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## The JOY of the Lord, The Batman, and Women's History Month

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Movement!

**March 2nd, 2022**



## A Movement of Prayer for the Entertainment Industry

Dear HPN members,

We're so excited to start our Spring 2022 with joy, for the Joy of the Lord is our strength! TODAY is Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. We want to focus our prayers on these 40 days (or 46 days if you count Sundays) of seeking God, fasting anything that would get in the way of being in an attitude of repentance, and pursuing Jesus, in preparation for Easter! If you can't fast food, one thing you can fast is anything that is negative or that pulls you away from being in God's presence – the news, social media, hurtful people or time spent on negative things. To learn more about fasting, and why it's a powerful tool for the body of Christ, we recommend Jenetzen Franklin's [MESSAGE](#) on fasting, and online [RESOURCE GUIDE](#).

Along with fasting, we encourage you to press into the Lord, and set your hearts on "things above", focusing on the things that Christ wants you to joyfully receive from Him in a greater way! A great scripture to meditate on during this time is [Colossians Chapter 3](#).

We are focusing this month on the JOY of the Lord and hope you will too. Will you join us?

## Praises

### Celebrating Our Community: Actor Erick Lopez

Talking about JOY – Erick Lopez, an active and loving member of our HPN community, stars in a short film, *PLEASE HOLD*, which is now nominated for BEST LIVE ACTION SHORT at this year's Oscars. This 20-minute short film follows a young man whose life is suddenly derailed, as he finds himself at the mercy of automated "justice." Let's pray for and celebrate Erick. Here is an [INTERVIEW WITH ERICK ABOUT THE FILM.](#)



ERICK'S INTERVIEW

### Celebrating A Beautiful Life: Nightbirde



NIGHTBIRDE'S  
STORY

We also want to celebrate the life of an amazing human being, Jane "Nightbirde" Marczewski, who performed an original song on December 21, 2021's episode of *America's Got Talent* and won the Golden Buzzer for her heartfelt and beautiful performance. That night she had a 2% chance of surviving cancer and yet she was full of beauty, talent and joy. Nightbirde passed away this Feb. 21, 2022 and leaves behind so much hope and supernatural joy that she continues to be an inspiration. [LISTEN TO HER SONG AND STORY](#) and embrace the joy of the Lord, for that is our strength!

## Prayer Requests

### NRB Convention (The National Religious Broadcasters)

Please pray with us for all of the attendees and the Christian content that will be

promoted at the annual NRB Convention this March 8–11th at Gaylord, Opryland in Nashville, TN. The National Religious Broadcasters meets every year as the world's largest gathering of Christian professionals in radio, TV, film, church media or digital marketing at this Christian Media event for buyers and sellers of faith-based content; including producers, production companies, distributors and publishers.



NRB was founded in 1944, in response to the banning of Christian programming on commercial networks. It was demanded that religious broadcasting should only be aired as a public service during free or "sustaining" time donated by the radio networks. The 150 people who attended the first NRB gathering laid the foundation for the subsequent 68 years, and it has grown into a convention of up to 4,000 attendees. Many HPN professionals will be there and so we lift them up in prayer. We're asking the Lord for quality people of integrity to buy and sell excellent programming to glorify the Lord, entertain families and even reach the secular market!

## THE NRB HISTORY



### OSCAR'S UPDATES

## It's Oscars Month!

It's the month of the Academy Awards! Sunday evening, March 27th is when the 94th annual awards ceremony will be televised at the Dolby Theatre in Hollywood. It will be hosted by three female comedians, Regina Hall, Amy Schumer and Wanda Sykes, and it will present categories and winners in a different format than usual, as they try to revive the telecast, following the lowest rated year on television in 2021! Please pray for the nominees, the winners, losers, co-hosts, and everyone involved to feel the love, joy, peace and hope of Jesus in miraculous ways that week-end.

## Oscar's Prayer Walk & Watch Party

We also ask that you pray for our HPN community on Thursday, March 24th as we

take a prayer walk down the red carpet on the property of the Dolby Theatre right in the heart of Hollywood & Highland, the iconic center of film, TV and live Theatre. We will be praying for all of the people involved in the Oscars that Sunday, as they walk the red carpet, preparing the way for them through prayer! You can join us in LA or from your homes that evening from 7 – 9pm PT.

