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A Beacon for HOPE

“For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life”

John 3:16



OUR HELP COMES FROM THE LORD, THE MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH. PSALM 121:2



*This magazine along with
the Promises of God
belong to:*

Hello Friend Welcome

Can I call you friend,
is that o.k?

I am so delighted to share
this time with you.

As you grab your cuppa
tea or coffee, and settle
in your favourite nook, it
is my HOPE that the tests
and triumphs God has led
me through will
encourage you today.
That they will help to
"Feed YOUR Faith" my
friend.

That the works of my
hands will delight your
hearts.

Cynthia



Christmas Blessings



While journaling one morning, I heard/saw this conversation between the Father, Jesus, and myself.

I was a little girl sitting on a bench with Jesus. I was sitting up on His lap and we were goofing around.

God, who was sitting to our left, leaned forward to speak to me. I turned to look at God, and very quickly things became serious... the goofing around stopped.

It was then that God spoke.

"I love you, I have good things for you, Be still, look at me."

"Yes Father" I said

"Now obey me"

"I will try" I answered

I turned to Jesus and said, "Jesus how do I obey?"

"Listen" He said

"But I don't hear anything" I replied

"Listen again" ...

Then I heard

"You are My daughter, I love you"

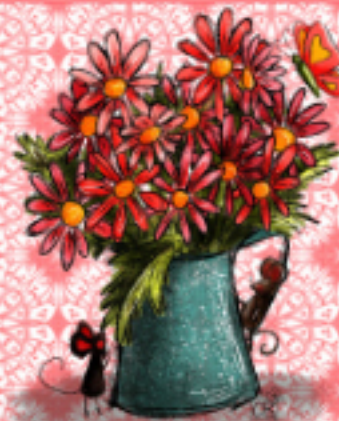
Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.

Jeremiah 33:3

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Faith is the
substance of
things HOPED
for.

FAITH the
size of a
mustard
seed



can move
mountains!

Without
FAITH it is
impossible to
please God.

Christmas Post Cards for you to cut out and keep or give away.



Oh the weather outside's delightful



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• God
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Philippians 4:19



Let your
GENTLENESS
be known to all
men.
The LORD is
at hand.

Philippians 4:5

"Be My light to
the world"
Matthew 5:14



So let us not get tired of doing what is
good. At just the right time we will reap
a harvest of blessing if we don't give up.

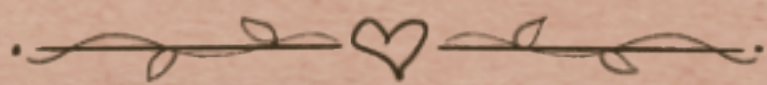


Galatians 6:9

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Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayers and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made know to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.



Finally brethren,

whatever things ARE true,

whatever things ARE noble,

whatever things ARE just,

whatever things ARE pure,

whatever things ARE lovely,

whatever things ARE of good report,

if there is anything praiseworthy- meditate on these things.

Philippians 4:6-8



Heard this one before- am I right?

Me to, lots and lots of times.

I've written it out, typed it out, taped it to a wall and spoke it over and over.

Yet this one morning not long ago, I saw it differently. Now maybe you have seen this already, but the word "are" seemed to appear out of nowhere.

Was what I was thinking about (pondering, focusing, meditating ultimately) was it true, was it noble to think it, was it a just thought, how about a pure thought, was it pure to think that... what about lovely, and good report... hmmm was it something good to share... if I could not answer yes, then why was I thinking about it, obsessing about it.

Scripture says right there, to meditate on what? These things, what things...

Things that

ARE true,

ARE noble,

ARE just,

ARE pure,

ARE lovely,

ARE of good report and things that ARE Praiseworthy.

And before all that, scripture says first- to be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayers and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made know to God.

Scripture informs us that, this is the confidence we have in Him;

That if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

1 John 5:14,15

So, if we know we have that confidence, and we through prayer make our requests know to God -

not to our friends,

not to our journals,

not to facebook or tic-tok... but to GOD!!!

Then what have we to be anxious for?

