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# Milestones and Miracles

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### GLOBAL IMPACT

## Look at what you are doing around the world

During a recent month:

#### WEST AFRICA

• More than 39,000 men, women and children in West Africa heard the Gospel in 61 evangelistic outreaches through our CBN centers. As a result, 4,687 people prayed to receive Jesus as their Savior. CBN staff also drilled water wells in 22 rural communities in Ghana and Liberia that benefitted 26,804 people.

#### UKRAINE

• The Kiev prayer center received over 3,100 calls, letters, e-mails, and text messages in response to our television programs. As a result, 1,393 people joined church fellowships and 130 cell groups were established. In addition, 4,082 orphans and needy children benefitted from humanitarian aid.

#### INDIA

▼ Medical missions throughout the country resulted in 33,646 patients receiving medical care through 105 outreaches; 313 men and women receiving cataract surgery; 2,179 receiving eyeglasses; 19 wheelchairs being distributed; and 80 people being given antiparasite medicine.



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### “You have days to live”

Joe’s fight with stage IV cancer comes down to the wire. In the hospital, Joe contemplates dying, while his wife receives a promise from God. Don’t miss this incredible true story!

### When a marriage hits bottom

Even before Jeffrey and Rachel wed, the clock was counting down to catastrophe. Then came more drugs, an affair, distrust, separation, and bitterness. How does it end, and what happens to their two children? You won’t believe your eyes!



### Antidote for bankruptcy

Scott watches his landscaping business shrink from 45 employees to 3 in a short time. When he has to declare bankruptcy, he blames himself—and God. Then, he discovers a proven antidote for financial crisis that really works.



### CBN PRAYER CENTER

## The Miracle Baby

Would this father lose both his wife and newborn?



When little Sarah was deathly ill, her parents turned to CBN for prayer.

When Svetlana went into labor with baby Sarah, they both developed deadly meningitis. Realizing that he might lose both his wife and daughter, José turned to prayer.

His mother called the CBN Prayer Center, and a prayer team prayed for the whole family.

Svetlana recovered, but Sarah remained very ill. When Sarah was three weeks old, her liver and heart began to fail. Doctors gave her a 5 percent chance of survival, telling her parents she had only one hour to live.

“We took authority over the spirit of death trying to attack her. We began to speak the word of God,” remembers José. As family and friends prayed, Sarah improved. Incredibly, within a week, this miracle baby was fully recovered and allowed to go home, a testimony to answered prayers. Now a healthy four-year-old, Sarah proclaims: “I love Jesus *this* much!”



The CBN Prayer Center is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Call 800-759-0700

### PARTNER PROFILE

## Put God in Charge of Your Success Couple builds on biblical principles

Marjorie’s health required a move to Arizona, but her husband Rod couldn’t win enough bids there as a general contractor to support them. That was before Rod discovered the biblical principle of financial success.



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“It really pierced my heart,” he says.

After Marjorie heard these same principles on *The 700 Club*, they began trusting God with their finances—and began giving. Soon both Marjorie’s health and the family business were completely restored—but God had even bigger plans. Marjorie believed the Holy Spirit was urging them to move to South Dakota. Rod wrestled with the idea. He prayed about leaving their church, friends, and a booming contracting business. But

God said, “Go!”

Rod’s business more than doubled in Rapid City. “No one could arrange all these circumstances,” he says. “As I continue to give, God gives back!”

### 6 critical steps to becoming free from debt

- Write your plan
- Spend only on essentials
- Think before buying
- Discontinue credit purchases
- Don’t borrow to invest
- Practice saving

### CBN’S OPERATION BLESSING

## Standing Between a Child and Hunger

CBN partners feed thousands of children every week

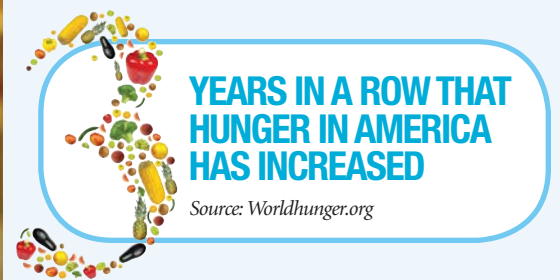
Two years ago, Wendy moved her family to North Carolina to take care of her cancer-stricken mother. Wendy doesn’t have enough money to buy food for her 13-year-old son and four-year-old daughter.

Thanks to caring partners, thousands of children each week receive nourishing meals.

Thanks to caring CBN partners, a local ministry makes sure up to 4,000 children a week don’t go hungry. Because of CBN’s Operation Blessing International, this ministry is able to distribute groceries and living essentials while

providing hot meals for families and games and prizes for children. These provisions are a huge relief for Wendy. “I know that my kids are going to have food to eat,” she says. “It’s a blessing.”

