

# REVIVE



## IMPORTANT DATES:

### JANUARY 5

World Day of Fasting and Prayer.

### JANUARY 9-19

Join the Adventist Family worldwide in 10 days of prayer. On the 11th day (January 19) celebrate answers to prayers. More information at [www.tendaysofprayer.org](http://www.tendaysofprayer.org)

### JANUARY 21-23

Church leaders will begin the Holy Convocation—a special dedication program of spiritual revival and reformation.

### JANUARY 25

Participate in the communion service at your local church.

### JANUARY 26

Special day of prayer and study of the Bible throughout the churches in Inter-America.

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## There is hope for the New Year

Experience it by being Constant in Prayer

One of the Bible verses that personally encourages me is: "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." (Romans 12:12) "Only the work accomplished with much prayer, and sanctified by the merit of Christ will in the end prove to have been efficient for good." (Desire of Ages, p. 362) "...workers can never attain the highest success until they learn the secret of strength. They must give themselves time to think, to pray, to wait upon God for a renewal of physical, mental and spiritual power." (Education, p. 260) How powerful are these statements! It says it all! How wonderful it is to understand that we are not alone and the only way we can accomplish it is through prayer and the study of the Bible.

It is good to consider that at the end of this blessed year, filled with challenges, we can have the certainty of

the joy that produces hope. Nothing is lost.

There is still hope, hope for your life, for your family, for your community. The Apostle urges the church to be persistent, constant in prayer, in order to face trials or tribulation. Of course there are difficulties, but remember that we stand before a God who is bigger than our problems. It is in this context that we begin the Year of the Laity, with the same certainty and confidence in a powerful God who will be with us according to His promise. The only way to take possession of this promise is through prayer and the study of the Bible. Revive Inter-America! Christ is at the door.



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