

Mon., Nov. 4: We Are Where We Are

“This world is not our [final] home.” (Heb. 13:14 TLB)

Sometimes looking for heaven can leave us doing very little on earth. It’s true that this world is not our final home, but it is our home for now.

While we’re here we have a mission. We can’t do the work here if we only think of where we’re going. Of course, think of heaven! But remember to live on earth for the sake of heaven. (TJG)

Prayer Guide: Pray we do the work on earth until heaven comes.

Two-Year Bible Reading: Hos. 10; Ps. 129-131

Daily Proverbs: Prov. 4

Tue., Nov. 5: Do You See What I See?

“We are looking forward to our everlasting home.” (Heb. 13:14 TLB)

Ever stood in a group of people, everyone looking for the same thing?

One person points, shouting, “See it! It’s over there!” Others can’t see it.

It can be quite amusing. However, as Christians we all need to look for the same thing. The same place. We all need to fix our eyes on it. Our call is to see our future home together. Looking for heaven together. (TJG)

Prayer Guide: Pray we look forward to heaven together.

Two-Year Bible Reading: Hos. 11; Ps. 132-134

Daily Proverbs: Prov. 5

Wed., Nov. 6: Can’t Wait!

*“We are **looking forward** to our everlasting home.” (Heb. 13:14 TLB)*

Remember looking forward to a special day as a kid? Maybe your birthday? Or Christmas? Each day was a day closer. You couldn’t wait for the day to come. That same excitement and anticipation should be ours as Christians when we think of heaven. We should look forward to it! If we know where we’re going and what’s there, why not get excited? (TJG)

Prayer Guide: Pray we have a growing anticipation of heaven.

Two-Year Bible Reading: Hos. 12; Ps. 135-136

Daily Proverbs: Prov.6

Thu., Nov. 7: Living Together Forever?

*“We are looking forward to **our** everlasting home.” (Heb. 13:14 TLB)*

The only group home I’ve ever had was an Army barracks. I didn’t choose my housemates, and I didn’t have to like them (or they me!). Some of us look at church like that. Stuck with each other but not liking it. That’s a problem. We don’t sing, “When **I** get to heaven”, do we? No, we sing, “When we **all** get to heaven”! Why not live together that way now? (TJG)

Prayer Guide: Pray we live together now like we will in heaven.

Two-Year Bible Reading: Hos. 13; Ps. 137-138

Daily Proverbs: Prov. 7

Fri., Nov. 8: Home Forever?

*“Our **everlasting home** in heaven.” (Heb. 13:14 TLB)*

“Grown-up stuff is no fun.” That’s what I say when something breaks at my house. A new dishwasher? No fun. A water leak? No fun. It’s not that I don’t want to be a grown-up, I just want a house that doesn’t break!

Here’s the good news. I’m getting one, and so is every believer. We are heading for an everlasting home that is always perfect! (TJG)

Prayer Guide: Pray we rejoice in our everlasting home to come.

Two-Year Bible Reading: Hos. 14; Ps. 139

Daily Proverbs: Prov. 8

Sat., Nov. 9: Heaven Is Home

*“Our **everlasting home in heaven**.” (Heb. 13:14 TLB)*

It’s been said that home is where the heart is. I agree, if the heart is in the right place. Our home, the one we look for and long for, is in heaven.

That’s where our heart should be. Give all your heart to reaching the world, but make sure your heart is securely resting in heaven. That’s where home is. Home is heaven, and heaven is where the heart is. (TJG)

Prayer Guide: Pray our heart is focused on our heavenly home.

Two-Year Bible Reading: Joel 1; Ps. 140-141

Daily Proverbs: Prov. 9

Prayer List

Health: Tom Burton, Betty Uhls, Judy and Terry Campbell, Sloan Brown, Ashlee Miller and baby, Jack Hogg, Charles and Amber Reed, Shirley Gayer, Ed and Lisa Smothers, Bobby Blondi, Winnie Kinnison, Isaiah Williams, Scott Williams, Dottie and Charlie Bartoni, Kay Levanti, Jodi Jeralds, Jean Smiley, Cindy Carner, Lori Watts, Samantha Tretter, Landon Adkins, Ryan Buckingham, Patricia Uhls, Virgil Zachary, Leah Hughes, Sheldon Smith, Danny Uhls, Jerry Wicker, Laura Siedel, Pam Ford, Tom Smith, Yula Gunn, Jack Woolard, Carolyn Place, Jason Coleman, Lois Golio, Rodney Johnson, Rachel Pollack, Jetta Barton, Tammy Wiggins, Mark Carpenter, Jill Lindhorst, Ashton Gentry, Bill Bradley, Dalton Husch, Patty Roland, Ryan Mondino, Kyle Britton, Lisa Uhls Bishop, Sharron West, Drake Short, Shirley Ward, Piper Castellano, Rita Allois, Brenda Flowers, Sandy Ellis, Carolyn Jones, LaDonna Bryce, Misty Painter, Danny Rodgers, Linda Upton, Wanda Finn, Pam Jeralds, Jim Carter, Tim Williams, Jim Parker, Gene Williams, Avery Potter, Terri Stewart, Missy Story, Barbara Wilmore, Denny Bush, Barbara Winnet, Amanda Brewer, Nancy Denton, Wendy Russell

Other: the Lingle family as they mourn Irene's passing and celebrate her homegoing; the 2024 elections; peace in Israel and Ukraine; New Covenant Christian School; FCC's evangelistic efforts; prisoners; the hungry; the homeless; those struggling with addiction; the grieving and afflicted; FCC elders, deacons, and staff; FCC widows and widowers; US Armed Forces; Southern Illinois Christian Service Camp; missionaries; President Biden; Governor Pritzker; Mayor Arview; local, state, and federal government representatives

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Weekly Bible Memory

For this world is not our home, we are looking forward to our everlasting home in heaven. (Heb. 13:14 TLB)

Daily Devotion & Prayer Guide, Two-Year Bible, Daily Proverbs

Sun., Nov. 3: Not There Yet

*"This world is **not our home**."* (Heb. 13:14 TLB)

I remember many nights away from home while serving in the Army. I was glad to serve, but I always felt a little out of place. I was where I needed to be, but I wasn't where I most wanted to be. I longed for home. That sense of "I'm here, but I want to be there" is a good one for Christians to have. We're not home yet. This world is not our home. (TJG)

Prayer Guide: Pray we never lose our longing for home.

Two-Year Bible Reading: Hos. 9; Ps. 126-128

Daily Proverbs: Prov. 3

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