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ASKing Point

is a bi-monthly communication on behalf of ASK Network International. It is an invitation to join the network of prayer throughout the nations, ASKing and agreeing regarding key issues on God's heart. It is a tool for prayer, a place for testimony to God's faithfulness in answering, and a gift of worship to the Living God. Prayerwalking is a natural and necessary outworking of our relationship with the Lord. A deepening relationship leads to communication, then to communion and to ASKing. An early example of this is in Genesis 13:14-17. After Lot had parted ways with Abram, the Lord said to Abram, "Look around from where you are, to the north and south, to the east and west. All the land that you see I will give to you and vour offspring forever. I will make vour offspring like the dust of the earth, so that if anyone could count the dust, then your offspring could be counted. Go, walk through the length and breadth of the land, for I am giving it to you." There is no division between Abram's relationship with the Lord, His call to Barham, the concerns He put on His servant's heart and this invitation to walk the land.

Prayerwalking has been described as "praying onsite with insight". Prayerwalking will take us to the source of our ASKing: the person, place or circumstance we are ASKing for. Our ASKing doesn't demand that we be 'on location' for who or what we are ask for, but it certainly helps. Prayerwalking brings life, understanding, knowledge and revelation of what we are ASKing for.

The following thoughts comes from an ASKer who faithfully prayer walks her city.

Why Prayerwalk?

We prayerwalk in order to bring a Kingdom change in a given locality. Feet are important to the Lord. Ancient rabbis imagined the cloud of protection and the pillar of fire which led the Israelites in the wilderness as the very feet of God. In Joshua 1, God said "Every place on which the sole of your foot treads I have given to you..." This is part of God's original call in the Garden for man to have dominion over the earth. (Genesis 1:26-28)

In Ephesians 6, God identifies the weapons of our warfare against the enemy: Truth, Righteousness, Peace, the Word of God as an offensive weapon, Faith which protects, Salvation which refreshes and conforms the mind to that of Christ. In verse 13 it says "stand YOUR ground". In Mark 12:9 and 13:34 Jesus identifies the land as given to His followers. So, as God leads, you can put your feet in the place of authority to bring down false kingdoms and establish God's Kingdom on earth. Matthew 6:10.

Prayerwalking Matters to God

In Washington DC in 2014 a large number of teens on a summer city mission were introduced to Biblical Meditation using Genesis 26. They dentifyied their upcoming prayerwalk focus that evening as those wells that had been stopped up in the Genesis

story. They walked in silence, in the darkness, from the historic Washington DC Lincoln Park down East Capitol Street-the original 1790 'diplomatic entry way' from the Old World to the new, promising republic of the United States. They prayed about places in our national American life which had become 'stopped up'. No spoken words, just feet and silent prayer based on scripture. Three weeks later on the anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation, a white supremacist group marched the exact same path with its emancipation statue, bringing a message of racism and oppression. Coincidence? It could be concluded that in 2014 the Lord was showing the power of prayerwalking with the Word to take geography and overturn historic events for His Kingdom. The enemy had taken notice. God uses our feet in conjunction with our prayers based on scripture. And He is mindful of anniversaries!

Map-walking

Inclement weather? Infirmity? Distance from where you would like to walk? No problem! One ASKer on the East Coast took the map of New Mexico and prayed with her finger moving down the Rio Grande River Valley town by town. Stopping that evening at the town of Nambe, she went to work the next day, opened a copy of Architectural Digest magazine and read that Nambe, NM was reputed to be a center for witchcraft. This, she learned, was based on the 1855 murder of several townspeople identified as witches. God cares about and can use our map-walking.

What's in Your Hand? (Exodus 4:2)

One faithful Christian prayerwalker has a gift of mastering languages. He travels to countries where it is safe to journey but not safe to proclaim the gospel. In buses and on trains he prays for peace and blessing, quietly sings praise songs and makes proclamations of God's authority over the earth. What is he doing? Breaking up the unplowed ground (Hosea 10:12). Perhaps others are back home studying these countries and using websites such as The Joshua Project, crying out to God to bring down strongholds in these countries! Sometimes such humble asking might not be seen by the eyes of men but it is seen by the eyes of God and He answers in power.

Nancy Merrit

Nancy Merritt (ASKer in Washington DC) contributed the above thoughts on Prayerwalking, and also helped write the new piece of **literature featured below.**

THE PRACTICE OF PRAYERWALKING

These scriptures set the stage for people to respond to God's instructions to be effective in geographies of places and nations.

I will give you every place where you set your foot ... Your territory will extend. Joshua 1:3-4 Ask of Me, and I will give you nations as an inheritance for you. Psalm 2:8 See, I have appointed you this day over the nations ... to pluck up and break down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant. Jeremiah 1:10

Prayerwalking is as simple as praying while walking but it is powerful because it is praying "onsite with insight", and brings God's blessings and needed changes to people and places. However, if you ask the Holy Spirit to open your eyes and give you understanding you will begin to recognize significance of place and time. Learn to trust your spiritual discernment

When we prayerwalk we follow biblical principles:

Genesis 13:17 God's instruction to Abraham to walk the land of Canaan before inheriting it. **Joshua 1:3-6** God's encouragement to Joshua to take the people into the land of Canaan to occupy it. **Isaiah 58:12** God's promise to those whose hearts are with His purposes to transform their land.

