IN YOUR CLOSET

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. I Thessalonians 5: 16-18 ESV

How do I pray for Those facing Illness?

Isaiah 40: 28-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

- 1. Acknowledge and worship the LORD for His power and His desire to bring goodness into our lives.
- 2. Thank Him for particular miracles of healing you and your family and friends have experienced.

- 3. Speak to him your honest feelings about the suffering of the sick person or persons for whom you are praying.
- 4. Ask for His healing of that person.
- 5. Believe Jesus for that healing.
- 6. Thank God for that healing.
- 7. Give testimony for His glory about that healing.



How do I remind Myself of God's Intervention In My Life?

One way to keep my mind on Christ and His provision for my every need is to take a look back at individuals and groups who have joined the Lord Jesus in keeping your life on track.

- I certainly recall the believing legacy passed on to me by my parents, my grandparents, and so many other faithful people.
- I cannot forget those who have taught me in Sunday School, equipped me in Church Training and R.A.'s, and also helped develop my believing heart through activities, stories, games, and crafts in V.B.S.
- Then there are my mentors; men and women who have allowed me to walk beside them as they served the LORD.
- There have been particular teachers throughout my schooling, who shone Christ's light brightly in my various classrooms.
- Supervisors on various jobs, in schools, in our mission, even through our association office, have lived out their leadership roles in Christ, as servants.
- Various pastors throughout my lifetime have led me to Jesus using God's Word; helped me to discover His Will for me; corrected me when I strayed; encouraged me when I felt defeated and prayed for me and with me in pivotal moments.

HOW DO I PRAY FOR THE WORLD AS A GREAT COMMISSION CHRISTIAN? Choose from the resources below to help you to pray for people around the world and their spiritual and physical needs.

- 1. Use the *IMB PRAY* app. You can download it on your phone or device. Then you can pray for needs around the world daily. These needs will relate directly to missionaries and the people they are engaging with the Gospel.
- 2. Use the *Operation World* app. You can pray daily for particular countries and the challenges facing believers there as they try to win their land for Christ.
- 3. Use the small magazine, *Open Windows* (with devotions and missionary prayer lists), which is available at our church.
- 4. Talk with Beth Webster, Nalda Childs, or another member of our Mexico Mission Team. They can share with you current prayer needs for the work there.
- 5. Pray for missionaries and teams you know personally.