Thank you, CBN partners, for making a difference in the lives of hungry children across America.



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CBN celebrated 50 years of broadcasting on October 1, 2011, with daylong festivities and an evening concert. Operation Blessing helped tornado victims in America's heartland restore their homes and delivered food to devastated villages after Japan's massive earthquake and tsunami. *The 700 Club* featured popular guests like Paula Deen, and CBN News reported from Cairo during Egypt's historic demonstrations.

for prayer, as a result of our *700 Club* program.

### News like no other program offers

CBN News delivers in-depth coverage on some of the most pressing questions of the day, both domestically and abroad. CBN's award-winning journalists tackle the tough issues, bringing a unique perspective on the news, and revealing the impact the headlines carry for Christians in the world today.

CBN News stays ahead of the curve with investigative pieces and guest experts bringing extensive analysis on the economy, Capitol Hill, and uprisings in the Middle East—including live reports from Chris Mitchell in our Jerusalem Bureau.

And with the rise in unprecedented disasters, Operation Blessing's David Darg files reports from places like Japan, following the earthquake and tsunami, and is on the move around the world, covering the latest humanitarian crises. News teams here at home cover devastating tornadoes, floods and hurricanes—covering the stories as CBN's Operation Blessing International teams work in the field, helping victims rebuild their lives.

As the 2012 elections approach, David Brody brings campaign coverage and exclusive interviews with various presidential candidates—reports that are picked up by major secular news organizations. And Erick Stakelbeck offers in-depth reporting on terrorism, the Muslim Brotherhood, and end-time Islamic beliefs about the Mahdi and Iran's president that catch the attention and reporting of the mainstream press.

### Life-changing special programming

*The 700 Club* continues to broadcast powerful, life-changing special programming. Special series like *Life Beyond the Grave* introduced our audience to a group of people who had died and gone to heaven or hell. These true stories described, in incredible detail, events in the afterlife. Diane in West Virginia invited her neighbor to watch it—and her neighbor understood for the first time that there is a real hell, and prayed to commit her life to Christ!

*Secrets of the Supernatural* offered amazing stories of God's power to deliver people from life-threatening situations. Dr. Chauncey Crandall, a medical doctor, shared how God overcame his reluctance to believe in miracles—by prompting

him to pray for a dead patient who came back to life! *Signs of the Times* featured dynamic teachings by Pat and Gordon Robertson, looking at what God's Word says about end-time prophecy and the role of Israel in the last days.

Each of these special series offers our partners an opportunity to grow in their faith and provides a tool for evangelism they can use to share the Gospel with family, friends and neighbors.

### Broadcasting interviews that matter

At a time when Americans are bombarded with sensational tabloid stories promoting immorality and endeavoring to silence Christianity, *The 700 Club* offers a platform for believers who are in the spotlight to share their personal stories of faith in Jesus Christ.

For instance, this past year featured in-depth testimonies from NFL stars such as Drew Brees, Tim Tebow, Colt McCoy, Michael Oher (whose story was told in *The Blind Side*), and Kurt Warner. Kristi Watts' interview with Dr. Condoleeza Rice revealed fascinating stories about her family, faith, and experiences on the world stage. And many TV and reality show stars shared insights from their own journeys, from *American Idol*'s Mandisa to popular chef Paula Deen, to the Duggar family of *19 Kids and Counting*.

Plus, audiences were uplifted by visits from Christian leaders, authors, and entertainers, including John and Carol Arnott, Reinhard Bonnke, Wellington Boone, Larry Gatlin, Michael W. Smith, Jack Hayford, Rebecca St. James, Nicole C. Mullen, Darlene Zschech, Bebo Norman, and Andraé Crouch.

It is so important in our world today to hear the message of God's transforming love from real-life heroes and celebrities who can influence our culture to stand for biblical values and push back the darkness.

### Times of prayer, miracles and refreshing

*The 700 Club* also provides times of focused prayer and teaching. During CBN's Week of Prayer in April and Seven Days Ablaze in September, CBN staff members lift our

