

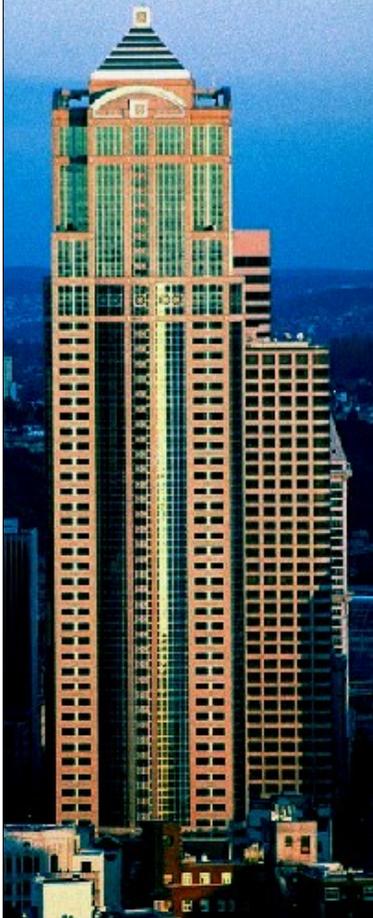
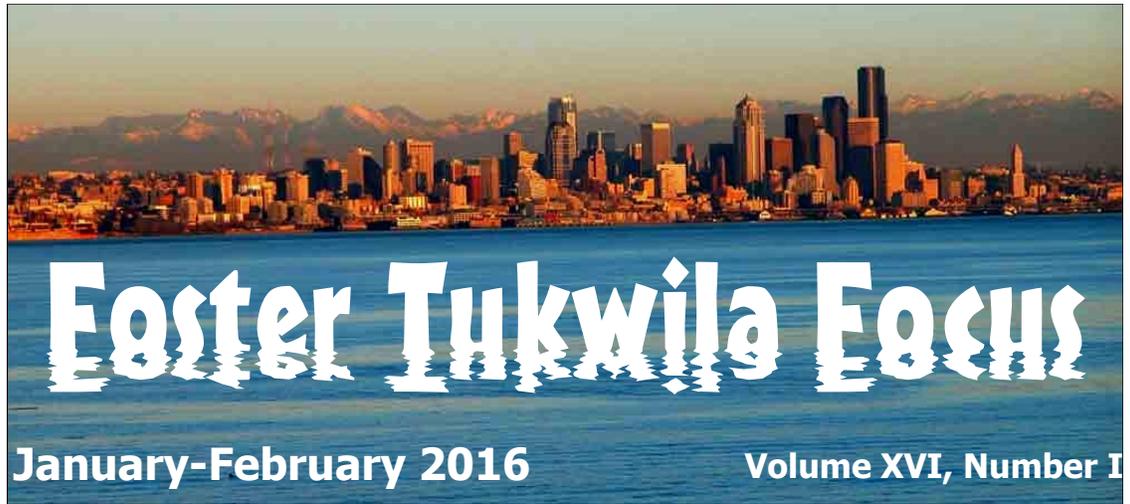
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It was – at the same time – both scary and exciting, but most of all, it was a moment ordained by the Lord. The Israelites were finally ready to cross the Jordan River into the Promised Land. Before them lay both challenges and blessings. As the moment approached orders were given to the people to follow the ark of the covenant, which represented the presence of God. This was critical because as it says in Joshua 3:4, “....you have never been this way before.”

In a way this seems appropriate to our journey at FTPC. Not so much the entering of the Promised Land. We are already there in the kingdom of God through our faith in Jesus Christ. Where I see the connection is that as we head into 2016 we are going where we have never been before. First, in a general sense we are always going forward to where we have never been before. None of us have been through 2016 yet. Instead of watching the ark of the covenant Christians now have the Holy Spirit to enable us to know, through prayer and the Word, where our Shepherd is leading us. Second, we are heading into a new denomination, the Evangelical Covenant Order of Presbyterians (ECO). ECO will have many similarities to the PCUSA but also some distinct differences. Third, coming out of the Open CE Forum of Nov. 4, with session's approval, we are heading into uncharted territory with a new approach to our Sunday morning “Sunday School” beginning January 10 [we are still working on a new name]. This approach will utilize a rotating team of teachers/presenters who will bring a scripture passage/theme to a larger group ranging from pre-K through adults. Then the larger group will subdivide into some age appropriate groups for interaction with the text, application, and prayer. I would encourage your involvement.

