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PROGRAM OPENING/TRUMPET FANFARE/V.O.

From the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, California, join Robert Schuller in an Hour of Power now celebrating our 37th year as the face and voice of positive Christianity to the world.

HYMN - "Joyful, Joyful.."

Joyful, joyful, we adore You, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before You, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day. Amen! Amen! Amen!

GOOD MORNING/OPENING SENTENCE/INVOCATION

RAS: Good morning. Would you please take a moment right now and shake the hands of those standing next to you and behind you and say God loves you and so do I.

Today we're going to continue in prayer and we're going to have a time of prayer and if there's somebody here or if you know somebody who needs prayer, I want to invite you to fill out the enclosed cards. I believe you all have a card. Would you raise them up so I know that you have a prayer card? And great, if you'd please, please, please put your name and address on there, or someone else' who needs prayer, if you know of anyone who needs prayer, put their name and address on here. If you don't know their name and address, take it home with you, fill it out and return it another week and what I will do is I'll make a commitment to pray for every single person here who wishes prayer, and just so you know that I've prayed for you, I will personally sign it and mail it back to you and you'll get it in the mail in the next few weeks. So this is our prayer cards today and we're going to have a time of prayer as we recognize that, so between now and the end of the service, we'll be doing that. In fact with being said, why don't we continue with a moment of prayer.

Dear Heavenly Father, we thank You for this time where we can come into Your house and we can pray, for You've promised us that as we come before You in prayer, that You will heal our land, and that You'll heal our souls and our minds and our families. And so we thank You Lord for the privilege and the honor that we have to come before You and to seek Your guidance in our lives. We pray in Your Son's name, Amen.

HYMN - "Now Thank we All Our God"

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, Who wondrous things has done, in Whom the world rejoices; Who from our mother's arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today!

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, our Savior, Lord and King Who reigns in highest heaven. The one eternal God Whom earth and heaven adore; For so it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

SCRIPTURE – II Corinthians 4 & 5 – Donna Schuller

DONNA: Please be seated. This morning's scripture is taken from Paul's letter, that's the apostle Paul and from the New Testament. It's taken out of second Corinthians, so hear these great and encouraging words:

Therefore, we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. We live by faith, not by sight.

And as you meditate on these words, my prayer for you is that you will look into your heart and see what God has for you. His promises are real.

ANTHEM - "We Walk By Faith"

We walk by faith and not by sight, we trust in God and not in might. For in our darkness He is light. We walk by faith and not by sight. Sometimes trials come our way. We don't know what to do or say. But we know God will make a way if we will trust, trust and obey.

We walk by faith and not by sight. We trust in God and not in might. For in our darkness He is light. We walk by faith and not by sight. We trust in God and in His Son. What God has promised will be done. And as each journey is begun His Holy Spirit makes us one.

We walk by faith and not by sight. We trust in God and not in might. For in our darkness He is light we walk by faith and not by sight. We may not fully understand, but we are guided by His hand. And as we follow faith's command, God leads us to the promised land.

We walk by faith and not by sight. We trust in God and not in might. For in our darkness He is light. We walk by faith and not by sight.

RHS THANK YOU TO CHOIR/ORCHESTRA/DON

RHS: Thank you choir, thank you organist, thank you Don.

INTERVIEW – BILL IRWIN

RHS: ROBERT H. SCHULLER BI : BILL IRWIN

RHS: My guest today is a living testimony of somebody who has walked by faith. We were reading the words together while we were singing them for in our darkness he is light. Bill Irwin, he was diagnosed with an eye disease that left him blind at the age of twenty-eight. That didn't stop him from the plans God had for his life. Bill Irwin: previous chemistry teacher turned into something that has shaped a world of humans. He remains the only blind person to climb the two thousand one hundred sixty eight mile Appalachian Trail. Bill's personal story, I'm proud to say, is featured in my son's new book, Walking in Your Own Shoes. It's a great book. We all have our own shoes to fill and nobody's life is exactly like anybody else's. Welcome with me with a great applause, Bill Irwin. Here you are, you've got a new dog don't you?

