

**40 DAYS
BUILDING
LIVES IN
PRAYER**



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MISSION:

To promote prayer in the Mesoamerica Region in order to build lives in agreement with God's purpose.

"This is the confidence we have in approaching God; that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us-whatever we ask"- we know that we have what we asked of him 1st John 14-15

"If my people who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14

OBJECTIVES:

- To challenge individuals, families and congregations to pray to build their lives and be guided by God's purposes.
- To establish places of prayer in homes and churches.
- To facilitate a complete involvement in prayer.
- To bring people's lives to repentance on Pentecost Sunday.

OBJECTIVE OF THE DAY OF PRAYER IN LOCAL CHURCHES

To establish 24 hours of constant prayer for the care of individuals, families, towns, cities, communities. Government leaders and for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit over the towns.

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OUR CORE VALUES

1. We are a Christian People

As members of the Church Universal, we join with all true believers in proclaiming the Lordship of Jesus Christ and in embracing the historic Trinitarian creedal statements of Christian faith.

We value our Wesleyan- Holiness heritage and believe it to be a way of understanding the faith that is true to Scripture, reason, tradition, and experience.

2. We Are a Holiness People

God, who is holy, calls us to a life of holiness. We believe that the Holy Spirit seeks to do in us a second work of grace, called by various terms including “entire sanctification” and “baptism with the Holy Spirit” - cleansing us from all sin; renewing us in the image of God; empowering us to love God with our whole heart, soul, mind, and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves; and producing in us the character of Christ. Holiness in the life of believers is most clearly understood as Christlikeness.

3. We Are a Missional People

We are a “sent people,” responding to the call of Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to go into all the world, witnessing to the Lordship of Christ and participating with God in the building of the Church and the extension of His kingdom (2 Corinthians 6:1). Our mission (a) begins in worship, (b) ministers to the world in evangelism and compassion, (c) encourages believers toward Christian maturity through discipleship, and (d) prepares women and men for Christian service through Christian higher education.

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“WORSHIP”

“LIVING TO PLEASE GOD”

On the basis of our core values and being a sent people that responds to the call of Christ, we go into the world equipped by the Holy Spirit to participate in extending Christ's kingdom. We begin these 40 days of Prayer in accordance with our mission

Week 1

Day 1 – Praying for Spiritual Wisdom

“For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, I have not stopped giving thanks for you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his mighty strength.”

Ephesians 1:15-19

- ◆ Invite God so that in prayer He may give wisdom to walk based on His principles and according to His will
- ◆ Ask God to help you understand His will for your life.
- ◆ Ask God to help your walk as you worship him each day.
- ◆ Take time to worship Him during prayer.
- ◆ If you have not been obedient in asking Him for wisdom, confess while praying.
- ◆ Take the time to thank Him for the wisdom He has given you to overcome adversity.
- ◆ Pray for His people to worship Him in spirit and in truth.

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Week 1

Day 2 – Praying that the message of His word will abound in you.

“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”

John 10:10 (NIV)

- God desires that the message of the bible will abide in you so that you may grow spiritually each day. Take the time to pray everyday.
- If His Word abides in you, it will bear fruit so that others will come to repentance through you. Pray and ask God to help you to be light.
- Pray asking God to guide you in living life in the fullness of His Word.
- Pray asking God to help you to communicate His Word to new converts.
- Pray asking God to give you wisdom as you prepare to study His Word.
- Pray that your ministry will develop according to God’s will .

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Week 1

Day 3 – Praying for God to govern your lives.

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”

Matthew 6:9-10 y Luke 11:2.

- When you pray ask for God to establish His dominance in your lives.
- Invite God’s presence into every situation you face and say: “Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth.” Fill your lives with praise and prepare a place for the throne of God.
- Give thanks to God for being the Only one that guides your life.
- Ask God to govern the lives of leaders in each congregation.
- Pray to God to help you act in accordance with His will each day.
- Pray so that your ministries can develop according to God’s Word.

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Week 1

Day 5 – Praying for God to help us to fully trust in Him.

“Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for. By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God’s command so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.”

Hebrews 11:1-3

Our faith in God is the key to what we receive. God is the fountain and base of our being. Faith is: belief, trust, faithfulness, and obedience. Faith is a firm conviction of what you cannot see and a sure hope in a future reward.

- Pray for God to help you trust Him fully every day.
- Pray for your faith to grow.
- Pray to always be obedient.
- Pray to be faithful in everything.
- Pray with conviction and assurance that God will answer your prayers.

