

**FRIENDS OF FAITH**  
**-Tour Across America-**  
**40-Day Prayer Walk**  
Day 1

God promises us in Jeremiah 33:3 that if we call on Him in prayer, He will

- hear us
- answer us
- tell us great and unsearchable things we do not know.

How incredible that the God who spoke all things into being loves you and me so much that He desires—yes, *desires*—to communicate with us! I could rest in that truth all day. How about you?

So, FRIENDS OF FAITH – Tour Across America directors and team, here we are: 40 days from your area event! Welcome to our traditional 40-Day Prayer Walk; thank you for joining. It will be through this time that we will discover the wonderful plans and surprises God has in store for us!

**Here's how our 40-Prayer Walk will work:** Each morning you'll receive that day's focal prayer and related scripture passage. If you like to pray while you walk or run, then make that your date with God on behalf of our upcoming event! Perhaps you prefer to pray at your kitchen sink, at your desk, in the car. The point is, make the prayer walk work for you! What's so wonderful is that we're going to be raising our voices to God each day, agreeing with one another about what we want Him to do for and through our upcoming FRIENDS OF FAITH. I find that image so motivating!

Let's start today on Day One by reading the promises of Jeremiah 33:3. Let's thank God for His promise to hear us and answer us as we call out to Him. Let's then, pray giving thanks for the women God has chosen to be a part of this mighty team. Let's pray that that we each will commit to the call to pray daily.

Giving thanks for you,  
Kim

## 40-Day Prayer Walk Day 2

“They all joined together...in prayer.” —Acts 1:14

Welcome to Day 2 of our FRIENDS OF FAITH 40-day prayer walk!

This is going to be a great faith walk as “we all join together...in prayer.” I’m sure we will see God do mighty things in the planning of your area event. I also expect to see Him respond to the personal requests you have tucked away in your hearts.

I was reminded during my prayer time yesterday that prayer is not only powerful, but at times it becomes very practical. I’ve learned that as I pray it’s good to ask God what is *my* part in making that prayer come to pass.

So, in our future emails, you’ll find three categories each day: ***Passage*** (of scripture), ***Prayer***, and ***Practical*** (not always in that order). **Let’s pray today** that during the next 39 days together, we read our *passage*, *pray* accordingly, and then see if there is a *practical* way in which we are to individually respond. By doing this we are preparing ourselves for the powerful prayer that is to follow!

Joining with you in prayer,  
Kim

## 40-Day Prayer Walk Day 3

**Passage:** “So take courage! For I believe God. It will be just as he said.” —Acts 27:25 (NLT)

Some things are too much out of my control for comfort. If there’s a task I can do alone, my attitude is “let me at it!” But when circumstances take me beyond my power to execute the plan, I can get nErVOus!

At those times, I have learned to recall Paul’s words. During a violent storm, as others worried about being shipwrecked, Paul stood against worry and declared, *Take courage. I believe it will be just as God said it will be.*

Our courage to stand in the storms of life also rests in what God has said. What is the storm beyond your team’s control today? Even though those around you may claim the ship is rocking, think back to what *God* has said. That’s the truth in which you can stand today.

**Prayer:** Today, will you join me in praying for the hands and minds of those who are helping us with our event? The hosting church, those helping with advertising, all the workers preparing for our event and that it will, indeed, be just as God has said it will be—a group called to share the ministry of friendship with all who attend.

**Practical:** What’s one practical step you could take today to help someone know about our upcoming event? How can you take your stand and be courageous in seeing what God has promised is accomplished?

Believing in His promises,  
Kim

## 40-Day Prayer Walk Day 4

**Passage:** “Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.” —Romans 12:12

God empowers our daily prayers. His power is our hope as we tell Him our personal needs. What is your personal need today? In what affliction is God reminding you to be patient? As we pray today, our joy can be in the fact that as we are faithful to pray, God has already promised to be faithful to answer.

**Prayer:** Continue to pray faithfully for those things that are concerning your event. Your registration has gone live. Today we can pray specifically for all those who are to attend. Picture your venue full of friends-to-be-made. Even though you can't see their faces or know them by name, be joyful and faithful in your prayer for them.

