



21

DAYS OF PRAYER

JANUARY 12 -
FEBRUARY 1

PRAYER GUIDE

Dear Church Family,

Beginning January 12, we are setting aside 21 days of fasting and prayer as a congregation. There are many ways you can participate. Some of you will choose to do a complete fast. Others of you may choose to fast from one meal daily. Others of you might choose to do a Daniel fast, which excludes meat and sweets. For some, giving up social media or TV will be the fast you choose. *What you fast from is not nearly as important as what you give your attention to in these 21 days.* The primary goal of our 21 days is to spend time seeking God in a greater way. Here's why this journey is worth taking:

Life Change. No one drifts into spiritual maturity. Focusing on the Lord through a daily pattern of prayer can be a great catalyst for spiritual growth and breakthrough.

Unity. When God's people agree together in prayer, vision aligns and our commitment to the Great Commission grows.

Impact. We need God's favor and power this year to have the kind of Gospel impact that God intends for us to have.

Don't miss out on this. Commit today to join us in this 21 day journey in whatever capacity you are able. I can't wait to see how God uses these 21 days in our lives!

Pastor Chris

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

THIS GUIDE IS DESIGNED TO HELP YOU PRAY
INTENTIONALLY IN FOUR AREAS:

1. WE'LL EQUIP YOU IN HOW TO DISCOVER AND PRAY THROUGH YOUR GREATEST PERSONAL NEEDS.
2. WE PROVIDE A PERSONAL INVENTORY SECTION WHICH WILL HELP US LIVE MORE LIKE JESUS IN 2026.
3. WE'LL FOCUS ON PRAYING FOR OUR FAMILIES.
4. WE'LL AGREE TOGETHER IN PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AND OUR GREATEST NEEDS TOGETHER.

THE LAST PORTION OF OUR PRAYER GUIDE PROVIDES A
DAILY SCRIPTURE AND PRAYER PROMPT.

DISCOVERING YOUR PERSONAL PRAYER FOCUS

One of the greatest challenges we have in prayer is focus. Distractions abound. This section will help you identify specific burdens to pray about in your personal life.

Your burden might be a habit you wish to break or a sin struggle that has discouraged you for years. Your burden might be a challenging relationship, a family problem, or an obstacle at work. It might be a major need in your life, financial or otherwise. Your burden might regard a major decision. Your burden may also be a lost person you desire to come to Christ. Here are a few questions that may help you clarify where you will focus your time in prayer:

What are some issues in life it would take a move of God to resolve?

What is something you believe God might be leading you to do but you need direction and clarity?

What are the top things you worry about or constantly try to figure out?

Take a moment and list those three to five things below so you can pray specifically. Find a Scriptural promise to pray for each matter. This will help you to pray with faith.

Pray daily about these matters. Persistence in prayer is not a sign of weak faith but of great faith (see Luke 18:1-8). Take the time you would normally eat a meal (or other activity) and give that time to praying through this guide and reading Scripture. Fasting and prayer will only be as effective as your commitment to spend time with God.

Remember, prayer isn't only about talking to the Lord but it is about listening to the Lord. As you pray, God will bring Scripture to your mind. He may even direct you through godly counsel and conversation with others in these days. I have found that it is helpful to keep a journal during times of fasting. I write out my prayers and I write down what I sense the Lord doing in my life. Don't rely on your memory. At the end of the fast, it is so helpful to have documentation of things that you learned.

SPIRITUAL INVENTORY

Fasting and praying without pursuing personal holiness is counterproductive. The prophet Isaiah confronted this in Isaiah 58. Isaiah warned God's people that they could not simultaneously fast and "do as you please" (58:3). We have compiled this spiritual inventory to help you get serious about personal holiness during these days. Especially during the first week or so, review this list frequently and reflect on these questions honestly. (For this list I am indebted to Ronnie Floyd. The concept of this list and some of the questions come from his excellent book [The Power of Prayer and Fasting](#).)

“Guard your heart above all else, for it is the source of life.” (Proverbs 4:23)

What are you letting in to your mind and heart? Are you guarding your heart in all areas? Are you consistently filling your mind and thoughts with God's Word? Are you renewing your mind with Scripture?

“In everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.” (1 Thessalonians 5:18)

Are you forgetting to thank God in all things? Do you take for granted your health and even life itself? Are you letting jealousy or ingratitude characterize your thoughts more than thankfulness?

“Let all bitterness and wrath and anger be put away from you, along with all malice” (Ephesians 4:31)

Are your words filled with fault-finding, arguing, and complaining? Do your words convey a critical spirit? Do you find yourself nagging and nitpicking? Do you gossip and speak unkindly of others when they are not present? Do your words and conversations portray bitterness with God or with others?

“Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.” (Ephesians 4:29)

Do you use words to build others up or to tear them down? Do you entertain destructive or off-color conversations?

“For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as God has allotted to each a measure of faith.” (Romans 12:3)

Do you think too highly of yourself? Do you think too lowly of yourself? Do you think of yourself too often? Are you inordinately fixated on your accomplishments or your abilities? Do you struggle to consider the needs of others? Do you rebel against the idea that God might want to change you or teach you something?

