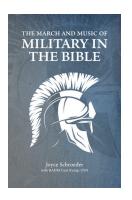
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## Dear Faithful Prayer Partners and Supporters,

As we embark on the year 2025, we resonate with this prayer for you from the Apostle John, "Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well." (3 John 2)

We want to share with you several updates that are significant to us and for which we greatly appreciate your prayers and partnership.



First, a book that I (Joyce) have been writing off and on for the past five years is now self-published. *The March and Music of Military in the Bible* is a work we pray blesses not only the military, but Christian civilians as well. One of the premises of the book is that each of us is called by God to be a spiritual warrior wherever we are. It was a special honor to be joined by RADM Curt

Kemp (ret.), former Chairman of the Cadence Board of Directors. The book is now available on Amazon, and this copy is our gift to you.

Second, after a time of intentional and prayerful discernment together a few months ago, David plans to conclude his role as President of Cadence International in July. At that time he will have served in this capacity for 30 years. As one who has enjoyed a front row to his long service, I bear witness to the faithful leadership David has provided this mission—with unwavering love for our staff and the military, and with integrity before God. Also, as you can imagine, challenges were his constant companions over these many years, and his God-given gift of wisdom was always activated.

We do not plan to leave Cadence or military ministry. We look forward to our next season of new fruit for the Kingdom as we move into the third third of our lives and service. On the home page of the Cadence website is a short video from us about this upcoming change (Cadence.org). If you would like to hear more, we are sharing with you, our partners, the link to the 18-minute video we made for Cadence staff. It is password protected (2024cadence) and may be found at https://vimeo.com/1031231082.

Finally, hopefully you've had a chance to read our December donor letter with your receipt. If so, you have already heard that my mom, Margaret Patty, went to be with the Lord in September at the age of 96. We learned she had a large tumor on her kidney in late August. The first week of September she was still living independently and driving herself to the store. Then on Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup> it was confirmed she had stage IV inoperable cancer and was admitted to the hospital. On Sunday, they moved her to in-patient hospice, and Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> she relocated to heaven. My brothers were able to be in town for those final, precious days before our Mom died. As one of the founders of Cadence International, Margaret leaves a legacy of faithfulness and fruitfulness. We invite you to watch her memorial service at Cadence.org/MargaretPattyMemorial.

The enclosed recent photo is with our beloved grandchildren. One of our greatest joys is living near them and filling a row in church with them and their parents on Sundays. Another granddaughter is on the way, due in June to Kyrie and Jake!

We send our love and our gratefulness for you. Please see that you are mentioned in the Acknowledgements of the enclosed book.

With you, for Him, **Joyce and David** 



