

## St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church

Our Vision: Transforming lives through a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

<u>Our Mission</u>: To share Christ's love and His Word with our community and the world through Christ-centered outreach, worship, prayer, and biblical study.

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### **The Chatter**

**APRIL 2025** 

#### Hello St. Barts Family!

Perhaps the most interestingly named day in the Church year is approaching. That day is Maundy Thursday. I always wondered, is it Monday or Thursday? I mean, which is it? It can't be both? Or perhaps this is a line from "The Godfather." No, that was, "Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Wednesday."

What is Maundy Thursday then? Maundy actually comes from the French word, *Maunde*, which comes from the Latin word, *mandatum* which means 'command.' The clue for the meaning behind the day comes from what Jesus said and did in the upper room on the night before He died for us.

First, let's look at the commands Jesus gave. First, in **John 15:12** we read, "This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you." Jesus demonstrated what He meant in **John 13:5-15**. It is there that we read that Jesus, the Lord, washed the feet of the disciples, demonstrating humble service to them. The way that Jesus loves is the way of the cross. He gave Himself up on the cross on our behalf. We, who were His enemies, now have restored relationship with God because of what Jesus did on Mt. Calvary (the cross). Jesus' command to the disciples, and indeed to us, is that we would regard one another as more important than ourselves, be willing to serve one another, and do what is best for one another regardless of what that means for ourselves.

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Also see our Facebook page for more!



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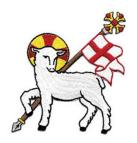
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But wait, there's more! Because on Maundy Thursday we also remember the Passover meal that Jesus shared with His disciples. Therein we find another command that Jesus gave. One that we hear every Eucharist service. The command is, "Do this in remembrance of Me." No longer is the Passover meal merely a reminder of how God led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt. It's much more. It's now a celebration of the victory over our bondage to sin that is ours through Jesus Christ. Whenever we celebrate the Eucharist, we are recognizing the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross; His body broken and His blood shed on our behalf.

We will celebrate the Passover meal (Seder Dinner) and the Eucharist, as we do every year, on Maundy Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM with the Eucharist at 7 PM. In celebrating both, we see the significance of the Passover meal and how Jesus makes all things new through His death and resurrection. Let us gather together as the body of Christ at that time, and remember the commands that Jesus gave to us: to love one another and to celebrate Christ our True Passover.

God bless! Fr. Bush

Passover Seder Maundy Thursday 5:30pm Apríl 17,2025



Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast!

## **VESTRY**

#### ST. BART'S: CELEBRATING 70 YEARS OF MINISTRY!

#### **MARCH 2025**

Welcome Back Terry Gamble! After prayerful consideration, Margaret Bukkosy decided to resign her position as organist. Terry Gamble has agreed to return and work with the choir going forward. Although he is under contract with another church, he is able to play monthly at the 10 AM service beginning in May. He will also play the Good Friday services, including Tenebrae, as well as Thanksgiving and Christmas services. In 2026, Terry has also agreed to play additional services since his contract with the other parish will have expired. We are grateful for Terry's availability and look forward to his return.

**NEW PART-TIME SEXTON HIRED:** Since Jim Kibby has taken on the additional role of heading St. Bart's Music Ministry, Kevin Smeal, a member of St. Bart's, has been hired to work approximately twenty hours a week to help Jim with some of the on-going maintenance and cleaning.

**Lenten & Easter Offerings:** The Vestry agreed to give the offerings to *UB Campus Ministry, Jill Meachim - CRU, Family Life and Compass Care.* In addition, they agreed to give \$1,000 to the Riley's towards their on-going Anglican ministry in France.

<u>Discipleship Team:</u> John Hillestad and the Discipleship Team are still looking for volunteers. If interested in joining, or simply want more information, please do not hesitate to contact him.

<u>2025 Budget and Pledge Letters:</u> Thank you to those who have sent in your pledge cards. However, if you have not done so yet, please send ASAP so we know our anticipated income for the year. Thank you!



DEADLINE FOR THE MAY CHATTER is Tuesday, April 15. Thank you.