**Practical:** Don't forget to pray for yourself! List your personal prayer requests. Next, is there anything that comes to mind that you can do to invite women to our FRIENDS OF FAITH event? We know there are many ways, but what is your way? Me...I'm going to ask God to lead me every day to specific women that I can personally invite. I'm also going to put a piece of paper on my kitchen cabinet and write down names that come to my mind. Then I'll be sure and reach out to them. There's nothing like a personal invitation! Then I'm going to keep praying—faithfully and patiently!

Love to each of you,  
Kim

## 40-Day Prayer Walk Day 5

**Passage:** “[We] will give our attention to prayer.” —Acts 6:4

If you are like me, then just as you begin your prayer time a zillion things start fighting for your attention. The laundry buzzer goes off, the timer on your phone rings, the dog starts chewing the rug. You get the picture, right? Rather than getting frustrated, I decided long ago to begin my prayers whether or not the environment was perfect. Part of my preparation is to expect the unexpected. That way the interruptions are just that—interruptions—and not prayer-time stealers.

**Practical:** We need to have a plan in place for how to “give our attention to prayer” over the next 35 days. We don’t want to miss what God has planned during this upcoming FRIENDS OF FAITH event.

**Prayer:** Ask God to protect your time today so you can pray without distraction for those God puts on your heart. Let’s pray as our team considers décor and specific jobs. Let’s pray that we will all be alert to how to make the community aware of our event. Who might you know at the local newspaper to help with publicity? What radio station in your area airs information on community events free of charge? Where can you post a flyer? Let’s ask God to be in the details as we give “attention” to what He says in response to our calling on Him.

May God be in every detail!  
Kim

## 40-Day Prayer Walk Day 6

**Passage:** “Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good life, by deeds done in humility that comes from wisdom.” —James 3:13

I was blown away in a recent leadership meeting. We had worked hard all morning —planning, seeking God’s intentions for our event. We each had our long to-do lists, but we each also had that good feeling that comes from making progress. Before we concluded, I asked for personal prayer requests. Without hesitation, one woman said, “Let’s pray that we are the women God wants us to be, so that even before one Bible verse is spoken, all women who attend will see Jesus in us.” The other women nodded in agreement. I was so touched! What a group!

James reminds us in the passage above that the best demonstration of Christ in our life is our deeds. But not just any deeds, he reminds us. The deeds that really glorify God are those done through sincere humility.

**Prayer:** Let’s pray for continued humble service. We don’t want to have an event that simply talks about friendship, we want to show the attributes of friendship. What a beautiful calling God has given to each of us.

**Practical:** You know the old saying “Our lives may be the only Bible someone reads today”? Ask God to guide you to those who need to see Him through your humility today. Then pray they will attend our event and experience the true meaning of unconditional love, acceptance...and all the other qualities of true friendship.

Let His light shine through you,  
Kim

## 40-Day Prayer Walk Day 7

**Passage:** “If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.” —James 1:5

Information is everywhere. Television commercials, billboards, magazine covers, web ads: They’re all designed to make us feel we’re lacking something essential if we don’t consume the information they are selling. James, on the other hand, tells us we have a source to go to any time we feel we lack information or understanding about an issue in our lives. And this Source will never make us feel condemned or inadequate. This Source—God—promises to give generously and freely. Now that, my friends, is my information center of choice!

In what area of your life do you seek wisdom today? God loves it when we ask His advice, so let’s ask, and then listen carefully. I have found He normally answers in one of these three ways:

- through the Bible
- through His people (Sometimes I have overheard people talking in the grocery store and later realized that was God’s way of sharing His wisdom with me.)
- through our circumstances

**Prayer:** In what areas is your team struggling to find direction or answers? What is most concerning to you? List your concerns as a team and ask God for His guidance today. He promises to show up with the best way!

**Practical:** Where God’s word leads, let’s be sure our work follows. As He gives His answers generously, let’s be sure and follow through expediently and obediently.

Thanks, friends! Your daily prayer is the key that will unlock all God’s blessings this season.

God’s blessings,  
Kim