



PRAYING THROUGH THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2018

The Prayer Guide is sent to many users all over the world and can look quite lengthy at times. We have numbered the pages and provided a table of contents to allow the reader to quickly access areas of interest to you.

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YOU ARE INVITED! December 30 at 5 PM to December 31 at 8 PM UTC.

24 HOURS NON-STOP PRAISE & WORSHIP

24hrs Non-Stop Praise and Worship
into

THEME
31 DECEMBER POSSESSING THE GATES OF 2018

PROPHETIC INSPIRATIONAL DIRECTIVE
FOR 2018

LOGOS RHEMA

*This service will be streamed live at <http://www.lifestream.tv/rhemalogos/>
At the end of the 24 hours of non-stop praise and worship, Dr. Abu Bako will share the clear prophetic words he hears the Lord declaring for 2018.*

INFORMATION ABOUT THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Ancient Romans referred to January as “Ianuarius” (meaning month of Janus), a word not so far removed from the modern-day January and taken from the Etruscan word “Jauna” meaning “door”. The Romans dedicated it as their first month to their god of gateways and doorways whose name was JANUS, hence the name January.

Originally, the old Roman calendar began in spring; the season of new beginnings in the month of March. The beginning of their year was dedicated to the god of war – Mars. According to the Romans, the first (1st) month was the gate through which everyone enters the calendar year; this made it easier to exert unfair influence and control on their enemies by dedicating it to the god Janus hoping they would have better favor in wars. Therefore, January became the first (1st) month of the Gregorian year. In 46 B.C.E., Julius Caesar initiated a thorough reform that resulted in the establishment of a new dating system, the Julian calendar.

He was very superstitious and fearful. He dedicated the beginning of the year to Janus the two-faced deity of beginnings, transitions, doorways passageways gates and endings (later the god of all beginnings). Thus, the beginning of the year was moved back 2 months from March to January. *As obeisance to this deity, the Romans would make a sacrifice of cakes made from spelt and at mid-night, throw salt into the flames producing sparks so that this deity would open for them doors for the New Year. Today, we have that pagan covenant carried on in the tradition of elaborate fireworks ceremonies at midnight all over the world. We are ignorantly renewing ancient covenants and making the sacrifice seeking for open doors from this deity.*

This calendar was finally re-configured to what we have today by Pope Gregory. That is what we call the Gregorian calendar. While the Biblical pattern begins the year at the gates of the spring season around March/April, the Gregorian calendar begins the year in the middle of the winter season.

Because the Romans decided to dedicate the era after Jesus’s birth to Jehovah referring to them as “Anno Domini” (A.D) “The year of our LORD”; Jehovah has honoured the Gregorian calendar; which is most commonly used all over the world, to mark the passage of years.

The month of Tevet began on 19 December 2017 at sundown and ends on January 16, 2018. The 1st of Sh’vat commences at sundown January 18, 2018. Tevet is the fourth (4th) month of the Biblical civil calendar and the tenth (10th) month of Biblical Sacred calendar. This is the Jewish year 5778.

WHAT IS THE NAME OF OUR GOD?

According to Wikipedia "Jehovah is the Latinization of the Hebrew יהוה, one vocalization of the Tetragrammaton יהוה (YHWH), the proper name of the God of Israel in the Hebrew Bible.

The consensus among scholars is that the historical vocalization of the Tetragrammaton at the time of the redaction of the Torah (6th century BCE) is most likely Yahweh. The historical vocalization was lost because in Second Temple Judaism, during the 3rd to 2nd centuries BCE, the pronunciation of the Tetragrammaton came to be avoided, being substituted with Adonai ("my Jehovah"). The Hebrew vowel points of Adonai were added to the Tetragrammaton by the Masoretes, and the resulting form was transliterated around the 12th century as Yehowah. The derived forms Iehouah and Jehovah first appeared in the 16th century.

"Jehovah" was popularized in the English-speaking world by William Tyndale and other pioneer English Protestant translations such as the Geneva Bible and the King James Version. It is still used in some translations, such as the New World Translation and Young's Literal Translation, but it does not appear in most mainstream English translations, as the terms "Jehovah" or "Jehovah": used instead, generally indicating that the corresponding Hebrew is Yahweh or YHWH." (From Wikipedia)

In the Bishop's Bible (1568), the word Jehovah occurs in Exodus 6:3 and Psalm 83:18. The Authorized King James Version (1611) renders Jehovah in Exodus 6:3, Psalm 83:18, Isaiah 12:2, Isaiah 26:4, and three times in compound place names at Genesis 22:14, Exodus 17:15 and Judges 6:24.

The Leningrad Codex is the oldest complete manuscript of the Hebrew Bible in Hebrew. It is dated 1008 CE. You can download it at www.seforimonline.org/seforimdb/PDF/264.pdf

This Hebrew manuscript contains 50 occurrences of the full spelling of the name Yehovah.

The Aleppo Codex is an ancient vocalized Hebrew manuscript. It is about 100 years older than the Leningrad Codex but it is not complete. This document contains the name Yehovah. When you look at Ezekiel 28:22 in the Aleppo Codex it says: "Thus says Adonai Yehovah." I encourage you this month to read and study this document for yourself. There a website that will help you. It is www.aleppocodex.org

The King James Version uses "LORD" to translate the divine name in most instances.

Jesus's Hebrew name "Yehoshua" (יהושע) means "Yehovah saves" and is derived from יהוה. This Hebrew name became "Jesus" in Aramaic and "Ἰησοῦς" (Iesous) in Greek.

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF YEHOVAH (JEHOVAH)?

According to Easton's Bible Dictionary "Jehovah - the special and significant name (not merely an appellative title such as Lord [Adonai]) by which God revealed himself to the ancient Hebrews (Exodus 6:2 Exodus 6:3). This name, the Tetragrammaton of the Greeks, was held by the later Jews to be so sacred that it was never pronounced except by the high priest on the great Day of Atonement, when he entered into the most holy place. Whenever this name occurred in the sacred books they pronounced it, as they still do, "Adonai" (i.e., Lord), thus using another word in its stead. The Masoretes gave to it the vowel-points appropriate to this word. This Jewish practice was founded on a false interpretation of Leviticus 24:16. The meaning of the word appears from Exodus 3:14 to be "the unchanging, eternal, self-existent God," the "I am that I am," a covenant-keeping God. (Compare Malachi 3:6; Hosea 12:5; Revelation 1:4 Revelation 1:8.)

The Hebrew name "Jehovah" is generally translated in the Authorized Version (and the Revised Version has not departed from this rule) by the word LORD printed in small capitals, to distinguish it from the rendering of the Hebrew Adonai and the Greek Kurios, which are also rendered Lord, but printed in the usual type. The Hebrew word is translated "Jehovah" only in Exodus 6:3; Psalms 83:18; Isaiah 12:2; 26:4 ..."

Let us look at some examples:

1 Kings 18:24 says:

“Then you call on the name of your Elohim, and I will call on the name Yehovah, and the Elohim who answers by fire, He is Elohim.”

Isaiah 60:19 says:

“No longer will you have the sun for light by day, nor for brightness will the moon give you light, but you will have Yehovah for an everlasting light, and your Elohim for your glory.”

The ancient Israelites used the name as a blessing in daily life. Ruth 2:4 gives us an example. It says:

“Now behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem and said to the reapers "May Yehovah be with you." And they answered him, "May Yehovah bless you."

