40-Day Prayer Walk

Day 36

Passage: "And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus." —Philippians 4:19

Have you ever thought that you are one way God uses to supply the needs around you?

Practical: I have witnessed it again and again in preparation for this FRIENDS OF FAITH event. Needs have arisen, and then someone has stepped forward to meet those needs. Most participants have little idea of the work required to open that FRIENDS OF FAITH door. But the work leads to the blessing of seeing those around us become God's answer to our prayers.

Prayer: As you receive this prayer today, please know that you have been God's way of doing so much, and most importantly, for supplying our need for guidance and protection by praying as we prepare for our FRIENDS OF FAITH kick-off. We continue to have needs: service needs, volunteer needs, financial needs. Let's pray and give thanks for God's promise to supply those needs, and let's see how God continues to touch hearts to be His answer.

See you tomorrow, Kim

40-Day Prayer Walk

Day 37

Passage: "Give ear, O God, and hear...; We do not make requests of you because we are righteous, but because of your great mercy." —Daniel 9:18

Practical: Do you ever feel it would be wrong or selfish to ask God for His best? Do you ever think God must be way too busy answering others' requests to be bothered with yours? Do you ever procrastinate in making personal requests of God, thinking that when your life is more in order you will ask?

According to His word, God wants to give us the desires of our heart. At our whisper of His name, He promises to turn His ear toward us. Ponder that this morning: The God of all heaven, the Creator of all things, He who breathes life into every soul, will hear and attend to our requests today.

Prayer: Here's what I'm praying today: I pray that everything we do at FRIENDS OF FAITH reflects our love for God. I pray for electricity that works and a sound system that magnifies our praises of Him. I pray that each woman God wants to be at FRIENDS OF FAITH is invited and fights through nerves and obstacles to attend. I pray that each word spoken by the greeters, the registrars, the table-talkers, and speakers will be God's words of encouragement and equipping. I pray no one will show partiality. I pray each woman will sit at a comforting, accepting place. I pray for the livestreaming for all the FRIENDS OF FAITH events that follow in various locations, that the quality of the livestreaming will be excellent. I pray for lots and lots of laughter! I pray for ease and lightheartedness. I pray that hearts connect through great conversations and wonderful bonds of friendship are made. I pray for health. But more than anything, I pray for God's presence to be supreme. May each woman leave in awe of her great and personal encounter with the One we serve, our Christ Jesus.

What do you want to see God do? Who do you want to attend? How do you want to be used? How do you want God to grow and touch your life? Let's not be afraid to ask. We are told to come boldly before our Lord and seek His best. Write down your requests this morning. Hold onto them close to your heart and believe that God can! We are all going to be amazed at what God does!

The big day is almost here! Kim

40-Day Prayer Walk Day 38

Passage: "Be strong and courageous, and do the work. Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord God, my God, is with you. He will not fail you or forsake you until all the work for the service of the Lord is finished." —1 Chronicles 28:20

Practical: I received this note from one woman: "Well, just as we talked about, a friend of mine will be coming to FRIENDS OF FAITH. Someone I never thought to ask until yesterday when God nudged me to ask her. She immediately said yes. I can't wait for her to experience what we already know!"

Prayer: In two short days, the FRIENDS OF FAITH tour across America kicks off in Augusta! We have so many wonderful friends signed up from Augusta and beyond. But I suspect there is still someone we each have forgotten to invite, or have been planning to invite but haven't found the time...or the courage. Our work is not finished until we invite every woman who is supposed to be there. Is there still work to be done? Let's ask God this morning if there is anyone just waiting on us to invite them so they can say, "Yes! I'm in!"

The day is fast approaching! Kim

40-Day Prayer Walk Day 39

Passage: "I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." —John 10:10 (NKJV)

Practical: It had taken a while for us to get to Zermatt, the place Austin, our youngest son, had looked forward to most during our vacation in Europe. We arrived to cloud-covered skies masking the mountains of Switzerland. One storeowner assured us that, with a little luck, the winds might move the clouds to reveal one of the highest peaks in the Alps. This is what Austin longed to see.

Grabbing some hot chocolate, we sat and waited. Sure enough, the winds began their magic. Within an hour the Matterhorn was revealed. It was a sight to behold and yet, as Austin confessed, "I thought it was going to be so much more."

Well, you know me. I had to capture the "teachable moment," even if my son was an adult. So we talked about the build-ups and let-downs of life. Unrushed, we enjoyed our hot chocolate and good conversation. And the whole time, unknown to us, the winds kept moving.

Austin became less engaged with our conversation and more focused on what was happening farther off. "Mom, Dad, what is that?" he exclaimed. Looking up, I had no idea what was before us. Hadn't we seen the Matterhorn? What was this that the clouds had uncovered?

Austin's smile said it all. What we had assumed was the Matterhorn was only a small ridge. The winds, and our perseverance to sit there, had allowed the greatness of the true Matterhorn to be revealed. The words of Jesus came to my mind, "I have come not only to give life, but to give abundant life."

Prayer: We've had a long journey to our FRIENDS OF FAITH event. In just a couple of days the doors will open. I believe we will be in awe as the winds of God's encouragement and hope move through and around each woman who walks in. Imagine the beauty those winds will reveal! Let's pray that we can still ourselves and patiently wait for God to use the winds of conversations to reveal His COFFEE—conversations of FRIENDS OF FAITH that will encourage and equip and reveal not only life, but the abundant life.

Praying with you, Kim

40-Day Prayer Walk Day 40

Prayer: "Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ." — Ephesians 1:2

Practical: Here we are! We have spent 40 days praying for what begins today in AUGUSTA, GA and then will spread into many parts of the United States in 2022. I know it has been a sacrifice of your time. I'm reminded of David's words in 2 Samuel 24:24: "I will not offer anything to our Lord which cost me nothing." While many will never know the offering you made of your prayers, God knows. And what is offered in secret, God promises to reward openly.

Prayer: Today I thank God for the opportunity to serve alongside you these past 40 days. I thank Linda and Donna for being incredible leaders, always leading with grace, humor, passion, and with the motive to always serve this team and glorify God! I thank God for each of you as team members! God has used you greatly. Your prayers have brought so many to FRIENDS OF FAITH. They have been the catalyst for miracles in our sound and technical areas. Your prayers have given courage to many. Your prayers have given peace when doubt tried to push its way in, and stamina when tiredness was about to take over. Your prayers have been heard. Now let's enjoy God's grace and peace as the doors of FRIENDS OF FAITH are about to swing open wide!

And, Jesus...we thank you in advance for all we are about to experience. We humble ourselves under your mighty hand as we strive to raise high your mighty name. Oh, how we ask that your Holy Spirit fall fresh on us today. We love you, Jesus!

Love you ladies, Kim