**St. Paul Baptist Church**

***Vision Statement: DRIVE365!***

***Vision Scripture: Colossians 3:23***

***MAY 2022***

***“Committed to moving forward in the things of God, consistently and intentionally, 365 days a year.”***

***RESTORE: Joel 2:25-26, Job 42:10, Isaiah 61:7, Mark 11:24***

**PASTOR’S PRAYER:** Father God, I come right now praying for our pastor, Lauthaught Delaney Jr. I plead the blood of Jesus over him and his family, and I ask that You continue to place Your anointing on him and continue to give him vision for the purpose that You have set before him as the under shepherd of the flock of the St. Paul Baptist Church of Gonzales, La. Father, I pray that You strengthen him in the areas where he may need building up and enhance his gifts so that he may always be equipped to bring Your Word to the body. Give him wisdom, knowledge and understanding as he labors in the business affairs of St. Paul Baptist Church. I pray, Lord, that You will continue to send those who may not know You in the pardon of their sins into the fold at St. Paul, and that You will continue to bless him with the support of his appointed deacons, deaconesses, ministers, and every auxiliary represented at St. Paul. Father, keep him humble and strong in his faith, and always willing to seek You in prayer first, as he makes the decisions concerning St. Paul Baptist Church. Lord, I pray that You protect and cover him and his family as we return to corporate worship in the midst of the pandemic. Give him favor on his job, wisdom in his leadership, favor in the Gonzales community, and favor among the body of the clergy, as he leads by example, it is in Jesus’ name, I pray, Amen!

**UNITED PRAYER POINT: Restore everything that was lost. Joel 2:25-26**

**May 1, 2022:** My Heavenly Father, thank You for another blessed day to produce fruit for the kingdom and to also sow good seeds on good ground today. Today order my steps, my mind, my words, my anxiousness, my patience, my understanding, my emotions, and my opportunities to do Your will and minister not just by words but by my walk. Let it be seen by who needs to see it, let it be received by who needs to receive it in this season. I hear restoration on the horizon for each person attached to this prayer in this appointed season. Help us to be patient and wait but not get discouraged by seeing somebody else with overflow. Thank You, Mighty God! In Jesus’ name, Amen.  Galatians 6:1

**May 2, 2022:** Lord God, thank You for the Holy Spirit and thank You for freedom, Lord God! Thank You for courage, Lord God, and for the appointed shepherd over me. Because of the Word You speak through him, I'm able to use what I'm taught and apply it in appointed times for my own family and friends and those attached to me who have strayed away from You. In these last days continue to give me strength to minister the importance of returning back to You, my God. In Jesus’ mighty name, Amen.  Hosea 6:1

**May 3, 2022:** Lord God, I got up this morning feeling good! Not because everything in my life is going the way I want it to but because I know and I believe everything I've endured is working for my good! I'm able to face today because of Your promises and not look at my past in shame but as growth and preparation for where You are taking me. Thank You, Holy Spirit; I'm only going through, for what God is taking me TO. I receive it in Jesus’ mighty name, Amen. Isaiah 61:7

**May 4, 2022:** Good morning, Father, You know this place in life You have brought me to. I wouldn't have imagined I'd be here just years ago. Looking back on the things I prayed for that I thought I was ready for, I can honestly say You definitely know what's best for me and better than I could even know for myself. Who couldn't serve a God like You? I love You more than anything truthfully. Lord God, my plans for my life were about self-gain and wants. Bless Your holy name for giving me a true relationship with You instead. Because of You I've got peace, I've got joy, I've got SOMEBODY I can call on when tears are running down my face in frustration. God, I love You and bless You in Jesus’ mighty name, Amen.  Jeremiah 29:11

**May 5, 2022**: Heavenly Father, we have seen the damage firsthand that storms can cause in our lives. We know the destruction, aching, and devastation that they cause. If we are being honest, at times, it can seem impossible that anything beautiful or good can come from such sorrows. We know within our hearts that this isn’t the end of the story, that You have something far greater to come. Father, we ask today for Your hand in our lives. We pray for the restoration of our lives by Your process. That process may not look like what we would think or plan, but we know that because You see all that is, was, and is to come, that ultimately, You will do what is most compassionate and best. Father, today we come before Your holy throne to ask for Your restoration in our lives. We submit ourselves to Your ever-loving will and kindness throughout. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

