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones (**Pr.3:5-8**).
3. Pray that they will be able to forgive and will not allow any root of bitterness to spring up in their lives: See to it that no one misses the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many (**Heb.12:15**).
 4. Pray that they will witness with boldness: *I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For in the gospel righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith" (Rm.1:16-17) Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness (Ac. 4:29).*
 5. Pray for a deeper intimacy with God: *I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me (Php.3:10-12).*

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Thursday 27 March 2008

Focus on establishing 24/7 houses of prayer

- Continue to pray for God to pour out His Spirit of prayer and supplication on every house of prayer across the world (**Zech.12:10**). Ask for strength for each intercessor, perseverance and unity among leadership, favour with Believers and non-Believers in the surrounding communities and the necessary funds and premises for each house of prayer to continue in their work.
- Ask that Believers will regularly set up prayer booths everywhere, especially on Saturdays e.g. at a taxi rank or station and pray for those around them, ministering the love of Jesus to passers-by who show interest. Also pray that many will come and ask for prayer.

Focus on Global Day of Prayer: 11 May 2008

1. Pray today for the protection and health of Christian leaders in the prayer movement. Ask that God will bless them in their families, that there will be unity among them in their daily pursuit of organising the *Global Day of Prayer*. Pray for

the necessary funds to be released in time for each project, especially for prayer material, which must reach every nation in time.

2. Refuge in distress (**Is.25:4**), we lift up **Australasia and the Pacific** before You. Reveal yourself to the people of **Kiribati, Micronesia, Nauru, New Caledonia, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea**, as a refuge for the poor and needy in their distress, a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat (**Is.25:4-5**). Cause them to embrace everlasting life in You. (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130, fax: 021-856 1174).

Friday 28 March 2008

Eskom puts R2bn into solar project

Eskom has allocated R2 billion for the mass installation of solar water heaters in businesses and homes and has begun its campaign at a large mining group. Solar water heaters will play a key role in *Eskom's* drive to reduce consumption by 3,000 megawatts by 2012 and 8,000 megawatts, or 10 percent, by 2025. The R2 billion earmarked for solar water heating is part of the R10 billion *Eskom* set aside for its demand-side management programme. (Website: <http://www.busrep.co.za/index.php?fArticleId=4060520>). Give thanks to the Lord for answer to prayers for strategies to address the electricity shortages in South Africa. Please pray for the success of this project and others, and the creation of new jobs.

Ethne unreached peoples project: Eastern Europe and Eurasia

Russia has over 12 million least-reached people in 72 different people groups. A decade of a measure of democracy associated with greed, crime and degeneration of the quality of life has caused many in Russia to hanker after the authoritarian certainties of Communist dictatorship. The church overall in Eastern Europe and Eurasia is small and struggling, but there are rays of hope in places like Ukraine. Pray that the spirit of prayer will sweep through the church and revive it. Pray for labourers for this volatile environment that is ripe for the gospel. (Website: <http://www.ethne.net/Helps/Regions> or www.joshuaproject.net/ethne_globalregion.php or e-mail: ethne06@ethne.net).

Saturday 29 March 2008

Focus on establishing 24/7 houses of prayer

- Lord, pour out Your Spirit of prayer and supplication on Your church world-wide. Grant that houses of prayer will be established all over the world. We ask that Believers will faithfully pray the promises from Your Word night and day so Your kingdom may come and Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven (**Mt.6:10**).

- Pray for Christian leaders, that they will reconsider their strategy for spreading the gospel and add more times of prayer and fasting to their daily schedule. Ask for many to experience true revival in their relationship with the Lord.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer*: 11 May 2008

1. Ask for God's favour to rest on those responsible for promoting the *Global Day of Prayer* in America and Canada and the northern countries of North America. Ask that they will have God-ordained appointments that will spark Christians in remote areas to become involved in praying for their area, nation and the nations of the world.
2. Abba Father, we lift up the **Americas** before You in prayer. We thank you for this continent that suffers the least religious discrimination. Please remind them to be careful not to forget the covenant of the Lord their God with them in Jesus Christ that they will not make for themselves an idol in the form of anything. Reveal to them Your love, for you are a jealous God (**Dt.4:23-24**). (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130, fax: 021-856 1174).

