

GOD SPEAKS

READ 2 CORINTHIANS 5:14-15

These verses are among my favorites in God's Word. Here's why.

First, I am assured of God's love for me. **His love moved Him** to send Jesus to this world as Savior of all – my Savior. His love moved Jesus to die for all, for me. His love moves Him to daily and richly forgive all my sins because Jesus paid the full price on the cross. His love moves Him to meet all my needs and more!

Secondly, **His love moves me** – His love moves compels me to respond. Literally, in Greek, His love for me shapes my thinking, molds my heart to rejoice in His love, and responds with a life of purpose. I respond by living for Him, who loved me first. I respond by loving those for whom He died and rose again. I respond by serving Him with all my heart, soul, strength, and mind.

It all begins with His love for me!

Ash Wednesday comes early this year – on February 14. That's pretty awesome, because of the "Valentine" connection to that date. What greater love can we connect with than God's amazing love, His perfect sacrifice, His one and only Son, Jesus, who died for all so that we who live should no longer live for ourselves, but for Him who died for us and rose again!

We get to share this great love!

Lord Jesus, thank You for loving us with such a great love! Thank You for giving us opportunities to share that love with others, especially with those who don't yet know Your amazing love! Amen.

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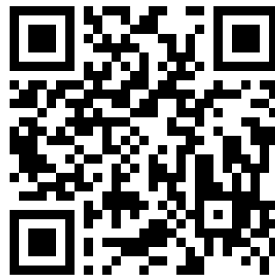
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that those who live
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live for themselves.

CALL TO PRAYER

Luke 10:2

The harvest is plentiful,
but the workers are few.
Ask the Lord of the harvest,
therefore, to send out workers
into his harvest field.

SET YOUR ALARM FOR 10:02



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February MISSIONS PRAYER GUIDE



**EQUIP, EMPOWER, ENGAGE,
CONNECTING PEOPLE TO JESUS.**



- 1 Lord Jesus, give us Your compassion for those who wrestle with doubt, question their beliefs, and seek answers for life. Give us a gracious spirit as we interact.
- 2 Holy Spirit, in the face of obstacles and trials, use Your church to direct Your people to Jesus, who comes to bring healing and wholeness.
- 3 Give thanks for our District President James Rockey and his staff: Laura Zirbel, Jennifer Tanner, Peter Meier, Jay Wendland, Kathy Keene, Meridith Swanson, Cindy Hammerstrom, and Debbie Arrington.
- 4 Pray for pastors and church staff planning and preparing for the season of Lent, that it might be a time of spiritual renewal and gospel focus.
- 5 Pray for the 35 District Presidents and the LCMS Presidium meeting in St. Louis this week; pray for mission zeal and evangelistic passion in each of our LCMS Districts.
- 6 Pray that congregations will be observant and attentive to people around them, prompting them to pray and serve with Jesus' love.
- 7 Thank God for the godly teachers and leaders who are dedicated to disciple-making through school ministry.
- 8 Pray for our seminaries in St. Louis & Fort Wayne and our Concordia University System that Christian leaders will be prepared as everyday disciple-makers in their callings.
- 9 Pray that all people in our nation, beginning with our leaders, will respect life as God's gift, seeking to protect life from the unborn to the elderly and vulnerable.
- 10 Pray that every congregation will have the needed courage to be a "Sending" church, training and deploying God's people on God's mission.
- 11 Pray that God will give needed vision to think and plan for new ways for the church to meet the spiritual needs of our communities.
- 12 Ask God to bless the two new Missionary Pathway cohorts beginning February 14. Pray that participants will be equipped to share Jesus where they live, work, and play.
- 13 That each person in the FLGA District would see themselves as an Along-Sider, bringing Jesus' joy to their neighbors, coworkers, and friends. Pray for the Holy Spirit to show each person someone whom they can disciple as a disciple-maker.
- 14 Ash Wednesday - Today, we ask the Lord to walk with us through the Lenten season, refocusing our hearts and minds on Jesus' cross-shaped love for all the world.
- 15 Pray for Campus Pastor John Roth (Thrive, Estero) as he converses with the Florida Gulf Coast University President about partnership and district land development to bless campus life and church ministry.
- 16 For Pastor John and Deaconess Cobos (Messiah Latino in Tampa & Hope, Plant City), their ministry will be joy-filled and blessed.
- 17 Pray for Lake Oconee Lutheran Church Pastor Steve Hayden as they prepare to launch a new ministry in Milledgeville, GA. Ask for readiness to meet the needs of the Milledgeville community.
- 18 Pray that the Holy Spirit will bless each Christian person to effectively come alongside those whom God has placed in their world, making disciples who make disciple-makers.
- 19 Ask the Lord of the Harvest to give wisdom and creativity to congregations who want to begin new outreach ministries in their communities.
- 20 Pray for Mission Haiti, Field Director Lophane Laurent, and those he serves with God's love in Haiti. Pray for Director of Administration Anne Dobbins.
- 21 Ask the Lord to open our eyes and hearts to the many opportunities for starting new ministries and outreach among the 60,000 new residents who move into Florida each month.
- 22 Pray for our Early Childhood ministries that introduce young children and their families to Jesus. Pray their witness to the littlest of God's children will reach into families and communities through our Lutheran Schools.
- 23 Pray that young people will hunger for the truth of the Gospel and not be deceived by the half-truths and lies of the Evil One.
- 24 Ask the Holy Spirit to ignite a mighty movement of prayer in the FLGA District and throughout our nation.
- 25 Pray that the Holy Spirit will protect and enrich the marriages and families of our leaders and church workers so that the Evil One will not separate what God has joined together.
- 26 Ask the Holy Spirit to pour out the joy of salvation, of knowing Jesus as our Savior, and of living as His forgiven, loved, and restored disciples.
- 27 Ask that the Holy Spirit connect us with people who are open to the Gospel's message and that God would keep our eyes open daily for people with whom we can share God's love in Jesus.
- 28 Pray for Pastor Miguel and Katherine Sanabria, reaching out to Spanish speakers at Immanuel Church & School in Brandon, FL. Pray for Kat, who is enrolled in the Deaconess program, and for five future pastors and deaconess candidates from Immanuel.
- 29 On this "leap day," ask the Lord to help us to "number our days carefully, that we may develop wisdom in our hearts." *Psalms 90:12*