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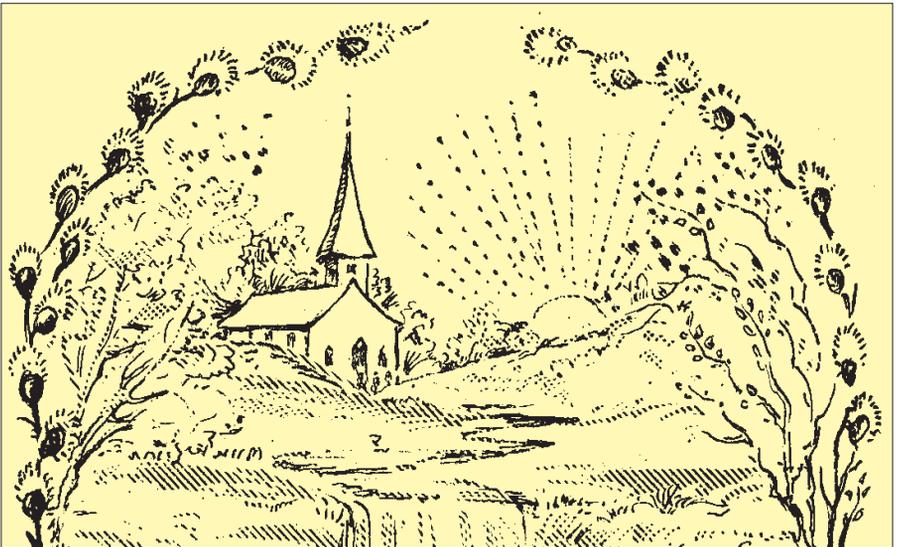
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God Will Prosper You!



Kids are out of school and many folks are heading out on a summer vacation, which means the Summertime edition of FAITH has arrived in your mailbox, Dear Member!

As we have been doing earlier this year, we titled this Faith Magazine with a message about what God can do for you! The headline of this magazine: “God

Will Prosper You!” isn’t just about financial issues, although the Lord would certainly help you with different aspects of that if you seek His guidance.

In this case a different use of the word “Prosper” is referenced in the Bible Verse of III John 1:2, which reads ... “*Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as*

thy soul prospereth.” Yes, indeed, this Verse also relates to a prosperous spiritual relationship with God, one that is good for the soul.

Several of our Members whose stories we included in this FAITH have learned first-hand how God can make a positive, meaningful difference in their lives. First up is Member Amy N. from Georgia, who wrote on Page 6 how her family’s small, independent hardware store barely survived the past two years. Amy credits that to hard work on the part of her and her husband, but also to the prayer help she received from Fellowship’s Special Help Department.

“It wasn’t long before I received my special prayers and began using them to talk to Jesus about the store my husband and I had built. I asked Him to protect it and keep us healthy. I prayed for Him to send us the customers we so desperately needed. I prayed like that for months and months, as we scraped and saved where we could. And, finally, through lots of hard work and the Lord’s grace, we came out the other side!

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tomers filled the store, I definitely believe God has blessed me and my husband.”

On page 31, Julia shared a beautiful “Letter to God” written by Member Julia T. in Texas. Julia shared with us that she writes the Lord at the beginning of every year to thank Him for her blessings:

“Thank You, my God, for providing me with the strength, storming courage and patience that I always need. You are my guide and my instructor ...”

Those inspiring words are a fraction of what’s included in the pages of our Summertime FAITH, Dear Friend. We hope they provide an inspirational respite from the summer heat. Please let us know what YOU think, and how you are doing!

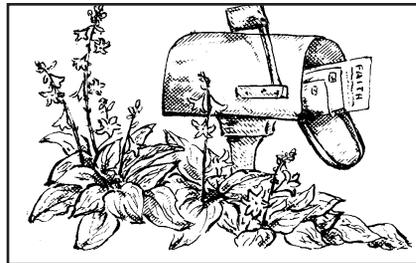
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asked for arrives late or gets lost because of an old address. Help us make sure that doesn't happen to you!

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Stay Healthy In Body And Soul To Make Good Life Choices!

The theme of this Faith Magazine is more than it seems, Dear Member. Yes, on the surface, the words *"God will prosper you!"* might appear to be just about the Lord helping you become prosperous and able to live comfortably.

However, we want to talk about a deeper meaning to those words ... a meaning the Bible talks about in the Verse of III John 1:2 *"Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."*

You see, when people think of prosperity they often think of how it relates to finances. But financial matters aren't the focus of this message from the Apostle John. Instead, he is talking about a person's soul and their spiritual health.

Dear Friend, we believe that idea reflects on how we think about our relationship with God, and how we communicate with Him.

In that way, John talks about "success" as a state of mind that affects how we all see the World. As we know, our spiritual health is very important to the overall health of our body. If someone is sad all the time or depressed, their physical health often suffers. In the same manner, if that person *"follows that which is evil,"* as John the Apostle writes in III John 1:11, then *"He that*

doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God."

To put it another way, a healthy mind *"that doeth good"* helps to produce a healthy body that does the same. And, both of those things contribute to us making healthy choices in life, such as maintaining a hopeful and positive outlook in our dealings with other people.

For, even if things aren't perfect in your life, you still can be a positive influence on others. Just by doing that, you will find yourself in a better frame of mind and your own mood will often improve.

Yes, as the Apostle John counseled long ago, a healthy spirit that *"doeth good is of God."* So, here's to your good health in body and soul, Dear Friend!



“I Definitely Believe God Has Blessed Me And My Husband!”

Let me start out by saying I have a lot of empathy for business owners who are feeling the pinch of higher prices for supplies and the cost of gas. My husband and I own a mom and pop hardware store here in a small Georgia town. Over the years, we've had some times when sales were up and things were going great! Then, there were years when people didn't have as much money to spend, and so they weren't visiting our friendly neighborhood establishment.

Covid was a huge challenge for us, and the past few years obviously fell into the latter category. We were just barely scraping by, and had a hard time making payments on our building.

I've been a Member of Fellowship off and on over the years. But looking back, I don't think I really ever committed myself to developing a spiritual relationship with the Lord. I guess there was always something else to do and another project to work on at the store.

