Sunday, January 7, 2024

1 Timothy 4:13, "Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching."

Title: Prayer Focus January 2024

Series: Prayer for Christ's New Life Church for 2024

Text: Psalm 127:1 - 2

Purpose: I want to MOTIVATE my congregation to PRAY for our local FELLOWSHIP during the year but with a special focus during the month of January!

Introduction:

~ Psalm 127:1-2 "Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain. (2) It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives to his beloved sleep."

1. James 4:1 – 7:

~ vs. 1-3, "What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? (2) You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. (3) You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions."

2. 1 John 5:14 - 15:

~ vs. 14 - 15, "And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. (15) And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him."

3. John 20:19 - 22:

~ vs. 19 - 22, "On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."...(22) And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.""

4. Acts 13:2 - 3:

~ vs. 2-3, "While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." (3) Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off."

5. Matthew 9:37 – 38:

~ vs. 37 - 38, "Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; (38) therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.""

Conclusion:

Prayer for Howard and Jill and the work in Mexico; prayer for Alex and Amber and Leo and their call to missions.

Communion