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READING PLAN: WEEK 3

# **DAY 13: MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2021**

Read Acts 16:1-5

Timothy Joins Paul and Silas

¹Paul came also to Derbe and to Lystra. A disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer, but his father was a Greek. ²He was well spoken of by the brothers at Lystra and Iconium. ³Paul wanted Timothy to accompany him, and he took him and circumcised him because of the Jews who were in those places, for they all knew that his father was a Greek. ⁴As they went on their way through the cities, they delivered to them for observance the decisions that had been reached by the apostles and elders who were in Jerusalem. ⁵So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and they increased in numbers daily.

### Pray for our Share Partner

The Salvation Army of the Chippewa Valley's mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination. They provide



assistance in the form of clothing vouchers, limited transportation, housing services or energy assistance, houseware needs, furniture, toiletry items, laundry, infant care items, and many more.

For more information about the Salvation Army of the Chippewa Valley go to: centralusa.salvationarmy.org/chippewavalley

### DAY 14: TUESDAY, IANUARY 19, 2021

Read Acts 16:6-10

The Macedonian Call

<sup>6</sup>And they went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. <sup>7</sup>And when they had come up to Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them. <sup>8</sup>So, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. <sup>9</sup>And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." <sup>10</sup>And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

### **Pray for our Share Partner**

Carelink is a group of area congregations working to efficiently help residents of Eau Claire County who need assistance.



They do this by providing social service resources, helpful referral information and carefully tracking and maintaining client files.

For more information about Carelink go to: carelinkeauclaire.weebly.com

# DAY 15: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021

Read Acts 16:11-15

The Conversion of Lydia

<sup>11</sup>So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. <sup>13</sup>And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup>One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup>And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

# **Pray for our Share Partner**

The Minnesota-Wisconsin Baptist Convention (MWBC) is a group of churches cooperating together to advance



the gospel. They do so by making disciples, developing leaders, starting churches, providing disaster relief and sharing resources.

For more information about the Minnesota-Wisconsin Baptist Convention go to: www.mwbc.org

## DAY 16: THURSDAY, IANUARY 21, 2021

#### Read Acts 16:16-24

Paul and Silas in Prison

<sup>16</sup>As we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup>She followed Paul and us, crying out, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." <sup>18</sup>And this she kept doing for many days. Paul, having become greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

<sup>19</sup>But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the rulers. <sup>20</sup>And when they had brought them to the magistrates, they said, "These men are Jews, and they are disturbing our city. <sup>21</sup>They advocate customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to accept or practice." <sup>22</sup>The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. <sup>23</sup>And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, ordering the jailer to keep them safely. <sup>24</sup>Having received this order, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks.

# **Pray for our Share Partner**





Great Commission to make disciples of all nations. They partner with churches to empower limitless missionary teams who are evangelizing, discipling, planting, and multiplying healthy churches, and training leaders among unreached peoples and places for the glory of God.

### **DAY 17: FRIDAY. IANUARY 22. 2021**

Read Acts 16:25-34

The Philippian Jailer Converted

<sup>25</sup>About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, <sup>26</sup>and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened. <sup>27</sup>When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup>But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." <sup>29</sup>And the jailer called for lights and rushed in, and trem-

bling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup>Then he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" <sup>31</sup>And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." <sup>32</sup>And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. <sup>33</sup>And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family. <sup>34</sup>Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God.

### Pray for our Share Partner

The North American Missions Board assists churches with evangelistic church



planting strategy, the identification and training of missionaries, chaplains, and church planters through the Send Network, and helps churches impact their communities through Send Relief.

For more information about the North American Missions Board go to: www.namb.net

# DAY 18: SATURDAY, IANUARY 23, 2021

Read Acts 16:35-40

<sup>35</sup>But when it was day, the magistrates sent the police, saying, "Let those men go." <sup>36</sup>And the jailer reported these words to Paul, saying, "The magistrates have sent to let you go. Therefore come out now and go in peace." <sup>37</sup>But Paul said to them, "They have beaten us publicly, uncondemned, men who are Roman citizens, and have thrown us into prison; and do they now throw us out secretly? No! Let them come themselves and take us out." <sup>38</sup>The police reported these words to the magistrates, and they were afraid when they heard that they were Roman citizens. <sup>39</sup>So they came and apologized to them. And they took them out and asked them to leave the city. <sup>40</sup>So they went out of the prison and visited Lydia. And when they had seen the brothers, they encouraged them and departed.

# Pray for our Share Partner Gerardo Rodriguez Southern Baptist Convention

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Hispanic church planters in order to plant
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