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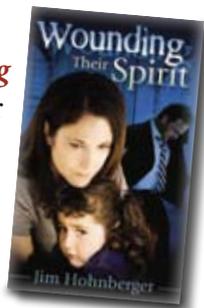
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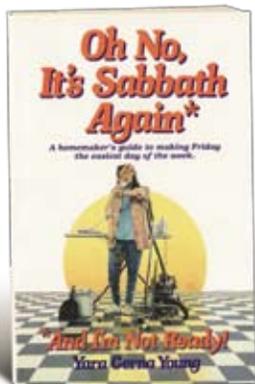
Dear friends,

Are we entering troublesome times? If we are, are we ready? How do we prepare? In this quarter's article, "**Are You Ready**" you will find some answers. Please read it, enter into it, and share it with others.

Our newest pocket booklet for sharing, **Wounding Their Spirit**, is now available. If you are looking for solutions to an age-old dilemma of what goes on behind closed doors, this is a must. Order them by tens and share them with all you know. \$1 each. Price discounted for volume orders.



Does getting and keeping your home in order seem like an unattainable task? Is your home reasonably clean, but you'd like some new ideas for improving the order? Does the weekly burden of getting the house "in order" for the Sabbath make the day of "rest and gladness" one of "stress and sadness"?



If you're sick of the housework blues, **Oh No, It's Sabbath Again—And I'm Not Ready**, can help you take control of your home and schedule so that your home becomes a place of rest. \$10.00 each.

If you have not yet been to one of our **Empowered Living Camp Meetings** this year, there are still two more remaining. Please come and join us with hundreds of others in **Missouri** or **Florida**.

We want to thank all of you for being part of our team and helping this ministry and message reach into the hearts and homes of those searching for a daily walk with God.

It's About Him,

*Jim & Sally*

Jim & Sally Hohnberger

## SPEAKING SCHEDULE

**October 16 - 19**

Empowered Living Camp Meeting  
Roach, Missouri  
Call (417) 661-6161 evenings  
or (417) 667-3030 daytime

**November 14 - 16**

Hickory SDA Church  
Hickory, North Carolina  
Call (828) 244-4010

**December 4 - 7**

Empowered Living Camp Meeting  
High Springs, Florida  
Call (706) 375-1707

**January 7 - 10**

Central New Jersey SDA Church  
Rahway, New Jersey  
Call (845) 837-9418 or (732) 259-7474

**January 10**

Cranbrook SDA Church  
Cranbrook, British Columbia  
Speaker: Janell Garey  
Call (250) 489-8357

**February 6 - 8**

Canadian University College  
Lacombe, Alberta, Canada  
Call (403) 782-3381 x4141 or x4149

**March**

Brazil



*It's About Walking With God!*

# Are You Ready?

**H**ave you been getting them? I have. Alarming e-mails indicating that everything is going to disintegrate this fall. They read like this:

“The economy is going to crash and the dollar will be worthless overnight.”

“The president will be declaring martial law and suspending our constitutional rights.”

“Serious food and energy shortages.”

“Concentration camps for ‘extremists’.”

“Terrorist attacks on our infrastructure with high death tolls.”

Many anxiously ask, “Are these things really going to happen?” “What shall we do?” “How shall we prepare?”

The book of Revelation foretells a time such as this—a time in which “no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast”. Revelation 13:17. Are we there? Is it this fall? Next spring? Are these e-mails telegraphs from heaven? Or are they sensational false prophets arousing unwarranted fear and anxiety?

## *God is our Security*

David spoke of fear on every side and of evil being devised on his left and right. Psalm 31:13. Sounds a lot like those e-mails, doesn't it! Yet in such a time of crisis David could shout, “I trust in You, O LORD; I say, ‘You are my God.’” Psalm 31:14.

He asserts that the person who has steadfast trust in the Lord will not be afraid of bad news.

Psalm 112:7. Steadfast trust means unwavering, unfaltering, and persistent confidence in God that is established in your daily experience. It is fixed. Nothing can move you from it. It is not fickle or wavering. Is that you? If not, it needs to be. Trusting in God needs to become as vital as breathing. When this is your experience, the “last days” won't provoke fear in you whether the crisis comes this fall, next spring, or a decade from now.

We must seriously ask ourselves, “Has David's God become our God? Are we familiar not only with His Word but also with the voice of His Spirit to our conscience daily?” If we can answer yes, why do we need to fear? If not, perhaps we need to seek His face until we know His voice to us daily, hourly, each moment of the day. God is to be our hiding place—now—today—always! For none that trust in Him shall be left desolate. (See Psalm 10, 25, 32, and 78.)

Certainly, our only source of strength in these chaotic times is God. Daily we must be found *in Him*. Daily we must be living a God-governed life. Our character—our thoughts, feelings, emotions, inclinations, habits, and responses—should be centered in Him whether or not dreadful times are just around the corner.

## *A dual preparation*

There is no question that this world is in serious turmoil. Our nation is sinking lower and lower in moral and economic quicksand, but we don't know when the collapse will come. Most sense some kind of ominous disaster looming on the

horizon. Life as we know it is changing. Are you prepared to provide for your family's physical as well as spiritual needs?

Getting ready involves a physical preparation for what is coming upon the earth. "By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household," Hebrews 11:7. With God directing us, we need to evaluate all the daily essentials of life and prepare for not only perilous circumstances but also a possible economic collapse, not to mention the social chaos that occurs at such times.