BI: Yeah, he's a great one too!

RHS: Well the one you had fifteen years ago was pretty good.

BI: They've all been the greatest dog in the whole world. I've had five now.

RHS: Have you?

BI: I have.

RHS: What's the average life span?

BI: Ten years.

RHS: Really?

BI: Yeah.

RHS: Wow. Tell us what happened when you were twenty-eight years old?

BI: Well I was teaching my chemistry class one day and I wrote a formula on the blackboard and I was turned around to explain it to my students and as I kept my eye on them and glanced back at the board I noticed that there wasn't anything on the board that I could see. I suppose my nose obliterated the vision from my right eye and I couldn't see it. So I turned my head a little bit and I could see it again. Turn it back the other way and I couldn't. So long story short, I discovered that I was totally blind in my left eye.

RHS: And what was the name of the disease?

BI: They didn't have a name for it then.

RHS: Do they now?

BI: They do, the name of the disease is coreoretinitis. It's an autoimmune disease where the retina is destroyed by a person's own immune system, antibodies and cells. So I immediately went to a medical doctor's office and this nurse got me in right away and he looked in my eye and immediately began to cry.

RHS: Cry?

BI: Now when my doctor cries of something he sees on my body, I get upset. And so I asked him what was wrong. And he didn't say anything and he went to the door and he said 'Betty cancel my appointments for the rest of the day I have to take Bill somewhere.' So he put me in the back of his car and hustled me off to the University of Alabama medical center which was a couple of miles away and I spent the rest of the day going from one professor of ophthalmology to the next to find out what was wrong. And they all agreed at the end of the day that I had malignant melanoma. And my prognosis was that I could expect to live about three months.

RHS: Oh.

BI: So the next day they took my left eye out to stop the progression of the disease and for eight weeks I didn't know what the diagnosis was because they had a discrepancy in opinions and sent it all over the world to pathologists to look at to come to a consensus about what the diagnosis would end up being. And obviously they were wrong because I'm still here today and that's been a long time ago. But, the devastation that I felt because of that was overwhelming and of course I was already an alcoholic, but I just drank at that for a lot more years and God had to intervene and take care of business in my heart so that I could get my life straightened out, so.

RHS: What was the worst obstacle you faced through all of that?

BI: Without any question the worst obstacle that I faced through all of that and the obstacles on the Appalachian Trail is just a little bit of space, four inches: The distance between my left ear and my right ear. And I say that because you know there are huge obstacles in life that we expect, but when you're in God's wilderness alone for eight and half months and in the wilderness of life as a metaphor for obstacles and tragedies and difficulties then the very hardest part of

it all to control is the way we think. And only with the help of the Holy Spirit can we bring our thought life under control enough to be able to survive some of those difficulties.

RHS: Wow. Appalachian Trail: tell us a little bit about it and how long did it take and was it difficult? It's dangerous I hear.

BI: Well it's a long..

RHS: And why did you do it? Give us that.

BI: ..okay, well to give you a little history it's the longest footpath in the world.

RHS: Really?

BI: In one section it's 2,167.9 miles long.

RHS: Oh!

BI: And it goes from Springer Mountain Georgia to Mount Katahdin in north central Maine. Through fourteen states and most people take somewhere between five and seven months to do it. And there's all kinds of difficulties to encounter: weather, wild animals and the like. But I guess to answer your second question, why did I do it. It was a God thing. In 1989, a year after I trusted Jesus as my Savior, my whole life began to really take a turn for the better. God was blessing me right and left and one of the things that He began to do was heal my relationships with my family and my children.

RHS: Wonderful.

