

PRAYER REQUEST

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*“Cast all your cares upon Him; for He cares for you.” (1 Peter 5:7)*

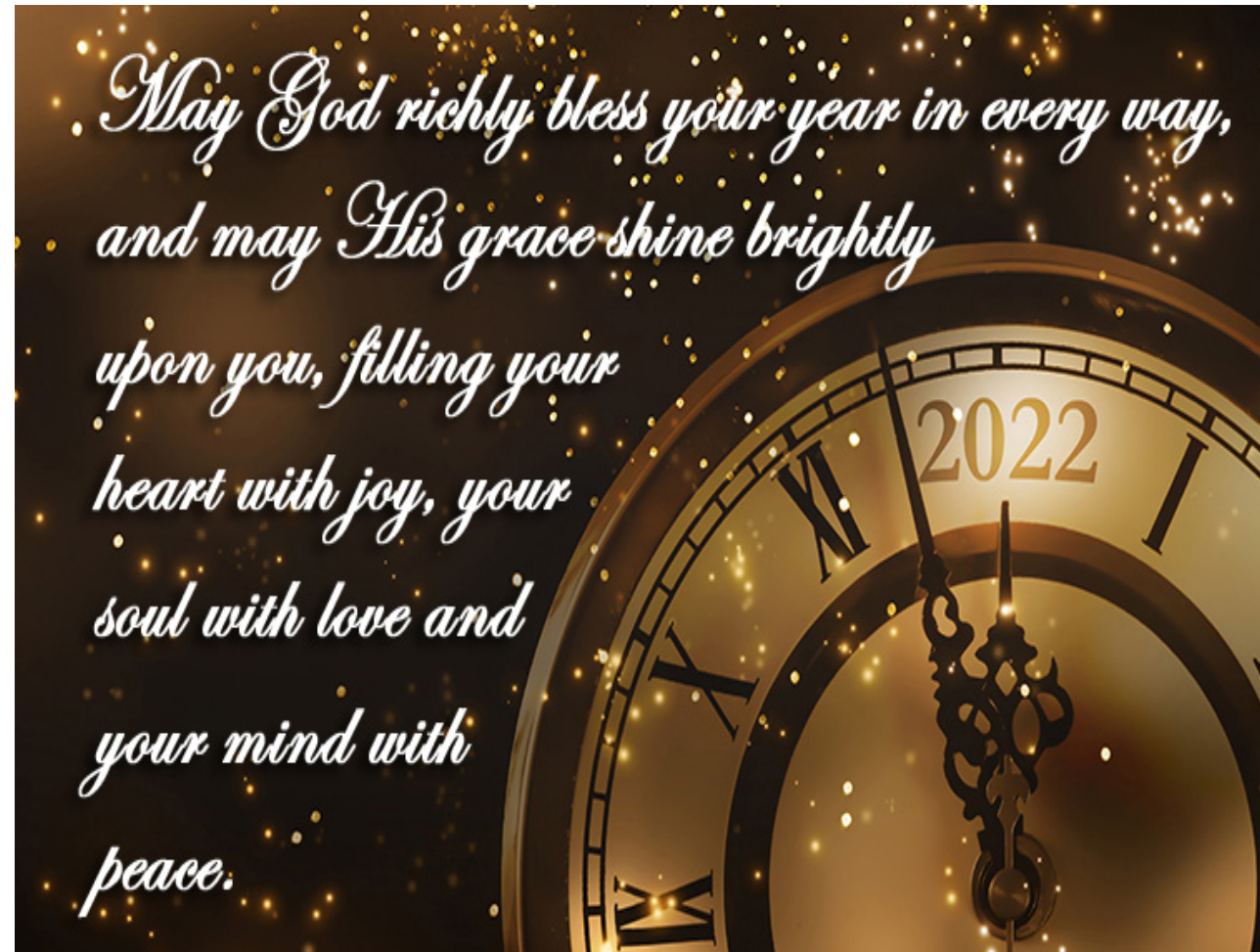
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# Open Door Partner

***“Victory through Christ”***

***January 2022 “Happy New Year’s”***



**May the Lord Keep and Bless you in this New Year!**

***“You crown the year with Your goodness,  
And Your paths drip with abundance.” PSALM 65:11***

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## David's Desk



2021 went by a bit confusing and chaotic in our nation, but God has allowed us to enjoy and give thanks for the multitude of blessings poured out on Open Door Ministries through the year. We owe all to the Lord and each of you who has listened and given from the kindness and generosity of your hearts. Thanks be to Jesus Christ and our great support system through Him.

