

# *Prayer Changes Everything! I believe in the Power of Prayer!*



## **DECEMBER 2017 EDITORIAL**



*2017 has been challenging for us on so many different levels, but, by God's grace we are still here. We have weathered the storms, but, did the storms push us out to sea or brought closer to the shore? For many of us, the storms included losing a loved one either by death, divorce, or separation, many started out the New Year healthy, but were diagnosed with some curable or incurable disease, some struggled with unemployment, homelessness, and relocation, some never envisioned themselves in trouble with the law, yet they were forced to defend themselves, some had to deal with rebellious children, sibling rivalry, betrayal by friends or family, and so much more. But, are we better or worse because of all that we have been through? For some of us, our situations have brought closure, for some division, for some rebellion, for some peace, and for some, a closer relationship with God. My brothers and sisters in Christ, are we still where we used to be? Are we allowing our past situations to define us? Everything that we go through is for a reason. Some of us after what we have been through have stopped to really reflect on where we have been to where we are now, and regrettably, only a few of us could say with confidence, "Thank God, I am not where I used to be!" But, why are some still not able to say this? Have we forgotten all that the Lord has done for us? The many times that he has pulled us through storms that should have destroyed us? You may have forgotten the goodness of the Lord, but he is a merciful and forgiving God; so, even if you experienced hardships and troubles this year, look ahead, God is sending Jesus to bring you peace, hope, joy, and love. 2017 is almost gone and 2018 is upon us. Let us shake the 2017 dust from our feet, and trust in God for renewed strength and prosperity for 2018. Our past should not define us, we don't live there anymore. We are in a better place because of Jesus, the light of the world. Thanks for your support of my ministry - Prayers for Everyday Living. Have a Very, Merry, Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.*



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