

# *lifeline* a prayer publication of Cadence International®

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Dear Friends,

While we don't understand all the mysteries of prayer, we understand that it is a real and vital partnership with the God of the universe as He chooses to listen and to incorporate our prayers into His work.

Your prayers are, indeed, a lifeline for Cadence International and ministry to the military.

This month we begin 2020 with prayers based on Ephesians 1-4 (NIV). May the Lord encourage your hearts as you pray, even as He encourages us through your prayers.

“Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.” Ephesians 1:2

## **Week of January 1**

☐ In Ephesians 1, God says He has given us every spiritual blessing in Christ by choosing us, adopting us, redeeming us, forgiving us, and making known to us His will. He gives us these blessings with pleasure, lavishing on us the riches of His grace. He tells us of His resurrection power at work in us and the preeminence of Christ who “fills everything in every way” (v. 23).

☐ Pray for military people who are discouraged and don't think they have what it takes to live life or do their jobs well. Pray that they look to God for help and come to know the riches of His grace.

☐ Pray for Chaplains who are talking with military people who need to know God's forgiveness. Pray God gives them the words that will communicate well and that His Spirit will move in hearts.

☐ Pray for Cadence staff, that they would be given a spirit of wisdom, and their hearts would be enlightened to know God's hope and power (v. 17-19).

☐ Pray for the many ongoing challenges, struggles, processes, plans, hopes, and dreams that are subject to “the times reaching their fulfillment” (v. 10)—God's timing. Pray for patience and trust in the One who is at work inside and outside of time.

## **Week of January 12**

☐ In Ephesians 2, God tells us He knows where we have come from and where we have been. He has loved us, called us, raised us up, and prepared good works tailor-made for each of us. He is the One who has given us peace with Him and peace within, and He brought us into His forever family.

☐ Pray for military people who are feeling isolated and alone. Pray that God draws them into His family and into a local community of Christians. Pray that where they have been will not be used by the Enemy to keep them from where they are meant to be.

☐ Pray for Chaplains as they have the privilege and responsibility of spiritually caring for all of their unit, no matter what the faith background of their people. Pray they would be agents of God's peace, organizationally and spiritually.

☐ Pray that Cadence staff would have many opportunities to share the truth that God is rich in mercy and has shown us His kindness in Christ, and that “it is by grace you have been saved through faith” (v. 4-8).

☐ Pray for God's Spirit to do a healing work wherever there is division, barriers, misunderstandings, or strife. May those who are “far away” be “brought near through the blood of Christ” (v. 13).

## Week of January 19

☐ In Ephesians 3, God reminds us that our understanding of His grace and His plan for all people to be able to belong to His family used to be a mystery. We see that even the most unlikely minister (Paul) can be mightily met and used by God. So we, too, can now “approach God with freedom and confidence” because Christ lives in us. And oh, that we would also “have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love which surpasses knowledge” (v. 18b-19a).

☐ Pray for military people to whom the gospel is still a mystery. Pray that Christ would dwell in their hearts through faith (v. 17).

☐ Pray for Chaplains, that God would “strengthen [them] with power through his Spirit in [their] inner being” (v. 16).

☐ Pray for the children of Cadence staff—those who are walking with God and those who are straying—that God would do “immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within . . . throughout all generations” (v. 20-21).

☐ Pray that the eternal purposes God has for each of us (v. 10-11) would be accomplished in union with Christ, and that we would bring Him eternal glory (v. 21).

## Week of January 26

☐ In Ephesians 4, we are urged to walk worthy of our calling in unity with each other. We are exhorted to use the gifts God has given each of us for the good of His family and for blessing the watching world. We are called to keep growing up, and to stay clothed in attitudes and actions that please the Lord.

☐ Pray for military people who are walking with God in the midst of a dark environment. They are surrounded by those who “having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity” (v. 19). Pray that military believers will walk in “true righteousness and holiness” (v. 24).

☐ Pray for Chaplains and Christian military ministries to work well together, making “every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace” (v. 3). Pray the Military Believer article from the *inCadence* magazine, written by a chaplain, will encourage many to boldly live their faith.\*

☐ Pray for Cadence staff, that they would use their gifts “to prepare God’s people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up . . . and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ” (v. 13).

☐ Pray that all of us would “be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave [us]” (v. 32).

\*The next volume of *inCadence* will mail in January. We would be glad to send you an *inCadence* magazine if you do not receive one and would like one. Contact Matt Evans at [Matt.Evans@Cadence.org](mailto:Matt.Evans@Cadence.org) or by phone at 720.354.4689.



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