"Relevant information and revelatory instruction from the Word makes for good intercession and intervention." Stuart McAlpine, ASK Network

THE PRATICE OF PRAYERWALKING (continued):

Examples of helpful resources:

- Scriptures from the Bible revealed by God or emphasized in your personal study, as you walk ponder any scriptures that come to mind
- Insight gained from biblical meditation
- **Maps**, using your fingers on geographical areas to "pray in" scripture
- Historic information regarding past events on a land affecting people
- Names of Leaders and their areas of responsibility
- **Prayer Resources** on the ASK Network International website www.asknetwork.net

Examples of places to Prayerwalk:

- Your neighborhood
- Boundaries and old cornerstones of a town and sites of city and town origins
- Schools and colleges
- Hospitals
- Historic buildings, government buildings and places of significant events

- Sites of corruption, at businesses which corrupt the land
- Before/after significant events which will bring or have brought unrest and corruption and defiled the land (parades, protests, festivals, shedding of blood)

Guidance for Prayerwalking:

- Pray protection over those going, possibly using Ephesians 6:10-18
- Prayerwalk discreetly, alone or in pairs
- Take limited materials with you
- If praying over sites affected by - Freemasonry, witchcraft, false worship, massacres, etc., pray always under the covering of the blood and the covering and blessing of your Church leadership

Following the Prayerwalk:

- Praise and thank the Lord for His faithfulness
- Record significant insights, experiences, scriptures
- Look for answers to your prayers, in following weeks and
- months see what changes take place

Your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. Matthew 6:6 There is no greater reward than seeing your prayers answered!

This piece of literature available for download at www.asknetwork.net

GATHERING TO ASK BY ZOOM

Please join us on any or all of the calls below. We look forward to seeing your face and hearing your voice!

EVERY TUESDAY:

ASKing for Nations—Psalm 2:8 8AM PST / 11AM EST / 4PM GMT,BST Email Sue Huston for inquiries or more info: suehuston@asknetwork.ca

EVERY FRIDAY:

ASKing the Lord of the Harvest Praying for UPGs 7AM PST / 10AM EST / 3PM BST Email Nga Dang for inquiries or more info: nga1048@yahoo.com

FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH:

ASKing for Asia 8pm Bangkok time / 9pm Taipei & Manila time Email: Lace Fang for inquiries or more info: *lacefang@gmail.com*

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH:

ASKing with Compassion for the LGBT+ Community 7AM PST / 10AM EST / 3PM GMT/BST Email Fawn Parish for inquiries or more info: fawnparish@gmail.com

SECOND & FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH:

ASKing for the USA 7 AM PST / 9AM CST / 10 AM EST Email Marsha Elliott for inquiries or more info. *mebusybea@aol.com*

THIRD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH:

USA Nat'l Prayer Call to Pray for Nations 7 AM PST/ 9AM CST / 10AM EST Email Roberta Rader to inquiries or more info: roberta@asknetwork.net

CONNECT TO ABOVE PRAYER CALLS:

Login to Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/3928843865; Password: 426129

 Or call-in: 1 312 626 6799 or 1 669 900 9128— Call in ID: 392 884 3865, Password: 426129

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH:

ASKing for the UK & Europe call: 7AM GMT

- join from PC, Mac, Linux, IOS or Android: https://zoom.us/j/2795509928 (f you are able to join using your computer, we will be sharing information over the internet)
- Or iPhone one-tap: US: +1 408 638 0986, 2795509928# or +1 646 558 8665, 2795509928#
- Or Telephone: Dial (for higher quality, dial a # based on your current location):
- USA: +1 408 638 0986 or +1 646 558 8665
- UK: +44 (0) 20 3695 008 Email Jenny Bailey for inquiries or more info: askuk@asknetwork.net

SECOND & FOURTH FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

ASKing for Africa (this call originates in Kenya) 6PM Nairobi time; UTC/GMT +3 5PM East Africa time; 4PM Nigeria time Meeting ID: 814 4732 2201 Password: 515478 Email Charles Kaloki for inquiries or more info: ckaloki@hotmail.com

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COSTA-RICA

A highly educated population, Costa Rica's five million people are predominantly Roman Catholic and live in a nation one-tenth the size of France. Costa Ricans, or Ticos, are situated in a naturally beautiful country between the Caribbean and Pacific Oceans, and they enjoy one of the highest standards of living in Central America. The nation draws large numbers of tourists.

Costa Rica is also a magnet for hundreds of thousands of Nicaraguan refugees who are fleeing extreme poverty and political instability. This causes increased difficulties between the two people groups as they vie for governmental resources needed by the 16% Costa Rican poor.

