

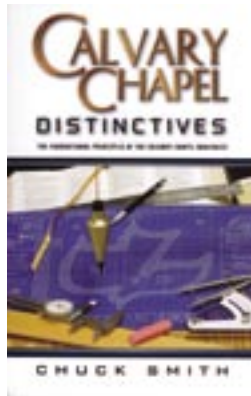
# CCM Recommends...

We have added Book Reviews to Calvary Chapel Magazine. Our desire is to acquaint you with or remind you of some of the wonderful literature available, both old and new, to supplement your daily Bible reading, help you grow in your walk, build up your faith, and strengthen your families. We will also feature materials published by different Calvary Chapel pastors.

**Teach me Your way, O LORD; I will walk in Your truth... Your faithfulness endures to all generations...**  
Psalms 86:11 & 119:90

## Calvary Chapel Distinctives

Chuck Smith  
ISBN: 0936728809

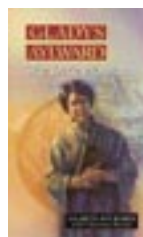


What makes Calvary Chapel distinctive? In this book, Pastor Chuck Smith outlines the foundational Biblical principles that give Calvary Chapel a unique and special place in the plan of God. The balance of a strong emphasis on Biblical teaching and an open heart to the work of the Holy Spirit has furthered God's work through Calvary Chapel.

Teachings on church government, God's grace, the rapture of the church, ventures in faith, and more are covered. Pastor Chuck shares the heart of ministry, encouraging every reader to "Discover the will of God and then jump into it. Get your heart in harmony with His, and you will be amazed at what God will do and how God will bless."

## Biography

*Gladys Aylward: The Little Woman*  
Gladys Aylward with Christine Hunter  
ISBN: 0802429866



A slender, young girl knelt by her bed and laid out her earthly possessions. Before her was a Bible, her copy of Daily Light, and 2½ pence. Trusting in God's faithfulness, she offered herself to do His work among the people of China. From that day forward, throughout her life, God proved His faithfulness to Gladys Aylward, a "little woman" with a great God.

Read how Gladys based her entire life on trusting God's promise, "Be ye not afraid of them—I am your God." God delivered her from Russian soldiers, sheltered her from bitter cold and empowered her to care for 300 orphans. At the end of her life, Gladys shared, "My heart is full of praise that one so insignificant, uneducated, and ordinary in every way could be used to His glory."

## Devotional

*Daily Light*  
Samuel Bagster  
ISBN: 0849954622

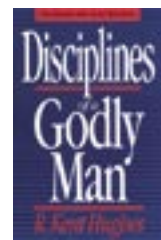


In a world of darkness, the light of God's Word truly is a lamp for our feet. In Daily Light, Scripture enlightens Scripture as the author draws from the Old and New Testaments to make an opening verse come alive.

Since its original publication in 1794, this devotional has blessed and encouraged countless men and women of God, including Hudson Taylor, Isobel Kuhn, and Gladys Aylward. In a busy life, this timeless classic can bring daily light to your path.

## Christian Living/Men

*Disciplines of a Godly Man*  
R. Kent Hughes  
ISBN: 0891078185



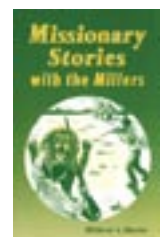
"The successful Christian life," writes Pastor Kent Hughes, "is always, without exception, a stripped-down, disciplined, sweaty affair." In *Disciplines of a Godly Man*, Pastor Hughes points out sixteen disciplines essential to a Godly life. Through Scriptural wisdom and engaging illustrations he offers practical suggestions

in the areas of marriage, fatherhood, godliness, prayer, leadership, ministry, and more.

"The church needs real men today—men willing to follow the path of godliness, no matter what the cost. Will we, by the grace and power of God, be those men?" This book holds an invitation to know His grace through submitting to His discipline.

## Children's

*Missionary Stories with the Millers*  
Mildred A. Martin  
ISBN: 0962764345



Is God's power real to your children? Share the true adventures in *Missionary Stories with the Millers* with your family and marvel together at the faithfulness and strength of God in the lives of His servants around the world. Thrilling stories of Christian missionaries who face lion attacks, witch doctors, and hate-filled guerrillas are

included in the 30 chapters. Each story is preceded by a small map showing where the missionary lived and ends with a historical note.

As you share these stories with your children they will realize the truth of one missionary's prayer: "Thank You, Lord, for Your showers of blessings. What a great and mighty God You are!"

