



In Ministry

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HIGH
POINT
Friends
MEETING

JANUARY 1, 2023

Psalm 18:20-24

God made my life complete
when I placed all the pieces before him.

When I got my act together,
he gave me a fresh start.

Now I'm alert to God's ways;
I don't take God for granted.

Every day I review the ways he works;
I try not to miss a trick.

I feel put back together,
and I'm watching my step.

God rewrote the text of my life when
I opened the book of my heart to his eyes.

Message:

"Fresh Start"

Open Worship: In this time of open worship, Friends take time to center down, wait on God to provide ministry to your soul and see if God wishes to use you as an instrument of grace.

Benediction:

Hymn: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #28

Postlude

Thoughts For Reflection:

"The beginning of another year means the end of a year that has fulfilled itself and passed on. It means that some things are finished, rounded out, completed forever. It means that for some of us certain changes have taken place so profound in nature that we can never be what we were before. The New Year means a fresh start, a second wind, another chance, a kind of reprieve, a divine of grace bestowed upon the children of humanity."

(Howard Thuman, *The Mood of Christmas*)

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Prelude :

Cherish That Beautiful Name/ Wonderful Name Jesus

Welcome & Announcements:

Centering Prayer: *Loving God, we welcome this new year with hope and anticipation. We look back on the past year with openness to understanding. Help us to see opportunities for a fresh start, renewed commitment, and second chances. Help us to discover our growing edge. Amen.*

Hymn: "As with Gladness Men of Old" #115

Prayers & Concerns:

Offertory: Beautiful Star of Bethlehem

Scripture : **Psalm 18:20-24**

Hymn: "Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord" #396
