

TBN Praise-a-Thon November 4-9



Your help is needed to keep TBN's 63 satellite channels blanketing the globe with the Gospel 24/7! Be a missionary to the world—please **PLEDGE** today for **SATELLITE!**



Over 36 MILLION people—that we know of—have received Jesus as Savior through TBN's great soul winning programs. Be a vital part of reaching the lost around the world—**PLEDGE TODAY FOR SOULS!**



From Christian celebrities like Natalie Cole, to today's leading preachers, teachers, evangelists, prophets—and music that lifts and inspires—**Praise the Lord** has something for everyone! Please keep this dynamic, soul winning program touching lives around the world—**PLEDGE TO SUPPORT PRAISE THE LORD!**



We are reaching people in their own languages via TBN's foreign network affiliates: TBN Nejat TV, The Healing Channel, TBN-Russia, TBN-Italy, TBN-Europe, TBN South Pacific, TBN-Africa, and Enlace. Please help TBN as we take the Name of Jesus to the world—**PLEDGE TO SUPPORT MISSIONS!** (Pictured: Paul with His Holiness Pope Shenouda III, head of the Coptic Church in Egypt).



TBN's new Manhattan, NY studio (pictured) is almost ready. Work will soon begin on the studio for Ch. 52 in Orlando, FL—to be located at TBN's new Holy Land Experience park! Philadelphia's new studio is nearing completion. A great full power TV station is in the works for Denver, CO. Please keep **YOUR TBN strong and growing—PLEDGE FOR NEW STATIONS!**

Behind The Scenes



Actor **Christian Slater** talked with **Paul Jr.** about his role as the voice of Moses in the new animated movie, "The Ten Commandments."



Christian recording artist **Michael English** shared his moving testimony about being miraculously delivered from drug addiction.



Pastor Phil Munsey hosted a delightful **Behind the Scenes** program with entertainment legend, **Art Linkletter**.

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Dr. Phil McGraw, host of the "Dr. Phil" program, spoke of his faith in God and shared insights on life with **Praise** host, **Bishop T.D. Jakes**.



Actress and author **Robin Givens** talked about her relationship with God and His leading in her life and career.



Vern Jackson blessed us all as he ministered in song from Trinity Christian City International in Costa Mesa, CA.



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YOU ARE RICH!

"THOUGH HE WAS SO VERY RICH, YET TO HELP YOU HE BECAME SO VERY POOR, SO THAT BY BEING POOR HE COULD MAKE YOU RICH"! (II COR. 8:9 TLB)

We have all heard the sermon on how poor Jesus was while on this earth — and compared to His home in heaven this is true. In heaven He walked on streets of gold; on earth He walked the dusty roads of Galilee to Jerusalem. Foot washing was not just a sign of humility; it was a practical need — a person's feet just simply got dirty walking to his destination!

By the way, too much is made of Jesus' poverty. He had all His needs met and was supporting twelve men and their families. Judas carried the purse which contained contributions from many of the (mostly) women followers:

"Joanna, Chuza's wife (Chuza was King Herod's business manager and was in charge of his palace and domestic affairs), Susanna, and many others who were contributing from their private means to the support of Jesus and his disciples" (Luke 8:3 TLB).

Jesus also had a house and a seamless robe, which was very valuable. But, as stated earlier, compared to heaven He was very poor.

So, some preach that since Jesus was poor in earthly material things, we too should be poor if we are to be like Jesus. However, the Scripture says that, **"HE BECAME POOR THAT WE MIGHT BECOME RICH"**! But, of course, the argument goes that the riches Jesus brought us are strictly spiritual. And, of course, spiritual riches are a part of what Jesus brought us. But, may I ask: *Was Jesus poor spiritually while here on earth?* Certainly not! The Word declares that He contained the Holy Spirit "without measure." Jesus **NEVER BECAME POOR SPIRITUALLY**. So, Jesus' poverty was to make us rich both spiritually and materially! Let's examine the Scripture again carefully:

"He [became] so very poor, so that by being

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(Pictured: Paul and his Praise-a-Thon team as they "threw the big switch" for a new satellite channel).

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poor he could make you rich" (II Cor. 8:9 TLB).

Again, I ask: *Did Jesus become poor spiritually?* Certainly not! How could He heal the sick, open blind eyes and even raise the dead if He was poor spiritually? The only poverty Jesus endured was MATERIALLY! *So, His poverty was to make us rich materially!* Remember: He was never poor spiritually. Here is the bottom line. **Jesus came to earth spiritually rich, but He came to earth in poverty to make us materially rich!**

The larger question begs an answer: *Why does Jesus want us to be rich materially?* Oh, how the heresy hunters howl about all of this! They cry, "Jesus was poor so we should be poor, like Him." Well, let me ask an even larger question: **HOW ARE WE** to obey His command to **"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature"** (Mark 16:15)? If every child of God were in poverty materially, who would finance the going "into all the world"?

TBN is doing our part, but the cost for 63 satellite channels feeding 12,000 plus stations, cables, small dishes, the Internet, and all the supporting technology costs nearly 200 million dollars a year. God has blessed thousands of precious partners like you to make this possible.

This is why God wants to make us rich. Not to live in extreme luxury while the world is going to hell! Yes, God wants you to have all your needs met and He wants you out of debt — but, *He wants you rich so that we can finance taking the Gospel to every human being on earth!* Oh, how this Scripture has been distorted by Satan and even well meaning Christians. But, here is the final KEY from Jesus' own lips:

"For if you give, you will get! Your gift will return to you in full and overflowing measure, pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, and running over" (Luke 6:38 TLB).