**May 6, 2022:** Heavenly Father, You who make all things new and bring beauty from our ashes: bind up my broken heart, proclaim freedom over my life, and release me from my darkness. For You are the One who promises to comfort those who mourn and bestow upon me a crown of beauty, oil of joy, and a garment of praise. You will turn my despair into rejoicing.  I will put my trust in You and believe in Your promises of hope. My suffering will become a testimony to Your greatness and faithfulness. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

**May 7, 2022:** Heavenly Father, I feel I have wasted so many years of my life pursuing wrong things and getting involved with worldly activities, fleshly pursuits, and the various temporary things of life, while neglecting the important spiritual issues that are eternal and lasting. I ask for Your forgiveness and pray that in Your grace You would restore to me the years that the locusts have eaten, the years that I have foolishly wasted. Lord, I want to be a good and faithful servant when I stand before Your throne, and I know that most, if not all, of the good works I have done are likely to be burned up, knowing that I have been striving in the flesh instead of resting in You and letting Your Holy Spirit live and work through me. Restore to me the heavenly joy and inner peace that have been evading me. Help me to focus on the eternal rather than the temporal and from this day forward, may I start to live my life in a way that You would have me live. In Jesus' name, I pray, Amen.

**UNITED PRAYER POINT: Restoration of God’s joy. Psalms 51:12**

**May 8, 2022:** Father God, You are our creator. You formed us and breathed life into us. You made us in Your own image and likeness. Father, on this day that we honor MOTHERS, we can’t help but remember and honor the blessed virgin, Mary. You used her to take Immanuel (God with us) to a new dimension. In Jesus Christ, Immanuel became a “flesh and blood” reality, and our lives would never be the same. We also know how Mary’s JOY was such that she REJOICED praising You in the Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55) because You allowed “her body” to be the domicile for Our Lord and Savior (Luke 1:38) as Jesus took on human form to pay the price for the sin and all the sins of the world. We think today of the joy and pride she felt to “HOLD” that newborn baby, Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, JOY unspeakable! (I Peter 1:8 and Luke 2:7-10) Father God, all of our days we have been “held” in Your hands. Renew and refurbish our joy. Make our JOY shine and sparkle like new. Your Son honored His mother when He performed His first miracle upon Mary’s request at Cana (John 2:3-10) when He turned water into wine. We know that Mary’s heart was pierced with pain and suffering at the foot of the cross and there Jesus assigned John to look after Mary (John 19:25-27). Father God, You are always looking after us and You are always there (Jehovah Shammah). Thank You for the “seed of the woman” that moved the “reputation of woman” from the Garden of Eden to the “stable in Bethlehem”. (Luke 2:7-10) We praise and honor You for refurbishing the joy of “womanhood” through Jesus’ birth and refurbishing the joy of all mankind through “new birth”, our “born again” experience in Jesus Christ. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen. 1 Peter 1:8, Luke 1:46-55, and Luke 2:7-10

**May 9, 2022:** Father God, we give You thanks and honor and the highest praise! Hallelujah to You! Father, we pray that You take our JOY and make it like new. REFURBISH it. Infuse us with RENEWED and REJUVENATED JOY. As Peter said, (I Peter 1:3), “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy has BEGOTTEN US AGAIN unto a lively hope…” (Emphasis supplied.) Father God, You gave us JOY when You, through Christ’s resurrection, moved us from Adam’s heritage to Your own; and we realized we had been relocated, as Peter says (vs 4) “to an inheritance INCORRUPTIBLE, and UNDEFILED, and that fadeth not away…”. (Emphasis supplied.) Father, RENEW our JOY so that as “born-again” believers we can, as Peter says (vs 8-9) “… REJOICE with JOY unspeakable and full of glory: Receiving the end of your (our) faith, even the salvation of your (our) souls!” (Emphasis supplied.) Father, we pray this prayer of thanksgiving and joy in Jesus’ name, Amen. 1 Peter 1:3-4 and 8-9

**May 10, 2022:**  Most high God, how thankful and grateful we are for You refurbishing the joy in our life that You in Your grace have bestowed on us in such abundance. Thank You for the simple things in life, we so often take for granted. For flowers and food, mountains and streams, our senses and the many joys that we gain from seeing, hearing, smelling, tasting, and touching. Thank You, God, for the joy of friends and family, for the sun and the rain, the seasons, and the many phases of weather that bring such variety, refurbishing warmth, and healing. Thank You, God, for the joy of singing praises to Your name and thank you, God, for the Lord Jesus in whom is the fullness of joy. Your Word says, "Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory."  In Jesus’ name, Amen.  1 Peter 1: 8

