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HPN Birthday Party, Matthew Perry, Telluride Film Festival, Stunts, and AI

CALL SHEET August 21, 2024



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A Movement of Prayer for the Entertainment Industry

Dear HPN,

Can you believe it? Summer is almost over and kids have started going back to school! Where does the time go? We are thankful that you are continuing to pray with us for the people who are creating our culture, leading the hearts of our children, and prophetically showing the pulse of our nation through the stories, songs, video games and profiles that we offer the world. Please don't hesitate to send these emails to other praying, like-minded people, so that we can see a growth in answered prayers for Hollywood and the global entertainment industry. Here we go:



HPN'S 23rd Birthday GAME SHOW Party is THIS SATURDAY!!

BUY 1 GET 1 TICKETS ARE STILL AVAILABLE!

Help us commemorate 23 years of impactful ministry at Hollywood Prayer Network with an unforgettable birthday celebration in partnership with the First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood! We are pulling out all the stops with red carpet, catered food, DJ King Topher of RAVE JESUS spinning up an EPIC dance experience, and the main event – a LIVE Game Show hosted by actor/comedian Kevin Horton and Next Contestant Games, that will have everyone cracking up and making memories! Now is the time to get your tickets, invite a friend, and celebrate with us! There are also a number of opportunities to volunteer. Also, if you would like to sponsor this event, or be a part of this year's historic HPN expansion, please see our sponsorship deck below!

Suggested Attire: Cocktail

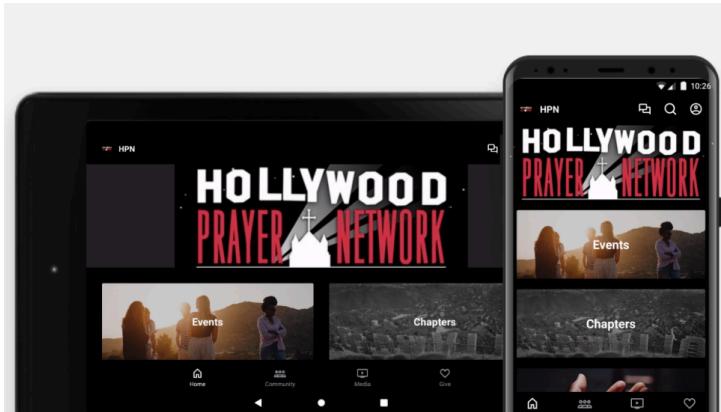
GET TICKETS

VOLUNTEER

SPONSOR

THE OFFICIAL HPN APP IS LAUNCHING AT OUR BIRTHDAY PARTY! This is the only place to see our local, national, and global events, connect with community members, join prayer groups and chapters, and more! This APP will be the best way to share what God is doing in Hollywood, and to pray for the latest entertainment news.

DOWNLOAD THE APP



Nicole Baer is a Mighty HPN Volunteer!

This week we want to honor HPN member and leader of *Montage*, the HPN Fellowship group of editors, Nicole Baer. Nicole is an incredible editor, an amazing woman of God with the gift of hospitality, and she has a loving heart that embraces and encourages everyone she knows. Nicole has been editor of *NCIS: Hawai'i* for the past few years and even though she is at the top of her field, she always cares about everyone she is working with along the way. We want you to pray for Nicole as she leads our Editors Fellowship, *Montage*, and works in our industry, being salt and light every day! HPN is honored to know and walk with Nicole!

Updates

Keep Praying for Stunt People

Thank you for continuing to pray for Stunt people in Hollywood. It's a dangerous job and yet a key part of every action film on the screen. Today we praise God for Brenda Garcia who is a successful stunt woman and yet shares her faith boldly and powerfully every chance she gets. HPN and Brenda have a mutual desire to gather the large group of Christians in stunts together in fellowship in order to make an eternal difference in that field through prayer and relationships. Please join us in praying for the believing stunts community to grow!

[READ MORE HERE!](#)



[GET BRENDA'S ESSAY HERE!](#)

Praises

Be praying for the LA Olympics in 2028

We want to thank you for praying for the media during the Olympics. They shot and aired segments full of praise and prayer from the contestants and we know the Lord was moving. Every morning the players had a prayer and praise time before the events and this was caught on someone's Instagram: Click the [link](#) to watch!

And read this article about all of the Christians who gave glory to God as they won their medals in Paris:

HPN wants to be a part of a morning prayer and praise time every day during the LA Olympics in 2028 here in Los Angeles. Would you pray with us that this will come to pass!



