

West Virginia Day of Hope:  
*Miracles Happen Every Day*

A Litany for a  
**Day of Hope**  
September 17, 2017



*A Celebration of Prevention and Recovery*

Leader: Lord, open our hearts, deepen our compassion, and remember our sisters and brothers caught in addiction. Help us to care for families and friends who grieve at the suffering of their loved ones. O Lord, be persistent in your grace that they may find healing, recovery, and reconciliation to You, with each other, and in the community.

Leader: Lord, open our hearts. Allow us and all people to be more aware of the stigma surrounding addictions, that we may see our sisters and brothers in need. Lord in your mercy ...

**People: Hear our prayer**

Leader: Lord, open our hearts. Sit with us in our pain as we pray for family and friends who have lost loved ones to addiction. Lord in your mercy ...

**People: Hear our prayer**

Leader: Lord, open our hearts that we may see with understanding that addiction is a disease in which a person with an addiction disorder no longer has the ability to choose<sup>1</sup> Lord in your mercy ...

**People: Hear our prayer**

Leader: Lord, open our hearts. Make a way through the wilderness, provide opportunities for people to receive help, and overcome any obstacles preventing recovery. Lord in your mercy ...

**People: Hear our prayer**

Leader: Lord, open our hearts. Empower us to care for the suffering, embrace the lonely, and persevere in our efforts. Lord in your mercy ...

**People: Hear our prayer**

Leader: Lord, open our hearts. Guide our young people to avoid drugs and alcohol that they may live happier and more productive lives.

**People: Hear our prayer**

Leader: Compassionate Lord, through Jesus Christ you have given us new life. Restore the lives of our sisters and brothers suffering from addiction. Remember the tears of those who mourn and renew Your hope in our hearts. In your Son Jesus Christ's name, may we receive freedom in the grace that you so generously offered us. Amen.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.christiandrugrehab.com/drug-addiction/drug-addiction-the-choice-no-one-makes/>

## *Hope, Love & Compassion*

Spans the ocean of confusion and self-loathing caused by addiction.

Creates a caring community for youth, adults and families.

Leads to healing, acceptance & RECOVERY.

Generates thriving, healthy young people.

Encourages taking the first step.

Speaks a language that soothes.

Catches you when you fall.

Offers a second chances.

Inspires ACTION.

Saves LIVES.