## CHANGES TO THE 2025 PHONE DIRECTORY #2 (#1 was in the Directory when you received it)

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**DELETE:** Arthur Ward III- out of state

Alyssa Ward– out of state Michelle Rocker– deceased Irene Scranton– deceased



#### PALM SUNDAY April 13, 2025

Services at 8:00 & 10:00am
With the addition of the Blessing of the Palms

#### **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE** (April 14-20)

#### **MONDAY AND TUESDAY**

Stations of the Cross 7:00pm Holy Eucharist 7:30pm

#### WEDNESDAY

Stations of the Cross & Holy Eucharist 9:30am Holy Eucharist 7pm

#### **THURSDAY**

Seder Celebration 5:30pm Holy Eucharist 7:00pm Tenebrae Rehearsal 7:30pm

#### **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES**

Liturgical 3 hours Noon to 3:00pm SOLEMN TENEBRAE 8:00pm

**SATURDAY**- NO 4:30pm Holy Eucharist

## EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES April 20, 2025

8:00am, 10:00 am

**FASTING** – Jesus expected all of His followers to fast (Mark 2:18-20), and left general directions on our attitude while fasting (Matthew 6:16-18). Our Prayer Book gives the Church's discipline & days of fasting on pg. 689. *Ash Wednesday and Good Friday* are days when all are expected to fast – a minimum for any in good health is to omit at least one meal. Some omit food the entire day, drinking only water. Let the Holy Spirit be your guide, and follow Jesus' direction as given in Matthew's Gospel guoted above.

**CARE OF THE PALMS** – Blessed Palms are never to be carelessly discarded – but always reverently burned. They can be placed near any religious picture or memento in the home, and burned on the day before Ash Wednesday next year.

**LENTEN OFFERING ENVELOPES** can be found in the envelope packet you receive in the mail. Extra envelopes will be in the pews if needed. Funds will be given to those in need.

<u>PLEASE REMEMBER THE NEXT FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION</u> is the weekend of May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4th. Personal care items such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, paper products, as well as food items are appreciated. Thanks to all who have donated in the past. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by the NIACAP Food Pantry.

<u>HOLY CONFIRMATION</u> will be <u>SATURDAY</u>, <u>MAY 17</u> at the 4:30pm service. This will be followed by a dinner celebrating St. Bartholomew's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

## PRAYER MINISTRY TEAM

<u>Prayer Requests</u> – If you, your family and/or your friends are in need of prayer there are prayer request cards in the pews and at the front church entrance. They can be deposited in the church box at the front entrance. They are picked up twice a week. Also, you can request prayers online through our website under the tab "Parish Life" or this link: <a href="https://www.stbartston.org/prayer-requests">https://www.stbartston.org/prayer-requests</a>

<u>Intercessory Prayer</u> – Sundays at the 10 AM service during the ministration of communion. See the weekly bulletin for dates. Also, look for the **lavender** Intercessory Prayer tags on people willing to pray with/for you.

If you are in need of some quiet time the <a href="Prayer Room">Prayer Room</a> is open daily during office hours (from 9 am till 3pm) and can be used before, during or after the weekly Saturday and Sunday services.

When you have had <u>Prayers Answered</u> and, if you would like to (confidentially) share them with us, you can do that by dropping us a note in the prayer box at the church entrance. We would love to hear from you.

#### From, "Our Anglican Heritage" by: Howe and Pascoe

"One of the things in Anglican worship that evokes both confusion and comfort is the sight of the entire congregation reading (or reciting from memory) what critics call a "canned" prayer. If prayer is heartfelt communication with God, how can dozens or hundreds of people use the same words to express their heartfelt desires?

#### **Collects**

In ancient practice, when it came time for prayer in the service one of the leaders, a presbyter, or deacon, would announce a topic and "bid" the people to pray for the topic. There followed a period of silence during which people offered their private prayers regarding that particular topic. Sometimes various members of the congregation would pray aloud, leading in prayer from wherever they were. After a few minutes, the leader would summarize or "collect" the prayers and suggest another topic. Over the years the closing summaries became increasingly standardized and the people would sometimes join the leader in saying the "collects" out loud. This outline of prayer (collect) is similar to how our corporate monthly prayer meeting is outlined. This prayer meeting is held the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month.

