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“On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have appointed watchmen; all day and all night they will never keep silent. You who remind the LORD, take no rest for yourselves...” Isaiah 62:6

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.” Ephesians 6:12 (KJV)

Dear Friends,

This past month, we witnessed a blessed unity in the Caribbean as over 100 lawyers, judges, law students and other advocates, including pastors and doctors, gathered in Barbados for the 2012 Advocates Caribbean Conference. The conference initiated a Watchmen on the Walls effort, which involves advocates of every stripe in the battles they face.

We encourage all of our Advocates regions to consider how they might implement this effort in their own regions. Advocates are encouraged to join in any one or more of the following “four W’s” capacities: 1) Watchmen; 2) Warners; 3) Wrestlers; and 4) Warriors.

Watchmen

Standing guard on the walls, the Watchmen are those advocates, be they attorneys, judges, or others, who keep a close eye on all that is happening in their country that might affect the Body of Christ, for good or bad. As a first line of defense, the Watchmen are always tracking the changes in laws, whether they are judicial rulings that appear to overturn good laws, or proposed legislation that certain parties are trying to quietly slip into law without much fanfare.

One example from Guyana: last month, attorney Kim Kyte-John, President of Advocates Guyana (our newest group, just launched in January!), and several colleagues happened to overhear some surprising news from an unlikely source regarding a potential bill in the Parliament concerning same-sex marriage in Guyana. It was quietly being scheduled for a vote the following week. These Watchmen notified other colleagues to spring into action to make sure they are not blind-sided.

Warners

Once the enemy has been sighted, the alarm must be sounded. The Warners are those who blow the trumpets, alerting the rest of the army to the impending fight. Whether through social media like Twitter and Facebook, or simple emails or telephone calls, these communicators are the second line of the defense and are generally in touch with those who will prepare to take the battle to the enemy. In most instances, the trumpets need to be loud, but sometimes a quiet counter-attack is necessary and the Warners must be prepared to quietly alert only a few. In every incident, however, good clear communication can make all the difference in gathering support for the coming battle, especially prayer support. That’s where the Wrestlers come in.

Doing Justice with Compassion

Wrestlers

One of the most important reasons for the unparalleled unity within Advocates Caribbean is the foundation of prayer leading up to and surrounding their launch in 2007 and since. Their motto is “Uniting to Impact,” and God has answered their prayers for unity in a special way. They know that through their continued prayers they can make an impact on the issues they face. We are reminded in Ephesians 6:12 that we “wrestle not against flesh and blood. . .” and in James 5:16 that “the effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.” And we are grateful for your prayers for all of our advocates not only in the Caribbean, but across the globe.

Warriors

Finally, when it is time to take the battle to the enemy, we call on the warriors, men and women who are ready to use their skills, legal and otherwise, to fight for justice. In Australia, the Caribbean and Latin America, the current battles include a fight for the right to life and traditional marriage. In Europe, our advocates are facing increasing limitations of religious liberty and continued struggles for rule of law. In Asia, Africa and the Middle East, many of our advocates are living in countries in which Christians are not only persecuted but martyred, and they are fighting for lives.

AI continues to support advocates around the globe who are the real warriors. Advocates like Latcho Popov, Director of the Rule of Law Institute of Bulgaria and President of Advocates Europe, whose efforts continue to have an impact not only for churches in Bulgaria, but through the growth and encouragement of new lawyers fellowships in Europe. Advocates like Baasankhuu Ocityabri from Mongolia whose efforts through the Rule of Law Institute of Mongolia and now as a Member of Parliament, likewise continue to positively impact churches there. Advocates like Robin David, Tehmina Arora, Pramod Singh and their colleagues from Christian Legal Association of India, whose recent efforts resulted in overturning the anti-conversion law in Himachal Pradesh state in India. Advocates like Ezra Shujat of Advocates Pakistan and others who are defending Christians accused of blasphemy. And there are many more warriors like these.

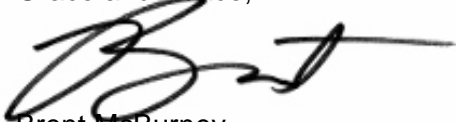
Your Role

No matter who you are, you can play vital role in helping us to encourage, equip and enable these advocates around the globe. First, all of our advocates need your prayers. This month’s prayer calendar includes the names of most of the key advocates, by region, and we ask you to pray for each by name. Second, many of our advocates need training to fight these battles, and your gifts allow us to make sure that those advocates most in need have access to it.

Finally, no matter what issues we face—Religious Liberty or Rule of Law, Family & Community or Sanctity of Life, Reconciliation or Human Rights for the Poor—Advocates International will continue to work together with all of our advocates around the globe to do Justice with Compassion. Thanks for your financial support and prayers that help Advocates International to keep the Watchmen on the Walls.

May the Lord bless and keep you in His perfect . . .

