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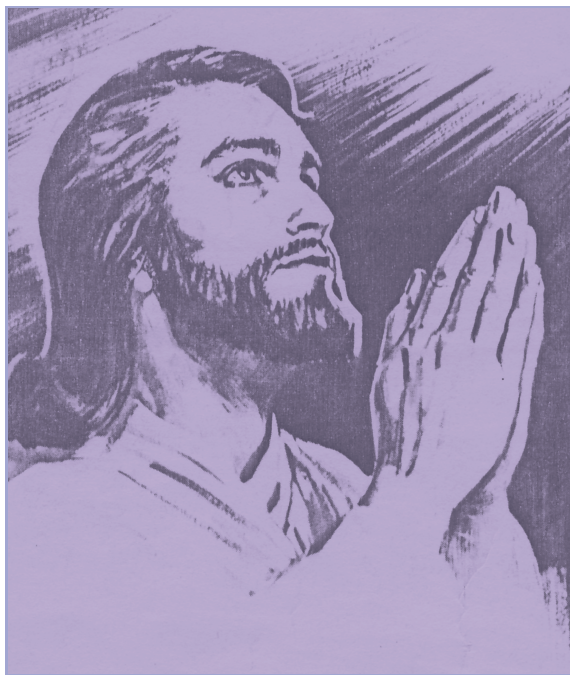
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Sweet Hour Of Prayer!

Fresh off a year in which we celebrated the 75th Anniversary of Faith Magazine, we're going back to basics, Dear Member. Yes, we welcome you back to the basics of living a prayerful life as in the theme of this FAITH: *Sweet Hour of Prayer*.

That's the title of a beautiful hymn by William Walford, a blind pastor who lived in mid-19th Century England . . .

*Sweet hour of prayer!
Sweet hour of prayer!
That calls me from
A world of care,
And bids me
At my Father's throne
Make all my wants
And wishes known.
In seasons of distress and grief,
My soul has often found relief
And oft escaped the tempter's snare
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer!*

Despite not being able to see, Walford memorized large parts of the Bible and composing sermons in his head, as well as lines of verse. One of those verses was published in a newspaper and eventually put to music as "Sweet Hour of Prayer."

Walford was said to spend a great deal of his time in prayer, which may be why he was moved to write the song title that also is the theme of this New Year edition of Faith Magazine.

We chose this theme because Fellowship has long championed the power of positive prayer in our lives. It is the best way to talk to God about whatever is bothering you and seek His help to correct it. Prayer brings you closer to the Lord, too, so you can see evidence of Him working in your life. It also strengthens your faith, so you know you have God's support when things aren't going just right.

Many of our Members have written us to say what a difference prayer has made in their lives . . . In some cases turning them around 180 degrees as they abandoned bad habits, or creating opportunity where there was none.

On Page 6, Member Beatrice U. from Ohio tested out the power of prayer when she contacted our Special Help Department. *"I got the most beautiful prayers in the mail from you, my Fellowship Friends,"* Beatrice wrote us. *"I used them and asked the Lord to help my husband find work.*

Nothing happened right away, but my mother counseled me to be patient because God works on His time, not ours. Then, after a month out of work, a friend called up Jim and told him about an opening. Jim applied and got the job!"

Member Mary K. from California also says on Page 8 she successfully used her prayers to help her get through a medical procedure. *"I want to tell the World your prayers do work, because I prayed over and over, asking God to make this problem come out OK for me. I thank Life-Study Fellowship, too, for helping my faith grow and make me strong."*

You'll find this "prayer power" theme throughout this FAITH, Dear Friend. We hope it kicks off your New Year on a positive note, and that your powerful, prayerful momentum continues all year!

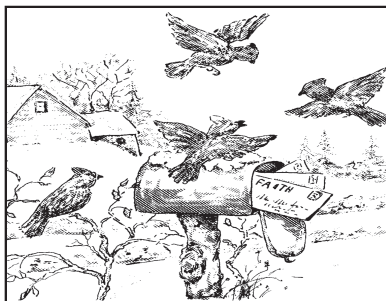
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If you're **NOT** already a Member of Life-Study Fellowship, we'd like to invite you to start getting Faith Magazine!

Maybe someone gave you this Faith Magazine. Or perhaps it came into your hands some other way. We just know we're glad you've welcomed us into your home!

So please, if you like what you see and want to start receiving FAITH regularly, we'd like to pass along this *Special Invitation* to you. Yes, we would be delighted to tell you more about Life-Study Fellowship and how you can start receiving Faith Magazine! All you need to do is use the handy little form below to send us your name and



address. You'll hear from us soon!

Mail to: **Life-Study Fellowship, Dept. 16, Noroton, CT 06820**

And visit our web site:
www.lifestudyfellowship.org

It would be a pleasure to hear from you and to welcome you!

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How To Start Receiving FAITH!



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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

NEW Address Here

Name _____

Address _____
Street, Route or Box No. Apt. No.

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

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Also, when you send us your new address, please use an envelope we provide for you in every package that has your old address already printed on it. We need to have your old address to make sure your mail comes to the new address quickly and accurately. We really feel bad when something you've

asked for arrives late or gets lost because of an old address. Help us make sure that doesn't happen to you!

If you are writing to Fellowship for the first time, please let us know if you are not already a Member. This will also help us give you a speedy response.

Following these few important tips will ensure that we stay in close contact!

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“Inspiring Literature”

I have received several mailings from you and I placed them all in a pile to open later. I have not finished reading or using all of this inspiring literature, so I carry all of it in a little bag to work with me, and my spare moments are spent reading, observing God’s messages and praying. I so enjoy my Faith Magazines. They are little packages of dynamite! You can’t leave one item in them unread. Thank you so much for these gifts, Fellowship, and would you please send me a Prosperity Harvest Plan as well? May God bless you for the good works you do. I wonder how many people, like myself you have reached and touched.

Member Betty P., Alabama

“Feel So Good!”