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Week 1

Day 4 – Praying for His grace to abound in you.

“With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and much grace was upon them all.”

Acts 4:33

As believers we know the meaning of the Word ‘grace’ as the unmerited favor of God. In the same way that God in his mercy saved us by “his grace”, that grace is manifested when the Holy Spirit works with great power and abounds in us.

- Ask God for His grace to abound in you each day.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to work in you.
- Pray that you may be able to testify of His grace.
- When you feel despondent because of adversity, pray to the Lord for His grace to overflow in you and make you victorious.
- Ask God to help you grow in His grace for the sake of others.
- Ask the Lord in prayer to help you to be strong in His grace so His purpose will be accomplished through you.

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Week 1

Day 6— Praying for God to help you pray and be forgiven .

“And when you stand praying if you hold anything against anyone , forgive them, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins.”

Mark 11:25.

“And forgive us our debts as we also have forgiven our debtors. For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.”

Matthew 6:12; 14-15

One condition for prayer to be effective is to have a spirit of forgiveness. Decide to walk in love and forgiveness daily. Understand that God forgives your sins as you forgive those who offend you. Incorporate forgiveness in all of your other daily prayers as an exercise of discipline.

- In prayer, ask God to help you to love your neighbor as you love yourself.
- Ask God to help you forgive whoever has offended you.
- Pray asking God to help you to be forgiven if you have offended someone.
- Pray asking God for His love to abound in you .

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Week 1

Day 7 – Praying for God to sanctify your life

“Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you. May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.”

1 Thessalonians 3:11-13

Holiness is a process that changes both attitude and personal conduct.

We have been commissioned to carry the image of God: (Leviticus 11:44). Ask God to help us in this process so that our personal conduct will be sanctified.

- Pray for God to sanctify your lives.
- Pray asking God for you live a holy and pleasing life before Him.
- Pray for God to sanctify your character.
- Pray asking God to help you live and maintain moral rectitude.
- Pray asking God to make you like him.
- Ask God to make you faithful and obedient.

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Day 8—Praying for God to help you walk worshipping Him.

“But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.”

1 Peter 2:9

God wants for us, as part of his chosen people, to walk with Him in prayer, to walk with him in praise, to give him thanks and worship him.

- Take time to pray and give God thanks for what He has done in your life.
- Pray for God to help you walk with Him in worship.
- Ask God to help you live a life of prayer.
- Pray asking God to help you walk in a path of purity.
- Pray for God to help you persevere in worship.

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“FELLOWSHIP”

“BE A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY OF GOD”

As a member of the great family of God, we should support one another. Our leaders in the local church, district, area, and region and around the world need our prayers. Their families, our families need our prayers; those who preach the Word of God, those who congregate in different churches, for their families, their homes, their children. They also need our prayers.

I invite you to take the next 8 days, to intercede for those who need our prayers, united in the fellowship that characterizes us Christians.

Week 2

Day 9 – Praying for the spiritual needs of your brothers in the faith .

“Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ”

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

God deals with the church as a body and with individuals as its members. The members of the church should place the needs of their brothers ahead of their own. Promote unity within the body of Christ so that all may better serve their purpose and grow spiritually as one body.

- Pray for those brothers and sisters that have spiritual problems.
- Pray that God give them wisdom to help them resolve their spiritual problems.
- Pray that God would help you spiritually guide youth.
- Pray for God to help you challenge youth to live a holy life before him.

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Week 2

Day 10— Praying for your pastor and his family .

“Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith .”

Hebrews 13:7

Pastors are servants who God has placed to guide his flock, which is us. They are human too and have needs just like any of their sheep. Honor, consider, imitate, and especially pray for those who God has placed over us to guide us.

- Pray for God to give your pastors wisdom to guide their families.
- Pray for God to help pastors guide their flock.
- Pray for the health of your pastors and their families.
- Pray for your pastors to be free from temptation.
- Pray for your pastors to remain faithful to God.
- Pray for God to use pastors to present the message of His Word

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Week 2

Day 11 – Praying for the physical health of your spiritual brothers and sisters.

“Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective .’

