

## Praying with Risen Christ Fellowship

A Prayer Guide for the month of March

### **Prayer of the month**

One of the ways we learn to pray is by using the Scripture as a springboard and inspiration for our prayer life. This month, consider using the words of Luke's gospel in **Luke 4:1** If you're praying through the church directory, read the angel Gabriel's promises and pray in accordance with them for those you're praying for each day:

<sup>16</sup> And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. <sup>17</sup> And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, <sup>18</sup> "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, <sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." <sup>20</sup> And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup> And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

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We recognize our need for God's help in all areas of our lives. The categories and requests listed below are intentional ways to pray for each other as a church family. For help knowing how and what to pray for, look up the Scripture included with each item.

### **Ongoing prayer items in the life of our church**

- Pray for opportunities and boldness to share the gospel with loved ones (Mt 28:19).
- Pray for conversions (Jn 3:3, Acts 16:14)
- Pray for the children of our church to hear and understand the gospel and be saved. (Lk 8:8)
- Pray for the preaching of God's word - for faithfulness, fruitfulness, and God's glory (2 Tim 4:2, 1 Cor 2:4-5, Is 55:10-11)
- Pray for increased one-to-one discipleship relationships in our church family (Mt 28:19-20)
- Pray for unity in our diversity both on Sunday and through the week (Rom 15:13, Eph 4:2-3)
- Pray for continued growth and joy in the gospel (1 Cor. 15:1-5, 2 Pt 1:12)
- Pray for growth in holiness, hatred of sin, and growth in humility (Prov 8:13, 1 Pt. 1:14-16)
- Pray for honest, loving relationships in our church (Col 3:12-13, James 5:16)
- Pray for families: marriages to thrive, parents to teach /love/discipline carefully, and children to obey (Eph 5:22-6:4)
- Pray that giving would be faithful, joyful, consistent, and sacrificial (2 Cor 8:9)

### **Prayer items outside our church:**

- As we witness unsettling news of war and terror, pray for those in immediate danger, whether facing gunfire or battling critical illness in hospitals, asking God for mercy and protection. Pray for any who feel overwhelmed by the world's chaos, that their sense of helplessness would draw them to the Lord, who reigns supreme. Give thanks that in Christ, we find assurance amidst fear, echoing David's confidence: 'What can mere mortals do to me? (Psalm 56:1-4)

- Praise God that by the blood of Jesus, we have access to a new and living way into God's presence. Jesus paved the way, so we can walk in fellowship with God. Pray that the children in our church will draw near to God today and every day, thinking about him and seeking him with a sincere heart. (Heb 10:22-25)

#### **Particular prayer items in the life of our church**

- Pray that we would follow Christ's example amid temptation, using the Scriptures to speak truth to the lies we are tempted to believe. Ask God to give us victory over sin this month, by the power of the Spirit and the Word. (Luke 4:1-14)
- Pray for patience with others, especially when they hurt, disappoint, or irritate us, avoiding grumbling whether to their faces, behind their backs, or in our hearts. Additionally, ask God to help us to be patient with His plans and timing, growing confidence that His ways lead to blessings, even when circumstances seem uncertain or prayers unanswered. (James 5:9-11)
- Thank God that he always forgives us when we repent. Pray that we would be friends who forgive—who decide to love, to act, and to pray as though a wrong had never been done to us. If we are struggling to forgive, ask for a spirit of true forgiveness. (Lk 17:1-6)

#### **The following individuals have expressed particular prayer concerns:**

- Jahbei Ritter (Salvation for mom, Gloria and dad, Gary)

To submit a prayer request, please scan the QR code and use the prayer request form.