**May 11, 2022:** Father, we thank You that in our times of sadness, we can look to You to restore our joy.  Thank You for building us up in the areas where we’ve been torn down. We cast all our cares on You, the Master Builder and Repairer. There is nothing too hard for You for You make all things new.   We thank You for the oil of joy for mourning. We seek You, Lord, for cleansing from the inside out.  Wash us, purify us, remove the stain of our guilt, and renew a loyal spirit in us. Restore to us the joy of my salvation.  We give You praise, honor, and glory for all You do for us. In Jesus’ name, we pray, Amen. Revelation 21:5 NLT and Psalm 51 NLT

**May 12, 2022:** God, our Father, Your providential care for us heal our wounds through Your grace and mercy. There is no one who can bring restoration to a poor, afflicted, and despised world as You can. Even in our days of wilderness wanderings, self-desires, and wants instead of needs, You gave us Your favor, love, and lovingkindness. When we were considered outcast, You provided a ransom and redeemed us, not only from ourselves, but also from what others may have labeled us to be. You desire to dwell among us as the Righteous and Holy One, to refresh our weariness and satisfy our weaknesses. Lord, though no one it seems may care, when doubt may begin to seep in, You step in to restore Your own. In Jesus’ name, we pray, Amen! Jeremiah 30:17 NLT

**May 13, 2022:** Father, we seek You in all we do. There are seasons in our lives when You root out, pull down, destroy, and throw down those things that are not like You.  We thank You for seasons of restoration where You build and plant.  Your Word reminds us, “to everything, there is a season, and time to every purpose under the Heaven.” Help us to be alert to recognize our seasons of building and planting. We thank You for this time in Your presence. Give us ears to hear Your voice. In Jesus’ name, we pray, Amen! Jeremiah 1:10 KJV and Ecclesiastes 3:1

**May 14, 2022:** Gracious Father, we want to seek You with full allegiance and devotion. There are times when we are looking, seeking, and giving full attention to the things of this world; material things in this world that offer no security. Our heart may settle on the temporal and the get quick schemes. Our focus can be on the created rather than our Creator. When we begin to worry, when all the “things” don’t live up to what we think, believe, or prove to be, Lord, bring us back in allegiance with You! Restore our focus on You and Your kingdom. Help us to recognize that You, our Heavenly Father, are able and willing to provide for all our needs. Let us continually invest ourselves in living and doing Your will that we may be with You in Your kingdom eternally. We ask in the almighty name of Jesus Christ. Amen!  Matthew 6:33 NLT

**UNITED PRAYER POINT: You shall receive twice more than before. Job 42:10**

**May 15, 2022:** Father in heaven, You are our divine judge. In our disputes, whether it may be with You, (yes, there are times when I may question You) or times when the dispute may be with someone, Lord, lead me to prayer, lead me on the path to seeking freedom from self-preoccupation. In times when I may be held captive by my own little world, bring me to perform my priestly duties as intercessor to comfort others. Allow me to be a blessing to others, allow me to forgive that I may be forgiven. Father, You have given us more than a double portion. You gave Your only begotten Son that we might have salvation. What more can I ask? In Jesus’ name, I pray. Amen!  Job 42:10

**May 16, 2022:** Father, we love You and thank You that You have better in store for us. Give us a spirit of humility so we are not too proud to pray for those who may have offended us. We follow the example of Job and pray for our friends, even when they have spoken wrongly about us. Your Word tells us we are to restore other believers who are overtaken in a fault in the spirit of meekness, considering ourselves lest we also be tempted.  We stand on Your Word that tells us, You work all things out for our good. We bless You for what You are doing in our lives. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen!  Galatians 6:1, Job 42:10, and Romans 8:28

**May 17, 2022:** Heavenly Father, I bless Your holy name today. I stand in awe of You. I thank You for every teachable moment in my life. I thank You for teaching me to be content in whatever state that I’m in and teaching me how to be abased and how to abound (Philippians 4:12). I understand that in life I will have trials and tribulations, I may encounter difficult times and experience various types of loss but I am not ignorant of Satan’s devices. I am not oblivious to Your power that works on my behalf. Your Word reminds me that You will never forsake me. Your Word declares that I’ve never seen the righteous forsaken nor my seed beg for bread. I declare and decree this day that I shall have no lack. I shall live and not die. I shall rise above and beyond any situation that affects me in any form or fashion. I rejoice in Your Word and I receive every blessing that is being released in my life right now. Glory to the Most High God! Lord, I thank You in advance for restoration. We give You praise, dear God. It is in Jesus’ name, we pray, Amen.