Hi Fellowship, I love to hear from you. It makes me so happy. May God bless you and keep you. My mother sent my name to you many years ago. She passed away three or four years ago, and I smile and think of her every time I hear from you. I feel so good when you write me!

Member Edith H., Florida

“Part Of My Life”

Dear Friends, I appreciate your prayers for me and I try to do my best because the Three Daily Prayers keep me on track. Each day, I look forward to reading my FAITH as a part of my life. Your prayers and letters are so wonderful. Thanks to all of you at Life-Study Fellowship and God bless!

Member Ernesta D., Massachusetts

Start Saving Big With Fellowship’s Prosperity Harvest Plan!

We know planning for the future can seem intimidating. Dear Friend. You may wonder how you can possibly set enough money aside to carry you through the surprises that often pop up during a lifetime.

Well, you’ll be glad to know we at Fellowship have thought about that problem, too. That’s why we created the **Fellowship Prosperity Harvest Plan**, to help Members just like you start planning and saving for a future free of financial worry.

Doesn’t that sound interesting? Here’s how it works.

Fellowship’s Prosperity Harvest Plan offers you ideas to think about each day, a savings plan to follow and a special **Prosperity Prayer** for you to ask the Lord’s help to prosper.

And, what do we charge for this financial advice? Zero! Our **Prosperity Harvest Plan** is free! Just write us at Fellowship and ask us to send you a free **Prosperity Harvest Plan**.

It’s really that easy, and once you start using the plan you won’t believe how much money you’ll save. So don’t wait, get started saving today!

“I Got The Most Beautiful Prayers In The Mail From You!”

I grew up going to church with my mother, a longtime Member of Fellowship. But, I can't say I was a person of faith until I saw the Lord working in my life. That happened well along in my life, after I had married and started a family. Oh, I believed in God, before then. I just didn't think of Him that much, other than when I occasionally went to church during the year.

That all changed when my husband, Jim, lost the job where he had worked for over 10 years of our life together. He and his fellow workers all were called in to the warehouse one day and informed the plant would be shutting down. Jim and his buddies were shocked. There had been no warning the factory was

going to close. He called me after his managers broke the bad news, his voice full of uncertainty. “*What are we going to do?*” we both asked ourselves. Jim's paycheck was bigger than mine, so we relied upon it more to pay the bills.

My husband's employer would only pay two more weeks of his wages, so we had to think of what we were going to do right away. Jim began calling around to his friends, asking them if they knew of any openings at their workplace.

I was worried sick. I called up my mother, who was getting up in years by now, and asked her for advice. She immediately told me about Fellowship's Special Help Department and suggested I write them for prayer help.

Well, I got the most beautiful prayers in the mail from you, my Fellowship Friends. I used them and asked the Lord to help my husband find work. Nothing happened right away, but my mother counseled me to be patient because God works on His time, not ours. Then, after a month out of work, a friend called up Jim and told him about an opening. Jim applied and got the job! Now he's making more money than he did before, and we're able to save for the future ... all thanks to God's grace and Fellowship!

Member Beatrice U., Ohio



Strength For The Day

Little Prayers For Life's Everyday Situations

2016

Where have the days gone, Dear Lord? It seems like time flew by in 2015 and all of a sudden, we're beginning a bright New Year! My prayer is a simple one, for my friends and family to be blessed with health and happiness. Let none of us go without the necessities of life, and help us prosper and succeed. May our faith in You grow and strengthen, too!

— Amen

My Daughter

Lord, it's hard for me to admit this, but my daughter is all grown up. I am proud of all she has accomplished in school and life. As she goes off to college, please watch over and protect her. Help her make good choices and find lifelong friendships. Let her make good grades in a field she loves.

— Amen

Quiet Time

Dear Father, my life is chaotic. There are so many things going on that need my attention, I feel pulled in several directions. This situation makes it hard to concentrate on what I must do, so I ask Your help. Ease my troubled thoughts, Lord, so I may think more clearly, and be able to sleep. I'm counting on You to restore my peace of mind!

— Amen

Winter's Bite

My home is warm, but I feel for those who have trouble paying to heat their houses during the cold months. Lord, please bless those in need with enough to sustain them. Help them find assistance to stay warm this winter, whether it's someone to help chop wood or filling a tank with fuel for the furnace. Let everyone get through the winter in good health.

—Amen

A Special Valentine

There is a special someone I want to impress, O Lord. I've hesitated to ask this person to spend time with me because I'm nervous. If my request was rejected I would be crushed. I can't stand waiting around any more, so I say this prayer: Let my special Valentine feel the same away about me as I do about them!

— Amen

A New Car

Heavenly Father, my car is breaking down almost every week. It's so old it has no more warranty, and these repairs are getting to be expensive. I really need to trade it in on a reliable vehicle that won't leave me stranded on the road side. So, I'm saying a prayer for Your help. Please help me find a new or used good car that has many years left!

— Amen

“I Want To Tell The World Your Prayers Do Work!”

Dear Fellowship, I must take this time to express my many thanks for your years of service to our family. I am now a widow with two grown daughters. I was born into a Christian home and my daddy subscribed to your Faith Magazine when I was 12 years old! He cherished that magazine and encouraged us kids to meditate daily and always have FAITH with us. Now, I am a senior citizen, 79 years old, who reads, prays and stays connected to my partners in Fellowship.

My special concern today is to request a prayer for constant progress for my daughter, who is scheduled to interview for a new job. This is a good opportunity and I know she would be excited to start work.

Member G. B., South Carolina



Dear Friends, I recently had a health scare, but with help from your prayers, I got through it OK. I went for a colonoscopy. I was scared to death and had no money for specialists in the event I had something really wrong. But the doctors and nurses who participated in my procedure were so kind to me. They treated me like a celebrity. I felt like the luckiest lady of 82 in the whole World! The good news continued, because they didn't find any cancer, and they gave me some medicine to make me feel better.

I want to tell the World your prayers do work, because I prayed over and over, asking God to make this problem come out OK for me. I thank Life-Study Fellowship, too, for helping my faith grow and make me strong. Yes, I had a stroke that made me blind in one eye, but I accept all that, and thank God for my right eye that has sight.

