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“I am crucified with Christ never the less I live, yet not, but Christ lives within me.”

Without question a cow, chicken, fish sacrifice their lives for our physical nourishment. Even so **human beings should sacrifice me, myself, and I** to the service of others to fulfill our purpose for living on earth.

Why we are called human “BE”ings ?

- BE** still and know I am God - (you’re not)
- BE** hold the Lamb of God – (Jesus Christ)
- BE** merciful to me a sinner – (finally admit it)
- BE** lieve on the Lord Jesus Christ (for salvation)
- BE** holy for I am holy – (a purified life)
- BE** filled with the Spirit – (not with self)
- BE** attitudes for living daily –(common sense)
- BE** a doer of the Word- (not hearers only)

As human beings from the beginning this “self” has been our biggest spiritual war heartache of mind and heart. The figures you see on this chart proves a self centered life is only self destruction. It also represents an oversight in the judicial and legislative leadership focuses only on policies, rule, and law enforcement. The change is in a repentant heart and forgiveness through Christ the Lord.

TARGETS FOR EARNEST PRAYER: “2021” STEALING LIVES						
Atlanta Population	MURDER	RAPE	ROBBERY	BURGLARY	ABORTIONS	
Hall - 207,369	10	48	35	410	124	
Forsyth - 260,206	1	24	7	186	109	
Cherokee - 274,615	8	10	7	142	117	
Clayton - 297,100	37	61	325	1056	389	
Dekalb - 764,382	138	198	950	2491	424	
Cobb - 766,802	25	112	210	940	294	
Gwinnett - 964,546	48	190	427	1292	284	
Fulton - 1,066,710	208	219	983	2215	543	

Any courthouse is a visible monument to the escalation of sin. BUT crime will FALL when the Spirit of the Gospel and prayer permeates the court systems every week through the local churches. The Spirit of God begins to reign in righteousness throughout the entire building and repentance throughout the entire county. **The key players are the high priest (local pastors and congregations) to pray weekly for the hurts and frustrations from sin in our court system.**

PLEASE PRAYER FOR FULTON COUNTY LEADERSHIP AS GOD IS NOW OPENING DOORS TO BEGIN A COURT HALL MINISTRY IN THEIR COURT HALLS. 20 YEARS OF PRAYER.

G.R.I.E.V.E. turned into G.R.A.C.E.

GRIVING RELATIVES IN EVERY VIOLENT EVENT / GOD’S REDEMPTION AT CHRIST EXPENSE

Did good come from the murder of Christ on the cross? **YES.** Our salvation! Can good come from the murders of these young adults in Fulton CO.? Well, many don’t know there are some caring mothers who have risen to this crisis. For 25 years Betty Maddox served a community of crime investigator and the special investigation division of DeKalb County Police Department. She also worked as project coordinator for Meth-Project Narcotics Division in Rockdale County Sheriff’s Office.



Although she appeared well prepared for the worst that could happen to any mother, nothing could prepare her for the tragic news that her oldest child had been murdered. May 1993 her son, Michael, was shot four times by a 16 year old. Unfortunately she has not been alone. In response to this growing need, she founded this homicide support group for the fundamental rights of crimes with compassion, honesty, dignity, and above all love. **I Corinthians 13:13 is her motto.**

Betty works with individual families, school, churches, mosque, civic groups to foster nonviolence through proven conflict resolutions methods educated youth about the consequences of drugs alcohol gangs and teen violence. **As we introduce the court hall ministry to Betty, pray it includes the surrounding churches to bring down the demonic spirits in Fulton County.**

THE EYES OF THEIR HEARTS EXPOSED WHO THEY REALLY ARE

A pastor transformed himself into a homeless person and went to the church that he was to be introduced as the head pastor for that morning. He walked around his soon to be church for 30 minutes while it was filled with people for service. Only three people said hello to him most looked the other way. He asked people for change to buy food because he was hungry. No one gave him anything. He went into the sanctuary to sit down in front of the church. He was told by the ushers that he would need to get up and go sit in the back of the church. He said hello to people as they walked in, but was greeted with cold stares and dirty looks from people looking down on him and judging him.

He sat in the back of the church and listen to the church announcements for the week. He listened as new visitors were welcomed into the church that morning but no one acknowledged that he was new. He watched people around him continued to look his way with stares that said, "You are not welcome here".