Well, my Friends, after Covid hit that first year, I remembered Fellowship's wonderful Special Help Department and I thought, *“Why not write to request prayer help and give it a try? What could it hurt?”*

It wasn't long before I received my special prayers and began using them to talk to Jesus about

the store my husband and I had built. I asked Him to protect it and keep us healthy. I prayed for Him to send us the customers we so desperately needed. I prayed like that for months and months, as we scraped and saved where we could. And, finally, through lots of hard work and the Lord's grace, we came out the other side!

Yes, we still have challenges with getting our stock in when we order it. Yes, we explain to folks every day that we don't know when certain things will arrive on the truck. And yet, we have found most people understand the challenges that every retail store is dealing with right now and we try to be as accommodating as we can.

While we still aren't back to those prosperous golden days when stock was plentiful and customers filled the store, I definitely believe God has blessed me and my husband. We both know others who couldn't overcome their financial challenges and we feel fortunate to have survived ours -- thanks to the Lord and Fellowship's special prayer help!

Member Amy N., Georgia



Strength For The Day

Little Prayers For Life's Everyday Situations

Labor Day

Lord, as we celebrate Labor Day on Sept. 5, I think about the work I do and the service of all those who make my life safer and more convenient. I pray for You to watch over law enforcement and emergency services personnel everywhere, and also bless those who deliver the goods and services we use each day.

— Amen

Summer's Here

School children look forward to this time of year, when they leave classrooms behind. As the days grow long and hot, it's often a time when kids and their parents hit the road to see other parts of the country. Bless them with good weather and great friendships. Lord, and bring them home safe!

— Amen

Help For Troubled Youths

Many of us grew up in loving families, O Lord, but some didn't have that good start in life. I pray for the young folks in troubled situations. Please bless them with Your divine guidance and teach them the wisdom of Your ways. Let these youths learn to care for others and find the comfort of faith during hard times!

— Amen

Paying The Bills

O Lord, my bills are weighing me down. There are all kinds, from medical care to car payments, and I pray for Your help in lessening this load. Please help me find extra work to bring home more money and help me use the dollars I have more wisely. With Your guidance I will pay down this debt!

— Amen

July 4

Dear Father, it is the birthday of our nation and I am happy to be sharing this special day with friends and family. Many of us had to forgo these happy gatherings for the past couple years, so they are even more special now. Please bless us all this Independence Day and keep us healthy and strong!

— Amen

Bless Those Who Lead Us

O Lord, I pray today for all those who are the leaders our local, state and federal governments. May You bless them with good judgment and a willingness to work together for good governing. May they always remember we are stronger and more productive when we work with one another on a common goal.

— Amen

JULY — My DAILY BIBLE VERSES

Below are 31 Bible Verses, one for each day of July. Dear Member, please write down each day's chosen Verse and take it with you as you go about your daily routine. Let that Verse guide you and uplift you throughout your day!

1. *"The God of peace be with you all"* Romans 15:33
2. *"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God"* James 1:5
3. *"The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light"* Isaiah 9:2
4. *"The hope of the righteous shall be gladness"* Proverbs 10:28
5. *"God now accepteth thy works"* Eccl. 9:7
6. *"Thou hast healed me"* Psalms 30:2
7. *"I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice"* John 16:22
8. *"Blessed is the man that trusteth in Him"* Psalms 34:8
9. *"The wise in heart shall be called prudent"* Proverbs 16:21
10. *"The fool walketh in darkness"* Eccl. 2:14
11. *"Happy is that people, whose God is the Lord"* Psalms 144:15
12. *"Stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved"* Phil. 4:1
13. *"He that keepeth the law, happy is he"* Proverbs 29:18
14. *"Hope maketh not ashamed"* Romans 5:5
15. *"Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy"* Matthew 5:7
16. *"Speak not evil one of another, brethren"* James 4:11
17. *"Let him eschew evil, and do good"* I Peter 3:11
18. *"They that sow in tears shall reap in joy"* Psalms 126:5
19. *"Hold your peace, for the day is holy"* Nehemiah 8:11
20. *"Ye are my friends"* John 15:14
21. *"A man of understanding walketh uprightly"* Proverbs 15:21
22. *"Be not righteous over much; neither make thyself over wise"* Eccl. 7:16
23. *"Charity suffereth long, and is kind"* I Cor. 13:4
24. *"Let your requests be made known unto God"* Phil. 4:6
25. *"Love worketh no ill to his neighbour"* Romans 13:10
26. *"I delight to do thy will, O my God"* Psalms 40:8
27. *"Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O Lord"* Psalms 40:11
28. *"God hath not given us the spirit of fear"* II Timothy 1:7
29. *"Thou shalt not kill"* Deut. 5:17
30. *"Now, O ye priests, this commandment is for you"* Malachi 2:1
31. *"Be strong and of a good courage"* Joshua 1:6

JULY — Fellowship's DAILY PRAYERS

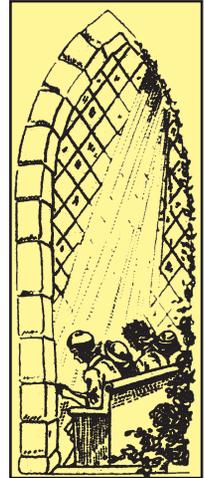
It is such an inspiration when you join with your Fellow Members each day in saying these Three United Prayers. During July, hundreds upon hundreds of prayer partners will be saying these very prayers for you and with you!

“And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, ‘This is the way, walk ye in it!’”

Isaiah 30:21

8:00 A.M. Prayer for Guidance

Dear Father, a fresh new day lies ahead of me. I feel it is Your gift to me and my Fellow Members. Please Guide us to use it wisely and well. We look to You for Guidance and strength. Please be with all my Fellowship Friends who join me in this prayer. — Amen.



12:00 Noon Prayer for Prosperity

As my lunch time approaches, I come to meet with You in prayer, Dear Lord. I pray for the blessing of Prosperity for myself and my Fellow Members. Many of us have dear ones at home to support and we hope to earn enough to make sure they are comfortable and don't lack for anything. We are so grateful to You Lord, and we hope to Prosper in Your loving plan. — Amen.

