

EASTERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE of the CHURCH PRAYER LEADERS NETWORK

October 29-30, 2010
Trinity E.C. Church
44 East Orange Street, Lititz, PA 17543

AWAKEN is the theme of this prayer conference that will encourage and equip you to pray more effectively.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: David Bryant

SCHEDULE

Friday, October 29

6:00 pm Registration
7:00 pm Worship & Keynote
(David Bryant)

Saturday, October 30

Sessions: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
(Lunch included)

COST: Special Discount - \$20.00
(includes lunch)

E.C. Pastors, District Prayer Leaders and Coordinators, Prayer Mobilization Team Members and ALL EC Church members.

Registration form is available on the EC website
www.eccenter.com

Conference Prayer: “O Lord, the God who saves me, day and night I cry out before you. May my prayer come before you; turn your ear to my cry” (Psalm 88:2). Lord, may the power of Your Holy Spirit rest upon all those who are involved in the Conference enabling them to present God’s heart and message with passion and clarity that will challenge hearts to respond to God’s truth. In Christ’s Name we pray. Amen.

Keith and I were at a “re-enactment of years gone by”... and I asked the silversmith/blacksmith who happened to be working on something right before my eyes... ‘how do you know when it is finished?’ ---- and even now as I sit here still before the King of the universe... I wonder how does the silversmith know when the silver is fully refined? When asked this question on the website I was reading.... It said when the silversmith can see his image in it...

The past 4 months I have felt the heat of the fire of disease... What I have forgotten or pushed aside or maybe it got buried in my own “stuff” --- is about the character of my Creator God...Jehovah Adonai ---- HE has His eyes on me and will keep watching me until He sees His image reflected in me!!!

Written by Cheryl Mong contributor to HeartCry



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Malachi 3:3 “...*He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver...*” This verse has puzzled me before and today I read it again, it still has some intrigue to it... so I decided to “look” up some stuff since I was sitting still before Abba Father this early morning hour...



The verse draws me to “wonderings” as I ponder the character and nature of my Creator God...

I looked up all I could find on “silversmith”... He holds a piece of silver over the fire and lets it heat up... It explains that in refining silver, one needed to hold the silver in the middle of the fire where the flames are the hottest as to burn away all the impurities...

So according to the verse, God holds us in just such a “hot spot”.

Looking farther, I read that it indeed means that the silversmith DOES have to sit there in front of the fire the whole time he is working on the silver... he not only has to sit there holding the silver, but the silversmith had to keep his eyes on the silver the entire time it is in the fire. If the silver is left a moment too long in the flames it will be destroyed.



PRAYER MOBILIZATION TEAM
of the Evangelical Congregational Church

Awakening to God's Call to Return to Our First Love



This issue of the HeartCry has two parts: the devotional and the material covered in a sermon given by Conference Minister Gordon Lewis for the Anthracite District Worship Service at the Herndon Camp Meeting this past summer. The emphasis in the sermon centered on the Necessity of Our Passion for Christ and His Word which included eight reasons that may have affected our passion for Christ.

During October, let's take time to meditate and listen to what God is saying to us through Cheryl Mong's devotional and the material below from Gordon Lewis' sermon. Through prayer and the verses, consider the reasons which may have drawn us away from deepening our passion for Christ and His Word. The following eight reasons are divided into the four weeks of October.

October – WEEK 1

1. **Unclear Purpose** – What part do I have in Christ's Kingdom? (Isa. 49:4)
2. **Unemployed Talent** – What gift/talent do I have? How could I use it for ministry? This is not only a "spiritual gift" ... it could even be sewing, baking, or helping someone in need (1 Cor. 7:17 Ph).

October – WEEK 2

1. **Unbalanced Schedule** – We need to "give" and "take in." Some that are too busy miss the latter. Some take in a lot of time in the Bible and in prayer, but don't give it out! (1 Tim. 4:7b, Ph).
2. **Unconfessed Sin** – Psalm 38: 4, 6; 1 John 1:9; Psalm 139:23-24

October – WEEK 3

1. **Unresolved Conflict** – Resentment? Jealousy? Anger? (Job 5:2, NLT; Job 18:4, GN).
2. **Unsupported Lifestyle** – Living a lonely life? Christians need support from other believers (Ecc. 4:9-10).

October – WEEK 4

1. **Undernourished Spirit** – "You must worship only the Lord, for He is a God who is passionate about His relationship with you" (Exod. 34:14, NLT; Col. 2:6-7 LB)
2. **Losing Your First Love** – We need to remember, repent and return to our First Love (Rev. 2:4-5).

Which reasons do you need to work on?

Selected Verses: Psalm 50:15; John 8:31-32; Psalm 103:1-5

Let us seek, love, serve, obey, and trust the Lord God passionately!



NOTE: Upon hearing the eight reasons that may have drawn us away from our passion for Christ, Gail Paul, a PMT member, decided to divide the reasons into two for each week in October. Gail desires to see her church (Ebenezer E.C., Williamstown) pray through October in learning what reasons we need to work on. What a beginning for united corporate prayer if other sister churches would join in prayer during October!