

## The best laid plans

<sup>13</sup> I want you to be aware, how often I planned to come to you (but have been prevented from visiting until now), in order that I might have a harvest among you, just as I have had among the other Gentiles.

<sup>14</sup> I am obligated both to Greeks and non-Greeks, both to the wise and the foolish.

<sup>15</sup> That is why I am so eager to preach the Gospel also to you who are in Rome.  
Romans 1:13-15

God has plans for you

Jeremiah 29:11

Psalms 33:11

James 4:13-15

**1. Plan with** ..... v13a

I will tell you ..... I am doing.

I will tell you ..... I am doing it.

**2. Plan with** ..... v13b

Be ..... for blocked paths

Romans 8:28, We know...

1 Thess.5:16-18, ...at all times

Prevented by...

Be ..... to Godly options

1 Cor.10:13,

Romans 5:3, We rejoice...

**3. Plan with** ..... v14

I have something to ..... from everyone

Ephesians 4:2, Be...

Matthew 11:29-30, Take...

I have something to ..... to everyone

Mark 10:45, ...not to be...

**4. Plan with** ..... v15

I will ..... whatever I can

Blessed to...

I will ..... whatever I can

## My prayer priorities for this week

S 8 Jim & Rosalie. Myanmar morning tea

M 9 Ian & Eleanor. Church Council

T 10 Mary F

W 11 Jean H. Deeper at Diggers, 11 AM

T 12 May. Taina

F 13 The future of our church

S14 Paula & Paul

S 15 Diane J

## Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion.

1. Why would you be excited about visiting someone that you had never met, and who lived somewhere famous, far, far away?
2. The Apostle often planned to visit the Roman church, but his plans were always thwarted, 13a. He does not say how he felt about that. How would you feel?
3. He describes what he wants to do in the Roman church as a 'harvest' or 'fruit', 13b. What do you think he expected to achieve among them?
4. Is that 'harvest' or 'fruit' something that our church could produce? What makes a church 'a harvest field' or 'fruitful' in these ways?
5. What advice would you give to someone who wanted to be more fruitful?
6. What is the 'obligation' or 'debt' we have to the people of the world, 14-15? Why is this described as an 'obligation' or 'debt'. How can we discharge this debt?

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