WHY ARE WE LOOKING AT THE BIBLICAL CALENDAR?

Our current Gregorian calendar is a solar calendar (it is based only on the length of a year as determined by the sun). The starting day of the year and the length of months are not based on any physical or Biblical principles but merely a happenstance of history.

The moon is given to mark Feasts—which are usually explained as a certain day of a certain month in the Bible: He appointed the moon for seasons [Hebrew moed means “festivals”]; The sun knows it’s going down (Psalm 104:19, NKJV).

Blow the trumpet at the time of the New Moon, At the full moon, on our solemn feast day (Psalm 81:3, NKJV).

Genesis 1:14-16 also states that the sun and moon are the two great lights to indicate “festivals, days and years”. The sun marks the days and years, but Festivals are in certain days of certain months—marked by the moon. The first day of a month (“new moon”) was observed with a special meal in the Old Testament (1Sam 20:5, 2 Kings 4:23, Amos 8:5). That practice continued in the New Testament Col 2:16.

The practice will continue during the new heavens and new earth (Isa 66:23, Ezekiel 46:1,6). New moons were not the same as the annual Feast days in Leviticus 23—there is no specific command and explanation of how to keep them. But many verses say they were observed.

Most references to dates in the Bible are like those of Genesis 7:11: “In the six hundredth year of Noah’s life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month...” The day and the month are numbered, but the year is given as a year of the persons’ life, the year of a king’s life, or the year from some big event.

Although months are generally referred to by number, there are two systems of naming them in the Bible. The first system uses Hebrew names, the second uses largely Babylonian names acquired when the Jews were in captivity in Babylon. The four Hebrew names are:

- Abib the first month (Ex 13:4, 23:15, 34:18, Deut. 16:1) • Zif the second month (1Kings 6:1,37) • Ethanim the seventh month (1 Kings 8:2) • Bul the eighth month (1Kings 6:38)

The original Hebrew names for the other months are apparently unknown. (From Biblical Calendar Basics, Third edition - April 2002).

As we seek to understand the times we will look at events that took place in each month as determined by the Biblical Calendar.

WHY DO WE INCLUDE A SECTION ON PRAYING THROUGH THE HEAVENS IN OUR GUIDE?

Believers are a royal priesthood unto Jehovah (1 Pet 2:9), we have also been made kings and priests unto our Jehovah (Rev 1:6; 5:10). The priest’s lips should keep knowledge and the law should be sought at his mouth (Mal 2:7). Jehovah interprets our ignorance of various aspects of the kingdom as a rejection of knowledge with grievous consequences (Hos 4:6). Knowledge of the heavens and how to deal with them in every season is a very important aspect of the Kingdom of heaven.

In *Primeval Astronomy*, “The Gospel in the Stars,” Joseph Augustus Seiss explains the purpose of the stars and their constellations in their original context. In a lecture entitled, “The Starry Worlds,” first published in 1882, he attests:

“Such wonderful creations of almighty power and wisdom were not without a purpose.”

Seiss explains that stars and groups of stars, constellations, were created to fill the galaxy—in a particular order for a very specific purpose. God created the stars (Gen. 1:16) and positioned them in their exact places in the universe (Ps. 8:3). Stars were, “for signs and for seasons, and for days and for years, in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” (Gen. 1:14, 15).

Stars were so important that God named them.

“He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name.” (Ps. 147:4).

The stars are a continual reminder that the Seed of the woman will ultimately triumph over the Serpent (Gen. 3:15). God’s revelation is constantly told in the stars (Ps. 19) — which is a message of salvation — available to every generation who professes faith. (Romans 9-11, Joel, Isa.) The entire ancient world received the gospel prior to Christ ever being born— through the stars.

TEACHING - THE LAW OF FAITH

If anyone says to this mountain, ‘Be lifted up and thrown into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will happen, it will be done for him. Therefore, I tell you, all the things you pray and ask for—believe that you have received them, and you will have them. Mark 11: 23-24 Holman Christian Standard Bible

Our world, physical and spiritual, operates by laws. These laws are variously called: laws of nature, natural laws, and physical laws. These are all divine laws set forth in this world by God from creation.

The characteristics of “natural laws” are that they are:

- Observable.
- Consistent. There have never been repeatable contradicting observations.
- Universal. They appear to apply everywhere in the universe.
- Simple. They are typically expressed in terms of a single mathematical equation.
- Absolute. Nothing in the natural universe appears to affect or change them.
- Stable. Unchanged since first discovered.
- Dominant. Everything in the universe apparently must comply with them.

EXAMPLES OF SOME NATURAL LAWS:

The Law of Gravitation—Newton's law of universal gravitation states that every massive particle in the universe attracts every other massive particle with a force which is directly proportional to the product of their masses and inversely proportional to the square of the distance between them.

The Law of Aerodynamics—Simplistically, if you combine the right shape with the right speed with the right weight, the law of aerodynamics will counteract the law of gravity and you will overcome the force of gravity and will not fall to the ground.

The Law of Friction—where two bodies, which are in contact attempt to move relative to each other, a force known as the force of friction tends to prevent their motion.

A LAW WORKS FOR EVERYONE, EVERYTIME, THE SAME WAY. IT IS CONSISTANT, UNIVERSAL, ABSOLUTE, STABLE AND DOMINANT

- The universe operates by law.
- God's laws are for our good, but we must cooperate with them.
- For example, gravity is for our good, but if you violate it and throw yourself from a building you will probably die.
- Electricity is for our good, but if you let enough current pass through you, your heart will stop.
- God does not universally suspend His laws. If God suspended the universal law of gravity to save one life, think of the universal disorder and millions of others who would die just so He could save the life of one.

THERE ARE ALSO SPIRITUAL LAWS

There are spiritual laws which also work for everyone, the same way, all the time, every time and are consistent, universal, absolute, stable and dominant.

The law of the Spirit of life (Romans 8:2-4)—Christ took our sins—makes us free from the law of sin and death (Ezek. 18:4, 20)—the soul that sins shall die.

The law of faith (Romans 3:27)—believe you have received it, doubt not and you have it.

These are God made laws, they are constant, unvarying, and work the same way every time for everyone. If we violate or do not cooperate with these spiritual laws (example: If we do not believe) we will suffer loss.

God's Word, in His manual (the Bible), tells us what His laws are and how His spiritual kingdom operates. People who operate in the spiritual laws and who operate by the rules of these laws walk in the power of God and others who do not operate by the rules of these laws are not able to walk in the power of God.

Let us go to the manual!

ROMANS 3:21-31 AMERICAN STANDARD VERSION (ASV)

²¹ But now apart from the law a righteousness of God hath been manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; ²² even the righteousness of God through faith ^[a]in Jesus Christ unto all ^[b]them that believe; for there is no distinction; ²³ for all ^[c]have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴ being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: ²⁵ whom God set forth ^[d]to be a propitiation, through faith, in his blood, to show his righteousness because of the passing over of the sins done a foretime,

in the forbearance of God; ²⁶ for the showing, *I say*, of his righteousness at this present season: that he might himself be ^[e]just, and the ^[f]justifier of him that ^[g]hath faith ^[h]in Jesus. ²⁷ Where then is the glorying? It is excluded. By what manner of law? of works? Nay: but by a law of faith.

Faith operates by Law – It is a Law. In Rom. 3:21-22 we are made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. In Rom. 3:24 we are being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. Then, in Rom. 3:27 this whole process of being saved is called a law of faith. Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? Of works? No, but by a law of faith.