Then the elders of the church went to the podium to make an announcement. They said they were excited to introduce the new pastor of the church to the congregation. "We would like to announce you to our new pastor." The congregation stood up and looked around clapping with joy and anticipation. The homeless man sitting in the back stood up and started walking down the aisle.

That's when all the clapping stopped and the church

was silent. With all eyes on him, he walked up to the pulpit and reached for the microphone. He stood there for a moment, and then recited so eloquently a verse from the Bible.

"Then the king will say to those on the right, "Come you who are blessed by my father take your inheritance the Kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world for I was hungry and you gave me something to eat I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink I was a stranger and you invited me in I needed clothes and you clothed me I was sick and you looked after me I was a prisoner and you came to visit me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord when did we see you hungry and feed you or thirsty and give you something to drink. When did we see you a stranger and invite you in or needing clothes and clothes you when did we see you sick and in prison or go to visit you?" The king will reply, "Truly I tell you whatever you did for the least of these my brothers and sisters you did it for me."

After reciting this, he announced himself as the new pastor and told the congregation what he had experienced that morning. Many began to cry, and bow their heads in shame. "Today I see a congregation of people here, but I do not see a Church for Jesus. The world has enough people that look the other way. What the world needs is disciples of Jesus who can follow this teaching and live as he did. When will you decide to become a disciple?" He then dismissed the service until the following Sunday. His sermon was complete.

THE GOD OF SELF-CENTERED LIVING YIELDS A PRICE TAG

CIVILIANS ARRESTED
Contraband located during special details and facility shakedowns at Calhoun State Prison

Molina, Rogelio | Salmeron, Eleazar | McDuffy, Christopher | Mills, Damarion
Trochez, Richard | Chiles, Laquanjai | Jackson, Kevin
Calhoun, Domenick | Davis, Henry | Sealey, Gregory

These 10 individuals charged last month within a two week a period found these contrabands in Calhoun State Prison. They were discovered during a specific detail and facility shakedown at the prison. Results of demonic spirits: 1,378.1 grams of marijuana, 24,128.7 grams of tobacco, 893 grams of meth, and 208 cell phones smuggled into the prison.

When their best performance turned against them, God is now up to something big they have yet to see. **Please pray for these inmates:** Rogelio Molina, Richard Trochez, Domenick Calhoun, Eleazar Salmeron, Laquanjai Chiles, Henry Davis, Christopher McDuffy, Kevin Jackson, Gregory Sealey, and Damarion Mills. Calhoun St. Prison - 27823 W. Main St. Morgan, GA 39866

2024 – “OUR YEAR” OF MOTIVATION TO

SACRIFICES OF LOVE

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“Do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ

William Tyndale even in that dreary dungeon begged for a Hebrew Bible and dictionary so that he could continue to translate the Old Testament. But Satan’s attack came fast and furious.



Jesus, who, as He already existed in the form of God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but emptied Himself by taking the form of a bond-servant and being born in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death: death on a cross. For this reason also God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” Phil.2:4-11

Tyndale's last words before being strangled and burned at the stake October 6, 1536 were, “**Oh Lord, open the King of England's eyes.**” His crime: Translating the scriptures from Greek and Hebrew into vernacular English so that commoners could read the Bible for themselves, rather than having to depend on the church hierarchy to interpret the official Latin Vulgate. Tyndale's translations survived the book burners, and through his sacrifices they live today as the most printed, quoted, and sold Bible of all books in English language. Since 1455 Gutenberg Press printing the Bible is now 80 million per year. A estimated 7 billion copies of the Bible in printed in 3030 versions in 2011 languages out selling any other book on earth.

Plans are in the preparation stage for the **National Day of Prayer May 2, 2024**. An invitation will be extended especially to all the pastors in Gwinnett County to unite in intercession for our coming election and revival in Gwinnett County. It will be at Gwinnett County Courthouse auditorium 75 Langley Dr. Lawrenceville, GA

THANK YOU SINCERELY

for your faithful prayers and financial support to Bridge The Gap Ministries. For these 20 years at our courthouse God is beginning to expand His Kingdom work that is beyond our human abilities. **May we never forget** our Lord’s sacrificial example and the massive sacrifices of millions of believers over the centuries who have literally sacrificed their lives to open freedom to carry the Gospel. **It should light our fire for the Gospel even in the midst of persecution on the rise.**