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Dear Believer:

When we began these monthly prayer focus letters last October little seemed to be happening in this area. Now a great deal is going on. Of course, some of it such as the National Day of Prayer, is seasonal but it is also true that God is working powerfully as a result of the prayers of His people. So many things are going on that without prayer it could become overwhelming. As you read the things that are listed below please pray that: 1) the Lord would prosper the work and 2) God would show you your part in what is occurring. Our prayer is that God will bless you as you pray for our city and the surrounding area.

National Day of Prayer May 5, 2005 – The theme for 2005 is God Shed His Grace on Thee from Hebrews 4:16. There will be a Meet at City Hall at Noon gathering. This will not be an organized event, but people will be gathering at each of the entrances to pray. It is important that no entrance or walkway is blocked and that all is done decently and in order, but remember it is our right to gather and pray. Also the Christian Businessmen's Committee is having their annual Leadership Prayer Breakfast at the Solomon Ortiz Center. Contact the CBMC at 851-1605 for tickets. Linda Pate is working on a Read Through the Bible in 15 Minutes at the Nueces County Court House event. It will take place at Noon. The event will take almost 400 people so there is room for you. Bring your Bible. Be ready to read. For information contact Linda Pate at 853-5181.

Friday Night Corpus Christi May 6, 2005 – This is planned as a monthly event to meet for joining in corporate Praise to the Lord. The first meeting will be at 7:30 PM at First Baptist Church, 3115 Ocean Drive. It will be a powerful time.

March for Jesus / Jesus Day May 14, 2005 The event will begin at Del Mar at 9:00 AM & march to Cole Park for the prayer event.

Global Day of Prayer May 15, 2005 No organized event in Corpus Christi, but please take time to pray for kingdom advancement.

Franklin Graham Festival 2005 is coming to Corpus Christi in August. Much work goes into such a series of evangelistic meetings. It takes a lot of work to get people informed and to the meeting, but just as important is the work of follow-up for those who come into the kingdom. Included with this Monthly Prayer Focus letter are three items from the Festival. One is a card to fill out to volunteer in any area. I am on the Prayer Committee. **We are seeking to raise 10,000 people to pray from now till the Festival is over.** Please consider signing up. The second item is an Operation Andrew brochure. It is a tool that you can use to ask the Lord to give you several people for whom you can pray. Then speak to them about the Lord and bring them to the Festival. The third item is a Prayer Calendar.

Franklin Graham Festival Prayer Event – The date, time, & place are yet to be announced, but we expect several thousand to attend. This will be a powerful time of prayer and a real spiritual treat as well. Start planning to bring several friends to join in this time of prayer. Be listening for the where and when. As soon as we know we'll tell you. There is no telling what the Lord will do as we gather.

The May Prayer Focus seems very timely to me. Too long we have been Dumb (silent) about the Lord and the things of God. This has led to Deafness in hearing what the Spirit of God is saying to us today. When we fail to speak the praise of our God, it becomes harder to discern the leading of the Lord. This allows opportunity for the enemy to deceive us and has caused us to become ineffective as witnesses. Therefore, for the month of May let us ask the Lord to deal with the negative spiritual influence of a Dumb & Deaf Spirit (Mark 9: 17-27) and to pour out upon us as believers and the City of Corpus Christi as a whole a Spirit of Grace and Supplications (Zech 10:12). As God does this He will deal with pagan worship, false gods, the idols of men and false prophets who seek to lead people of the earth into bondage (Zech 13: 1-2). If the lost of this area are to be set free, we must let the praises of God arise in our mouths so that they may hear of His wondrous works and seek His face. As we do this the idols of men will fall before out Lord. Let us come boldly before His throne to find grace for them and ourselves.

Sincerely, William W. Lumry, II

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