

Faith Log

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Faith Tracking Tool



Software Manual

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Introduction

Faith Log is a Palm Pilot tool for tracking your personal growth. Faith Log helps you track your [Prayer requests](#), [Bible verses](#), and is your [Daily Journal](#) all in one! Use **Faith Log** daily to record your life activities in the Journal. Use the **BibleVerse** section to carry those key verses with you at all times. And, use the **Prayer List** to help you manage your prayer life. Prayer is powerful and it is the most important part of an active Christian walk. Below are some screens and tips to get the most out of your **Faith Log** app.



Installation

Unzip the Faith_Log.zip file into a new directory on your hard drive. Install the desired program files and read the **Readme.txt** file for important program information.



Once you have downloaded and installed the Faith Log program, you simply tap the program icon to enter the main screen.

Overview

Faith Log has three main purposes. It is designed to help you grow in your faith by using your PalmOS® device to track your prayers, memorize scripture, and record your daily walk.

The [Prayer List](#) is your personal prayer guide. It is designed to group your prayers by category or by frequency, and by using the pull down filter, you can quickly view those prayers that are important to you. Use the frequency mode to view your “daily” or “weekly” prayers.

The [Bible Verse](#) mode will allow you to record your favorite verses, categorize them by topic, and to scan them to help you memorize them.

The [Journal](#) is your personal diary designed to record your life events. Periodic review of these entries will help you see your growth and hopefully, encourage future steps of faith!

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Program Toolbars

The following toolbars will help you to maneuver around and utilize Faith Log quickly.

Commands:



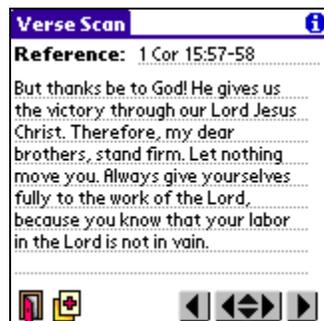
Exit New Delete Browse

Exit New Random Verse



Exit New Scan Mode

Screen Shots



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Upgrading

Faith Log was designed as a complete personal growth tool, and will easily upgrade from *Prayer Log* and *Verse Log*, two other **Logware Software** applications. If you are currently using one of those applications, there is an Import screen, that will convert your existing data into Faith Log data files.

CAUTION

This will convert the existing files, and as such, you should back up those files before proceeding!



Copy the following files from your "C:\Palm\USER\Backup" folder to a different backup folder.

<i>plogdata.PDB</i>	<i>VerselogDB.PDB</i>
<i>PrayerCatDB.PDB</i>	<i>VersetopicDB.PDB</i>
<i>PrayerFreDB.PDB</i>	

Should you want to go back to one of those applications, you could then load those backup files and save you a lot of data re-entry!

Once the files are backed up, you may tap one of the buttons to convert you data into Faith Log Files.

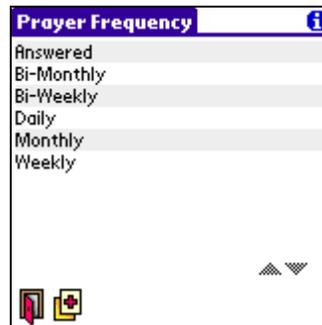
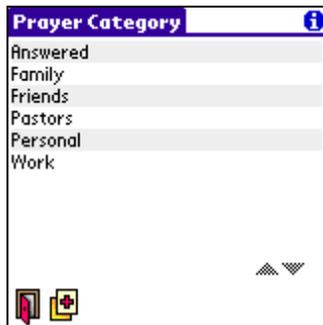
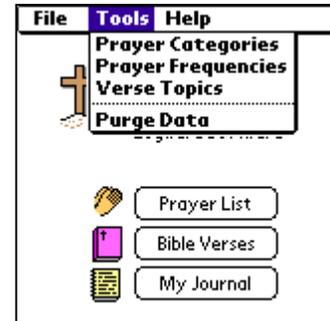


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Configuration

Before you can start to use **Faith Log**, you need to enter your desired Prayer Categories, Prayer Frequencies, and Verse Topics. From the “Welcome” screen, tap the “Tools” menu and select each of the three options to enter those items. These items will be what is used to filter and categorize your data.

