**SATURATING YOUR COMMUNITY WITH PRAYER**

**DAILY PRAYER GUIDE**

**Verse of the Week**

"This is how God showed His love among us: He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him."

1 John 4:9

**Sunday: Pray for many in your church to take seriously the invitation of Jesus** to become fishers of people (Mark 1:17). Paul makes the following amazing statement: Therefore, we are ambassadors of Christ, God making his appeal through us (2 Corinthians 5:17). May the church embrace this divine invitation to serve as the heart, the voice, the hands, and the feet of Christ in your community.

**Please Pray:**

- **For every Christian believer to more faithfully follow Jesus Christ.** Pray that the Holy Spirit will empower them to actively grow in their commitment of daily reading and meditating upon God’s Word, seeking to be guided by it in everything they do. Pray they will be prepared to be powerful witnesses for Him.
- **For every Christian believer to more faithfully follow Jesus Christ by taking an active role in their local church** and its mission to your community, surrounding communities, state, nation and world. Pray that the Holy Spirit will impart to them a hunger to serve Him as a fully participating member of the Body of Christ.
- **For every Christian believer to receive the fruits of the Spirit to bless others** with “love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness and self-control which results from living the Spirit controlled life (Galatians 5: 22-23).

**Monday: Pray to See the People of Our Community Through Jesus’ Eyes.** “When Jesus saw the crowds, He was moved with compassion for them, because He saw they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd” (Matthew 9:36). Pray for all that believe in Jesus to actively pray to see others through His eyes. Pray that we will all become more like Jesus, moved with compassion for all people and actively seeking to care for them.

**Please Pray:**

- **For the gentle, loving hand of Jesus Christ to be made visible** through tangible acts of compassionate care by our members for all people in all kinds of need. Pray also that the Lord will empower His people to do His “greater works” (John 14:12) bringing healing and wholeness through “prayers of faith.”
- **For all people with all kinds of needs to receive the Holy Spirit’s help.** Pray for people with chronic personal problems they have been unable to overcome. Pray for those besieged by mental and emotional challenges that rob them of peace and spiritual
security. Pray for those with physical diseases and disabilities they’ve been told have no cure. Pray for anyone with any kind of hardship while you also seek to find them the appropriate care they need.

- **For churches and ministries committed to providing compassionate care** to grow in leadership and financial strength to secure ample resources to sustain their outreaches to people and communities in need. Pray for the Lord to prosper them in their good works in His name.

**Tuesday: Pray to See Our Community and Region as a Harvest Field.** “Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness” (Matthew 9:35).

Please Pray:

- **For the powerful, renewed and life-changing ministry of Jesus Christ** to move like a surging wind along our region’s highways and by-ways, over its hill tops and valleys, into its homes, churches, schools, hospitals, government offices, businesses, stadiums, etc. Pray that God’s Word and Spirit will invade the hearts, minds, souls and bodies of every human resident of our region and transform their lives through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

- **For the Lord to raise up those that see ministry opportunities everywhere, every day.** Pray that they will minister mightily in the Power of the Holy Spirit. Pray that they will go everywhere the Lord sends them and, especially, to all the people that most desperately need His divine Word and compassionate care.

- **For everyone on the receiving end of our Lord’s “Amazing Grace”** that they would grow into a deeper understanding of who they are in Jesus Christ. Pray that they will experience the joy of serving Jesus as one of His chosen disciples. Pray especially that they will see the need to constantly reach out to other people with a loving hand and testimony of their personal faith in Jesus Christ.

**Wednesday: Pray for a New Generation to Arise for Jesus.** The Gospel of Luke records that one day “the Lord Jesus appointed seventy-two others and sent them out two by two ahead of Him to every town and place where He was about to go. He told them, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field’” (Luke 10:1-2). This is a prayer we need to pray constantly as we pray to restore the ranks of our churches and ministries with godly men and women. Pray with faith that the harvest field of your community will be teeming with new and renewed believers coming out to do the work of God! Beloved, pray this one “with all your heart, mind, soul and strength!”

Please Pray:

- **For those that preach, teach, disciple and mentor others** that the Lord will bless them with an extra portion of wisdom, direction, faithfulness and fortitude as they instruct and influence others to make decisions for Christ. Pray they will effectively lead the next generation of Christians and their emerging leaders in the paths they shall follow.