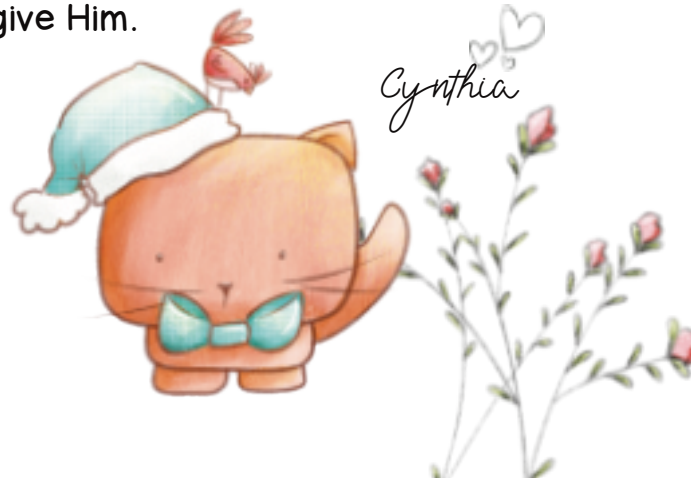
Why are we grumbling about anything?

Friends, Sisters... What things in your life ARE true, ARE noble, ARE just, ARE pure, ARE lovely, ARE of good report and things that ARE Praiseworthy?

I urge you strongly, to think on those things, to talk about those things, to write about them, to mediate on them.

And those things that are NOT; I urge you even more to turn those things over to God, the very One who created the planet we live upon...

He is more than able to carry what ever you give Him.



FROM MY PAGES

HOW I DO SCRIPTURE WRITING

I start with a scripture -kind of no surprise..LOL

O.K. wait, Lets back it up a little bit.

I tend to start in my journal, writing about one thing or another, and then a scripture verse, or part of one will pop into my head. Thank goodness for Google, I can ask it where to find the verse I'm thinking about.

Once I have the verse from Google I will either use the YouVersion Bible App (which don't we all love that app), or as I have been trying to do more lately, is I look it up in my actual real bible.

Most times I will read through the verse once, and then as I begin writing it down on paper, something in it will stand out.

I will write the verse out again, this time I will circle the word that stands out to me; if it appears more than once, I'll circle each time it is used.

Then rereading it again, if there is something else (which there almost always is) that stands out, I will draw a rectangle around that word.

I find circling or drawing rectangles around words, draws my attention to them differently. Often I see a theme, or similarities to the words.

Here I'll show you an example.



Trust in the Lord and do **Good**

Dwell in the land and **Feed** on His **Faithfulness**

Delight yourself also in Him and **He** will **Give** you the desires of your heart.

Psalm 37:3-5



TRUST God and do good,
Dwell in the land, and
Feed on His faithfulness,
Delight yourself also in the LORD and
He will give you the desires of your
heart
Commit your way to the LORD,
TRUST also in Him,
And He shall bring it to pass.
Psalm 37:3-5

You can see the words that jumped out at me.

I have written this scripture down a gizzillion times... well A LOT of times, LOL. And because TRUST has been an issue for me, it is a word that I almost always capitalize now... when in reference to God.

Something I noticed not to long ago when writing it in my journal was that the words that stood out to me, where action words, verbs.

They were things I needed to do. I need to TRUST God, I need to BE where He has placed me, I need to consume, get nourishment from His Word, I need to Delight myself in Him, not just plead for favours, and I need to commit my plans to Him, and TRUST Him with the best outcome.

Even more recently when I was

writing in my journal, the word FEED jumped out, FEED on His Faithfulness.

To Feed is to nourish, to consume food, to bite into, to digest...etc.

To FEED on His Faithfulness - for me meant to FEED on all the ways I had seen God answer prayers, spoken and unspoken; to read and reread His goodness, to speak about the ways I saw God answer prayer, that built my faith, it FED my Faith.

This is how this girl does it, maybe this way will work for you too... whatever works best - do it.

Maybe think of it this way -When we write down God's Word, we are doing the same thing the bible greats did.

I need to interrupt this scheduled ending, LOL.

I need to share something else, something I feel important.

Today I went to our churches ladies breakfast - I didn't want to go, I didn't want to be vulnerable... we haven't attended this church in a long while, so we are new faces to most of the people; I'm uncomfortable being a new face, as it is a lot of people I'm sure.

OK. So what is so important I had to interrupt the close?

Well, God used it. SURPRISE!!! LOL

I had one very sweet woman start a conversation with me. She shared a bit of her testimony with me, she shared some vulnerable journeys, which had led her to make some

pretty awesome steps.