*Obar Jacob worships openly in a church in a refugee camp in Kiryandongo, Uganda.*

# Saving Grace

## Ministering to Sudanese refugees in Uganda

You should be able to obtain copies of the above materials through your local Calvary Chapel bookstore. If there is not a bookstore in your area, please contact The Word for Today at the address or phone numbers below:

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*Dave Zavala, a short term missionary from CC Saving Grace, tries to catch a chicken at Kiryandongo Refugee Settlement.*

*Pastor Rob Douglas, his wife Heidi and daughter Hannah.*



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A group of missionaries from Calvary Chapel Saving Grace in Yorba Linda, California, in cooperation with Far Reaching Ministries, have begun Saving Grace Refugee Services Center within the Kiryandongo Refugee Settlement. The refugee services center is overseen by Pastor Rob Douglas and will include a medical clinic, Bible studies, and a pastor training center within the ten-year-old refugee camp.

Besides Pastor Rob, his wife Heidi, and their four-month-old daughter Hannah, Calvary Chapel Saving Grace has sent Katy and

Christian Poleynard, Mike Bobo, and short-term missionary Dave Zavala. Also serving with the group is Jill Wiencke sent and sponsored jointly by Calvary Chapel Vineland, New Jersey, and Calvary Chapel Spittal, Austria.

Kiryandongo Refugee Settlement, home to about 10,000 refugees, is about a three hour drive north of Uganda's capitol, Kampala. Saving Grace Refugee Center is being built on land that was once a retreat center for Uganda's former Islamic dictator Idi Amin. It now serves as a refuge for those persecuted and cast out of their own country. Most were cast out for their belief and worship of Jesus Christ.



*Joseph Jada, 9, was rescued by chaplains at the Far Reaching Ministries compound in Nimule, Sudan. He was brought to the Saving Grace Refugee Services Facility in Kiryandongo. The boy's family was killed by army soldiers as they*

*burned their village. Jada survived by hiding out in a corn field, but was severely burned and suffered scars.*

### The Vision

"After hearing (Far Reaching Ministries') Wes Bentley speak, I knew we wanted to serve the Sudanese people," said Pastor Rob. "My heart was just broken."

Pastor Rob, Heidi, and others took a vision tour in 1999 that included spending time at the Chaplains Training Center in Sudan and Kiryandongo Refugee Settlement before God gave them the vision to serve the Sudanese refugees in Uganda.

Originally living in mud and cow dung huts among the refugees, the group from Calvary Chapel Saving Grace has recently been donated land and is currently building a chapel, medical clinic, and

classrooms on the site. They are also refurbishing Amin's former buildings for the missionaries to live in. As construction continues, Pastor Rob, Mike, or Christian preach in various churches in the refugee camp. The ladies teach English as they learn the Acholi dialect, and minister to the people as they build relationships within the camp.

"Our living among the people had a huge impact. We lived in the huts and lived with them," said Heidi as she tended to Hannah.

To the refugees, nothing shows the commitment of the Saving Grace missionaries as much as Pastor Rob and Heidi's decision to return with their baby, Hannah.

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\*\*\* Pastor Rob Douglas



Heidi and Hannah Douglas receive gifts at a traditional Acholi baby shower. The Sudanese refugee women presented the baby with live chickens, on Heidi's lap, sang traditional songs and prayed for the baby as they thanked Heidi for coming back to Uganda to minister to the refugees with her baby.

A group of 12 Acholi women, the largest people group in the camp, recently held a traditional style baby shower and reception to welcome Hannah to the camp. As traditional dances and songs were performed, baby Hannah received fresh bananas, some local peanut sauce called simisim, and two live chickens as gifts.

“When we left for the States before, the Acholi women prayed for me to have a baby,” said Heidi. “They really love this girl and that we came back with her.”

Sitting on mats under a shade tree in front of the home the missionaries share, the women began to tell their testimonies as they sipped warm sodas. These included tales of God's deliverance from terror, bombings, starvation, and death.

“These women can really put our simple trials to shame,” said Katy Poley-nard. Jill Wiencke who had previously served as a missionary in Kosovo during 1998 and 1999 at the height of the refugee crisis agreed. “God just gives them a great

peace and joy, even after they have lost everything.”

### Worship in Peace

Meeting freely on a recent Sunday more than 150 people crowded into a cow dung and mud Evangelical Free Church where Pastor Rob was teaching. As children sat outside the church windows to listen, adults sat on pieces of log inside and locals offered the only chairs to the Saving Grace missionaries.

After almost an hour of rousing worship with traditional instruments, Pastor Rob's message was translated into Acholi as he taught on communion, its importance and role in the Church.

As part of the teaching, Pastor Rob explained that communion is for believers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. **“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.” Acts 2:42**

When he finished teaching, church elders passed out home baked communion wafers and flat Coca Cola for the elements. As the Americans and Sudanese concluded their worship service of God, they took communion together.