BI: And I just felt overwhelmed with the healing that took place especially with my oldest son Billy. We was close but yet we had some issues to settle and I began to get letters from people. Some of whom I hadn't heard from in like thirty years. Eight to be exact and they all had some peculiar information on them because it had to do with the Appalachian Trail that I had no knowledge of or interest in. I was sort of a couch potato where I considered roughing it staying in a Motel 6 where you got little skinny towels to dry off on. But God had a different plan and as I searched those documents for some clue why people would connect Bill Irwin and the Appalachian Trail in the same thought process, I couldn't come up with any and so I picked up the phone and called them. Each one I asked the question, why in the world did you send me that whatever it was and I got done and thought about it. I had eight people that didn't know each other that had contacted me through some kind of a parcel and I had the same answer to my question from each one: I felt led to do it. And I knew I was in trouble. I knew that it had to be God because He's the only source of power that's powerful enough to implement something like that through that many people. So I got on my knees many times a day and I said look Lord You know You've got the wrong Bill Irwin. I'm the blind guy remember? I said You know me better than I know myself, but I need to remind You sometimes that I couldn't do something like that. That's a feat that only sighted people would have the ability to do. And He didn't accept my answer. He kept nagging me through the nudging of the Holy Spirit and then one day two months later I just surrendered. I said okay Lord I'll do it but You have to make it happen. And He did and the rest is history.

RHS: How long did it take you?

BI: Eight and half months.

RHS: My goodness!

BI: Two hundred and fifty-eight days in a row.

RHS: My goodness! Any dangers?

BI: All kinds of dangers.

RHS: Like?

BI: I encountered a big blizzard in the smoky mountains in April. We went through a hurricane in Maine in November and everything from snakes and bears and..

RHS: Bears?

BI: ..bears in Pennsylvania, to cliffs to go around and three hundred mountains to climb and all kinds of obstacles. I had to ford a river in Maine when it was ten degrees and almost died from hypothermia from that. And so it was just a God thing every time, I said every time I put my foot on the ground it was another miracle because I didn't either come to a falling death or freeze to death.

RHS: Wow! What did it do to your faith?

BI: Well it just took it from that little mustard seed that God gave me and in Romans 12:3 to what it is today really because having twenty four seven with the Lord for eight and a half months is a rare blessing for anyone.

RHS: Boy I bet.

BI: And that was exactly what I had. And when I got done I resented the fact that I couldn't have that any more and it was a wonderful experience, but the next time I go I'll invite you to go with me and then I'll have you to talk to. I knew that would bring you to your knees.

RHS: No, no, please do that. Do it on my one hundred and tenth birthday.

BI: I'll do it you've got a deal!

RHS: Well what word do you have to somebody who is going through the early days or weeks or months or years of a shocking trial like you went through when your doctor cried. That's something else.

BI: That is.

RHS: A word to them.

BI: Well, my word to them is that surrender. You know don't lean on your own understanding. If you'll trust in the Lord with all your heart and all your mind and all your soul, He'll make your path straight. And when we have Jesus in our heart and the Holy Spirit within us to help us to control that four inches between our ears then we don't need anything else. That's it.

RHS: You were given a special gift since we met and a beautiful woman, a wonderful Christian, now your wife of twelve years.

BI: Twelve years.

RHS: Is she here at this service?

BI: She should be.

RHS: Oh there she is right there, of course. I was waiting for you to point her out, but you're not very helpful.

BI: Sometimes I need a little help.

RHS: Stand up so they can all see you.

BI: She's a wonderful gift.

RHS: Well stay right here while we pray for prayer. Oh God I thank You for Bill Irwin, his wonderful wife and a ministry that has touched millions of people through his words and through his witness. And now God it's time for all of us here together to get into a wonderful thanksgiving event. It's when we give our offerings to You and we thank You that we had an income this week. We thank You that You are blessing us and thank You what you can do with what we give to you. And may the path ahead for Bill and his wife be just filled with surprises. Amen.

BI: Amen. Thank you Dr. Schuller.

RHS: Thank you.

BI: God bless you.

RAS: Thank you Bill.

SOLO – AARON SHUST – “My Savior, My God”

I am not skilled to understand what God has willed, what God has planned. I only know at His right hand stands One who is my Savior. I take Him at His Word and deed. Christ died to save me: this I read and in my heart I find a need of Him to be my Savior. That He would leave His place on high and come for sinful man to die. You count it strange, so once did I before I knew my Savior.