Notice the terminology: a law of faith. The superior law of faith overruled and superseded the law of sin and death (The soul who sins will die. Ezekiel 18:4).

There are laws that govern how faith works whether it's faith for salvation, faith for healing, faith for prosperity, or faith for other needs. Faith works the same way every time, all the time, everywhere! It is a law. It is not a matter of just asking God and then if He wants to, He'll give you what you ask. God is consistent, and His laws are consistent (remember electricity, gravity?) Ignorance of how faith works will keep you from having what God has for you.

The Law of Faith is exemplified and explained in Mark 11:12-14 and Mark 11:20-22.

MARK 11:12-14 NEW AMERICAN STANDARD BIBLE (NASB)

¹² On the next day, when they had left Bethany, He became hungry. ¹³ Seeing at a distance a fig tree in leaf, He went *to see* if perhaps He would find anything on it; and when He came to it, He found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. ¹⁴ He said to it, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again!" And His disciples were listening.

MARK 11:20-22 NEW AMERICAN STANDARD BIBLE (NASB)

²⁰ As they were passing by in the morning, they saw the fig tree withered from the roots *up*. ²¹ Being reminded, Peter said to Him, "Rabbi, look, the fig tree which You cursed has withered." ²² And Jesus answered saying to them, "Have faith in God.

What was the reason Jesus cursed the fig tree?

He was not angry because it had no figs. He knew it wasn't time for fruit—the tree was not at fault! Jesus never foolishly lost His temper and destroyed things because of anger. He did it to show His disciples how faith operates and what faith can do.

He set this up as an example. Jesus spoke to the tree what He wanted to see happen. He said, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again!" His disciples heard what He spoke to the tree.

The next day Peter remembered. Peter says to Jesus, "Rabbi, look, the fig tree which You cursed has withered". In response, Jesus says, "Have faith in God". In the Complete Jewish Bible verse 22 says: ²² He responded, "Have the kind of trust that comes from God!"

In other words, Jesus is saying, I did this to teach you about faith, to show you what faith is like, how it operates and what it can do. He is teaching us first **by example** in verses 12-14 and verses 20-22.

Now look at verses 23-24 in the Complete Jewish Bible and the New American Standard Bible:

MARK 11:23-24 COMPLETE JEWISH BIBLE (CJB)

²³ Yes! I tell you that whoever does not doubt in his heart but trusts that what he says will happen can say to this mountain, 'Go and throw yourself into the sea!' and it will be done for him. ²⁴ Therefore, I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, trust that you are receiving it, and it will be yours.

MARK 11:23-24 NEW AMERICAN STANDARD BIBLE (NASB)

²³ Truly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is going to happen, it will be *granted* him. ²⁴ Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be *granted* you.

Here Jesus is teaching about the Law of Faith *by instruction*.

He says it is an absolute truth: Truly I say to you - I can guarantee this truth; I tell you the truth. Jesus emphasizes to us that He is revealing something to us that is absolutely true. This is something that works every time! It's a law, The LAW OF FAITH.

If you can understand it, and can do it the way He says, it will work for you! It is universally applicable: If anyone, this means you and me. It was not just the apostles or just the first century Christians. No matter how sick you are. No matter how big or difficult your problem is. Jesus said, "Whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is going to happen, it will be *granted* him.

The place where Jesus was when he instructed was the Mount of Olives. He was standing on the mountain outside of Jerusalem. He is telling them that if anyone spoke to this mountain (this Mount of Olives), 'Be lifted up and thrown into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will happen, it will be done for him. Now, if Jesus told you, "It is possible for you to command a mountain to rise up, float over and disappear into the ocean" everything in you would probably cry out, "Oh no, not me! That just can't happen!" Jesus took the biggest thing they could see from where they were, a mountain, and said "This is an absolute truth, this is an immutable law. Your faith can move this, IF YOU FOLLOW THE RULES OF THE LAW OF FAITH."

WE HAVE AN EXAMPLE OF A MOUNTAIN THAT MOVED.

Egypt has always been associated with supernatural signs and wonders. It was in the land of Egypt that some of the most awesome Bible signs were wrought under the rod of Moses. Egyptians hunger for the supernatural, and one of the greatest miracles in the Middle-Eastern church was purportedly accomplished in Egypt. Many Egyptian Christians believe the following account to be historical fact. [It is believed that the miracle took place in AD 979]

In the 10th Century Fatimid Caliph Al Muizz, an enlightened man, often invited religious leaders to debate in his presence.

In one of those meetings Pope Abram, the spiritual leader of the orthodox Egyptian Christians, debated an adversary named Jacob Ibn Killis. The Coptic Pope waxed eloquent in the debate. Plotting to take revenge, Ibn Killis quoted the New Testament verse in which Jesus declared, "If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and

nothing shall be impossible unto you." ([Matthew 17:20](#))

The Caliph demanded that the Coptic Pope demonstrate the veracity of his faith by means of moving the Mokattam Mountain. (The Caliph saw a practical opportunity to remove the Mokattam, which was spoiling his view. At the same time, if the Copts proved powerless, it would signify that the Christian religion was false, and they could be destroyed.)

And so, taking the Biblical pattern found in the Book of Esther, after three days of earnest prayer and fasting by Christians throughout the land of Egypt, a simple shoemaker named Simon was chosen for his humility and faith to command the mountain to move. At that time, the Coptic Christians were engaged in handicrafts for livelihood. Simon worked in one of the crafts widespread in Old Cairo—tanning, which is a craft still known in the bazaars to make shoes and leather goods.

Simon simply believed that mountains could literally be moved, just as the Bible says! Under his faith commands, a great earthquake swept over the mountain. Each time the people stood up to worship, the mountain was thrust upwards, and the sun could be seen shining underneath it. When the people sat down, the mountain thrust down. This was repeated three times, and because of this miracle, the mountain was moved and the Christian community was saved.

Simon was never seen again. It was popularly believed that he disappeared to avoid receiving any glory or credit for the miracle. Today in Egypt he is beloved by Christians and many Muslims as Saint Simon the Tanner--St. Sama'an, in Arabic--and a monastery was dedicated to Simon nearly a thousand years after his mountain-moving miracle.

The monastery and a beautiful cave cathedral lie behind the Zabbalin village of garbage collectors. This village was established in 1969 when Cairo garbage collectors, many of whom are cultural Christians, were moved to one of the hills of the miracle Mokattam Mountain.

From Faith to Move Mountains <https://www.talkjesus.com/threads/faith-to-move-mountains.20654/>

What can we learn from what Simon did in Egypt in AD 979?

If you believe that what you say will happen and you have no doubt in your heart that it will happen and the time it takes for it to happen does not weaken your expectation nor cause any doubt, then no matter how long it takes you keep on believing that what you said will happen. *It will happen.* It will be done for you. It will be yours. God will give it to you. It will be granted him.

You have to believe and know that there is such a power that emanates forth from God that operates this way when we believe. *It is a law.* You do not have to do anything. We do not have to deserve it. All you have to do is believe, doubt not in your heart, and keep on believing until it happens. When you do, the power of God that made the mountain in the first place, and put it where it is, will move that mountain to somewhere else.

You may not have the faith right now to move a mountain—how about a mole hill? There is no value in moving mountains anyway, for the sake of moving mountains. Jesus gave us this great lesson about a mountain so we could believe and experience moving our mole hills, our rocks, our lumps and our bumps first. Jesus taught this to show us what faith can do and that the law of faith works every time.

