

PASTORAL PRAYER

Feb. 17, 1963

Author, Founder, Creator, God, we worship Thee here. We come before Thee in the name and honor of Jesus Christ, who is both thy Son and Thyself, and yet is also one of us.

We praise Thee for the common, everyday nice things of life. We like our friends with whom we can share interesting experiences and amusing stories. We love our family members, in spite of occasional points of friction with them. We enjoy the bountiful food, the means of moving about so that we may enjoy this beautiful land, the freedom we have to discuss things of interest and importance, and many other things which are so much a part of our lives. We thank Thee for all these, and for everything else too.

Since Thou has made us of such nature that we are never satisfied, we do not hesitate to ask thee for favors and desires which we do not possess. We request of Thee comfort for the grieving, guidance for newly-weds, both physical and spiritual nurture for children and youth, relief

Feb. 14, 1963

My dear friends, I am writing to you today because I want to share with you the joy and peace of Jesus Christ who is both the Son and himself, and yet is also one of us.

We praise God for the common everyday things of life. We like our friends with whom we can share interesting experiences and must share. We love our family members, in spite of occasional points of friction with them. We enjoy the wonderful food, the means of working about so that we may enjoy this beautiful land, the freedom we have to discuss things of interest and importance, and many other things which are so much a part of our lives. We thank God for all these, and for everything else too.

Since God has made us of such nature that we are never satisfied, we do not hesitate to ask God for love and happiness which we do not yet possess. We request of God comfort for the striving, evidence for revival, both physical and spiritual, for children and youth, relief

for the cold and hungry and persecuted
In addition, privately each of us has
requests to make of Thee. The res-
ponse~~s~~ is in Thy hands alone. In
strong and continued faith we will
accept as best whatever answers Thou
mayest give to these requests.

We would be awake enough through
the remainder of this service so that
we may apprehend Thy presence in all
the elements of worship.

Hear our Prayer. Use us in Thy
service. In Jesus Name. Amen.

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accept as best whatever answers they
may give to these requests.

It would be well enough through
the remainder of the service so that
we may represent the presence in all
the elements of worship.

For our prayer. Use us in the
service. In Jesus Name. Amen.