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# A Personal Testimony

Gaylord Tohill



Testimony

Story by Cheryl Brodersen

Gaylord Tohill walks into the church auditorium. He cocks his head slightly to make sure the music is adjusted to the right volume. He asks a few people if they are too cold and considers readjusting the thermostat for the sanctuary. Watching Gaylord pray with congregants after service, listening to him counsel young couples from his well-worn Bible, noting his enthusiasm over sharing the Gospel with an unbeliever, it is hard to imagine that he has not always been a fixture at Calvary Chapel of Costa Mesa.

Yet, until twenty-two years ago, Gaylord, who grew up in Newport Beach, had never even heard of Calvary Chapel of Costa Mesa. “I don't know why I had never heard of the church before,” he reminisces. “I had a lot of friends from high school that had gotten saved there. Somehow, they had just failed to mention it to me.”

Gaylord had always considered himself a Christian. He grew up attending a church on the Balboa Peninsula and always believed there was a God. “I was never even aware of any emptiness in my life. I thought I had it all.” In many ways he did seem to have it all. He was working as the vice-president of the world's largest time-clock company. He lived on the bay at Huntington Harbor in a custom home he designed and built. He had leisure time that he spent taking his boat to Catalina Island or enjoying various water sports.

Although Gaylord didn't sense the emptiness, his wife, Marsha, did. Their marriage was devoid of love. “It wasn't that Marsha and I fought. We didn't. We just didn't love each other any longer. We found ourselves without any common denominators.”

In 1979, two large crises hit the Tohills. Marsha's mother passed away from cancer and Gaylord underwent a risky neck surgery. He made an amazing recovery that even astounded his doctors. Still, he was unaware of any need for God.

Marsha, on the other hand, was keenly aware of the emptiness of life. One day she sat with her maid, Irma, pouring out her heart, when Irma suggested she try going to Calvary Chapel of Costa Mesa. Marsha went. She was hooked. She began to attend both morning and evening services. Soon Marsha discovered the Tape Lending Library and started bringing tapes home to listen to. Every once in a while she would offer one to Gaylord, who kindly refused.

After Marsha had attended Calvary Chapel for six months and continued to bring home tapes. Gaylord finally agreed to listen to a tape. He was amazed. “Pastor Chuck was talking on the tape about growing up in California, and I thought, ‘He's a real person.’ Then he talked so intimately about his relationship with God. Up to that time I didn't think anyone could actually have a relationship with God.” Gaylord's curiosity was piqued. He asked Marsha for more tapes. In fact, he asked Marsha to rent 10 tapes a week for him. He listened to two tapes every day during his commute to Los Angeles and back.

For three months he continued to listen to Chuck's tapes until one evening before he went to sleep he became cognizant of the fact that he was an alien to the promises of God. “Suddenly, it was as if a voice spoke to me and said that I wasn't going to go to heaven. I knew then that I was outside all the promises of God, and it terrified me.” Gaylord couldn't sleep that night. He was afraid to. He didn't want to die in his sleep and end up outside of heaven's door.

The next morning he dressed and headed for work. Marsha, at this time, had grown discouraged over Gaylord's seeming hardness of heart. There was no change in their marriage. She scheduled an appointment to see Pastor Romaine at Calvary.

In the meantime, Gaylord was under the conviction of God. “I was so afraid I was going to die on the way to work and never have a chance to get right with God. It seemed as if I had more near misses that day than I had ever had driving in my life!” Once at work, he called Calvary Chapel and asked for an immediate appointment with Pastor Chuck. Pastor Chuck was unavailable, he was told, but there were other pastors with whom he could meet. He then made an appointment with Pastor Mark Presley and headed straight for Calvary Chapel.

Pastor Mark met him at the front office, and together they walked to Mark's office. There Pastor Mark led Gaylord through the sinner's prayer and gave him a Gospel of John magazine. Pastor Mark explained a few facets of growing in Christ, then Gaylord left. “I remember standing by my car after that, looking around the parking lot of Calvary Chapel, and feeling like the weight of the world had just been removed from my shoulders.” As he stood in the parking lot, he noticed Marsha's car was there also. He drove to his office in Irvine and then home. When Gaylord got home, Marsha was in the kitchen. “What were you doing at Calvary Chapel today?” he asked Marsha.

Marsha was stunned. She had been complaining about him. Did he know? “How do you know I was at Calvary?” she retorted.

“I saw your car there.”  
“What were you doing there?” Marsha queried.  
“I'm born again!” Gaylord responded. “Oh, so am I,” she stated. “If you are, how come your life hasn't changed?” Gaylord inquired.

The two of them sat down in the living room and had the first long, meaningful conversation in years.

Immediately, changes took place in their lives, and have continued from that day forward. “No one told me I had to stop drinking, smoking, or lying.



Pastor Rob Douglas walks from his home which is being built in the Kiryandongo Refugee Camp in Uganda. The camp was once a retreat center for Idi Amin.