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Our Dear Prayer Supporter,

*This month, eighty-six years of my life have already merged into eternity and Dorothy and I want to thank you for all that your love and prayers have meant to us. So now, with our heartfelt thanks to the Lord for you, let us share a few paragraphs from an upcoming article, "Prayer in Perilous Days:"*

"As the sun slowly rises in the eastern sky, and we face the demands and delights of a new day, we might ask, 'What will govern my choices for today?' The Lord exhorts us all to: "Choose those things that please **Me**" Isaiah 56:4. "For Thou hast created all things and for **Thy pleasure** they are and were created" Revelation 4:11.

"Yes, you and I were created for the pleasure of God Himself, not for ourselves! Unfortunately, many decisions in the church, and even in the family, are made on the basis of what pleases 'me.' Self-pleasing is basically the root of much church dissention and family discord!

"As a warning to us all we read: "in the last days perilous times shall come . . . men shall be lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God" 2 Timothy 3:1,2. This pursuit of pleasure is not confined to the humanistic and Epicurean culture in which we live. It is often displayed in today's Christian community. There both the offended and the offending party are affected by a self-pleasing attitude.

"Only at the Cross can resultant dissention and discord be resolved. It is there, with repentant hearts, we should pray, "Lord Jesus, in this situation, please Yourself; not myself." With such glad resignation true joy begins!

"The Lord Jesus said, "These things have I spoken unto you that **My joy** might remain in you, and that your joy might be full" John 15:11. True heavenly joy can never be experienced in the heart of a person who is self-pleasing or be simulated by self-serving and self-pleasing pursuits. But incomprehensible and inexpressible joy flows from the Lord Jesus Christ to a cleansed and obedient heart.

"So paradoxically, we can say that the secret of happiness is not found when we go AWOL and retreat to a 'pleasant pasture' in order to avoid spiritual warfare. But, for those among us who are prepared to pray with the spiritual ammunition that God has provided and engage in spiritual warfare, then at the end of the day when the sun sets and we pillow our heads we will experience inner peace and abiding joy.

In His Love,

## Praise Report

- \* For the many people who are daily reached through CCIM with the message of new life in Christ.
- \* For His financial provision to meet CCIM costs. By faith, we seek to redeem each opportunity He gives to present the Gospel message.
- \* For His continued enabling grace and physical strength to meet the multiple daily demands of ministry, counseling and administration: "As thy days, so shall thy strength be!"
- \* For the many people, who respond to the teaching and literature whose testimonies we share for prayer in our monthly letter.
- \* For the special friends and prayer partners whom the Lord has raised up to pray for the CCIM ministries and us.

## Prayer Requests:



- \* For revival in our time!
- \* For the daily broadcasts of "The Way of Truth" and "Dorothy's Daily Devotional" in the French, Swahili, Turkana and English languages throughout Africa and beyond.
- \* For the 5,000 people each week who access CCIM "Google Ads" to read "Your Quest for God" in their heart language.
- \* For the printing expenses of hard-copies of "Your Quest for God," "Food for Faith" and "Hope for the Hopeless" in multiple languages and people whose lives are changed as a result of this literature ministry.
- \* For the upgrade of [www.ccim-media.com](http://www.ccim-media.com); which, along with "Linguablast" and the "TWR/360" projects will result in even greater world-wide exposure for the Gospel.

**Dorothy's French Daily Devotional - "Rendezvous with the Lord" has additional airtime as CCIM pay for the reading of Scriptures. It is now heard five times weekly through Vivid Satellite; three French media platforms: SW Radio; MW Radio; FM Radio; Webcast Podcast and Portable Player.**

**Ivory Coast** - I am calling to encourage you. I am listening to your program "*Rendezvous with the Lord*" and each broadcast is like daily bread for me as I am unable to read for myself. Thank you!

**Ivory Coast** - When listening to your program, "God cannot lie," I felt I would have an answer to my request. I understood how important it was to memorize verses for such a practice can help us in difficult times to overcome the problems we are facing on a daily basis. It is wonderful that we can involve our children how to memorize verses as well. I've really been moved by the testimony of this little boy who saved his family in hard times. Also, we find that memorizing verses will give us the weapons we need when sharing the Word of God with others. God bless you.

**Tamasheq "Your Quest for God" - 10,000 copies** are being distributed in **Mali, Niger and Burkina Faso**. May many be brought to the Lord Jesus through this vital tool for evangelism. Please especially pray for the Church in Mali in the Gao and Timbuktu areas. Christians have suffered much through recent fighting which also necessitated their evacuation for safety. Church and mission buildings have been vandalized and looted.



**CCIM French Broadcasts: Red lines indicate Africa listener potential. Pray!!**

**Angola** – Good evening dear brother! I need your book "*Your Quest for God*." I am Daniel and I live in Angola. Your broadcasts have reinforced my faith in the Lord Jesus and, today, my life has been restored to Him with a resultant desire to have a more intimate relationship with God. I already feel the spiritual awakening in my life!

**Ivory Coast** – Today I just heard your broadcast on: "God Cannot Lie." Your message is so important! I had never thought about memorizing the Word of God with our children but was encouraged with the story of the crippled young man in Greece who, memorizing biblical verses, recited them in a loud voice from his window so that passersby could hear his testimony. This had such an impact upon me that I started teaching my own children. We have a blackboard at home and we can, as a family, make time to memorize the Word of God.

**Congo - from a radio listener:**

Although communication is difficult because I am calling from the Congo, I wanted to make this quick phone call and encourage you that your radio program greatly impacts my life.

**Congo and Central Africa Republic** Please pray for the Christians in this war-torn region. Pastors and churches continue to face death and disaster in their stand for the Lord Jesus.

**Ivory Coast** – I have been very happy to listen to your different messages of, "*Rendezvous with the Lord*." I have received some new insights about our Redeemer which have confirmed His promises in my situation. After listening to some of your programs I decided to change my relationship toward the Lord and cultivate my faith on a totally different dimension even to the point that now I can expect a miraculous change in my life! Previously this would have been impossible for me to believe. Thank you for your messages which build-up anyone in the faith who seriously want to live for the Lord Jesus Christ. Keep on doing well!

**Togo** - I listen to your program "*Rendezvous with the Lord*" and I am calling you because I need to be advised on what kind of church I should go to. Can you lead me?

**Ivory Coast** - I heard mention in your program today about forgiveness. I paid special attention to what you said because of a situation I am going through with one my friends. We no longer talk to each other but I obeyed what the Word required of me to do. I went to her on several occasions asking forgiveness for something I was responsible for. However, she always refused to forgive me. What do I now do in this situation? Thank you for your anticipated help.