

Dear friend,

Date

As we spend this meal together, may you know you are celebrated as a beloved sister in Christ.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 reminds us that there is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens.

Just as springtime is around the corner with the birds singing and the flowers blooming, you are entering a new season where you will sing praises and bloom where you are planted – at the beautiful community and your new mission field. Know that He has planted you there this spring “for such a time as this.” You have work to do. You have an assignment at your new community. I can’t wait to hear how God is using you to share the love of Christ with the residents and staff!

Look for where God is working and join Him there. Clothe yourself in words of affirmation to those who serve you. Pray for them, too! Ask them how you can pray for them!

Keep up your physical strength with exercises and water. Keep up your spiritual strength in God’s Word and prayer. Finish strong, my beloved sister in Christ.

Christine

Below is my personal prayer for you based on Colossians 1:1-14

To my beloved sister in Christ. Grace and peace to you from God our Father.

I thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when I pray for you because I have witnessed signs of your faith in Christ Jesus and your love for God’s people which comes from your confident hope of what God has reserved for you in heaven. And you are ready to partake in His Kingdom when He calls you home.

This same Good News that came to you is going out all over the world. It is bearing fruit everywhere by changing lives, just as it changed your life from the day you first heard and understood the truth about God's wonderful, undeserved grace that He gifted us with when we accepted His gift through our Lord Jesus Christ.

You have been enriched with friends and fellow sisters in Christ who have poured out love, grace, and mercy as beloved co-heirs in Christ with you.

I have not stopped praying for you since I first heard about your move to a new place. I ask God to give you complete knowledge of His will and to give you spiritual wisdom and understanding. Then the way you live will always honor and please the Lord, and your life will produce every kind of good fruit. All the while, you will grow as you continue to know God better and better.

I also pray that you will be strengthened with all of God's glorious power so you will have all the endurance and patience you need. May you be filled with joy, too, always thanking God for His Son who purchased our freedom and forgave our sins – our past, present, and future sins.

Keep living in the light and be sure to carry out the ministry the Lord gave you.

May God's grace be with you,

Your friend,