[WATCH HERE!](#)

[READ MORE HERE!](#)



HPN PLANT CITY, FL LAUNCH! An Evening To Believe

HPN is expanding across Florida! If you live anywhere near Plant City, FL, don't miss our HPN launch party there on Wednesday, Sept. 18th at the Premiere Cinemas. We're also partnering with the Christian Youth Film Festival and we would love your prayers for a fun, visionary night of celebration!

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

Requests

Telluride Film Festival

Pray for the upcoming Telluride Film Festival in Telluride, Colorado from August 30 – September 2nd. It is the 51st annual Festival, screening independent films and offering seminars, panels and parties for industry pros. These Film Festivals bring together filmmakers, distributors, actors and studios in order to screen and hopefully buy some of the nation's best new independent films. As one of the top film festivals in the world, the LA Times critic John Horn said: "Sundance has swag, Cannes has yachts... Telluride has class." So, let's pray for the people there

to experience God in the beauty of Colorado and find Him in the films they watch, promote and buy!



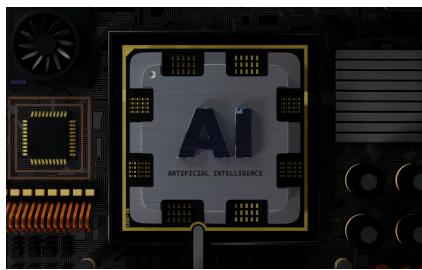
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Adam Driver is Performing Off-Broadway

Pray for Adam Driver and the Off-Broadway play *"Hold On to Me Darling"* that he is performing in from Sept. – December, 2024. It's miraculous how years ago Film was respected much more than Television, and Theatre was the poor step-brother of both Film and TV. Now, all three mediums are highly respected and incredible actors jump back and forth between all three with no hesitation. They just love the opportunity to be working creatively. Let's pray for all of the Arts to continue to gain respect, attention and popularity all across the world because God's greatest gift to mankind is story-telling and His first act was creation!



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Are you Concerned about AI?

Much of the world is concerned about Artificial Intelligence (AI) because we don't completely understand it and it seems scary. So, instead of being naive or afraid, let's pray for the leaders in AI and ask the Lord to touch their hearts and minds

so that they use it for good, that it stays merely as a tool, not a controlling force for mankind, and that we don't feel fear toward it. There is an upcoming gathering in Hollywood, bringing some of the top AI Execs together to discuss the issues. Let's pray for each of these people and their decisions in moving AI forward in our world: Jeremie Harris, CEO, Gladstone AI, Edouard Harris, CTO, Gladstone AI, Yves Bergquist, Director, AI & Neuroscience in Media at USC's Entertainment Technology Center, and Stuart Russell, Prof. of Computer Science

at Cal State Berkeley. Here is a video that helps us understand the power of AI by Prof. Russell.

WATCH HERE!



Pray for Protection from Predators

Pray for creative professionals, like the late Mathew Perry, who are being taken advantage of by people who so often benefit from the Creatives' fame, money, power and/or influence. One terrible struggle of being a "celebrity" is to know who are really their friends, and whom can they trust. Would you pray that the Lord will bring solid Christians to these vulnerable people so that they can find a love, a hope, a joy, and a life that will NOT disappoint them! You can read about what happened to Matthew Perry in this article. It is not uncommon for celebrities to be sucked into drugs through others who first encourage them, and then take advantage of them and make money from them.

READ MORE HERE!

Emmy Nominations are Posted

Pray for the nominees, voters and decision-makers for the 2024 Emmy Awards, coming up this September 15th in Hollywood. This year they are being hosted by a father/son team, Eugene and Dan Levy, the creators of "Schitts Creek." All of the nominations are out, so we ask that you pray for the Lord to do miracles in the hearts and lives of everyone nominated, the hosts, behind the scenes producers, director, crew and presenters! Thank you for lifting up TV's biggest event of the year!



READ MORE HERE!

Thank you so much for praying with us this week. We know your prayers are making an eternal difference in our world. We are SO THANKFUL for you and hope that you tell all your friends, neighbors, associates, co-workers and even the person in front of you at the grocery store, to pray with us for Hollywood! Join us this Saturday for our Birthday Party and have a very happy Labor Day!

With love,
Karen, Kelry and Myesha

Quote

"The early Christians succeeded because they did not lower their heads in despair and say, 'Look what the world has come to.' Instead, they lifted their eyes in delight and said, 'Look Who has come to the world.'