My Savior loves, my Savior lives, my Savior's always there for me. My God He was, my God, He is, my God He's always going to be. My Savior loves, my Savior lives, my Savior's always there for me. My God He was, my God He is, my God He's always going to be.

Yes, living, dying: let me bring my strength, my solace from this spring: That He who lives to be my King once died to be my Savior. That He would leave His place on high and come for sinful man to die. You count it strange, so once did I before I knew my Savior.

My Savior loves, my Savior lives, my Savior's always there for me. My God He was, my God He is, my God He's always going to be. My Savior loves, my Savior lives, my Savior's always there for me. My God He was, my God He is, my God He's always going to be. My Savior loves, my Savior lives, my Savior's always there for me. My God He was, my God He is, my God He's always going to be. My Savior loves, my Savior lives, my Savior's always there for me. My God He was, my God He is, my God He's always going to be.

I am not skilled to understand what God has willed, what God has planned. I only know at His right hand stands One who is my Savior.

RAS THANK YOU TO AARON SHUST

RAS: Aaron, welcome to the Cathedral. Tell me what inspired you to write this song, “My Savior My God?”

AS: As a worship leader in Atlanta I was looking for some hymns to sing together on a Sunday morning, like this morning where.. that maybe weren't so common. And I was looking through an old hymnal and I found a hymn called I am not skilled to understand. And that caught my attention and I read the words and I was so moved by the words that I felt I really want my church body to be able to sing these words and to be touched by them as well. I didn't know the melody so I wrote a new melody right there and about a year and a half later after we had been singing it for a while I wrote a chorus at a red light one night that kind of summarized what I felt was in this great theology of these verses. And it just said kind of what we believe, I think. Our Savior loves, He lives, He's there for us and God was, is and He's always going to be.

RAS: So, it became a number one hit in the Christian market and I know praise bands around the world are singing it and churches everywhere are singing it. And now you have a new CD entitled “Whispered and Shouted.” Tell us about your new CD.

AS: Yes, my new CD I called it “Whispered and Shouted” because I think God sometimes communicates to us very loudly and clearly and His will seems very apparent. And sometimes He speaks to us in a still small voice and whispers and yet I think that the theme of the overall CD overarching is a theme of hope, of second chances and restoration that we have in God through Christ.

RAS: Thank you, Aaron.

MESSAGE/PRAYER - ROBERT A. SCHULLER

"Walking in Your Own Shoes – Part IV"

RAS: My wife and I flew into Los Angeles just a few days ago. It was actually early Wednesday morning. It was still dark out when we flew over Southern California. The fires were burning totally out of control, in fact we heard about them all the way over in Jerusalem. It was international news of what was going on in Southern California and the devastating fires. And when we flew over those fires I saw this line of fire that must have been five miles long, it was enormous. And it wasn't just one line of fire but I could see them in different places because it being night time and being up in the air you could see the glows of these fires. And this thought came into my mind: the thought was this is beyond human intervention, that this requires divine intervention. And Donna and I immediately started to pray and I didn't even know what to pray for except please God help. And that's all we could pray for at that time. By the time we got home and I climbed into bed it was in the wee hours of the morning, still dark and as I laid in bed and thought, this thought came into my mind pray for rain. Pray for rain. I said now that's a good idea, that's what it takes, I'm going to pray for rain. So I got up in the morning as soon as the sun came up and I turned the television on to see what the forecast was and it was very, very, very bleak. They said there was no precipitation in the coming future, that the Santa Ana winds would continue for the next seven to ten days and that was the forecast. And the fires are out of control and are devastating homes and firefighters and the like.