I live on a fixed income and would very much like to send you more to support your good work, but I try to do what I'm able. I've told all the people at my church about Fellowship and how nice you've been to me. They asked for your address and I gave it to them. A million words are not enough to thank you for what you've done for me!

Member Mary K., California

Talk To God During Your Own “Quiet Time” With Him!

Many folks live with a lot of pressure these days. Pressure to earn more money. Pressure to raise families in the face of violence. Pressure to fit in with the crowd.

All these pressures often make us feel tense and ready to snap at the next person who asks a question. You may find they even cause you to get muscle aches and cramps in the back and neck, or a headache, Dear Member!

So, how can you deal with pressure and prevent that from happening? We have an idea . . . Escape to your own “Quiet Time” with the Lord. This can be any time of the day or night that you can spare a few minutes -- when you relax and spend some time having your own conversation with God. It may be a prayer in which you ask Him for help with a problem, or just you talking to the Lord honestly as you would a good friend.

Just tell Him what’s in your heart, Dear Friend, what’s going on in your life; what you’ve been doing and what you hope to do. Let Him know how your life choices are working out for you. In other words, just relax and chat with God.

You may think it’s a little odd at first. But, when you stop being self conscious, all of a sudden you will notice the ten-



sion within you is fading. Pressures that have built up over time will ease because you are in the Lord’s presence. His warmth will blanket you with a sense of peace and calm.

That’s the benefit of “Quiet Time” with God. He has the power to banish the pressures you feel right now and replace them with a peaceful sense of purpose. You’ll be able to greet the next day refreshed and ready for whatever comes your way.

How about using a few minutes to try “Quiet Time” on your own, Dear Member? There’s no risk and no cost to this beneficial therapy, just the knowledge that God is a good friend who is always with you, ready to help.

“I Love Your Prayers And Faith Magazine!”

Dear Life-Study Fellowship,

Thank you for just being there. I love you and hope you will please continue to keep me in your prayers. I still have very little money. However, I am stepping out on faith, and believing in God. I love your prayers and Faith Magazine. I have a small business that has been closed. I think I am going to open it back up. I always remember a long time ago when you sent me a small gold cross as a gift. I misplaced it and really wish I could get another one.

I think I first saw an ad for Fellowship in a magazine. It sounded wonderful so I sent in my address to get my first FAITH. It made such a difference in my life. I was delighted with the spiritual message of Faith Magazine and Fellowship and my love for you has never wavered.

Even when I moved and lost track of Fellowship, I never forgot about you. I thought maybe I would never hear from you again, which made me sad. But somehow, we were reconnected after I saw a Faith Magazine in an office. I think God brought us back together because He knew how much I missed you. In fact, I am sending you a donation to celebrate finding Fellowship again.

I also ask my Fellowship Friends to pray for me to find a



way to repair my house. It needs a lot of work that I haven't been able to get to. I sure could use some help in getting these repairs done, but so far nothing has turned up.

I'm also going to request prayers for God's help in paying off my income tax bill, as well as for a financial blessing. That would help me get going on the repairs I need to make on my house. Besides those things, I ask my Fellow Members to join me in praying for my son to get off drugs and stay out of jail. He's such a nice young man, and it breaks my heart to see him this way. This addiction to drugs is ruining his life and greatly worrying me.

Well, thanks for everything Fellowship. God bless you!

Member C E., Texas

Introduce New Members To Friendship, Fellowship and FAITH!

What goes together like bread and butter? Why, that would be “Friendship” and “Fellowship,” Dear Member.

A friend is defined as: one who is attached to another by affection or esteem; or one that is of the same group.

The word fellowship is defined as: a community of interest, activity, feeling or experience. Or, it could be a group of equals or friends.

With those definitions in mind, we ask you now, what would one be without the other? A friend might well be useless without fellowship, and Fellowship would be nothing without our Friends! In numbers there is strength, which is why we’re always interested in growing Fellowship and meeting new Members.

We know there are people out there who would enjoy reading Faith Magazine, who don’t know about it or the benefits of belonging to Life-Study Fellowship.

So, as we start this New Year, Dear Member, please try to think of a couple new people who would enjoy our FAITH! They may be friends, neighbors or family members. Giving them a copy of Faith Magazine after you have finished reading it is a good way to recycle those old editions.

You also could check with

those folks you think would enjoy our Fellowship and ask if you can send their name in to us, so they can start getting Faith Magazine and all of our inspirational reading material.

Doing that would make you one of our many “Friends helping Friends” in Fellowship. Because, Dear Friend, you really are helping others when you share the joyful words of Faith Magazine and the wisdom of its Daily Prayers, meaningful stories and Bible Readings. There’s a little of everything for everyone in each FAITH, so something is bound to catch the eye of those with whom it is shared.

Yes, there could be no Fellowship without Friends like you, Dear Member. We’re glad to have you on our team!



Happy Birthday!

Your Birthday is very special, Dear Friend, and we would like to help you celebrate!

So, if you haven't already done so, please tell us the month and day of your Birthday so we can put a bit of extra happiness in your mailbox!

Here's all you have to do. Fill out the little form below with your Name, Address and Birthdate. The year is not necessary, just the month and day, such as Sept. 21, or whatever yours happens to be. Then, come your Birthday Time, we will be able to mail you a beautiful Birthday Blessing and Greeting Card, with happy thoughts and best wishes from all

of us in Fellowship!

Please take a minute to send your birthday information to us. For we really would enjoy being a part of your celebration!



TO: LIFE-STUDY FELLOWSHIP, Noroton, CT 06820

Dear Friends:

How nice of my Friends in Fellowship to think of sending me a beautiful **"Birthday Blessing Card"** at my Birthday Time! I'm sending the necessary information so you can add my name to your Birthday Remembrance Roll!

My Name Is _____

Address _____

Street, Route or Box No.

Apt. No.

