August–September 2026 Prayer Letter

Dear Praying Friends and Ministry Partners,

What a blessing it is to serve the Lord with faithful friends standing beside us! Thank you to each one who prays for us and supports this ministry financially. Your faithfulness helps us carry the Gospel into prisons, encourage churches, and minister to people who need the Saviour. We are deeply grateful for your love, generosity, and partnership in the work God has called us to do.

We rejoice to report that September was our largest month for souls being saved, with 66 salvations! This brings the 2026 total salvations to 237. These decisions took place through prison services, personal soul-winning, and church services. Behind every number is a precious soul, a life the Lord can change, and a testimony of His saving grace. We give God all the glory! Please pray that these new believers will grow in the Word of God and become established in their walk with Christ.

October will be a busy month as we maintain our prison schedule while also traveling to represent Rock of Ages Ministries. We are asking the Lord to use these meetings to encourage others to answer His call and come alongside us in this great ministry. There are opportunities before us, and we need more willing laborers to help reach those behind the fences.

Please pray especially for Jerry as he travels to Canada in October to preach and teach, helping pastors begin prison ministries there. Pray that the Lord will prepare hearts, give wisdom in the teaching, and open doors for these churches to take the Gospel into prisons in their own communities.

We also received an encouraging call at the Western Office this month. Inmates at one of the prisons where we minister monthly have approached the chaplain to request Saturday evening services and to ask that Jerry preach. What a blessing to hear of men asking for another opportunity to hear the Word of God! Please pray that this request will be approved and that the Lord will make these additional services possible.

Meetings with our missionaries, volunteers, and pastors are taking place as we prepare our 2027 calendar. We want to use the time and opportunities God gives us wisely. If your church would like us to come and share an update on the ministry, please let us know. We would be grateful for the opportunity to tell what the Lord is doing and thank you personally for your part in this work.

Finally, we praise the Lord that we are within $7,000 of meeting our Western Office budget for 2027. Please join us in praying that the remaining funds will come in before the new year. Having this need met would lift a tremendous burden and help us move into 2027 with greater freedom to focus on the ministry before us. If the Lord leads you to help with this need, we would be deeply thankful.

Thank you again for every prayer, every gift, and every word of encouragement. You have a precious part in this ministry, and we thank the Lord for you.
"Brethren, pray for us." — 1 Thessalonians 5:25, KJV

Gratefully serving the Lord,

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