

# March Development Guide

## SUBJECT: LIVING BY FAITH



When we talk about living by faith, we are talking about the totality of how we live. Are we living a lifestyle that reflects a spirit of faith? Or are we only exercising faith when we feel we need something from God? **Living by Faith is how we live our everyday lives.**

This relates to our core value, **Take Faith Risks**. Our faith in God acts boldly and fearlessly amid life's impossibilities. It does whatever it takes to reach and rescue people because faith works through love.

- Faith makes the impossible practical.
- Faith projects God's presence into the future.
- Fear projects God's absence.

### Why is Faith so important?

- Our Faith is the victory that overcomes the world. - I John 5:4
- We are to live by Faith. - Romans 1:17
- We are to walk by Faith. - II Cor. 5:7
- We are saved by Grace through Faith. - Ephesians 2:8
- Without Faith it is impossible to please God. - Hebrews 11:6

### How do I get it?

- God has given to every believer The Measure of Faith. Romans 12:3
- You and I must develop our Faith. Romans 10:17
- Faith Comes From, Faith is Developed, Faith is Strengthened, Faith Comes Alive and Faith is Maintained by Hearing and Hearing by the Word of God.
- Faith begins where the Will of God is known.

### The Definition of Faith

- FAITH is simply **the beliefs that govern my life**
- "NOW FAITH IS the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things [we] HOPE FOR [FUTURE], being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality [faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses]." - Hebrews 11:1 AMP
- Faith is believing in your heart and saying it with your mouth.
- Faith is not a feeling. Faith is a decision to trust God at His Word, no matter the circumstance or how you feel about it.

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### How do I apply faith?

- Find a Promise from God's Word - Believe it - Receive it - Speak it - Give Thanks  
Romans 10:8-10
- Faith requires corresponding action. - James 2:26
- Faith operates by Love. - Galatians 5:6
- Jesus's Teaching on Faith. - Mark 11:12-24.

### Discussion Questions:

1. What were your biggest takeaways from this teaching(s) on Faith?
2. How can you apply your Faith to everyday life?
3. How can you increase your Faith?