James 5:14-16

Praying with faith produces miracles and many times these miracles do not occur immediately. You should be persistent in prayer for the physical health of your brothers and sisters so that God will work and produce healing miracles

- Pray for those brothers and sisters who suffer from physical illnesses.
- Pray for those brothers and sisters that are confined to hospitals.
- Ask God to provide resources to help those brothers and sisters that are sick and cannot work.
- Pray for God to work in all who suffer from illnesses and produce miracles of healing

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Week 2

Day 12—Praying for your leaders; - for God to fill them with power to guide others;

“....so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love,¹⁸ may have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ,¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God”

Ephesians 3:14:21

All leaders need to be filled with the fullness of Christ to guide those who are also being trained to carry forward the work of God here on earth.

- Pray for your leaders to be full of the Holy Spirit
- Ask God to give them wisdom to guide those who are being disciple in service to God
- Pray for your leaders, for God to give them the capacity to form new leaders
- Pray for God to prepare his leaders and fill them with power to guide His people to repentance

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Week 2

Day 14—Praying for unity in families.

“For this reason I kneel before the Father,¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. ”

Ephesians 3:14-15

When a man and a woman come together in marriage, God gives them this name which essentially belongs to them: the family name. The husband, wife and children live up to the true meaning of this word, they reflect the nature and life of the divine family in the human family.

- Pray for there to always be unity in your family.
- Pray for God to be the one who governs your family.
- Pray for unity among families in your church.
- Pray for unity in the families of your leaders.
- Pray for broken families; for God to unite them again.
- The wellbeing of families rests on God’s promise and care.
- Pray for the wellbeing of your family and the families that surround you.

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Week 2

Day 13 – Praying for unity in churches.

“...that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you ...” v. 21 John 17:20-26. -

“Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace’

Ephesians 4:3

God treats the church as one body and its members as individuals. The members of the church should place the interests of the body or congregation above their own

- Pray for unity in your congregation.
- Pray for there not to be any contempt in your congregation; that all would be united in thought.
- Pray for all believers in your congregation to be united in devotion to the gospel of Christ.
- Promote unity in the body of Christ. Pray constantly.
- Pray to maintain order in your churches.
- Pray for there to always be peace

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Week 2

Day 15 – Praying for God to help you raise your children according to His will.

“Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord .”

Ephesians 6:4

God has given parents the responsibility of raising children on the precious foundation of knowledge. Pray that God will guide you to appropriate teaching of your children: the right attitude and a correct foundation.

- Pray for wisdom in raising your children with discipline and admonition of the Lord.
- Pray for God to give you wisdom in educating your children.
- Pray for God to help you guide your children on His path.
- Pray for God to keep your children from getting involved in drug use.
- Pray to God so He can keep your children from getting involved in crime.
- Pray for God to help you and give you wisdom in teaching your children the Word.

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Week 2

Day 16—Praying for your spouse .

“ Wives, submit yourselves to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them. Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving .”

Colossians 3:18-19, 23, 24

Husbands and wives are called to behave according to the divine order of God. The role that God assigns to husbands is to care for and protect his wife. Also, from a different position, the wife should serve her husband.

- God wants you to bless your husband or wife; take some time to pray.
- Intercede in prayer to live in harmony and under his statutes.
- Ask God to help you be faithful to your partner.
- Remember that one day at the altar of God you promised to care for your spouse in any circumstance. Ask God to help you fulfill that promise.
- Ask the Lord to help you mutually accept the other's defects and qualities.

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“DISCIPLESHIP”

“BE LIKE HIM”

Week 3

Day 17 – Praying for God to help you grow in humility.

“Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience ”

Colossians 3:12

Adopt and diligently practice all kinds of right attitudes that help you grow according to the will of God to be an example to others.

- Pray, asking God to help you grow in humility each day.
- Pray, asking God that you would be humble in every attitude .
- Pray that as beloved children of God, He clothe you with endearing gentleness as His word says.
- Pray for God to help you to be humble disciples.
- The true disciple of Jesus Christ demonstrates humility before others. Pray for God to help you teach humility to others.

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Week 3

Day 18—Praying for God to help us resist temptation.

“Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

Matthew 26:41

Sin originates in the heart. Be careful how you live, remain in constant prayer to resist the enemy who like a roaring lion seeks whom to devour.

- Pray, asking God for help when temptation arrives.
- Prayers sustained Jesus all through the events surrounding His crucifixion; pray to be sustained when you go through diverse trials.
- Pray for God to strengthen your hearts to resist temptation.
- Ask God in prayer to help you keep far away from temptation.
- Pray to God to give you the ability to resist temptation

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Week 3

Day 19 – Praying for God to help you be holy as He is holy.

