

PRAY EVERY DAY November 13, 2022 Resource

*Household Prayer: Morning\**

Holy One, I want to see you today in this world with my own eyes. Even though your greatness is unsearchable, today I want to meditate on your wondrous works all around me. Give me the eyes of faith through which to see you. Renew me, that I may praise you with a new song. 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 Joshua 24:14-15.
- In verse 15 there is an invitation to put away the gods who are not the LORD. What gods or things have you, the community, or your ancestors worshiped? Some popular things people worship today are nation, money, sex, status, celebrity, and self.
- Joshua directed the people of Israel to choose who they serve, the LORD or some other god(s). There are many gods and items of worship that are just fine sharing worship, but the LORD is different. The LORD is jealous and won't abandon people to worship things that are not gods. Read Exodus 20:2-6 and Deuteronomy 6:4-15. What do you think of Joshua's call to choose who you will serve?
- In verse 15 Joshua let everyone know, "as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." Have you made a commitment to follow the LORD? Joshua's commitment was very public. How have you lived out your commitment?

*Hymn #460 from A Collection of Hymns for the Use of the People Called Methodists, 1780*

I and my house will serve the Lord.  
But first, obedient to his word I must myself appear;  
By actions, words, and tempers show  
That I my heavenly Master know, and serve with heart sincere.

I must the fair example set,  
From those that on my pleasure wait the stumbling-block remove;  
Their duty by my life explain,  
And still in all my works maintain the dignity of love.

Lord, if thou didst the wish infuse,  
A vessel fitted for thy use into thy hands receive;  
Work in me both to will and do,  
And show them how believers true and real Christians live.

*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?

*Household Prayer: Evening\**

God, thank you for guiding my steps on your paths today. Where my feet may have slipped, forgive me. You have wondrously shown me your steadfast love through the course of this day. Now let me fall asleep in the shadow of your wings, for I have seen today that you are my redeemer, the living God. Amen.

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