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

Dear Lord, I am remembering all my Fellow Members as I draw close to You in this time of prayer. Please look upon each of us in Fellowship with mercy and understanding. Let Your Healing Hand bring radiant Health and Healing - and quiet slumber. Keep my Prayer Friends and me in the palm of Your Hand as we rest and renew our strength for the coming day. — Amen.

Sharing Is Caring With FAITH!

What do you do with your old copies of Faith Magazine, Dear Member? Do you keep them in your home, or do you spread the message of Fellowship with others? We certainly hope you will consider doing the latter, because our Fellowship grows stronger with each new Member. Sharing your copies of FAITH, once you have finished reading them, is a terrific way to meet a new neighbor or perhaps a potential new friend, especially one who shares your love of the Lord. Sharing your Faith Magazine with other folks also gives you an opportunity to bring joy into their lives ... the joy of knowing the Lord is with them always. With that in mind, we hope you'll start sharing your FAITH!

"I Felt Blessed"

May I say God bless each and every one of you at Fellowship for the dynamic work you are doing. From the first moment I became a Member I felt blessed. It's because of people like you that God has been able to work His love into my life and make it good again!

Howard C., Tennessee

"Part Of My Daily Life!"

I am new to Life-Study Fellowship and I just received my first Faith Magazine. I certainly wish I had it years ago, but I am very grateful it has found its way to me now. I love every part of this little magazine and make it part of my daily life!

Joan C., New York

You Can Make A Difference In The Future Of Fellowship!

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

Through the years, many Members have chosen to remember our Fellowship in this special way and we are truly grateful. Some Members have included 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 according 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.

“God’s Blessing To All Of You, And Thanks!”

Member Ann D. sent us a warm, lovely letter that we wanted to share, because it perfectly illustrates that our Members are Friends, and not just names on paper.

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Dear Life-Study Fellowship,

You are so very special to me. Thank you so much for sending me my very nice birthday card. My birthday card came on the same day as my birthday and not a day later! You people are more precious to me than you can understand. You mail me my birthday cards so they will not miss my special day. You are a special friend, indeed, and I thank you all for remembering my very special day.

It was nice and beautiful with fantastic weather. My special birthday began with a prayer in the morning with some of my family members who were able to take off from their jobs that day. Then, my other family members, friends and neighbors came after work and joined in the celebration of my birthday.

My very special day was full of joy, laughter, jokes, happiness, very special birthday gifts and cards, music, food and drinks, with a wonderful toast and cutting of a special design on a birthday cake dressed with beau-



tiful, lighted color candles on top.

I had a very nice day and a fantastic time of my life with lots of hugs and kisses. It's not every year that I have such a wonderful celebration of my birthday. I am enclosing a gift, which is part of my birthday gift so you all at Life-Study Fellowship can join me in the celebration with all the Members far and near, and toast it with soft drinks.

God's blessings to all of you, and thanks!

Member Ann D., Washington D.C.

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We feel the same way about you, Ann! Thank you for all those happy, warm thoughts. We will cherish your words as we write them here. You truly embody the best spirit of Fellowship and we salute you and your love of life, as well as your family's loving care for you!

Ever Had One Of *THOSE* Days? The Lord Can Help!

Everyone has *THOSE* days, Dear Friend. The kind of day where life just keeps throwing obstacles in your way and nothing goes right. Yes, whether you are a man, woman, senior or youth ... no one is immune from having a bad day. So, knowing that, is there something we can do to prevent ourselves from getting all worked up and upset about it? Perhaps not surprisingly, the answer is ... Yes!

One way to calm yourself when things aren't going well is to remember that God promises to support us. One need only look at the Bible Verse of Isaiah 41:10: "*Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right Hand of My righteousness.*"

When you read that promise, how can a person of faith remain upset? Just seeing God's pledge to "strengthen" and "uphold thee" is a reminder of His Divine Power to make change in this World and guide us throughout our lives. That's why we say when you are experiencing one of *THOSE* days, when you're on edge and you feel like you are losing control ... don't give in to that impulse! Pick up your Bible and look up that amazing Verse from Isaiah 41:10, and let its promise take the stress away. For, those are the Lord's Words and His promise to "*UPHOLD*" you through difficult times. He will help you get through that very tough day. You know you won't have to face it alone, because you have God on your side ... standing with you and providing strong support.

Yes, it IS an awesome promise, too, Dear Member; for God will always be there for you when you are there spiritually for Him ... when you believe in His Power to change your life for the better. This is the Lord's promise to people of faith, that they never have to face hard times or seemingly insurmountable obstacles alone. And that promise makes even one of *THOSE* days, not so hard to face at all!



Daily Bread

Recipes From Your Friends

In the good old summer-time we cooks like to take it easy, right? Your Fellow Members feel the same, so you're bound to enjoy these warm-weather recipes they are sharing with you today. Why not take a minute now to tell us about your tasty food ideas, too?

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TEXAS BURGER

Texans, like Member Ed J., really know about cooking beef. So when he tells you the taste of this burger is as big as Texas, you better believe him.

Ingredients: 1 pound hamburger meat ... 3 slices American cheese ... 1/4 cup of your favorite Bar-B-Q sauce ... salt and pepper.

Form 6 very thin hamburger patties. Place one slice of cheese on top of each of 3 patties. Top with remaining patties, pinching edges to seal. Salt and pepper to taste, brush with Bar-B-Q sauce and cook as usual.

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PEPPY POTATO SALAD

Member Melissa K. from Idaho says this is certainly not your grandmother's potato salad. No, indeed! Try it with burgers.

Ingredients: 2 pounds new potatoes, cooked and cubed ... 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese ... 8 slices bacon, cooked crisp and

crumbled ... 1 cup mayonnaise ... 2 tablespoons milk ... 1/2 cup green onion, sliced ... salt and pepper to taste.

Combine all ingredients and toss well to coat. Chill at least one hour, then eat hearty.

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BERRY SPECIAL PIE

This summertime treat was sent by Member Joe Anne H. from Atlanta, and she says it has a special place on her family's favorites list. Try it now while berries are in season.

