

# PRAYER LETTER

SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2008

Religious Support Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Iraqi Army Division Military Transition Teams

High Value Prayer Focus:

**Abd Al-Hadi Al-Iraqi**

**Wanted as a senior leader, trainer, and tactician for Al Qaida. He has a wide mouth and heavily wrinkled cheeks. He speaks Arabic, Pashtu, English, Farsi, Kurdish, and Urdu. He is a senior Al-Qaida military commander and paramilitary forces instructor.** *From Defense Intelligence Agency Web Site (2006)*

Ask God to give Al-Hadi dreams and visions that will lead him to understanding the true character and nature of God. Ask that his bondage to Satan will be broken. Ask that he will see and experience the irresistible grace of God found in God's provision for the forgiveness of his sins and that he will have the spiritual freedom to repent.



**WANTED**

## Prayer Requests from 2-IA AOR:

- Preparing for elections requires registering voters. The sites for this registration are prime targets for terrorism. Ask God to cleanse these locations of spiritual evil and ring them with divine protection.
- Securing sites for voter registration falls upon both the Iraqi Army and Iraqi Police. Ask God to help the Army and Police, who in Mosul come predominantly from different ethnic groups, to understand and cooperate with each other.
- Advising Army and Police units are small transition teams of Americans. Dynamics in these teams are much like the dynamics within families. Ask God to pour out upon transition team members patience and grace that they will share with one another.

## Hebrews 11:36,39

<sup>36</sup>Some faced jeers and flogging, while still others were chained and put in prison. . . .

<sup>39</sup>These were all commended for their faith.

## Devotional Thought on Hebrews 11:36-39

The military profession demands success, and it rewards achievement. Results on advising Iraqi units are slow and often imperceptible leading many to a crisis in self perception and professional development. Spiritual growth in our lives and the results of our testimony on others are also often discouraging and imperceptible. Fortunately, God is not like the military. He does not reward results. He rewards faithfulness. Many of the men commended for their faith in this passage from the book of Hebrews met with discouraging results by human standards. Those of us who receive little for our service here on earth are promised a rich reward in heaven (Matthew 5:12). Note that in the "Parable of the Talents" (Matthew 25:14-30) the master rewards his servants for faithfulness rather than results (verse 23). Do not be discouraged. Our requirement is to be faithful. Results are up to God.