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## More ... to come

By Cheryl Cannon

Isaiah 54 has long held many enduring and powerful promises for our ASK Family household. We remain faithful in our belief and longing to see these promises fulfilled. Here are a few from only the first verses:

- **More singing and joy to come!**
- **More enlarging, stretching, lengthening, strengthening, spreading to come!**
- **More generations and nations to come!**

Verse five transitions as God begins declaring His Character. From this moment forward it is all about what He will do: **more ... calling, gathering, loving, rebuilding, teaching, raising up the next generation to come!**

The New Testament references this passage in Galatians 4.27-31 and John 6.45. Paul writes the Galatians emphatically declaring the promise of Isaiah 54, we are children born by the power of the Spirit, not children born by human effort! What assurance as again we see God the Creator at work (Zechariah 4.6). John writes of Jesus also quoting Isaiah 54’s promised invitation to be taught to listen to the Father. It is in this passage’s context Jesus declares Himself, the Bread of Life. What an invitation to Biblical meditation.

Indeed, this year holds **more ... to come!** We are focusing on building up the household of ASK.USA as we meditate in the book of Nehemiah and transition into the New Zone Approach given to us by God as a fulfillment of Isaiah 54. Zone Facilitators and Teams are being prayed over to be set in place like stones in a wall by this fall. On September 15-17, 2016 we will gather in our nation’s heartland as we host: “Come - 2016 ASK.USA’s National Prayer Gathering” in Kansas City. Of course, there are **more details to come!** So keep watch at: [www.asknetworkusa.net](http://www.asknetworkusa.net)

I encourage you to meditate on Isaiah 54 and ask God to fill in the blank:  
“**more \_\_\_\_\_ to come!**”?

## From the Nations Team...

By Karma Malone



In the world there are 195 countries and over 254 nationalities within those countries. The USA, reportedly, has 198 of those nationalities within its borders. We only have to look within our neighborhoods and cities and to see the nations. In Leviticus 19:33-34 we are instructed not to mistreat the foreigner, or suppress him, but to love him as ourselves. Our ability to see the nations as our neighbors makes the assignment of praying for them less daunting. When we attend cultural events of the nations in our communities, doors open for us to pray with understanding. When we become acquainted with people from different nations, learn of their families, their culture, and their country,

we can pray for them with love. Most of us would agree it is easier to pray for a nation we've visited as opposed to one we've only read about or seen on television. In becoming acquainted with people from different nations we grow to love the people and gain insight into how to pray for their country. I've experienced this personally. After I met my daughter-in-law, who is from Japan, my prayers for that nation intensified. My desire to see Japan named a Christian nation has created within me an enormous love for the people of Japan. Let me encourage you, as intercessors, to look for ways to connect with those from the nations in your city so that you may better pray for them.

## Please Pray...

The National Team Leaders will be meeting next week to begin planning our ASK.USA Gathering in September and to set in motion the implementation of the new Zone approach. The Support Team requests that you participate in the Leaders gathering by covering us with prayer. Below are some scriptures we ask that you pray over us and our meeting.

**Wednesday, April 6:** *"And they said, 'Let us rise up and build.' So they strengthened their hands for the good work."* Nehemiah 2.17

**Thursday, April 7:** *"As Jesus walked by, John looked at Him and declared, 'Look! There is the Lamb of God! When the disciples heard this, they followed Jesus.'" John 1.36-37*

**Friday, April 8:** *"Jesus looked around and saw them following. 'What do you want?' They replied, 'Rabbi, where are you staying?' 'Come and see,' He said. John 1.38-39*

**Saturday, April 9:** *"My heart has heard you say, 'Come and talk with Me.' And my heart responds, 'Lord, I am coming.'" Psalm 27.8*

**Sunday, April 10:** *"Then as I looked over the situation, I called together the nobles and the rest of the people and said to them, 'Don't be afraid of the enemy!'" Nehemiah 4.14a*

## upcoming events

**National Leaders' Planning Meeting**

**April 6-10, 2016**

**Rolla, MO**

**Come 2016 - ASK USA National Gathering**

**Sept 15-17, 2016**

**Kansas City, MO**

**ASK International Gathering**

**January 2017**

**Israel**