

SEPTEMBER 1, 2020  
TAKING FAITH HOME  
REORDERING



*It's time to reorder for next year!*

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary text for this day.

**Tuesday**      **1 Timothy 4:6-16**      **A good minister of Jesus Christ**  
**Deuteronomy 6:4-9**      **Keep these words in your heart**

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR TODAY

Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

**Deuteronomy 6:7 (NRSV)**

### REORDERING INFORMATION

The traditional church year begins with the season of Advent which begins this year on November 29, 2020. This current year *Taking Faith Home* (Cycle A) version will end on Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 2020.

### **NOW IS THE TIME TO ORDER FOR NEXT YEAR!**

Visit our store at: [store.milestonesministry.org](http://store.milestonesministry.org)  
Or call: 1-304-300-0836

*Taking Faith Home* (Cycle B) 2020 - 2021 can be purchased as an online download (with no shipping charges) for \$49.95 or as a CDROM for \$49.95 plus shipping. We recommend purchasing the download for our international customers due to the higher shipping costs.



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### HYMN OF THE WEEK

*Lord, Let My Heart  
Be Good Soil*



### WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

### CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Have you personally used *Taking Faith Home* this past year? If so, how?
- In what ways have you encouraged others in the congregation and community to use *Taking Faith Home*?
- Have you heard a story this past year about someone using *Taking Faith Home*? With whom and how did they use it? How was it a blessing for them and others?

### DEVOTIONS

*Read:* Deuteronomy 6:4-9.

We are not born with faith embedded in our DNA structure. Teaching the faith and passing on the faith to the next generation does not happen through the work of congregations alone. It never has; it never will. In Deuteronomy one sees the power of cross-generational conversation and rituals and traditions that help children and adults be nourished in God's word for a life of faith. People need to be immersed into a faith-filled environment in the home to become fluent in a faith language. It does not happen in one hour a week. Who has helped you grow in the Christian faith? How can you walk with others and support them in living God's word?

*Pray:* **Loving God, thank you for your word of life that gives us hope and joy and is a source of encouragement to us as we grow in grace through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### SERVICE

Send a copy of *Taking Faith Home* by mail or electronically to a friend, neighbor, or nearby congregation to make them aware of this valuable faith formation resource.

### RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

*Taking Faith Home* bulletin inserts are based on the Revised Common Lectionary. There is an insert for each Sunday, special days, and some holidays. Each insert includes the essential Four Key Faith Practices of caring conversations, devotions, service, and rituals and traditions. They also include the weekly theme, daily Bible readings, a scripture verse, a weekly prayer, a mealtime prayer, a blessing to give, a hymn, and a time to talk about mountain highs and valley lows. Which of the Four Key Faith Practices help you the most in being nurtured with the word of God? Which of these practices help you to share God's word with others? Consider distributing the *Taking Faith Home* user guide to each of your congregational members in November to refresh current users and assist new users on how to best utilize this faith formation resource.



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: [www.milestonesministry.org](http://www.milestonesministry.org)