Ingredients: 1 vanilla cookie crust ... 1 (3.4 ounce) package instant vanilla pudding mix ... 1/2 cup sweetened condensed milk ... 1 1/2 cups whole milk ... 1 1/2 cups fresh sliced strawberries ... 1/4 cup toasted coconut.

Mix pudding, condensed milk and whole milk 2 minutes. Place sliced berries and half of coconut in crust. Pour pudding over all, and sprinkle top with remaining coconut. Chill.

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BERRY HINTS: Don't wash berries until you're ready to use. Use a pastry blender to mash berries for shortcake. An egg slicer is a perfect way to cut strawberries into even pieces. Mix berries and cream cheese for cookie sandwiches.

“My Story Concerns What Happened When I Decided To Be Giving!”

There are many stories to be told about how our Fellowship's Five Golden Rules for Living have helped people in all sorts of ways. Those Five Rules remind us to be Thankful, Giving, Forgiving, Self-Helpful and Faithful Always!

My story concerns what happened when I decided to be Giving -- even though it wasn't an easy thing to do!

I knew a family that was very poor. Their 12-year-old son wanted to be a musician when he grew up. He loved music.

I was a close friend to his family, so it was no surprise when their son came to visit me. He said he wanted to buy my electric guitar and amplifier. He had \$100 that he had saved up and he begged me to agree to a sale. Well, Dear Members, that guitar meant a great deal to me. It had been made in Italy and was a very treasured item in my life. It was well worth \$600.

I hated to part with it, but I *did* want that boy to have his chance. I decided that I must be Giving. I felt it was the right thing to do, so I let him have the guitar.

Time passed and he continued to study and work. Eventually, he formed his own music group, which is quite popular today. In addition, he plays many other



instruments in the symphonic band. He has become an outstanding musician!

I really feel I did the right thing when I helped him get started. And, you can imagine my happiness when years later he returned my guitar to me as a gift!

He told me how much he appreciated what I had done, and how that guitar was responsible to a large degree for his determination to study and get ahead in the music field. Thank the Lord I was able to give so that this young man might be able to reach his goal in life. I want to be Giving ... Always!

Our Fellowship's Five Golden Rules are really there to remind us that we can make our own lives -- and the lives of others -- happier!

Member M. R.

Hundreds Upon Hundreds Of Friends Are Praying With You!

One of our Members from New Mexico told us about an interesting experience she had while talking with a friend of hers. If you had been able to hear their conversation it might have sounded something like this:

The Member said, *“You know, since I been taking part in the Prayers of Fellowship I realize that every single problem has either passed or become less important and no longer worries me.”*

The friend was rather doubtful, and replied: *“You can pray for yourself, you know. You don’t have to have Fellowship Prayers.”*

Our Member answered, *“Sometimes we get so bogged down with problems that we can’t pray effectively alone. And besides, the Bible reminds us to love one another and to pray for one another, too. There are many occasions when we need to reach out for help, and times when we can help others. I most certainly can avow that the prayers of concerned friends are very powerful. It makes me feel good and it makes me feel I am doing good when I join in the Three Daily Prayers of Fellowship. They’re not only beautiful prayers, but they’re also very real prayers, concerning our real-life problems! Don’t ever doubt it, my*

friend, those prayers keep me and my Dear Fellow Members aware of God’s love and His power! Yes, I can pray for myself, and I do. But, I also find so much added joy and comfort in being part of our Fellowship Prayers.”

In that little conversation which went on between Member P. E. and her friend, we can see why this dear lady loves praying together with you and her other Fellow Members everywhere. And we hope you share those feelings yourself. For it truly is a wonderful custom to follow our Fellowship’s Three Daily Prayers, praying for one another.

Even as Member P. E. stated: *“The prayers of concerned friends are very powerful.”*

Yes, you do have friends, Dear Member, literally hundreds upon hundreds of Friends all over the land who are praying together each day, remembering you just as you are remembering them!



Around The World, There Is Always Someone Praying For You!

Someone is praying for you right now!

Yes, it's true! That's the meaning of Fellowship, Friend. And we don't mean only one person is praying for you either. No, each day hundreds upon hundreds of your Fellow Members and Fellowship Friends are saying our Three Daily Prayers together.

Yes, at all hours of the day and night, around the World, in every time zone, there is always someone praying for and with you!

The most important thing we want you to remember is ... You are not, and never will be, alone! And it's not just your Fellow Members who are with you in spirit, the Lord is as well!

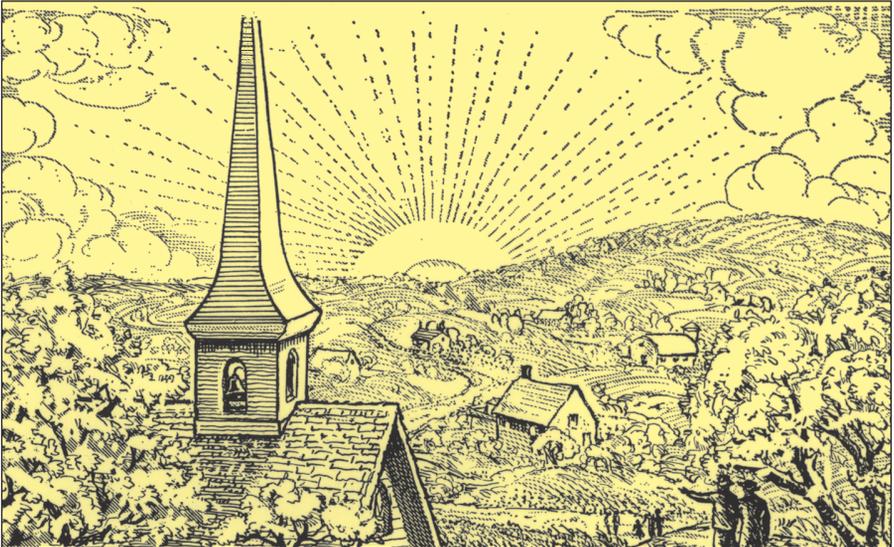
Remember, too, that on this page we extend a sincere invita-

tion for you to entrust any personal problem you have to our Special Help Department.