Each filter item has a list screen, and a data entry screen. Tap the NEW icon to add an item, or tap any item in the list to edit that item, using the VCR buttons to move through your data.



- Tap any item from the list to edit that item.
- Tap the NEW icon to add a new item.
- Use the VCR buttons to browse your items.
- Tap the TRASH icon to delete an item.
- Tap the DOOR to exit back to the main screen.



CAUTION

If you delete a Topic, you must browse through your records and reassign those requests to a new Topic category, or you will not see those records on a filtered list.

There are example files included, which you can add to, delete, or use as is. After these filter items are entered, tap the desired button to go to that section in the program.

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Operation

Prayer List

Prayer List has two modes of operation and prayer viewing. The prayer requests can be viewed “**by Category**” or “**by Frequency**” depending on how you pray and use the program. Use the bottom tabs to quickly switch between these modes.

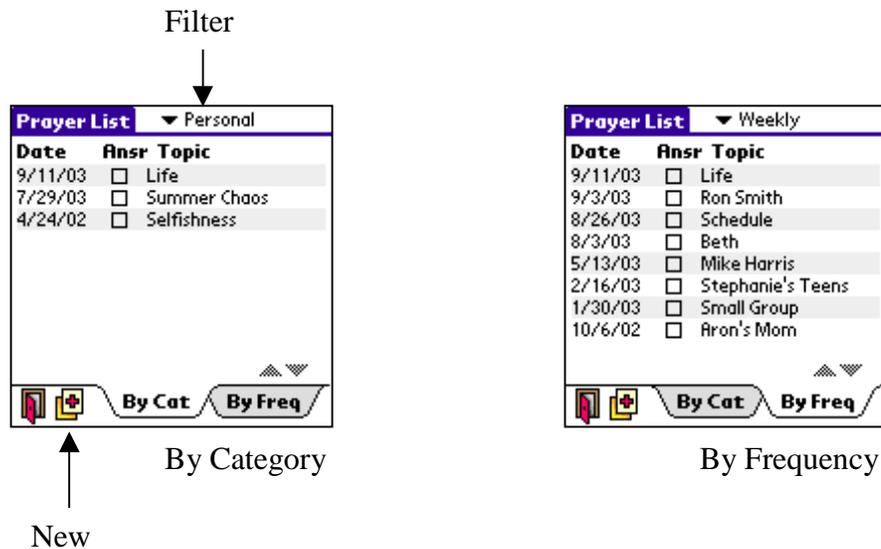
Using Categories and Frequencies

By Category

The “By Category” mode was designed for browsing your prayer list by group. Spend a few minutes thinking about how you pray, or want to pray. Enter those categories to help you stay focused during your prayer time. Once entered, you can assign categories to prayers as needed.

By Frequency

This mode is designed to browse your prayers using a frequency such as Daily, or Weekly and view only those records. After filtering the prayer list, simply tap any item to view that prayer request.

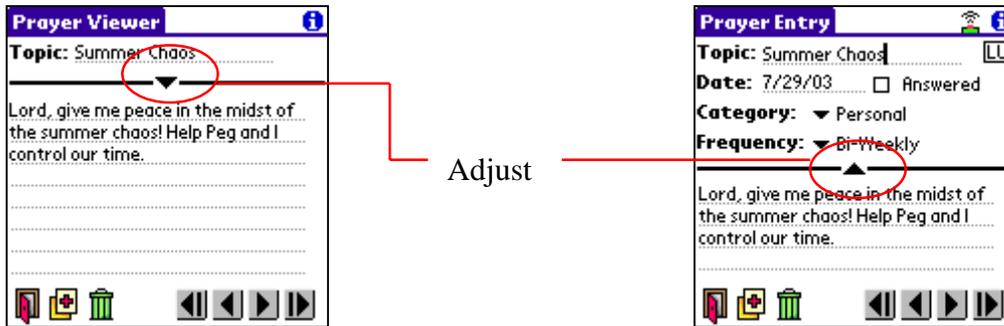


Both list modes can be “filtered” by the upper pull down selector. These filter items come from the categories and frequencies that you can enter from the Welcome screen, “Tools” menu. Once filtered, you may tap any record to view or edit the prayer request.