“..... ..As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: “Be holy, because I am holy. ...”

1 Peter 1:13-20

To be holy is to be set apart from the world to serve God. The holy person is always alert, maintaining a clear mind, preparing to walk with God. Be honest, sincere and pure in all of your relationships. Dedicate your life completely to God and be Holy just as he demands.

- Pray for God to help you not fall to the demands of the flesh.
- Pray for your lives to be completely dedicated to serving God.
- Ask God in prayer to help you be honest and pure in all of your relationships.
- Pray for God to help you be holy as He is holy.

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Week 3

Day 20— Praying for God to help you love others as Jesus loved.

“My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.”

John 15:12-13

God asks that we love one another with fervent love. As disciples, your priority is to love one another and your path is to love Christ as he first loved you.

- Pray that as disciples of Jesus, your priority will be to love one another.
- Pray exalting Jesus in your lives and in service to Him to attract others to His feet.
- Ask God to help you love your neighbor as you love yourselves.
- Ask for forgiveness in prayer if there is hate and resentment in your heart for anyone. Ask God to help you love the way He loves you.

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Week 3

Day 21 – Praying for God to help you be obedient

“according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with his blood.”

1 Peter 1:2

God calls his people to obedience. In the same way Jesus was absolutely submissive to the will of His Father, the church should be. Obedience should characterize the life of the saints. Faithful obedience purifies the people of God.

- As true disciples, pray to the Lord at all times, so he will help you to be obedient to his Word.
- Pray, so God will help you live in such a way that others will see the glory of God through your testimony of obedience.
- Pray for obedience to purify your lives.
- Pray for God to help you be absolutely submissive to his will.
- Pray so that as children of God, you will be examples of obedience to others.

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Week 3

Day 22—Praying for God to help you forgive.

“..Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, “Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?” Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times...”

Matthew 18:21-35

Forgive daily those who have offended you. Allow God’s merciful nature to guide you to forgive others.

- If you have been rejected by your father or mother, pray to the Lord that He help you forgive and help you love them even more.
- Pray for God to stop any contention in your church.
- Pray for God to help you live in harmony.
- Pray for God to help you forgive as many times as necessary and to love those you have offended.
- If you have been offended and have not forgiven who offended you, pray to God to help you forgive and bless them.
- Do you have problems in your congregation due to an offense? Ask each other for forgiveness and encourage one another.

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Week 3

Day 23 –Praying for God to help you be true disciples .

“Then Jesus said to his disciples, “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me”

Matthew 16:24-27

True discipleship requires total commitment , without distraction or accommodations.

Understand and accept that discipleship means abandoning all selfish ambition. Every true disciple must take up his cross.

- Pray for God to always be your priority
- Pray for God to guide you to be his disciple to all the nations
- Pray to the Lord to give you grace daily in order to be a loyal disciple
- Pray for God to help you **MAKE THE CROSS OF JESUS YOURS, TAKE IT UP EVERYDAY, SHARE IT, AND FOLLOW HIM.**

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Week 3

Day 24— Praying for God to help you be consistent in prayer .

“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.”

Romans 12:12

Our behavior as Christians depends greatly on how consistent we are in prayer and supplication. Through prayer, we can communicate with God to ask Him to help us live in righteousness.

- If you are a leader in your church, district, or any other ministry, you should be a leader in prayer. Pray to God so that he can help you be consistent in prayer and supplication.
- Pray for your pastors consistently.
- Pray for those who God has placed around you to guide you (John 17:6-19).
- Pray to God so that your daily behavior will be in prayer.
- Ask God for prayer and fasting to be part of your daily discipline.
- Pray for unity of believers (John 17:20-26).

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“MINISTRY”

“SERVING THE LORD”

Our mission as Christians is to implement the gospel of Jesus Christ, not only in our churches, but also worldwide. "For God so he loved the world that He gave His only Son . . ." (John 3:16). God is our model to give the life of His only Son as a ransom for our sins, and did so without receiving anything in return. So it should be with us, serving and giving without expecting anything in return.

Week 4

Day 25 – Praying for God to help you put your spiritual gifts into practice

*“For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; **if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸ if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.**”*

Romans 12:3-8

- Pray asking God to help you implement the gift He has given you.
- If you have not discovered what gift God has given you, pray that he shows you and put it into practice.
- If your gift is that of service, ask the Lord to train you to meet the needs of those around you.
- If your gift is that of teaching, pray to the Lord that He instruct you through His Word what you should teach to others.