During the course of this past year, numerous men here have accepted or rekindled their relationship with Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Of those, many have also been baptized in the Spirit. We have had our trials with a “new start”, but are persevering through the grace and mercy of our Lord. We believe that each man coming through our doors have been led here by the spirit of God. We confidently believe that a seed has been planted in each man when they graduate and/or exit this program.

We received numerous blessings from so many churches and individuals, which made this Christmas beautiful and merry for all. We would like to thank everyone for the gracious gifts and prayers. We pray you all have a blessed and prosperous New Year! Let's get'er done for Jesus in 2022!

## Testimony of Grace



My name is Joe C. and I'm 57 years old. I'm originally from the southern part of New Hampshire. My childhood growing up there appeared pretty normal on the outside. I was in church with my Mom and Little League with my dad. Everything seemed like a typical life.

I wasn't that old when I started to realize the brokenness of that home. There was excessive drinking and a dad that traveled, more and more, for “work”. He was rarely home. When he was around, it was “cool” to have a sip off of the beers I would bring him. Soon, I was helping myself to those beers and then, his hard liquor. By age 14, I was a daily drinker, which led me through the progression of something harder until I was age 18; drugs. I developed a cocaine addiction that would stay with me for over 25 years.

For most of those years using drugs, I considered myself as a “functional addict”. I made decent career choices in life, was married twice, helped raise my second wife's two daughters to be successful women, bought a house, and owned many “worldly” possessions. But, I also lived very selfishly and recklessly. I survived multiple incidents including many possible arrests, several car wrecks, a motorcycle accident, and two overdoses; all of which should have proven fatal.

In my mid-forties, this “functional addict” realized he was out of control. I found myself in my first, of many, secular rehabs. Eventually, after losing everything of this world, the Lord led me to a faith-based rehab in Manchester, New Hampshire. I did very well there while developing a close relationship with Jesus Christ. I thought I had completely given my life to Him and surrendered. Because of what I considered, at the time as personal offenses, I took back my own will. After three years, I left the safety of that community of faith.

I moved to Jacksonville, North Carolina and by not knowing anyone there, I began to isolate. I fell away from God and went back to the bottle. That was the beginning of another slide into darkness.

Regardless of my mistakes and disobedience, the Lord is faithful and merciful! He led me to Open Door Ministries where I was able to rekindle my prayer life and my relationship with Jesus. I was able to fall back into a life of structure and surrounded by men of God.

I have been truly blessed and thankful to be here. I believe the Lord has brought me here for a purpose. Though I may not completely understand the path He has laid in front of me, I have heard His voice, yet again, and this time I pray He gives me the strength to listen and the clarity to understand.

The verse I stand on is **Jeremiah 29:11**;

*“For I know the plans I have for you,” says the Lord. “They are plans for good and not disaster, to give you a future and a hope.”*  
Amen!

## Daily Needs List

Bleach, Dish Detergent, Laundry Detergent (preferably pods), Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Hand Sanitizer, Spray Disinfectant, CLR Cleaner, Furniture Polish, Murphy's Oil Soap, Latex Gloves, Ink Pens, Loose-Leaf Notebook Paper, Standard & Legal Copy Paper, 1” 3-Hole Hard Back Binders, Stamps, Envelopes, AA & AAA Batteries, Bibles (preferably NLT), Compact Disc Recordable (CD-R), Area Rugs, Yard Rakes, Wheel Barrel, Work Gloves, 39 and 13 Gallon Trash Bags, Milk, Sugar, Salad Dressings, Mayo, Mustard/Ketchup, Salt/Pepper, Washable Cups, Aluminum Foil, Zip-Lock Storage Bags (Quart and Gallon), Coffee, Wal-Mart Gift Cards, and/or Food Lion Gift Cards, Appliances

And As Always, Open Door Needs  
Your Donations To Pay For Monthly  
Operating Costs. May God Bless You!