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IS JOHN CARTER RETIRING?

Susan Piraino, Communications Director of The Carter Report, has worked with Pastor and Mrs. Carter for more than thirty years. She talks to Pastor Carter about rumors of his retirement.

QUESTIONS:

ANSWERS:

1. How long have you been preaching the Gospel of Christ?	1. Beverley and I have been in this great work for 62 years.
2. What are the greatest experiences of those action-packed years?	2. It almost now seems like a dream. We were called to Moscow in 1991 when Communism was disintegrating. The Church in Russia hired the Palace of Culture just down the road from the Kremlin. Revolution was in the air and we were part of it. The great hall was packed from 10 in the morning to 10 at night, day after day. We saw the Glory of God and tasted the Powers of the World to come. It was only a foretaste of mighty things to come.
3. Did you feel that you were walking with destiny?	 We believed we were called for that hour. We were not in charge. We were caught up in events beyond our control. We felt and experienced Pentecostal power.
4. What did those springboard events lead to?	4. Doors were flung open everywhere. We were invited to preach in Russia's great cities. Later we stood before great hungry crowds all across Ukraine. We beheld His Glory and felt we were participants in events beyond our control.

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5. How many souls were touched for God?	5. I really don't know, we were not keeping score. But tens of millions watched on Russian TV from coast to coast. Millions actually thronged the meetings. At the opening meeting in Kiev, the crowd was so great that 100,000 were turned away. This was a HOLY SPIRIT movement. We were just his weak instruments.
6. Who paid the great expenses of these mass meetings across those old Communist countries?	 It was another miracle. People sent offerings. Cumulatively thousands and millions of dollars. The jar of oil always had just enough. God was in charge and we were swept up in the mighty movement of divine destiny.
7. Was there opposition?	Of course. But with the opposition there came great opportunities.
8. You have preached in the Superdome in New Orleans and the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles. You were the evening speaker at the 1988 Minneapolis Conference. You have preached to Hindus and Muslims in India and dangerous gangs in Central America. What made Russia and Ukraine SO very special?	8. Because God opened a window. It stayed open for less than 20 years. In the providence of God, we were thrust into Russia and Ukraine during that brief interlude. God took us there and we saw His hand. Now Russia has slammed shut. Ukraine is a bleeding war zone. We were a part of His mighty plan, "for such a time as this." We can never forget.





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9. You celebrated your 84th birthday in February. Are you tired? Are you and Beverley about to retire?	9. There are two things a minister can't do. He can't tell lies. And he can't quit. Am I tired? Sure, I get tired. I don't have the energy I once had. I find myself dreaming more and more about Heaven. But while I have air in my lungs and a brain that keeps functioning, I plan to keep on keeping on for Jesus. I have only one regret, I have only one life to give for Jesus my Lord
10. Are you planning on selling your office and production Center in California?	 That's the plan. We want to relocate. We want to loosen up funds for Jesus. For many years we have had a tremendous team and they share our Gospel convictions.
11. Do you really believe Jesus is coming soon?	11. I sure do. And so does the Devil. That's why he is so busy messing up people's lives. He knows he has but a short time. We hope somehow to save as many as possible from his clutches. We want to share the GOOD NEWS. We want to ignore the cynics and naysayers and save souls who will in the Kingdom shine like the stars forever and ever.





A MESSAGE FROM BEVERLEY

We have been blessed — more blessings than we could ever have imagined when we left Avondale College 62 years ago. We were young, hopeful, enthusiastic — and broke. But God blessed us and we are very thankful to God. Now we are trying to help God's suffering people in Ukraine, a country so close to our hearts. We know these people because we have been there many times — in summer and in winter. We also feel a great pain in our hearts for the Russian people. So many young men are being cast into the infernal war machine, and thousands are dying or left torn and broken.

Please give an offering to help us proclaim the Gospel in those blood-soaked lands. Recently purchased Carter Report van is busy transporting food and medical supplies in Ukraine. The newly constructed evangelism center in Western Ukraine is now working around the clock. Your gift will help keep the light shining in the darkness. Thank you, dear precious friends.

Love, Beverley Carter

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