-- E. Stanley Jones

Scripture

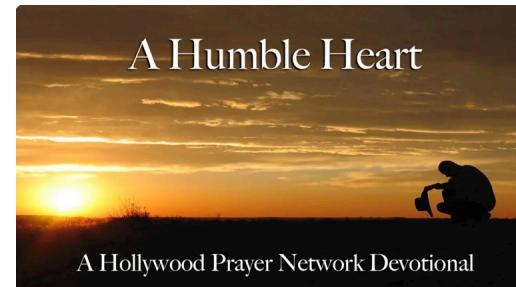
"For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice."

-- John 18:37

Weekly Devotional: Loneliness

This week let's tackle the pure, child-like heart of HUMILITY as we spend time with our God. We know that pride comes before the fall, so HUMILITY must come before we are lifted up. Only the Holy Spirit can truly make us humble, so may that be our prayer this week. And please pray for the Hollywood entertainment industry, which we consider to be the world's most influential mission field!

--Karen Covell



[READ FULL DEVOTIONAL](#)

Feature Presentations**AUGUST KIDS AND TEENS PRAYER CALENDAR**

How to use the K+T Prayer Calendar:
 Download it and print it off, or email to your kids, teachers, Youth Pastors and friends. Put it somewhere (like on the fridge or in your child's school planner) where you and your child can see it and PRAY THROUGH IT together each night. Then, watch your child's prayer life GROW!



This WONDERFUL MONTHLY RESOURCE is created by Sarah Sumpolec; a mother, teacher, author, and creative, who makes these every month! Email her a thank you or question at sarahs@hpnemail.org!

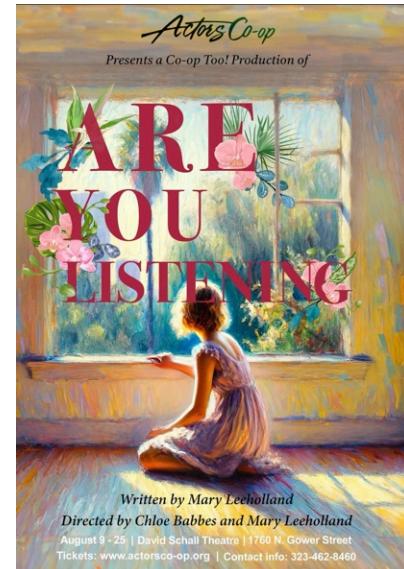
Final Week-end of *Are You Listening*

Exciting News! **★** Join us for the debut of our season and world premiere of *“Are You Listening,”* a touching dramatic comedy written by HPN members & Friends Mary Leeholland, and directed by Chloe Babbes and Mary Leeholland.

Follow Ruth, a determined aspiring actress from small-town Mississippi, as she faces the challenges of loneliness, failed relationships, and identity crisis while pursuing success in Los Angeles, finding solace and guidance through prayers whispered from her small apartment window.

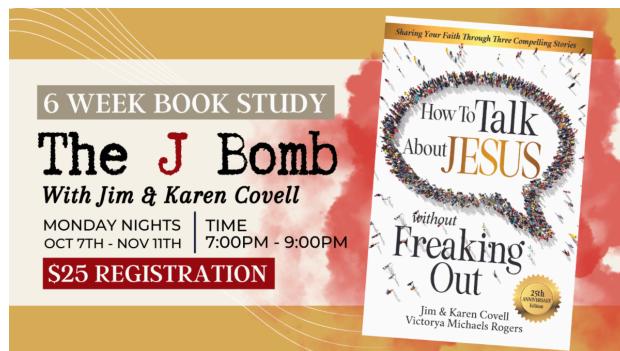
- 📅 Performance Dates: August 9 – 25
- ⌚ Fridays and Saturdays @ 7:30pm
- ⌚ Sundays @ 2:30pm

Don't miss this exclusive limited run – Tickets available now!



USE CODE HPN20 for 20% off your tickets!

TICKETS HERE!



The J Bomb Class in October

It's time again for the HPN class on how to be an effective witness in Hollywood, hosted by Karen and Jim Covell. [EMAIL KAREN](#) if you are interested in joining this very fun in-person 6-week Monday night class on how to be confident talking about your faith in our industry!
Dates: Oct 7th–Nov 11th 2024

Adlife Academy Center for the Arts–Hollywood Open House!

"Adlife Academy Center for the Arts" at Radiance International is beginning in mid-September. This will be a Kingdom school to train up young artists in acting, dancing, music, and the arts.

An informational meeting for parents and potential students will be held on **Friday, August 23rd at 10:00 AM at Radiance Church**. Click the link for more info!