A large selection of these wonderful prayers have been incorporated in our *Book of Common Prayer* (2019) (beginning on page 598-623) and form the basis for the worship of the Anglican Church. Far from being exercises in rote recitation, these are prayers that stretch the mind and faith of those who grow into them through thoughtful repetition and they express, in the best possible language, our best possible thoughts and desires".

Peace, Love and Joy in our Lord Jesus Christ

### **BIBLE STUDIES**



#### Women's Tuesday Evening Bible Study

meets at 6:30 pm **every other** Tuesday. Our current study is **COURAGEOUS HEROES OF FAITH**, men and women of the Bible who overcame extraordinary difficulties. Our April meetings will be the 8th and 22nd.

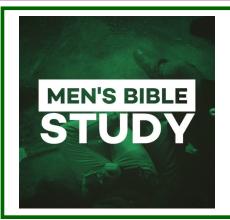
See Louise Jones if you wish to be part of this study, so she can have needed materials ready for you.

#### Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study

meets at 10:30 am. We are studying the book of Amos, using a study guide by Jennifer Rothschild called Amos: An Invitation to the Good Life.

See Sharon Scott for more information.

ALL women are invited to join one or both Bible Study groups.



#### Men's Discipleship Group

meets every Tuesday evening at 6:30pm.

Contact John Krull for more

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All men are invited to attend.

#### The **Sunday Morning Bible Study**,

#### **Building Healthy Relationships,**

continues to meet thru April 13th. They meet from 8:15am - 9:30am in the small fellowship room, across from the library.

See Brenda Wisz for more information.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Please keep those from our Parish Family who are serving our country in the Military in your prayers. Please let the church office know if there is anyone that should be added to or removed from this prayer list.

James Kerins– Army Sean MacLeay-Navy Matthew Miller– Army Matthew Prohaska– Air Andrew Rebl– Army

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### **FOOD PANTRY:**

35 bags and boxes of food and other items were donated to the NIACAP Food Pantry in March. We received a thank you letter from them expressing their extreme gratitude to our church.

Remember that we collect for the NIACAP Food Pantry the first weekend of every month.

Thank you for your continued generosity.



# ROMEO's (Retired Old Men Eating Out)

Every Tuesday at 12 noon, a group of men meet for lunch and fellowship at various restaurants around the area.

See John Krull to get on their email list to see where they are going next !!

ALL men are welcome to join them!!

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

#### **Attention Women of St. Bart's**



Sign up and registration is now open for our **April 5, 2025 day retreat.** The cost will be \$20 and will include a light breakfast bar, lunch and snacks. We will start to gather at 9:00AM, to conclude at 3:30PM. We will be learning about how to deepen our ability to hear God's voice in our day to day lives. Please contact Kacy Wandel, 570.815.5357 with any questions and/or to discuss ways to help make this a fruitful event.



The next **MEN'S BREAKFAST** will be held on **Saturday April 19**<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. Come join us for some good teaching and good food. Men of all ages are welcome. If you're interested in helping with the cooking, we begin at 7:30am. Hope to see you there.

#### **MOTHER-DAUGHTER NIGHT OUT**

Calling all grandmas, mothers, and daughters (of all ages) to gather on **Monday, May 5**<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00pm for a

Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00pm for a fun evening of creating, fellowship, laughter and of course, eating. Please sign up in the Father Amend Hall no later than Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> so that we can have enough supplies for all our honored guests. Bring a bag (medium size) to take your creations home. Please contact Holly Thompson, Kathleen Ward, or Brenda Wisz for more information. We hope YOU will be able to join us.

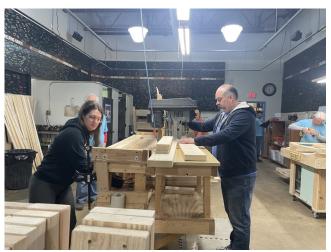


## FOR YOUR INFORMATION



As of March 2025 the Buffalo Chapter has delivered 6052 beds for kids in Buffalo that do not have a bed to sleep on. NEW twin size bedding (sheets, mattress pads, comforters, pillows) will continue to be collected throughout the year. Please put all donations on the able in the Father Amend Hall. Thank you for your continued support. Fifteen of our members helped build beds on March 15!







