

## BRING IN THE SAINTS

*The task ahead of us is never as great as the Power behind us!*

My last trip to the hospital (5<sup>th</sup> this year) reminded me how precious people are, especially those who care for you when you are unable to care for yourself. Have you ever been in a situation like this? From experience, we have visited many people in hospitals, nursing homes and in their own homes. You see the need for special care, don't you? The people who helped me on the road to recovery are some of the best at what they do.

There is one aid that really stood out. He seemed to have a sixth sense of what you needed help with. This was his second day on the job. In visiting with him, we learned that he is interviewing with several medical schools in hope that he will be accepted in the fall of 2018. His name is Luke.

The next morning when he came in I thought I would show off how smart I was by sharing with him that the third book in the New Testament is named "*Luke*." He replied by telling me about an assignment he was given in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade at the public school he was attending. Each of the students were to select something or someone as the subject of an essay. Luke picked "*Luke*" from the bible. He said he researched this book and while working on the assignment, this is when he decided to become a doctor. He would like to work as a surgeon in the emergency room. It's amazing what God's Word works in our hearts.

Later that day he took me for a walk around the 3-west hallway. He asked me about my favorite bible passage. He stumped me at first because there are so

Luke said his favorite passage is from [Jeremiah 29:11](#) "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

many. [Galatians 6:2](#) "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ." [Romans 8:28](#) "And we know that in all things God works **for** the good of those who love him, who have been **called** according to **his purpose**."



This makes one realize what can be gained by being in God's word. I found out I wasn't the only one that knew about the third book in the New Testament of "*Luke*" who was a doctor!

This gives us an opportunity and privilege to be in prayer for the people who serve. Especially for those who make their vocation based on reading the bible and a Christian faith.

I would be remiss if I didn't ask you the question that Luke asked me. "What is your favorite bible passage?"

Our goal here has always been to encourage the saints, that is believers, with stories like this one.



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