

*“I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the Gospel”*

### 1. Joy looking backwards

- In thankful memories of people we love.
- In the midst of our chains and challenges.
- In stirring our hearts with the affection of Christ.

### 2. Joy in the Gospel

- Partnership in the gospel telling the best news ever!  
Advancement of the gospel even in adversity.
- Defense of the gospel midst twisted motives.  
Preaching of gospel always bearing good fruit!
- Representatives of the gospel in worthy conduct.  
Faith of the gospel in unity without fear.

### 3. Joy Looking forward to what's Coming!

- 1:6 Christ's commitment to complete what He started!  
at creation, at Christmas, on the cross, in us His church!
- 1:9-11 Praying forward your Christmas Gifts.  
Growing love rooted firmly in knowing Christ  
Discerning the best, to be pure and blameless  
Filled with the fruit of righteousness
- 1:2 We always win! To live is Christ, to die is gain!