

A PRAYER FOR THOSE IN NEED 11/18/2012

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Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for this cool, frosty morning! The sun is making its daily appearance over the Smoky Mountains of East Tennessee melting the frost and sending a foggy mist upward. I am so grateful to live in such a beautiful area of which you have created. You, dear Lord, are worthy of praise and glory.

As I stare out my window, I witness some of my feathered friends feeding on sunflower seeds I placed in their feeders. I marvel at their grace and beauty as they dart from tree branch to feeder and back again. They never fret about where their sustenance will come from – for you, dear Lord, provide even for the sparrow! How much more do you provide for your children for whom you're only Son gave His life, bearing our sins, and allowing rusty spikes to nail Him to the cross!

We have so many things to be thankful for – so many blessings that need counting! Yet there are many people who struggle just to put food on the table. Many have lost their jobs, lost their health, lost their homes, and don't know how their basic needs will be met. For these individuals, please open the doors of your storehouse of grace. Send them showers of blessings from above. Fill their coffers with so much love they are unable to contain it.

During these holidays looming before us, bless in a special way, families that are struggling and under financial hardship. Send forth your angels of mercy to those who struggle and pour out a basket-full of love and grace. Fill their hearts with joy and peace. Make known your presence in a special and viable way. We will be careful to give you thanks for your Divine care.

In Jesus name, your son, Greg.