

APRIL

As I thank you for the gift of the wonderful people I have met along the journey of life. Some of them have inspire me, stretched me, challenged me, love me, and encourage me. All of them helped me to realize how meaningful and beautiful my life is. I love my GFS family and bless them with good health, security, wealth, success, peace and Lord, in your mercy grant their prayers too.

Lord God, of all creation we give you thanks not only with our lips, but with our hearts, mind and soul. Every day is a gift. Each day is a blessing. Open our eyes to your living presence in each other. Help us grow stronger each day in faith, hope and love. We ask you this through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy spirit forever and ever. *Amen*

Dear Heavenly Father we commit all women everywhere. Lord help us to be capable, intelligent, and women of faith, diligent, generous and spiritually strong. May love and kindness always be in our hearts and on our lips. We pray for single women, young women, mothers, grandmothers and especially our girls and women in our GFS family who are feeling hopeless and afraid or not loved. We pray for all women and girls that have been abused or mistreated. And those that have been led into sex trafficking. The burden they carry is so very heavy. Lord they need your peace, strength and joy to fill them up. Heal them and restore them. Help us to be faithful to your call to love. In Jesus loving Name we pray. *Amen*

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Praise to you, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, source of all consolation and hope.
By your Son's dying and rising He remains our light in every darkness, our strength in every weakness.
Be the refuge and guardian of all who suffer from abuse and violence.
Comfort them and send healing for their wounds of body, soul and spirit.
Rescue them from bitterness and shame and refresh them with your love.
Heal the brokenness in all victims of abuse and revive the spirits of all who lament this sin.
Help us to follow Jesus in drawing good from evil, life from death.
Make us one with you in your love for justice as we deepen our respect for the dignity of every human life.
Giver of peace, make us one in celebrating your praise, both now and forever. *Amen.*

Sana el quebrantamiento en todas las víctimas de abuso y revive los espíritus de todos los que lamentan este pecado.
Ayúdanos a seguir a Jesús en sacar el bien del mal, la vida de la muerte.
Haznos uno contigo en tu amor por la justicia a medida que profundizamos nuestro respeto por la dignidad de cada vida humana. Dador de paz, haznos uno en la celebración de tu alabanza, tanto ahora como para siempre