



Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. James 1:16,17 (ESV)

Life is always interesting. What I perceive as a blessing others might consider a curse. I am sure that in our busy professional activities we encounter many challenges each day. God can use our perception and handling of these situations to accomplish His purposes in our lives.

The first 3 Gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke) provide much detail about the life and ministry of Jesus and have very similar information. However, the inspired Word of God allows us to see this same information from different perspectives. Matthew presents a royal, messianic understanding of Jesus and shows His lineage. Mark is more of a Gospel of action and portrays Jesus as the suffering Son of Man and as a suffering servant. Luke, the physician, represents Christ as the Savior of the world, showing the Gospel message is for both Jews and Gentiles. The Gospel of John contains much information (about 90%) that does not appear in the other Gospels. John makes it clear that he is writing to persuade people that Jesus is the Son of God and then we can find new life in Him when we become Christ followers.

Thanksgiving gatherings with our family and/or our church family can provide opportunities for challenging interactions. I pray that you will take time to contemplate these interactions from different perspectives. I hope you can take time to give thanks to God, our Father, who has made this new life with Jesus possible. Prayer sometimes gets neglected in our busy professional lives and our family gatherings. Let's make a special effort to not neglect this essential spiritual discipline.

John's Gospel recounts that when Jesus made his last journey to Jerusalem, He had a series of teachings (chapters 13-17) to prepare the disciples to carry on the ministry. In Chapter 17, Jesus prays for His disciples, and this is a pattern you might be able to use around your Thanksgiving table. He begins by glorifying God and addressing personal concerns (v. 1-5), then He prays for His family (disciples) for unity, protection, and their service to others (v. 6-19). Finally, He prays for future followers to come to know Christ and live for Him. He prayed for personal needs, family needs, and the worldwide needs of the church.

I am thankful that we have a profession that positions us well to serve the physical, mental, and spiritual needs of others, domestic or foreign. May you have the opportunity to give thanks for this holiday season. I look forward to being able to see you at our 2025 annual meeting at Epworth by the Sea in St. Simons Island, GA (May 29-June 1).

God's richest blessings to each of you.

Ron Herman, CPFI Executive Director
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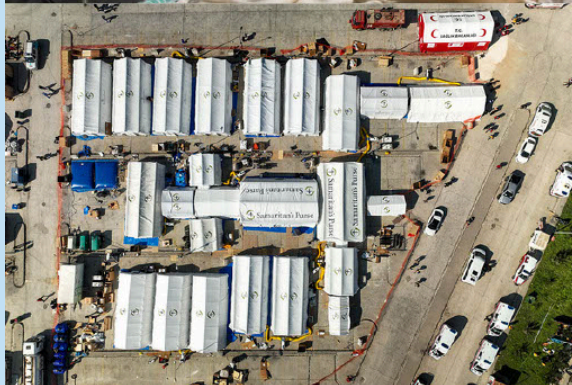
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Join us for prayer!
Sunday, November 17, 2024 at 5:00 pm ET



Agenda

The CPFI Past Presidents Committee was asked to implement a prayer ministry on behalf of CPFI. In March 2020, we started a weekly Prayer Meeting on Sunday evening at 5 p.m. ET, initially to pray about Covid-19 needs. **We are meeting monthly now on the third Sunday.** If you would like an invitation, e-mail Nena Lindrose at Office@cpfi.org. She will send a reminder e-mail with instructions on how to join and some suggested prayer concerns during the week prior to the meeting. We hope you will join us **Sunday, November 17, 2024** for our next session. By signing up you are only committing to participate when able and praying out loud is voluntary.
Fred Eckel, Director Emeritus

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