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Month and Day of Birth _____

(Remember, just give the day — like Sept. 21 — Year is not necessary)

Here Are Some 2016 Dates For You To Remember!

JANUARY

- 1 New Year's Day
- 18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

FEBRUARY

- 10 Ash Wednesday
- 12 Lincoln's Birthday (US)
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 15 Washington's Birthday (US)
- 15 Presidents' Day (US)

MARCH

- 13 Daylight Saving Time starts
- 17 St. Patrick's Day
- 20 Palm Sunday
- 25 Good Friday
- 27 Easter Sunday

APRIL

- 23 Passover begins

MAY

- 5 National Day Of Prayer
- 8 Mother's Day
- 21 Armed Forces Day (US)
- 30 Memorial Day, Observed

JUNE

- 14 Flag Day (US)
- 19 Father's Day
- 20 Summer begins

JULY

- 4 Independence Day (US)

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Labor Day
- 11 Patriot Day (US)
- 22 Autumn begins

OCTOBER

- 10 Columbus Day, Observed
- 31 Halloween

NOVEMBER

- 6 Daylight Saving Time ends
- 11 Veterans' Day (US)
- 24 Thanksgiving (US)

DECEMBER

- 7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance
- 25 Christmas
- 26 Kwanza begins



JANUARY — My DAILY BIBLE VERSES

These Bible Verses are really something “to hold on to” each day of January, Dear Member. Write down the selected Verse on a piece of paper, remember what it says and “hold on to it” as you carry it with you that day. For in God’s Word there is great strength!

1. *“I will make all My goodness pass before thee”*
Exodus 33:19
2. *“Let all your things be done with charity”*
I Cor. 16:14
3. *“The Lord thy God blesseth thee, as He promised”*
Deuteronomy 15:6
4. *“He is wise in heart, and mighty in strength”*
Job 9:4
5. *“Peace be within thy walls”*
Psalm 122:7
6. *“Grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord”*
II Peter 3:18
7. *“Follow after the things which make for peace”*
Romans 14:19
8. *“Ask, and ye shall receive”*
John 16:24
9. *“My Presence shall go with thee”*
Exodus 33:14
10. *“Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised”*
Psalm 48:1
11. *“I am filled with comfort”*
II Cor. 7:4
12. *“Thy work shall be rewarded”*
Jeremiah 31:16
13. *“Serve Him in sincerity and in truth”*
Joshua 24:14
14. *“He is a buckler to all those that trust in Him”*
Psalm 18:30
15. *“Burden shall be taken away”*
Isaiah 10:27
16. *“Harden not your heart”*
Psalm 95:8
17. *“Whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, that will I do”*
John 14:13
18. *“He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him”*
Hebrews 11:6
19. *“The Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light”*
Isaiah 60:19
20. *“Let us do good unto all”*
Galatians 6:10
21. *“Forgive, and ye shall be forgiven”*
Luke 6:37
22. *“Abide in Me, and I in you”*
John 15:4
23. *“A soft answer turneth away wrath”*
Proverbs 15:1
24. *“I will be with thee”*
Judges 6:16
25. *“In Thee, O Lord, do I hope”*
Psalm 38:15
26. *“Let your requests be made known unto God”*
Philippians 4:6
27. *“Be patient toward all”*
I Thess. 5:14
28. *“Trust in Him at all times”*
Psalm 62:8
29. *“Grudge not one against another”*
James 5:9
30. *“He is our peace”*
Ephesians 2:14
31. *“Continue in prayer”*
Colossians 4:2

JANUARY — Fellowship's DAILY PRAYERS

It's a great feeling knowing you have Fellow Members all over the land saying Fellowship's Three Daily Prayers for you and with you! Please take part by offering these United Prayers all during the month of January.

“Behold, I will do a new thing!”

Isaiah 43:19

8:00 A.M. Prayer for Guidance

Dear Father, I am grateful to be here with You as You stand beside me, directing me toward that which is good, and helping me make the right decisions. Thank You, Lord, for such blessed Guidance, not only for myself but for each of my Fellow Members everywhere. We live this day with joy and peace of mind because You are with us. You are our mentor and Guide through life.

— Amen



12:00 Noon Prayer for Prosperity

Dear Father, as I stop for my midday prayer, I am honored to spend this quiet time with You. It helps me place my burdens before You and to ask with a faithful heart for Your blessings of Prosperity and Success. Father, please grant me and my Fellow Members the answers we seek, and help us provide for ourselves and those we love. Thank You, Dearest Lord. — Amen

9:00 P.M. Prayer for Health and Healing

There is no end to the wonders You can perform, Lord. This night You shine Your light of hope and strength for those in sickness and pain. Please let there be Healing and restored good Health. We in Fellowship seek this mercy and love which we know will never fail us. And we will rest tonight in Your gentle care. — Amen

“I Felt Like I Was Part Of Something Bigger!”

When I received a “Personal Analysis” form from Life-Study Fellowship, I was a little skeptical about what it would do. I kept it for about a month before giving it a second look. I didn’t expect much to come of the form. It just didn’t seem that important.

Boy, was I wrong!

Now, I’m glad I took the time to fill out the form and return it to Fellowship. I quickly received some beautiful prayers to help me ask the Lord to grant me good fortune.

In short order, I received a letter from Fellowship. And then, a Faith Magazine came in the mail. It was the end-of-the-year “Holiday Issue,” and I really enjoyed reading all the stories, Bible Verses and Daily Prayers.

It was at that point where I felt like I was part of something bigger and more important than just me. A place where my Fellow Members cared about me and what was happening in my life. Yes, I had a spiritual awakening of sorts and realized I wanted to work on growing and strengthening my faith in God.

That’s what I worked on in my first several months of being a Member of Fellowship. I eagerly checked my mailbox for every new edition of FAITH and read every page. I could feel myself growing closer to the Lord, and



as a result I felt more confident about starting each day. Friends noticed I was more assured, too. I just told them I had found a broad measure of assurance and support, through faith in God. His presence in my life is both a comfort and a reminder that I want to live up to His teachings.