Do you have plans to watch the Oscar's? How about gathering your friends, dressing up, and joining The Entertainment Ministries of FPCH for a Red Carpet Oscar's Watch Party! Volunteers needed! More details to come!



**OSCAR'S PRAYER WALK**

**VOLUNTEER FOR OSCARS PARTY**

## The Dark Knight Getting Darker?



Let's pray for the Batman films that have been on a journey of focusing on the darker side of Batman and his life and relationships. Batman started out as a superhero American comic book in 1939, with Batman and Robin, the Boy Wonder. Those stories turned into two feature film adaptations in the 1940s, then a fun children's TV series in 1966 for 3 seasons, and then into another feature film, also in 1966. Batman launched again as a series of feature films in 1989, and they became darker and darker with each new release.

**REVIEW OF THE NEW BATMAN**

The upcoming film, *The Batman*, is the darkest and most violent yet, and rated R. The story is going even darker than *The Dark Knight* so we ask that you pray for the creators to find the original adventure, fun and heroism of Batman that kids and families can enjoy, as they continue to create more movies about this iconic character. We want to celebrate the joy of the Lord in movies, knowing that He wants revival in Hollywood more than us!

## Reformation Needed in the Movie Scoring Business?

We need to pray for the composers in our industry. Most of them, in order to make money at their craft, have to work for famous composers who work them to the bone and don't give them any credit. Very few composers are credited for writing the music for most of the TV shows and films that we watch. However, it's unknown composers behind the scenes, who are actually writing the moving and powerful scores and not getting either credit or residuals. Let's pray for fairness and justice in how people are treated in Hollywood. And today we focus on the composers:



[READ ARTICLE HERE](#)

Thank you so much for your faithful prayers. We are praying for you to be filled to overflowing with the joy of the Lord! Please email us if we can pray for you at [info@hpnemail.org](mailto:info@hpnemail.org).

With love,  
Karen and Kelry

## Has God Called You to Hollywood?

### Women's History Month



#### WOMEN'S NETWORKING

In celebration of March being Women's History Month, we want to highlight another amazing resource on the HPN website – our Women's Networking page! These ministries, organizations, and networking groups are amazing ways to get connected in the industry. As you know, Karen founded this organization 20 years ago, and HPN has thrived as a woman owned and run organization, and still continues to! We love God's heart to strengthen and raise up women after His heart who represent the Kingdom in grace, kindness and excellence! Let's celebrate women all month long, and celebrate these great women's groups!

### Scripture

'So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.'

-- *1 Corinthians 10:31*

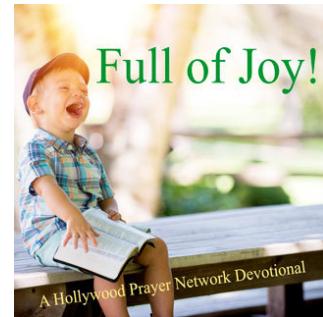
### Quote

"The chief end of man is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever."  
— *Westminster Shorter Catechism*

## HPN YouVersion Weekly Devotional: Joy

This week we are excited about finding JOY in the midst of sorrow and experiencing the joy of the Lord in all circumstances. We desire to live a life of joy and yet how many of us know that the joy of the Lord is our strength? God's will for our life is to rejoice and be joyful!

– Karen Covell



[Read Full Devotional](#)

## Feature Presentations

### Christian Youth Film Festival

If there is any way to visit Bakersfield during Joe Brown's Christian Youth Film Festival you will not be sorry. Joe honors, celebrates and encourages young filmmakers who love Jesus and he brings in a host of Hollywood judges and mentors to help these young creatives to move to the next level. Please be in prayer for the 28<sup>th</sup> annual Christian Youth Film Festival, March 12 & 13 in downtown Bakersfield.

This festival encourages and equips young film makers to create excellent visual stories filled with faith, hope, and love. Short movies made by youth from around the world will be screened on the largest screen in Kern County. Please come for the red carpet, the historic theater, and some great student movies. Only \$10 admission!



[GET TICKETS](#)



### Patterns of Supernatural Phenomena

HPN member Coleman Luck has created a powerful podcast called *Patterns of Supernatural Phenomena*, where he tells true stories of real supernatural sightings, events and appearances in American history and where they come from.

