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Global Prayer Alert

A weekly prayer guide for congregations, prayer groups and 24-hour prayer watches.
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Revival in the Body of Christ

We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed – always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body. (2 Cor.4:8-10). In every hardship we face, we have the assurance that God is for us. He will never leave us, never forsake us. We are crowned with the salvation of our Lord. Because of the eternal hope that is burning in our hearts we always press on. We do not lose heart, even when our outward man is perishing we are strengthened on the inside. **Father, thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus, You are our Anchor in troubled waters and Rock when we are overwhelmed. We trust You with our lives.**

Testimony: Experience the joy of prayer

Dan, who is one of the leaders of the Guildford Boiler Room, reports the encouraging testimony of a lady who came to the 24-7 Prayer Room a little unsure of what to expect. *"She had a preconception that it would be very intense and legalistic,"* he says. *"But when she arrived she realised this was not true and found freedom to pray in different ways through the various creative options available. She was so inspired, that she returned later in the week with her children and they painted and danced the hour away with Jesus."* (Website: <http://www.24-7prayer.com/blog/1063>, 03/08/09). **Thank God for touching this lady and showing her the joy of prayer. Pray that she and her family will grow even deeper in their prayer lives and that God will continue to surprise her as only He can. Also pray for the co-ordinators of prayer rooms; pray that as they pursue the heart of God others will also experience God in a new and refreshing way.**

Pray for your community: Blessing exalts a city

When it goes well with the righteous, the city rejoices; and when the wicked perish, there is jubilation. By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted, but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked. (Prov. 11:10-11). We are confronted with the state of our cities and nation on a daily basis. Poverty, corruption, injustice and other forms of unrighteousness surround us on every side. It is so easy to become discouraged by these things. But we, as God's people can make a difference in our area of influence. We can only do it by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ. Lift up your voice and declare how God has made you well and speak the blessing of the Lord over your city. **Heavenly Father, we speak Your blessing of mercy and prosperity over our community. Our city will rejoice with gladness. Every tongue shall confess the goodness of the Lord!**

South Africa: Swine Flu feared

At least 190 Western Cape schools have reported suspected cases of swine flu and up to a quarter of the province's pupils are staying home sick. The spreading is inevitable and spreads from individual to individual. (Website: http://www.iol.co.za/index.php?set_id=1&click_id=105&art_id=vn20090811084603961C698625, 11/08/09). **Pray that this nation will not be fearful, but that God's Spirit will reign in every heart. For He has given us a spirit of love, power and a sound mind. (2 Tim.1:7).**

International: Vietnam

The hopes that Christians had four or five years ago are beginning to wane. At that time, newer religious regulations were being put in place that seemed to offer more freedoms. Today however, church members are on their toes as police raids are on the rise. In Hanoi, four police officers and two government officials interrupted a Sunday worship service in Tran Phu Commune. One officer told the members that if he found them meeting the following Sunday he would kill them like he would kill a dog. When the leaders were asked what they think of the recent flare-up of attacks on Christians, Vietnamese leaders agreed that it must have been approved by the top levels of government because it is so widespread. They believe that though it is unwritten, it is a policy of the government to stop the expansion of Christianity. (Website: <http://mnnonline.org/article/13052>, 11/08/09). **Pray earnestly for the Believers in Vietnam. Pray that they will remain firm in their faith despite the increase of attacks on Believers in this nation.**

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