In listening to her share, I thought... her journey of trusting God, her seeing God's faithfulness and sharing it with me, was encouraging and building my faith... I was feeding off of her faith.

Ding ding ding ding.... Bells went off in my head!!!

FEEDING ON GOD'S FAITHFULNESS.

This is why we are to gather together, to share with each other... to feed off of God's faithfulness in each others lives.

It encourages and builds us up!

As this wonderful woman reminded me of what Jesus said to Peter... "if you love Me, feed My sheep"



FEED ON HIS FAITHFULNESS



So, that is how I do scripture writing ... start off with a thought and then BAM... a gizzillion thoughts.

God is so good, and His Word is so multifaceted.... I LOVE IT!

I hope this encourages you.

Be blessed


Cynthia



WHEN HOPE FEELS FAR

Encouragement from someone who's walked through hard days and found God there every time.

Christmas can often be a hard time for those who are alone;
and **THOSE WHO FEEL ALONE.**

Speak the Name of Jesus
Just call on His name—like Peter sinking beneath the waves. In the chaos and fear, he cried out, and Jesus was there, hand outstretched, ready to save.

Talk to someone you trust
Whether it's a family member, friend, pastor, or therapist—please don't carry it alone. The enemy loves isolation, but freedom often begins with a conversation.

Write
Start with the date. Then let your thoughts pour out, unfiltered. Don't worry about spelling or grammar—just write. Write how you feel. What you're thinking. What you'd say to someone, or even directly to God. There's no right or wrong—this space is between you and the One who sees your heart.

Find something to hope for
A dream. A wish. A desire. Name it, then tell God about it. Be honest. Be specific. And then—trust Him. The answer may not look like what you imagined, but holding on to hope and choosing trust is its own kind of

miracle. When doubt or hopelessness creeps in, remind yourself: "I've told God. Now I'm trusting Him with the outcome that's best for me."

Listen to worship
It doesn't have to be loud or long. A single song—whispered in the background—can shift the atmosphere and soften your heart.

Make a list of things to hope for
Moments, places, simple joys. Even just thinking of one can lift your spirit. As Philippians 4:8 encourages us—think on these things.

Pray. Pray. Pray.
For a moment. A breath. An hour. There's no formula—just reach out. Even a quiet "Hey God, it's me" is a beautiful beginning.

Don't give up
You're here for a reason. And the plans God has for you are too precious to walk away from now.



A Family Favourite for sure.

*These are always
a Christmas
favourite with my
family.*

Cassidy's Favourite

CHRISTMAS SNOWBALLS

- 1 Cup Butter (not margarine)
- 1 Cup Icing Sugar
- ½ Tsp. Salt
- ½ Tsp. Vanilla
- 2 Cups Flour



Cream Butter. Add Icing Sugar and Salt beat until light and fluffy.
Add Vanilla and blend in Flour.
Form into 1 inch balls, arrange on cookie sheet.

Bake at 350 for 15-20 minutes.
Allow to cool and then roll in Icing Sugar.