**May 18, 2022:** To God be glory, honor, and praise. Zechariah 9:12 says, "Return to Your fortress, O prisoners of hope; even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you." Father, we give You the highest praise. We say, “Hallelujah to the Lamb of God.” We stand before You with open arms and open hearts. Lord, we ask that You fill us up. Lord, strengthen us each day. Give us our daily bread. Help us to survive. Lord, so much has been lost, taken, removed, and devoured in our lives but Lord, we know that there is one thing that is unchangeable and unwavering that we can always count on and that is the Word of God. Lord, we trust Your Word and Your power. We thank You for restoring us unto You. Lord, we ask that You stir up the gifts in us. Everything that has died within us, everything that is lying dormant, and everything that has expired, we ask that You bring it back to life. Reinstate the drive in us. Reestablish the purpose and the vision for our lives. Lord, return unto us that which was lost. Help us to regenerate Your spirit within us. Dear God, for everything that we have lost, we thank You for giving us a double portion of blessings. We thank You that the future blessings will surpass the past blessings. Thank You for an open heaven. God, we bless You for it in advance, in Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

**May 19, 2022:** God, You are good and Your mercy endures forever. Father, we bless You and we worship You today. God, we thank You for Your promises. The Word of God promises that You will restore us and make us whole again. Psalm 71:20-21 declares, "Though you have made me see troubles, many and bitter, you will restore my life again; from the depths of the earth you will again bring me up. You will increase my honor and comfort me once again." Lord, restore us again. Lord, if I find favor in Your sight, hear my humble prayer. Lord, I take back everything that the enemy has robbed me of and I take it back by force. I look to the hills from which comes my help. Lord, I thank You for a season of restoration. Thank You for a season of grace and favor. Thank You that my latter will be greater. Thank You that my future is brighter and better. Lord, You are an awesome God and I worship You in spirit and in truth. To God be glory and honor, forever. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

**May 20, 2022:** Heavenly Father, You are awesome in all of Your ways. The Lord, strong and mighty, mighty in battle! The Lord is my defender and my deliverer. Lord, I thank You for delivering me from the devourer. I’m reminded of Job and the great loss that he suffered and the unwavering faith that Job sustained throughout a period of immense loss. Lord, give me the faith of Job. Help me to believe even when I can’t see. God, Your Word promises restoration. Lord, just as You restored everything that Job lost with better things, I believe that You will do the same for us. Those who believe in You, those who obey You, and those who follow You, will receive better than before. The shattered pieces of our lives will be made whole again. We will receive beauty for ashes. The first shall be last and the last shall be first. According to Deuteronomy 30:3 (The Message), “God, your God, will restore everything you lost; he'll have compassion on you; he'll come back and pick up the pieces from all the places where you were scattered.” Lord, we thank You for divine abundance in our lives. To You be all glory and honor. We thank You for Your blessings. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

**May 21, 2022:** Dear God, thank You for keeping me in perfect peace. Thank You for keeping my mind stayed on Thee. Even when the enemy thought he had me, You kept me. Thank You for being my strong tower and my shield. Lord, even though I’ve encountered many setbacks and many disappointments, You have been my strength and my deliverer. It is written that the enemy comes to kill, steal, and destroy. But You, O Lord, You come that I may have life more abundantly. Your Word says that You would cause me to prosper in all things. Your Word declares that You would restore our health and heal our wounds. (Jeremiah 30:17) Lord, whatever the enemy has robbed of us, we declare that it is restored unto us sevenfold. We thank You for rebuilding homes, replenishing finances, divine health, renewed minds, and supernatural blessings. Father God, help us to stand firm when we are faced with challenges. Lord, cleanse our hearts and allow Your love to remain constant in our lives. Give us perseverance through each episode of our lives for we know that the best is yet to come. All glory and honor belongs to You, Lord, for great and mighty things are in store for those who believe. I believe that my greater is on the way. God, we bless Your holy name and we honor You. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