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Prayer Viewing

Filter your prayer list and simply tap any item on the list to view that prayer request. Tap the door icon to exit back to the list. While viewing the prayer, you can tap the center triangle bar to view and edit additional fields.



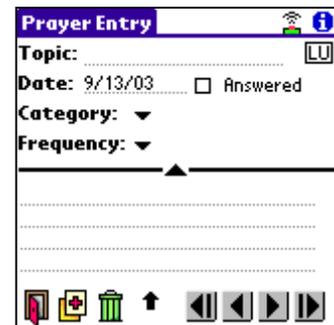
Use the bottom toolbar to browse your prayers, create a new prayer, or delete existing items. Tap the DOOR to exit back to the list screen.

Prayer Entry

The Entry screen is where a prayer request is entered or changed, and where the category and frequency fields are set. Tap the NEW icon to create a new request.

The fields include:

- Topic (or Person) – enter a topic, or tap the “LU” look-up button to find the person’s name in the Palm Address app (see below)
- Date – enter request date (defaults to current date)
- Answered – check if you have received an answer
- Category – choose a category from the pull down list
- Frequency – choose a frequency from the pull down list
- Prayer Request Text – enter prayer request and notes



Tap the DATE field to select from the date picker.

Tap the TRASH icon to delete the request.

Browse the records with the VCR buttons.

Tap the DOOR icon to exit.



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Prayer Beaming

You can “Beam” your prayer request to another Faith Log user.

Tap the BEAM icon in the upper right corner to send your prayer request to another Faith Log user.

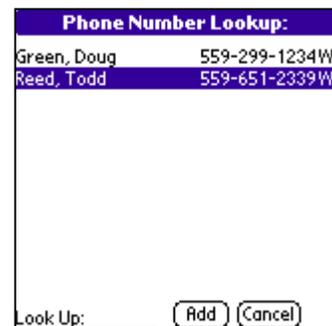
Note: requires PalmOS® device with IR hardware



Contact Look-Up

To look up a person’s name, you must tap in the Topic field, and then tap the [LU] button to look up a name in your Palm Address book.

Select the name, and then tap [Add] to put that name, first and last, into the Topic field.



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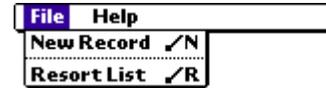
Bible Verses

The Bible Verse list is sorted by Book and Reference, and can be filtered using the Topic pull down from the top of the screen.

Tap the menu command “Resort” if your data ever gets out of order. This would happen if you enter a record, then go back and change it later.

Using TOPIC categories helps you review several verses relating to the same topic quickly. Use topic filters such as Confession, Death, Heaven, Holy Spirit, Love, etc...

Tap any Verse to edit or view that verse, or tap the NEW icon to add a new Bible Verse to your list. The third button on the toolbar is the Scan Mode.



Scan Mode

The Verse Scan mode is designed for reviewing verses and has a Random feature that helps you to memorize your Bible verses. Tap the Random button to browse through various Verses.

Verse Entry

Tap any item to edit that item in the Verse Entry screen. This is where you enter a new verse or edit the data in your master list.

To create a new verse simply tap NEW to create a new record and enter the appropriate data. Tap any record in your Verse List to edit that record.

- Enter the Verse **Reference** field for the verse.
- Select the **Topic** from the pull down list, that you enter from the Welcome screen, “Tools” menu.
- Enter the **verse text** of your new Bible verse.



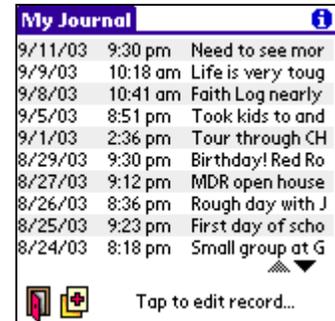
When complete, tap the DOOR icon to go back to the Verse list. Use the VCR buttons to browse through your records. Tap DEL to delete a verse from your list.

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My Journal

The “My Journal” is a simple diary, where you can enter your thoughts and life events. Use it to record your personal faith walk, and to help you see the results of your “steps of faith”.

