

Then Jesus said to the disciples, “Have faith in God!”

Matthew 11:22 NLT

13 March 2020 - Friday Pray & Fast with  EAR2HEAR

Dear Praying Friends,

faith is gifted to us by the Holy Spirit as a seed. It germinates in the right circumstances into a tender plant, that needs to be cultivated and protected into a fully mature oak tree. Faith needs to keep growing until the day we see Jesus face-to-face.

Faith is strengthened within us over time as we overcome challenges from various enemies and life-circumstances. A strong oak has to confront many elements in the weather. It is not magically a strong oak. It can take years of persevering faith to become a giant tree of worthy standing. Our understanding of what faith is can be clouded by the modern lives we lead. In today's society, “**instant-recipe faith**” and “**untested faith**” make for weak and shallow-rooted oak trees. Eventually, the challenges of life will uproot them. No wonder Jesus says “*when the Son of Man returns, how many will he find on the earth who have faith?*” Luke 18:8b. We encourage you to come to Jesus who is the author and finisher of our faith. He is the tree of life, the oak of

righteousness whose faith in the Father was unshakeable while He was on earth – if you need faith, ask God to give you a liberal portion today.

We leave you with the following words by Reinhard Bonnke an oak tree of faith who passed on in 2019...

FAITH is the only currency accepted in the Kingdom of heaven. The church has often courted the wealthy and powerful but in God's kingdom, the truly great are those "poor in the eyes of the world (but) rich in faith" (James 2:5). They are God's somebodies. He has big business to transact but only with believers. His purposes are rather greater than those of politicians.

When God wrote a roll of honour He never mentioned one king or an emperor. Every golden name was a man or woman made famous by faith. (Hebrews 11). Believers are God's begotten children. The natural abilities of these men and women were not the qualities of greatness. They were ordinary people. Only faith made them extraordinary. "By faith, the elders received a good report" - nothing else.

Faith is the new notation from which they composed songs of triumph no one else could sing.... Jesus said, "only believe".

Dear Father, Help us to live the kind of lives that relate to you by faith. Fill us with the faith that Jesus had and help us to overcome with the faith you have given us. In Jesus name, Amen.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Norah Chiwaya – An EAR2HEAR friend and prayer supporter from Malawi. She asks us to pray for her father who has been taken to hospital. Pray for his recovery and total healing.

Santa Vos – An EAR2HEAR friend and prayer supporter from RSA. She is in ICU after dangerous surgeries. Please pray for recovery and total healing.

Daphne Theron – An EAR2HEAR friend and prayer supporter from RSA. She has a weak heart. Her son Cecil and daughter-in-law, Bernadine have also had heart problems. Please pray for their recovery and total healing.

Annatjie Van Der Merwe – has been a supporter of various ministries and a dear friend to EAR2HEAR. She passed away 12 March 2020 after a freak accident the week before. Please pray for this family.

Anonymous Family – has asked us to pray for their daughter who is very sick and the treatments are astronomical. Pray for provision, recovery and healing.

GLOBAL VICTORY – Pray for global victory over disease. The Lord is the God who heals... pray for those battling the Corona Virus; HIV/AIDS, Malaria, Tuberculosis, Diabetes, Cancer, heart disease and many other parasitic, bacterial and viral dangers across the globe... See Exodus 15:26.

Prayer Requests for EAR2HEAR care initiatives

GLOVE PROJECT – Please pray for the glove project – we are still short of gloves to get this project finalised.

VALUABLE TO JESUS – for the workshops throughout Gauteng, South Africa.

PROVISIONS – Food, clothing and other aid are distributed to organisations we support. Pray for ongoing supply and provision by the Lord.

Prayer Requests from Annetta Wheeler

One Love Anti Drug Gospel organisation – Good evening Please pray for One Love Anti Drug Gospel organisation working with Social Development in LadyGrey. They do awareness campaigns where the Gospel message is also brought. They have planned a prayer walk.

