

Christ in us – the Hope of Glory By Ingrid Lang, Denmark Prayer & Care Committee Member

"To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory." (Colossians 1:27).

In 2016 I was at the International Congress of NCFI in the Philippines. One of the events that I took part in was the Saline course. One of the questions that we worked on was to define what it meant to us to be Christians in the nursing profession – and what was unique for us.

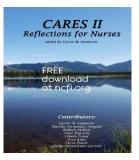
As Christians we are to be our best professionally and in caring for our patients, their relatives, and our colleagues. That is something that can be seen among non-Christians as well. And pressure and difficult circumstances can make it difficult. What is important to me is that I am dependent on this that Christ in me is my hope of glory; what can make us different is if our patients, their relatives, and our colleagues experience that Jesus meets them through us, because the Holy Spirit flows through us to them.

How can we experience that? Something that I think is important is that we have received Jesus as our Lord and Saviour; then we can also be cleansed in our hearts and filled with the Holy Spirit like the apostles experienced it on the day of Pentecost.

When we have received Jesus, He says that He is in us and we are in Him; in that position then what is true about Him, is true about us, and we can live out of our old life being crucified, dead, buried and risen with Him, and that He in us is our hope of Glory (Col 1:27). So, what we then can live out of is not what we can do in our own strength, but what He can do in and through us by His Holy Spirit, when we work together with Him.

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