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#### God Will Strengthen You!



Dear Friend, as the air turns chilly outside, our Autumn edition of Faith Magazine has arrived at your door. The theme of this latest FAITH is "God Will Strengthen You," an appropriate idea because we know <u>lots</u> of folks have called upon the Lord to help them cope with prices for gas, food and other goods lurching up and down for most of the year. It's hard not to get stressed out about that, certainly, but we want to

suggest looking to the Lord for that strength of will to help you get through these volatile times.

And, you might wonder where we got the inspiration for this Faith's theme? It actually was right in front of us, Dear Member!

The Bible tells us in Isaiah 41:10 that God stands ready to help us, strengthen and uphold us: "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."

With those words, the Lord is emphasing how He will stand by us and help us navigate through these problems. What better friend could you have?

Member Carlos N. from Texas recalls on Page 5 how he was failing an important math class when his mother stepped in to seek prayer help from Fellowship, as well as arranging for him to have a tutor.

With all that extra effort on everyone's part, Carlos turned his grades around and graduated! Now, he's taking the classes he wanted, to become a vet tech.

"I did the work to graduate, of course, and my cousin certainly helped me to understand my math lessons," he said. "But, I still think I owe a lot of my success so far to my mom's faith in me, and her prayers seeking the Lord's help."

For Members Helene and Karla on Page 10, Faith Magazine has been a constant presence, bringing welcome prayers and God's positive influence on them and their families for many years.

"I reach for your magazine the first thing in the morning to say my Morning Prayer," Karla wrote. "It makes me feel so good to know I am one of many others praying at the same time. I just know the Lord hears our voices!"

Finally, on Page 15 Member M.S. told us how much Fellowship's prayer help has

done for her, helping her deal with difficult circumstances that included her husband deserting her and their young daughter.

"Both of us are so grateful to God and our Friends in Fellowship that we want to share our own experience with you.

After all, it was Faith Magazine that has brought light and hope and happiness into our home over the years. We have so much to be thankful for, and we know we could never have done it alone. The Lord has been with us and the love of our Fellowship Friends has encouraged us. You have helped this mother and her child more than you may ever realize!"

It is truly an amazing feeling to read stories like these, and know Fellowship has made an impact on the World. Let us know if there is anything we can do for you, too, Dear Friend!

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#### How To Keep Receiving FAITH

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"Please Send My Mail!"

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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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please let us know if you are not already a Member. This will also help us give you a speedy response.

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# "My Grades Turned Around And I Passed Math Class!"

I don't feel like I'm an especially strong person, although I do keep working on a task until it's done. I actually think I owe a lot of that stick-to-it-ness to my mother, who was small in stature but big in willpower! She hardly ever took no for an answer, and taught me that you can do a lot more than you may think you can.

So, when I was in junior high, she encouraged me to start thinking about what I wanted to do when I grew up. We had several pets, and I knew I wanted to work around animals. Maybe I could be a vet tech or even a veterinarian, I thought! Except that I wasn't really good at math. I thought of it as a mysterious and difficult discipline. And so, I avoided math classes for a while, until I had to graduate.

I remember being so afraid when I started that class. I didn't understand the equations that the teacher was showing us. I couldn't decipher the lessons in the math textbook either. I was doing poorly on tests, and finally confided in my mother that I was in danger of failing the class!

Well, of course, she was shocked. But, rather than lecturing me to try harder, my mother knew I needed some extra help, and fast!

My mother was, and still is, a woman of faith. A lifelong Member of Life-Study



Fellowship, she wrote to you all and asked for prayer help to get me through my class. She also began calling around to several of our family members. It turned out that one of my distant cousins was a math whiz, and he offered to tutor me.

I won't lie ... even with my cousin's extra help math wasn't easy for me. I did begin to understand it better, though. My grades turned around and I passed math class and graduated!

Not only that, but I began working in the practice of a local veterinarian to learn some "on the job training" while I took classes to become a vet tech.

I did the work to graduate, of course, and my cousin certainly helped me to understand my math lessons. But, I still think I owe a lot of my success so far to my mom's faith in me, and her prayers seeking the Lord's help.

Carlos N., Texas

#### 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. "The thing that I greatly feared is come upon me"

Job 3:25

- 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" Zephan. 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. "The children of Israel did evil in the sight the Lord" Judges 3:7
- 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 your 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

# The Lord Lifts Us Up With The Power Of His Love!



The message that "God Will Strengthen You" certainly is appropriate for a year in which rising price sand other challenges are making life more difficult, Dear Member. And yet, the Lord's love and His ability to bolster us through faith is a constant, supporting presence.

As the Bible tells us in 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."

In this Scripture, God is assuring us He will always be standing by us. We needn't be fearful because He will uphold and lift us up with the power of His love. So, whatever obstacles lie ahead of you, Dear Friend, God will give you strength to deal with

them.

You've probably heard the old saying that the Lord never gives you more than you can handle. We like to think of the Verse in Isaiah, instead ... as more of a reassurance of God's loving support rather than a challenge to pull yourself up.

He tells us to "Be not dismayed," meaning, don't be afraid and give up, but trust that He will reinforce your willpower and confidence with His all-powerful Presence.