Since I joined Fellowship I have written off for special prayer help many times to cope with or solve a pesky problem. I’ve always been pleased with the quality and honesty of those prayers and they really have helped me out.

Well, I just wanted to share this story about how Fellowship inspired me. I hope it moves others who are on the outside to take a look at this wonderful group of people. They care for and care about all of us!

Member B. B., Michigan

Fill In The Blanks For Our Fun Fellowship Bible Quiz!

Bible Studies can be fun for the whole family! Test your knowledge of the Holy Book by answering these 5 questions with your own Bible. Then turn to Page 18 to see if your answers match the correct ones printed there.

(Please clip along these lines and mail.)

1. Who found Baby Moses in the river? (Exodus 2:5)

“And the _____ came down to wash herself at the river; and her maidens walked along by the river's side; and when she saw the ark among the flags, she sent her maid to fetch it.”

2. How old was David when he became King of Israel?
(II Samuel 5:4)

“David was _____ years old when he began to reign.”

3. What did the Lord give Solomon?” (I Kings 5:12)

“And the LORD gave Solomon _____, as He promised him.”

4. In what river was Jesus baptized? (Mark 1:9)

“Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in (the) _____.”

5. Who were the parents of Cain and Abel?
(Genesis 4:1-2)

“And _____ knew _____ his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD. And she again bare his brother Abel.”

Show us how you did on this quiz!

Clip and mail this page to:

Life-Study Fellowship

Noroton, CT 06820

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My Name Is _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Tell us how you did, Dear Member!

Below, you'll find the answers to our Faith Bible Quiz. Please check them against what you wrote and let us know how well you did. Just cut out Page 17 and mail it back to us!

(We'd love to know what you would like see in future Bible quizzes, too. Please include any suggestions you may have!)

ANSWERS

- 1. Daughter of Pharaoh***
- 2. Thirty***
- 3. Wisdom***
- 4. Jordan***
- 5. Adam and Eve***

ONE-SENTENCE SERMONS

Little Life Lessons! That's how we like to describe these One-Sentence Sermons. They are sayings that express life's truths in just a few words. If you have a favorite bit of advice, please send it to us, Dear Member. We print as many of these tiny sermons as we can.

"Sometimes the path ahead is uncertain until you take the next step."

Member Pete W.

"The problem isn't found in having possessions, but in possessions having us."

Member Jasper E.

"No one heals himself by wounding another."

Member Jerry B.

"Many people want God as their buddy, but fewer want Him as their Master."

Member Bart F.

"May your helping hand become the natural extension of your loving heart."

Member Laura A.

"There are three persons living in each of us: the one we think we are, the one other people think we are, and the one God knows we are."

Member Yancey D.

"The Christian life isn't based on the amount of truth you know, but on the amount of truth you live."

Member Tray G.

"The value of our good deeds is determined by the intentions in our hearts."

Member Gary Z.

"Jesus is proof that God loves you."

Member Merna M.

"Jesus doesn't simply give us peace, our peace is found in Him."

Member Tommy J.

"Jesus did not come to make God's love possible, but to make God's love visible."

Member Lonnie R.

"Don't wait until you die to enjoy the benefits and blessings of your salvation."

Member Kathy B.

"You can't draw deep water from a shallow well."

Member Portia S.

"When we set out to seek the Lord, He is our Companion on the journey."

Member Barney F.

"The Bible in your head is merely information; the Bible in your heart leads to transformation."

Member Randy N.

"Being human is your superpower, and at the same time, your kryptonite."

Member Vance G.

"Though we all have a destination, today is about the journey."

Member Danny T.

"There is no way to peace, peace is the way."

Member Russell O.

FEBRUARY — My DAILY BIBLE VERSES

Throughout the month of February we hope you will turn to this page every morning and copy down the special Bible Verse for the day indicated. Keep that Verse with you as the day goes by. Let its words bring you inspiration as you do your duties of that day!

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| 1. <i>"Love one another"</i>
I John 4:11 | 16. <i>"Thy foot shall not stumble"</i>
Proverbs 3:23 |
| 2. <i>"Do that which is honest"</i>
II Cor. 13:7 | 17. <i>"Whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive"</i>
Matthew 21:22 |
| 3. <i>"I will guide thee with Mine eye"</i>
Psalm 32:8 | 18. <i>"Forgive, and ye shall be forgiven"</i>
Luke 6:37 |
| 4. <i>"He will love thee, and bless thee"</i>
Deuteronomy 7:13 | 19. <i>"Grudge not one against another"</i>
James 5:9 |
| 5. <i>"Burden shall be taken away"</i>
Isaiah 10:27 | 20. <i>"He is our peace"</i>
Ephesians 2:14 |
| 6. <i>"In Him will I trust"</i>
Psalm 91:2 | 21. <i>"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine"</i>
Proverbs 17:22 |
| 7. <i>"The Lord will do great things"</i>
Joel 2:21 | 22. <i>"I will never leave thee"</i>
Hebrews 13:5 |
| 8. <i>"Be kindly affectioned one to another"</i>
Romans 12:10 | 23. <i>"Our help is in the name of the Lord"</i>
Psalm 124:8 |
| 9. <i>"The Lord is my strength"</i>
Exodus 15:2 | 24. <i>"Thou shalt make me full of joy"</i>
Acts 2:28 |
| 10. <i>"Let us not be weary in well doing"</i>
Galatians 6:9 | 25. <i>"Of the Lord ye shall receive the reward"</i>
Colossians 3:24 |
| 11. <i>"Thou art near, O Lord"</i>
Psalm 119:151 | 26. <i>"I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go"</i>
Psalm 32:8 |
| 12. <i>"Have faith as a grain of mustard seed"</i>
Matthew 17:20 | 27. <i>"Have confidence in the Lord"</i>
II Thess. 3:4 |
| 13. <i>"Be strong and of a good courage"</i>
Joshua 1:9 | 28. <i>"He dwelleth with you"</i>
John 14:17 |
| 14. <i>"Be gentle unto all"</i>
II Timothy 2:24 | 29. <i>"Walk in love"</i>
Ephesians 5:2 |
| 15. <i>"Let not your heart be troubled"</i>
John 14:27 | |

FEBRUARY — Fellowship's DAILY PRAYERS

The love of God and the wisdom of His word – this is what binds Members around the World. As we join our voices in lifting these Daily Prayers to God, let the words touch your heart and bring you closer to His joy.