My hunch is that the crossing of our 2016 Jordan River we will involve some challenges as well as great blessings. Most importantly, it is an opportunity for us to experience God's grace and presence in fresh and, I trust, fruitful ways.

Yours for the Journey,

Pastor Nick

Personal Note: most of you in "Newsletter Land" are aware that daughter, Marci, experienced a serious medical situation in November that led to a two-week hospital stay. Words are inadequate to convey the depth of thanks we feel for the support we have received, both in prayer and in practical ways, throughout this ordeal. And we praise our Lord for His great grace and mercy in Marci's healing. We anticipate her return to teaching after the Christmas break. Thank you all and praise God.



Eoster Tukwila Presbyterian Financials

"Send your resources out over the seas; eventually you will reap a return."

Ecclesiastes 11:1 CJB



Income

For November 2015

\$17,942.85

Year to Date

\$173,941.63

Expenses

For November 2015

\$15,121.47

Year to Date

\$179,300.79

January Missions: Tukwila Food Pantry

The City of Tukwila, Washington is just south of Seattle in King County. The city is home to an extensive retail and business area including Westfield Shoppingtown Southcenter Mall. Boeing Field is located at the north end of Tukwila. Because of the many businesses located in the city, 45,000 people come to work in Tukwila daily, but only 19,000 people actually live within the city limits.

South King county has a large percentage of families with children living in poverty. At Cascade View Elementary School, just two blocks from the Tukwila Pantry, over 80% of the students qualify for free and reduced lunch programs.



At the Tukwila Pantry we secure and distribute nutritious food to clients. Volunteers from the Tukwila Pantry pick up food daily from Albertsons, Cash & Carry, Del Monte, Franz Bakery, LSG Sky Chef, Panera, Sam's Club, Starbucks, and Target. Twice weekly the Pantry truck picks up food from Northwest Harvest and Food Lifeline. Gathering this food allows the Tukwila pantry to feed our clients for about 10¢ a meal. Even with these generous donations, the Pantry has certain operating costs. Transportation of food, utilities, and the salary of one and a half paid employees are the major expenses. Current food donations have been drastically reduced from previous years due to the recession. The food reduction is due to our suppliers managing their ordering process more closely in order to eliminate excess product. The current economy has also caused a considerable reduction in financial donations as well.

The Tukwila Pantry is an 'emergency' food bank. Clients come to the Tukwila Pantry when they can't make ends meet. Sometimes they have applied for food stamps but

haven't received them yet, or sometimes an unexpected expense such as a medical bill or higher than normal utilities have interrupted their budget. Sadly, with today's economy and job loss our neighbors rely on the food bank more than ever. The Tukwila Pantry serves other communities as well. There were approximately 14,700 household visits from SeaTac, Burien, Tukwila and the surrounding areas in 2013.

The clients of the Tukwila Pantry are your neighbors. You may live in a different suburb, or community, but you visit Tukwila and SeaTac when you fly to Seattle, or visit Southcenter Mall and the surrounding businesses.

You have an opportunity to provide food to children in these cities who are hungry by making a financial contribution to the Tukwila Pantry. At 10¢ a meal your money will go far. Please help by sending a contribution to the Tukwila Pantry today.

Please don't delay — "In the land of plenty, plenty are hungry." You can make a difference.

Joe Tice

Director

Days and Hours of Operation

Tuesday: 12:30 to 2:30 PM

Thursday: 12:30 to 2:30 PM

Saturday: 12:30 to 2:30 PM (*no new client registration*)