Yes, the Lord offers us a steadying Hand and calming influence when we need that extra support. For that valuable assistance, He asks for nothing of our World, only our unwavering faith in Him.

Through that faith, He nurtures us and instills the strength that carries us through hard days and helps us enjoy the good times when they come around.

It truly is an amazing feeling to know God has your back, and you aren't just out there walking through life alone. He is with us as we cross each bridge on our journey of life, not knowing where it will take us. We can step out confidently, because we know the Lord will keep us going straight and sure, never wandering off the road He has made for us.

#### "Cheer Me Up!"

When things really look dim and dull for me, I have this saying that helps cheer me up. It says, "It's better to light one candle than to curse the darkness." I want to wish you all in Life-Study Fellowship a prosperous year. Looking forward to hearing from you soon!

Theodora S., St. Lucia, West Indies

#### "Warmed My Heart!"

Dear Friends,

Last month I sent in an address for a friend to get Faith Magazine. She sent me back a thank-you note! It warmed my heart so much that I cried. I have loved you all for most of my life. I could not live without you in my heart!

Louela S

#### "Great Magazine!"

My very Dear Fellowship Friends, sorry I'm not in touch more often, but I've been ill. I want you to know we are praying for your finances to be good. FAITH is a great magazine, so full of wisdom, truth, encouragement, fulfillment and love. It answers a lot of questions.

Mr. and Mrs. Elden B., Maine

#### "Doing Well!"

Hello Friends, I'm James! Everything is going well. I've been clean and sober for six years. I've been dating my girl-friend for three years. Everyone is doing well. Thank you for Faith Magazine. I'm so happy to be a Member of our Fellowship!

James S., Washington

# We Hope To Keep Sharing FAITH With Others For Many Years!

Every time we prepare a new issue of Faith Magazine to be mailed out, we think of *you*, Dear Member, and how you will use and enjoy it. We also think how thankful we are to you for making FAITH possible!

That's the truth, because it is the gifts from our Fellowship Friends that make preparing, publishing and mailing our little magazine possible.

Faith Magazine has no ads, and no subscription price. That seems almost quaint in today's World, but it's how we have always operated. The contributions of our Members are the magazine's only means of support. Knowing that, we hope you will support FAITH with a donation! We are grateful for every gift, no matter the size, and you can be sure you will receive a thank-you note from Fellowship expressing our sincere appreciation.

This is Faith Magazine's 82nd year and we hope to keep sharing our FAITH with others for many, many more. It offers a comforting and uplifting message throughout difficult times, for men and women around the World. You see, Faith Magazine delivers the messages of positivity and hope, something everyone can use more of today!

# "I Reach For Your Magazine The First Thing In The Morning!"

Good morning, my Fellow Members. It's me, Helene, and I come to thank you for keeping me and my children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren in our United Prayers.

I also want to thank my Father God for waking me this morning to do this prayer. I thank Him for the good health and strength He instills in me. I also thank Him for shelter and food, and to be able to pay my bills when they are due.

Through the crisis over the past few years, I thank Him for protecting me and my loved ones and those who He put in my life. I thank Him for being with the sick and those who stayed well, the believers and non-believers.

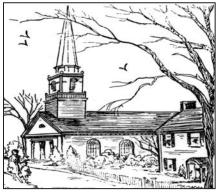
I ask Him to protect our children here and around the World. Let them learn wherever they are. I ask Him to be with our President and government, and thank Him for my pastors and many friends.

I ask the Lord to protect me and the doctors and nurses who are for us all. I thank my Fellow Members and ask God to keep them safe as well.

Finally, I ask my Father God to stop any enemies who may be coming at me.

And, thank you again, Fellowship, for being part of my life.

Member Helene S.



To all my wonderful Friends in Fellowship,

You have blessed my life so much by Faith Magazine. I truly appreciate it and enjoy it from cover to cover. Recently, I moved and want to be sure you have my new address. I'm also sending along a little gift to help cover the cost of mailing out my FAITH.

I reach for your magazine the first thing in the morning to say my Morning Prayer. It makes me feel so good to know I am one of many Fellowship Friends praying at the same time. I just know the Lord hears our voices!

He has granted me a wealth of blessings over the years and I am grateful to have His love. Even when I am alone I don't feel lonely. Fellowship has been a positive influence on my life for going on two decades, now. May you always prosper!

Karla B., Indiana

#### **Strength For The Day**

#### Little Prayers For Life's Everyday Situations

#### Thanksgiving

Dear Lord, this is a special day when many of us sit down with family and friends. We thank You for blessing us all year, and especially for this time with loved ones today. We pray for all those in need and ask You to shower them with blessings to provide the necessities of life, as well as health and security.

— Amen

#### **Saving Money**

Everyone wants to save money these days, Father, so I pray for Your wisdom as I look for ways to minimize what I am paying each week. Help me find coupons and deals on the things I must buy, Lord, and grant me willpower to stay away from tempting purchases that I don't need.

— Amen

#### Bless An Ailing Friend

O Lord, I pray today for a close friend of mine who is battling a serious illness. Please hold this Dear One in Your Hand, Father, and grant them Your powerful blessing of healing. My friend is doing everything possible to get better, and I know Your help will make a big difference.

