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Our Dear Prayer Supporter,

In these days many of us find that the circumstances of life continually change. However, for CCIM, the objectives formulated in 1968, remain constant. One of these objectives is: **“To make the ministry of CCIM available around the world, particularly where there is a lack of Christian and Church privilege.”**

Through all the changing scenes of life; in trouble and in joy,  
The praises of my God and King, shall still my tongue employ.  
– Nahum Tate 1650

## Changes Everywhere!

Recently, much has been spoken about change. Whether change in circumstances for us is good or bad, change will reveal where we find our personal sense of security. Has it been in the status quo or has it been in the living Christ? The immediate response to change of an ego-centered person will be: “How will this change effect me—my finances; my family and my future?” But those whose life is centered in the Lord Jesus Christ will find that change will present new opportunities to prove His sufficiency. At the Cross, the Lord Jesus has provided a way for us all to experience the antidote for any self-centered concerns.

A TWR missionary reported how a radical Muslim was converted. In a dream, he saw Christ dying in His agony on the Cross. The Lord Jesus said: “I did this for you,” and the Moslem testified that the eyes of Jesus were like laser beams searching the depths of his innermost being. This is what the Psalmist meant when he wrote: *In Thy Light we shall see light* PSALM 36:9. Yes, it is in the light of God’s holy Presence that the inner recesses of our heart—our motives; our ambitions and our desires are exposed for what they are.

The Bible exhorts: *humble yourselves, in the sight of the Lord and He shall lift you up* JAMES 4:10. It is by such self-humbling that the Lord Jesus produces His resurrection Life out of the ashes of a crucified self-life. Then we can rejoice to say, it is no longer “I” but Christ Who lives in me! An immediate consequence will be that the barrier is broken down which had separated objective Bible knowledge from spiritual reality. Such reality will change my reading of the Bible from routine formality to faith-building reality as I meet the God of the Word!

In Romans three, twenty-seven, God confronts us with the question: *“Where is thy boasting then?”* In God’s light, we affirm, *“it is excluded.”* “I will not boast in anything; no gifts, no power, no wisdom; but I will boast in Jesus Christ: His death and resurrection.” – K. and C. Getty

*Where then does boasting come in?  
It is ruled out.  
Through what sort of law? Of works?  
No, indeed, but through the law of faith.*

– Berkeley Version

We remember that, *by grace are ye saved by faith* EPHESIANS 2:28. And just as saving faith initiates access into the grace of God, so serving faith continues our fellowship with the God of grace! *And if by grace, it is no more of works . . . But if be of works, then it is no longer grace* ROMANS 11:6.

No, it is not by dedicated service; it is not by sacrificial giving; it is not by the mistaken enthusiasm of the self-life that will place more faith in techniques only to discover that the problems of a self-centered life still remain! In this verse the Bible emphatically affirms; *“It is not the law of works,”* but, *“the law of faith.”* Such faith as this is not faith in “faith” but it is faith in a Person!

Later, in the Book of Romans, we are warned: *Whatsoever is not of faith is sin* ROMANS 14:23. So we learn that faith is total dependence upon the risen Son of God. That means the Lord Jesus Christ lives in and through His Blood-bought child. And only that which has been accomplished by dependence upon the indwelling Lord, *“through the law of faith”* will count for eternity.

Some eternal verities that are to be received by faith are:

- ❖ **Faith in the Finished Work of Christ:** At His atoning death on the Cross, the Lord Jesus exclaimed: *“It is finished!”* JOHN 19:30. Nothing to add, nothing can be taken away.
- ❖ **Faith in that fact He was:** *Delivered for our offenses, and was raised again for our justification* ROMANS 4:25.
- ❖ **Faith in the fact:** *We are buried with Him into death, and as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we should walk in newness of life* ROMANS 6:4.
- ❖ **Faith in the fact:** *That the righteousness of the Law might be fulfilled in us [not by us] who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit* ROMANS 8:4.

In these changing days, the unchanging reality of life in Christ remains constant! What a privilege to be a channel of His blessing through the opportunities of CCIM. Thank you for being such consistent partners of faith as CCIM continue to daily reach

people in China; the Middle East; Africa; India and Europe with Good News that will be for His eternal glory!