**UNITED PRAYER POINT: Lord, reestablish our hearts. Colossians 3:1**

**May 22, 2022:** Dear Heavenly Father, without You in my life, I wander around aimlessly. I’m out of focus and distracted. So, once again, I go to You for guidance and direction. Bring Your order to my life. Tell my heart again about how You love me endlessly, beyond all measure. Reveal to me if I must let go of something. I am here, oh Lord, speak to me. Show me. Clear away the clutter in my mind so I may see clearly. Establish Your sacred order in my every day thoughts and life. Set Your heavenly priorities upon my heart. Fill me with the spirit of truth. Guide me, oh Lord, as You did for Your beloved son, Jesus. He went seeking Your presence for guidance and comfort, and Christ did not lose his way. Even when he saw pain and sacrifice ahead of him, my Lord chose the narrow path that leads to God’s glory. Bring Your love and mercy to my center, that I may receive Christ deep in my soul. I won’t do if perfectly, I may stumble or stray, but Lord, always bring me back to the path that leads to my salvation: my life, my love, my faith in Christ Jesus. Guide me along his path. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

**May 23, 2022:**  Oh thou, who art the Father of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. You are my strength, my rock, and my deliverer. When I prayed, You saved me from discouragement and despair. I called out to You in my distress and You heard my voice. Your voice returned my call. You reached down from heaven and took hold of me. The enemies of death and destruction were too strong for me. They confronted me, because You delight in me. Oh God, in my times of tribulation and need, strengthen me. You are my strength and my shield; You are my refuge, a very present help in times of trouble. Father, I know that Your eyes go to and fro throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts long for You. The body has grown weary, but my hope is in You to renew my strength. I do not fear for You are with me. I am not dismayed or overwhelmed for You are my God. I know You will strengthen me and help me, that You will uphold me with Your righteous hand. I trust and lean on You. Build my courage to face the day. Let it not fill me with pride, instead may I be humbled knowing that in some small way I imitate Christ. This I pray in Jesus’ name, Amen.

**May 24, 2022:** Heavenly Father, I humbly come before You today. With body bent and my head bowed towards mother earth. I thank You for the blessings You have bestowed upon me. I praise Your name because You answer my prayers. Show me, oh Lord, a new way. Break down any structure that traps me. Cast out the liar that tells me, “You can’t.” Open my mind to see with eyes of grace, make my thought quick and nimble. Strengthen my arms to carry the heavy load. And when I have to wait, let me wait, and rest in my beloved Savior, my Lord. Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne. You are the way, the truth and the life. May Your Word sink into my heart and take possession of my soul. Let me place Your will for me above all other things. Oh Heavenly Father, by Your Holy Spirit, establish Your order inside me, then extend it to the rest of my life. Let me always remember that outside of Your will I can do nothing; however, if I abide in You, my life brings forth great fruit. Let it be this way for me, oh Lord. Take control of my life. Show me Your will and let me rest in humble obedience. This is Your will: seek Christ. Believe in him. Have everlasting life. Be resurrected. According to Your will and Your way, all for Your glory alone. In Jesus’ name, Amen!

**May 25, 2022:** Father God, Your Word says in Jeremiah 11:24, “Therefore I say to unto you, what things so ever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.” Father God, thank You for word that is true and just, and that will do everything that it says it will do. Lord, You have shown Yourself worthy and faithful, You have answered many of my prayers, several of them small, and many of them big. I call the small blessings, nuggets. I also work hard to remind myself, and those with whom I come in contact, to not overlook the nuggets. Oftentimes, we look for signs that will manifest in a huge blaze of glory or an explosion with huge fanfare, but I’m reminded of our Savior as he rode into Jerusalem on the colt of a donkey. When the people heard that their king was coming, they were probably thinking about this great knight in shining armor on a great stallion; but Lord, in Your humble spirit, You came into Jerusalem on the colt of a donkey. Everything that is flashy and eye-catching does not necessarily have substance. When we pray, we must be thankful for the nuggets, and if we’re faithful and believe that we will receive the nuggets, then our Father in heaven will bless us with the overflow as well. Thank You, Lord, for Your love, grace, and mercy. It’s in Jesus’ name, I pray, Amen.