Just imagine how good you will feel when you receive a response to your letter telling us about that problem. Yes, our Fellowship's Special Help Department will send you prayers that concentrate directly upon your own immediate needs!

To write to our Special Help Department, please use the opposite page. Tell us what is on your mind, then mail that Page 17 to the Special Help Department.

Our Special Help Department will respond to you right away and bring you the prayerful support that can help you to talk to God and listen for His true answers!



No Matter Where You Are, God Can Reach Out To Help You!



**Just Tell Us What You Need The Lord
To Help You With On Page 17. The
Special Help Department
Will Get To Work On That!**

“I Searched For Days, And I Was Totally Exhausted!”

Where am I going to live now? That’s what I asked myself as I sat in my tiny apartment and stared out the window. It was like a bad dream that just would not end. For, in only a brief time, I had been forced to make several costly moves.

I would find a place to live, get settled in, and then the building would be sold and I had to vacate.

It was such a strain, and now it was happening all over again. My current building was changing ownership and the tenants had to move out. Where could I go next? My income was limited, so I had to watch my rent money carefully to stay within budget. I knew it wasn’t going to be easy to locate another place.

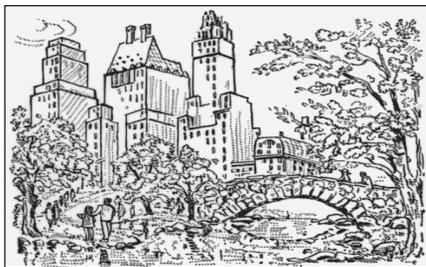
After lunch, I set out to make the rounds and see what might be available in the neighborhood. I went from one building to another, but nobody seemed to have anything that was right for me. I needed a small efficiency apartment for a single person. But all I found were larger units or rooms where no cooking was allowed.

I searched for days, and I was totally exhausted. It was then that I decided to write to my Friends at Life-Study Fellowship. And in a short time, I got a letter back from the

Special Help Department, along with a prayer which Fellowship suggested I use in seeking the Lord’s guidance in finding a new place to live.

Well, I got up early the very next morning, took that prayer in my hand and started once again to look for an apartment. I would stop from time to time during the day, sit down somewhere quiet and read and re-read that prayer. And before the day was over God brought me my answer! Yes, I found an ideal place to rent! It was the right size, the right price and the right location! I was so pleased and so thankful for such a blessing. Why, not only can faith in the Lord move mountains, it also helped me move to a lovely apartment!

I thanked Him for making it all possible by guiding me in my time of need. I thank Him, too, for Fellowship and the helpful prayers provided for Members whenever we request them. Fellowship is a great source of faith and strength!



AUGUST — My DAILY BIBLE VERSES

Dear Member, there are 31 Bible Verses appearing on this page — one for each day in August. Please write down the Selected Verse for each particular day and take it with you wherever you go. The Bible can be such a tremendous source of hope and strength for you!

1. *“Then shall ye call upon me”* Jeremiah 29:12
2. *“Let thine heart keep My commandments”* Proverbs 3:1
3. *“For every one that asketh receiveth”* Matthew 7:8
4. *“The Spirit also helpeth our infirmities”* Romans 8:26
5. *“Herein is my Father glorified”* John 15:8
6. *“I rejoiced in the Lord greatly”* Phil. 4:10
7. *“Without faith it is impossible to please Him”* Hebrews 11:6
8. *“I am come that they might have life”* John 10:10
9. *“He giveth power to the faint”* Isaiah 40:29
10. *“Let not mercy and truth forsake thee”* Proverbs 3:3
11. *“There shall no evil befall thee”* Psalms 91:10
12. *“The rich and poor meet together”* Proverbs 22:2
13. *“Ye shall receive a crown of glory”* I Peter 5:4
14. *“Have faith in God”* Mark 11:22
15. *“Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse”* Malachi 3:10
16. *“I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me”* Psalms 23:4
17. *“Truly our fellowship is with the Father”* 1 John 1:3
18. *“Let your moderation be known unto all men”* Phil. 4:5
19. *“Sanctify yourselves: for tomorrow the Lord will do wonders among you”* Joshua 3:5
20. *“Obey the Voice of the Lord”* Deut. 30:8
21. *“I heard a great voice out of heaven”* Revelation 21:3
22. *“Peace be to thee”* III John 1:14
23. *“Ye are a chosen generation”* I Peter 2:9
24. *“Suffer little children to come unto Me”* Luke 18:16
25. *“The love of money is the root of all evil”* I Timothy 6:10
26. *He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord”* II Cor. 10:17
27. *“A wise man will hear, and will increase learning”* Proverbs 1:5
28. *“We are His workmanship”* Ephesians 2:10
29. *“While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us”* Romans 5:8
30. *“God said, ‘Let us make man in our image’”* Genesis 1:26
31. *“Serve the Lord with gladness”* Psalms 100:2

AUGUST — Fellowship's DAILY PRAYERS

Here are the Three Daily Prayers prepared for Fellowship Members to say during the month of August. As you say these prayers you will have hundreds upon hundreds of others united with you, trusting the Lord and thanking Him for His answers.

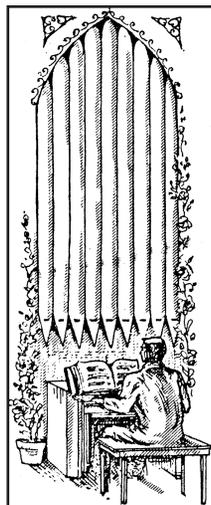
“Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands!”

Psalms 100:1

8:00 A.M. Prayer for Guidance

Dear Father, ahead of me there is a fresh new day. It is a gift I have received from You and I promise to use it well. Please guide me and my Fellow Members through this day as we learn from Your wisdom and strength. I ask that You be with me and all my Fellowship Friends who are joining me in this prayer. We praise Your name!

—Amen.



12:00 Noon Prayer for Prosperity

As the morning turns into afternoon, I pause to pray at this mid-day hour, Dear Lord. And for myself and each Member of Fellowship I seek Your blessings of Prosperity. Please take care of us, Father, and bless us with Your grace and goodness. We are grateful for all You do, and ask that we Prosper and Succeed according to Your plan. Thank You for your gifts, O Lord. — Amen.

