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It's hard to believe, but it's already December, the month that should be the end of the year. The Lord has given our TWR Women of Hope teams around the globe the privilege of participating with him in his work by bringing hope to women through our ministry. Many people who listen to the Women of Hope broadcasts have accepted Jesus as their Savior and have given their lives to Him with true hope now and forever. May you and your loved ones have a beautiful and meaningful Christmas through the gift of Jesus that He has given us.



카카오톡 채널에서 '소망의 여인들' 채널을 추가하시면
매주 월요일에 기도카드를 받으실 수 있습니다.

1. Father, embolden those working to free women from exploitation. You commanded us to "speak for those who cannot speak for themselves" (Prov. 31:8).
2. God, may the people of Senegal have discernment to identify false religious leaders, be wise in choosing the groups they associate with and be set free from trusting in idols. (Col. 2:8)
3. Lord, bring peace, protection and safety for people living in eastern Nigeria. May the violence by unknown gunmen end. (Ps. 91:1-5)
4. Dear Father, we ask that you provide jobs in their chosen fields for the young people of Mali. Please give them hope while they are waiting. (Rom. 12:12)
5. God, grant courage and wisdom to newly elected leaders in Liberia. May those who are Christian use your standards in making decisions regarding health, jobs and education. (Ps. 72)
6. We pray, Father, for protection from disease for the people of Gabon. May all have access to good health care. (Ps. 103:2-3)
7. Lord, work in the hearts of leaders in northern Côte d'Ivoire who have the influence to stop the practice of female genital mutilation. (Prov. 31:8-9)
8. May the Holy Spirit bring revival to women in the Central African Republic. Use our TWR Women of Hope team to help women grow in Christ. (Eph. 3:16-19)
9. We pray, Lord, for the strengthening of women in Benin who are victims of forced marriage. May they come to know you and find inner peace. (Isa. 41:10)
10. Father, strengthen and protect Christians in northern Nigeria facing persecution by those of the dominant religion. (2 Tim. 3:11)
11. God, please intervene in the marriages of Mali Christians considering divorce. Please give these couples grace and wisdom to work things out. (Matt. 19:6)
12. Thank you, Father, for the power of the gospel that has broken the strongholds of habits displeasing to you in the lives of disadvantaged youth in Liberia. (Rom. 1:16)
13. God, we ask that Gabon's leaders be fair, be transparent and work together for the good of the nation and its people. (1 Tim. 2:1-2)
14. In Jesus' name, please bind the spirit of suicide in Côte d'Ivoire. May those experiencing it be released and find true life in you, Lord. (Job 33:4)
15. Father, please protect the poor, single women in the Central African Republic who have been raped. Provide for them and the babies born to them. (Ps. 82:3)
16. We ask for jobs and provision for women especially hard-hit during the economic crisis occurring in Benin. Lord, meet their needs. (Ps. 81:16)
17. Father, deliver Nigerian people from a religious viewpoint too trusting in good works and local traditions. May they embrace a life-giving relationship with you. (John 4:24)

18. God, please provide for those who have lost spouses or parents to a terrorism in Mali. May the perpetrators be brought to justice and turn to you. (Isa. 1:17)
19. Heal, O Lord, girls in Liberia who have been exposed to drugs and sexual abuse in their families. May their parents respect, love and care for them. (Eph. 6:4)
20. God, may women in Côte d'Ivoire who listen to Women of Hope practice what they hear so their lives will be transformed. (Rom. 12:2)
21. Heavenly Father, please inspire lawmakers in the Central African Republic to pass laws to protect women abused by their husbands. (Ps. 10:17-18)
22. Father, rescue and bring healing to children and orphans in Benin who are mistreated and physically harmed. (Ps. 72:4)
23. Lord, inspire Christians in Gabon to pray fervently for peace and justice in their nation. May believers there spread your grace and mercy to those around them. (Mic. 6:8)
24. God, pour out your provision to families going through hardship and severe poverty due to high inflation in Nigeria. (Ps. 23:1)
25. Lord, we ask you to stabilize the sociopolitical and security situation in the Alliance of Sahel States, which encompasses Mali, Niger and Burkina Faso. (Rom. 12:18)
26. Father, give wisdom and strength to Christian women in Liberia who help youth living on the streets with spiritual, physical and related needs. (James 2:26)
27. God, may the young people of Gabon have access to quality education and wise counsel so they will have hope and a promising future. (Prov. 11:14)
28. Lord, change the hearts of media creators in Côte d'Ivoire who make content encouraging immorality. Instead, may they create pure, life-giving content. (Phil. 2:15-16)
29. God, may funds be raised within Liberia for women who need solar-powered radios to listen to Women of Hope. (Matt. 7:7-8)
30. Wives and children of Gabonese soldiers sometimes face hardships and neglect. Father, please give our team access to minister to these precious souls. (Ps. 9:9-10)
31. Lord, we ask the Holy Spirit to inspire the women of Côte d'Ivoire to have a life of prayer and personal intimacy with you. (Matt. 6:6)

“Celebrate the most precious gifts of all”

- by *Susie Pek*,

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I can hardly believe another year has come and gone! What does this season look like in your country? In Brazil, our streets, malls and shops look very festive, reminding all of us that Christmas is just around the corner. There is a lot of excitement about the upcoming celebrations. And one of the main focuses is to find the ideal gift for your loved ones, which is not always an easy task. Now, if that mission is accomplished successfully, seeing the happy look on the faces of the ones we love as they receive the “perfect” gift is just priceless.

Speaking of which, what would you consider a perfect gift? I realize the answer depends on the season of life we are in. The kinds of things we wished for as a child are very different from the ones we wish for as adults. As we mature, we may still have a list of things we would love to have, yet we begin to understand that some of the most precious gifts in life are not for sale in retail shops. Good health, nature, friends, a loving family are just a few examples.

In some countries, people put their presents under the Christmas tree. Wouldn't it be special, though, to place a jar containing a list of those more precious gifts under our Christmas tree and then to read the list aloud on Christmas Day? I think it'd bring even more joy to our celebration.

Taking the time to list those presents always fills my heart with thanksgiving and hope, both in my personal life and the life of the ministry. The Lord has given our TWR Women of Hope teams around the globe the privilege of participating with him in his work by bringing hope to women through our ministry. Our team in Côte d'Ivoire shared about one of these precious gifts: “A woman visiting our village was very hostile to the gospel; she pushed away all those who approached her to present the gospel. But she has just given her life to Christ after listening to the Women of Hope broadcasts.”

This woman reminds me of Matthew 16:13, in which Jesus asks his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” He got different answers. It seems to me this woman was getting distinct answers about Jesus' identity. She may have perceived him through the lenses of those who see Jesus as a distant and scary God. But when she invited him into her life, she began to see him in a whole new light.

Today she joins Peter in his most beautiful declaration ever: “Simon Peter answered him, ‘Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God’” (John 6:68-69). Nothing compares to the joy of knowing Jesus as our Savior and God. He is our indescribable gift. In him we have true hope for now and evermore.

I wish you and your loved ones a beautiful and meaningful Christmastime. I pray that the joy of the season lasts throughout the upcoming year as you abide in him.

In his amazing love,

Susie.

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