### Are you ready for a miracle?



You've heard it said that prayer is just a simple, honest, open conversation with God, but have you ever wondered what that looked like in your life? In our new series, we will discuss some of the things Jesus said about prayer, and some of the things he said while praying, learning from His example of how we can grow closer to God through a bold and devoted prayer life.

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### Next Happenings

Wednesdays, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Join us for our regular meetings filled with engaging lessons and activities
Dinner provided

No YG Meeting Apr. 16th

Due to Holy Week

**No YG Meeting Apr. 23rd**Due to Egg-stravaganza

**Friday, April 25th** 6:00 pm Egg-stravaganza

**Sunday, April 27th** 12:00 pm Pentecost Auditions

**Wednesday, May 21st** 6:00 pm VBS Volunteer Meeting

**Thursday, May 22nd** 6:00 pm Bowling Event

**Wednesday, May 28th** 6:00 pm Pancake Breakfast Mtg

"But Christ has indeed been raised From the dead, the FirstFruits of those who have Fallen asleep."

l Corinthians 15:20 NIV

#### A Letter From our Director



Liz Burkett

Timing is important, don't you think? You may love salsa, but it's disgusting when eaten at the same time as marshmallow peeps. You may LOVE peeps, but who eats them with orange juice? Yuck!

We may love all kinds of foods, but that doesn't mean eating all our favorite things at one time is a good idea. We also don't brush our teeth and then eat supper. Timing is important.

Timing was also very important when Jesus chose to give his life and die on a cross. Before Jesus died, the Jews were God's special chosen people. But because they sinned—just like we all have done—their most important religious leader, the High Priest, had to make an important sacrifice on behalf of everyone once a year so that they could be forgiven. For hundreds of years a High Priest made this sacrifice on a special Friday every spring during a holy holiday called the "Passover."

God chose for Jesus to die on this special day at the very same time the High Priest offered a perfect, pure lamb as a sacrifice for all the people.

I Corinthians 5:7 says, "Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed for us." After Jesus died and rose again there was no longer a need for people to make an animal sacrifice because Jesus became the ultimate sacrifice once and for all.

It wasn't by chance that Jesus died when he did. Jesus' death was all part of God's perfect plan for Him to be the perfect and final sacrifice on behalf of every human's sin."

I challenge you to take time to reflect on what Jesus has done for you and how God would want you to share the sacrifice Jesus made with your friends and family this Easter season.

In Christ, Liz



Friday April 25th 6-8pm. Come Join us for an egg-cellent game night where teams will compete to see who knows the most about Easter and how well they can win it in a minute. Prizes will be awarded, and pizza will be served at this awesome night of fun, so don't miss out be sure to RSVP you and your friends by April 13th.

Our Bowling Event will take place Thursday, May 22nd from 6pm-8pm at Transit Lanes located at 7850 Transit Road in Williamsville. The cost is \$30 and will include bowling ball and shoe rental, pizza, fries, dessert and pop.





Youth Sunday this year (June 8th) will include a skit about Pentecost. Auditions will take place Sunday April 27th at 12:00pm in the large fellowship hall and then Rehearsals will be on Sundays starting May 4th from 12:00pm-1:00pm. You can also participate in youth Sunday by doing the Bible readings, singing, ushering, greeting and so on.

Save the Date - Wednesday, May 21st: VBS Volunteer Meeting at 6:00pm to discuss the details of Vacation Bible School (July 13-16th from 6-8 pm). The meeting is to help prepare all volunteers for their various roles at VBS.





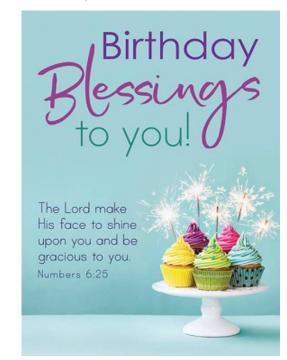
On May 28th at 6pm we will have a Pancake Breakfast Meeting to go over the details of the event and to sign up for specific areas of working the event, such as kitchen help, food prep, waiters, ticket sellers, set up, clean up, and so on. The Breakfast will be on June 8th and will be held in Fr. Amend Hall following the 10am service. Proceeds will go towards Kingdom Bound. Families can buy tickets starting in May after services. We will also finalize details for Youth Sunday which is also happening on June 8th during the 10:00am service.