Tukwila Pantry
3118 S. 140th Street
Tukwila, WA 98168
(206) 431-8293



**Lend a hand!
Feed a neighbor!**



January 2016 - Foster Tukwila Presbyterian

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 5:00 pm: BNCCC Youth	2 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship
3 9:00 am: CE, IT 10:30 am: Worship COMMUNION 3:30 pm: MACC	4 7:00 pm: AA 206-419-4822	5 Epiphany THE LORD'S WATCH 1:00-3:00 pm: Women's Study 6:30 pm: FTPC Youth	6 7:00 am: Prayer	7	8 5:00 pm: BNCCC Youth	9 8:00 am: Men' Fellowship 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship
10 9:00 am: CE 10:30 am: Worship 3:30 pm: MACC 6:30 pm: Unleashing the Word	11 7:00 pm: AA	12 1:00-3:00 pm: Women's Study 6:30 pm: FTPC Youth	13 7:00 am: Prayer 6:30 pm: Session	14	15 5:00 pm: BNCCC Youth	16 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship
17 9:00 am: CE 10:30 am: Worship - SOHLS 3:30 pm: MACC	18 7:00 pm: AA MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR'S BDAY CELEBRATED	19 1:00-3:00 pm: Women's Study 6:30 pm: FTPC Youth	20 7:00 am: Prayer 11:00 am: KOBA 12:00 pm: PrayTukwila	21	22 12:00 pm: Retirees & Seniors 5:00 pm: BNCCC Youth	23 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship
SnackPack Food Drive 9:00 am: CE 10:30 am: Worship Malcolm Brewer 3:30 pm: MACC	25 7:00 pm: AA	26 1:30-3:30 pm: Women's Study 6:30 pm: FTPC Youth	27 7:00 am: Prayer	28	29 5:00 pm: BNCCC Youth	30 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship
30 9:00 am: CE 10:30 am: Worship ANNUAL MEETING 3:30 pm: MACC						

**Youth Retreat, Friday January 15 -
Sunday, January 17, 2016**

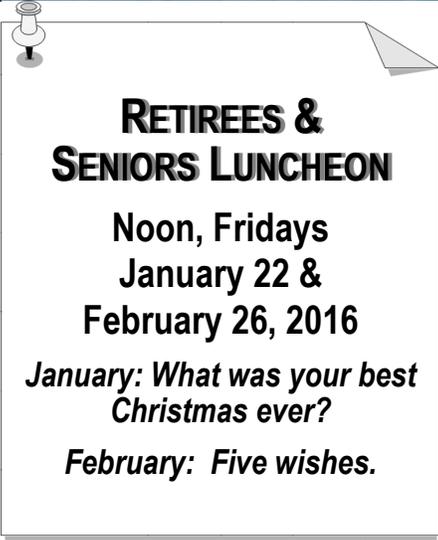
February 2016 - Foster Tukwila Presbyterian

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>9:00 am: CE/IT</p> <p>10:30 am: Worship COMMUNION</p> <p>3:30 pm: MACC</p>	<p>1 10 am-12 pm: CEF</p> <p>7:00 pm: AA 206-419-4822</p>	<p>The Lord's Watch 2</p> <p>1:00-3:00 pm: Women's Study</p> <p>6:30 pm: FTPC Youth</p>	<p>7:00 am: Prayer</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 5:00 pm: BNCCC Youth</p>	<p>6 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship</p>
<p>7 9:00 am: CE/IT</p> <p>10:30 am: Worship COMMUNION</p> <p>3:30 pm: MACC</p>	<p>8 7:00 pm: AA</p>	<p>9 1:00-3:00 pm: Women's Study</p> <p>6:30 pm: Youth</p>	<p>Ash Wednesday 10</p> <p>7:00 am: Prayer</p> <p>6:30 pm: Session</p> <p><i>Seek God for the City begins</i></p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 5:00 pm: BNCCC Youth</p>	<p>13 8:00 am: Men' Fellowship</p> <p>10:00 am: BNCCC Worship</p>
<p>14 9:00 am: CE</p> <p>10:30 am: Worship SWEETHEARTS' BRUNCH</p> <p>3:30 pm: MACC</p> <p>6:30 pm: Unleashing the Word</p>	<p>15 7:00 pm: AA</p> <p>PRESIDENTS' DAY</p>	<p>16 1:00-3:00 pm: Women's Study</p> <p>6:30 pm: Youth</p>	<p>7:00 am: Prayer</p> <p>11:00 am: KOBA</p> <p>6:30 pm: FTPC Youth</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 5:00 pm: BNCCC Youth</p>	<p>20 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship</p>
<p>21 9:00 am: CE</p> <p>10:30 am: Worship</p> <p>3:30 pm: MACC</p> <p>6:30 pm: The River</p>	<p>22 7:00 pm: AA</p>	<p>23 1:00-3:00 pm: Women's Study</p> <p>6:30 pm: Youth</p>	<p>7:00 am: Prayer</p> <p>12:00 pm: PrayTukwila</p> <p>6:30 pm: FTPC Youth</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26 12:00 pm: Retirees & Seniors</p> <p>5:00 pm: BNCCC Youth</p>	<p>27 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship</p>
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THE LORD'S WATCH