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Week 4

Day 26—Praying (interceding) faithfully for new believers and churches

“With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling, and that by his power he may bring to fruition your every desire for goodness and your every deed prompted by faith.

¹² We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ. ”

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12

God wants us to accomplish discipleship of new believers that have accepted Him as their personal Savior, as well as new churches where they congregate, for the Name of our Lord Jesus to be glorified and for His purpose in their lives to be fulfilled.

- Pray for new believers and churches so that God’s purpose will be fulfilled.
- Every day the evil in the youth becomes latent. Pray that God would touch their hearts and they would come to repentance.
- Pray for those congregations that have enclosed themselves within the walls of their temples. That they can see outwardly and bring new souls to the feet of the Lord.
- God has called them to be light in the darkness, He has made them worthy of their calling. Pray that God is manifested in their lives and helps them be an example to those who do not know him.

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Week 4

Day 27 – Praying that God will allow us to reach those who govern our communities, countries, etc .

“Go, gather together all the Jews who are in Susa, and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my attendants will fast as you do. When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish.”

Esther 4:16

We need to pray and fast for our authorities in such a way that we can reach grace in their eyes and introduce the message of salvation to their lives and pray for the needs that overwhelm our society.

- Pray intensely for your authorities, so that you can reach grace in their eyes and be able to present the message of salvation.
- Pray so that they can develop their influence according to the will of God.
- Pray for your authorities, so that they may receive grace, not only in front of those around them, but especially before God.
- Pray for your authorities, so that they can understand that only by depending on God can they govern their communities, cities and nations.
- Pray for Christians who hold public positions. That they understand that if they are there is because God wants to advance its purposes.

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Week 4

Day 28—Praying for God to help you have a good attitude toward the homeless.

“Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?’³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?”

“The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’”

Matthew 25:37- 40

The people to whom we give, feed, visit in prison, in hospitals or their sick beds come to be like Jesus to us. Therefore, we must share the daily blessings we receive from God with them. God wants us to have a compassionate spirit.

- Pray for God to give you a compassionate spirit.
- Pray to always have the disposition to help the hungry.
- Pray to be able to share the blessings you receive from God with the needy.
- Pray to always have the disposition to visit the sick.
- Pray for there to always be provision to aid the needy at your church.
- Pray for service to your neighbors to be one of the priorities in your congregations.

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Week 4

Day 29 – Praying for God to help guide young people and children in their paths •

*“Start children off on the way they should go,
and even when they are old they will not turn from it .”*

Proverbs. 22:6

*“How can a young person stay on the path of purity?
By living according to your word .”*

Psalms 119:9

Modern philosophies and practices on the upbringing of children are a significant challenge. The instruction that God gives in His word is the most appropriate for your children's upbringing.

- Pray that God give you the wisdom to guide your youth and children in the ways of the Lord.
- Pray for God to give you the wisdom to teach your children and youth the disciplines of prayer and fasting.
- Pray that your kids, both teens and children have the discipline of reading the word of God.
- Pray for your youth and children to diligently practice the memorization of God's Word.
- Pray that your youth and children stay away from sin.

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Week 4

Day 30—Praying for God to help you train new leaders at His service.

“You, however, must teach what is appropriate to sound doctrine “

Titus 2:1-10

Christian leaders are not called to perform their duties alone. On the contrary, other faithful believers should be incorporated to help meet the needs of God's people. The first duty of a leader is to teach.

- Pray that God help you be an example for other leaders.
- Pray and teach your leaders to also be examples. Always remain loyal to God and his Church.
- Pray that God help you to always assume an active role to teach others.
- Pray that elders in your church also share their experiences in ministry with you and the new leaders.

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Week 4

Day 31 – Praying that God would widen your field of service

“Jabez cried out to the God of Israel, “Oh, that you would bless me and enlarge my territory! Let your hand be with me, and keep me from harm so that I will be free from pain.” And God granted his request.”

1 Chronicles 4:10

Hope that the Lord will allow you not only reach your families, but also neighbors, friends, co-workers and communities. You are not limited to serving only in a very small field.

- In prayer, ask God to guide you to see beyond what you can imagine to serve.
- Do not try to carry out the work of God alone and in your own way, pray that He give you the wisdom to serve where it is His will.
- Pray asking God that He widen your field of service where it is His will.
- Do not restrict your ministry to the local church. Pray that the Lord make a way to serve outside of your church.

