



It may be a stretch of scripture to quote it but I will anyway, "...they that wait upon the Lord shall mount up with wings like eagles." By the time you are reading this, Cindy and I will have done just that as we journey back to Africa together after thirty-seven years since we first took off on our ministry journey.

We are still prayerfully working out the remainder of this year's ministry schedule. As you also pray, some scriptural ways to pray are given to us by Jesus and the apostle Paul. We value your prayer as we begin this year of ministry. The distances and locations are always unique but most importantly the purpose of these trips is to essentially answer the model prayer of Jesus when He taught the disciples to pray. *"Thy Kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."* Additionally, the purpose of these trips is responding to Jesus' prayer request that He gave, *"therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest."* Please pray with us and for us that in going and coming to be in the right places at the right times with the right messages for the people to whom we are speaking. Pray that we would be led by God's Spirit in every preparation and travel arrangement. Pray that in times of my absence for the supply of grace to Cindy by the presence of God.

"Meanwhile praying also for us, that God would open to us a door for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in chains, 4 that I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak."

[Col 4:3-4 NKJV]

"Pray for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel,"

[Eph 6:19 NKJV]

"Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may run [swiftly] and be glorified, just as [it is] with you, 2 and that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men; for not all have faith."

[2Th 3:1-2 NKJV]

These scriptural prayer requests are especially real to those who have traveled with a gospel mission. There is always the potential of being hindered by men and woman who do not know the Lord. We trust God however as we pray and believe according to His Word. Thank you for your partnership and prayer in providing your part in this great mission.

Together we are reaching the four corners of the earth with the light of the gospel!

PLEASE CONSIDER PARTNERSHIP WITH US IN THE POWER OF GOD'S PURPOSE!



Steve and Cindy Shoop

Over the past 37 years, Steve and Cindy Shoop have invested their lives in ministering the Gospel of Jesus as missionaries. Their passion for helping people has provided them with the opportunity to serve in a variety of ministry positions, as well as the privilege of living in three different countries in Africa. Today, Steve and Cindy reside in the state of Ohio after living 25 years in southern Africa. Steve continues to express his gift in ministry both in the United States and the nations of the world. Steve has a passion in developing leaders who are established in God's love, grace and peace that comes through the righteousness of faith. Gospel Training International's vision is found in their ministry slogan,

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