January 5 & February 2



RETIREES & SENIORS LUNCHEON

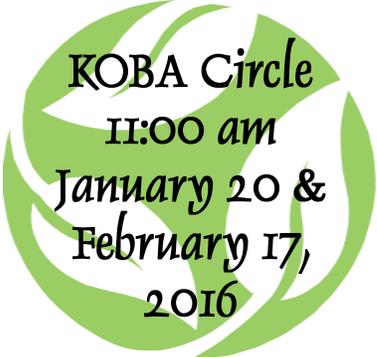
Noon, Fridays
January 22 & February 26, 2016

January: *What was your best Christmas ever?*
February: *Five wishes.*

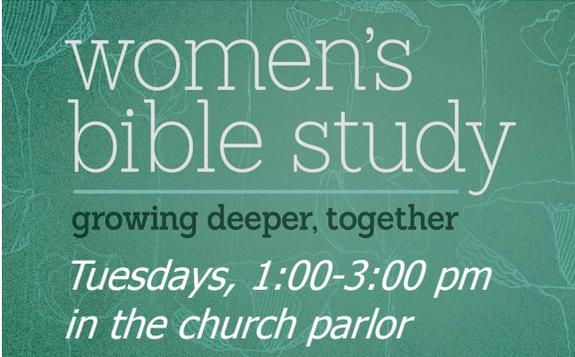


In case of Snow
Call FTPC
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or visit
ftpc.org

For information on changes in schedule.