The Journal is sorted by date, and has a List mode and a Journal Entry mode. Tap any item to view or edit that item. Tap the NEW icon to add a new Entry.



Journal Entry

The Date and Time default to the current date and time, but can be changed by tapping in the field.

Enter your event or thoughts in the text field.

Tap the DOOR icon to exit.



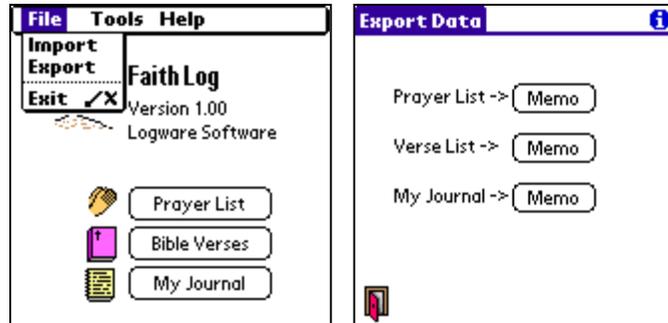
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File Maintenance

Faith Log has a couple of tools to help you maintain your data. You can export your data files as a memo to the PalmOS® Memo application. Also, you can purge old Journal entries or Answered Prayers from your files. This makes your files smaller and more manageable.

Exporting

From the main Welcome screen, tap “File”, “Export” to go to the export screen. From there you can export any of the three main files to a memo. If your data file is large, it may spill over into several memos.

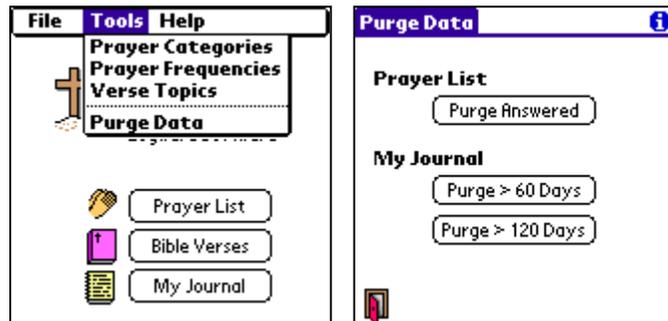


Purging

From the Tools menu tap “Purge Data” to go to the data purge screen. From there select one of the options to purge unwanted data from your files.

You can purge:

- Answered Prayers
- Journal entries older than 60 days
- Journal entries older than 120 days



CAUTION

This can not be undone! Make sure you back up your files, or print desktop reports (Registered Users) before you perform any of these functions.

The Bible Verse list is better manipulated from the desktop, and Registered users receive more information on how to do this.

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Using Faith Log to Improve Your Christian Walk

- **Use Faith Log Daily**

One of the keys to successful Christian growth is consistency! Learn to use Faith Log daily, and get into a practice of a daily quiet time for prayer, find time to review and study scripture, and finish your day by journaling your thoughts and life events.

- **Use Filtering**

Use the filtering capabilities in Faith Log to quickly find your prayer requests and favorite verses. Keeping your prayers organized keeps you more focused and productive. Using topics effectively keeps that critical Bible verse in the Palm of your hand!

- **Customize your Prayer Categories and Frequencies**

Think of how you can best use the categories and frequencies to help you plan your daily prayer activities. Review your current prayer life, or decide what changes you need to make and then customize Faith Log to fit your lifestyle. Maybe you pray AM and PM or once a day. I usually pray for my “Daily” prayers, and then one Category each day.

- **Add Notes Continually**

As you pray through your requests, add notes to document the progress of your prayers. Use the Journal to record your thoughts and activities, to help you see God working in your life.

- **Completed Requests**

As prayer items are answered or resolved, use a category named “answered” to filter out completed items. Then periodically review this category to see God’s hand working in your life.

- **Recommend Features**

As you use Faith Log, let me know if a feature can be added to help you in this area.

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Technical Support

Online Help

There are online tips on each page to help you operate Prayer Log. Tap the “i” on any page for tips and help.



Contact Us

That is pretty much it. If you have any questions, e-mail me at toddjreed@comcast.net Also, check out the LogWare website at <http://www.logware.org>

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God Bless!