There is no bill, no sickness, no obstacle so great or so small that the same power which Jesus used on the fig tree, by speaking the word of faith, cannot move out of the way for you.

Therefore, all the things you pray and ask for—believe that you have received them, and you will have them. Mark 11:24. The faith is up to you. The power is of God. The timing is up to God. The result of this kind of faith is not always immediate but is sure. The fig tree did not die as soon as Jesus spoke to it. When Jesus cursed the fig tree, and walked away, the leaves were still green. Nevertheless, it was already a dead fig tree because Jesus had spoken and believed that it was done. Jesus never doubted for a minute the results of His word. The manifestation of its death developed over time—overnight, but it started dying the instant Jesus spoke to it. The next morning, as they passed by, Peter saw that the fig tree had died and dried up. He was surprised, but not Jesus! Even with Jesus, the result of faith is not always immediate! (Remember the blind man? Mark 8:22-25)

Delayed manifestation of what you believed for is fertile ground for doubting and an open invitation to Satan. How long do you keep on believing that you have received? Until you have them. Believe that you have received them. Not believe that you WILL receive them. Not think that you MIGHT receive them. Not HOPE that you will receive them. Jesus said that when you finish speaking believe that it is done, even though it does not appear to be done and keep on believing that it is done, until it is done.

God's definition of faith is believing you've got something when you haven't yet got it and never start doubting that you won't get. Keep doing this until you do get it. Another way of saying it: God's definition of faith is to believe you have it before you have it; to believe you have received it when you are finished praying, and keep on believing until you have it. That's what Jesus did with the fig tree. He spoke the word and the thing was done. Even though the leaves were still green, He knew it was dead.

ALL OF GOD'S LAWS WORK EVERY TIME, ALL THE TIME, WHEN WE USE THEM IN THE RIGHT WAY.

The Wright brothers had no power to make their first airplane stay in the air, they only worked with God's laws of aerodynamics. When they flew their airplane about 100 years ago on their third try they were only able to fly it a distance of 852 feet for 59 seconds. As men's knowledge and understanding of God's laws of aerodynamics increased, their confidence in those laws increased and they flew bigger planes higher in the air for longer periods of time until they are now sending space ships into outer space.

When Peter walked on the water long ago, he did so because he met the condition of God's highest law, the law of faith. As Jesus stood on the water, He inspired Peter to meet the condition of God's highest law, the law of faith. Peter saw Jesus standing on the water. He knew it could be done! He asked, "Lord let me do that too." Jesus said, "Come on Peter, you can do it too." Peter stepped out on the water, and he began to walk on it. There were lesser laws of God that said Peter was supposed to sink when he stepped on that water—the law of gravity, the law of density. These are all scientific laws which are also laws of God. Peter appealed to God's supreme law of faith which overruled and superseded the law of gravity and all the other lesser laws involved and enabled Peter to walk upon that water. Only as long as he was meeting the condition of the law of faith (believed and did not doubt) did he stay on top of the water and overruled the lesser scientific laws of God. When doubt moved in, the condition of God's law of faith was no longer met, therefore, the lesser laws took over and Peter began to sink. *Jesus came to reveal the superior law of faith which overrules and supersedes the lesser laws of God's world such as germs, infection and disease.*

Miracles are based on God's laws. The reason we see so few miracles in the church today is that the knowledge of the people of God concerning God's great law of faith and their confidence in that law is either very small or non-existent. You will see and experience greater, bigger and more powerful miracles as these truths of God are understood, believed and acted upon and experienced. You will then see people not begging God to answer their prayer, not pleading with God, but doing what Jesus said, "Speaking the word of faith

and believing they have received it, doubting not in their heart that it is done and they shall have it.” *God’s Law of Faith is sufficient to meet any need.*

May God help each of you to take the measure of faith that God has given you (see Romans 12:3), and through the operation of God’s great law of faith speak out against whatever particular sickness or whatever burden you have, command that mountain, or mole hill, to be moved, and then, begin your day by day battle of blocking out doubt.

1 John 5:4b says - And this is the victory that has OVERCOME (superseded) the (laws of the) world—our faith. Matthew 17:20 Jesus told them. “I tell you the truth, if you had faith even as small as a mustard seed, you could say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it would move. NOTHING WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE. (NLT)

THE LAW OF FAITH IS SUPREME OVER ALL OTHER LAWS AND ALL OTHER LAWS MUST BE SUBORDINATE TO IT. HAVE FAITH!

NOW HERE IS YOUR ASSIGNMENT:

Read Habakkuk 2:2-3 (Read it in several versions of the Bible)

Get a piece of paper and a pen and take the time NOW to write down the promises that God has made to you. Write down the promises that God has made to you regarding your children, your marriage, your business, your ministry...

Now put that paper in a place where you will see it. Daily pray into what God has said to you. When Satan comes to bring doubt show him that “It is written...” When others come to distract you, look at the paper and remember what God has said to you. Do not be discouraged, do not doubt, do not be distracted.

Remember Habakkuk 2:3 – Even though it delays, wait patiently for it, because it will certainly come, it will not delay!!!

Please send us your praise reports.

WHAT SHOULD WE BE DOING AS KINGDOM CITIZENS IN THE NATIONS?

Jesus instructed us in Matthew 28:19-20 (Hebrew Gospel of Matthew) to: "Go and teach them to carry out all things which I have commanded you forever."

This is what Paul did in Ephesus and in three years there was national transformation. Paul proclaimed the whole will of God Acts 20:27. As we pray for transformation in our nations what are we supposed to teach them? He said, "to carry out all things that He had commanded". We must teach them what the Bible says about family, government, politics...about all the spheres of society. We are called to be a transforming influence in society. The Bible provides us with a frame of reference for life.

The Jubilee Centre has over the past 30 years researched extensively around promoting good and right relationships at personal, organizational and public policy levels, as a practical expression of the biblical vision of society. Visit them on the web at www.jubilee-centre.org for resources to help you to teach them. If we don't teach them how will they know what to do?

“Jesus is LORD” is one of the most radical realities of Christianity. It means that He is the Supreme Ruler over ALL.

Jesus was commissioned by God the Father to come to earth, destroy the works of the Devil, and restore that which was lost. Jesus OBEYED everything the Father told Him to do. When Jesus left the earth, He gave His followers the same commission He had received from the Father - Go reconcile the human family to the Father, destroy the works of the Devil, and restore that which was lost. Proclaiming Jesus as LORD means we are to OBEY what He commands us to do. You are not saved to go to heaven: You are saved to bring heaven to the earth. Matthew 6:10 -- "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." (From <http://www.the-covenant-kingdom.com>)

This month as you pray through this guide ask Jehovah to show you what He would have you do to bring heaven to the earth.