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# April Birthdays

- 1 Pamela Morrison, Lavinia Sediles
- 2 Aidyn McAndrews
- 3 Jennifer Gradzewicz, Jacquelyn Luckoski
- 4 KatieGrace Hillestad, Edward Woeppel
- 5 Joan Bella, Makayla Johnson
- 7 Debra Birchenough
- 9 Danette Utz, Elijah Williams
- 10 Jean Dean
- 11 Samantha Fisher, Kenneth George
- 12 Diane Heer
- 13 Renee Garrasi, Fran Teall, Holly Thompson
- 14 Paul Karelus, Aaron Machelor, Grant Teall
- 15 Denise Brown, Jeremy Kyser
- 17 Scott Giaquinto, Connie Hoock,
  Theresa Smeal
- 18 Craig Heer, Donald Veiders
- 19 Kevin Moyer, Alyssa Ward, William Austin
- 20 Arielle Derrett, Kyle Matesic
- 23 James McNamara
- 24 Valor Wandel
- 25 Amanda Merrick
- 26 Isaiah Luckoski, Edith Manning, Diane Moyer, Carol Swist
- 27 Tammy Osmon, Augustine Sediles

- 29 Alan Heacock
- **30 David Gray**



#### MAY

- 1 Susan Horvath, Rachel Teall
- 3 Charles Abramo, Jack Gradzewicz
- 4 Kaity Hersee, Elizabeth Merrick
- 5 Joan Calamita, Rosemary Davis, Valerie Ulrich

If you notice a mistake in the birthday list please call (716) 831-1777 or email the secretaries: secretaries@stbartston.org

# **April Calendar**

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Fri	4 7pm Fr. Ward's Bible Study "Defending the Faith"	11 7pm Fr. Ward's Bible Study "Defending the Faith"	18 GOOD FRIDAY 12-3pm Liturgical 3-Hours 8pm Solemn Tenebrae	25 6pm Youth Group Easter Event	
Thu	3 6:30pm Contem. Music reh.	10 6:30pm Contem. Music reh.	5:30pmSeder Celebration 7pm HE 7:30pm Tenebrae Rehearsal	24 6:30pm Contem. Music reh. 7pm Prayer Night	
Wed	2 9:30 am HE 10:30AM Ladies Bible Study 6pm Youth Group	9 9:30 am HE 10:30AM Ladies Bible Study 6pm Youth Group	16 9:30am Stations of the Cross & HE 10:30AM Ladies Bible Study 7pm HE, Adult Choir rehearsal	23 9:30 am HE 10:30AM Ladies Bible Study 6pm Youth Group	30 9:30 am HE 10:30AM Ladies Bible Study 4-9pm Rivendell Rehearsal 6pm Youth Group
Tue	6:30pm Men's Disc.	8 6:30pm Men's Disc., Ladies Bible Study	6:30pm Men's Disc. 7pm Stations of the Cross & HE	22 6:30pm Men's Disc., Ladies Bible Study	29 4-9pm Rivendell Rehearsal 6:30pm Men's Disc.
Mon		2	7pm Stations of the Cross & HE	24	28 4-9pm Rivendell Rehearsal
Sun		6 8 & 10 am HE 10am SS 11:30am Cherub Choir 12pm New Member's	13 PALM SUNDAY 8 & 10 am HE 10am SS 11:30am Cherub Choir 12pm New Member's Class	20 EASTER Alleluia!! 8 & 10am HE 10am SS	27 8 & 10 am HE 10am SS 11:30am Cherub Choir 12pm New Member's Class

