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Our dear Prayer Supporter,

Recently, Dorothy and I reflected on a sunny day we enjoyed in Switzerland many years ago. We were fascinated to see a Swiss gentleman who stood on the Alpine slopes. Clad in picturesque national attire, he blew a long Swiss horn that stretched to grassy slopes beneath his feet. From the horn of this skillful musician a clarion melody flowed over the spectacular beauty of the valley and to the mountain range beyond.

However, what intrigued us most was the time lapse between the moment the music left the horn and the identical echo that rebounded back from the distant scenic mountains. Yes, we heard the same music twice over!

Similarly, we read in Psalm twenty-seven verse eight how King David echoed the Word of God: “*When Thou saidst, Seek ye my face,*” David echoed, “*my heart said unto Thee, Thy face Lord will I seek.*” It is this principle of precise two-way fellowship with God that is the essence of teaching in our book *Food for Faith*. In it, we seek to explain that the Word of God is meticulously recorded and preserved by the Holy Spirit so that we internalize His Word with the response of obedient faith.

“My ‘say so’ is to be built on God’s ‘say so’” (Oswald Chambers). In the New Testament, the vital connection between what God says in His Word and how we can respond is likewise clear.

In Hebrews 13:5,6 we read: “He hath said” . . . that is what God says, “so that we may boldly say” that is how we should echo our response.

What does the Lord Jesus say to us at such time as this? “*I will never leave thee nor forsake thee.*” And how should we respond even when the bottom falls out of our little world? We may boldly say, “*The Lord is my helper and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.*” In this way the indwelling Presence of our risen Lord and the absolute assurance of the Word of God begets a faith that affirms “*I will not fear what man can do unto me.*” So, God’s tender grace and unchanging Word echoes back as music in our hearts when it is mixed with the quiet assurance of solid faith.

Returning to the Psalmist we notice he did not say—“Thy Word have I hid in my head.” If that were the object of our Bible study, we do well to remember “. . . *the Word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith*” (HEBREWS 4:2). And it is the mixing spoon of faith that stirs the Word of God from the head to the heart. Accordingly, the Psalmist said, “*Thy Word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against Thee*” PSALM 119:11.

This is why the book *Food for Faith*—now printed in multiple languages—is titled *Food for Faith*, and not food for thought! One pastor, in charge of the education program of a large church recently testified: “I thank God for bringing our ministries together. I have read your book scores of times. Applying its truths has not only transformed our family devotions but radically revolutionized the method of teaching in our Sunday School. We involve the children in prayerfully responding verse by verse to the Scriptures. This method of echoing back the Word to the Lord is now also being introduced in our ladies ministries.”

Another pastor of a smaller, but much blessed, church testified: “Since you were here for ministry eighteen months ago I can say that fruit continues to abound. There is not one part of our church life that has not been affected by what the Spirit of the Lord did and continues to do as the result of your teaching eighteen months ago.” I might add that, we believe, that our ministry was so effective because of the prevailing, sacrificial and constant intercession of the congregation. Joyfully, we hear that such early morning intercession continues daily to this day and that the numbers of local military personnel are increasing in the fellowship. To God be all the glory!

Now you may understand a little of our excitement to know that, in spite of incredible complexities, and only by the grace of God, the ministry of both *Food for Faith* and *Your Quest for God* continue to be greatly blessed and is continually expanding.

How good God is! In our “pre-Dawn” years, when we are unable to travel as extensively, the ministry expands around the world where the fish are biting! Yes, for a little mission organization the cost might seem enormous—“But God!”

How we thank the Lord for those of you who stand with us so faithfully in prayer as we echo His triumphant voice of victory in these darkening days.

Together in His Name,

Listener Response to Kenya Ministries via TWR

- MOMBASA, Kenya – I am really grateful for sending me the book *Food for Faith*. I now know how to get the Bible from my hand to my head and then from my head to my heart. I have also known that it is important that head knowledge without heart commitment will not lead to spiritual growth. Please send me the next book, *Your Quest for God*.