PRAYING THRU THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2018

- We are at a key gate of time; the beginning of another new Gregorian Year 2018. A happy New Year to You. We want to usher in the year at the correct time slot. Remember that the day begins in the evening; “And evening and morning...” Is the pattern Jehovah set forth in Genesis 1. While the rest of the world is ready to usher in the new year at midnight with sacrifices to Janus; you should be getting ready to usher in the new year at sundown around 6pm of 31st – the true beginning of the new year and new day: Declare Psalm 24:7-9 at the gates of this new time.
 - Lev 27:28, Psalm 19.2, Rev 4.11 Speak to the gates of this month; and command every gate of time in the month to give pleasure to the Creator by doing His bidding day by day;
 - For you to enter into the new season, there must be closure of the past season. Ask Jesus to close the gates of the past year, and season. Ask that He will seal and cause a closure on any areas of your life where there is exposure and a lack of closure;
 - Whether any loss that continues to haunt you; like death of loved ones, loss of property, possession or position, loss of face or relationships. Ask for the opportunity for closure so that you can enter the new season on a clean slate.
 - Are there other areas of closure that must happen in your life, family, workplace, with other relationships? Ask Jehovah to bring you to a conclusion of the matter- a closure as you prepare to enter this new gate. Where there has been strife, and unfinished business, issues pertaining to land, closure where there has been a scattering of people and possessions, closure of court cases, and feuds, closure of broken relationships.
 - Psalm 118:12, Isa 60:18-20 Declare Jehovah Shalom at every gate of this new season. The gates of this season will be gates of righteousness and praise and the walls salvation. Wherever the man of peace shall be, the peace of Jehovah will rest upon them. Wherever there shall be a man of violence, they shall be judged in this new season
 - This is the first month of the Gregorian calendar year 2018. **Number 1** speaks of beginnings, supremacy, foundations; “In the beginning GOD. (Gen 1:1). We are at the foundation of a new year. How will you lay the foundation of your new season? Proclaim the virtue of the foundations in Isaiah 54.11-12, Revelations 21.19-21 over your life, your family, and for kingdom citizens in the territory.
1. **Jasper** – you will enjoy comfort and security of Jehovah Ro’hi and you will persevere thru any difficult task, You will experience justice and intimacy with Him Psalm 23
 2. **Sapphire**- This season you will operate in truth. You will stand on the Truth of the Word against every lie of the enemy. Jehovah of all hope will undergird your endeavours Rom 3.4, Proverbs 4.20-22, Rom 4.18, Tit, 1.2
 3. **Chalcedony** – you will encounter the benevolent Jehovah as your Protector; and you will be a royal seal in His hand to establish His covenants in this new year Hosea 2.5-7, Song of Sol 4.12-15, Deut. 8.18
 4. **Emerald/green garnet**: You will experience peace rebirth, freshness and new beginnings; increase in prosperity and strength of faith in adversity; you will encounter Jehovah’s love in many new ways

Rom 5.1, Isaiah 57.14-18, Eccl 2.26

5. **Sardonyx** – You will enter season of practicing self-control and humility in a generation which shuns these virtues Gal 5.23, 2 Tim 1.7
6. **Sardius (Carnelian/Ruby)** – Jehovah’s love, preciousness of great value, carrying your own Cross daily, wisdom are virtues to seek in this season. Proverbs 8.12, 1 Cor.1.30, Joh 12.24, Job 28.28
7. **Chrysolite (Peridot)** – Thankfulness and praise, and preaching accompanied by miracles; this season increased seasons of deliberate thanksgiving retreat, fasting to praise Jehovah, the manifestation of power evangelism and sharing in every encounter Psalm 100, Zech. 8.18-19
8. **Beryl** – Wisdom, humility and discernment and accuracy will determine your every action in this new year. Pray especially for discernment and accuracy in spiritual matters as the times ahead are turbulent; except for those who trust and walk obediently with Jehovah.
9. **Topaz** – Light, beauty, purity, Love of Jehovah and the prophetic – it is your season to arise as the light in your sphere of influence; beauty, purity and love of Jehovah displayed through your life will draw men to Jehovah. Walk softly, tenderly and obediently with the Holy Spirit in this season. Reflect on and pray through the prophetic words you have received in past times especially when things seem contrary. They will come to pass. Isa 30.15, 1 Chron. 22.9, Eccl 4.6
10. **Chrysoprasus:** Repentance and forgiveness; reward for prices paid in service to Jehovah; For you to enter into this new year you must release yourself and others; let go of past hindrances in order to embrace new beginnings. Ask for a repentant and tender heart; for it is repentance and forgiveness that stays the hand of Judgement over territories and people
11. **Jacinth** – Rapture being borne up, being Christ-like; it is a season to actively operate with the question “What would Jesus do?, What would Jesus say?” in every situation. Watch what you say, how you act and interact; you must reflect Jesus. Joh 15.5, 2 Pet 3.10
12. **Amethyst** – Sobriety, Royal priesthood, kingship, heavenly-minded; this season pray that you will remain sober in the midst of excesses in every way and lack of self-control; you will enter your season of kingship – only kings can acquire territories; it is a season of working therefore this foundation must be key in your life.
 - Declare that the foundation of the Kingdom reflecting you and your life, will replace every other false ancestral, political, cultural, tribal foundation affecting your life. Pray this for kingdom citizens in your territory.
 - Psalm 59.11 - This is the 4th month of the Civil year 5778. Declare that in this New Year you will experience favor at every level with Jehovah and with men. Pray that in this season where judgements are on earth; you will experience mercy and unmerited favour; and a “Passover” of calamity.
 - This is the 10th month of the Sacred Calendar – Pray that foundations that must be judged in this season will be judged so that only Jesus the true foundation will remain in family, the Ecclesia and in governments. Psa. 45.3-6
 - Pray that the Ecclesia will sit authoritatively in the seat of judgement and turn back the battle at the gates for the purposes of establishing the kingdom Isaiah 28.5-6, Psalm 149:6-9

- Rev. 22.2, Ezek. 47.12; Pray that the tree of life which brings forth fruit every month will yield forth for you the fruit for the 1st, 4th and 10th months in this season.
- Pray for every healing that is being released from the leaves of the tree of life, will release new health solutions, innovations and discoveries in the nations especially amongst kingdom citizens in the sphere of health science and technology.

IS THIS THE MONTH OF YOUR BIRTH?

Pray that you will partake of every virtue that comes with the numbers 1, 4 and 10 in this season:

- You will be the head and not the tail, the first and not the last, supremacy is your portion in every endeavour.
- You will receive grace to work harder than the rest and excel in the work of your hands
- Your life will express the grace of Jesus in every aspect both physically and spiritually.
- Pray also that you will be a statement of Judgment against every unrighteous and unjust pattern everywhere you appear. Pray that in this season you will be an instrument of judgment and justice. Proclaim Psalm 149, Isaiah 28:5-6 and Jeremiah 51:20-23 over your life. You will be a weapon in the hand of Jehovah to execute justice and turn back the battle at every gate that He will bring you to.
- Prophecy over your life the jubilee release as you enter another season and a new year of your life.
- Even if this is not the month of your birth, pray weekly, on the weekday of your birth and prophecy these truths into your life.

FESTIVALS THAT ARE CELEBRATED THIS MONTH AROUND THE WORLD

Junkanoo

Location: Nassau, Bahamas.

Dates: 1 January and 26 December

Celebrated throughout the country, Junkanoo is at its wildest in the capital city, Nassau, where the first 'rush' (as the parade is known) takes place on Boxing Day (December 26) and the second on New Year's Day. .

Kaapse Klopse (Cape Minstrel Carnival)

Location: Cape Town, South Africa.

Dates: Starts 2 January, and goes for a month

Cape Town's largest carnival features marching troupes adorned in practically every colour of satin, sequin and glitter.

Carnaval de Blancos y Negros (Carnival of Blacks & Whites)

Location: Pasto, Colombia

Dates: 5–6 January

One of South America's oldest festivals, Pasto's celebration dates back to the time of Spanish rule, when slaves were allowed to party on 5 January, with their masters showing approval by painting their faces black.