“And I say unto you, ask, and it shall be given you!”

Luke 11:9

8:00 A.M. Prayer for Guidance

My morning prayer gives me great hope and assurance, Dear Lord, for I know I am starting the day the right way with You to Guide me. Care for me, O Lord, as well as all my Fellow Members today. Teach us all to live in peace, sharing the kindness and understanding that comes from You. We want to serve Your will and to rejoice in Your presence.

— Amen



12:00 Noon Prayer for Prosperity

It is the noon hour, and I can pause for a quiet moment alone with You, Dear Father. It is time for me to come before You and pray about my needs. I join my Fellow Members everywhere in asking You for wisdom and patience as we work toward the blessing of Prosperity. I have faith in Your kindness and grace and know that You will help us with our goals. — Amen

9:00 P.M. Prayer for Health and Healing

My day is ending and I am ready to rest for the night. As I prepare for a peaceful sleep, I offer You this sincere prayer, Lord. Be with me and my Fellow Members throughout the night. Bring us safely into the next day, and bless us with good Health and Healing in body and mind so we can enjoy the good days in store for us. — Amen

Bless This Home

Helpful Household Hints

With the arrival of a New Year, we get the urge to declutter and start on all those tasks we've been putting off. Here are some great tips on how to organize your closets, and other household hints submitted by our Members. Send us your ideas, too, Dear Friend, and we'll be happy to print them here in Faith!

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JEWELRY HOLDER

Necklaces stay nicely organized when they're set on shower hooks.

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ORGANIZE BELTS

Keep your belts organized by placing them inside cut circles of PVC pipe. You can also use it to organize ties and scarves.

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HANGING SHELVES

Free up a filing cabinet by using a closet sweater shelf to store important papers.

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ORNAMENT CASE

Organize your ornaments in egg cartons so they are nice and safe for next year.

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CORD CONTROL

Hold onto bread tags because they work great for organizing all

the cords to your electronics.

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HIDE SPRAY BOTTLES

Hang a tension rod under the sink and use it to hang those spray bottles of cleaning supplies.

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SOUP SHELVES

Use closet shoe racks to store soup cans and prevent them from tumbling out.

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EFFICIENT SPACES

Add more storage space to your kitchen cabinets and keep cups together by using a serving tray as a divider.

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EASY SHEET STORAGE

Keep sheets and pillowcases together by folding and placing them inside the matching pillowcase.

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RE-USING WATER

When you prepare corn on the cob, pasta, potatoes, or other vegetables, don't pour the hot water down the drain. Instead, remove the food with tongs or a slotted spoon. When the water has cooled dump it directly onto a thirsty plant, or save it in a large container to take out to your garden later.

“I Prayed For Myself, My Family And Prosperity!”

You can't see, touch, hear or smell faith. Yet, my faith is very real to me and it has held me up and helped me get through some very trying times.

In fact, faith became my salvation many months ago as problems in my life kept adding up. It seemed like it was one thing after another, but I wasn't about to let those problems get the best of me. The more they added up, the more I put my faith to work to keep despair from setting in.

Now, I'm happy to say, my overall situation has taken a turn for the better. I can't say I'm out of the woods yet, and everything in my life isn't perfect. But if I continue to concentrate on hope, prayer and faith, I'm on my way to being the happiest I've ever been!

I'm not going to list all of the problems I've faced here because most of them were a direct result of losing my business. When that happened, I found myself not only with financial problems, but being consumed with self doubt and family troubles as well. Everything relates to me losing my livelihood.

That's when I decided to focus my prayers on finding work, and I promised to let God guide me. I was ready to accept His blessings and faith was the key to that happening.

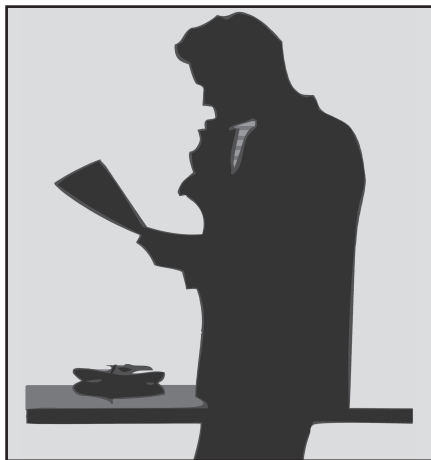
As it turned out, the loss of my business was a blessing in disguise. The business had been

doing poorly and I looked at it as a personal failure. It was bringing my spirits down lower each day.

With it behind me, I was able to concentrate on new goals. I prayed for myself, my family and for greater prosperity. And, I had faith things would turn around soon. It wasn't long before I ran into an associate from my old business, who had an idea for a new business deal. He said he needed someone with my talents and asked me to become his partner. I readily agreed.

Since then, things have been going very well in our business, as well as in my family life. It will take a while before my finances are restored to what they were, but I know that will come. Faith and prayer have gotten me this far, so I'm not about to give up on them now!

Member G. T., Armed Forces



Recipes From Your Friends

We have a few recipes from your Good Friends in Fellowship that are guaranteed to bring compliments. We'd love to hear about some of your signature dishes, too, Dear Member. Send us your favorites and we'll happily publish as many as we are able!

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GOURMET CHICKEN

Member Irma F. from Connecticut says this chicken dish is so good it's like eating in a fancy restaurant. Try it! Ingredients: 4 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves ... 3 tablespoons flour ... 1/2 teaspoon black pepper, divided ... 1/2 teaspoon salt, divided ... 2 tablespoons olive oil ... 1 14 1/2 ounce can diced tomatoes, undrained ... 1 can condensed French onion soup ... 1 cup grated Swiss cheese.