Grace and Peace,



Brent McBurney
President and CEO



PRAYER CALENDAR – OCTOBER 2012

Mondays: Advocates Africa

ADVOCATES AFRICA: *Chairman Dr. Bankole Sodipo (Nigeria)*

ANGOLA: Armando Palanga, Maria Lucia Da Silveira; **BENIN:** Agathe Affougnon; Jean-Marc Kodja; **BOTSWANA:** Edward Luke II; **BURKINA FASO:** Paul Dipama; **BURUNDI:** Longin Baranyizigiye; **CAMEROON:** Rose Mbah-Acha; **CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC:** Moussa Yves; **CHAD:** Pasteur Bako Ngarndeye; **COTE D'IVOIRE:** Josue Tchimou; **DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO:** Jean Alain Kasonga; **EGYPT:** Emad Felix Moubarak; **ERITREA:** Tedla Aradom; **ETHIOPIA:** Nigatu Tadesse; **GABON:** Moutou David, Sala Watoma R. David; **GAMBIA:** Sagar C.T. Jahateh, Rachael Y. Mendy; **GHANA:** Emmanuel Goka; **GUINEA:** Frédéric Loua Foromo; **KENYA:** Paul Ndemo; **LESOTHO:** Tsabo Matooni, Sue Merriman; **LIBERIA:** Othello Payman, James Jones; **MALAWI:** Pacharo Kayila; **MALI:** Alison Diarra; **MOZAMBIQUE:** Cauio Carlos Alberto; **NAMIBIA:** Masiza Shakespeare, K.B. Ngutjinazo; **NIGER:** Maitre Nouhou Amadou; **NIGERIA:** Sunny Akanni; **RWANDA:** David Furaha, Vital Nsengiyumva; **SENEGAL:** Joseph Nassakou; **SIERRA LEONE:** Ibrahim Koroma; **SOUTH AFRICA:** Teresa Conradie, Maryna Joubert; **SUDAN:** Mary James Ajith; **SWAZILAND:** B.A. Dube; **TANZANIA:** Sylvia Balwire Leonard, Ann Passian; **TOGO:** Komi Luc Devotsu; **UGANDA:** Edward Sekabanja; **ZAMBIA:** Stephen Lungu; **ZANZIBAR:** Yussuf Sulieman; **ZIMBABWE:** Gerald Matiba

Tuesdays: Advocates Asia & Oceania

ADVOCATES ASIA: *Executive Committee Chairman Min Choon Lee (Malaysia)*

AUSTRALIA: Mark Mudri; **AZERBAIJAN:** Asif (Sadig) Huseynov; **BANGLADESH:** Elizabeth Halder; **CHINA:** Julia Feng; **INDIA:** Tehmina Arora, Robin David; **INDONESIA:** Saudaranta Tarigan; **ISRAEL:** Botrus Mansour; **JAPAN:** Hiroshi Nagao; **JORDAN:** Haytham Eraifej; **KAZAKHSTAN:** Samira Shindauletova; **KOREA:** Dongsub Sim; **KYRGYZSTAN:** Asel Baiastanova; **LEBANON:** Elie Kharat; **MALAYSIA:** Steven Thiru; **MONGOLIA:** Baasankhuu Octybari; **MYANMAR:** Saw Hla Henry; **NEPAL:** Bishwash Sunuwar; **PAKISTAN:** Joseph Francis; **PAPUA NEW GUINEA:** Andrew Kwimberi; **PHILIPPINES:** Aldwin Bernabe Salumbides, Elgene Feliciano; **RUSSIA:** Katya Smyslova; **SINGAPORE:** Gregory Vijayendran; **SRI LANKA:** Roshini Wickremesinha; **TAJIKISTAN:** Parvina Ahmedova; **THAILAND:** Anuruk Poonoo; **UZBEKISTAN:** Nail Gabdullin; **VIETNAM:** Nguyen Van Dai

Wednesdays: Advocates Europe

ADVOCATES EUROPE: *President Latcho Popov (Bulgaria)*

ALBANIA: Fatmir Lacey, Toni Gogu, Altin Nage; **ARMENIA:** Armine Avagyan, Lusy Avagyan; **AUSTRIA:** Robert Kramer; **BELARUS:** Dina Shavtsova, Sergei Shavtsov; **BELGIUM:** Ninette Dodoo; **BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA:** Aleksander Vukovic; **BULGARIA:** Latcho Popov; **CZECH REPUBLIC:** Adam Russ, Martin Okac; **CROATIA:** Tihomir Kukulja; **DENMARK:** Ebbe Holm, Flemming Martinussen; **FINLAND:** Ville Hoikkala; **FRANCE:** Nicolas Duval; **GERMANY:** Armin Eckermann, Peter Gegenwart; **GREECE:** Pepie Pagoni, Vassilios Tsirbas; **HOLLAND:** Eline de Groot; **HUNGARY:** Terry Lingenhoel; **ITALY:** Gianfranco Amato; **KOSOVO:** Pal Bala; **MACEDONIA:** Laste Spasovski; **MOLDOVA:** Aliona Cara, Evghenii Sologubenco; **MONTENEGRO:** Sinisa Nadazdin; **NORWAY:** Henning Heitmann; **POLAND:** Ursula Pomorska; **PORTUGAL:** Fernando Loja; **ROMANIA:** Benjamin Lup; **RUSSIA:** Yuri Snisarenko; **SERBIA:** Dusan Kostic; **SPAIN:** Eliseo Gomez-Lor; **SWEDEN:** Mats Tunehag, Per Karlsson; **SWITZERLAND:** Benjamin Doberstein, Henri Minder; **TURKEY:** Mine Yildirim; **UNITED KINGDOM:** Michael Sookias, Paul Diamond; **UKRAINE:** Sergei Gula, Ivan Mykhalchuk, Andrei Somov