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

Dear Lord, I am remembering all my Fellow Members as I draw close to You in this time of prayer. Please look upon each of us in Fellowship with mercy and understanding. Let Your Healing Touch bring us Health and Healing — as well as a night of quiet slumber. Keep my Fellowship Friends and me safe as we rest and renew our strength for the coming day. — Amen.

Bless This Home

Helpful Household Hints

Here are some helpful tips to save money, time and do things more efficiently. We hope you'll give some of them a try, Dear Friend. And, if you have your own ideas about organizing and cleaning, please pass them along to us. We would love to share them with your Fellow Members!

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BROWN BAG IT

Including a small can of frozen juice in your bagged lunch will keep it cool until lunchtime, and give you an icy cold drink as well!

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BE SAFE, NOT SORRY

When a bulb breaks in its socket it is dangerous to try and work it out with your fingers. Instead, you can stay safe by turning off the switch and gently working a bar of soap into the base of the bulb. Then, carefully twist it until the broken bulb comes loose.

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KEEP FLOWERS PRETTY

Cut flowers will last longer when placed in this mixture: To each quart of water add 2 tablespoons of white vinegar and 2 teaspoons of sugar!

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NO MORE SOGGY BREAD

Defrosted hotdog or hamburger

buns often come out soggy. To avoid this, wrap a paper towel around the buns and clip them back into the plastic bag. The paper towel will absorb most of the moisture.

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GREAT GROUT

To clean grout (any color), mix 3 cups of baking soda with 1 cup of warm water and scrub grout with a brush. Then just rinse off.

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CHOCOLATE STAINS

These tough stains can be cleaned with 1 part of vinegar and 2 parts of water. Sponge on mixture and blot with lots of clean cloths until the stain is gone. This tip is a real shirt-saver!

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ORGANIZED CLEANING

To keep the house clean without a lot of effort, make use of "wait time" in your day. Wipe down the refrigerator doors as you wait for water to boil. Sort the magazine stack during television commercials, or straighten the coat closet when waiting for a family member to get ready. "Micro-cleaning" in this manner is a good use of spare minutes, and it goes a long way to keeping things organized.

ONE-SENTENCE SERMONS

FAITH'S "One-Sentence Sermons" are popular with our Fellowship Friends because they pack a punch with just a few words. Our Members send them in to us all the time, so if you want to get in on the fun, just mail us one of your favorite sayings, too!

"Life is full of trials and tribulations, but God never gives us more than we can take."

Member L. A. Daisy

"I am allergic to negative people but I love being connected to positive people!"

Member Hannah C.

"The blessings we seek for others also descend upon ourselves."

Member Edmund G.

"Life is like an onion; you peel off one layer at a time and sometimes you weep."

Member Johnnye B.

"Cross training inside our church!"

Member H. G.

"Soul food is served here!"

Member C. A.

"A clean conscience makes a soft pillow."

Member F. L.

"A cup of wisdom is worth more than a vat of knowledge."

Member D. J.

"A day hymned in prayer, is less likely to come unraveled."

Member H. B.

"A Bible in the hand is better than two in the bookcase."

Member C. P.

"A bad attitude is like a flat tire; You won't go anywhere until you change it!"

Member P. J.

"A cloudy day is no match for a sunny disposition."

Member R. T.

"Seven days without prayer makes one weak."

Member S. C.

"A gloomy person brightens a room by leaving it."

Member W. F.

"A good place for the buck to stop is at the collection plate!"

Member W. E.

"A grudge is a heavy thing to carry."

Member W. W.

"Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it."

Member L. A.

"If God only wanted perfect people to do His work, nothing would ever get done."

Member L. D.

Count Your Blessings and Give Thanks to God For What You Have!

We talk a lot about how to seek the Lord's blessings through prayer, and listening for His answer, Dear Member. Well, we want to switch things up now and talk about how good it makes you feel when God actually *DOES* respond to a prayer by showing you how to get past an obstacle or resolve a hardship you have experienced.

Have you ever noticed, for example, that feeling of relief that washes over you when you realize the Lord has taken care of whatever you asked Him to do?

Similar to that, have you felt a really satisfying emotion when someone thanks you for something you did? It makes you feel

happy, and you're even more motivated to do something else nice for that person.

Of course, the converse of that feeling is true as well ... we may get a cold, bitter and disappointing feeling when someone has shown no appreciation for what we did for them. It makes you never want to try to do anything for them in the future.

We get different feelings in these two instances because as human beings we want to be thanked and appreciated for doing something nice.

It's something to keep in mind when we ask the Lord to work on a problem with and for us, and He does. We don't imagine God gets miffed if we don't offer enough praise, but since it makes us feel good as well to solve our problems it's only natural to think we should be thankful for every little gift of God that we receive every day. Time after time, we hear from our Members who say being thankful to God for whatever blessing they sought brought them not only the original blessing, but additional ones.

So, for example, if you wish for prosperity, give thanks to God for the prosperity you already have today! You'll often find He will answer those prayers and provide more help than you could have imagined!

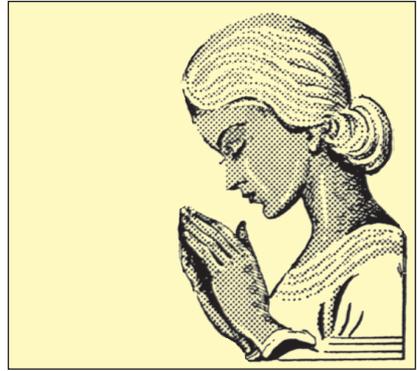


“I Am So Thankful For Fellowship’s Prayers!”

Before my husband passed away, we raised seven wonderful boys on our farm. Now at 67, I have 24 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren! I love them every one, and I feel so blessed to have such a large family. Now, with everyone moved away, the big old farmhouse seems too large for me, but it’s home and I can’t imagine living anywhere else. I like the quietness of living out in the country, and I am only four minutes from town when I need to get things. I’m glad I can still drive!

My husband and I wanted our boys to be successful, to have the things we couldn’t afford, to get the educations we missed out on. And, we were very proud of all their accomplishments. I wish he were still here to see our sons’ fine families and all the things they’ve achieved since they “left the farm.”