Sunday 30 March 2008

How the Holy Spirit has changed lives in history and to this day

Acts 8: He will change your sense of discernment

When it was the perfect moment to witness to an Ethiopian, *The Spirit said to Philip, "Go near and overtake this chariot."* So Philip ran (**Ac.8:29-30**). He knew the voice of God so well that when the Spirit said, "Now", Philip responded instantly. He didn't want to miss the opportunity. During the journeys of Paul, he did not witness to people until they were ready for it. Paul had the right words – but he was sensitive to discern the right time (**Ac.27:24**). He told them that God promised to protect all who sailed with him. We often get excited and then share a thought or word from the Lord with someone 'too soon'. It does not mean that the word was not from the Lord, but often we have to pray about it and wait for the prompting of the Holy Spirit before sharing it. Do not trust your own judgement or rely on previous 'experience'. Allow the Holy Spirit to give you discernment in each situation.

Father, we admit that our own zeal often damages work that You want to do in our own lives and that of others. Holy Spirit, teach us not only to receive a word from You, but also to wait for Your prompting on how and when to share it.

Monday 31 March 2008

Tuberculosis patients not taking their medicine

Tuberculosis patients in Limpopo, many of them elderly women, are not finishing their treatment. Patients cannot cope with the number or size of the tablets and also suffer

worse side effects if they take the drugs without food, which is a huge problem in poverty-stricken households. More than half the women interviewed had a negative attitude towards tuberculosis drugs and believed that they could stop treatment once they felt better. Defaulting on treatment is the main reason for South Africa's low cure rate. (Website:

http://www.iol.co.za/index.php?set_id=1&click_id=79&art_id=vn20070927033907413C919883&newslett=1&em=177813a6a20071027ah). Please pray about this situation, for a willingness to be helped, for patients to remember to take their medicine and for more equipped personnel at each clinic where people are helped.

SA households headed by children

According to the 2005 *General Household Survey* there were about 118,500 children in SA living in a total of 66,500 households headed by children. (Website: http://www.news24.com/News24/South_Africa/News/0,2-7-1442_2204131,00.html). Let us pray without ceasing about this situation in our country, asking for God's intervention in practical and supernatural ways. Pray for these households headed by children to have a revelation of God's love for them in their circumstances. Ask that God will provide in their felt needs, as by law, they are not old enough to take on a job.

Tuesday 1 April 2008

Focus on establishing 24/7 houses of prayer

- Pray for the *Taize House of Prayer* in France. Give thanks to the Lord for thousands of young people flocking here from across Europe to spend time with Him. Pray for this house of prayer to continue to grow and have an influence in the lives of men, both ordinary men and rulers.
- Pray that a hunger and thirst to call upon the Name of God will be stirred in the hearts of Christians. Also that the hope of their calling in Christ will arise in the hearts of Christians, freeing them from the oppression they suffer.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer*: 11 May 2008

1. Today there are only 40 days left to the *Global Day of Prayer*. This year more than ever, we will focus on crying out to God to redeem the unsaved peoples of the earth, so that truly every tribe, tongue and nation will come to know Christ. Ask that God would fill the hearts of Christians with compassion to intercede for the lost. Pray that a fresh awareness of the importance of witnessing boldly of Christ's love would arise in the hearts of all Believers world-wide.
2. Merciful God (**Dt.4:31**), we lift up **Europe** before You. Reveal Your Son to the people of **France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland and Italy**. Let them desire truth in their inner man; teach them wisdom in the inmost place. Cleanse them with hyssop and they will be clean, wash them and they will be whiter than snow. Blot out

Wednesday 2 April 2008

Praying for your spouse

When we pray for our children it can be very difficult to faithfully, and in faith continue to pray for our spouses. We see many things we would like to change, even just for them to serve God wholeheartedly. The following are a few guidelines when praying for your spouse.

Practical guidelines

1. See to it that your own life is in line with God's commands for you as wife/husband in marriage. You cannot pray with boldness for your spouse if you do not do what God demands from you in marriage. E.g. *Wives, be submissive to your husbands so that, if any of them do not believe the word, they may be won over without words by your behaviour and the purity and reverence of your lives. Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers (1Pe.3:1-2;7).*
2. Make a choice for your spouse, even if you do not like him/her at the moment. You cannot pray correctly or with the right attitude for your spouse if you do not make a choice time and again for your marriage and for your spouse.
3. You cannot live a meaningful married life without dying to self, dying to your will, emotions, intellect, your understanding of what is right and wrong and of how you think things are supposed to be done.
4. Make quite sure what your motives are when praying for your spouse. The correct motive is that the life of your spouse will glorify God and not that God will change him/her so that your life can be easier or more pleasant.
5. Listen to God – ask Him what you should pray. We often start praying without asking God, the One who made our spouses, what we should pray for him/her.