Thursdays: Advocates Latin America (FIAJC)

ADVOCATES LATIN AMERICA: *President Gerardo Amarilla (Uruguay)*

ARGENTINA: Daniel di Paolo, Luis Daglio; **BOLIVIA:** Juana Ambrocio; **BRAZIL:** Gilberto Ribeiro; **CHILE:** Franz Möller; **COLOMBIA:** David Perez, Roberto Sierra; **COSTA RICA:** Reynaldo Matamoros; **CUBA:** Livian Gonzalez, Rodolfo Juarez; **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC:** Jose Ortiz; **ECUADOR:** Xavier Velez; **EL SALVADOR:** Hugo Pineda, Silvia Martínez; **GUATEMALA:** Lorenzo Hernandez, Elizabeth de Larios; **HONDURAS:** Geovanny Pinto; **MEXICO:** Omar Contreras, Jorge Lee; **NICARAGUA:** Melba Alguera, Rafael Quinto; **PANAMA:** Elvis Ureña; **PARAGUAY:** Daniel Varela, Betina Chamorro; **PERU:** Ana Maria Caro; **URUGUAY:** Mariana Errazquin, Marcel Legarra, Silvana Ferreira; **VENEZUELA:** Rhaizza R. de Villarreal

Fridays: Advocates North America & Caribbean

ADVOCATES NORTH AMERICA: *Chairperson Ruth Ross (Canada)*

ANTIGUA & BARBUDA: Radford Hill; **BARBADOS:** Anne Reid, Tennyson Vaughn; **BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS:** Lorraine St Rose; **CANADA:** Ruth Ross; **DOMINICA:** Jeffrey Douglas-Murdock; **GUYANA:** Tejnarine Remroop, Justice Yonette Cummings, Kim Kyte-John; **JAMAICA:** Shirley Richards; **SAINT LUCIA:** Kendy Jean, Sarah Flood Beaubrun; **SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES:** Mandella Campbell; **TRINIDAD & TOBAGO:** Alice Soo Hon, Hyacinth Griffith, Maureen Rajnauth-Lee; **USA:** David Nammo, Steve Tuggy

Saturdays: Advocates Global Council & Board Members

(Individual's prayer needs listed below)

Global Council: Exec. Committee: Chairman, Min Choon Lee* (Malaysia) (*God's grace & good health*); Vice Chair, Teresa Conradie* (South Africa) (*recovery for family & law firm*); Secretary, Gregory Vijayendran (Singapore) (*time management*); Treasurer, Ruth Ross* (Canada) (*recovery of health*); **Members – Africa:** Justice Rose Mbah Acha (Cameroon) (*newly appointed as President of a new court in Cameroon*); Judge Mike Chibita (Uganda) (*wisdom in dispensing justice & family situation*); **Asia:** Robin David (India) (*wisdom & guidance*); Dongsub Sim (Korea) (*new job as prison warden*); **Europe:** Latchezar Popov (Bulgaria) (*endurance*); Nicolas Duval (France) (*whether to start a new law firm*); Mats Tunehag (Sweden) (*health and safety for many travels*); **Latin America:** Gerardo Amarilla (Uruguay) (*wisdom & commitment in leading FIAJC*); Nina Balmaceda* (Peru) (*perseverance*), Gilberto Ribeiro (Brazil) (*guidance and endurance*); **Middle East:** Botrus Mansour (Israel) (*Nazareth Baptist School*); **North America/Caribbean:** Justice Alice Soo Hon (Trinidad & Tobago) (*Advocates Caribbean Conference in September*); **Oceania:** Mark Mudri (Australia) (*Stewarding of the unprecedented move of God in Adelaide*). *Also AI board members.

AI Board: Acting Chair, Matt Bristol (*Lord's guidance in next season of life*); Treasurer, Timothy Klenk (*health and recovery*); Secretary, Chip Zimmer (*safe travels for Peacemaker Ministries*); Sam Logan (*family & legal aid clinics in DC*), Roger Sherrard (*continued good health*); and Ken Starr (*God's grace in leading Baylor University*)

Sundays: Advocates Staff & Family

Please pray for Romi Kobayashi; Brent McBurney, his wife Elizabeth, son Ian and daughter Sarah Louise.