- **For the Lord to instill a new or renewed sense of His vision for a new generation of followers** that will be the backbone of our revitalized churches, ministries and society.
Pray for the emerging generation of pastors, ministry leaders, teachers and societal leaders our natural eyes cannot yet see but whom the Lord is sending us. Pray the Lord will prepare them to minister and lead our people. Pray that the Lord will provide every resource that they will be prepared to make a real difference in the our churches and beyond when they arrive on the scene.

- **For the new generation like the “seventy-two”** that the fire of the Lord will fill them right now so that even in their current obscurity they will be highly motivated to learn from the Lord to their fullest capacities. Pray that their minds, hearts, bodies and spirits will all be highly tuned to what the Holy Spirit is knitting into their lives as He builds into them the knowledge and character they must have when they emerge.

**Thursday: Pray for All the Social Media Impacting Our Community and Region.** We are all aware of the power of media to influence. It can be used for both good and evil purposes. There are many positive potentials when it is utilized wisely. It also provides many opportunities for ministry and communicating the Gospel. The Scriptures offer helpful principles for discernment that apply in our use of it. Jesus counsels: “Your eye is the lamp of your body. When your eye is healthy, your whole body is full of light, but when it is bad, your body is full of darkness” (Luke 11:34); David says: “I will not set before my eyes anything that is worthless. I hate the work of those who fall away; it shall not cling to me. A perverse heart shall be far from me; I will know nothing of evil” (Psalm 101:3-4); Paul says: “Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things” (Philippians 4:8).

**Please Pray:**

- **For the powerful, life-changing work of the Holy Spirit to move upon each Internet and Social Media viewer in our community.** Pray that they will “apply their hearts to instruction and their ears to words of knowledge” (Proverbs 23:12). Please pray the Lord makes them wise and keeps them safe from all harm.

- For each viewer to humbly seek the Gospel Truth. Pray that they grow in their understanding of who they are in Jesus Christ. Pray that they will make righteous choices in the use of these powerful communications tools. Pray that they will learn how to use them to reach out to other people lovingly and give testimony of their personal faith in Jesus Christ.

- **For gifted Christians to awaken to the great opportunity to use these tools to answer Christ’s call** to “Go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you…” (Matthew 28:1-20).

**Friday: Pray for All Our Area Pastors and Ministry Leaders.** Please continue to devote a portion of time today and every day to pray for your own pastor and ministry leaders in your church and region.
Please Pray:

- For the Holy Spirit to nudge us and remind us to pray for them regularly with discipline and diligence. Pray that each intercessor will be blessed for continually holding up God’s servants before His Throne.
- For each pastor and ministry leader to receive a Psalm 91 Blessing: “ Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, ‘He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.’” Continue to pray each day that the Lord will constantly refresh and protect them so they will remain effective servants of the Lord.
- For each pastor and ministry leader to truly enjoy uninterrupted time with the Lord today and fully enter their Sabbath rest. Pray for complete peace and protection for their entire household.

Sabbath: Continue to Pray for All Our Congregations Pray that every member of every congregation will respond to God’s call to actively reach out to their neighbors for Christ through prayer and evangelism. Continue to pray that our Lord’s own desire for all His people will be fulfilled so “that none shall perish “but “everyone to come to repentance” (2 Peter 3:9).

Please Persist in Prayer:

- For every congregation to be a Power House, clearly teaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Continue to pray for them to train people that will become disciples that will make disciples themselves. Continue to pray that the Holy Spirit will empower all His churches to take charge developing a whole new generation of pastors, teachers, ministry leaders and commissioned lay leaders to advance soul saving ministry and mission in our local congregations and communities.
- For every Sabbath School and youth program to grow in spiritual depth as well as adding to their numbers daily. Continue to pray for their ministry teams that the Lord will form them into strong and united units. Continue to pray that He will use them mightily to help children and youth to become mature in Christ.
- For every pastor and ministry leader to continue to be blessed by the Lord with "every good fruit in every good work." Continue to pray that they may conscientiously and continually grow in their knowledge of God. Continue to pray that they may be strengthened with God’s power to have great endurance in their work and patience in prayer so that the Lord will truly revive their congregations.

Praises! Praises! Praises!

Praise the Lord for all our area pastors, church leaders, ministry leaders, intercessors, Christian lay people, etc. who give so tirelessly of their time and energy to build up Christ’s kingdom.

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