

AMERICAN DEFENDERS OF FREEDOM™



Bring Prayer To All American Defenders of Freedom

A Monthly Briefing for those **STANDING IN THE GAP**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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- Prayer Tracts and Prayer Reminder Coins are again being shipped out all over the World – 40,000 will go out by the first of December.
- Packages have already been received - Chaplains are thanking us from the Pentagon, our staging bases in the States and overseas and in Iraq, Afghanistan and Kuwait.
- **No one else does what we do! You are a part of that blessing!**

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- The cost to procure and ship these 40,000 Tracts and Coins is \$94,000.
- \$73,000 remains to be raised. *Please pray on this, help is needed.*
- The annual budget to reach 180,000 troops is \$423,000. (Cost \$2.35, Value of Eternity with God --- Priceless)

CHAPLAIN TALK: (Special subject this time: **HONORING THE FALLEN**)

- Chaplain Don in Afghanistan after saying goodbye to the 12th Soldier in his Brigade in 4 months comments: “so as a chaplain, I weep when others can't. I pray when others don't know how. I offer words of encouragement and strength when there seem to be no words left to say. I must admit, however, it is often a lonely place to be. Yet it is what the Lord has called me to do in support of those who would fight and die for our country. Someday, Lord willing, this war will be over and we will never again have to send heroes home in flag draped coffins to their loved ones. But until that day, I cling to end of Psalm 27.”
- Chaplain Jason writes, “Fourteen hours after arriving in Kirkuk, Iraq I was awakened by gun fire and shortly afterward a call broke out on the radio that there were casualties inbound. Emergency room professionals made valiant attempts to save two Soldiers. One survived but the one who had his right leg blown off did not. Minutes later three other KIA were brought in. In a tiny stone building designated as the mortuary I saw images too awful to describe as Soldiers and Airmen removed the personal effects from their fallen comrades. A family picture with a young wife and child, blood soaked dollar bills, ID cards, dog tags, etc. were removed and bagged. I place my hand on the first body bag and prayed over him, thanking God for the Soldier's faithful service and prayed that God would grant divine peace and comfort to his family as they heard the dreaded knock on their door from the US Army Casualty Notification Team. As I concluded the prayer with a plea that the Soldier would rest in peace, “Amen's” echoed through the small room and the Soldier was lifted onto a cart. That was my first 24 hours in Iraq. What did God have in store for me, this tour of duty?”

For Him, who is able, Bill

P.S. A request: Please consider how you can help this one man band perform as an orchestra.