

FOREWARD

By R. W. Schambach

The greatest need in the church today is prevailing prayer, the kind of prayer that hangs onto the horns of the altar until the answer comes. Jesus tells us about this in a parable that He once preached concerning the unjust judge and the little woman that came and knocked constantly until she got the answer. Jesus prefaces that with this particular statement: "...that men ought always to pray and not to faint." That means pray and keep right on praying until you get the answer. This is the kind of prayer that we need in the church today. I believe we're headed for the greatest revival the world has ever known. But revival doesn't come from a church organization, nor does it come from a preacher or an evangelist. All great revivals come as a result of this kind of prevailing prayer – people waiting on God and holding onto the horns of the altar until the revival comes. Prayer is something that is missing in every church, in every Christian's life. We are all guilty of this. We just don't spend enough time in prayer.

PRAYER POWER, written by Roy M. Gray, is one book that the church needs today. Mr. Gray is the dean emeritus of East Texas Bible College in Tyler, Texas. In his early eighties, and now retired, he still maintains a very active ministry. He often speaks to churches and Christian groups throughout the United States, and he continues to spend many hours in intercessory prayer. When you mention Mr. Gray's name, it is synonymous with the word "prayer". He is a prayer warrior.

UPDATE: East Texas Bible College was closed in December of 1982. Shortly thereafter, Dr. Gray returned to his home in California. In January of 1994 he crossed over to his Heavenly home and rewards.