

# 2023 DECEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 <b>31</b> Praise God that He exists before time, and we can trust Him in the New Year and forever.	27	28	29 <i>May the God of HOPE fill you with all JOY and PEACE in believing...</i>	30 <i>...so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in HOPE. (Romans 15:13)</i>	01 Pray God's blessing over preparations for Sunday's annual members' meeting...	02 ...and that the evening Shepherd's Meal will be a wonderful time to celebrate The Greatest King.
03 Praise God that Jesus came as the true light and is our certain HOPE to overcome every dark thing we face.	04 Pray for youth tonight and Wednesday, to gain momentum in their faith coming off of their recent youth retreat.	05 Pray God's blessing on those who served in our elected positions this year, and for those who will be doing so in 2024.	06 Pray we are freed from any shame that hinders us from inviting Jesus to shine into our darkness.	07 Ask God to shine his grace and kindness on any strained relationships that come to your mind.	08 Ask God to bless and use LifeWise as an effective witness to kids and families in our community.	09 Thank God for financial provision in 2023 and ask Him to provide for all He wants to do in and through us in 2024.
10 Praise God for the sure HOPE, that just as Jesus came as Savior, He will come again as King!	11 Pray for our aerobics class to joyfully strengthen fitness, FAITH and friendships.	12 Pray God's blessing and refreshing on the families of our pastors, Elders, Governing Board and staff.	13 May our lives be marked by simplicity and submission to Jesus, our Savior and King.	14 Pray for opportunities to tell others that the baby Jesus of Christmas is the Savior and eternal King.	15 Ask God to strengthen marriages in our church, making them a beautiful reflection of Jesus' love.	16 Pray we all intentionally draw near to Jesus - who is Immanuel, which means "God with us."
17 Thank God that in Christ we have the certain HOPE of resurrection. We face death with the HOPE of eternal life.	18 Ask God to comfort those dealing with health issues and the loss or distance of loved ones.	19 Ask God to bless MCCP preschool Christmas program tonight, connecting families with Jesus and NAC.	20 Ask God's help in using holiday gatherings to graciously point and encourage others towards Jesus.	21 Ask God to help us hear and follow him as he says, "Be still and know that I am God." (Psalm 46:10)	22 Ask God to bless us with Himself, reviving our hearts and giving us the joy of our salvation.	23 Pray for our Christmas Eve service tomorrow morning to be a light of witness and joy in Jesus for all who come.
24 Praise JESUS, He is our sure HOPE of salvation and deliverance!	25 <b>Merry Christmas!</b> <i>"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29)</i>	26 May we truly "See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called the children of God"	27 Pray that God gives us all a rest from busyness and time to connect with Him and others over the holidays...	28 ...and that we would head into the new year knowing and following His priorities for us, including...	29 ...regular time with God in His Word to know Him better and live according to His good Word...	30 ...and to have balanced lives growing in overall discipleship and letting go of anything that holds us back from Him.