Listener Response from the Arabic World via TWR

- ❑ **Abed, SYRIA** – I would like to share with you how wonderfully *Your Quest for God* program made a difference in my life. It's helping me to continue on the right path with my new faith.
- ❑ **Nahed, EGYPT** – I'm an old listener to TWR Arabic broadcast, but I adore the *Your Quest for God* program. It is helping me a lot in my life and opening my eyes on things never realized before. I would love to have the book, knowing it would be assisting me in the journey of life and how to look into things differently yet correctly.
- ❑ **Pierre, LEBANON** – Please send me *Your Quest for God* book by Dr. Richard Bennett audio CD.
- ❑ **Samar, SWEDEN** – Please send me the CD of *Food for Faith*. The CCIM radio program has a great impact on my life!
- ❑ **Mahmoud, a MOROCCAN living in Spain** – I've listened to your broadcast and heard something about Aissa (Jesus) and I liked what I heard, so I wonder if this letter I am sending would open the door for me to know and quench the thirst of my heart about your Christ?

Listener Response via South Africa TWR

A recent monthly report from Trans World Radio, South Africa which includes some of Africa places where the "Dorothy Daily Devotion" Short Wave broadcasts and CCIM books minister as follow-up to radio broadcasts: Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

- ❑ **NIGERIA** – Kindly send me a copy of *Your Quest for God*. It is an amazing book both rich and compelling as also is *Food for Faith*.
- ❑ **MALAWI, Zambia** – I write to request a copy of *Food for Faith* by Richard Bennett.
- ❑ **NIGERIA, Yola, Adamanwa State** – Greetings in Jesus name. Presently I am serving the Lord through Prison Ministry and also an evangelist. Assistance from you with some books would be very welcome. I preach in the capital and outside the state.
- ❑ **UGANDA, Koboko District** – May I have the book you are offering? May God richly bless this media and literature ministry that is building lives of so many millions of souls. The good work He is doing through you He won't leave unfinished—until the Day of Christ.
- ❑ **GHANA, Keta, Volta Region** – I am very excited to write to you. I hope things are moving on well by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. I am also doing well at school. The reason I write is to request the book you are offering. Thank you very much.
- ❑ **NIGERIA** – *Your Quest for God* which you sent to me is more precious than gold or silver because the book is full of

spiritual treasures that no one can afford to lose. It is a Minister's companion! Thanks.

- ❑ **SOUTH AFRICA** – I have sent my book *Your Quest for God* by Dr. Richard Bennett to my son overseas as I feel he needs to read is so I was wondering if you had a copy for me to replace it with.
- ❑ **MALAWI, Luchenza** – I am a keen listener to your program. Your programs are spiritually very nourishing to the soul. With a grateful heart I make my request to you for *Food for Faith* which I heard that you send free of charge.
- ❑ **NIGERIA, Taraba State** – I am a serious listener of your radio program I want you to send me some of your books that will help build my Christian life.
- ❑ **ZAMBIA, Kitwe** – I am hereby requesting for the book *Your Quest for God* and a Bible. I am a young Zambian man, a regular listener to your program.
- ❑ **NIGERIA, Adamanwa State** – When listening to your program I heard you say that you have some spiritual books and anybody that is in need of them should request a free copy which I want to share with friends and co-workers. Please. Thank you and God bless you.
- ❑ **MALAWI, Luchenza** – With a grateful heart I request your book. Let me thank you in advance for the gift. Your programs are spiritually very nourishing to the soul.
- ❑ **SOUTH AFRICA, Johannesburg** – I thank the Lord for the work you are doing by broadcasting the program and offering the books. I have never looked back since giving my life to the Lord. Sometimes there are trials in our lives but we can overcome them by the Word of our testimony and the Blood of the Lamb. I thank you for the role that you have played in my life.
- ❑ **SOUTH AFRICA, Phalaborwa** – I like listening to your programs. Since I started listening my life has changed positively. May God help you to continue spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ in this turbulent world.
- ❑ **ZAMBIA, Mufulira** – I am a young man of 22 and a regular listener of the wonderful programs and encouraging words of God through the Short Wave. Ever since I started listening to the powerful messages my life is completely been moving from one level to another. I am a born-again Christian in need of spiritual growth, therefore it is my request that you may help me with some biblical material. I really thank God for all of you.
- ❑ **Lilongwe** – Through your programs (TWR) I have accepted Jesus as my Lord and Savior. Thank you very much. I will be glad if you send my some books to grow in Christ.

