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## ASKing is a Gift to be Given

⇒ By Cheryl Cannon

ASKing is a gift to be given. We have gathered in many places to share this gift of ASKing: in living rooms, on a pier, in a tee-pee, under a tent, at a retreat centers, in a hotel, by a lake, in a cabin in the woods, in ministry offices, church basements, and even in a barn just to name a few. God has given us this beautiful, timeless gift of ASKing.

What wonderful gift giving days for ASK Network. God is expanding our understanding and broadening our horizons. He has spoken, ASKing is to be intentionally given with open hands. Sharing with whomever He sends. Our name, “network”, implies we are to extend ourselves, to knot ourselves with others who share our passion to “Gather all generations, to pray for all nations, ASKing God to do what only He can do. And doing whatever He ASKs of us.” We give this gift of face-to-face ASKing with the Holy Spirit and the Word of God, through worship and biblical meditation, joining Jesus in intercession for what is on his heart.

We will always treasure the closeness and intimacy of praying in small groups but will also embrace the joy of giving ASKing and the connectivity God brings through networking with other groups and ministries. We have enjoyed relationships with Ellel in Israel 2011 and International School of Reconciliation Studies in 2014, with NHOP in Canada 2014, Quiet Waters, in Tennessee 2014 and continue walking along side Capitol Hill Prayer Partners, God’s Word for the Nations, Native Americans, Open Doors, The Sentinel Group, YWAM-Chico and others.

Our tent pegs continue to be stretched-out and our curtains enlarged to make more room in our tent. In fact, we are commanded to give in Isaiah 54.-2-3, “do not hold back, lengthen your cords and strengthen your stake. For you will spread abroad to the right and to the left, and your offspring will possess the nations and will people the desolate cities.” (Isaiah 54.2-3). God is indeed enlarging our home. The more **we give the gift of ASKing to whomever**, the more room He will make for others, for offspring and for nations, for people and for desolate cities.



## ASKing in Canada

⇒ By Beverley Coad

During the first week of June, a group of called and chosen ASKers from the USA met with Canadian ASKers and others from Canada in Ottawa, at the National House of Prayer to join with them to ASK for Canada. We came, knowing God had sent us but not knowing what to expect. God, as usual, surpassed our expectations and did "above and beyond anything we could ASK or think."

Fran and Rob Parker, their son, Rob Parker Jr.; Ray Borg, Stuart and Celia McAlpine, Cheryl Cannon and Beverley Coad shared the Word, God worked it all together into a beautiful symphony as He worked among us. Priscilla Laudon and Adrienne Joiner, ASKers from BC, Canada, along with Rob Parker Jr. led us in anointed worship. Each person in the group participated in various ways as they shared the things God was speaking to us.

What did we hear? 'All came from different places, the conductor is the Holy Spirit when we ASK (Mt. 18:19)'; 'Our feet are on the threshold of a new door, new things being revealed in the spirit realm'; 'Significance of Canada's Trade minister joining us for supper...God is removing border in spiritual realm between Canada and the USA'; 'Great things result when we Gather'; 'You will reap that which you have not sown'; 'The seed shall be prosperous'; 'Zechariah 7:12.'

Prayer walks took us to Parliament, Embassies, (USA included), and the Governor General's House. We prayed in the meditation room at the Senate and as we listened to Members of Parliament debating.

As a result of this week some Canadian friends have expressed a desire to ASK with us. Please pray as we follow through with them and for the ASK group in BC.

Grateful thanks to all who covered us in prayer.



## Teaching Resources

Have you ever wanted to grow in the practice of Biblical meditation or to have a resource to point others to? Well, that resource is available on [http://asknetwork.net/teaching\\_resources.html](http://asknetwork.net/teaching_resources.html) Our own Tryna Bahl has written three teaching series to help us grow in our ASKING.

The first is eight lessons on *Biblical Meditation*; the second, ten lessons on *Praise and Worship with ASKING*; and third is fourteen lessons entitled, *In-depth Lessons on ASKING with the Word of God*. Individual lesson topics are available in .pdf format that can be downloaded onto your computer or printed out for individual or group study.