“Flee immorality. Every other sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body.” (1 Corinthians 6:18-20)

Are you fleeing sexual immorality? Are you compromising your sexual purity in any way? Are you filling your mind with lustful thoughts? Do you take in sexually oriented movies, music, and entertainment? Are there websites in your search history that you wouldn't want anyone to see?

“And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him?” (Hebrews 11:6)

Do you let fear prevent you from stepping out in faith? Do you shy away from attempting great things for God because you fear that you are not talented or knowledgeable enough? Are you trusting God with your future and his calling on your life? Are you letting worry dominate your thoughts instead of faith?

“Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.” (James 4:7)

Are you giving any area of your life or thought over to Satan's influence? Are you resisting sin and submitting to God or are you resisting God and submitting to sin? Have you let Satan use you in any way as a stumbling block to someone else's walk with Christ?

PRAYING FOR YOUR FAMILY

“So then as those who have been chosen of God, holy, and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you. Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity.” (Colossians 3:12-14)

Have you failed to forgive someone who has hurt you? Have you written off people who have disappointed you? Are there any relationships that you need to ask forgiveness or reconciliation?

“He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his own hands what is good, so that he will have something to share with one who has need.” (Ephesians 4:28)

Do you operate with integrity in all of your business dealings? Are you faithful to pay your bills and fulfill all your obligations? Do you steal anything from others? Do you work hard only when others are watching? Do you do all of your work to God’s glory?

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.” (Acts 1:8)

Do you have a passion to share the Gospel with others? Do you desire for others around you to hear the message of Jesus? Have you settled for a casual Christianity that doesn’t seek to make Jesus known to anyone else?

Pray the armor of God over the members of your family (Ephesians 6:10-17).

“Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand firm therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the Gospel of peace; in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.”

Pray for God’s favor on your family (Psalm 90:7).

“Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us; And confirm for us the work of our hands; Yes, confirm the work of our hands.”

Pray for every member of your family to be planted in God's Word (Psalm 1:1-3).

“How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand in the path of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers! But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night. He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in its season and its leaf does not wither; and in whatever he does, he prospers.”

Pray for your family members and especially your children to be strong and courageous (Joshua 1:8-9).

“This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have success. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.”

Pray for the men of your family to live up to their God-given responsibilities (1 Corinthians 16:13-14).

“Be on the alert, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love.”

PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

In the same way that we have personal burdens, our church also has specific needs. This list is geared toward strategic, church-wide needs. Many of these matters are seemingly impossible. That's exactly why we need to pray. There is power in God's people agreeing together.

Pray for God to increase our faith. We often act as if human limitations place some constraint upon God. God can do far more than we can even imagine. We need to trust Him with our future (Jeremiah 32:17).

“Ah Lord God! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and by Your outstretched arm! Nothing is too difficult for you.”

Pray for God to Increase our Enthusiasm for the Mission (1 Thessalonians 3:1).

“Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified, just as it did also with you.”

DAILY PRAYER GUIDE

Pray for our Worship Pastor Search (Ephesians 4:11-12).

“And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ.”

Pray for the God to clarify our vision as a congregation. Comparing ourselves to other churches only confuses our hearts and distracts us from being who God called us to be (Habakkuk 2:1-3).

“I will take my stand at my watchpost and station myself on the tower, and look out to see what he will say to me, and what I will answer concerning my complaint. And the Lord answered me: ‘Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end--it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay.’”

Pray for our church facilities. We need to build new nursery and children’s space. Our education building is also in major disrepair (Nehemiah 2:18b).

“Then they said, ‘Let us arise and build.’ So they put their hands to the good work.”

Pray for God’s supernatural provision (2 Corinthians 9:8).

“And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed.”

Pray for Pastor Chris and our other pastors (1 Corinthians 15:58).

“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.”

DAY 1

Psalm 139:23-24

“Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my concerns. See if there is any offensive way in me; lead me in the everlasting way.”

Prayer Prompt: Ask the Lord to search your heart and reveal any areas in your life that need to change. Fasting often brings us into greater awareness of our sinfulness. Ask the Lord to reveal any spiritual blind spots you might have.

DAY 2

Psalm 51:2-4

“Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from me sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, You only, I have sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that You are justified when you speak and blameless when you judge.”

Prayer Prompt: Confess any known sin to the Lord. Ask for God’s cleansing and courage to repent and live in renewed obedience.

DAY 3

Micah 7:18-19

“Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities under foot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.”

Prayer Prompt: Thank God for his kindness and grace in forgiving all our sin. Ask for God’s enabling to walk in the joy and peace of that forgiveness today.

DAY 4

2 Corinthians 7:1

“Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of God.”

Prayer Prompt: Ask God to help you walk in holiness today. Present your life and heart to God today as a living sacrifice. Ask God to bring about real and change in your life today and each day moving forward.

DAY 5

James 4:6-10

“But He gives a greater grace. Therefore it says, ‘God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble.’ Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be miserable and mourn and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy into gloom. Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you.”