— Amen

#### Halloween Prayer

Father, children across our country will be out trick-or-treating tonight, and I offer this prayer to keep them safe. Please watch over these little ones as they walk throughout the neighborhoods. Make sure they only get treats that are safe to eat, and send them home excited and happy at how the evening went.

— Amen

#### Labor Day

Dear Father, this Labor Day holiday I am thankful to be working, for I know others who are not. I pray all who need a job may find one which suits their skills. I ask Your blessing for all who are working and those who are looking for work. Please help them provide for their loved ones.

— Amen

#### **Family Time**

Some of my relatives aren't getting along, Lord, and this is really causing hard feelings among us. I am sad when I see some family members siding with one person against the others. I pray You will soften those hardened hearts, Lord, and let us rediscover the love we have for one another.

— Amen

#### OCTOBER — My DAILY BIBLE VERSES

There's a special Daily Bible Verse on these pages for each of the 31 days in October, Dear Member. As you start your mornings, look up the day's selected verse and write it down. That way, you'll have those Verses with you during the day to inspire and delight!

- 1. "He is excellent in power, and in judgment" Job 37:23
- 2. "Think upon me, my God, for good" Nehemiah 5:19
- 3. "Fear not: thou shalt not die" Judges 6:23
- 4. "The Lord will lighten my darkness" II Samuel 22:29
- 5. "He who loveth God love his brother also" I John 4:21
- 6. "As I was with Moses, so I will be with thee" Joshua 1:5
- 7. "Thou shalt return and obey the voice of the Lord"

Deut. 30:8

8. "The chariots of God are twenty thousand"

Psalms 68:17

- 9. "Guide our feet into the way of peace Luke 1:79
- 10. "He uttered His voice, the Earth melted" Psalms 46:6
- 11. "Theirs is the kingdom of Heaven" Matthew 5:10
- 12. "The Lord direct your hearts into the love of God" II Thess. 3:5
- 13. "He that loveth his wife loveth himself" Ephesians 5:28
- 14. "For we are also His off spring" Acts 17:28
- 15. "Behold, I will send you corn, oil" and wine. and Joel 2:19
- 16. "O Lord, how long shall I cry, and Thou wilt not Habakkuk 1:2 hear!"

- 17. "In due season we shall reap, if we faint not" Galatians 6:9
- 18. "His raiment became shining, exceeding white as snow" Mark 9:3
- 19. "The wrath of the Lord arose against His people"

II Chron 36:16

20. "And Mary said, 'My soul doth magnify the Lord"

Luke 1:46

- 21. "Every word of God is pure" Proverbs 30:5
- 22. "Thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God" Ruth 1:16
- 23. "Peace be multiplied unto Daniel 6:25
- you" Daniel 6:2 24. "I have put my trust in the Lord God" Psalms 73:28
- 25. "Grace be unto you, and peace' Phil. 1:2
- 26. "The Lord sent a prophet unto the children of Israel" Judges 6:8
- 27. "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord" Psalms 92:1
- 28. "Confess your faults one to another" **James 5:16**
- 29. "Fear the Lord, and depart from evil" Proverbs 3:7
- 30. I am the Lord, your Holy One, the creator of Israel, your King" Isaiah 43:15
- 31. "Grace be with you all"

**Titus 3:15** 

#### OCTOBER — Fellowship's DAILY PRAYERS

The love of God and the wisdom of His Word ... this is what brings you together with your Fellow Members in Fellowship, Dear Friend! As we join our voices in sending these prayers directly to God, let the meaning of their words bring you joy.

#### "Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might!"

Ephesians 6:10

#### 8:00 A.M. Prayer for Guidance

Dear Lord, my Morning Prayer gives me hope and reassurance that this will be a good day. I know I am starting off the day right, asking You to Guide me and my Fellow Members today. Help us make wise choices today and teach us to be kind and understanding of others. We follow Your teachings and are anxious to put them to work!



— Amen

#### 12:00 Noon Prayer for Prosperity

When there is a quiet moment, I like to come before You in prayer, Father. As I pause at noon, I reflect on the blessings You have given me and my Fellow Members. We ask You for the gift of Prosperity to help us meet the needs of our loved ones. We greatly appreciate Your kindness toward us and know You will help us with whatever we need to support those whom we love.

— Amen

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

As day turns to night, I am glad for the opportunity to lie down and rest. Thank You for this productive day, O Lord. I pray You will stay with my Fellowship Friends and me while we sleep soundly tonight. Grant us Good Health and Healing, and keep us well in body and mind so we may wake up tomorrow refreshed and ready for another day.

— Amen

#### Bless This Home

#### **Helpful Household Hints**

There's no better place to look for tips on cleaning and organizing than right here, Dear Member! Your Fellowship Friends have some great homemade remedies and common sense ideas that can save you money and keep your home tidy and clean. If you have a tip you'd like to share, send it to us, too!

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#### RESTORE WOOD FURNITURE

To restore finished wood furniture, steep two tea bags in hot water for 10 minutes. Let cool, then dampen a clean, soft cloth with tea and wipe over the wood. It will bring out the wood's natural color and shine.

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#### SHOE STRETCH ir new shoes are to

If your new shoes are too tight, put the nozzle of your blow dyer into each shoe and turn it on low. When the shoe gets warm, stuff it with paper or socks to stretch it!

