Walking WITH Christ in 2023!

"Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, and be like those who are waiting for their Master to come home for the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to Him at once when He returns." — Luke 12:35–36

First, make some time to intentionally look forward to 2023 in light of 2022

Looking back at God's faithfulness in 2022

What are ways He has shown Himself faithful to you/us in the past year?

What are ways you/we have grown in Him in the past year?

[Additional resources for 'Further Reflectors on 2022' are available. Check the Resource Table or the Website]

Looking back at your faithfulness in 2022

Some things to consider in your everyday life and walk in the past year:

Think through your daily habits, routines, time-consumption, spiritual disciplines.

What is your flesh telling you about these things?

What is God's Word and His Spirit telling you about these things?

What kinds of things did you do in this past year that you would like to do LESS of?

What kinds of things did you do in this past year that you would like to do MORE of?

[Additional resources for 'My Plan and Prayer in 2023' are available. Check the Resource Table or the Website]

Now turn your attention to intentionally walking into 2023 WITH Jesus

Looking AHEAD to your walk of faithfulness in 2023:

Some things to plan for in your **spiritual** life and walk for the coming year:

Areas I would like to improve upon in my spiritual life—

In light of these areas, in 2023 I would like my spiritual life to demonstrate WITH-ness with Christ by...

Goals I would set for the coming year—(turn to the next page to complete)

Get INTENTIONAL about your walk WITH Jesus in 2023

To live life IN Jesus, and do things FOR Jesus, we must be WITH Jesus!

What should that look like?

(Remember, we are people of habit - so build godly ones)

A Bible Reading Plan in 2023— Have a place and a plan and make a daily appointment with Jesus. (Use the short Daily Readings and In the Word Today devotional, and be in a D-Group, for depth in God's Word.) (Read through the Bible in a Year as a church family for breadth in God's Word.)

MY PLAN IS...

A thoughtful prayer time in 2023— have a way to focus your conversation with God.

(Use the Daily Prayer Pointers in the Bulletin, posted on FB/Twitter and sent In the Word Today devotional.)

(Repeatedly pray through passages of Scripture— Psalm 23, The Lord's Prayer, The Fruits of the Spirit, etc.)

(Use the A.C.T.S. model— Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication.)

MY PLAN IS...

Practicing intermittent fasting— from food and from other 'idols' in your life to focus on Jesus Christ. **MY PLAN IS...**

Practicing hospitality— opening your home and your heart to others in increased ways. **MY PLAN IS...**

Being with your church family— committing to adding your gifting to the Body of Christ to love and serve **MY PLAN IS...**

Engaging with unchurched people— entering into discipleship relationships with others. **MY PLAN IS...**

Staying committed to the BIG PICTURE in the New Year

Where you are heading in 2023?

What is going to be your 'life theme' for 2023?

(Looking back a year from now, what will you want to see God do in and through you in 2023?)

What is your passage you are claiming from God's Word?

What verse speaks to where you see God taking your walk WITH Christ in 2023? (Find creative ways to keep this ever present before you on this journey with Jesus.)

Who can you count on to help?

Tell others about your 2023 commitments. Ask them to pray for you and hold you accountable.