What do I pray for my wife?

1. Bless your wife. *The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace (Nm.6:24-26).*
2. Pray for spiritual growth, for growing in faith and for a holy life. *He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God (Mic.6:8).*

3. Pray for her as a mother and for her relationship with her children. *They [the older women] can train the younger women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled and pure, to be busy at home, to be kind and to be subject to their husbands, so that no one will malign the word of God (Tit.2:4-5).*
4. Pray for her beauty, personal care and clothes. *Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as braided hair and the wearing of gold jewellery and fine clothes. Instead, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight. For this is the way the holy women of the past who put their hope in God used to make themselves beautiful. They were submissive to their own husbands (1Pe.3:3-5).*
5. Pray for her fears and worries (and do not condemn her for these). *I will not fear the tens of thousands drawn up against me on every side (Ps.3:6). The Lord is my light and my salvation— whom shall I fear? (Ps.27:1). Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea (Ps.46:2). So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand (Is.41:10). There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love (1Jn.4:18).*

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Thursday 3 April 2008

Focus on establishing 24/7 houses of prayer

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- Pray for Believers to become bold in spending time in prayer everywhere, in the workplace, at home, at church, when they are with friends etc. Ask that as they pray for the needs of others, many will testify to God answering their prayers and so lead a great number to Christ.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer: 11 May 2008*

1. Pray for the co-ordinators in Latin America, that they will have favour with leaders in all spheres of life in organising the prayer event for May 11th. Ask that these efforts will result in long-term prayer initiatives everywhere.
2. Faithful God, we lift up **Latin America** before You in prayer where moral devastation has been caused by drug trafficking and the issue of widespread poverty remains unresolved. We ask that every individual will come to You believing that You exist and that You reward those who earnestly seek You. Renew and refresh the faith of Christians (**Heb.11:6**). (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130, fax: 021-856 1174).

Friday 4 April 2008

You can help to solve crime

The *Crime Line* initiative was started in June 2007 and operates independently and anonymously and is aimed at getting criminals off the streets. This project has been endorsed by the *South African Police Service (SAPS)*. If someone suspects someone else (even family or friends) to be involved in crime, they can now anonymously report it. Any information about criminals passed on to *Crime Line* will be acted upon – whether the perpetrators be murderers, rapists, robbers, hijackers, drug dealers, gangsters, child abusers, etc. (Website: www.crimeline.co.za or <http://iafrica.com/news/sa/662795.htm>). Give thanks to the Lord for initiatives like these in answer to much prayer over the years! Pray that people will become aware of this initiative, and for many criminals to be put to trial for their deeds.

Israeli people live under the poverty line

Nearly 1,630,000 Israelis, of whom 800,000 are children, live under the poverty line, as well as many elderly people. The Word of God contains orders that we as Gentiles should support God's people physically, spiritually and financially. Pray for meeting in abundance the need in Israel and that they will be ministered to with the love of the Lord. (*Christian Friends of Israel*. Tel./fax: 012-361 1437. E-mail: allwiese@lantic.net).

Saturday 5 April 2008

Focus on establishing 24/7 houses of prayer

- Lord, pour out Your Spirit of prayer and supplication on Your church world-wide. Grant that houses of prayer will be established all over the world. We ask that Believers will faithfully pray the promises from Your Word night and day so Your kingdom may come and Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven (**Mt.6:10**).
- **Is.55:11** says: ... so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I

sent it.... Ask that Christians will become aware of this truth and start reading God's Word out loud (from Genesis to Revelation), as a proclamation over their communities. Pray that the Word of the Lord will also encourage and strengthen them to remain standing in prayer for breakthroughs in their communities.

Focus on *Global Day of Prayer*: 11 May 2008

1. Pray for breakthroughs concerning broadcasting via all types of media; e.g. radio, television, Internet etc. Ask that even Christians in closed countries can be a part of the *Global Day of Prayer* in this way. Pray for all necessary communication systems to be ready in time.
2. El Shaddai (**Gen.17:1**), we lift up **North America** before You in prayer. Almighty God, make Yourself known to the people of **Bermuda, Canada, Greenland, St. Pierre and Miquelon and United States of America**, so that they will walk blameless before You. Open the eyes of their hearts to see the hope of their calling in Christ (**Eph.1:17-18**). (*Transformation Africa*, website: www.transformationafrica.com or e-mail: info@transformationafrica.com. Tel.: 021-856 3130 fax: 021-856 1174).