So that afternoon I drove to San Bernardino to give an invocation, a two minute invocation for a friend of mine and he was dedicating his new corporate warehouse and his distribution center for Stater Bros. Jack Brown is a former member of our board in the Crystal Cathedral ministries, and a dear friend and he asked me to do this and even though I had arrived into the states only a few hours before I said yes I'll do that and I made a commitment and so I did. The challenge, the most challenging part of the whole thing was getting there. I don't know if you know what I'm talking about with jet lag and all, but my body said it was two am but my clock said it was two pm. And so I'm driving down the freeway going like this the whole way; keep awake, you can do this, don't fall asleep. You ever done that? That startling thing will keep you awake until you get to your destination, one way or another. It's really hard to fall asleep when you're sitting there slapping yourself in the face, but when you get there everyone says, "Boy you look good, you got such rosy cheeks!"

And so I got there and saw Jack and he said, boy you look good Robert. I said thank you. You got such great color! I said yeah I know. And so he had this great reception for his new center there. He had a fifty piece band, he had the color guard, he had the Mayor, the city council of San Bernardino. All in all there must have been five hundred people at this event. There was twenty of us just on the platform. And when I went to give the invocation we could still smell the smoke and the ashes falling and it was not a pretty picture as far the atmospheric situation was concerned. So I said we need to pray. The bible tells us that "If My people will humble themselves and pray then I will heal their land." I gave them the condensed version. We only have two minutes after all, for this invocation. And then I went on and I said we're going to pray for rain and when I said that people snickered. They kind of chuckled. I could hear them under their breath turn to the person next to them, yeah-fat chance you know. They knew what the weather forecast was, but we prayed for rain. I'm sure I wasn't the first person to pray for rain and I know I wasn't the only person praying for rain. What I do know is that we prayed for rain at four o'clock on Wednesday afternoon and sixty hours later, two and a half days later, Saturday morning I get a call from Jack Brown. He's so excited he can't even stand it he says, 'Robert you told us to pray

for rain and it's raining here in San Bernardino today! Praise God! Praise God!
And that was the turning point. That was it. From then on the firefighters continued to fight these fires with the help of God.

You know we face incredible odds and struggles and challenges in life. What we have to realize is that with the power of God we can do all things. Solomon, you know that verse that I shared with you earlier, "If My people will humble themselves and pray," actually comes from II Chronicles 7:14. It says this, "If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and will heal their land." Now this message comes from God who was speaking to Solomon at the dedication of the temple. Solomon built the temple, had just completed it and that's the setting with which we receive these words. Now if we go back and look at the life of Solomon you have to look at II Chronicles number one and in there we have the account of where God comes to Solomon and He says Solomon ask for anything you want, anything and I'll give it to you. And Solomon prayed for wisdom and for knowledge. And having prayed and asked for wisdom and knowledge this is the way God responded to Solomon's request for wisdom and knowledge. He said "Since this is your hearts desire and you have not asked for wealth or riches or honor, nor for death of your enemies and since you have not asked for a long life, but for wisdom and knowledge to govern My people over whom I've made you king. Therefore wisdom and knowledge will be given you and by the way I will also give you wealth, riches and honor such as no king who was before you ever had and none after you will ever have." I think he made the right decision. What do you think? He could have asked for anything, but he asked for wisdom and knowledge this might be a clue for us as we look at prayer and as we look at what to pray for and what to ask God for. Do we want to ask for wealth or do we want to ask for wisdom and knowledge? Do we want to ask for all of our enemies to be destroyed? Or do we want to ask for wisdom and knowledge? The bible says, "Ask and ye shall receive, seek and ye shall find, knock and the door will be opened. For he who asks receives, he who knocks the doors are opened."

Art Fry, do you know that name? You should know that name; you need to remember it and tell you why. He was a 3M employee and he was in the choir, church choir. He loved his hymns and he loved his music. And he wanted a way to be able to mark his hymnal. He didn't know how to do it. As an employee of 3M he knew of something that wasn't working. They weren't marketing it so he got a hold of it, put it on pieces of paper and it worked absolutely perfect because it didn't stick forever. He could post it there and take it off and today you all use his product. What is it? Post its! Post-it notes. Thanks to him I have got Post-its all over my computer, I have them all over my book. Look at in my bible right there! Post-it note! If that is not enough how about this: Post-it notes. You know what, if that's not enough how about this side, more post-it notes. I've got post it notes everywhere. I'm going to leave my jacket on. We've got post-it notes everywhere thanks to non other than Arthur Fry the choir man who wanted to know where his hymns were.

