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Dear Prayer Partners:

Before we launch into the New Year, I want to thank you for your faithfulness in prayer during 2011. You have been joining Salvationists around the world in our special prayer emphasis for peace and justice. You have also signed up for the weekly Worldwide Prayer Meeting, joining thousands of others each Thursday as we pray for our Army during a selected half-hour period.

In my October letter, I asked you to consistently pray through the international Mission Priorities, using praise, confession, petition and surrender as we hold each priority before the Lord. You will, of course, continue to pray for your corps/centre, division and territory. Please continue to pray for these priorities. Perhaps there are some who, because of age or infirmity, cannot commit to a half hour of prayer between 5 am and 8 am every Thursday. That is understandable, but they too can be invited to sign up and join the Worldwide Prayer Meeting when they are able.

Besides being an expression of gratitude, via this letter I am asking for your help. I believe with 1.7 million Salvationists in 124 countries, we could mobilise tens of thousands of people – no, hundreds of thousands – for this half hour of power on Thursdays. Having travelled to several territories, I am hearing such excitement about this praying together around the world. It is perhaps the most important indicator of our being One Army. But I believe we should encourage others to join us.

Would you please be that encourager? I would also be pleased to hear from you if you have ideas of how we can better engage people in this prayer meeting. You can register your comments through the links at the end of this letter.

There is no doubt in my mind that God wants to pour out his blessing on our Army. Prayer is confidently approaching him knowing that this is his desire. It is also an admission of our dependence on him, knowing that only his power can effect the amazing things he wants to accomplish in and through us. We shall continue to uplift the name of Jesus and believe in a mighty outpouring of his Holy Spirit.

God bless you richly.

Linda Bond
General

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