Victoria Roses Favourite

SANTAS WHISKERS

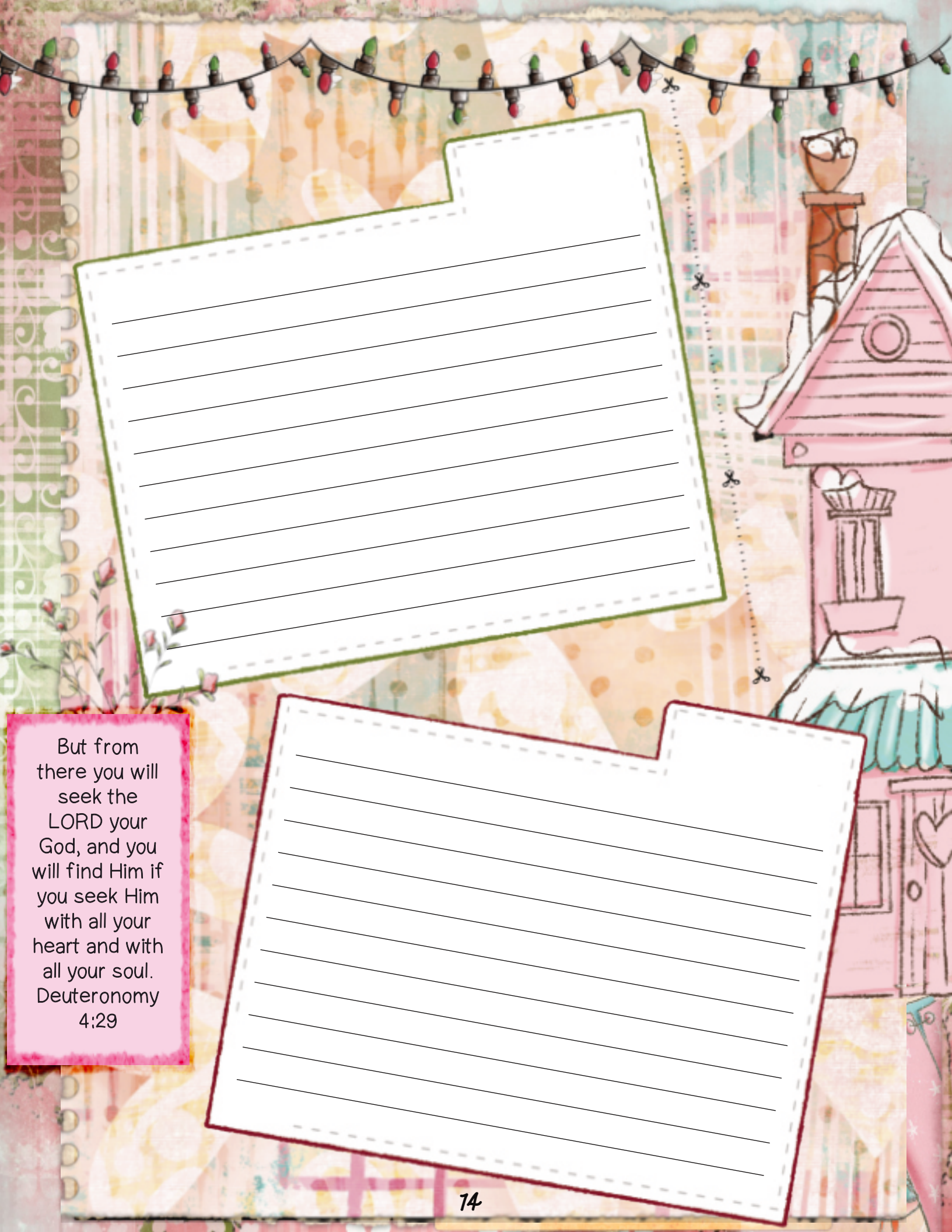
- 1 Cup Butter (not margarine)
- 1 Cup Sugar
- 2 TBLS Milk
- 1 TSP Vanilla
- 2 ¼ Cup Flour
- 1 Cup Chopped Candies (Red and Green if possible)
- ½ Cup Pecans
- 1 Cup Flaked Coconut



Beat Butter for 30 seconds, add sugar and beat until fluffy. Add milk and vanilla and beat well.
Stir in flour, then cherries and pecans.
Shape into three 7 inch rolls. Roll dough in coconut to coat the outside and then wrap in plastic wrap and place in fridge. When solid and firm, rolls can be cut into ¼ inch slices.
Place on Ungreased cookie sheet and

Bake. 375 for 12 minutes





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A large, white, rectangular writing area with a dashed red border and ten horizontal lines for writing.

But from there you will seek the LORD your God, and you will find Him if you seek Him with all your heart and with all your soul.
Deuteronomy 4:29



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OUR WEAPONS FOR WARFARE.

Name of Jesus
Blood of Jesus
Word of God



Rejoice in
the LORD
always,
again I
say
REJOICE!



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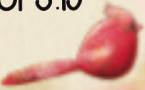


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...And let
the Peace
of God rule
in your
hearts...

Col 3:15





“Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give your rest.” Matthew 11:28-30



“Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with Me.

Revelation 3:20



If you have just prayed that prayer from your heart, please contact us, we'd love to welcome you to the family!

ACCEPT THE GIFT OF ETERNAL LIFE WITH JESUS.

Dear Lord Jesus,

I know that I am a sinner, and I ask for Your forgiveness.

I believe You died for my sins and rose from the dead.

I turn from my sins and invite You to come into my heart and live.

I want to trust and follow You as my Lord and Saviour.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!

I pray that the Lord Bless you abundantly this coming year in every area of need.

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LOVE Prays differently



But above all these things, put on
LOVE, which is the bond of
perfection...

Col 3:14



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