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#### **SMOOTH SHAVING**

Shaving your legs with hair conditioner instead of soap makes them soft and smooth, ladies. Just apply, shave and rinse off!

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#### NO MORE WEEDS

If you have weeds growing in the

cracks of your patio, deck or driveway, here's what to do. Spray them with a solution of ¼ cup of salt added to one gallon of water. And to keep weeds from returning, put salt in the cracks from time to time.

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#### SHORTEN DRYING TIME

If your dryer seems to take longer to dry clothes than it used to, remove its screen filter and scrub both sides with a soft brush in warm soapy water (an old toothbrush works for this). Then, rinse thoroughly and dry before reinstalling the screen filter. This will make your heating element last longer.

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#### HOMEMADE FACIAL

A little olive oil and enough sugar to make a paste creates a nice facial scrub. Gently massage it into your face, avoiding the eye area, then rinse it off with warm water. This can also be used on hands.

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#### A PAINTING TIP

To clean oil-based paint off your hands use vegetable oil. Then wash your hands with soapy water.

#### "And Just Like That, My Husband Was Gone!"

And just like that, my husband was gone! Without any explanation he simply decided that he was tired of family responsibities and so he walked away from my little daughter and me.

My little girl was frightened and devastated when she realized her father wasn't coming back! She asked me what we were going to do, and her eyes started filling up with tears.

"Don't cry, honey," I told her.
"No matter what happens, God will look after us. He won't fail us and I'm going to do my part, too, so that we'll be worthy of His blessings."

That conversation with my daughter took place 10 years ago. Now, as a young lady of 18, she can tell you that the Lord really did take special care of us.

All of our Fellow Members in Life-Study Fellowship have been an important part of our lives, too. For, it was the comfort of knowing we had praying friends everywhere, and the strength of our Daily Prayers that kept me going through many a rough time.

My weekly paycheck had to cover all our expenses, but I worked hard and didn't complain. After all, God never "promised me a rose garden," as the song goes. But, He did promise that He would supply my



very need, and He did!

Even during the bleakest times something good always seemed to turn up for us. And certainly, my child herself was my greatest blessing! She studied hard, finished high school and is now becoming a nurse. Both of us are so grateful to God and our Friends in Fellowship that we want to share our own experience with you.

After all, it was Faith Magazine that has brought light and hope and happiness into our home over the years. We have so much to be thankful for, and we know we could never have done it alone. The Lord has been with us and the love of our Fellowship Friends has encouraged us.

You have helped this mother and her child more than you may ever realize!

Member M. S.

# Our Special Help Department Is Here To Help <u>YOU</u>, Dear Friend!

You're
NEVER
Alone,
Friend!

We Can Help You Speak To God About Whatever Is Bothering You Right Now!

#### Member Izorie I.

"Good Afternoon,
Years ago, in 1978, I
became a Member (of
Fellowship) and have
truly been blessed. I get
blessings every day. I truly
enjoy being a Member and
years ago I purchased a
hardback book called
"WITH GOD ALL THINGS
ARE POSSIBLE."

This book has many wonderful Prayers, several about fear. I often have moments when I am not sure how to pray about certain situations and I open this book for guidance and it has never let me down. It leads me on how I need to speak to the Lord on the matter at hand. Thank You, I Love YOU ALL and enjoy our prayer time together.

Sometimes, it may seem like folks are trading one crisis for another. High prices and uncertainty about the future can cause stress for nearly everyone.

Well, here's a simple way for you to deal with that stress ...Just write it down. Seal it in an envelope. Send it off to us!

It's just that simple!

No matter what you're concerned about now, the Special Help Department is ready to meet your needs by preparing special prayer help for you to take those problems to God and ask Him to help you solve any situation.

Take a look at Page 17 and use the lines to write down your problem. Then, clip out that page and send it to the address at the top.

Once the Special Help Department receives your letter they will prepare your Prayer Help and quickly mail it back out to you. Then, you can use those prayers as often as you like to seek God's guidance and action to address your needs.

When you seek God's advice, He will reveal solutions to your problems at just the right time. Keep an open heart and your eyes and ears open for that revelation, and soon, the issues that seem overwhelming now will be relegated to the past.

# (Please clip along these lines and mail.)

#### **Special Help Department**

To: Life-Study Fellowship Noroton, CT 06820 F-5 Dear Fellowship: I want to ask the Lord for help with my problems so my troubles don't weigh so heavily upon me and consume every moment. I want to ask Him to help me make positive changes in my life. Here are my concerns: I am so happy the Lord can help lift this burden from my mind and body! I know you will prepare the prayer help I need and send it to me right away. I am enclosing my gift of \$ (whatever you are able to give) to support Fellowship in its good work around the World. My Name Is \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_(Street, Route or Box No.) (Apt. No.) City\_\_\_\_\_State\_\_\_Zip\_\_\_

If you are NOT already a Fellowship Member, please check here.

Email Address

# Let Us Help You Talk To God, Dear Friend!

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To Page 17 . . .

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Your Concerns

In The Lines There.

