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Dear Believer:

I greet you in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and pray that the Lord will strengthen you and fill you with peace in all situations.

This is the one-year mark in these prayer letters for Corpus Christi. It has been a great blessing to do these letters and it has increased our faith to see how the timing of God has been shown in each month's focus. That is again the case. We have come to the last of a series of negative spiritual influences, or as some may say strongholds about which we have been praying. The influence of this last stronghold is all around us, but before I give the focus for this month, I want to relate a couple of things that have recently come to my attention. They are indications of the influence of this spirit.

Just this weekend on a TV program I heard something that causes me great concern. A man working at the Smithsonian Institute as a research scientist, who also edited what is called a peer review journal has been horribly harassed and has had his career destroyed by people who supposedly are great thinkers of the scientific community. The man is Richard Sternberg. Because he allowed an article on Intelligent Design to be printed, he has lost his office, his keys and even his desk. The article was written by a man with a double doctorate in Evolutionary Biology and reviewed by other scientists before printing. This attack on a scientific leader happened in August of 2004. Isn't it surprising that there were and are so few outcries from the general press. There has been nothing of ongoing reporting from ABC, NBC, FOX, or CBS TV. The story can be found in a Wall Street Journal article called "The Branding of a Heretic". The story and all the background for it are located at discovery.org on the Internet.

If this kind of adverse treatment can go almost unnoticed among our great thinkers, how far are Christians in the USA from being grossly ill treated or even arrested because we are Christian? How far and how fast will this type of lawlessness grow in our society? Not long ago people in Colorado and Connecticut were charged with having illegal prayer meetings in their homes. The cases were resolved in favor of the families, but it is indeed true as the Bible says that the mystery of iniquity is already working.

As recently reported in a monthly prayer focus, we have noticed an attack on leadership. The attack on Richard Sternberg is an example of an attack on a leader. Satan wants pure anarchy and belief systems that support it in the realm of men. This is so that he may control. **Our prayer focus for September is the Spirit of Anti-Christ and the Spirit of Christ.** Let us ask the Lord to search our hearts. Ask Him to deal with iniquities and tendencies to lawlessness in us and in the heavenlies over our city, our state, and our nation. **Let us ask Him to pour out the Spirit of Christ upon us that we may see a new Great Awakening sweep not only our city, but also the world.**

Continue to thank the Lord and to pray for the new converts, which resulted from the Franklin Graham Festival.

Sincerely,
William W. Lumry, II

PS. Continue to pray for God's protection and direction for leadership. Pray for the leaders and people who are facing such hardship because of hurricane Katrina. Thank you for your prayers and other support of us over this last year.

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