***A Prayer Journey in the New Year:***

January 2023

Welcome to the third week of January! Please continue setting aside a time each day to meditate on some Scripture and to pray about some specific questions along with me.

Week 3:

I. Verses to meditate on this week:

A. Isaiah 43:1-3a:

*But now thus says the Lord,  
he who created you, O Jacob,  
    he who formed you, O Israel:  
“Fear not, for I have redeemed you;  
    I have called you by name, you are mine.*

*When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
    and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;  
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,  
    and the flame shall not consume you.  
For I am the Lord your God,  
    the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.*

B. Hebrews 12:28-29:

*Therefore, let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe,**for our God is a consuming fire.*

II. Pray with me through the Lord’s Prayer each day. Concentrate on God’s provision:

*…Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.…*

III. Aids for prayer (you can pray about one of these each day of the week or all each day, whatever seems natural to you):

1. How does the Lord want us to build bridges to people?

2. How do we show our joy and gratitude to God so that others may see it?

3. What prevents us from demonstrating gracious boldness?

4. How are we allowing God’s faithfulness to shape our attitude and approach to ministry?

5. How do we connect the Gospel to the concerns and fears people are expressing today?