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Happy New Year 2005!

This is our New Year Prayer for you taken from Psalm 121;5-8

"The Lord is your keeper, the Lord is your shade on your right hand. The sun will not smite you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will protect you from evil; He will keep your soul. The Lord will guard your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forever."

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PS. Remember we would love to know how to specifically pray for you. Drop us a note or give us a call. 304-457-6744

Reaching the world with the message of the Father's love

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JANUARY 2005

EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENTS!

New River Renewal Gatherings now being held in our spacious living room in Philippi. See direction insert in this newsletter
First Gathering this year:
Saturday January 8—7:00pm coffee/fellowship time
7:30pm start of meeting

Women of the Light announces January meetings and the start of a new branch:

Tuesday, January 11, - 7:00pm—Days Inn, Elkins

Monday, January 17, - 7:00pm—Smith Home in Philippi

Thursday, January 20, - 7:00pm—Main Street Inn, Buckhannon

A look Back, A Look Forward

It was the Romans that chose January to be the first month of the New Year. January was named for the Roman god Janus that is shown having two faces, one looking back and one looking forward. Although Janus isn't real, January is a really good time to reflect on the events of 2004 and to look forward with great expectation to the possibilities that lay before us in 2005.

Looking Back at 2004, we see that Feed My Lambs and the Women of the Light have remained faithful to the God given mission of carrying the love of Father God to the people of West Virginia and other states as He directed.

We have continued to hold **Renewal Gatherings** in the town of Elkins this year, and have been blessed by the opportunities to minister in Churches in Florida, West Virginia, and Massachusetts. Also, personal Prayer ministry for individuals here and in other states has been a major focus this year.

Women of the Light have had a very blessed year also. The ministry has expanded its borders to include meetings in Buckhannon, of Upshur County. One of the most important developments is the growing unity and maturity of the Women of the Light Leadership team. It is the instrument the Father will use to extend the reach and fruitfulness of the ministry in the coming year.

In August the Father moved the base of our mission to the town of **Philippi** in Barbour County, West Virginia. We believe this was a very strategic move and that it positions us for further growth into other areas of the state. In looking at our fruitfulness this past year we can only reflect on what several people have told us, "Your coming here has made a big change in my life."



Looking forward into 2005, holds the prophetic promise of a year of opening up for us and our ministries. Dick Mills recently spoke prophetically into our lives, "your ministry is in the process of expanding rapidly." We have in our heart to extend the reach and scope of the **New River Renewal Gatherings**. The local Renewal Gathering, beginning this month, will be held in our home here in the town of Philippi. We would like to hold weekly Renewal Gatherings on a rotating basis in different strategic locations throughout the state of West Virginia. Also, if you live in Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey or anywhere on the East coast and would like to gather some friends for a evening of worship and teaching on the Father's love, please contact us. (304-457-6744)

Starting on **January 17** Marie will be hosting Women of the Light monthly meetings in our home here in Philippi. Now **three counties of our state will have active branches of the Women of the Light**. Glory to God for how He is touching women as they gather in His Presence.

We also feel the Lord will release us to answer some of the invitations we have received to do foreign mission outreaches. We wait to see how far the Lord will allow us to take the Message of the Father's Love in this New Year!

A Grateful Heart

The song says, "Give thanks, with a grateful heart". That is how Marie and I approach the Lord daily concerning **you**, our ministry family members. With a very grateful heart we ask the Father to bless and keep you all safe in his protection, and that you may walk in His will for your lives.

Your faithfulness to pray for us and to intercede for us when called upon by the Holy Spirit helps to make our road straight and our pathways clear of obstacles. Your faithfulness to contribute finances monthly to our ministry outreaches allows us to be focused on carrying the Father's Love to **many people desperately in need of His healing presence and touch**. Without your help our ability to reach out would be greatly diminished. Your faithful obedience to the leading of the Holy Spirit to stand with us both prayerfully and financially, allows us to extend the borders of our tent to include many new peoples.

Marie and I wish to thank you all for your great love and help to us during 2004 and in earlier years. We hope and pray that you would count us faithful and worthy of your support for the groundbreaking work that lies before us in this New Year. The harvest field before us is very large, but with your help we can gather in all the fruit that the Father has ordained for us to harvest. **May Father God richly bless you for your faithfulness!**

Ask and it shall be given you, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened

Would you stand with us—asking, seeking, knocking and believing for these needs? Thank You!

1. A broadening of our base of both prayer and financial support that we might be strengthened to do all that the Father has placed in our hearts to accomplish.
2. Even greater passion for the Lord and greater ability to express His compassion for people
3. Open doors and the wisdom needed to go through them
4. Ministry equipment—wireless capacity laptop, audio recorder with tape and CD capacity
5. Furnishings for the "upper room" (ministry guest quarters)

