Three of the Best Ways to Pray for Others

1) Give thanks to the Father for the Work He has done

Col 1:3 We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, 4 since <u>we heard</u> of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, 5 because of the hope laid up for you in heaven.

Their FAITH was a Gift from God

Eph 2:8 ESV For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; *it is* <u>the gift of God</u>,

Joh 6:44 ESV No one can come to me <u>unless the</u> <u>Father who sent me draws him</u>. And I will raise him up on the last day.

God taught them how to LOVE

1Th 4:9 ESV Now concerning brotherly love you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another,

Rom 5:5 (b) ESV ... God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit...

The HOPE of heaven

Php 1:6 ESV And I am sure of this, that he who <u>began</u> a good work in you <u>will bring it to</u> <u>completion</u> at the day of Jesus Christ.

Of this <u>you have heard</u> before in the word of the truth, the gospel, 6 which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and increasing--as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, 7 just as you learned it from **Epaphras** our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf 8 and has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

Rom 1:16 ESV For I am not ashamed of <u>the</u> <u>gospel</u>, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

1Co 3:6 KJV I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.

2) Pray they would know the WILL OF GOD

9 And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, 10 so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.

Php 2:13 ESV for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

3) Pray they will ENDURE 11 May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, 12 giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. 13 He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, 14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of eins