But you know, times have changed. I realized this when I was invited to my two-year-old granddaughter’s birthday party. There were more adults there than kids -- the party was really for the professional people my son and his wife associated with. Most of these people are very rich, and even though they were very nice, I felt a little out of place. I sort of drew away from the people I didn’t know, and as



they broke off into little groups I felt left out. All these people had so much in common, and here I was with only an eighth-grade education. I knew I shouldn’t have felt that way, for they were all really very nice people, but I couldn’t help feeling like a bore.

After a while, I excused myself, wished everyone well, and went to the room my daughter-in-law had provided for me. I sat there reading my Faith Magazine and in it was a prayer for conversation. I read it and re-read it, and it meant so much to me right then!

I know that prayer will help me next week, when I go to another big event that my son has invited me to -- a party for our governor! I am so thankful for Fellowship’s prayers that work for any and every situation. They sure came through for me when I needed them most!

Member M. C., Montana

SEPTEMBER — My DAILY BIBLE VERSES

Want to make September a special month for you, Dear Member? Just use the selected Bible Verses below as a guiding direction for each day of September! They're short enough to copy and carry with you, and long on wisdom and good advice!

1. *"Great is thy faithfulness"*
Lam. 3:23
2. *"All power is given unto Me in Heaven and in Earth"*
Matthew 28:18
3. *"Set me as a seal upon thine heart"* Song of Solomon 8:6
4. *"Be strong and of a good courage"* Joshua 1:6
5. *"Oh, that I might have my request"* Job 6:8
6. *"Whither thou goest, I will go"*
Ruth 1:16
7. *"God is not a man"*
Numbers 23:19
8. *"Solomon finished the house of the Lord"* II Chron 7:11
9. *"I will seek that which was lost"* Ezekiel 34:16
10. *"The Lord will be the hope of His people"* Joel 3:16
11. *"He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good"* Micah 6:8
12. *"When ye stand praying, forgive"* Mark 11:25
13. *"The Lord hath taken away thy judgments"* Zephaniah 3:15
14. *"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us,"*
John 1:14
15. *"The tongue can no man tame"* James 3:8
16. *"Come, Lord Jesus"*
Revelation 22:20
17. *"The Jews had light, and gladness, and joy, and honour"*
Esther 8:16
18. *"The blind and the lame came to Him in the temple; and He healed them"*
Matthew 21:14
19. *"Rejoice evermore"*
I Thess. 5:16
20. *"Thou shalt not kill"*
Exodus 20:13
21. *"Let all your things be done with charity"* I Cor. 16:14
22. *"Seek the Lord, and His strength"* Psalms 105:4
23. *"Set your affection on things above, not on things on the Earth."*
Col. 3:2
24. *"God hath not given us the spirit of fear"*
II Timothy 1:7
25. *"Be merciful unto me, O God"* Psalms 56:1
26. *"O Lord, how long shall I cry, and Thou wilt not hear!"*
Habakkuk 1:2
27. *"For I the Lord am holy"*
Leviticus 20:26
28. *"Peace be unto thee: fear not"* Judges 6:23
29. *"The joy of the Lord is your strength"*
Nehemiah 8:10
30. *"The Spirit of the Lord came upon David"*
I Samuel 16:13

SEPTEMBER — Fellowship's DAILY PRAYERS

Our Three Daily Prayers are the first thing many of our Fellow Members look for in each edition of Faith Magazine. They know how the power of prayer is an amazing thing to see, and each time you say them it brings you closer to the Lord. Let the prayers speak to you!

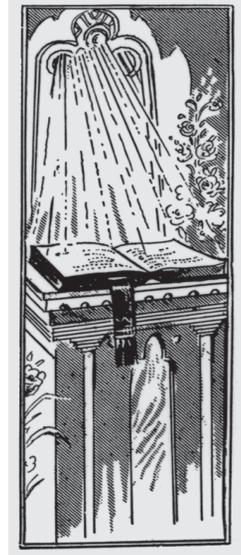
“The name of the Lord is a strong tower”

Proverbs 18:10

8:00 A.M. Prayer for Guidance

Dearest Lord, today's sunrise makes me feel hopeful, for I have You as my Guiding influence. I pray You will lead and watch over me today, as well as the Fellow Members who join me in this morning prayer. Help us make good choices that align with Your teachings. Let us learn from Your wisdom, so we are better students of Your good work. We strive to be worthy of Your blessings!

— Amen



12:00 Noon Prayer for Prosperity

I can feel the weight of my problems lifting as I stop work for this Noon prayer, O Lord. I know You are listening to my words and You understand my needs. Please bless me and my Fellowship Friends with Prosperity in all we do today. Free us of the need to worry about our finances, so we may take care of our loved ones. Above all, thank You for helping us Succeed in what we do to earn a living, because we have loved ones who depend upon us. — Amen

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

As night descends, I am taking this quiet moment to tell You how grateful I am to have You beside me, Father. Please stay with me tonight and ensure I sleep well. I also pray for my Fellowship Friends, and ask You to be with them, too, as You grant all of us Your twin blessings of Health and Healing. Let us be free of illness and fatigue! — Amen

“Paying Off My Bills”

I wrote to you for help with my money and asked for your Prosperity Harvest Plan. Through this plan and my prayers I have been able to start paying off my bills. I was financially overburdened, but it is getting so much better. Thank you so much!

Member James E., California

I'm Rich

*The riches I have
I share with you,
A clear blue sky,
A robin in view.

Food on my table,
And someone to love,
A spirit that's free,
And God up above.*

Member Barbara G.

“Free Again!”

The Lord blessed me with the money I need to pay off my bills and feel free again. And it's all because of my blessed Prosperity Harvest Plan. It has brought me so much peace of mind, and that is a wonderful feeling. Please send me another one right away!

Member Catherine B., New York

“So Many Blessings!”

I really appreciate Life-Study Fellowship. It has made a big difference in my life. I have received so many blessings, and all the material in Faith Magazine is so uplifting that it makes me know that God cares for me and wants to make my life better!

Member Carol H., Canada

You Can Plant Your Seed Of Prosperity, Dear Member!