[CHECK OUT THE YOUTUBE CHANNEL](#)

## Movie Premier: *RE-OPENING*

HPN is excited to offer free tickets to a wonderful film, written and performed by HPN members during Covid! They are offering our community special admittance to an upcoming screening! So – You're Invited to *RE-OPENING* on Friday March 18th at The Fine Arts Theatre Beverly Hills

Red Carpet: 7pm

Start Time: 8pm

Q&A to follow (10 min)

Running Time: 90 minutes



GET TICKETS TO  
THE PREMIERE



HELP THE PEOPLE OF  
UKRAINE

## Help the People of Ukraine!

If you want to help the people in the Ukraine, HPN partners with Modern Day Missions, a ministry group that supports human needs around the world (including Hollywood) with finances and prayer. They are offering a way to direct our financial gifts into the right hands that actually make an eternal difference in the Ukraine. Will you help?

## Events

**Support our Community by Attending or Praying for these Events!**

### HPN We Friday International Prayer Call

Fridays | 12 – 1 p.m. Pacific | ZOOM or Phone

Join us for a powerful hour of praise and prayer for our industry, where HPN members call in from around the globe and pray for the industry and each other. Links are updated weekly, so please email us to get the latest one.

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WEEKLY FRIDAY  
PRAYER CALL

### HPN "1st Mondays"

Monday, March 7 | 12 – 1 p.m. Pacific | ZOOM

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## EMBRACING LIFE MINISTRIES

March 17th & 26th | VIRTUAL

Our friends at [EMBRACING LIFE MINISTRIES](#) are offering two wonderful events to encourage and build up our community! With a specialty in coming against Depression and Anxiety, as well as experiencing the Glory of God in your life, we encourage you to [CHECK OUT THIER EVENTS HERE!](#)

## Annual Oscar's Prayer Walk

Thursday, March 24 | 7 p.m. Pacific | IN-PERSON

Join us once again for the annual OSCAR'S PRAYER WALK! We will meet in front of the Dolby Theater at 7pm, and pray for the people and projects involved in the Academy Awards.

[MORE INFO HERE>>](#)

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## Oscar's Watch Party

Sunday, March 27 | Time TBD | IN-PERSON

Save the date on the night of the Oscar's to join us in the Mears Center on the FPCH campus for an elegant and entertaining night of fun, fellowship, and of course, photos! LIMITED ATTENDANCE SO YOU WILL WANT TO RSVP QUICKLY! More details to come!

## Measure for Measure

Saturday April 9th | 12:30 p.m. Pacific | IN-PERSON

Measure for Measure is a quarterly gathering led by film composer Jim Covell and Grammy Award winning producer Alex Hitchens. This gathering is for singer/songwriters, musicians, producers, and composers. Food provided, and they welcome spouses and writing partners to join you!

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## Good Friday Service

Friday April 15th | 6 p.m. Pacific | IN-PERSON

Led by HPN's LCD Coordinator Tim Kirschenmann, you are invited to encounter God with an intimate evening of prayer, worship and baptisms. Be renewed in your mind and heart as we encounter the cross with scripture, contemplation, and the Holy Spirit. PLEASE email [tim@hpnemail.org](mailto:tim@hpnemail.org) if you are interested in being baptized.

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## Power of Prayer Conference

May 3rd-5th | 7pm for 3 Nights | IN-PERSON

HPN is thrilled to expand our 28th annual National Day of Prayer event to a 3 Night "Power of Prayer" celebration! This FREE gathering is to build, challenge and mobilize our community with this focus:

### Revival Starts with Prayer!

- Night 1 – WHY we Pray
- Night 2 – HOW we Pray
- Night 3 – The POWER of PRAYER

Community Night of Worship and Prayer

SAVE THE DATE so that you don't miss this celebration of prayer and Hollywood!

To volunteer, click below and let us know how YOU would like to serve! This will be an event that you DO NOT want to miss! [REGISTER NOW TO VOLUNTEER>>](#)

**DO YOU HAVE EVENTS THAT YOU WANT US TO PUT ON OUR BI-WEEKLY CALL SHEET?**

**[EMAIL EVENTS TO HPN](#)**

Don't miss our other local events on our Hollywood Community Calendar, or if you have an event to add, let us know and we'll add it! [VIEW LOCAL EVENTS>>](#)



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