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Revival in the Body of Christ

So the Lord said, "If you have faith as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be pulled up by the roots and be planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." (Lk.17:6). If we carefully read through this verse and analyse each part, we can draw the following conclusions. Your faith can be small, but you need to speak into your situation. Face the impossibility, geared with God's truth and authority. Obstacles need to be uprooted by the power of God's Word and cast away from you into a place where it cannot survive. (A mulberry tree does not grow in the sea). Obstacles are forced to obey the voice that speaks to it under the authority of Christ. **Father, we need You in these trying times. Help us to look to You when we are faced with impossibilities.**

Testimony: Power of prayer

When Inspector Roger Bartlett realized his patch had one of the poorest crime detection rates in the area, he decided he needed help. So he asked churchgoers to pool their efforts in calling for back-up - from God. Three years after encouraging Christians from local churches to say prayers to help policemen, detection rates have soared, road accidents have fallen and Mr. Bartlett is convinced it is evidence of divine intervention. The clear-up rate for crimes in his force area of Barnstaple was 26 per cent, one of the lowest in the Devon and Cornwall area. But since he asked for the prayers things have changed. Every quarter, the number of crimes solved has risen, so that at its current figure - more than 40 per cent - it is one of the highest in the country. (Website: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-1252708/Policeman-called-churchgoers-ask-God-help-fight-crime-prayers-answered.html?printingPage=true>, 22/02/10). **Thank God for answering the prayers of these people. Pray for the crime rate in your community and trust that God will also intervene in a divine way.**

Pray for your community: Days of prayer for Men and Women

The *Women's World Day of Prayer*, scheduled for 5 March 2010, is a worldwide movement of Christian women who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year. It will be the 80th year that women in South Africa will participate - humbling themselves before God to pray, with the theme *Let everything that has breath praise God*. (Website: <http://www.wwdp.co.za/>, 26/02/10). Men are gathering to pray for the world to come to the light of Jesus and will gather on 6 March 2010 at different venues and at different times, the theme in South Africa being *The man God uses*. (E-mail: wereldbiddag@absamail.co.za, 26/02/10). **Praise God for these initiatives. Pray that men and women would stand before God on these days and seek His face on behalf of the nations.**

South Africa: Turn2God Conference - 6 March 2010

It is our prayer that individuals and ministries will join hands as we get together in the capital city, at the Union Buildings on 6 March 2010, as we dedicate our nation and our leaders to God. We need to turn to God for our nation to be healed; hence the theme scripture of the day: **2 Chronicles 7:14** "If my people, who are called by my Name, will humble themselves, confess their sins, and turn from their wicked ways; then I will hear from heaven and I will heal their land." (Website: <http://www.turn2god.co.za/>, 22/02/10). **Pray that many people will respond to this call for prayer. Pray that each person will have an encounter with God as they seek His face and that it will motivate them to live uprightly before God.**

International: Iraqi Elections

Iraqi elections scheduled for March 7, 2010, the first since 2003 "in a fully sovereign Iraq," are considered critical to the future of the nation. The 2005 elections were boycotted by Sunnis in protest of the Shiite government and Allied presence. There have already been accusations that the 2010 election will be tampered with illegally and some Sunnis are calling for another boycott after 500 candidates were banned because of alleged ties with the Baath Party (Which was Saddam Hussein's political affiliation). A suicide attack on February 18, 2010 by al-Qaeda is believed to have been an attempt to protest the upcoming election. The bombing killed 11 people and caused some candidates to wonder if the nation is approaching a new civil war. Dozens of suicide bombings have been carried out in Baghdad and throughout Iraq as Allied troops have begun the process of transferring security duties to Iraqi forces. Many of the bombings were against Shiites and most were believed to be the work of al-Qaeda. (Source: BBC News, Kurdish Herald, WorldTribune.com, 25/02/2010). **Ask the Lord to guide Iraq toward the destiny He has planned for it. Pray for His Purpose and will to be done in Iraq as it is in Heaven. Pray for His choices for head of state and in all leadership positions, pray they will serve the nation in humility, without greed, and with integrity. (Dan. 2:21). Pray for peace throughout the election process. Pray against every terrorist plot that is being planned; that it will not work or be put into action.**

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