Bikaner Camel Festival

Location: Bikaner, India

Dates: Varying dates in January (during the 10th month of the Indian lunar calendar)

Held over two days, it's a homage to the humped ones. There are camel races, camel rides, camel tugs-of-war, a camel pageant, dancing camels, competitions for the best decorated camel and the best camel haircut, and even a camel beauty contest.

Festival in the Desert

Location: Essakane, Mali

Dates: Second weekend in January

For three days a year, a desolate patch of Saharan sand, 65km north of Timbuktu, hosts 'the world's most remote music festival'.

Voodoo Festival

Location: Ouidah, Benin.

Date: 10 January

The celebrations begin when the supreme voodoo priest slaughters a goat to honour the spirits, and are marked by much singing, chanting, dancing, beating of drums and drinking of gin.

Yamayaki

Location: Mt Wakakusa-yama, Nara, Japan

Date: Second Sunday in January

Winter in the Japanese region of Kansai would seem a good enough excuse for one of the world's biggest bonfires, but in Nara they point to history as the reason for setting alight an entire hill each year.

Black Nazarene Procession

Location: Quiapo, Manila, Philippines

Date: 9 January

The miracle-wielding Black Nazarene is a life-size statue of Christ carved from ebony. It was brought to the Philippines from Mexico in the 17th century and placed in Manila's Quiapo Church in 1767.

Ati-Atihan

Location: Kalibo, Philippines.

Dates: Third week in January

The Ati-Atihan is the Philippines' biggest Mardi Gras, a week-long street party that rages from dawn to dusk, peaking on the third Sunday in January.

La Tamborrada (Drum Festival)

Location: San Sebastian, Spain.

Date: 20 January

At the stroke of midnight a flag is raised in Plaza de la Constitución and regiments of soldierly drummers begin parading through the resort town, banging and thumping at drums and barrels to celebrate the city's eponymous patron saint.

Timkat (Epiphany)

Location: Fasilidas' Bath, Gonder, Ethiopia

Dates: 18–20 January

Ethiopia's most colourful festival commemorates Jesus' baptism in the River Jordan and is celebrated around the country, though it's most spectacular in the former capital of Gonder.

Most of these festivals promote the agenda of the kingdom of darkness.

SOME KEY WAYS TO PRAY

1. DIVISION

Although Satan obviously uses this weapon against Christians, Jesus clearly taught it as something we are to use against the demonic powers and those controlled by them:

After declaring the protection of the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ over ourselves and over our families, let us declare division over these efforts to trap people into demonic covenants. May there be division in their relationships, communications, and technical attempts to promote Satan's agenda.

2. DISRUPTION

Let us agree that there will be major disruptions of the satanic events in the cities and nations, where they are scheduled: May the Lord of the Armies of Heaven release His mighty arsenal of creative weapons to disrupt and stop these event from achieving their goals.

3. DELAY

There are times when we are called to delay the enemy's plans when he attempts to accelerate events ahead of the Lord's timing. In Revelation 10:6 an angel declares, before an outpouring of judgment, that "There will be no more delay! This implies that there had in previous times been delays in the mercy of God. There are times when we as intercessors are to proclaim: "Let there be a moment of delay". This is like hitting the "pause button" on what the enemy may later be allowed to do. Let us pray for these delays, that this generation will not be unknowingly swept by unholy music into making covenants with the spirits of death, but that this generation will be freed from the power of demonic sounds to hear the sound of the Lord, and to come into the life-giving worship of the One, True, Living God.

4. DECLARE HIS PRAISES

It is obvious that the demonic beings understand the power of music to open hearts to the spiritual realms. As they are seeking to deceive and capture the souls of youth through their demonically anointed music, we need to release the far greater power of anointed worship music to sing “songs of deliverance” over a generation.

5. DISCLOSURE

We need to pray that the Satanic agenda will not remain hidden, but will be exposed and revealed, especially to spiritual leaders/gatekeepers and Intercessors countries where these festivals will be held. Also, we need to pray that the youth will not be let astray by the lies of the enemy and lured into his traps.

THE SEASON OF TEVET

The tenth month of Tevet is when the heavens declare the glory of God through the stars in the constellation of Capricorn. It is a good time to ask for the reversal of destinies.

EVENTS IN THE SEASON OF TEVET

(From the book *Triumphing at the Gates of the Stars in Their Seasons* by Steve Ogan)

S/N	Events in the Season of Tevet	Implications for Prayer and Practical Action
1	Esther was made Queen on the 1 st day of Tevet in the year 362 BCE	The Lord makes poor and makes rich; He brings low and lifts up. 1 Samuel 2:7
2	Completing the translation of the Torah by 72 Torah sages into Greek on the 8 th day of Tevet. This is the Bible called the Septuagint.	Behold I will do a new thing, now it shall spring forth... I will even make a road in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43:19
3	Judgment of the water spirit that empowered Pharaoh in Egypt on the 12 th day of the 10 th month in the 10 th year; A water spirit symbolic of Satan, the great Dragon that makes preposterous claims.	Thus, says the Lord God, Behold I am against thee, Pharaoh king of Egypt, the great monster that lies in the midst of his rivers, declaring, “My Nile is my own, and I have made it for myself.” (Ezekiel 29:3)

PRAYING FOR NATIONS

Israel

On December 6, 2017 President Donald Trump announced that it was time for the United States of America to officially recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel.

The history of Israel dates back to Genesis and the story of Abram who became Abraham. Abraham was promised a land by God. That land was Canaan and would later become Israel (Genesis 12). David declared Jerusalem to be the capital of Israel (City of David – 2 Samuel 5).

Many believers see this is as a fulfillment of prophecy.

They look at 1917, a Jubilee Year and the year the Balfour Declaration took place. Fifty years later in 1967 we see the Six-Day War and the Reunification of Jerusalem. Now fifty years later in 2017 the President

of the United States declares that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel and it is time to move the U.S. Embassy to Jerusalem.

The announcement sparked anger across the Muslim world. There were protests in cities across the Middle East. World leaders had warned President Trump that such a move would trigger backlash from Muslims around the world.

On December 21, 2017 the United Nations voted 128-9 in favor of rejecting President Trump's recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital.

- Proclaim Psalm 83 and 89 over Israel and Jerusalem at the gates of this New Year. Pray for Jehovah's protection over the nation in these turbulent times in the Middle East.
- Pray that Jehovah will continue to give wisdom to the government of that nation as they navigate diplomatic waters with other Middle Eastern nations, the continued unrest in the Middle East, and hostility from other parts of the world.
- Prophecy Psalm 48 and 122 over Jerusalem
- Pray for Prime Minister Netanyahu for wisdom.

Philippines

The tropical storm Kai-Tak left dozens of people dead in landslides in central Philippines on December 19, 2017. This was followed a few days later by tropical storm Tembin which hit southern Philippines leaving more than 200 people dead and hundreds missing.

Yemen

From 13 August 2017 through 21 December 2017, a total of 333 suspected cases of Diphtheria including 35 deaths have been reported in Yemen.

Please use these prayer points as you pray for the nations listed above:

- Pray for the victims- that Jehovah would comfort them, pray that family members will be reunited.
- Pray for healing and mercy - God is our comfort and strength Psalm 46:1, Psalm 57:1-2
- Pray for wisdom and safety for those responding to the people in need. Pray for the safety of the rescue workers.
- Pray for the Body of Christ in the nation. Pray that the Body of Christ will be a witness to God's compassion and care for all who suffer. God is inviting us to be His watchmen in prayer and find Him as our refuge in hard times.