Combine flour and 1/2 of the salt and pepper. Dredge chicken in flour mixture and saute in olive oil until golden brown. Place in casserole. In same pan simmer tomatoes, onion soup and remaining salt and pepper for 5 minutes. Pour over chicken and sprinkle with cheese. Bake at 350 degrees about 25 minutes or until chicken is done.

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MOLASSES SURPRISE CAKE

It's the molasses that does it,

according to Member Renata S. from Arizona. She says this is her family's favorite chocolate cake. Ingredients: 1 teaspoon baking soda ... 1/2 cup boiling water ... 2 heaping tablespoons cocoa ... 2 tablespoons molasses ... 2 cups flour ... 2 cups sugar ... 1/2 cup butter ... 2 eggs ... 1 teaspoon salt ... 1 teaspoon vanilla ... 1 cup buttermilk.

Combine boiling water, soda, cocoa and molasses. Cool until luke warm. Cream butter and sugar and beat in eggs. Add remaining dry ingredients and buttermilk alternately. Stir in vanilla and molasses mixture. Pour into greased 9 inch by 13 inch pan and bake at 350 degrees 35 minutes, or until cake tests done.

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JAZZY SOUP HELPERS

Darryl A., a Member from Boston, says these cheesy bread sticks can really jazz up a nice pot of soup.

Ingredients: as many slices of white bread as you want ... some red pepper ... grated parmesan cheese.

Remove crusts from bread and spread with soft butter. Cut into 1/2 inch strips. Sprinkle butter side with red pepper and dip in the cheese. Bake at 350 degrees for 5 minutes or until crisp.

We Are Free To Make Decisions, And Seek God's Guidance!

Psalm 121:5-8 tells us . . .

"The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore."

So, Dear Member, it's true the Lord watches what we do. But do you ever wonder what He's looking for? Maybe it is to see how we handle the challenges in our lives.

Do we get angry and shout at loved ones or do we keep a level head and deal with things in a calm, collected manner?

When we are faced with an illness within us or someone we love, do we lash out at how unfair life is or do we set about doing the very best we can to help ourselves or the person who is sick?

How do we act if we lose a job or face serious money problems? Do we take out our anger on others or do we focus our energy on looking for a new job and saving the money we have on hand?

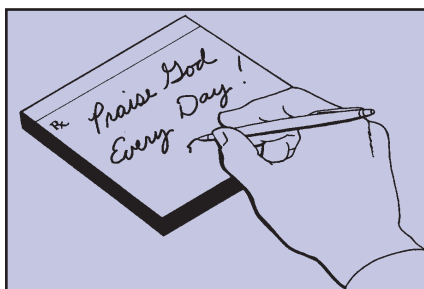
In short, Dear Friend, the

Lord is watching and He wants us to know we have the power to change our lives for the better!

The Lord gave us the free will to make decisions that affect our lives and the lives of others, *with His guidance*. That last little part is very important, because people don't always make the right choices for themselves and for their loved ones. Sometimes, we may forget the bigger picture that God wants us to see . . . a picture in which we put our needs before the needs of others.

Now, some may ask, "*What does that mean I should do when I make important decisions? How will I know the right thing to do?*"

Well, when we're faced with something like that, we may want to pray about that decision and ask for the Lord's help. He is always waiting to hear our questions and offer His advice in a way that can make the right answer shine out from all the rest.



MARCH — My DAILY BIBLE VERSES

Peace and happiness can be yours when you have God's Word to guide and strengthen you, Dear Member. So please copy your Daily Bible Verse on a slip of paper and carry it with you the whole day. The chosen Verses for 31 days in March are listed below. We hope you enjoy their wisdom and inspiration.

1. *"Seek peace, and pursue it"*
Psalm 34:14
2. *"My heart rejoiced in all my labour"*
Eccl. 2:10
3. *"I shall find favor in the eyes of the Lord"* II Samuel 15:25
4. *"Apply thine heart to understanding"*
Proverbs 2:2
5. *"Let your requests be made known unto God"*
Philippians 4:6
6. *"Under His wings shalt thou trust"*
Psalm 91:4
7. *"I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee"* Hebrews 13:5
8. *"Judge not, that ye be not judged"*
Matthew 7:1
9. *"The joy of the Lord is your strength"*
Nehemiah 8:10
10. *"Be of good cheer"* Mark 6:50
11. *"The Lord shall carry thee"*
I Kings 18:12
12. *"Thou shalt be blessed"*
Luke 14:14.
13. *"Praise the Lord for His goodness"*
Psalm 107:8
14. *"Love one another"*
John 15:12
15. *"The Lord knoweth them that are His"* II Timothy 2:19
16. *"They shall prosper that love Thee"* Psalm 122:6
17. *"Be careful to maintain good works"* Titus 3:8
18. *"A friend loveth at all times"* Proverbs 17:17
19. *"Nothing shall be impossible unto you"*
Matthew 17:20
20. *"The Lord is my helper"*
Hebrews 13:6
21. *"Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry"* Eccl. 7:9
22. *"He will be very gracious unto thee"* Isaiah 30:19
23. *"I am the way, the truth, and the life"* John 14:6
24. *"He is our help and our shield"* Psalm 33:20
25. *"Walk in love"* Ephesians 5:2
26. *"I am with you, saith the Lord"* Haggai 1:13
27. *"Have fellowship one with another"* I John 1:7
28. *"It is more blessed to give than to receive"* Acts 20:35
29. *"God is our refuge and strength"* Psalm 46:1
30. *"Pray one for another"*
James 5:16
31. *"Be of good cheer"*
Acts 27:25

MARCH — Fellowship's DAILY PRAYERS

Your Fellow Members all around the World will be saying these prayers for you and with you throughout March. So please take part, Dear Member, and join in seeking God's blessings through the power of United Prayer. Let it be your source of strength every day!