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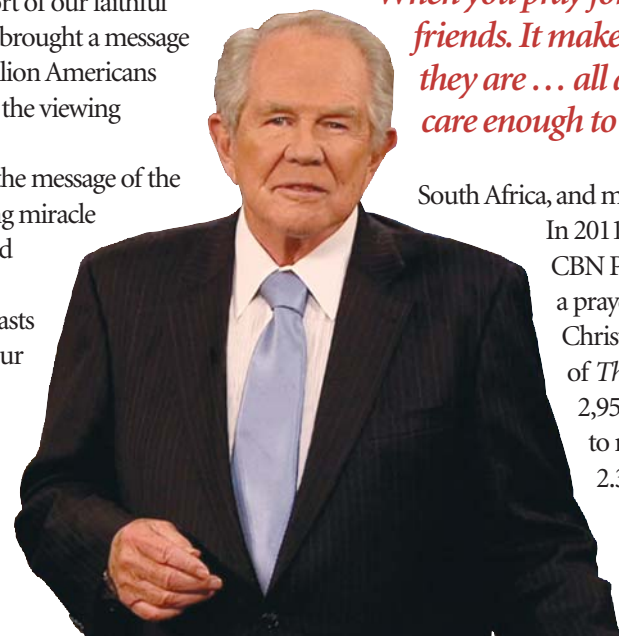
Today, viewers never have to miss a single show. *The 700 Club* is now available any time on demand at [CBN.com](http://CBN.com).

# The 700 Club

## A Year of Milestones and Miracles!

Last year, CBN celebrated 50 years of broadcasting. And what a year it was! Thanks to the continued support of our faithful partners, *The 700 Club* brought a message of hope and forgiveness to 19 million Americans each month, across 96 percent of the viewing audience in the United States.

Each day *The 700 Club* brings the message of the Gospel, dynamic ministry, riveting miracle stories, exclusive news reports, and prominent guests and authors to homes across our nation. Broadcasts of *The 700 Club* extend beyond our shores, as well, reaching Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Israel, Iceland, Hungary, Sweden,



*"The 700 Club ... has universal appeal. When you pray for people, you make friends. It makes no difference who they are ... all are grateful that you care enough to pray." ~Pat Robertson*

South Africa, and many other nations.

In 2011, over 30,000 people called the CBN Prayer Center and prayed with a prayer team member to receive Jesus Christ as Savior. Since the beginning of *The 700 Club* program, more than 2,954,300 have called and prayed to receive the Lord. And last year, 2.3 million people contacted CBN

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partners' needs before the Lord each day, and believe together for miracles.

Viewers were encouraged by many true miracle stories, like that of Dr. Keith Allison. He was nearing retirement when he noticed a lump on his neck—which turned out to be stage IV non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. Doctors gave him only five years to live.

Five months after his diagnosis, he was watching *The 700 Club* as Pat was praying for God to heal cancer. As Keith agreed in faith, he felt heat radiate out of his body. Keith returned to the doctor for tests, and there was no sign of cancer! The doctor told him he was in spontaneous remission. Thirteen years later, Keith is enjoying his retirement with his wife, and is grateful to God for his healing.

CBN is uniquely positioned to call our nation to prayer on matters of great national, international and spiritual concern. Recently, a special Week of Prayer for Israel was conducted to ask God to intervene on behalf of His beloved nation. The time of prayer proved effectual in that the United Nations did not move to recognize the Palestinians' request for statehood, which would have led to an inevitable push for the division of Jerusalem.

### Looking to the years ahead

As CBN looks to the next 50 years, we thank God for faithful partners like you. Your regular support makes it possible to continue bringing the Gospel and a message of hope to millions of people every day through *The 700 Club*. May God bless you in this new year and the days ahead!

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### HEALTHY LIVING

## Want to Live to Be 100?

### Try Pat's "age-defying" breakfast!

Can a simple breakfast guard against colon cancer, clear your arteries of cholesterol, and help your cells fight other cancers?

On a recent *700 Club* broadcast, Pat Robertson shared his "age-defying" breakfast that he eats "to keep myself going to 100."

In a cereal bowl, combine the following:

- ¼ cup oat bran
- ¼ cup oatmeal, raw or cooked
- walnuts, pecans, and almonds (6-8 of each)
- ½ cup blueberries, raspberries, strawberries (fresh or frozen)
- sweeten with pure maple syrup
- top with ½ cup skim milk
- mix together, and enjoy!



**What makes this a power-packed breakfast?** Oat bran and oatmeal contain fiber, help prevent colon cancer, and lower cholesterol. Berries have cancer-fighting antioxidants, and nuts provide good omega-3 fats. Also, pure maple syrup has anti-cancer, anti-bacterial, and anti-diabetic properties. Best of all, it tastes good!



Watch this *700 Club* segment. Go to [Cbn.com](http://Cbn.com). Enter "Pat's Healthy Breakfast" in the search box.

AS SEEN ON THE 700 CLUB

## From Biggest Loser to Biggest Winner Finding new beginnings—and a grand prize!

Michelle Aguilar felt secure growing up in a Christian home. But when she was 18, her mother suddenly told her, "I'm leaving your father," and took her two sisters—but not Michelle.