Yet here is the final, final KEY to having all you need and being rich in the way God wants you to be rich:

"Whatever measure you use to give—large or small—will be used to measure what is given back to you" (Luke 6:38).

Jan and I love you more and more with each passing year. We have proved the message in this newsletter to be true for 34 years, and we know that multitudes of you have too!

Join us this Fall Praise-a-Thon November 4-9

Let's let Jesus give us the riches we need to finish touching our whole world!

Paul

Paul was on hand to greet a precious partner, Mildred Yager, who celebrated her 99th birthday at the Holy Land Experience in Orlando, FL.



In early 2004, Jan and Brandon Crouch met with Jonas Gonzalez, Sr. to begin work on the Smile of a Child Hospital in Costa Rica.



Brother Jonas went to be with the Lord in December 2004, but last year the "JJJ—Jesus, Jonas, & Jan" Hospital, named in honor of Jonas Gonzalez, Sr., was completed. Paul Jr. recently visited the new hospital along with Jonas Gonzalez, Jr. (center) and staff physician, Dr. Renzo Vargas.



FOR ANY CALL AND PLEDGE:

"GIVE ME A J" by Arthur Blessitt



Those of you who have been in on one of the Arthur Blessitt and TBN rallies know what this title means. The one most memorable to me was April 30, 1980. About one million on fire believers had gathered on the Capitol grounds around the Washington monument. Several of the ministry leaders had been given about five minutes each to address and inspire the immense crowd of witnesses! Arthur was somehow omitted from the list, so I gave him some of my time—and brother when Arthur stepped up, the place went wild! But, if that was awesome you should have heard Arthur's first words—**"GIVE ME A J!"** Then of course, came the rest: "E...S...U...S!" I'm sure they heard us around the whole world!

Don't even think of not getting Arthur's new book, **"GIVE ME A J!"** It will light a new fire in us all to be effective witnesses for Jesus.

Your Praise-a-Thon pledge by mail, phone call, or at www.tbn.org will bring you Arthur's new book filled with hair raising experiences as he has literally carried that large wooden cross around the world! It will also inspire you to win the lost as you start with **"GIVE ME A J!"** *Paul & Jan*

To pledge, go to www.tbn.org or call 1-888-731-1000 (toll free in the U.S. and Canada)

FOR \$25 A MONTH OR \$250 ONE TIME:

A MOST BEAUTIFUL HOLY FAMILY FABERGÉ STYLE EGG



Thousands of beautiful designs of the Holy Family with Baby Jesus as the centerpiece are seen as we approach the Christmas season. **But you have not seen one like our second gift this Fall Praise-a-Thon!**

Shaped in the style of a Fabergé egg, it is decorated all over with sparkling, jewel-like emblems of heaven! But even more unique are the two doors that open and inside, there they are—the Holy Family gathered around the greatest miracle ever—**GOD BECOMING A HUMAN** who would grow into a Holy Man and through His suffering and passion, become our Savior! But that's not all—it is also a sweet music box that plays "Silent Night."

You will treasure this very special work of art and probably want to display it year round. Your pledge as indicated above will bring this made for TBN treasure to you with our love!

Merry Christmas! *Paul & Jan*

Call TBN's Prayer and/or Pledge Line: 1-888-731-1000 (toll free in the U.S. and Canada)

For callers outside of the United States, please phone: +1-714-731-1000

To make or renew your Praise-a-Thon pledge, or for more information about TBN please go to: www.tbn.org

To receive the Praise-A-Thon gifts, it is necessary to make a pledge by mail, telephone or via the Internet at www.tbn.org.

A limited quantity of love gifts is ordered each month. If we run out of the gift, a substitute will be sent in its place. The love gifts offered are not for sale. Please do not ask for more than one love gift. Please allow 6 to 8 weeks for delivery. **NO PHONE ORDERS, PLEASE.** Keep the lines open for Salvation, Prayer and Pledge Calls ONLY. God bless you!

Praise the Lord from the Holy Land Experience in Orlando, Florida!



Paul and Jan, along with Dr. Mark Chironna, greeted the thousands of guests that attended the program.

Bill Morris was joined by several of the Holy Land cast members, as they led in a glorious time of worship from the steps of the "Jerusalem Temple."

Dr. Mark Chironna spoke with Les Cheveldayoff, the actor who plays the role of Jesus at the Holy Land Experience.

Dr. Bill Jones, pastor of Acts Fellowship Baptist Church and senior Bible teacher at the Holy Land Experience, gave a special word.

Our first Praise the Lord program from the Holy Land Experience was awesome! Pastor Steve Munsey preached a powerful message about the "Day of Atonement" from the steps of the replica of the great Temple of Jerusalem!



Experience dramatic reenactments of Jesus' life, death and resurrection.

Step back in time and experience the land of the Bible as it was 2,000 years ago! Your journey will take you to see replicas of the Wilderness Tabernacle, the Great Temple, and the Garden Tomb. Discover the amazing history of the Bible; explore the city of Jerusalem in miniature; see reenactments of Jesus' ministry, His life, death, and resurrection; and feel the power and passion of original musical productions. Your adventure in ancient Israel includes fascinating exhibits, plays, musical presentations, and MORE!

For information go to: www.theholylandexperience.com or call 1-866-872-4659