Unrest in Nations

While a part of the world is celebrating a happy new year, it is not so happy in other nations; joy and peace are a rare commodity for some. While we celebrate positive prophetic words for the year, there is a sound of the trumpet call sending out a warning that all is not well in some parts of the world. We are in a global village. Whatever happens in one little corner, affects far-flung nations:

- Proclaim Isaiah 62 and kindly take time to pray for Afghanistan, South Sudan, Central African Republic, Northern Nigeria, Libya, Kurdistan, Pakistan, Yemen, Eastern DRC, Syria, Somalia that indeed Jehovah Shalom will brood heavily as these territories as His watchers raise intercession, and resist the works of the enemy until each becomes a praise on the earth.
- Genesis 4.10-12 Repent for the bloodshed that has defiled these nations and brought a vagabond curse upon the people making the land and people unfruitful, refugees, easy prey for destruction and death wherever they go (thus the drownings of those trying to escape war in Syria, hostility from host nations for refugees, accidents)
- Galatians 3.13-14 Jesus PAID IT ALL for every single territory and every single individual more than 2000 years ago before they were nations and before they even sinned or did anything good or bad. Appropriate the finished work of the Cross of Calvary over each territory and its people wherever they may be. Their deliverance was already sorted out. Proclaim this truth over the lies of the enemy
- These people groups have the opportunity to enter into the blessing of redemption. Salvation is their blood-bought right. The enemy has deceived the Ecclesia into a position of weakness and hopelessness. Pray that the church will arise triumphant in this season and recognize her powerful and authoritative role to steer the nation into the path of redemptive purpose at the place of prayer.
- Prophetically pray Isaiah 4.2-6 and Psalm 23 for the women, children and youth who are most vulnerable victims in these nations; pray for families that have been torn apart as loved ones disappear, run away, die in the confusion.
- Proclaim Isaiah 2.2-4 and Psalm 46 over each territory and each warring faction and call upon Jehovah Sabaoth to arise and send angelic assistance to cause wars to cease.
- Prophetically pray Isaiah 60.17-20 over each government leader, and each fighting faction; that every man of violence must be stopped by the angel of Jehovah as His people arise to stand in the gap and pray over the territory.
- Declare Amos 5.23-24 over the nations that have called for a cease-fire that these ceasefires and peace treaties will be upheld and nations may move forward.
- Pray for the Ecclesia to arise as a voice for righteousness and justice for this new leadership in the land.

NATIONAL DAYS

1. Cameroon 1 January 1960 Independence from France;
2. North Mariana Islands 8 January (Commonwealth Day, the constitutional government takes office 1978)
3. India 26 January (Republic Day, India becoming the first republic in the British Commonwealth of Nations 1950)

4. Australia 26 January, (Australia Day, proclamation of British sovereignty over Australia (the penal colony New South Wales) 1788)
 5. Pakistan 28th January (Pakistan Day)
 6. Nauru 31 January (Independence from the Australia, NZ, and UK-administered UN trusteeship in 1968)
- Pray for the above nations as they celebration a national milestone. Pray that peace will prevail in the nations.
 - Pray for the Body of Jesus to be strengthened in each of the above nations and to reawaken the zeal for evangelism as inspired by the Holy Spirit.
 - Pray that youth who remain largely undisciplined in the nations will begin to seek for deeper relationship with Jesus. Pray that a Holy Spirit revival will be stirred up among young people as Psalm 8:1-2 comes to pass.

NATIONAL ELECTIONS

- **12–13 January:**
 - Czech Republic, President (1st round)
- **28 January:**
 - Cyprus, President
 - Finland, President (1st round)

Please use these prayer points to pray for the nations that will be having Presidential elections.

1. Pray for evil in government and in the world to reveal itself to the point that it cannot be masked any longer.
2. Pray that the Body will rise above its place of fear and hiding and will step into its place of increased intercession.
3. Pray that the children of God will remember who they are and will take authority in the realm around them.
4. Pray that what Jehovah have worked in His children will cause them to rise up in the fullness of who they are and who He has made them to be.
5. He has done much in His Body in this past season. Pray that not one bit of that will fall to the ground as things begin to shake more violently.
6. Pray that His children will keep their focus on Him and not on the world around them.
7. Pray that His children will seek Him and not the media.

8. Pray that His children will see through the lies around them and will not fall prey to the works of the enemy.
9. The times are so strategic, and His people must step into place. There is not time for hesitation, but it is a time to stop and listen for His voice. It is a time to seek wisdom in everything. Pray for wisdom for His people.
10. Pray that the path each child of Jehovah is to take will become clearer and clearer with each passing day.
11. Pray for peaceful and fair elections in every one of the above nations.
12. Pray that in this season the Jehovah will raise righteous and just leaders in every area of government and politics through the newly elected people.
13. Pray that the Ecclesia will fully participate in these and future elections in each of the above nations.

While men slept the enemy came and sowed tares. There are leaders who have many good policies and leadership capabilities. However, there are negative plantings in the form of a few ungodly policies, some negative character traits, or ungodly advisors or colleagues around them. Pray that every negative agenda in any form shall be exposed and uprooted at the right time, without disregarding what is good in the leadership.

PRAYING THRU THE HEAVENS

Jehovah has spoken concerning 2018 that there is a lot of heavy activity in the heavens. It will do well to be conversant with the heavens and how to deal with them. (Read: Understanding the Heavens publication). The heavens indeed declare the glory of Jehovah in every season.

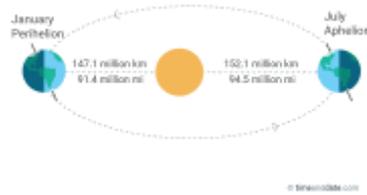
- Thank Jehovah for the knowledge He has released in these days concerning our role as Kingdom citizens with regard to the heavens.
- Job 38.33; Pray that you will be one of those who will contend with the kingdom of darkness in cosmic warfare to ensure a release of every Jehovah ordained purpose in this new year and establishment of His Kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

SIGNIFICANT LUNAR EVENTS IN JANUARY 2018

Jan 2: Supermoon

The Full Moon on January 2, 2018 coincides with the Moon's closest approach to Earth; also called perigee. This makes January's Wolf Moon a Supermoon.

A Supermoon looks around 12 to 14% larger than its counterpart, the Micromoon.



Jan 3: Earth at Perihelion

At 05:34 UTC on January 3, 2018, Earth will be at perihelion: the closest point to the Sun in its yearly orbit. The opposite happens in July when Earth reaches aphelion.



Jan 3/4: Quadrantids Meteors

The first major meteor shower of 2018, the Quadrantids, will peak on the night of January 3 and early morning hours of January 4.



Jan 31: Total Lunar Eclipse

The total phase of this lunar eclipse, also known as a Blood Moon, will be visible in large parts of US, north-eastern Europe, Russia, Asia, the Indian Ocean, the Pacific, and Australia.



Jan 31: Blue Moon

January's second Full Moon will not only be eclipsed, but it is also a Blue Moon. This is because it's the second Full Moon in the same month.

