

AS I BEGIN THIS YEAR

I know not what the year will bring,
 But this I know my heart will sing
 For He who gives the gift of years,
 Has power to still my doubts and fears.
 And though the way be dark or fair
 I have no fear for God answers prayer.
 This year I leave with God alone,
 For He is ever mindful of His own.

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PRAYER FOR STRENGTH

Lord give me the strength that I may see
 The task that's now reposed in me.
 Be though my guide through all the year
 And give me courage o'er all my fear.
 Let not one selfish thought or deed
 Deter me from my course, I plead.
 Enrich my heart with ways Thine own
 And be my guide in paths unknown.
 Be with me Lord. Hold Thou my hand.

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PRAYER FOR THE YEAR

Grant me, O Lord, strength for each day
 For every task that comes my way.
 Cover my eyes and make me blind
 To petty faults I should not find.
 Open my eyes and let me see
 The friend my neighbour tries to be.
 Teach me, when duty seems severe
 To see my purpose, shining clear.
 Let me at noon-time rest content
 The half-day bravely lived and spent
 And when the night slips down on me
 Remember to pray fervently.
 Grant me to live this whole year through
 And do the best that I can do.

FIFTY YEAR MEMBERS

Fifty golden years have vanished,
 Fifty golden years are done,
 But the pleasant memories linger;
 You recall them one by one.
 You've seen years of love and service,
 In this Order dear and true,
 May all your duties be forgotten
 And golden deeds come shining through.

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May every blessing this life can hold
 Be yours in the fullest measure;
 May content that is better than gems of gold,
 Fill your future days with pleasure;
 May clouds ne'er gather above your way
 Nor grief nor gloom oppress you,
 And every hour and every day
 May God befriend and bless you.

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There is joy in looking backwards
 On the years that are past and gone;
 When you feel you have been of service
 And you know the good you've done.
 When you think of the many friendships made,
 Friends loyal, staunch and true.
 Rejoice then in your service,
 For life holds much for you.

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YOU

May God who looks on His people
 And weighs them in body and mind,
 Be careful to lose not your pattern
 But make many more of your kind.

"To A 50 Year Member"

It is hard to put into words
what is in our hearts tonight,
How can one express the joy,
the satisfaction, the delight?

Many of us shall never reach
that pinnacle where you are,
What a glorious goal to achieve -
50 years of service to the Star!

We are so proud of your record,
and now the world can see;
the gift you've given the Order,
FIFTY YEARS of love and loyalty.

Tribute to 50-Year Members

We are proud to pay tribute
To a membership of fifty years -
Some happy ones, some sunny with smiles,
While others are saddened with tears.

So we write your great record in gold,
That will shine behind any cloud;
And tells of your service, your helping hand
As we follow you, happy, and proud.

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