Lady Grey Hospital – Also for the critical situation at Lady Grey Hospital, is being closed due to lack of repair work done in time.

Prayer Requests for EAR2HEAR networking

HOME CHURCHES – Please pray for the breakthrough we need to get the home churches off the ground in the various points within Pretoria City and beyond. Pray for Spirit-filled people to help us... they must have open hearts, open home and faithful leaders.

LEADERS – Open doors to reach leaders and coach leaders from many countries.

ORGANISATIONS & CHURCHES – Opportunity to reach organisations and churches and to build long term organic partnerships.

PRAYER – Pray for the growth of our prayer network and ongoing faithfulness of those who have committed to pray.

Prayer Requests from Louise Amabti

Colours of Day House of Hope – Please pray for this wonderful project, the construction of a centre that would serve many who need discipleship, prayer and shelter.

Support – An opportunity to receive some small support from Helderberg Outreach in Somerset West is exciting news. Please pray for open doors.

Prayer Requests for EAR2HEAR resources

HOPE BOX – Pray for the finances we need and the supply of parts to continue this project.

DVD / SD-CARD LIBRARIES – For the provision of many good quality cards for evangelism and discipleship materials.

BIBLES & TRACTS – Printed Bibles and tracts in various languages are sold at a premium; while EAR2HEAR distributes them for free.

Please pray for the provision of more Bibles and tracts – as well as faithful distribution channels.

WORKSHOPS – Preparation and completion of Spirit-filled, biblical workshops on various issues affecting 21st century Christians.

Prayer Requests from Y. Oosthuizen

Please pray with me for a miracle. I've spoken to a person called Pat. He had an interview with me regarding housekeeping and a place to stay. He said he will think about it and will let me know. Please pray with me for a successful outcome.

Prayer Requests from Kingdom Culture

Worship Centre – Outpouring of the Holy Spirit – we've seen some, but I'm expectant and hungry for more

We are joining a global 40 day fast with *The Send*, as of the 1st of March. Please keep everyone from Kingdom Culture in your prayers. People are fasting different things, but all are fasting for 40 days.

We are still praying and on the lookout for Karabo. I truly believe her time with us is not done and that she truly needs to complete her programme at the rehabilitation centre. I want to take more people through programs like these, thus I need more funds to be able to do this, as I believe it to be part of God's plan to save more lives.

I'm still praying for the salvation of the men that mugged us. I truly believe that they can be part of our evangelism teams.

I'm trusting God to open doors so that we can acquire land for the ministry from where we can run a self-sustaining farm and help people re-cover/ re-integrate into normal society. I believe this year is the year for land and deeper development of the people breaking free from the streets and addiction.

Financial provision on a personal level and ministry level for everything that we are doing.

Protection from witchcraft that is launched against myself and my teams & their loved ones. **We are trusting God to clean the city** of all foreign gods and practices that do not honour Him.

Hands and feet to help connect the homeless to employment and skills development opportunities.

Prayer Requests from Mission: Asia 2000

We received a report from Mercy Annoque one of our dearest team members, that her doctor made an appointment with her to operate on her in May for her thyroid. We would like to ask you that you will trust the Lord with us that the best doctor, Jesus Christ will do the healing.

Graciously there was no typhoon in the Philippines so far in 2020, but 20 or more are expected during the year. Please pray that the Lord will be gracious unto them and protect them.

Yvonne and Gretna came back safely from the Philippines.

Yvonne became very tired and she was hit by high blood pressure. Please pray that she will recuperate completely.

SOUTH AFRICA - Pray furthermore for the government of our country. The Bible says that we must pray for kings and those in authority so that we can have a peaceful life. 1 Tim 2:2. Pray especially that our President will turn himself totally to the Lord, that he will lay down all other “extras” and realise that his true redemption is only in Jesus Christ.

SOUTH AFRICA - We thank the Lord for rain that fell.