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Dear Believer:

Blessings and peace to you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. There is so much to convey for this month that I am going to be limited to giving only a few sentences per topic. First, let me remind you about the **Friday Night Corpus Christi** meeting at 7:30 PM on **July 29**, 2005. The Host Church is **Corpus Christi Christian Fellowship**, 6602 South Staples, just south of Saratoga. The lead worshiper will be Johnny Glover of First Baptist Church. Devotional Speaker will be Brian Crown, Regional Manager of K-LOVE Christian Radio and member of the Franklin Graham Executive Committee. Prayer Time leader will be Cliff Atnip, Chairman of the Franklin Graham Executive Committee.

The second thing that I must be sure to let you know about is what we perceive to be a strong attack against leadership. Space does not permit me to go into detail, but we have heard much lately about leaders both in and outside the church being assaulted by the enemy. Illnesses, deaths, great financial difficulty and even physical attacks have all been part of our coming to the conclusion that Satan is doing all he can to hit and thereby stop or sidetrack leaders from their purposes. If you would like to know more, please call me and we can talk about it. **Please pray for the next month at least that the Lord would protect those in leadership positions both in the church and in all other areas as well. Also pray that the Lord give them whatever they may need to stand firm in their positions.**

The third thing I need to cover gives a bit of explanation and encouragement. I believe that the attack on leaders is coming because the enemy knows that the **Lord is moving in a mighty way that will soon be evident**. Again space does not permit, but we are hearing more and more of what I would call a kingdom word coming from pulpits and ministry heads. I do not believe that the enemy has real knowledge about the plans of God, but I do believe that he knows something is going on and the only way to stop it is to try to assault and thereby stop or at least hinder leadership. God, however, has other plans.

Fourth on the list for this letter is to let you know about the **Pastor's Prayer Retreat for Corpus Christi pastors** which will be September 28th, 29th and 30th, 2005 at Camp Zephyr in Mathis. Registration is only \$60 and includes 2 nights lodging and 5 meals. The retreat will allow pastors time with the Lord in worship, time to pray with other pastors, and an opportunity to receive prayer for themselves. Shammah Prayer Ministries International is sponsoring the event. If you are not a pastor, please inform your pastor about the retreat. If you are a pastor, please register right away. **Space is limited so register quickly.**

Finally, the monthly prayer focus for August is a Spirit of Bondage and the Spirit of Adoption. We did not plan for this to be the case, but it is interesting to me that the Lord brought this into focus during the month that the Franklin Graham Festival will occur in our city (8/19-21/05). Let us pray for the Lord to deal with the effects and influence of a Spirit of Bondage while also asking Him to pour out upon our area a revelation of the Spirit of Adoption whereby we cry Abba, Father.

Sincerely,
William W. Lumry, II

PS. Some pastors may not be able to attend the retreat due to financial considerations even though the registration fee is only \$60. Let us know if you want to help with retreat expenses so that we may offer free attendance to those who need it.

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