**May 26, 2022:** Father God, Your Word says in Psalm 51:12, “Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.” Father, I remember the excitement, joy, and exuberant feeling I had on the day that I accepted Your son, Jesus, as my Lord and Savior. There was a fire inside of me that kept me on a natural high for weeks and months. I was excited about reading and studying Your Word, and communing with You in prayer. As I grew in my relationship with You, the stresses, commitments, and responsibilities of life have affected the time I spend and commune with You. I thank You for the gift of the Holy Spirit that is always there to keep me grounded and to remind me of my purpose. Father, I pray for a stronger discernment, power, discipline, and commitment to You, and I walk in my purpose. Rekindle that fire inside of me. Holy Spirit, chastise me when I fall short, and build me up where I’m weak. Lord, I come before You broken, as I seek Your face, and pray for Your forgiveness, grace, and mercy. It’s in Jesus’ name, I pray, Amen.

**May 27, 2022:** Father God, Your Word says in 1 Peter 5:10, “And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen and establish you.” Father, Your Word also says that in this life we will have trials. The enemy will not rest, and is going to and fro seeking to find whom he may destroy. Lord, I am thankful for the trials, storms, and roadblocks. I realize now that those situations provide an opportunity for me to be pruned and shaped by You, so that You will get all the glory. We are called to witness to the lost as believers, so we must have a story to tell. Father God, You provide the testimony for us, by bringing us through each and every trial and tribulation. When we are in the midst of the storm, it may feel like we’re alone and You’re not there with us, but just as You were with the disciples on the ship in the midst of the storm, I believe that You are always with me. Father, help me to not be concerned about what people may say as I am within the storm, because I know that You will provide the victory, and it will be for all to see. It’s in Jesus’ name, I pray, Amen.

**May 28, 2022:** Father God, Your Word says in 1 John 5:4, “For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.” Father God, thank You for Your son, Jesus, and the gift of salvation. If it were not for Your love and compassion for us, we would be a hopeless and destitute people. Adam passed on the first and most powerful generational curse, and had You not chose us, we would be doomed to sin, with no chance to repent and seek forgiveness. You sacrificed our elder brother, Jesus, who took on the sins of the world, that we might have a right to the Tree of Life. His sacrifice on Calvary’s cross gave us an opportunity to rebuild the relationship with You, Father, if we accept Jesus as Lord, and cultivate our faith to hold Your commandments and statutes in our heart. Father God, we also thank You for the gift of the Holy Spirit that keeps us grounded and guides us in all truth, if we are open to his guidance. Dear Lord, help me to stay focused on Your face and Your Word, so that You will always be with me, even when it may seem like You aren’t. Help to keep my temple pure and clean, so that I am always able to rebuild it from a solid foundation when the need arises. It’s in Jesus’ name, I pray, Amen.

**UNITED PRAYER POINT: When you pray, trust, and believe, you shall have them. Mark 11:24**

**May 29, 2022:** Father in heaven, I praise You for Your faithfulness to me. You are loving and kind to me, You are always present, always available, and always protecting. You never let Your Word come back void. If You say it, I know I can believe it. Father, I ask that You would give me increased capacity for unshakable faith. Show me each day Your hand in my life, in the big and small things I go through! I praise You for renewed faith and trust in You! In Jesus’ name. Amen!

**May 30, 2022:** Lord in heaven, You are the way, the truth, and the life. You sent Your son to us, to die for us, and to rise so that we, too, could be reunited to You. We have hope that no matter what is going on in our life, You are there. You are present, and You have given us an everlasting future. Lord, in this space of struggle and uncertainty, give me peace. Restore my hope and faith that You are moving, that You are still in control, and that I have no reason to worry, because victory is already mine through Christ Jesus. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

**May 31, 2022:** Dear Lord, even as I offer this prayer to You right now, I am praying in faith. After all, I can’t see You or hear You with my physical senses. I don’t know You’re there in the way I know the tree outside my window is there but I take You at Your word, indeed, Your Word. I believe that You hear my prayers and so I pray. Yet, Lord, You know how often I wrestle with doubt and uncertainty. I would like to have more faith, and more consistent faith. I would like to trust You more and so I ask for this gift. Help me, Lord, to pray according to Your Will. Help me to pray with confidence that comes from Your Spirit. Even when I am uncertain, may I still pray, having faith in You. All praise be to You, gracious God, because You hear my prayers and strengthen my faith.  In Jesus’ name, Amen.