We urge you take advantage of this wonderful resource for your own personal growth or use in a Bible study or prayer group.



## Getting to know our National Teams

**Pastoral Team:** Carol Moyer, leader; Dorothy Smith, Lowry Puckett, Lynne Bowman



We are all called to join Jesus in His intercession as members of the Body of Christ and as the ASK Family. As the Pastoral Team, we act as ligaments in the ASK family between the National Leaders and the State Coordinators. Our desire is to serve and support these leaders, and we do this by connecting regularly to encourage one another and to join in ASKing for personal and leadership related needs. We also pass on relevant information from our National Leaders in order to foster clear communications and build our ASK family relationships.

As a part of the ASK family, will you join us in praying for our national leadership team and state leaders in the following ways: for unity (Psa 133:1,3), for maturity in Christ and the fullness of His love so that our ASK Family is healthy and growing, (Eph 4:12-13, 15-16) for protection and strength to carry out God's will (2 Thess 3:3).

Please also pray for our team that the Lord would enable us to walk in unity and humility as we reach out to state coordinators with clear communications of love, and wisdom.



**“make him rise up from among his associates  
and take him to an inner room”**

**2Kings 9:2**

a\*rise is approaching quickly. I want to encourage you to be in a place to listen. If you hear God asking you to come, we'd love to have you join us whether or not you are currently leading in ASK.USA

The pages are turning ... one chapter is closing and another is opening. Are you aware of the change? Can you sense it in the Spirit? Are you part of the change? Meditate on the passage above, 2 Kings 9 and hear what the Holy Spirit is saying to you. The time is now to respond in prayer!

Below is a link to a timely word from Banning Liebscher whom I recently heard speak. You will be encouraged and inspired through the Word of God to not only be called but, chosen, separated and anointed for God's current purposes for this earth. It's only about 55 minutes in length and the first 7 are introductions. So find some time, hit the play button, skip the first seven minutes, listen and respond to the Holy Spirit!

**Link for listening:** <http://therefuge.net/media/sermons/>

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## The Generations Corner

⇒ By Nancy Merritt

*"I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." Matthew 22:32*

America is into its 41<sup>st</sup> year of the Supreme Court *Roe v. Wade* ruling which legalized abortion. That January, 1973 decision has been called 'landmark' and indeed, it has marked our land.

*"Do not pollute the land where you are. Bloodshed pollutes the land and atonement cannot be made for the land on which blood has been shed, except by the blood of the one who shed it." Numbers 35:33*

We can all name the myriad number of ills which has increased in four decades ... violence, crime, pornography, the normalizing of illicit sex, greed, broken families, and the resulting financial strain are just a few. But one 'defilement' in particular is escalating and that is the abandonment of the elderly.

The first generation of abortion survivors believed the cultural message sent to them that human life is not sacred and is a throwaway when it no longer suits a selfish purpose. The result is increasing abandonment of aging and ill parents and relatives.

How can we truly hold onto our conviction that our prayers for this tragic disdain for life can change in America? In Psalm 95:10, God says:

*"For forty years I loathed that generation ... they do not know My ways – they shall not enter My rest."*

God took the Israelites into the Promised Land after 40 years, after the old ideas and rebellion had died out. Let's pray that the day and hour has come and pray as we never have before for Him to move on the hearts of those who do not know Him that they may turn from wickedness. May we see His will be done in our generations.

**As you sing these verses, as intercessors, sing them over America. The personal has been changed to the plural. Pray for change to come.**

What can wash away our sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make us whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

**Refrain:** *Oh! Precious is the flow that makes us white as snow; no other fount we know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

For our pardon this we see – nothing but the blood of Jesus; for our cleansing, this our plea – nothing but the blood of Jesus. **Refrain.**

Nothing can for sin atone – nothing but the blood of Jesus; naught of good that we have done – nothing but the blood of Jesus. **Refrain.**

This is all our hope and peace – nothing but the blood of Jesus; this is all our righteousness – nothing but the blood of Jesus. **Refrain.**