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#### ONE-SENTENCE SERMONS

What these tiny tidbits of wit lack in length, they make up in wisdom and humor. Yes, Our Members' *One-Sentence Sermons* are fun to read, while making you think about their meaning. We enjoy reading these tiny but mighty messages that our Members send in. How about submitting one yourself, Dear Friend?

"An obstacle is something you see when you take your eyes off the goal."

Member Patricia W.

"Many a blunt word has a sharp edge."

Member Louise P.

"Ask the Lord into your heart and invite Him to stay."

Member Robert B.

"Sometimes things fall apart so that better things can fall together!"

Member Cynthia I.

"No God? Then Know God!"

Member Evelyn S.

"Embracing God's love for us is the key to loving others!"

Member Marilyn B.

"Kindness is the oil that takes the friction out of life."

Member R. P.

"From the lowest depth, there is still a path to the loftiest height."

Member L. M.

"God: 'Have you read my Number One best-seller? There will be a test."

Member B. J.

"What this country needs is a surplus of love and laughter, and a shortage of anger."

Member Ethel Z.

"If your life is in a rut, let the Lord lift you up."

Member Rose H.

"Today is the tomorrow that you worried about yester-day."

Member Beatrice C.

"Don't worry about 'nothing,' just pray about everything."

Member Charles R.

"Great works are performed not by strength, but by perseverance."

Member Annie S.

"No one can say 'no' when the Lord says 'yes."

Member Ada W.

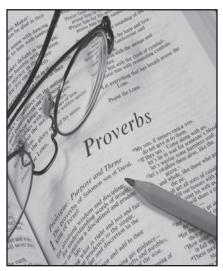
"Destiny is not a matter of chance, it is a matter of choice."

Member Frances L.

"Yesterday is a memory, and tomorrow is a hope."

Member Waneta S.

# Reading The Bible Is A Journey Of Faith That Never Lets You Down!



We've got an interesting question for you, Dear Member.

Do you know how to read the Bible? Before you say that's ridiculous; *of course* you know how, let us explain.

We have heard about a different way to read the Holy Book ... by reading it as though you were long drive through the countryside. Here's what we mean. When you're driving through the country, you don't stop at every turn to study every individual tree. Instead, you drive along looking at the "big picture" of scenic beauty, stoping when you see an especially lovely landscape that brings you joy. In other words, you take time to enjoy the beauty of what you are seeing, then drive on to another pretty spot or overlook. We think that can be a good way to read the Bible, too, Dear Friend. Start reading it in any chapter you like. You can even look at Page 29 of this Faith Magazine, and start with the Fellowship Bible Readings.

What matters is that you start somewhere you like, and enjoy your reading journey. You may not understand every single word you read. Just keep reading until you come to a passage that you can believe with all your heart. You'll know it when you see it, because just like the scenic country landscape, it will fill you with joy. Suddenly, a sentence or more of Scripture will leap off the page at you with its real meaning for your life!

When that happens, it's as if God is speaking directly to you, which is a precious feeling indeed. If you dwell on that passage and read it again, it will likely become one of your favorite treasures. That's because God's Words are more valuable than Earthly goods. His teachings can "buy" the greatest treasure of all for you ...happiness and contentment.

So, we hope you'll try reading the Bible like we suggested earlier, as if you're driving through the country. It is one treasure that keeps producing joy and paying you back for the rest of your life!

#### **Daily Bread**

#### **Recipes From Your Friends**

Fall is a great time to try out recipes with freshly harvested fruits and vegetables. We're blessed with Fellow Members who are terrific cooks, so we hope you'll try out the tasty entrees and sides printed below. And, feel free to send us one of your favorite dishes, as well!

#### \* \* \* HARVEST SOUP

It's Harvest Time, and Member Eudora B. from Pennsylvania makes good use of the bountiful vegetables in the farmers' markets with this warming soup.

Ingredients: 3 cups chicken or beef broth ... 1 diced onion ... 3 medium carrots, sliced ... 1 medium potato, diced ... 2 stalks celery, sliced ... 2 cups chopped tomatoes ... ½ teaspoon dried basil ... 1 tablespoon dried parsley ... 2 cups cooked noodles ... salt and pepper to taste.

Simmer onion, carrots, potato and celery in broth until tender. Add tomatoes, noodles, basil and parsley and heat through. Season with salt and pepper.

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#### WESTERN CORNBREAD

Arizona Member Jeffrey J. sent us this recipe that's bound to please every cornbread lover!

Ingredients: 1½ cup corn meal

... ½ cup flour ... 4 teaspoons baking powder ... ½ teaspoon salt ... 1 tablespoon sugar ... 1 cup milk ... 1 egg, beaten ... ¼ cup vegetable oil.

Mix all the ingredients together. Bake in hot, 425-degree oven until brown, about 25 minutes. Just wait until you taste it. We bet you'll want more than one serving!

#### CREAM PUFF CAKE

The recipe for this delicious dessert was shared by Mrs. Harold L. of Pennsylvania. It's great for when friends drop by unexpectedly.

Ingredients: 1 cup water ... 1 stick butter ... 1 cup flour ... 4 eggs ... 2 small boxes of instant vanilla pudding ... 2 cups milk ... one 8-ounce package softened cream cheese ... 18-ounce carton whipped topping ... chocolate syrup.