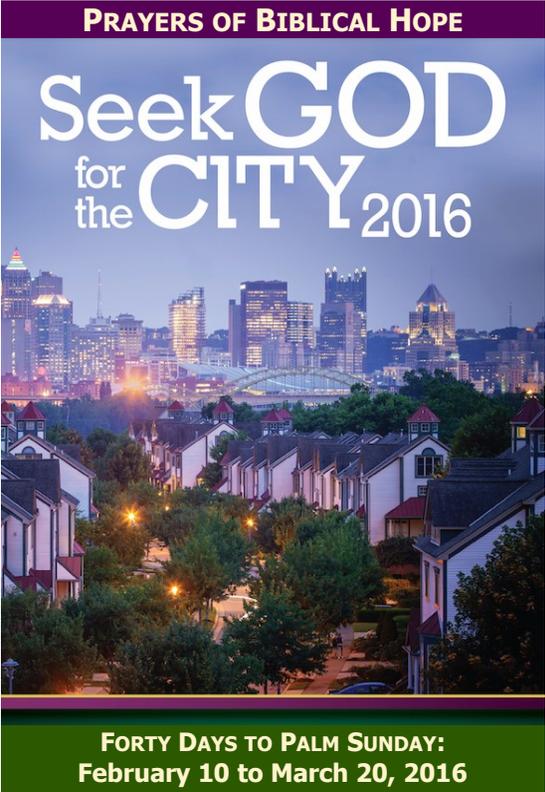


KOBA Circle
11:00 am
January 20 & February 17, 2016



women's bible study

growing deeper, together
Tuesdays, 1:00-3:00 pm
in the church parlor



PRAYERS OF BIBLICAL HOPE

Seek GOD for the CITY 2016

FORTY DAYS TO PALM SUNDAY:
February 10 to March 20, 2016



Shopping List **COSTCO** Edition

Please pay attention to food restrictions and serving size

- Kirkland Organic Chocolate Milk (UHT)
- Bottled water
- Fruit drinks (Kirkland, Capri Sun, Honest Kids)
- Happy Squeeze Fruit & Veggie Twist
- Fresh fruit (apples & oranges: Nov-May only)
- Fruit snacks* (Kirkland, Yum Earth, Pure)
- TreeTop Organic Apple Sauce (36 cups)
- Dole Cherry Mixed Fruit (16 cups)
- Nutrigrain Fruit Bars (48 bars)
- Nissin Cup of Noodles** (24 count, no pork)
- Kraft Easy Mac & Cheese (12 cups)
- Top Ramen** (48 pack, no pork)
- Ritz Handi-Snacks (30 packs)
- Annie's Variety Graham Pack (36 packs)
- Pepperidge Farm Goldfish (24 packs)
- Cookies*** (Famous Amos, Oreos)
- SnackPack Chocolate Pudding
- Chips (Cascade, Popchips, Lays, Hawaiian)
- Kirkland Microwave Popcorn (44 packs)
- Quaker Instant Oatmeal (52 servings)
- Kellogg's Pop Tarts* (48 servings)

*no foods w/gelatin. **No pork ***No foods that contain peanuts or are produced on machinery that processes peanuts.

Read labels carefully.
www.facebook.com/TukwilaWeekendSnackPack




Monthly Food Drives:

Sunday, January 24 & Sunday, February 28

Support outreach to McKinney-Vento students at Cascade View & Thorndyke Elementary Schools



MEN'S FRATERNITY

Begins January 9, 2016
Breakfast served!!



FTPC Men's Fellowship
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THE SERIES™
AUTHENTIC MANHOOD VOLUME 5
A MAN AND HIS MARRIAGE
2nd Saturdays 8-9:30 am

February Missions: John & Ruth Carr (Wycliffe)



Here we go again! It is time for Ruth to teach another Wiki

session using Zoom videoconferencing. Your prayers are very needed. This session will be done a bit differently than last time. The hour originally scheduled for the Wiki lesson got bumped due to the need to finish a root canal. Ruth is not sure which is easier, having a root canal or teaching on Zoom! But now the root canal is over with no pain or tenderness so far. PTL!

When the schedule changed, Ruth's boss decided to try a new approach to using Zoom. Instead of holding a live class and recording it while in progress, Ruth will teach the lesson and just record it. After John has captured it and posted it on the Wiki, Ruth will send out an e-mail to announce that the video is available. Ruth's boss will then monitor the number of visits to that page and see what kind of response we get using this method. We may like it better. One advantage is that we are not locked into holding the class at a specific date and time. Ruth can record it when she is ready and can fit it into her work day. However, the disadvantage is she does not have anyone there that she is talking to. She has learned that recording while she is talking just to herself is kind of disconcerting! So that is the main way you can pray for her, to still feel like she is still talking to real people. She hopes to make the recording Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 18 so please also pray that her work load that afternoon will allow for this extra task to be done.

And pray too that those Wycliffe workers around the world who can learn from the concepts presented in the lesson will respond by watching the video and benefiting from the information. The Wiki system is one that many of our Bible translators use and we want God to bless these lessons to help them do their work well.



John continues to be available to provide video assistance to our Wycliffe staff. Recently he helped a frantic father whose daughter's wedding video need to be rescued. A small thing, maybe, but not something they could not afford to have done by "real" professionals. Thank you for making it possible for us to be here where even frantic fathers can get video help. In his spare time, John was able to redo all of the footage that was messed up by the software update. Thank you for praying

Continue to pray for Ruth's anxiety levels. The enemy really likes to use her father's precarious health to make her anxious. Pray for her to keep her mind on Christ and His care. This quote helps, "Attentiveness to Me is not only for your quiet time, but for all your time." Pray for both John and Ruth to cling to that.

As we enjoyed Thanksgiving with John's family and Christmas with Ruth's family, we are reminded not only of how much we have to be thankful for (like you faithful partners), but also that many in scattered places are still waiting to hear the news of the Savior's birth.

Rejoicing as we serve,
Ruthy & John Carr

P.S. Update on Ruthy's father. Rejoice! Dad is in glory! I can only imagine his excitement to be whole, to be with Jesus, to see his loved ones. He died December 6 about 9 AM. Two of my sisters had stayed the night with him in the hospice. My sister, Kathy, and her family flew from Michigan in a private plane.