Costa Rican culture is highly influenced by Catholicism that is increasing in numbers with the influx of the charismatic renewal. Evangelicals have also increased now making up 14% of the population. The Costa Rican church needs answers to the question of how to minister to the Nicaraguan refugees, and how to respond to the challenges from cults and spiritist groups.

Let's ASK:

- For churches to effectively disciple their congregants resulting in biblical lifestyle changes. There are 26 Bible schools and seminaries training Christians to minister effectively to all segments of society, including church work, missions or marketplace ministry. So we tell others about Christ, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all the wisdom God has given us. We want to present them to God, perfect in their relationship to Christ. Colossians 1:28
- For Christ-like collaboration among foreign missions' agencies as they begin to transfer authority to indigenous leadership. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. Proverbs 9:10 Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Romans 12:10
- That churches will find creative ways to minister to the Nicaraguan refugees along with outreach to the youth who comprise two-thirds of the population. Do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. Galatians. 5:13-14

UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUP

Spanish Speaking Jews

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Background

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The South American Jewish communities began as Conversos (Jews forced to convert to Catholicism) who accompanied early Spanish and Portuguese explorers. However, most of the Jewish immigrants to the Americas came in the late 1800s from Central and Eastern Europe, as well as the Middle East. Many speak Ladino, a blend of Spanish and Hebrew that is often used by those of Spanish descent. Hebrew is the religious language of prayer for the more orthodox.

They live in cities but keep to themselves as a distinct religious and ethnic minority, but not all are religious. The more successful the Jewish executive in South America becomes, the greater tendency he may have to be assimilated into Christian European society.

- Ask the Lord to send loving Christians to work among the Jewish communities. *He told them, the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. Luke 10:2*
- Ask the Lord to soften the hearts of the Jews so that they might hear and receive the message of salvation.
 Opponents must be gently instructed, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth. 2 Timothy 2:25

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UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUP

Taiwan Hakka Chinese

Population: 4,299,000 Primary Religion: Language:

Ethnic Chinese, Hakka

Background

The Hakka people are the dominant ethnic group of Taiwan and have one of the longest unbroken written histories of about 3,000 years. They originally populated the area along the Yellow River in China. The Hakka are known for their endurance, diligence, and bravery in exploring new lands. As a minority group, Hakka people learned how to protect their homeland by themselves. When battle came, they were described as indomitable and courageous. They are hard working and united. Since the advent of Communism most Han Hakka could accurately be described as nonreligious but aspects of animism and shamanism are still found among them in some more remote locations. Today only 2% are Christians but they do have the complete Bible available.

- ASK that Hakka people will come to the knowledge of Christ as their Savior. God wants to bring them out of the darkness of atheism and idolatry into His true light. Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life. John 8:12
- ASK that God would: Cleanse them from idols, give them a new heart and put a new spirit in them. Remove their heart of stone and give them a heart of flesh... Ezekiel 36:25-27
 - ASK for the Hakka people to turn to Jesus; the Holy Spirit will raise them up as people of courageous faith, with great endurance and diligence for the sake of the Gospell May a generation of prayer warriors come forth from this people group who will: *Be on guard; stand firm in their faith [in God, respecting His precepts and keeping their doctrine sound]. Act like [mature] men and be courageous; be strong. 1 Corinthians* 16:13

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Although Taiwan has enjoyed relative independence for more than 60 years, in the last two years China has increased its intimidation of the tiny island nation. China's overall strategy continues to use both persuasion and coercion to hinder the development of attitudes favoring independence in the "rebel" Taiwan. China's focus on building military strength is seen as a threat by Taiwan as it continues to maintain its autonomy. Taiwan has continued to foster connections with sympathetic international allies. With a strong economy, Taiwan is a leader in computer technology.

Evangelical Christians only make up 3 percent of the population as most Taiwanese are committed to the traditional ethnic religion and traditional animistic worship. Taiwan is one of the last Chinese speaking countries that allow freedom of religion. On the doorstep of China, Taiwan is the most strategic place for gospel ministry in the Chinese-speaking world. However there is an ever-increasing threat of Chinese invasion.

Let's ASK:

- ASK along with the national church for our Sovereign King to turn China back from its intended takeover. We cry out together: When I cry out to You, Then my enemies will turn back; This I know, because God is for me... In God I have put my trust; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me? Psalm 56:9-11
- That in any scenario God would use this opportunity as a way to bring Taiwanese to the gospel. Now I want you to know, believers, that what has happened to me [this imprisonment that was meant to stop me] has actually served to advance [the spread of] the good news [regarding salvation]. Philippians 1:12
- That pastors and leaders would know how to counsel and give wisdom in light of a possibly Chinese invasion. But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. John 14:26
- For the church to be radiant and ready for whatever lies in the days ahead in Taiwan. For the church to be radiant and ready for whatever lies in the days ahead in Taiwan. Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ...to present her to himself as a radiant church without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. Ephesians 5:25-27 No one knows about that day or hour... but only the Father...Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. Mark 13:32-33