Melt butter in boiling water. Add flour and mix well. Beat in eggs, one at a time, mixing carefully. Spread in 8-inch by 13-inch pan and bake at 400 degrees for 30 minutes. Cool completely.

Mix pudding and milk. Add softened cream cheese and blend completely. Spread on top of the cooled crust, top with whipped topping and drizzle with chocolate syrup.

#### "He Leadeth Me"

Thank you for my Faith Magazine. Reading it has made me stronger in faith and brings me the assurance that God's guidance and protection can keep me going. He leadeth me, my Lord leadeth me, and I am humbly grateful!

Member G. R., Florida

#### "Prayers Answered"

Dear Fellowship, I was laid off for six months but my prayers have just been answered with a good job! The hours, the work and the workplace are truly a blessing. I can't thank my Fellowship Family enough for your loving guidance and prayer help.

Member R. B., New York

#### "Better Times Ahead!"

Life hasn't been easy recently. It's been a struggle. But FAITH, my magazine of hope and comfort, keeps me focused on God and the power from within. Thanks to Faith Magazine I can now see better times ahead for me!

Member D. S., Illinois

#### "I Am Blessed"

I am blessed that I can now see my way ahead. I have no big bills, Praise the Lord! This Prosperity Harvest Plan really works. I can pay my bills now and have a little left over to help my home church and my Friends in Life-Study Fellowship.

Member A. T., Illinois

#### Your Gift Can Keep On Giving To Others!

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.

# "Your Faith Magazine Means Comfort, Love, Joy, Peace!"

Dear Friends in Fellowship,

Your Faith Magazine means comfort, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness and more. Every magazine comes at the right time for me and always brings me those feelings I mentioned above, and sometimes, even tears of happiness.

The stories in FAITH about how the Lord uses us to change our lives and the lives of others are always encouraging. Also, the various features like Strength for the Day, Helpful Household Hints, One-Sentence Sermons, Daily Bread recipes and the weekly Bible Readings all bring wisdom and understanding. I enjoy the Three Daily Prayers and I copy down the Daily Bible Verses, too.

Almost every story in Faith Magazine is filled with hope and love. They lift me up at times when I am in despair and feeling blue. I can never fully explain just how much your magazine really means to me.

That's why I make a point of going someplace away from my home and leaving a copy of FAITH there for others to discover. By doing this, I hope to introduce many other Members to Life-Study Fellowship.

I've left copies of Faith Magazine in bus stations, the laundromat, doctor's offices, nursing homes and parks.



This is a part of how much our magazine means to me. I feel it just has to be shared in a simple way.

I want others to learn about Fellowship's Special Help Department, to which I am especially grateful. Its prayer help has been so valuable to me.

I pray Fellowship's good works will continue to be supported. I hope others will see the true worth of our Fellowship and more will join to make it strong.

May the Lord be with you always, and continue to bless you abundantly for your unfailing love, patience and kindness.

Member, S.W., Nevada

#### **NOVEMBER — My DAILY BIBLE VERSES**

God loves you, Dear Member! And you will be reminded of His love daily if you write down the day's chosen Bible Verse and carry it with you. That way, you have the Lord's wisdom in your pocket, so you can refer to it whenever you want an inspirational pick-me-up.

- 1. "Ye serve the Lord Christ" Col. 3:24
- 2. "The Lord of hosts shall defend them" Zech. 9:15
- 3. "I will wait for the God of my salvation" Micah 7:7
- 4. "Lift up your eyes to the heavens" Isaiah 51:6
- 5. "The word of God grew and multiplied" Acts 12:24
- 6. "Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit" Luke 9:42
- 7. "If ye keep My commandments, ye shall abide in My love" John 15:10
- 8. "Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies"

Psalms 143:9

- 9. "My presence shall go with thee" Exodus 33:14
- 10. "Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus"

II Timothy 2:1

- 11. "Thou hast put gladness in my heart" Psalms 4:7
- 12. "The God of love and peace shall be with you"

II Cor. 13:11

- 13. "Come, behold the works of the Lord" Psalms 46:8
- 14. "Seek the Lord and His strength"

I Chron. 16:11

15. "The Lord will bless His people with peace."

Psalms 29:11

16. "Be strong and of a good courage" Deut. 31:7

- 17. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength" Isaiah 40:31
- 18. "Behold, God is my salvation" Isaiah 12:2
- 19. "Behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power"

Jeremiah 32:17

- 20. "And straightway the damsel arose, and walked"

  Mark 5:42
- 21. "The Lord is my strength and song" Exodus 15:2
- 22. "Pray one for another, that ye may be healed"

James 5:16

- 23. "Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord" Exodus 14:13
- 24. "Strengthen thou me according unto Thy word"
  Psalms 119:28
- 25. "The joy of the Lord is your strength" Nehemiah 8:10
- 26. "A woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised"

  Proverbs 31:30
- 27. "God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things" I John 3:20
- 28. "Elisha said, 'Hear ye the word of the Lord"

II Kings 7:1

- 29. "Behold, God is mighty"

  Job 36:5
- 30. "We are saved by hope"
  Romans 8:24

#### **NOVEMBER** — Fellowship's DAILY PRAYERS

In this month of Thanksgiving, we invite you to join your Fellow Members each day as they say their Three Daily Prayers. You will be praising God and in concert with all of your Fellowship Friends, which is a great way to celebrate a spiritual get-together.

