Prayer Focus – 03 - 09 April 2023 Denmark and Greenland Territory

Territorial Leaders: Lieut-Colonels Jan and Kjersti Risan

Prayer requests:

We give thanks for

- 10 years of ministry in Greenland and the opportunity to celebrate there in April this year with international guests.
- A financial turnaround for our territory. God has proven his faithfulness in ways we couldn't have imagined. We feel blessed beyond measure.
- Opportunities of social outreach to the largest possible number of people ever over the Christmas and Winter (inflation) help. Every corps/center stepped up and engaged in reaching out and helping. Relationships were built and many were prayed with.
- A number of new partners (in mission) within our territory: donors, foundations, government representatives etc. that allows us to dream big and build the work in new ways.

Please pray for

- The process of establishing a territorial strategy for our work. We want to go and be where God is leading. Building together with our people.
- Children and youth, that we will be able to reach various groups of children and youth, that faith filled meetings points can happen.
- The territorial festival 'Hope and life in Jesus' which is planned for June will be a spiritual break through and for life lasting commitments to be made.

From February – May 2023, Commissioner Bronwyn Buckingham, World Secretary for Spiritual Life Development, invites the international Salvation Army to unite in praying together for our leaders, each week focusing on a different aspect of leadership.

WEEK 9 - A Prayer for Health

Creator God,

Thank you for the miracle of life. For the intricate masterpiece of the human body and the endless wonder of our minds.

We praise you because we are fearfully and wonderfully made. You formed each of us and know us all intimately.

Our bodies are your temple, and we are trusted to use the body you have given us to honour you.

Help our leaders to see the need to take care of their bodies and to see that in doing so, they are creating a good example for their people.

We pray for protection for the physical, mental and spiritual health of our leaders.

Lord, please give each of them energy and strength to enjoy the fullness of life, to flourish in ministry, at work and at home.

Let our leaders be reminded that they don't need to journey alone. For those who need healing, rest and restoration, work a miracle in their lives and their bodies. Give them courage to reach out for help when they need it and humble hearts to accept support where it is offered.

When time is short and to do lists are long, care for our body, mind and spirit can be easily forgotten. But for our own good, you command us all to remember the sabbath.

In the demands of life, free our leaders from the expectation of others, and of themselves. Help them to create space for the life-giving rest that comes from you.

To be refreshed. To be ready.

AMEN

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