Prayer Prompt: Ask God to reveal any hint of pride in your life. Even physically bow you knees to communicate your attitude of surrender to the Lord. Ask God to continually purify your heart during these 21 days.

DAY 6

Jeremiah 33:3

“Call to me and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know.”

Prayer Prompt: As you call on the Lord be expecting Him to answer. Don’t spend all of your time in prayer talking to the Lord. Give yourself time also to listen to what God is saying to you through Scripture. Ask God to direct you in these days.

DAY 7

Psalm 116:12

“What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits toward me?”

Prayer Prompt: Take a moment on reflect on all the ways God has blessed you. Praise God for saving you. Thank Him for His goodness and His kindness. Thank God today for even what he has been doing in your life over this past week.

DAY 8

Nehemiah 1:4

“When I heard these words, I sat down and wept and mourned for days; and I was fasting and praying before the God of heaven.”

Prayer Prompt: Nehemiah developed a great burden for the people of God. Ask God to give you a burden for your church and our mission. Ask God to give you a sense personally of how He desires for you to impact the world for Christ.

DAY 9

James 1:5-8

“But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind. For that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord, being a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.”

Prayer Prompt: Pray that God will use this time to deepen our faith and dependence on Him. Ask God to give you a greater focus on Jesus Himself in these days and not just things that we want Him to do.

DAY 10

Matthew 7:7-8

“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.”

Prayer Prompt: As you pray, remember the goodness of God. He is better than the best father. He loves to give what is good to those who ask Him. Don't get weary in praying. Ask and keep on asking. If you are serious in seeking God you will hear from Him!

DAY 11

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

“For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses. We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ.”

Prayer Prompt: Ask God to give you greater awareness that you are in a spiritual battle. The battle is won or lost in your mind. Are you entertaining any thoughts that are contrary to the Word of God? Confess them as lies and speak God’s truth over each one. Seek today to take every thought captive.

DAY 12

Mark 9:24

“I do believe; help my unbelief.”

Prayer Prompt: Confess any areas of your life where you are not believing God. Stand on the promise that with God all things are possible. Pray for God to help you grow strong in faith. Pray for our church that we can grow corporately in our trust in the Lord. Ask God that we will take on 2026 with great faith.

DAY 13

2 Chronicles 16:9

“For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to give strong support to those whose heart is blameless toward him.”

Prayer Prompt: Pray that God uses these 21 days to make your heart more focused on Christ. Pray that you would seek God completely and wholeheartedly. Take confidence in knowing that God is present and powerful as we obey and surrender to Him.

DAY 14

Psalm 85:6

“Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you.”

Prayer Prompt: Pray that God would revive your own heart over these 21 days. Pray for God to revive the members of your family. Pray for God to bring revival in our church.

DAY 15

1 Peter 3:1-2

“Likewise, wives, be submissive to your own husbands, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives when they see your respectful and pure conduct.”

Prayer Prompt: Pray for wives in our church to have respectful hearts towards their husbands. Pray that wives will have the patience to love and honor their husbands even in the midst of all the other responsibilities they carry. Pray for marriages in our church to be strengthened.

DAY 16

1 Peter 3:7

“Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered.”

Prayer Prompt: Pray for the husbands in our church to be Christ-like leaders in their home. Pray for them to take responsibility for the spiritual needs of their family. Pray for husbands to honor their wives and love them as Christ loved the church. Pray for marriages in our church to be strengthened.

DAY 17

Colossians 3:20-21

“Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.”

Prayer Prompt: Prayer for parents and children in our church to obey the Lord in their respective responsibilities. Pray that the Gospel will be lived out faithfully in every home. If you are not currently in the stage of parenting children in your home pray for a family who is. Pray that God uses these 21 days to bring families closer together.

DAY 18

Colossians 3:23-24

“Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is to the Lord Christ whom you serve.”

Prayer Prompt: Pray that God would help us faithfully live out the Gospel in our workplaces. Pray that we would find our identities not in our work or our job titles but in the Lord Jesus. Pray that our diligence and commitment to great work would give a positive testimony for Christ.

DAY 19

Ephesians 4:1-3

“Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility, and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.”

Prayer Prompt: Satan loves nothing more than to stir up churches into fighting and division. Pray that every single member of our church would be committed to preserving the unity that is ours in the Spirit. Pray that the members of our church will always be committed to resolving differences and disagreements personally, quickly, and in a way that honors Christ. Pray that God would use the unity of our church to advance the Gospel.

DAY 20

Acts 4:31

“And when they had prayed, the place where they had gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak the word of God with boldness.”

Prayer Prompt: The main prayer request that we find in the early church is this prayer for boldness. Our need today is the same. Let's pray that God increases our boldness in witnessing. Pray for boldness to stand on the truthfulness of God's word.

DAY 21

Psalms 116:1-2

“I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy. Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.”

Prayer Prompt: Thank God for how he has moved and answered prayer even in the last few days and weeks. Pray for God's help to continue seeking Him in greater ways all through 2026. Pray that God will give our church a greater commitment and heart for prayer.