## PERSECUTED CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NOTES:	, ·	CHINA CHINA Pray that children and young people, especially in remote access to God's Word,	that children who are cortured in remote so, word, st God's Word,	NORTH KOREA Pray for the bold Christians who are working to bring God's Word to the North Korean people.	SUDAN BIBLIES are scarce because of Islamize the country. Pray for increased access to God's Word.	BRUNEI Pray that Brunelans will have more opportunities to hear the gospel.
TURKMENISTAN Authorities often search believers' homes for Christian literature. Pray for the freedom to study God's Word.	SYRIA Pray that Christian converts who lose family relationships will find comfort and fellowship in the body of Christ.	MOZAMBIQUE Pray for the encouragement of pastors working in areas where Islamist groups regularly attack Christians.	MALI Pray for the boldness of churches in the north as they share the gospel in an Islamic stronghold.  Pray for the boldness of churches in the north as have been attacked they share the gospel in an Islamic stronghold.	BENIN Pray that Christians who have been attacked by voodooists will be encouraged and stand firm in their faith.	NIGER Pray for the safety of front-line workers who people in remote desert areas with the gospel.  12 ALGERIA PLAGERIA Pray that Christians in Algeria will hold fast on "the faith that was people in remote desert areas with the gospel.	ALGERIA Pray that Christians in Algeria will hold fast to "the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints" (Jude i:3).
RUSSIA AND AREAS UNDER ITS CONTROL Pray that Christians will have a vision to reach the lost.	RUSSIA AND AREAS UNDER ITS CONTROL Presy that Christians will have a vision to reach the lost.  14 BURKINA FASO Pastor Hamadou was shot to death by Islamists opposed to his boid witness. Prey that God will comfort his family.	PAKISTAN Pray for the encouragement of the roughly 4 million Pakistani Christians, using Joshua 1:9 as a guide.	STAN TANZANIA TANZANIA TANZANIA TANZANIA TRANZANIA TRANZ	YEMEN Pray that Bibles stolen in an attack on a church will touch the hearts of those who do not yet know Christ.	IB INDONESIA Pray that persecuted Christians in rural areas will find ways to fellowship with other Christians.	CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC Pray that Christians who suffered persecution will heal from their trauma.
SAUDI ARABIA Pray that those who must worship in secret will have opportunities for fellowship with other Christians.	SAUDI ARABIA Tray that those who must those who must worship in secret faith and courage of christians or fellowship with in prison.	OMAN Pray that Christians will find ways to share the gospel secretly and disciple others in this restricted nation.	EGYPT CAMEROON Fraise God that Egypt has base for gospel work.  Dase for gospel work.  CAMEROON Fraise God for Pastor Galgalo's continued witness in dangerous regions.  Dase for gospel work.  CAMEROON FRANYA RENYA Galgalo's continued witness in dangerous regions.  A continued witnes	24 CAMEROON Pray for the safety of Bible distributors working in dangerous regions.	KENYA KENYA Fraise God for Pastor Galgalo's continued witness after being ostractized and having his church attacked by Islamists.	NEPAL Pray for Bindu and her three daughters. Bindu's husband abandoned them after they placed their faith in Christ.
<b>QATAR</b> QATAR Qataris who own and distribute Bibles are at great risk, Pray for their protection.	ISRAEL Pray for Pauline Ayyad, who has ministered to widows like herself since her husband was killed by Islamists in 2007.	VENEZUELA Pray that youth will be drawn to the love demonstrated by the body of Christ rather than to the ideals of Marxism.	LIBYA LIBYA Pray that Christians who are in prison for their faith will experience God's presence and peace.	"We were bu baptism into was raised fi Father, we to	"We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life." —Romans 6:4	im by just as Christ flory of the ness of life." —Romans 6:4

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### **Words of Wisdom?**

Remember that 7 days without God makes one WEAK!!

A lot of kneeling will keep you in good standing.

He who kneels before God can stand before anyone.

Give God what's rightnot what's left.

Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark.

Are you wrinkled with burden? Come to the church for a faith-lift.

When praying, don't give God instructions.

Just report for duty.

Read the Bible. It will scare the hell out of you! Knowing the Bible is one thing; knowing the Author is quite another.

Man's way leads to a hopeless end. God's way leads to endless hope.

Suffering from Truth-decay? Brush up on your Bible.

Exercise daily.
Walk with the Lord.

Warning-Exposure to the SON will prevent burning.

Give Satan an inch and he'll become a Ruler.