#### "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord!"

Psalms 92:1

#### 8:00 A.M. Prayer for Guidance

Blessed Father, I am joining with my Fellow Members around the World today to thank You for your goodness and willingness to share Your wisdom and Guidance with us. We hope You will be with us as we start this day, leading us to make the hours productive and pleasant for ourselves and others. We are so grateful for Your blessings, and offer our thanks for all You have done for us.

— Amen



#### 12:00 Noon Prayer for Prosperity

As the sun rises overhead to mark the noon hour, I pause to take time out and offer this prayer of thanks for Your blessings of Prosperity and Success. My Fellowship Friends and I work hard to provide for those we hold dear, and every little bit we earn to take home helps. It has been hard to budget for rising costs, so we pray You will help us find some ways to boost the money we take home each month. — Amen

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

Darkness is descending, Dear Lord, and my Fellow Members and I, and our loved ones, are getting ready for bed. Before we drift off to sleep, we pray You will be with us as we slumber and grace us with radiant Health and the Healing we need. When morning arrives, we hope we all will rise with a refreshed spirit and energy to undertake the duties of another day. — Amen

## Let Your Inner Light Shine Out As A Beacon Of Faith!

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see Your good works, and glorify your Father which is in Heaven."

Those inspirational words come from the Bible Vese of Matthew 5:16, Dear Member. Their meaning is an uplifting message about living in God's love and grace, and knowing the good deeds we do will demonstrate the power and majesty of the Lord.

That's right, the way we conduct our lives can illustrate the spiritual goodness of God's love and the power of faith ... if we practice His teachings. So, how do we do this in the right man-



ner? Well, we like to say you can let faith light a lamp to lead others.

Now, we know, that you know, that the Lord will bestow blessings upon you, especially when you seek those blessings in a prayerful manner.

You have probably felt His calming Presence nearby, and seen His gentle care at work in your life. You certainly know the same loving concern and guidance is available for anyone who sincerely seeks it from the Lord.

But, may be someone you know and love hasn't yet experienced God's blessings as fully as you have? The same faithful and prayerful life that brings you happiness can also bring help to others. Simply share your prayers with that person. You'll even feel better yourself knowing how you did something nice for someone else's well being.

That person doesn't even have to know that you're including him or her in your prayers. Afterward, you will be so satisfied when you see a positive change taking place in that person's life.

Yes, Dear Member, your own faith will be strengthened when you trust the Lord and let Him lead your steps.

So, let faith light the lamp inside you that can lead others to the light, and let your light shine as a beacon of faith!

#### "There Is Always A Prayer To Help Me Cope With Any Situation!"

I am writing to thank you for all the wonderful work you do for so many lives, including mine. I am a mother of three girls and I have written and supported Life-Study Fellowship because it has been a big help to me as I continue to raise my daughters to know love. And One of my favorite Scriptures is, "With God All Things Are Possible."

When I was a young girl, about seven or eight years old and growing up in Trinidad, my mother used to quote this Bible Verse. In addition, I also saw my grandmother reading your Faith Magazine as part of her daily devotion and I was curious about what she was reading.

I would read her Faith Magazine and some of the prayers and inspirational stories every chance I could, and it seems like I would always find the Scripture "With God All Things Are Possible" somewhere in the magazine.

When I was a teenager starting high school, my mother gave me a prayer that she told me to say every day to help me be successful in school. I later found out that it was one of the prayers that came from Fellowship. I truly believe that this prayer helped during my high school years. I was able to earn college



and master's degrees as part of my educational experience.

I lost contact with your magazine, but when I thought about FAITH I wanted to write and share my problems so that I could receive some prayers to help me deal with the problems that were happening in my relationship with the father of my two youngest children.

At first, I was a little hesitant to contact Fellowship. But, as time went by I could not deal with all the stress, hurt and pain. I asked my mother for your address and I wrote asking for specific prayers to my problems. Since that time several years ago I have supported this great magazine.

I have come to realize that regardless of what the problem, situation or circumstance may be there is always a prayer to help me cope with any situation. I really appreciate your help and I will continue to support FAITH. This magazine has truly showed me that "With God All Things Are Possible!"

Member U. H., Maryland

#### "He's Always At Your Side"

As we walk down The road of life, What will He see us do?

For each day comes Around but once, And then that day is through.

So start each day Off with a prayer, Let Jesus be your guide,

And as each day Goes passing by He's always at your side.

Member Barbara G.

#### "Pay Off My Debts!"

The great and helpful Prosperity Harvest Plan is helping me pay off my debts and buy food and the medicine I must have. I feel I can clear my credit card bills and be able to save some money to get ahead. Thanks so much!

Member O. M., Georgia

#### "New Doors Have Opened!"

The Prosperity Harvest Plan is one of the most helpful ideas ever. I feel that new doors have opened for me since I have been using this wonderful Plan. It is a bright beginning for me and my family. I can't thank you enough for all you do for me.