It is very surreal for me to think of this world without Dad in it. Such a strange conflict of feelings. Joy for him, sadness for us who will miss his hugs and love. He had a big personality and everyone who met him was an immediate friend.

I have felt your prayers for my anxiety. While it bubbles under the surface God has kept my mind on His love and care. Now that Dad is gone my anxiety is for



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Mom and the rest of us. Crazy brain! Even with a sleep aid I have had trouble sleeping so I will probably take several naps in the car.

John has been a rock. Very thoughtful, understanding and caring. I could not imagine going through this without him.

If you are interested in supporting the ministry of the Carrs with Wycliffe Bible Translators, make a check out to FTFC and write "The Carrs" in the memo line.

Or you can donate online at <https://www.wycliffe.org/partner/8DAD53>

Seek God for the City 2016

Daily Topic of Hope:
Each day helps you focus on a single topic of hope arising from scripture.

Promise from the Prophets:
An Old Testament passage, with a freshly-worded prayer, helping you pray with passion and purpose.

Ways to Pray for Everyone:
Day by day, focus on the different groups of people which comprise any community, such as orphans, police, pastors, gangs, military, university students, business people, the homeless, elderly people and many more. Practical menus and pertinent scriptures help you pray with insight.

Prayerwalking Ideas:
A practical idea for the many different needs, places and people of your community. A simple way to take steps toward a prayed-for city.

Pray for the World:
Another continent each week. Each day lists a few countries. At the end of forty days, you'll have mentioned every country.

SEEK GOD ...for city-wide righteousness  **Day 32 SATURDAY MARCH 12**

Sow with a view to righteousness, reap in accordance with kindness. Break up your fallow ground, for it is time to seek the LORD until He comes to rain righteousness on you. — Hosea 10:12

For years fellow-Christians have served our city in many ways. We envisioned tremendous moves of God following after our labors and prayers. But having done what we can, our city seems only slightly improved. How long until we see the harvest of transformation? We seek You, life-giving God. Visit our city with power and life from heaven, like a slow, steady rainfall. Cause our caring deeds to be as seeds that sprout to life and bear lasting fruit. Manifest Your vast presence, even in our small acts of kindness, so that many more come to seek You and the righteous life You give. Bring forth long seasons of city-wide righteousness.

But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. — Matthew 6:33

As individual believers, we stand before You in the marvelous righteousness of Christ. But we want more than being right with You in a personal way. We desire Your kingdom and Your character throughout our community. This is not too much to hope for. Your jurisdiction already extends to all the streets, homes and businesses of our city. Cause many more to serve You as Lord and King. By their eager obedience cause Your kingdom to come so that Your will is actually done in the affairs of business, education and governance.

Pray:

- For believers to seek God's kingdom above all other things.
- For Christ's Lordship to change people in their personal life as well as in their public affairs.

Seek God on behalf of Arts and Entertainment

That God will inspire artists and those in the entertainment industry with creativity and wisdom that reflect God's beauty; that they will seek God themselves and come to follow Christ with courage; that their work will bring strength, goodness and hope to our communities.

Prayerwalk: Visit a theater, art museum or place of entertainment for the purpose of praying for the artists and those working in support capacities.

He has filled him with the Spirit of God, with skill, ability and knowledge in all kinds of crafts...to engage in all kinds of artistic craftsmanship. — Exodus 35:31, 33 (NIV)

Seek God on behalf of Europe and Central Asia  **Switzerland, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uzbekistan, Vatican City**

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Weekly Themes of Hope:
Each day's promise builds toward a weekly theme. It's all about seeking God.

-  REVIVAL of God's people
-  AWAKENING of those far from God
-  TRANSFORMATION of entire communities
-  EVANGELIZATION of every people
-  RECONCILIATION among the peoples
-  VISITATION of Christ the King

Hope in Christ:
A word and a prayer from the Gospels lifts your vision to Christ's life transforming your community. Newly-selected passages and prayers in this edition.

We encourage you to join us in this annual prayer time by picking up a copy of this prayer guide, available in the narthex 2 weeks before Lent.



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