

APRIL 2017

**“Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication
with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” Philippians 4:6**

**“Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert
in it with an attitude of thanksgiving.” Colossians 4:2**

Dear Friends,

Your prayers for the work of Advocates International are a great encouragement to us. We certainly couldn't do what we do without your support and for that we are incredibly grateful. This month, we'd like to invite you to continue praying with us for our Advocates around the globe. Included with this letter is our Advocates Prayer Calendar. Join with us in praying for the many meetings, conferences, legal cases and new engagements of our colleagues around the globe. We pray for each region on a different day of the week, our Global Council and Board on Saturdays and our staff on Sundays.

We'd also like to share with you a little bit more about a new prayer outreach strategy we're calling "Airforce and Ground-Force Unite." As I mentioned in last month's letter, one of the key outcomes of our involvement at the World Prayer Assembly in 2012 is our relationship with a number of key global prayer initiatives, including International Prayer Connections, headed up by John Robb III. What I didn't share is that I used to work for John's father, John Robb, Jr., when I worked for the Christian Legal Society seven years ago.

We are excited to connect our Global Council members and other key leaders with Prayer initiatives in their own regions, and in turn to be able to provide critical intelligence for them to know how to better pray for the Church in their nations. On the back of this letter is our Advocates International Leaders Prayer Initiative.

Thanks also for your prayers for my travel this month as I will be in Brasilia, Brazil for the Religious Liberty Partnership Consultation from April 3-6. I will also be meeting with former Global Council member, Gilberto Ribeiro in São Paulo, and speaking to a group of lawyers and judges (including one whom I met last month in Peru) on April 7. Thanks for your continued prayers and financial support that allow us to encourage, enable and equip our advocates around the globe.

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

Grace and Peace,



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ADVOCATES INTERNATIONAL LEADERS PRAYER INITIATIVE AIRFORCE AND GROUND-FORCE UNITE

In recognition of the need for prayer support of strategic and proven legal professionals engaged in the redemption of legal systems in the nations, coupled with the need for effective prayer warriors to be armed with state of the art intelligence concerning threats and opportunities in the Kingdom, this appeal is made to advance these important dynamics in the body of Christ.

We have witnessed powerful outcomes when prayer and strategic action combine, in many nations. As an example, in South Australia, for 8 years not one piece of anti- family legislation passed our parliament because of the grace of God and the cooperation between parliamentarians and faithful intercessors. Just last December the 15th attempt to introduce euthanasia was miraculously defeated in the same way—at 4.30 am after an all-night of warfare.

We appeal to the readers to consider whether there is a resonance with the mission and vision of Advocates International reproduced below and a particular region listed below which has a well-established leadership.

Once those of you to whom our Lord is speaking have been identified, we can consider how to best match you to the leaders in their physical regions. A segment may be identified of those of you who have a burden to pray in accordance with specific issues such as the sanctity of life or religious freedom, rather than a particular region and this can also be accommodated. Other synergies and combinations may emerge.

Vision Statement

A worldwide fellowship of advocates bearing witness of Jesus Christ through the legal profession.

Mission Statement

To encourage equip and enable advocates to meet locally, organize nationally, cooperate regionally, and link globally to protect and promote (i) integrity under rule of law, (ii) peace and reconciliation, (iii) doing justice with compassion, (iv) the sanctity of life, (v) religious freedom, and (vi) the family and community.

Further background can be obtained from advocatesinternational.org

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