The following testimonies from Kenya are an update for your praise and prayer.

Together, in His Name,



### **Good News to — and from Kenya!**

#### **An “Audience Relations Officer” of TWR-Kenya writes:**

*“As we come to the end of this year 2009 we would like to thank God for the most gracious things He has done through Dorothy’s Daily Devotional Program. We have received letters, SMS (text) messages, telephone calls and even personal calls giving testimonies of the blessings they have received through this short and yet inspiring program. This program has comforted a good number of listeners including **those who were displaced from their homes** during the 2007 elections. Most of them have now returned home and still listen to the DDD program. Their testimonies are amazing and we give God glory and honor!”*

Yes, behind each letter is often a heart-rending story of great need and often hopelessness. That is why Dorothy and I sincerely thank you for your involvement through prayers and gifts. Only as God touches hearts such as yours can CCIM meet the monthly budget for radio and “missionaries in paper covers.” The spiritual battles are very fierce surrounding these precious people. Together, let us pray for the individuals mentioned the many more they represent.

**Nairobi** – I came across your short program when I was very low in spirit. God led me to the most encouraging program and I was restored. Praise the Lord and God bless you!

**Eldoret** – Praise the Lord! I would like to thank you for the good work you have done in my life from the beginning of the year 2009 to the end. Indeed you have built me on the solid rock of the Word and I believe I will continue to grow as you continue as you teach the Word of God.

**Mombasa** – I am a born-again Christian living in Mombasa. I received Jesus Christ in the year 2002. Ever since I have been faithful to His Word and I have been blessed mightily. This morning I had the privilege of listening to your Daily Devotion on Sifa FM that talked about the Apostle Peter and his ministry. It was a true blessing to have explained the symbolism involved in reference to the little or the big rock that Christ built His Church on. I would like to receive the free book you are offering, *Food for Faith*.

**Kakamega** – Your program’s teachings are very wonderful and I thank God for this excellent program through which I gave my life to Jesus and I am growing day by day in my faith because of you. I pray that God will continue to anoint you with more messages for His people.

**Nairobi** – I was introduced to your program by my friend who warned me that the DDD program is a great inspiration but far too short. Yes, I agree with his warning and thank God for what I am learning from you! Please send me a copy of *Your Quest for God*.

**SMS message:** I want to thank you for your faithfulness in your program. I have never missed any of your teachings and I believe God will enable me to listen to you in 2010.

**Mombasa** – I am a regular listener of your program and request Christian material that will lead me to God’s knowledge as I set my mind, heart, soul and spirit in the path that leads to everlasting life. Your program has helped me and I praise God for what I am because of this wonderful program.

**SMS message:** Thank you for copies of *Food for Faith* and *Your Quest for God*. These books have made a great impact in my Christian life. I pray for God’s blessings upon you.

**SMS message:** I have always believed that God has a purpose for my life and when I listened to your program I concluded that He really does love me and is concerned with my life. Keep up the good work for God.

**Kitale** – *Your Quest for God* has given me assurance of salvation! I have received a new spiritual sight after being in darkness for a long time. Now, as a new member of the family of God I have been touched and transformed by chapter five of this book on the biblical record of priorities which places the spirit first, the soul second and the body third. Until I came across this great book, I had always been led by my bodily desires and emotion too long influenced my actions and decision in the wrong way that is surely not pleasing before God.

I thank God for this timely intervention through the book for after reading it I have not remained the same. I am also encouraged by the text in chapter ten: Jesus is the only One Who is adequate to meet the temptations and opportunities of life what will surely face Christians. It is my desire and prayer that God helps me to share the same message with my friends and whoever I come across so that they may also have a taste of it and enjoy this sweet truth.

**SMS message:** I like listening to your short program and I have been blessed thoroughly well.

**Kagama** – Choice Christian greetings! Dear Dorothy, thank you for making Christ known through TWR ministry. I would like to receive your book *Your Quest for God*. I believe it will make me to minister effectively in a world with great need.

**SMS message:** Thank you for the two books you sent me together with tracts “Hope for the Hopeless.” This material is so good and encouraging to our ministry.

**SMS message:** Praise the Lord, sister Dorothy! Thank you so much for your good work. Please keep it up and God bless you.