How about George de Mestral? A guy in Switzerland, the year is 1948; he's out walking his dog. Comes back from walking his dog on a summer day and he's got burrs all in his hair and he's trying to get the burrs out of his dogs hair. He's got burrs all over his pants and he's ripping these things off of his pants. The burrs were absolutely horrible that year, drove him absolutely nuts. But he was also a scientist so he thought this is kind of fascinating. How do these burrs stick to my pants? So he put them under a microscope and he saw that every single one of

these branches off of the burr had a microscopic hook on it, never seen anything like it. So he made something like that out of plastic and on the other side of the plastic he made a bunch of loops and today we know it as Velcro and it sticks and it un-sticks thanks to tiny little hooks and loops.

Check this one out, how about Dr. Harry Coover. You all use his product, it's called Cyanoacrylate. Cyanoacrylate. In fact my wife used it yesterday. She had a broken nail and she used Cyanoacrylate. He was just looking for a piece of plastic, clear plastic. He's working for Kodak and he got in real trouble because he ruined a few really good lenses at the Kodak Corporation. And then he discovered that hey this stuff is really, really good. And we know it as superglue. We run into problems and so often we sit here and we curse God instead of realizing that God is in the process of blessing us! We get the burrs stuck to our legs and all we can think about is how miserable it is having these burrs in our legs. But anyhow, we sit here and look at the problems we face never realizing that it's the greatest opportunities that stand before us.

The biggest struggle that God has with every single one of His children is the right ear and left ear. What's in-between; that four inches that doesn't have enough faith to believe. So we need to walk by faith and not by sight. Jesus Christ is the very center of the universe. He is the very center of everything that ever has been or ever will be. Jesus Himself claims to be the alpha and the omega. What does that mean? The beginning and the end. That means before God even thought about creating the heavens and the earth, Jesus was. And when there is nothing, now I don't know how that is going to develop, but if there is an implosion which science talks about happening in a billion years from now where the whole universe implodes upon itself. He is there. He is the beginning and the end. He is the center of history. From the beginning of time to the end of time.

One of the ways to kind of begin to realize how Christ is the very center of the universe is to understand that the Roman Empire had a system which developed Rome as the very center of the universe. That's what they consider themselves. You've all heard the expression, all roads lead to Rome. You've heard that expression right? It comes from the Roman Empire. They had established a milestone in the very heart of the city not far from the temple of Saturn. It was called the Aerarium, the Golden Milestone. And then throughout the civilization of Rome, they would establish these milestones. They were huge columns and they were dug several feet down in the ground, twenty/thirty feet into the ground. They weighed several thousand tons so that they were basically impossible to move. You could strap a team of horses to those things and you couldn't budge them. And then engraved on there would be a number and that number was the number of miles away from the golden milestone, the heart and the center of Rome. So if you were on the British Isles and you were on one of the major roads that led to Rome, you would find one of these milestones and you would know where you are. And the same was true as if you were in the Holy Land or in Egypt or in Turkey or in Morocco. No matter where you were in the Roman world, you knew how far away you were from the center, from the heartbeat.

