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Our dear Prayer Supporter,

During World War II, General Louis Mountbatten was retreating in North Africa before Rommel's German Panzer Army. British Prime Minister Winston Churchill sent Mounbatten the following order:

*You are to plan for the offensive,
in your headquarters
you will never think defensively.*

In the supreme battle of the ages, when an army of demons were arrayed against the Lord Jesus, He snatched an eternal victory out of the jaws of what Satan intended to be His defeat. And by His death, He killed death dead! By His death He destroyed him that had the power of death (Satan). He then rose triumphantly as our "Forerunner" into Heaven. Today, there is a perfect Man (Jesus) in Heaven. Because He lives we too shall live in Heaven. Praise God!

Though we live in a day of financial reversal and great uncertainty, Dorothy and I look to the future not in a defensive mode, but in the victory of the risen Christ. Yes, by faith, we have again responded to His command –

*Lengthen thy cords
and
strengthen thy stakes*

-ISAIAH 54:2

To obey this scripture requires offensive strategy! We are reminded that it was in the Great Depression of the 1920's that the Lord Jesus enabled the building of, what were then, three major and Christ centered Canadian Bible Schools. As a result, thousands of dedicated, disciplined and devoted young people as missionaries went to the ends of the earth. Today, in our family devotions, we were again encouraged as we read: *With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible* MATTHEW 19:26.

The Need

The Arab world is a term used to define all of the Arabic-speaking countries stretching from the Atlantic Ocean to the Arabian sea in the east, and from the Mediterranean Sea in the north to Sub-Saharan Africa and the Indian Ocean in the south.

Many wars start in this volatile region in the name of religion and of "god." People there are searching for truth from different and varied sources. They desperately need to know the true and living God and be nurtured in a strong and vital relationship with Him.

Two Quotes

– from a CCIM 1994 Prayer Letter.

(1) *Quoted from the British Telegraph under the heading "Like a Flood Tide—Islam on the Move," the article was by Con Coughlan:*

"Hidden away at remote villages along the banks of the White and Blue Nile in Sudan, a new network of camps is being constructed to provide the Middle East with a *fresh generation of highly trained terrorists*. The Sudanese government, which has close links with Libya's Colonel Gadhafi, has also been tied to the Islamic movements trying to overthrow secular governments in Tunisia and Algeria.

"*At any given time, there are estimated to be 3,000 of Iran's Revolutionary Guards in Sudan*. Western intelligence experts believe the Iranians are helping to train a variety of Arab recruits in the latest terrorist techniques. Five of the 15 people arrested following the World Trade Center bombing in February last year were Sudanese. Whitehall now accepts that Sudan is rapidly becoming the Middle East's main launch pad for terrorist acts. The regime's ruthless methods in countering insurgency in the south have been likened to a 'genocidal reign of terror.'"

What was news and prediction in 1994, is history today!

(2) *Quoted from a Christian perspective. At the same time, the organization "Open Doors" circulated the following news of the same serious crises:*

"Proudly boasting that they are the vanguard of Islamic revolution in Africa, Sudan's leaders have used this as a tool to strengthen their personal control. The tragic cost is a million dead, an economy devastated and a country divided. The non-Muslim South has been under siege, with little notice from the rest of the world. Attempts to eliminate the Christian presence include bombings of church services, mass kidnapping, widespread murders and the destruction of entire villages. *We waited for peace, but nothing good came and a time of healing but behold terror* JEREMIAH 14:19."

The Vision

At the time of going to press, Trans World Radio wrote:

“The books *Your Quest for God* and *Food for Faith* were created to meet such a deep and basic human need. These books provide a unique opportunity for people to understand the Christian faith in a very creative and meaningful way. We believe that by broadcasting the reading of the two books in 15-minute segments twice weekly will expose many Arabic-speaking people to the truth of the Gospel in a deeper way than has been done previously.

TWR Suggested the Following Opportunity

“To commence the third year of reading both *Your Quest for God* and *Food for Faith* in Arabic twice-weekly through 15-minute programs. The goal would be to provide a clear, in-depth presentation of the Gospel for millions of Arabic-speaking people throughout North Africa and the Middle East.”

Yes! CCIM Should Be Involved

For those who have already been saved in the Arabic World, the frequent testimony bespeaks steadfastness in the faith despite severe suffering. Praise God, the irresistible power of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ is setting people free. Instead of the prevailing atmosphere of hate and murder, eyes and minds are opened and real peace, love and grace fills lives with a burning desire to share Christ with their people. You too can be a missionary reaching these hungry hearts by your daily intercession and sacrificial gifts.

CCIM is in Cooperative Fellowship

CCIM is in cooperative fellowship with Trans World Radio which proclaim God’s Word worldwide in more than 225 languages and dialects in over 160 countries. Now, CCIM is committed for another year to pay \$3,000 a month to TWR for this air time. That, plus the additional expense of printing these “missionaries in paper covers” and making CD’s available. As we mentioned in last month’s Prayer Letter, these Gospel tools are being distributed free of charge throughout these volatile areas.

Thank you deeply for your vital part helping CCIM reach this area of the world with God’s unchanging Love and eternal Truth.

Together in His Name,



Please join us in prayer:



- For the daily Arabic broadcast of CCIM books, and the dangerous distribution of this literature and CD’s to multiple listeners throughout the Middle East and North Africa.
- For the broadcasts of “Dorothy’s Daily Devotional” program to every part of Kenya over Kenya Broadcasting Corporation and through Trans World Radio from Voi (near Mombassa).
- For the ongoing prayerful distribution of CCIM literature and Bibles to the poor and spiritually needy throughout Kenya.
- For the updating and preparation to print *Food for Faith* in Spanish for Latin America.
- For the strategic placing of *Your Quest for God* in Spanish in the USA.
- For the daily ESL reading of CCIM literature by Internet into China.
- For the translation, printing and distribution of CCIM books as a tool for evangelism and discipleship in multiple languages across India.
- For the ongoing task of translating, updating and printing CCIM books in West Africa.
- For wisdom and daily anointing as we seek to obey the Lord in all matters.
- For His glory and financial provision for each project of faith.