



Clayton Baptist Church

## ADVENT JOY

Always be joyful. (NLT) Rejoice always (NIV)

### 1 THESSALONIANS 5:16

Life's circumstances won't always be great. We would be hypocrites to suggest otherwise. HOWEVER....when we go through the 'stuff' that the everyday grind throws at us, we CAN BE 100% sure that Jesus has gone before us, he is beside us and is walking behind us (Psalm 139: 5 '*You go before me and follow me*'). Therefore we have a hope within. We can be hopeful rather than hope-less. We may feel anxious, worried –normal human emotions – but we can also KNOW a peace that doesn't make sense to our worried brains and tense, knotted bodies. It is because of these things that we can always be joyful. Pray that God will enable through your circumstances to facilitate joy to shine from your eyes, whatever smile you can muster and tone of voice through the words you can utter and speak JOY into the hearts of those you meet in the coming days. Share advent joy.

## INTO THE UNKNOWN BEYOND 40 DAYS OF PRAYER VOL. 11



As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup> “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” <sup>18</sup> At once they left their nets and followed him.

MARK 1: 14-20 NIV

Remember that God loves people with a NEVER STOPPING, NEVER GIVING UP, UNBREAKING, ALWAYS AND FOREVER LOVE ( Jesus story book bible). He loves YOU like that and he loves everyone you walk by like that.

Let's ask God to give us eyes to see people the way he sees them. Ears to hear people the way he hears them...not just the words people are saying. But what they aren't saying....Ask God to give us an extra dose of his Spirit so we can discern the right words to say or not say when we are with someone. Ask him to know our role in a persons journey...are we bating the hook, throwing out the line or reeling them in...the role doesn't matter -it's fishing that counts!

# Fishers of Men

## WHO ARE YOU FISHING FOR?

Write the names of people you would like to pray for in your pond. Write the names of people your are praying/fishing for on the fish. Pray for Catch of the Day!