***“He will guide you into
all truth!”***

John 16:13

8:00 A.M. Prayer for Guidance

I look to You, Lord, to Guide me through the day. Make my steps sure and my decisions good ones. I also pray that You will watch over my Fellow Members this day for there are many in need. Please help us do the right things in keeping with our faith. Hear my prayers, Lord, as well as those of my Fellowship Friends.

— Amen



12:00 Noon Prayer for Prosperity

Dear Father, I treasure my noon prayer for it gives me a chance to talk with You about my day. My Fellow Members and I are working hard, and we pray You will bless us with Prosperity and Plenty day and night. Please lead us toward a better life in which none of us are without daily necessities, and we all have enough to comfort and support us during the year.

— Amen

9:00 P.M. Prayer for Health and Healing

It is late, but I want to talk to You before I go to sleep, Lord. Thank You for all You have done for me today and for the blessings You will bestow on me in the future. Help me sleep soundly so I am refreshed the next morning. Also, Dear Father, I ask You to bless me and my Fellow Members with Radiant Health and Quick Healing as we slumber so we may wake up with strength and energy.

— Amen

A
Fellowship
New Year's
Hymn

***“Blest Be The
Tie That Binds”***



*Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.*

*Before our Father's throne
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.*

*When we asunder part,
It gives us inward pain;
But we shall still be joined in heart
And hope to meet again.*

-Amen.

OUR FELLOWSHIP'S BIBLE READINGS

January
February
March



Reading your Bible regularly is a great way to fill both your mind and your heart with peace, Dear Member. Week to week, you may wish to follow these suggested passages for January, February and March. Fellowship has selected these Readings with the hope that they will uplift you and your Fellow Members!

Week	Text
December 27 - Jan. 2.....	<i>“My joy and crown”</i> Read: Philippians 4:1-9
January 3 - 9.....	<i>“The Lord created all things”</i> Read: Colossians 1:1-17
January 10 - 16	<i>“Showers that water the earth”</i> Read: Psalm 72:1-20
January 17 - 23	<i>“Apples of gold”</i> Read: Proverbs 25:11-22
January 24 - Jan. 30.....	<i>“As a little child”</i> Read: Mark 10:13-19
January 31 - Feb. 6	<i>“On earth peace, good will”</i> Read: Luke 2:13-20
February 7 -13	<i>“Abound in grace”</i> Read: II Corinthians 8:7-16
February 14 - 20	<i>“The love of money”</i> Read: I Timothy 6:6-12
February 21 - 27	<i>“A strength to the needy”</i> Read: Isaiah 25:1-9
February 28 - March 5.....	<i>“He shall be thy shepherd”</i> Read: Ezekiel 34:22-31
March 6 - 12.....	<i>“God goeth before you”</i> Read: Deuteronomy 1:21-31
March 13 -19	<i>“Lord, teach us to pray”</i> Read: Luke 11:1-10
March 20 - 26	<i>“The wise shall understand”</i> Read: Daniel 12:1-13
March 27 - April 2	<i>“God’s work of Creation”</i> Read: Genesis 1:1-31

New Year

***Instead of making
A New Year's resolution
Consider committing
To a Biblical solution.***

***Your promises are
Easily broken
Empty words,
Though earnestly spoken.***

***But God's Word
Transforms the soul
By His Holy Spirit
Making you whole.***

***As you spend time
Alone with Him
He will change you
From within!***

By Mary Fairchild

"Send My Love!"

Dear Fellowship Friends,
thank you for my birthday card! I
was ill at the time, but now I'm
better. I'm still praying for better
health and trusting in God. My
son also is taking me on a vaca-
tion to see if that helps me feel
better. I send my love to all of you
in Life-Study Fellowship.

Member Cynthia M., New York

"I'm Thankful!"

My dear Life-Study Fellowship,
you have not heard from me in
quite a while, so I do want to tell
you, God has been good to me. He is
still blessing me, for which I'm
thankful. I look forward to getting
my next Faith Magazine. The sto-
ries are so uplifting!

Member Patricia D, Pennsylvania

Your Legacy Could Be A Stronger, Prosperous Fellowship!

Some Members have inquired
about how they might make a
bequest to Life-Study Fellowship.

Through the years, many
Members have chosen to remem-
ber our Fellowship in this spe-
cial way and we are truly grate-
ful. Some Members have includ-
ed Fellowship in their wills,
while others have named Life-
Study Fellowship in their life
insurance policies.

If you are interested in making
arrangements through your will,
we suggest you talk with an
attorney who can explain the tax
advantages and ways to go about
making such a bequest.

Please remember that it is to
everybody's advantage to have a
will. This doesn't apply just to
the very wealthy. The truth is
everyone who owns any property
needs a will to direct who should
benefit.

Otherwise, some or all of your
property will be split up accord-
ing to state law, which may leave
your property in ways you did
not want or intend.

Therefore, whether or not you
include a bequest to Life-Study
Fellowship, we encourage you to
seek the services of an attorney
to have a will drawn up if you
have not already done so.

Happy New Year!



Dear Lord, for this coming year
Just one request I bring:
I do not pray for happiness,
Or any earthly thing—
I do not ask to understand
The way Thou ledest me,
But this I ask: Teach me to do
The thing that pleaseth Thee.

I want to know Thy guiding voice,
To walk with Thee each day.
Dear Lord make me swift to hear
And ready to obey.
And thus the year I now begin
A happy year will be
If I am seeking just to do
The thing that pleaseth Thee.

A New Year Calls For A New Faith Magazine!

It's the beginning of a bright New Year, Dear Member, and we're excited to start it off with this New Year edition of Faith Magazine. Many of its stories are about prayer that helped Members cope with something, and we hope you'll enjoy their message. If you like what you've read, we hope you will consider supporting FAITH with a contri-

bution. Our Faith Magazine has always been free; its production and publication are completely supported by Member donations. Those who donate \$10 or more will receive a booklet called **"Little Book Of Table Blessings."** That's a token of our love and gratitude, Dear Friend. We wish you a New Year filled with God's blessings!

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