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BECAUSE YOU PRAYED

On page 525 of *The Great Controversy*, we find a most amazing statement on prayer. "It is a part of God's plan to grant us, in answer to the prayer of faith, that which He would not bestow did we not thus ask." Is this supported by the Bible? It is and we find a wonderful example during the reign of King Hezekiah.

During the fourteenth year of Hezekiah's reign, the Sennacherib's army moved in the territory of Judah taking city after city. Now his eyes were on Jerusalem. Sennacherib sent his three leading henchmen to Jerusalem to intimidate the king and his subjects into subjection. Hezekiah had made thorough preparations for defense of the city, but he knew only God could save them from destruction.

Hezekiah sent his men to Isaiah to seek counsel from God. And the answer he received is found in 2 Kings 19:6, 7:

"Thus saith the LORD, Be not afraid of the words which thou hast heard, with which the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me. Behold, I will send a blast upon him, and he shall hear a rumor, and shall return to his own land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land."

When Hezekiah received the threats from Sennacherib in a letter the Bible says, "Hezekiah went up into the house of the LORD, and spread it before the LORD." Hezekiah bows in prayer. The Results? "Because you have prayed, . . . I have heard." Then an angel of the Lord slew 185,000 Assyrian soldiers in one night.

When we are faced with the enemy of souls, may it be said of us, "because you have prayed, I have heard." God is still in the prayer-answering business.

—*Barry Mahorney*, President

Join us as we pray for the needs of our Carolina Conference

CAROLINA PRAYER LINE every Monday evening, 7:00-8:00

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receive it in color. Do you?

EVENTS COM- ING UP—

**September 18-21,
Retreat at Noso-
ca Pines Ranch,
a time of fun and
inspiration!**

**Date unknown,
Christmas Ban-
quet. Listen for
announcement
at Retreat.**



YOU ARE INVITED TO CONTRIBUTE

This is your newsletter for you to enjoy reading and being a part of.

Whenever you come across something that is particularly inspirational to you, humorous or interesting, please think of your **CRANberry Vine** newsletter. This might be a short story, poem or just a one-liner. Share it. If you liked it, the rest of us would probably like it also.

Your contributions can be sent to the editor by email or snail mail—whichever is most convenient for you. These will be inserted as appropriate and we have room.

WE MISS YOU!

JOHN FREEMAN, 95, died May 22. John established Maranatha Volunteers International in 1969. The idea came from his desire to introduce his family and friends to the mission field. While short-term mission trips were not new to the world, John put a unique spin on the concept—volunteers were invited to fly their own planes to the mission site. An experienced pilot, John invited friends with private planes to join his family on building the Eight-Mile Rock Seventh-day Adventist Church in Grand Bahamas. The project welcomed 28 volunteers, and Maranatha Flights International was born.

John and his wife, Ida Mae, continued to lead and participate in mission trips, traveling all over the world and growing the Maranatha community. John’s last Maranatha project was to Mexico in 2009. Even at 88 years old, he was passionate about missions and willing to serve!

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“My prayer was interrupted by the violent ringing of the bell. I opened the door, and there was the same boy. ‘Oh,’ he said, ‘I fell and broke the bottle; please put up the medicine again.’

“I almost fainted for joy. Before I put up the medicine again I slipped into my little chamber, threw myself on my knees, and prayed simply but earnestly. ‘Lord, I thank Thee. My prayer has been heard and answered.’”—By C. L. Paddock, *Signs of the Times*, December 7, 1954.

PICNIC AT MILLS RIVER PARK

Our summer picnic June 22 in the Mills River Park was threatened with lots of rain. Many brave folks headed to the lovely, large shelter anyway and were happily surprised to have, perhaps, a few light sprinkles. The food, of course, was wonderful and the fellowship was especially enjoyed!





CRANBERRIES — so good for you!

Fresh Cranberry Relish

- 3 cups (10-12 oz) fresh cranberries
- 1 apple with peeling, cored and chopped
- 1 orange, peeled and pithed
- 1/2—3/4 cup sugar

Chop up quite fine in food processor. Cover and refrigerate.—shared by Peggy Peterson.

Do you have a favorite dairy-free recipe with cranberries? Please share it with Sharryn for an upcoming newsletter. elderbarry7@yahoo.com

Here's an extra recipe for you this time. I was requested (by multiple individuals) at the picnic to share this in the newsletter. As a child, this was a family favorite of ours. My Mother, Betty Hughes, often made this to our delight!

PEANUT BUTTER ROAST

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| 3/4 cup peanut butter | 1 cup water |
| 3/4 cup cornstarch | 1 1/2 teaspoons salt |
| 1 can tomato soup | 1/8 teaspoon sage |
| 1 small onion, cut fine | |

Mix all ingredients together in a food processor. Cook in a sprayed double boiler for three hours. Makes a very good sandwich filling besides a main meal roast. Slice and serve cold with relish. —shared by Sharryn Mahorney see page 4 for relish

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A night clerk in a drugstore tells an interesting story which should bring encouragement to Christians everywhere. He had had a busy evening, and at eleven o'clock made preparations to lie down on a cot in the rear of the store. The front door had been locked and some of the lights put out.

He was just falling into a pleasant sleep when the night bell rang, and he jumped to his feet to serve the customer. It was an emergency call, and he went back to his bed again.

A half hour later another customer rang the bell, and an hour later another.

The clerk was not in the best humor when he admitted a boy who thrust a prescription into his hands and begged that he prepare it as soon as possible. "Mother is very sick," the boy urged.

"With sleepy eyes and ill humor," the clerk recounts, "I prepared the medicine, dismissed the boy, locked the door, and was about to turn out the light when I picked up the prescription to file it, and to my horror discovered that I had made a serious mistake. A deadly poison was in that medicine.

"What should I do? Overcome with shame and self-accusation I paced the floor. Had I known the boy or where the family lived I could have followed him to prevent the use of the medicine. I threw myself on my knees; and with tears I confessed my sin of petulance, ill humor, and neglect. I pleaded with God not only to forgive my sin, but somehow to overrule my mistake." continued on page 2

RELISH FOR

PEANUT BUTTER ROAST

- 2 cups canned tomatoes
- 1/2 green pepper, chopped
- 2 stalks celery, chopped
- 1/4—1/2 medium onion, chopped
- Bay leaf salt sugar to taste

Slowly boil until the mixture thickens. Take into consideration that the relish will thicken even more after it cools. Refrigerate.

***Retreat
at
Nosoca
Pines***

In just a few weeks our Retreat begins at Nosoca Pines Ranch. It will be September 18-21, with registration beginning at 10:00 am. The applications are flowing in—surely hope yours is in that mix because we want you there with us!

Our Conference President, Elder Louis will challenge us with the opening evening message; Yves Monnier (from It Is Written) will be sharing with us; Martin Durkin MD will be helping us with our health; George Grow will be awing us with the mysteries of God’s creation. You may want to bring special clothes for the banquet Wednesday evening.

We are in for a rich treat!

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Sharryn Mahorney, editor



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