Ask yourself where you want to be living when an epidemic breaks out or when terrorists hit and hit hard? Are you debt-free? When food is hard to get, are you prepared with ample supplies to feed your family? Can you grow your own food? When disasters like Katrina strike, will your water, food, heat and all other essentials be secure? If your power goes out in the winter and it is -20°, how long can you survive?

### *A positive mindset*

While spiritual and physical preparation for the coming crisis is essential, we should avoid a defensive mindset—aiming simply to survive with the least discomfort possible. Now is the time to be on the offensive.

We are approaching the final showdown in the great controversy between God and Satan. Therefore, as good soldiers, our primary purpose is not only to secure our base camps, but also to take this battle to the front lines. Let your life, your marriage, and your family vindicate the transforming power of His grace. And then share that message of hope as far and wide as God shall open the way.

### *Our Philosophy*

Years ago God showed Sally and I that we are to live as though Jesus is going to come today but also to prepare as though He will not come in our lifetime. For over twenty-five years we have been striving to live this balanced life realizing it is the best way to live whether or not serious times are just around the corner. That is why alarming e-mails strike no fear in our hearts and we have no last minute preparations to make. We live a life of readiness in Christ both physically and spiritually in the base camp and on the front lines.

Jesus said, "Therefore be ye also ready." Matthew 24:44. So, ask Him to show you how to be ready for the turbulent times ahead. Ask Him what part He would have you play in sharing His message of mercy and grace in these last days. Don't follow man. Filter all you hear through what God tells you in His Word and whispers in the depths of your heart.*ELM*

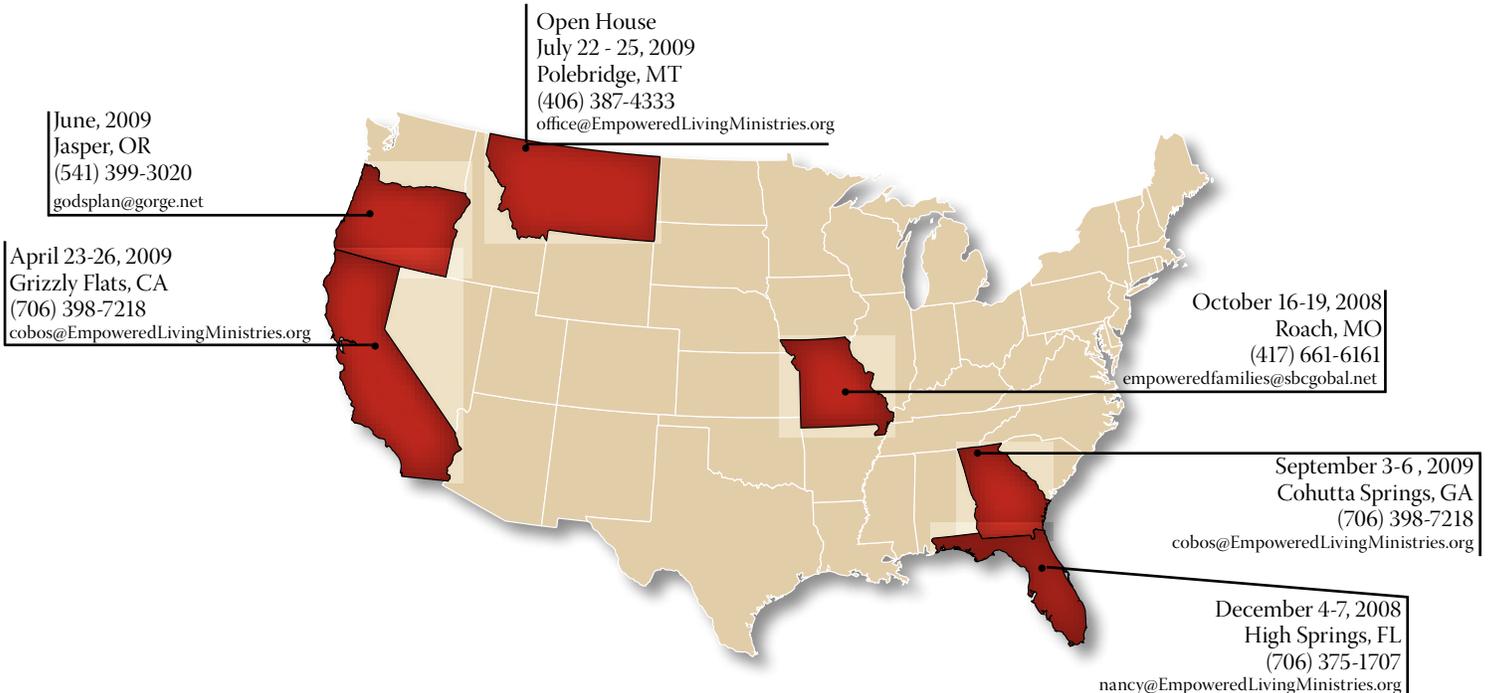
*For more detailed information on getting ready, see our CD series "Why Country Living".*



*"Blessed is the man  
who trusts in the  
LORD... For he  
shall be like a  
tree... which  
spreads out  
its roots... and  
will not fear..."  
Jeremiah 17:7, 8.*

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