Devastated, she recalls that as a Christian, "I knew I couldn't turn to drugs or alcohol." So she turned to food for comfort, eventually weighing 242 pounds.

By 2008, Michelle wanted a change, and auditioned for *The Biggest Loser: Families*. In a step of faith, she asked her estranged mother to team up with her. At a low point, Michelle almost quit, but felt God challenging her to do it in His strength. She pressed on, with her mother supporting her.

After many grueling months, Michelle lost 110 pounds—and won the \$250,000 grand prize! But her greatest treasure is her new relationship with her mother—and the faithful love of her heavenly Father.



**4 Eating Tips That Add Up to Success**

- Burn more calories than you consume
- Keep track of everything you eat
- Snack on lean protein
- Avoid artificial sweeteners

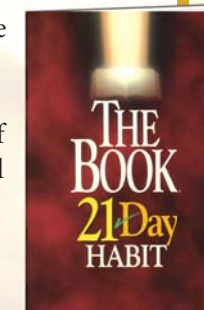
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TEACHING by PAT ROBERTSON

## Practicing God's Will

Would you like to know that God is guiding you? The first step is to practice His will. Hebrews 5:14 says, *Solid food is for the mature, who because of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil.* As we spend time with the Lord, we learn what pleases Him.



Brother Lawrence, the monk who wrote *Practicing the Presence of God*, experienced His presence even when washing dishes. Wherever you are—at the sink or at the office—you can practice sensing His presence in your life.

God gives us an ability to hear His voice, to distinguish between good and evil, and to know His will. Like any talent, this grows when we use it but shrinks if we don't. Jesus says in Matthew 13:12: *For whoever has, to him shall more be given, and he shall have an abundance; but whoever does not have, even what he has shall be taken away from him.*

The Lord has a wonderful purpose for our lives—that good and acceptable and perfect will of God (Romans 12:2 NKJV). When we seek His will and obey His commands, His Spirit will guide us. And if we make a mistake, Psalm 51:17 promises, *A broken and a contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.*

The continual cry of our hearts should be, "What will please You, Father? I surrender my will to You. Teach me and guide me, for I am Your child."

If we come to the Lord in that frame of mind, He will move heaven and earth to prevent us from being misled and to keep us in the center of His will. God bless you!

*Scripture is quoted from the NASB.*

This is the first of 12 monthly *Frontlines* articles based on Pat Robertson's insightful teaching series, *12 Principles of God's Guidance*.



# What Do You Seek?

by GORDON ROBERTSON, Chief Executive Officer

*Goals that come from the heart of God are undefeatable. He will give you everything you need to achieve them.*

In January, many of us make New Year's resolutions. Yet we often fall short, and what we hope for is not realized.

Our goals need to begin with a conversation with Jesus. Trust the Holy Spirit to reveal God's desires for you. Goals that come from the heart of God are undefeatable. He will give you everything you need to achieve them.

Just as Jesus asked John the Baptist's disciples, so He asks each of us today: *What do you seek?* (John 1:38).

There is nothing wrong with desiring a comfortable home or a happy family. The problem comes when the chief focus of what we want lies only on this side of eternity. We are eternal beings. This life, with all its opportunities and struggles, is really preparation for the next. When you consider how to invest your time and effort, ask God to give you goals that will last for eternity. As Daniel 12:3 says, *Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament, and those who turn many to righteousness like the stars forever and ever.*

Once you have focused your heart and mind on these goals, continue to pray for them. Prayer will build your faith and give God the opportunity to speak His ideas and directions into your life. When you pray in faith, consider your goals accomplished and thank God for His work on your behalf.

I love the story told by Smith Wigglesworth, a pioneer of the Pentecostal revivals in the early twentieth century. He talked about a man who was born with a clubfoot that was so twisted, he couldn't fit a shoe on it. This man heard that Wigglesworth was coming to town to hold a healing service. He believed that his foot would be healed at the meeting,

so he went to the town cobbler and ordered a new pair of shoes. The cobbler mocked him but made the shoes anyway. Sure enough, the man's foot was healed at the service and he walked home in his new shoes. He believed and acted according to his belief, and God did the rest.

When you take action to accomplish your goal, God releases His power on your behalf. Expect your goal to be achieved, declare it, and act on it. God is faithful, and we can achieve even the most incredible goals through His promise and power.

That's an amazing thing about God: He will let you ask for anything. He wants us to ask largely, specifically and confidently. As you put your faith into action, you will see results.

Today, Jesus is asking you, What do you seek? Spend some time alone with God, and see what He has for you to accomplish. Great outcomes begin with ideas that God puts in our hearts and minds. Set your sights on your goal, pray for it, declare it, and act on it. Then watch God do miracles in your life this coming year.

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