If you're in need of greater prosperity, and you don't know how to attain it, read on! Fellowship's *Prosperity Harvest Plan* can transform your bank account and ensure you have money left in its coffers at the end of the month.

No, it's not a magical road to riches, but a sensible, easy plan that anyone can follow to start saving a little at a time and watch that pile of money grow!

Does that sound good to you, Dear Friend? Then sit down right now and write to Fellowship to request a *FREE* copy of your own personal *Prosperity Harvest Plan* today!

Yes, it's absolutely free and there's no obligation on your part whatsoever. We will send out a package with your *Prosperity Harvest Plan* right away, and you can start using the plan and Prosperity Prayer as soon as you receive them.

Many of our Members say this plan has made huge changes in their lives, because now that they're saving regularly they can actually see their nest egg grow. You can imagine how comforting it would be to have extra money in the bank for emergencies that might arise. So, don't wait any longer, ask for Your *Prosperity Harvest Plan* today!

OUR FELLOWSHIP'S BIBLE READINGS

July
August
September



Dear Friend, you can gain a deeper understanding of God's love and His power to change things for the better when You read His teachings in the Holy Book. With that in mind, we have selected the Scriptures below for the months of July, August and September.

<i>Week</i>	<i>Text</i>
June 26 - July 2	<i>"A wise man will hear"</i> Read: Proverbs 1: 2-10
July 3 - July 9	<i>"To every purpose there is time and judgment"</i> Read: Eccl. 8:1-9
July 10 - 16.....	<i>"I will sing unto the Lord..."</i> Read: Exodus 15:1-10
July 17 - 23.....	<i>"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you"</i> Read: Jeremiah 29:4-14
July 24 - 30	<i>"He leadeth me beside the still waters"</i> Read: Psalms 23:1-6
July 31 - Aug. 6	<i>"We are saved by hope..."</i> Read: Romans 8:24-39
August 7 - 13.....	<i>"Fear thou not; for I am with thee"</i> Read: Isaiah 41:10-20
August 14 - 20	<i>"I have overcome the World"</i> Read: John 16:5-33
August 21 - 27.....	<i>"The Lord is at hand"</i> Read: Phil. 4:4-13
Aug. 28 - Sept. 3.....	<i>"I sought the Lord"</i> Read: Psalms 34:3-22
Sept. 4 - 10.....	<i>"We know that all things work together for good"</i> Read: Romans 8:10-39
Sept. 11 - 17.....	<i>"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart"</i> Read: Proverbs 3:1-26
Sept. 18 - 24...	<i>"The Lord appeared to Solomon"</i> Read: II Chron. 7:1-22
Sept. 25 - Oct. 1.....	<i>"I saw a new Heaven"</i> Read: Revelation 21:1-14

Hymn

Precious Lord, Take My Hand!

*Lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night,
Lead me on to the light:*

*Refrain
Take my hand, precious Lord,
Lead me home.*

*When my way grows drear,
Precious Lord, linger near,
When my life is almost gone,
Hear my cry, hear my call,
Hold my hand lest I fall:*

*Refrain
Take my hand, precious Lord,
Lead me home.*

*When the darkness appears
And the night draws near,
And the day is past and gone,
At the river I stand,
Guide my feet, hold my hand.*

Author: Thomas A. Dorsey (1932)

A “Letter To God” From A Thankful Fellowship Member!

Our Members send us some great letters and cards. It's always a treat to check the mail and see what has come in that day. Recently, we looked back and revisited a note from Member Julia T. of Texas, sharing a letter she wrote last year titled “My Letter To God In The Year 2021.” It's so nice that we wanted to share this letter in FAITH.



“Dear God,

When I welcomed the New Year 2021 I gave my best fervent thanks for all that You have given me in past years. I know that I don't have to tell You everything that happened last year because You know everything, past, present and future, and You also know everything that will happen to me and my family in the coming years. But, I write to You to give You my thanks as I have been doing all these past years. I have been writing to You every New Year that You have given me.

Thank You, my God, for providing me with the strength, storming courage and patience that I always need. You are my guide and my instructor. You are the One I always count on through good and bad times. I

thank You for the blessings that You give me every day. It gives me a feeling of reassurance, because I know that You listen to everything that I tell You. It is because of Your guidance that I'm able to overcome any problems that I have had.

Dear God, I thank You for the life You have given me As I have told You before in my previous letters, I thank You for the faith that You have given me. Because of faith I can overcome good and bad times. Please stay with me always, Dear Lord. Being with You in prayer is important to me as every morning I pray and talk with You. You always know my personal needs and what I want. If I have problems You are the One I can depend on to help me. I'm also grateful for You and for all the help I receive from You. I know that You are at my side. You watch over me and bring me happiness and that is why I tell You everything and share with You whatever is on my mind. I have faith that You hear every word that I pray. And I thank You for every blessing that You send me

Member Julia T., Texas

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What a wonderful sentiment you have expressed, Julia! Thank you so much for sharing it with us!

We Hope You Have Enjoyed This Summertime Issue Of FAITH!

You've reached the end of our Summertime issue of Faith Magazine, Dear Member, and we hope you liked it! If it wasn't for the kind contributions made by you and your Fellow Members, there would be no Faith Magazine! There would be no way of providing our Three Daily Prayers, Daily Bible Verses and the prayer help of

our Special Help Department. All those things are possible because Members like you support FAITH and Fellowship's positive message. Everyone who contributes \$10 or more will receive a gift booklet called "**7 Comforting Bedtime Helpers**" and a personal thank-you note. So, thanks for being a loyal Member and enjoy the Summer!

(Please clip here.)

To: Life-Study Fellowship, Noroton, CT 06820
www.lifestudyfellowship.org

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Dear Friends: I love being a part of Fellowship, so I am enclosing my "Thank You" Gift of \$_____ (\$10 or \$20 or \$30 or \$50 or whatever you are able to give) to help Fellowship continue its good work.

My contribution is \$10 or more, so please send me a copy of Fellowship's booklet called "**7 Comforting Bedtime Helpers.**"

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Some members have asked about using credit cards. We are pleased to accept credit card contributions in the amount of \$10 or more.
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