And Jesus Christ is our golden milestone. The word Christian means to be like Christ. To walk and to move and to be in the presence and the reality of who He is. And so we have to realize that our success in life is a journey, it's not a destination, it is the journey. It is walking. It's not arriving. It is in the process, not in the accomplishment. So that everything we do as we walk closer and closer to Christ, we examine where we are and we realize He is the center. We put Him in the center of our heart and He brings healing and hope and goodness. God asked Solomon what do you want? Anything you want and it's yours. And Solomon

said wisdom and knowledge. And Jesus Christ asks you what do you want? Anything you want is yours. Ask and you'll receive, seek and you'll find, knock and the doors will be opened. What do you want? I think we should follow the wisdom of Solomon. Ask for a knowledge of Jesus Christ that we can be more like Him and as we move towards Him, discovering His character and His beauty, we'll discover the success in life, the joy, the happiness, the beauty that comes between our right ear and our left ear. The choir sang it this morning we walk by faith and not by sight. We trust in God and not in might. For in our darkness He is light. We walk by faith and not by sight.

INVITATION TO PRAYER CARDS - RAS

RAS: Aaron is going to continue to play while we pray. And so I want to invite us all to stand wherever you are, right now. And we're going to have a moment of prayer and I know there is many of you who have some prayer requests, and if you have a request for prayer and if you have a desire for me to pray for you, I want to invite you to come out while he plays. You can.. we're standing, it'll help people be able to get out of the different aisles and you can place your prayer requests on the center ramp or out in the front here. And it'll be a way for you to be able to.. and they'll be collected and we'll keep praying for you, and if you're listening on television and you want to participate in this prayer with us, you can go to our website at hourofpower.org and you can request prayers there. And if you want me to pray for you, you can mention that and I'll pray for you, and I'll send you an e-mail, let you know that when I've prayed for you.

And so we invite you to participate in prayer. We believe in the power of prayer. And so this is a call for prayer right now. And so let us continue to pray as Aaron sings for us this morning.

SOLO – AARON SHUST – “Watch Over Me”

I was lonely You came waltzing over to me and Your eyes they saw right through me and You heard each one of my cries for help. You came to rescue me. I was broken; Every prayer that I had spoken reached Your ears and all my tears weren't cried in vain. You carried all my pain and put me back together again.

You watch over me in the darkest valleys. You watch over me when the night seems long. You help me to see the way before me. You watch over me; You watch over me.

Always faithful to be leading at this moment, interceding for Your children. Though I've wandered astray from Your infinite ways, You've never left me alone.

You watch over me in the darkest valleys, You watch over me when the night seems long, You help me to see the way before me. You watch over me; You watch over me.

So take this frozen heart; awaken me. Never once have You forsaken me. Take this frozen heart; awaken me. Never once have You forsaken me. You watch over me in the darkest valleys. You watch over me when the night seems long. You help me to see the way before me. You watch over me; You watch over me. You watch over me in the darkest valleys. You watch over me when the night seems long. You help me to see the way before me. You watch over me; You watch over me. You watch over me.

And even though I walk through this shadow of death, You will guide and defend me, You will guard and protect me, even though I walk through this shadow of death, You will lead me home. Lead me home.

RAS THANK YOU TO AARON SHUST

RAS: Thank you Aaron for leading us in that time of worship and praise.

PRAYER - RAS

RAS: Would you please reach out? I want to join hands together as we continue to pray for the needs of our community, the needs of our nation, the needs of our families, the needs of our own personal needs. And the bible says where two or three are gathered together there I will be also. So we know the Holy Spirit of God is here and we know He's real and we know He answers prayer. And so we come before You, oh Lord, bound together in love, hand to hand, heart to heart and soul to soul. And in this time of prayer we beg and we pray that You will hear our prayers, that You will heal our land, that You will heal our souls, our minds and our bodies. And so we give ourselves to You Lord to guide and direct. And give us the faith to trust in You and to follow You one day at a time, one moment at a time today just putting one foot in front of the other, walking in Your will forever and always. Amen.

BENEDICTION – RAS

RAS: With that, let me give you a closing benediction. And now may the blessings of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you as you walk by faith and not by sight. Amen.

HYMN - "We Walk by Faith"

We walk by faith; He wills it so and marks the path that we should go. And when, at times, our sky is dim, He gently draws us close to Him. He gently draws us close to Him.

We walk by faith, but not alone, our Shepherd's tender voice we hear and feel His hand within our own, and know that He is always near. And know that He is always near.