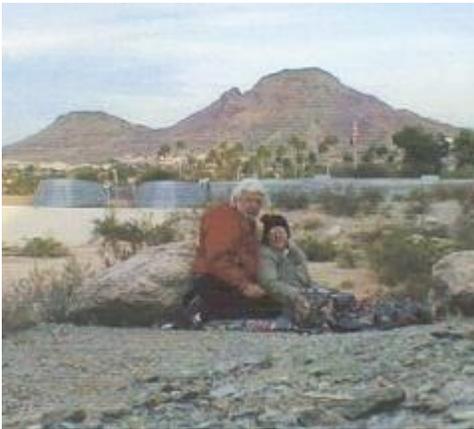


Chapter two

Fast forward to prayer tips

A praying relationship with Jesus is a must if you want to be the best soul winner you can. After all Jesus is the one that does the saving of the soul. You plant the seed but God is the actual winner of the soul [1 Corinthians 3:7 KJV](#) "So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth ; but God that giveth the increase" You need to learn to communicate with Jesus and let him guide you by him speaking to you..He will speak to your inner person by his word the Bible, out loud, through a sermon or through a human.

Here are some tips to getting your prayers answered that took me 32 years to discover and perfect. My prayer life from 1956 to 1995 was just like most Christians. I prayed before meals, at night for my family and when special needs arrived. I had a good prayer life but was lacking in real prayer power. Back in the 80s we would write prayer requests on slips of paper and put them in Jane's Bible. We also wrote down names of souls we won and answered prayers. Jane and I used to go up to the prayer mountain at Phoenix 1st Assembly when ever Pastor Tommy Barnett would call for the congregation to special prayer. We would drive from our South Phoenix home 45 minutes to the Church on North Cave Creek. We would climb the mountain and pray for ½ hour and then drive an hour back home because the traffic was getting heavy by 8:00 am.



Chuck and Jane praying on prayer mountain behind Phoenix 1st Assembly of God church

Then one evening pastor Barnett's son Luke preached a simple sermon on prayer. I had heard many sermons on prayer but this one hit me like a ton of bricks. It was nothing elaborate, forceful, funny or spectacular. Luke's basic message was "set aside a time to pray just like you set a side for a bowling night, or other scheduled event." WOW! That's it?

Yes that's it.

My wife Jane and I decided to go up on South Mountain every Tuesday morning right after midnight. South mountain park was only a mile from where we lived on Southern avenue. The park road opened around 5:00 am..We would drive half way up the mountain trail and pull off in a the first look out area. We would haul out a small foam pad and a

blanket and sit down and pray randomly like shooting up in the air blind folded at a flock of passing ducks. We liked it. When a matter arose that needed prayer we would remember it until Tuesday morning. We began to expect prayers to be answered and they were. It is like a cowboy learning how to ride a bucking bull. He may start out riding a sheep as a kid and then a horse, a bucking horse and then a fairly tame bull. Soon he is riding one handed, ready to take on Bodacious the meanest, toughest bull that has been only ridden a few times. Similarity you will find that your prayers will get answered, quicker and the hard ones will get answered too if you follow these easy suggestions. The first thing we learned was expectation. [Hebrews 11:6 KJV](#) "But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is , and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him" We would go faithfully to pray in all kinds of weather, 110o, heat, rainy 40o and rare mountain top snow. I remember praying when I was so sick I had to have Jane drive the car to the beach where we pray now. During that 3 days we got some real good prayers answered. Soon our memory would not contain all the prayer requests and so we started writing them down. We learned that it was our expectations of God answering the prayers that was getting the job done. We combined this weekly Tuesday prayer with our fast that we had started 5 years previously at the suggestion of Pastor Barnett. We use the Jewish sun up to sun down fast. This is a total fast except for liquids..

One morning during prayer I felt the Lord tell me to move to Houston Texas..We were living on Southern Avenue in Phoenix on a 4 acre ranch with our son Abraham and his wife and daughter Samantha. I was the chaplain at three drag race tracks and we had an internet based carburetor shop to provide us a good living. We had horses, cows, chickens snakes, rabbits and hound dogs that we used for search and rescue.. We had never been to Houston Texas except for a plane stop on the way to our youngest daughters house in Woodville Texas. I told Jane and the rest of the family and asked them to pray..Within a week we all agreed to head to Houston. We put up three fleeces to be fulfilled before we would make the move. #1. We had to have a church to go to. #2. We needed a ministry. #3. We needed a place to live where we could have our dogs and business. Jane had been watching Joel Osteen on TV and I wrote him an email asking if we could work out of the church as a chaplain at the race track. Someone on his staff wrote back that 'we don't have any one that ministers at a **dog** race track but we will try it". It was not a **dog** track but a drag race track. So #1 was OK.. I called Baytown drag strip and asked if they had a chaplain and track Chaplain Ted Jones returned my call. He said come on down we are planning to hire another chaplain. I had been a volunteer chaplain in Phoenix and did not want it to be a job but I

would volunteer. Ted said "come on down."

Next we found a house to lease on the internet and put \$5000 deposit on it with the option to buy it..

Once we got to Houston we quickly saw that there was no mountain to pray on. The freeway overpass was the highest place in the area and the church men there suggested that we should not be on top of the freeway over pass praying at 3:00 in the morning. The ocean was $\frac{1}{4}$ mile away so we started praying every Tuesday morning down on the beach. Soon our method of putting slips of paper in Jane's bible was getting to be too much so we got a sheet of paper and listed the prayer requests. Soon people began giving requests to us and the list got so long that we were praying 4 hours every Tuesday. We then cut the list in half and started praying on Tuesday and Fridays. It continued to grow until now 10 years later we pray every single morning down on the beach and we love it..We learned that expectations and faithfulness have been the secret to success. We also added a praise list that contained answers to the prayers that were previously on the prayer list..We go down to the beach every Sunday evening and read off the list which has 302 answered prayer to date 7-10-11.

The weather is so bad here with the rain, heat and snow that we pray inside our Chevy Astro Van that was given to us by Jim and Beth Gates from Phoenix who donated it to us so that we could haul our Honda motor scooter to the race track so we could respond to wrecks and other emergencies on the track.

Now back to the Wild West Soul winning