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We would love to lift up your requests to the Lord, so please share them with us!

Name (*Optional)

Prayer

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Scripture Reading

2 Peter 1:3-4 NKJV

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Announcements, Events, etc

October Church Budget October Local Church Budget Needed \$17,616.59 October Local Church Budget Received \$ 8,737.49 October Budget Short \$ 8,879.10 Today's Announcements: 2nd Reading—Church Membership Transfer—Octavia and Bryan Foster—from Wichita Three Angels Church to West Lexena (KS) SDA Church. Tuesday, Dec. 3, 6:30 PM—Tracing the Footsteps of Jesus—DVD Series in the church library. Wednesday, Dec. 4, 7 PM—Prophecy Class. Bring a friend and join us for this exciting journey through Scripture! Wednesday, Dec. 4, 5 PM—Pathfinder, Adventurers, Eager Beaver at the school. Friday, Dec. 6, 7 PM—Randy Skeete—Guest speaker. Invite your friends. Sabbath, Dec. 7, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 2:15, 4:00 PM—Randy Skeete—Guest Speaker Sunday-Saturday, Dec. 8-14, @ 7 PM—Fall Week of Prayer: And They Followed Him Sabbath, Dec. 14—Church Christmas Program Sabbath, Dec. 21, 2013—Come, Let Us Worship. Bring your family and friends. Saturday Night, Dec. 28, 2013 @ 6:00 PM—A wedding reception is being planned for Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Carpenter—Heidi (Bryant) Carpenter. Andrew & Heidi were married November 24, 2013. You are invited to attend the celebration immediately following Vespers. If you plan to come, please RSVP to Sherlyn Bryant by December 14, 2013 either by phone or by signing your name on the list in the lobby as we will have supper together. Phone #: 744-2174. Thank you. Remember to order your devotional books use the clipboard on the round table in the foyer. Upcoming Events: Today Sunset @ 5:12 PM 8:45-9:15 AM Sabbath Morning Prayer time Who's Coming for Dinner? Invite someone to your home to enjoy your meal and Christian fellowship. 5:00 PM—Vespers This Week Co-op Wednesday @ 3:00 –6:30 PM—Will be open the 2nd Wednesday—Dec. 11.

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According to Peter

Partake is κοινῶνός. It is similar to another word you may have heard: koinōnia, or fellowship. κοινῶνός means to be “a sharer, partner, companion”. God's promises are the means by which we share in—fellowship in, participate in, partake in—the Divine nature. BOTH God's power AND His character become ours through the promises of Scripture. Faith in the Promise = Power in the life. By the way, according to Peter, the primary purpose of God's promises is NOT to get our prayers answered BUT to become sharers in the Divine nature.

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Hebrews 8:10

Hebrews 8:10 NKJV

For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

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What is a promise?

A promise is a pledge of Divine action either in spite of (unconditional, Genesis 3:15), or in response to (conditional, Matthew 7:7,8), human action. Further, some promises are based on non-human conditions (Genesis 8:21, 22; Matthew 5:18).

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Why promises?

Why couldn't God simply do His work, without giving the promise? BECAUSE . . . Promises entice us. Promises inspire us. Promises encourage us. Promises expose Divine conditions. Promises reveal Divine possibilities. Promises assure us of Divine action. Promises show us the path to return to Divine favor. Promises affirm human freedom because they demonstrate the necessity AND importance of human participation. Promises draw us into relationship with the Divine, a breadcrumb trail of sorts. So, a promise is what? a pledge of Divine action AND Faith in GOD'S Promise = Power in MY life.

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Promises made to Christ

Galatians 3:16 NKJV

Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, "And to your Seed," who is Christ.

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2 Corinthians 1:19, 20

2 Corinthians 1:19-20 NLT

For Jesus Christ, the Son of God, does not waver between "Yes" and "No." He is the one whom Silas, Timothy, and I preached to you, and as God's ultimate "Yes," he always does what he says. For all of God's promises have been fulfilled in Christ with a resounding "Yes!" And through Christ, our "Amen" (which means "Yes") ascends to God for his glory.

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Through the promises

As we receive Christ by faith, we also receive the certainty that in Him all promises are YES to us AND by THEM His grace flows through us. REMEMBER Faith in GOD'S Promise = Power in MY life. Through the PROMISES we share in the Divine nature.

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Matthew 4:4

Matthew 4:4 NKJV

But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'"

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Live by the Word

Jesus is here not referring to the need to live by God's Word in the sense of following it as a guide (although that's necessary), but as our source of power to live for Him.

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Experiencing the power of God's promises

1. Know the Promise 2 Pet 1:3 Knowledge is essential. We cannot believe in something we do not know and we cannot be transformed by information we don't believe. 2. Know the Condition 2 Corinthians 5:17. Some of God's promises come with conditions. In order to claim the promise we must meet the condition. 3. Believe the Promise Abraham believed God: Romans 4:3, 13 (Galatians 3:17, 18). Knowing the promise, honoring the conditions, we must then believe God's promise for it to be fulfilled to us.

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2 Corinthians 5:17

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Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

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Romans 4:3

Romans 4:3 NKJV

For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness."

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Romans 4:13

Romans 4:13 NKJV

For the promise that he would be the heir of the world was not to Abraham or to his seed through the law, but through the righteousness of faith.

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A few promises

Genesis 3:15; 1 Samuel 14:6; 2 Chronicles 7:14; Philippians 1:6; 2 Corinthians 12:9, 10; 1 Corinthians 10:13; Romans 6:4; Jude 24; Romans 8:28; John 3:16; Jeremiah 32:17; Psalm 91; Ezekiel 36:26, 27

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2 Kings 13:14-19

2 Kings 13:14-19 NKJV

Elisha had become sick with the illness of which he would die. Then Joash the king of Israel came down to him, and wept over his face, and said, "O my father, my father, the chariots of Israel and their horsemen!" And Elisha said to him, "Take a bow and some arrows." So he took himself a bow and some arrows. Then he said to the king of Israel, "Put your hand on the bow." So he put his hand on it, and Elisha put his hands on the king's hands. And he said, "Open the east window"; and he opened it. Then Elisha said, "Shoot"; and he shot. And he said, "The arrow of the Lord's deliverance and the arrow of deliverance from Syria; for you must strike the Syrians at Aphek till you have destroyed them." Then he said, "Take the arrows"; so he took them. And he said to the king of Israel, "Strike the ground"; so he struck three times, and stopped. And the man of God was angry with him, and said, "You should have struck five or six times; then you would have struck Syria till you had destroyed it! But now you will strike Syria only three times."

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In summary

As King Joash was invited to trust, so God invites you to trust Him. He invites you to live in the in the certainty of faith in a God who cannot lie. REMEMBER: Faith in GOD'S Promise = Power in MY life.

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