

PRAY EVERY DAY June 5, 2022 Resource

*Household Prayer: Morning**

Gracious God, we thank you for the peace of good sleep and for keeping us safe throughout the night. Let this new day be a time of praise and joy as we go out to meet you in our sisters and brothers. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

A Prayer of Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
to be understood, as to understand;
to be loved, as to love;
for it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.

The Bishop Sharma Lewis Read the Bible in 2022 Challenge (One Year Bible Reading Plan)

You may find this plan on the Virginia Annual Conference website <https://vaumc.org> or pick up a copy at KUMC.

The Bible in a Year with KUMC

This plan is available at KUMC and on the church website. This plan can be started at anytime.

Small Group or personal study

- What was your furthest moment from God this week?
- What was your closest moment to God this week?
- Read Acts 2:1-21
- What languages do you speak? Do you know English, Spanish, or ASL? Do you speak sports, science, or politics? How do you best communicate? Are you fluent in social media, letter writing, or conversation? What have you gone through that lets you speak from personal experience and relate to others going through similar things?
- The disciples waited together for the promise of the Holy Spirit and they were filled with God's power to be witnesses for Jesus Christ. In Acts 2 that power helped them to speak in ways that Jews from all over the world could understand in their own language. Some of the international Jews visiting Jerusalem for Pentecost might have known some words of local and common languages like Greek or Aramaic. What amazed them was hearing in their native

language the deeds of God. When have you heard the good news of God put powerfully into your native language in a way it was made powerful to you?

- How has the Holy Spirit ever empowered you to share the things of God to someone in ways they could understand?

- Notice the details of the story and consider what it says about which Christians the Holy Spirit's power is for to be witnesses and who are the persons God wants to hear the good news. On which disciples in the Upper Room did the Holy Spirit come with power (vv. 3-4)? What sorts of languages were shared in Pentecost (vv. 5-11)? What sorts of people do you sense would be included in having the Spirit of God poured out on them (vv. 17-18)? From this passage, who does it seem God wants to hear about salvation and be saved (v. 21)?

Spend time in silence

Prayer for others and yourself

The Lord's Prayer

Share the Love of Jesus because It's All about Relationships

How will you or how did you share the love of Jesus with neighbor today with no strings attached? Write it down and share it this week in small group for support and prayer.

*Household Prayer: Evening**

Merciful Lord, as night comes to this house, we thank you for the challenges and accomplishments of this day. Give our hearts and minds the comfort now to rest in your care, trusting that whatever tomorrow brings, your hand will be ready to catch us if we fall. Amen.

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