Dear Prayer Partners,

Greetings in the wondrous name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. 2015 is an important year for our church. In July 2015, tens of thousands of members and delegates from the world church family will meet in San Antonio, Texas to attend the 2015 General Conference Session, the 60th since the first General Conference Session in 1863. While the first Session met to create the structure, bylaws and the constitution that have brought us thus far, 2015 may well be the defining year for what we will be as a movement going forward.

This year, our pastors, leaders and our church needs the power of intercessory prayer as never before. This year, of the twenty million Seventh-day Adventists worldwide, our General Conference President is looking for one million Prayer

Intercessors who are serious and mean business with God. The North American Division will also kick off their " Pray One Million" initiative, encouraging every single person in North American Division to spend a few precious moments in prayer each day.

In 2015, training will again be an important part of NEC Prayer Ministries' activities beginning with the School of Prayer every third Sunday of the month except in February when the School convenes on the 2nd Sunday. It is a wonderful time of fellowship, prayer, singing of spiritual hymns, planning, and training from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. once a month at the NEC Office. Remember to also join us on the Global Power Bible Prayer Hotline, your 24/7 "church without walls" that is always open and available for study and intercession.

Again this year, church bulletin inserts have been prepared for use in all churches. The inserts are divided into two sections, one for the prayer leader and one for the bulletin. It is my hope that these readings will prove to be a blessing and a source of strength and encouragement to you, your team and your congregation. Insert them into your weekly bulletins, use the resources provided and tailor them to your specific needs as you lead out in prayer from week to week so that indeed your church will " be called a house of prayer for all nations." (Is. 56:7)

We must be much in prayer if we would make progress in the divine life. When the message of truth was first proclaimed, how much we prayed. How often was the voice of intercession heard in the chamber, in the barn, in the orchard, or the grove. Frequently we spent hours in earnest prayer, two or three together claiming the promise; often the sound of weeping was heard and then the voice of thanksgiving and the song of praise. Now the day of God is nearer than when we first believed, and we should be more earnest, more zealous, and fervent than in those early days. Our perils are greater now than then. Souls are more hardened. We need now to be imbued with the spirit of Christ, and we should not rest until we receive it." (5T, 161, 162)

Yours, together in Christ,

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