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PRAYERS AT WORK Nov 10-14, 2008

Monday, November 10, 2008 -- (Meditation: James 3: 17-18)

God, Election Day is over, and we have selected our new leaders. We pray that our country will come together, that hurt feelings will be restored, that we will have a new resolve to work together on the ills and weaknesses of our nation and the world. We pray that our leaders will be wise, courageous, and determined to restore us to one nation, under God, with liberty and justice for all. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Tuesday, November 11, 2008 -- (Meditation: Isaiah 57:2)

God, on this Veteran's Day, we are aware that our freedoms have been won and protected at great cost and sacrifice. Our veterans said goodbye to their families, faced danger with courage, and planted our flag at Yorktown, on the beaches of Normandy, and in the sands of Iwo Jima. Our veterans have fought tyrants and dictators to earn freedom for other countries, as well as our own. Our veterans have draped flags over the coffins of comrades, and folded flags in memory of those who gave their lives for freedom. God, thank you for the veterans of the United States military. Amen.

Wednesday, November 12, 2008 -- (Meditation: Galatians 6:7-8)

God, when I search this world for personal identity and meaning in life, I forget Whose I am. When lures and lusts tempt me, I forget Your commandments. When I look at my financial statement, I forget Who owns everything. Yet, You do not forget me. God, forgive me, and grant that everything I do will be done in remembrance of You. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Thursday, November 13, 2008 -- (Meditation: Proverbs 10:19)

God, why is it so hard for some parents of married children to let them go? I have seen families deeply troubled because critical parents and in-laws still want to run things. I pray for parents and in-laws who still say, "You must," "You ought," "You never," "You always." God, help them to let go. Help them to see that their well-meaning advice poisons the wells of trust. Help them to see that it's not what they intend, but how it sounds, that is important. Help them to let go and simply love their children. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Friday, November 14, 2008 -- (Meditation: Psalm 147:1)

God, I wish I had a thousand voices to sing Your praise in grateful song. I wish I had a thousand hearts to hold Your love. I wish I had a thousand hands to serve You in a thousand ways. But God, take what I do have -- my voice, my heart, my hands -- and make them Yours, to do Your will. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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