LUNAR EVENTS

The **Last Quarter moon** will occur on 8 January 2018 @22:25UTC and the **First quarter moon** will occur on 24 January 2018 @22:20UTC

- Command the quarter moons to praise Jehovah. Thank Jehovah for the bow shaped quarter moon. Praise Him for in this season. He is breaking the bows of the enemy and incapacitating him.
- Declare Psalm 91.124. The quarter moons are D shaped like a bow. The kingdom of darkness uses these to shoot cosmic arrows at the ignorant. Thank Jehovah for being a shield of protection around Kingdom citizens to deflect any arrows shot at them in this season.
- Pray that during the waning last quarter moon, Jehovah will release every seed of prophetic prayer that was prayed during the previous new moon season

The **New moon** that ushers in the first month of 2018 occurs on 17 January 2018 @02:17 UTC

- Psalm 104:19-20, Psalm 136:7-8 This new moon will usher in the true beginning of the month; command this new moon to praise Jehovah and to mark the seasons and times as this was what it was created for..
- Pray that indeed this truly new month will be the gateway of blessing and favor. Pray at the new moon that the prophecies released concerning 2018 will begin to grow and manifest even as the new moon waxes towards its fullness.
- Command the new moon for 2018 and every other new moon this year to obey only the instructions of Jehovah their Creator and not the voice of any other demon-deity or prognosticator in every part of creation. Psalm 136:7-8

The **full moon** occurs on 2 January 2018 @02:24 UTC and on 31 January 2018 @13:26 UTC.

- Command the full moon to praise Jehovah and declare His glory alone in all the earth.
- Proclaim that every monthly prophetic destiny which is supposed to have reached its fullness and begin to be released in your life will be on schedule from the day of the full moon to the end of the month.

SOLAR EVENTS

From December 18, 2018 to 18 January 2018 as the sun makes its circuit through the heavens, it passes through a cluster of **69 stars** in the constellation called **SAGITTARIUS** symbolized by the archer. This represents the triumph of Jesus “The Coming One” who is represented as going forth “Conquering and to conquer.” The Bible testifies that He wrested from the enemy the keys of Death and Hades. He led captivity captive and released from eternal bondage the entire universe. **Continue using the prayer directions from December 2017.**

From January 19, 2018 to 15 February 2018 as the sun makes its circuit through the heavens, it will pass through cluster of **51 stars** in the constellation called **CAPRICORNUS** symbolized by the sea goat. This represents Jesus as the Goat of atonement slain for the Redeemed.

“GOD hath given it to you to bear the iniquity of the congregation, to make atonement for them before Jehovah” This is what is written for the goat of the sin-offering. (Lev 10:16-17) The purpose and its fulfillment was the reason Jesus came to the earth. (Heb. 9:11-14). Jehovah demands in this season that we demonstrate our unconditional love for one another as true followers of Jesus.

- The heavens declare redemption and atonement of sin. During this season, take time to pray daily for at least 5-10 minutes for the lost who are unaware that Jesus already paid the price for their redemption from every bondage of the enemy and into a glorious life according to His purpose. Start with your family, those connected to you at work, school, in the community, churchgoers who are not saved etc.
- These are days of the harvest of souls. Jesus is asking that you pray for laborers (starting with yourself) to go out and bring in the harvest of souls in every age group. Pray for the ministry of evangelism to be revived not only in your life or your congregation, but in the Ecclesia worldwide.
- Jesus lay down His life to become an atonement for all iniquity ever created. Pray that the Ecclesia including yourself, will go back to this Great Commission to reconcile all creation back to Him who already paid the price (1Joh 3:16; Joh 15:12-13; 1 Thess. 3:12).

The other three smaller group of stars called decans that form part of Capricornus describe the details of Jesus's death and resurrection.

SAGITTA (the arrow) represents the arrow of GOD (death) sent forth to His Son.

- Proclaim Isa 53:5 as a thank offering to Jehovah for the depth of His wisdom because the arrow of death sent forth to His son, struck Jesus for the sake of all creation. He was pierced for our transgression; bruised for our iniquity and by His stripes we were healed. Thank Him for this wonderful sacrifice that continues to speak on our behalf through all eternity.
- Pray that during this month you will be an arrow of integrity in the hand of Jehovah and as He releases you to your purposes in this month, you will land on target and you will strike deep in the heart of the enemy's camp.

AQUILLA (the eagle) represents the smitten one falling

- 1 Cor.15:31 Joh 12:24 Jesus died for all. He requires us to carry our own Cross; and die daily to self and sin so that we may truly represent Him in our territories as glorious sons. Pray that in this season, you and kingdom citizens in your territory will receive understanding of this level of sacrifice so as to activate the same power that raised Jesus to operate in our lives; but it starts with dying to self (Heb. 2:9-10)

DELPHINUS (the Dolphin) representing the dead one rising again.

- Matt 22:31-32; 1 Joh 5:4; Isa 38:19; Neh. 12:46; Jehovah is God of the living. The resurrection of Jesus made the resurrection of the dead possible, it gave us victory that overcomes the world and it is only the living who shall give Jehovah praise and make known His truth; so celebrate the resurrection with songs of praise and thanksgiving
- Psa. 37:24, Micah 7:7-10 Isa 53.; The heavens declare that He rose again. Thank Him that His downfall resulted in our uprising. Thank Him that the righteous fall seven times but He will never remain down. You rise again toward the goal set before you just like He did.
- 1 Cor. 15:50-51 Thank Jehovah that the heavens in this month remind us that those who have died in Jehovah do not perish but are translated to be with Him forever. Thank Him for this hope and that you will meet those loved ones again and rejoice forever with Jehovah

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM GAPNET PARTNERS

Thank you all for your prayers. We receive prayer requests from our GAPNET Partners every day. We put the general categories from those requests here and ask you to remember to pray for them during the month. Thank you.

- Please pray for good health for the members of the GAPNET family
- Pray for financial provision for our ministry partners. Many of them are missionaries.
- Pray for strong Christian families.
- Pray for those who are struggling with addictions.
- Pray for safety for those who minister in places that are hostile to the gospel.
- Pray for the spouses and children of those who minister.
- Pray that the leaders of the nations have a Damascus experience.
- Pray for the children who have been disappointed and who see the church as hypocritical. Pray that they will have a personal relationship with Jesus.
- Pray for safety as we travel.
- Pray for successful completion of the kingdom projects in the nations.

PROPHECIES FOR 2018

The prophecies for 2018 will be released and sent out separately from this guide. Pray through the prophecies as the year progresses and refer to the website for previous prophecies from previous years that continue to be fulfilled through the years.

INSCRIBE IN ALL CREATION

I WILL PLACE ON HIS SHOULDER THE KEY TO THE HOUSE OF DAVID; WHAT HE OPENS NO ONE CAN SHUT, AND WHAT HE SHUTS NO ONE CAN OPEN. I WILL DRIVE HIM LIKE A PEG INTO A FIRM PLACE; HE WILL BECOME A SEAT OF HONOR FOR THE HOUSE OF HIS FATHER. ALL THE GLORY OF HIS FAMILY WILL HANG ON HIM: ITS OFFSPRING AND OFFSHOOTS—ALL ITS LESSER VESSELS, FROM THE BOWLS TO ALL THE JARS. “IN THAT DAY,” DECLARES JEHOVAH ALMIGHTY, “THE PEG DRIVEN INTO THE FIRM PLACE WILL GIVE WAY; IT WILL BE SHEARED OFF AND WILL FALL, AND THE LOAD HANGING ON IT WILL BE CUT DOWN.” JEHOVAH HAS SPOKEN. ISAIAH 22.22-25

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