[LEARN MORE HERE!](#)



Alpha Omega Con September 7, 2024

The Alpha Omega Con is the longest-running Christian-themed, family-friendly comic book convention in the United States! You are invited to join on this exhilarating journey where faith takes flight, imagination knows no limits, and the power of storytelling transforms lives. Let your inner hero shine and be part of the Alpha Omega Con—an award-winning celebration of faith, family, and fandom like no other.

[MORE INFO HERE!](#)



Media Apostle Retreat

Join the Media Apostle Retreat in Malibu on January 3–5, 2025

In the Gospels, we see that after the Apostles returned from the mission Jesus had given them, he said, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest awhile" (Mark 6:31, NRSV). This retreat will be a privileged moment for rest, prayer, quiet, and spiritual renewal.

The main goal is to provide all participants with the space they need for prayer and reflection.

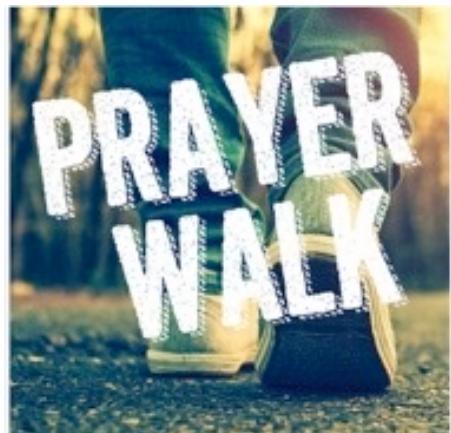
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Intercessors Needed

We are seeking dedicated Intercessors to pray for professionals in our industry. As an HPN One-To-One Prayer warrior Partner, you will have the chance to support a young man or woman working in the industry who desires prayer. If you are willing to participate, please complete this short application. You will be matched with an industry professional who would greatly appreciate your prayers.



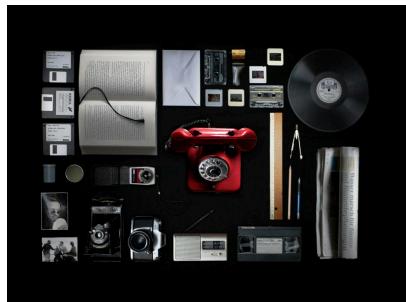
INTERCESSOR APPLICATION



STUDIO PRAYER WALKS ARE BACK!!

If you are interested in participating in an HPN studio prayer walk, please register using the link below. We have small groups walk some studio lots and pray for the people, the projects and the specific issues on those lots. Join us as we get the unique privilege of blessing the land of the world's major film studios.

[SIGN UP HERE!](#)



Upcoming Films and Books by HPN MEMBERS

[Here](#) is a list of faith-based movies, books and projects that have recently come out or are coming out soon and we want to let you know about them! HPN does not endorse any films, but we do want to support our creative friends and let our members know about what's happening both in the secular and faith-based

entertainment worlds, including TV, music, video games, internet content, and even books and journalism. **CHECK THESE OUT...**

[CHECK OUT THIS LIST!](#)

HPN EVENTS CALENDAR

Be sure not to miss our other events in this new format. We want to make our Call Sheets shorter for you, so please check out our February events below!

August 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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4 Art & Industry @ 5:00 PM	5 1st Mondays Prayer Worship	6 Upside Down Comedy 7PM	7 WB Studio Prayer Walk	8 Media Life Group @ 7PM	9	10 KWA Group for Screenwriters
11 Arts & Industry @ 5:00 PM	12	13 Upside Down Comedy 7PM	14	15 HPN Monthly Meetup 11:00 AM Media Life Group @ 7PM	16	17
18 Arts & Industry @ 5:00 PM	19	20 Upside Down Comedy 7pm Inbetweeners Gathering 7pm	21	22 Media Life Group @ 7PM Stagelight Actor's Group	23	24 <u>23RD BIRTHDAY PARTY CELEBRATION!</u>
25 Montage Film Editor's Gathering @ 2 PM	26	27 Upside Down Comedy 7 PM	28	29	30	31

SEE ALL HPN COMMUNITY GROUPS and EMAIL TO JOIN

SAVE THE DATE!
UNITE: A Global Prayer Day for Media
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27th, 2024.

HPN is part of a new global effort of prayer for media, arts & entertainment professionals, projects, and influence. Don't miss this 24 hour prayer around the world at **UNITE: A**

Global Prayer Day for Media on **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27th, 2024.** More info to come!



Events

See All Local Events – [HPN EVENTS CALENDAR](#)

Support our Community by Attending or Praying for these Events!

HPN Weekly Friday Global 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.

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