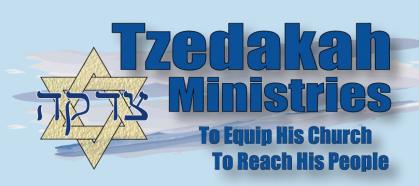
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# They Need Jesus ... Desperately

On the next page is a remembrance written in memory of the modern martyr Oscar Romero. My mama knew I always struggled with wanting to accomplish EVERYTHING and to do it RIGHT NOW. She would love this "missionary prayer" and would want me to read it daily.

It is so hard as a missionary to watch the people of your heart who need Jesus so desperately yet heading to Hell so relentlessly and not want to throw yourself literally before the Gates of Hell. To not beg as Paul did in Romans 9:1-5, even with the ink of 8:35-39 still drying on the parchment behind him, that he was willing to go to Hell for them if they would only believe. And, yes, I have been there as well with the names and faces in my heart, soul, and mind.

Yet, I have to trust on God's grand picture and plan. I have to know that I cannot see tomorrow but I can trust in Him who knows what is in store. I have to rely on God's (continue on page 2)



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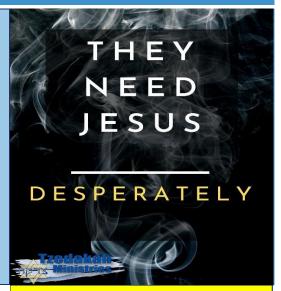
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future because today I have to admit I can be fearful.

For this has been a difficult period with COVID and an emotional time with so many losses for all of us. Yet, the Jewish people need Jesus and they need Him desperately. This is one of the reasons Tzedakah Ministries has begun this focus to renew our focus on what is truly important in 2021 and beyond. We can trust Him and we need to share His truth desperately!

Amy Downey -- President



#### Missionary Prayer - Ken Untener

It helps, now and then, to step back and take a long view.

The kingdom is not only beyond our efforts, it is even beyond our vision. We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work.

No statement says all that could be said.

No prayer fully expresses our faith.

No confession brings perfection.

No program accomplishes the Church's mission.

No set of goals and objectives includes everything.

This is what we are about.

We plant the seeds that one day will grow.

We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise.

We lay foundations that will need further development.

We provide yeast that produces far beyond our capabilities.

We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that.

This enables us to do something, and to do it very well.

It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest.

We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker.

We are workers, not master builders; ministers, not messiahs.

We are prophets of a future not our own.

"This is what we are about. We plant the seeds that one day will grow."

### #TheyNeedJesus Focus Schedule for 2021

January ... NOW (Romans 1:16)

February ... SINCE (Luke 23:34)

March ... DESPERATELY (Romans 9:1-3)

April ... BECAUSE (John 4:22)

May ... RADICALLY (Romans 10:1-4)

June ... TODAY (Romans 11:11)

July ... COMPLETELY (Jeremiah 31:31-34)

August ... TRULY (Romans 10:15)

September ... ALWAYS (Romans 11:26)

October ... INTENSELY (Matthew 23:37-39)

November ... STILL (Romans 10:9-13)

December ... WHOLLY (Zechariah 12:10)