

# KINGMAN PRAYER JOURNEY – TARGET: METH

Saturday, November 10, 2007

*“Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death?  
Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!”*

– Romans 7:24-25

Coordinated by *Arizona Call to Prayer*  
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Initial Host Gathering Place:

**Abundant Life Family Worship Center, Pastor Randy Cheatham**  
1212 Stockton Hill Road, Kingman, Arizona 86401

Basic Schedule for the Kingman Prayer Journey

10:30am: Worship, and presentations on the reality of the Meth epidemic  
Noon: Travel to three key locations in Kingman for on-site prayer  
2:00pm: Lunch, debrief time, and summary prayers

Special thanks to *Abundant Life Family Worship Center* and Pastor Randy Cheatham for hosting, Detective Sergeant Rusty Cooper for his outstanding PowerPoint presentation on Meth, and his wife, Jessica, who shared her recent personal family tragedy, Wayne and Tiffany Clark for their inspiring testimony of recovery, Worship Pastor Jonathan Williams from Yuma for leading worship, and to the many representatives of the body of Christ (from at least 8 different churches) in Kingman for their participation!

## ***A BRIEF SUMMARY REPORT:***

Since this Kingman event occurred during Arizona’s participation in the national *Light the Highway* 35-day initiative from October 28 through December 1, 2007, our car of four also prayed for “highways of holiness” (Isaiah 35:8) along Hwy 60 to Hwy 93 to the I-40, a 3-hour stretch of Arizona highway going from Phoenix through Peoria, Sun City West, and Surprise on through Wickenburg and Wikieup on to Kingman.

In Kingman, about 50 intercessors gathered under the uniting banner of Jesus on Saturday morning, November 10, 2007 at *Abundant Life Family Worship Center*. An atmosphere of worship was led by Pastor Jonathan Williams who came all the way up from Yuma to participate. Joining Jonathan on the worship team were Pastor Randy of *Abundant Life* and Jim Cox, husband of Mohave County *Arizona Call to Prayer* coordinator, April Cox.

After worship and opening prayers, Galatians 5:16-26 was read which outlines the life and death war of the flesh and the Spirit, and speaks of the “deeds of the flesh”

including drug usage (“sorcery” – “pharmakeia” in the Greek). We are to go forth in the fruit of the Spirit: ***“love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control...”*** (v.22-23).

“Pharmakeia” defined: 1. Use or the administering of drugs; 2. Poisoning; 3. Sorcery, magical arts, often found in connection with idolatry and fostered by it; 4. Deceptions and seductions of idolatry.

Kingman Police Detective Sergeant Rusty Cooper provided a PowerPoint presentation complete with many graphic photos of the effect of Meth on local households in the community. He gave police statistics and examples of individual cases. He spoke of the way Meth works as an acidic poison in the user’s system and somehow brings a disassociation to a person’s conscience. His wife Jessica then shared the recent tragedy of her beloved brother-in-law who lost his life at the end of a four-year battle with Meth addiction this summer, leaving her sister and young children to pick up the pieces. Thankfully, the church is providing support. We then heard from Wayne Clark, who, with his wife Tiffany, has moved back to Kingman to minister to others after their miraculous recovery from Meth addiction through a *Teen Challenge* program.



(Left to right: Detective Rusty Cooper, his wife Jessica, Tiffany and Wayne Clark – *photos by Barbara McClain*)

We then set off in a caravan to three strategic locations in Kingman to pray on-site. These locations were selected by Det. Cooper and April Cox. Interestingly, each of these locations turned out to be a dirt lot. We were literally getting down to earth with our prayers.

The first dirt lot location overlooked the depressed “Butler” area. This also provided the opportunity to pray with a view over all of Kingman. A local pastor blew the shofar. Intercessors initially took time to walk the area and pray in twos and threes until we all re-gathered together to pray. A verse that particularly stood out was Zechariah 9:11-12, which we prayed over the area.

***“As for you also, because of the blood of My covenant with you, I have set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to the stronghold, O prisoners who have the hope; this very day I am declaring that I will restore double to you.”***



Left: April Cox (center) leads a group in prayer at the "high place" location  
Right: Other intercessors also pray at this location – *photos by Barbara McClain*

From this higher location we then traveled a mile or so down to a neighborhood lot at the cross-section of Benton and Leroy Streets. Again, intercessors first took time to prayer-walk around the area which included a mixture of trailer homes and lower-income housing. Although Meth strikes all income strata and geographic zones, this is an area of higher concentration of drug usage. We then re-gathered and formed four teams, each taking a corner of the intersection. Each team again prayed beginning with Zechariah 9:11-12 from this "low place" facing out toward their quadrant of the community. Thus, from high place to low we declared God's promise of Zechariah 9:11-12 over Kingman.



Prayer teams at each of the four quadrants of the intersection – *photos by Barbara McClain*

From here we caravanned a few miles to the southeast to a dirt lot in the center of the "Birdland" area of Kingman, which is another economically depressed area known for its drug traffic and violent crime. Here we first prayed for a distraught grandmother who was part of our group, whose daughter's Meth addiction has sent her 11 children (the grandmother's grandchildren) to foster homes. We next joined in prayer with a Kingman pastor who expressed a vision for a community center to be built in the immediate area. And to conclude at this location, we had all the Kingman representatives stand together so that we could pray for unity in the "Church of Kingman" and for the practical united efforts to result according to God's direction.

During this time a poem was read which had been written during the initial worship time:

Bye Bye Strongman  
We love to see you go  
You are not welcome  
Not wanted here anymore

We call you out  
You're not welcome here  
May you see the  
Blood of Jesus is already here

Hello Dear Savior  
And welcome to our Land  
We've come today with You  
To take a stand

You are our Deliverer  
And Help in time of need  
We will follow You  
And see our city freed!

- Tiffany Clark,  
*Kingman Prayer Journey, 11-10-07*

We then caravanned to meet at a place for lunch to de-brief and summarize, to pray for protection against any backlash, and to share a meal and further testimonies and insights. Some of the participants took notes along the way and will be sending them in to complete this report. Here are some notes recorded by Kellie Hubbell who came up from Tempe...

***"Break forth into joy, sing together, you waste places of Jerusalem! For the Lord has comforted His people, He has redeemed Jerusalem." – Isaiah 52:9***

It is a “valley of dry bones” – they see dry bones – we see an army.

The Lord is ripening the ground. No longer will it be infertile and barren, but it will be fruitful.

We sensed a spirit of death, and then saw a dead butterfly. Then, we were praying against the spirit of death and immediately a butterfly flew right over the dead one.

There is a hidden treasure in the trash.

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