

**PSALM 34:18**



**JANUARY 2014**

***A Word from God***

This New Year 2014 God wants to give each one of us Joy and Victory over all areas of our life. Victory over fear. Joy over sadness. Three New Year scriptures God has put on my heart are:

**2nd Corinthians 2:14**: "Now thanks be to God who always leads us in victory and triumph in Christ; to spread his love and fragrance everywhere."

**John 16:22**: "Jesus said, 'You now have sadness, but I will give you my heart of joy that no one can take away.'"

**Psalms 30:11**: "Thou has turned my mourning into dancing. Thou has removed my sackcloth of heaviness and given me garments of praise."

**HONOR AND MEMORIAL**

**PAUL CROUCH**

Paul Crouch, founder of Trinity Broadcasting Network, died November 30, 2013 at the age of 79 years old.

Paul Crouch was born March 30, 1934 in Saint Joseph, Missouri. His father died when he was 7 years old. Paul attended Central Bible College where he would begin his career in Christian Broadcasting. Paul was a member of the Assembly of God Church.

On May 16, 1973 Paul and his wife, Jan, founded Trinity Broadcasting Network in California. T.B.N. now celebrates its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, has 80 Christian satellites reaching every nation on earth with the Gospel. It can be seen 24 hours a day, 7 days a week on 18,000 T.V. and cable affiliates. Seen by 5 million households each week, T.B.N. is the largest television network on Earth.

Programming seen on T.B.N. includes:

**Billy Graham Crusades**

**Bishop T.D. Jakes**

**Manna Feast with Perry Stone**

**Destined to reign with Joseph Prince**

**Joyce Meyer Enjoy Everyday Life Program**

**Rod Parsley with Breakthrough Ministries**

**The 700 Club with Pat Robertson**

**Turning Point with David Teremlah**

**John Hagee Today**

**Joel Osteen**

In 2005 Jan Crouch founded Smile of a Child Foundation. This ministry reaches the children of Haiti with food, medical care, toys, and disaster relief.

T.B.N. has supported Haiti for 20 years by building a children's hospital, an orphanage and a school. In 2007 T.B.N. bought and now owns and operates the Holy Land Experience in Orlando, Florida.

To donate to Trinity Broadcasting Network and Paul Crouch's dream, send donations to: Trinity Broadcasting Network P.O. Box A Santa Ana, CA 92711-2101

T.B.N. operates a 24 hour prayer line. Call 1-888-731-1000 toll free. The business office number is 714-832-2950.



### **SIGN HOLDING MINISTRY SHATTERS RECORD**

On Wednesday, December 4, 2013 a record 1,632 cars honked to show their love for Jesus. The last record in our 4 year old sign ministry was 1,525 cars honking to show their love for Jesus.

Six men and women boldly held up Christian signs for 5 hours praising and loving Jesus at the intersection of Mariner Blvd. and Rt. 50 in Spring Hill, FL. We honor those 6 people who broke the previous record for the glory of God. Keila Wither's signs read "Honk If You Love Jesus", and "Lift Jesus Higher". Alan Gagg's sign read, "Honk if You Love Jesus". Tonya Marsh, a roller skating sign holder, held a sign that read, "Accept Jesus As Your Savior". Michael Whelehan held the sign, "Jesus Loves You". Tom Robertson's sign read, "God Loves You". Jonathan Studer held the signs, "Accept Jesus As Your Savior" and "Jesus Loves You".

Psalm 34:18 family, please pray for us every Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for God to bless and increase our Christian Sign Holding Ministry. Pray God gives us more committed Christian sign holders. Pray our sign holding will lead more people to salvation every Wednesday. To join our sign holding ministry for any length of time, please call Jonathan Studer at 352-428-7612.

### **Prayer Request**

Pray for Jim Hullinger (ex-marine) who lives in his car. Pray Jesus would provide his needs, and a safe, Christian home off the streets. Pray Jesus gives Jim a church home and a Christian family. Mr. Hullinger lives in Spring Hill, Florida. Jim is a friend of Jonathan Studer.

**Quote Donated by**  
**Catal Morgera**  
**Psalm 34:18 Member**

If there's any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do  
To any fellow being;  
Then let me do it now and not deter or neglect it,  
As I shall not pass this way again.

**January Birthdays**



Please send prayers and birthday cards to our January Psalm 34:18 members.

January 6 - Pastor Black Jesus Speaks Ministries 11932 Lorain Ave.  
Cleveland, Ohio 44111

January 7 - Joanne Lojacono 4931 Flamingo Lane Ridge Manor, FL 33523

January 7 - Gerianne Flores 15404 Arvin Dr. Spring Hill, FL 34604

January 12 - Betty Lawrence 3422 Knotty Oaks Circle, Spring Hill, FL 34606

January 16 - Rose Dolbec 12248 Fairway Ave. Brooksville, FL 34613

January 19 - Roger Dolbec 12248 Fairway Ave. Brooksville, FL 34613

January 22 - Jeni Rocks 103 Eldred Ave. Bedford, Ohio 44146

January 23 - Tanya Marsh 12118 Pitcairn St. Brooksville, FL 34613

In the church "Christmas" refers to a twelve day period that starts with Christmas day. This is where "The Twelve Days of Christmas" comes from. The world celebrates Christmas twelve hours, but the Church celebrates it for twelve days because the gift of Christ is with us twelve months of the year.

### THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS --- THE SONG

When most people hear of "The Twelve Days of Christmas" they think of the song. This song had its origins as a teaching tool to instruct young people in the meaning and content of the Christian faith. From 1558 to 1829 Roman Catholics in England were not able to practice their faith openly so they had to find other ways to pass on their beliefs. The song "The Twelve Days of Christmas" is one example of how they did it. Each of the items in the song represents something of religious significance. The hidden meaning of each gift was designed to help young Christians learn their faith.

The song goes, "On the first day of Christmas my true love gave to me..." The 'true love' represents God and the 'me' who receives these presents is the Christian.

- \* The 'partridge in a pear tree' was Jesus Christ who died on a tree as a gift from God.
- \* The 'two turtle doves' were the Old and New Testaments -- another gift from God.
- \* The 'three French hens' were faith, hope and love -- the three gifts of the Spirit that abide (I Corinthians 13).
- \* The 'four calling birds' were the four Gospels which sing the song of salvation through Jesus Christ.
- \* The 'five golden rings' were the first five books of the Bible also called the "Books of Moses".
- \* The 'six geese a-laying' were the six days of creation.
- \* The 'seven swans a swimming' were the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. (I Corinthians 12:8-11, Romans 12, Ephesians 4, I Peter 4:10-11)
- \* The 'eight maids a milking' were the eight beatitudes. (Matthew 5).
- \* The 'nine ladies dancing' were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit. (Galatians 5 : 22-23).
- \* The 'ten lords a-leaping' were the Ten Commandments.
- \* The 'eleven pipers piping' were the eleven faithful disciples.
- \* The 'twelve drummers drumming' were the twelve points of the Apostles' Creed.

So the next time you hear "The Twelve Days of Christmas" consider how this otherwise non-religious sounding song had its origin in the Christian faith.