Member S. U., New Mexico

# Why Not Give The Fellowship Prosperity Harvest Plan A Try?

Dear Member,

We are reading a lot of letters right now from folks who heard about our free Prosperity Harvest Plan and decided to try it out. They say our Plan has made a big difference in their demeanor because they're no longer stressed about paying monthly bills.

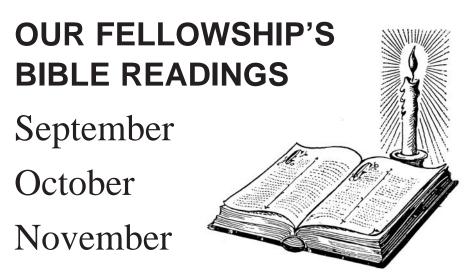
We get letters like these from all over the country, and in fact, around the World.

Each note from our Fellowship Friends tells a different story about how they used the Prosperity Harvest Plan to save money, pay bills, take a vacation or purchase something they needed.

You can use the power of this Plan to get what you want, too, Dear Friend. All you need is to send us a letter requesting it and we will send the Prosperity Harvest Plan back to you. It is completely free and there is no obligation!

Is there something you need or want, but don't have the funds to obtain? Just send us a request for the Plan and soon, you could be well on your way toward reaching your goal.

It's that easy! You can work the Prosperity Harvest Plan as you seek the Lord's blessings! Why not give it a try?



We think starting the week with a Bible Verse is a wonderful beginning. The Bible offers us inspiration and hope, so Fellowship has selected these verses to start off each week of September, October and November. We hope you find them meaningful in your life.

Week Text
Aug. 28 - Sept. 3"I sought the Lord" Read: Psalms 34:3-22
Sept. 4 - 10"We know that all things work together for good"
Read: Romans 8:10-39
Sept. 11 - 17"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart"
Read: Proverbs 3:1-26
Sept. 18 - 24 ."The Lord appeared to Solomon" Read: II Chron. 7:1-22
Sept. 25 - Oct. 1
Read: Revelation 21:1-14
October 2-8Abound in grace"
Read: II Corinthians 8:7-16
October 9 - 15
October 16 - 22
October 23 - 29
Read: John 14:1-17
Oct. 30 - Nov. 5
November 6 - 12"He which soweth bountifully shall reap"
Read: II Corinthians 9:6-12
November 13 - 19 "The Lord bless thee" Read: Numbers 6:22-27
November 20 - 26 "Then said Solomon" Read: II Chronicles 6:1-12
November 27- Dec. 3 "Boast not thyself" Read: Proverbs 27:1-9

#### <u>Hymn</u>

### Happy Is The Home When God Is There!



Happy the home when God is there, And love fills every breast, When one their wish and one their prayer, And one their heavenly rest.

Happy the home where Jesus' name Is sweet to every ear, Where children early speak His fame And parents hold Him dear.

Happy the home where prayer is heard And praise is wont to rise, Where parents love the sacred Word And all its wisdom prize.

Lord, let us in our homes agree This blessed peace to gain; Unite our hearts in love to Thee, And love to all will reign.

-Amen

# Here's How You Can Develop A Closer Relationship To The Lord!

Dear Member, we feel safe in predicting this: when you invite God into your life it makes a huge, positive difference in how well you respond to stress, unexpected problems and issues such as people who are unpleasant or outright mean.

The Lord's Presence has a calming and reassuring effect on all of those things, and here are some ideas to help you develop that spiritual bond.

- 1. Early in the day, read a bit of inspirational material from he Bible, or Faith Magazine, a Fellowship book or perhaps another source that you enjoy. Afterward, try meditating upon the messages that you read.
- 2. Write down Fellowship's Daily Bible Verses and carry them with you. Notice how each day's verse may have a personal meaning for you that day.
- 3. Sing a hymn, even silently, while you work or play. Choose one you really like so you enjoy practicing it.
- 4. Pray your Daily United Prayers along with the hundreds upon hundreds of your Fellowship Friends who are doing the same. These Three Daily Prayers are the heart and soul of Fellowship, and they're in every edition of Faith Magazine.
- 5. Choose one of our "One-Sentence Sermons" and think about what it means. Their witty

little sayings pack a lot of wisdom, and you may just find it applies to your own situation.

- 6. Sometime during the day, select someone and do something for them that will express your love and consideration of that person. You'll be amazed at how good that makes you feel!
- 7. Go out at night occasionally and look up at the stars. They're so far away, and yet somehow, they can look so close.

If you follow these seven ideas, Dear Member, we think you'll agree they will help you feel even closer to the Lord.

And please drop us a line to let us know what you think about our ideas, and what happened when you tried them out!



# Your Support Of Fellowship Makes A Difference, Dear Friend!

You've reached the end of our Autumn edition of Faith Magazine, Dear Friend, and we hope it has both inspired and delighted you.

With each issue our goal is to provide stories, features, prayers and other content to pique the interests of our Members. Please let us know how we did in that regard! We also want to say it's the much-appreciated contributions of our Members that

makes it possible for Fellowship to mail out copies of Faith Magazine around the World. Every little bit helps in that regard!

Those who donate \$10 or more, will receive a Gift Booklet called "On This Thankful Day" as a gift to express our sincere thanks. It really makes a difference in our ability to publish our inspirational materials. Thank you, Dear Member!

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