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Week 4

Day 32—Praying for God to help you be faithful servants

“Who then is the faithful and wise servant, whom the master has put in charge of the servants in his household to give them their food at the proper time?⁴⁶ It will be good for that servant whose master finds him doing so when he returns.”

Matthew 24: 45-46

As you await the coming of the Lord, all those who follow him must be responsible and loyal to His Word.

- Pray to be always ready to serve to God.
- Also pray for those whom God has called to serve.
- Pray for there to always people willing to serve God.
- Always submit your plans and future to the will of God in prayer.
- Pray to always develop a personal commitment to the Lord and his will.
- Pray for God to always be the center of your life and if He has called you to serve, that it be your priority.

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The Great Commission and the Great Commandment are essential to understand our mission. They are two expressions of one mission, two dimensions of a single message of Good News. Jesus leads us to love "the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind... and your neighbor as yourself," (Matthew 22:37-39). He also tells us to "go and make disciples of all Nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you," (Matthew 28:19-20).

“The Mission of the Church in the world extends to all humanity, to all peoples, because Jesus Christ came to the world to save all who invoke his name. As God's people we have the privilege of sharing the good news of salvation to all those who want to hear.

May your passion be to take every opportunity to invite people to believe in Jesus Christ and be saved through faith.”

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Week 5

Day 33— Praying for God to help you spread the Good News of salvation fearlessly.

*“The grass withers and the flowers fall,
but the word of our God endures forever*”

Isaiah 40: 8-11.

God is calling for the proclamation of the Good News of Salvation and you must be wise to obey without fear in the assurance that He will confirm His word and that it will remain forever.

Jesus spoke of the servant who hid his talent and said: “. . . I was afraid . . .” (Matthew 25:25). Allow God's powerful promise that “perfect love casts out fear” to become a reality in your life and speak with whom He gives you the opportunity of presenting the Gospel of Salvation to. He confirms His word with boldness.

- Pray for God to cast out any fear you may have in order to spread His Word to the lost.
- Pray for Christians who have not had the desire to proclaim the Good News of Salvation.
- Pray that through you many souls can know the love of God towards them.
- Continually pray to be wise in presenting the word of God.
- Pray for His word to remain forever and for it to be carried to the ends of the Earth.

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Week 5

Day 34 —Praying for God to guide you in the continuous calling to go "beyond" the Christian community .

“so that we can preach the góspel in the regions beyond you.....”

2 Corinthians 10 16.

The words of the Apostle Paul as to proclaim the Gospel in "the places beyond you," reveal that he was never satisfied with reserving the message for exclusive gain of the Christian community.

God is calling us and saying "Go and make disciples of all Nations," (Matthew 28:19) and "Preach the Gospel to everyone". (Mark 16:15).

- Pray for God to always be your guide to carry the message beyond your Christian community.
- Pray to God, asking for opportunities to present His Word everywhere.
- Pray for those who do not want to spread the Word of God.
- Pray that the continuous call to “go beyond” where you can imagine remains.

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Week 5

Day 35—Praying to be trained by the Holy Spirit to testify in your Jerusalem .

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, ...”

Acts 1: 8a.

In several references in the New Testament, Jesus instructs his disciples to preach the Gospel everywhere. In this first part, He instructed them to be witnesses "in Jerusalem", that is, locally.

- Pray that God will give you strength and fortitude so that others can see Christ in you and be brought to repentance.
- Pray that with the power of the Holy Spirit you can win your family first.
- Pray that you can take the message of salvation to co-workers.
- Pray for God to give you the ability to witness among your fellow classmates (elementary, high school, and college).
- Pray for your neighbors, that they may be brought to repentance through you.

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Week 5

Day 36 —Praying to be trained by the Holy Spirit to testify in your Judea •

“and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth ...”

Acts 1: 8b.

In this second part, Jesus instructs his disciples to witness "in all Judea", that is, at the national level.

- Pray that God will allow you to take the message of salvation to those communities in your country where the message of Salvation probably has not been taken.
- Pray for the communities in your country where the Word of God has not been shared.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to train you to carry the Message to all of the political leaders and authorities of the different communities in your country.
- Pray that God would provide resources to bring His word to every community in your country.

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Week 5

Day 37—Praying to be trained by the Holy Spirit to testify in Samaria .

“ and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

Acts 1: 8c.

The Holy Spirit of God wants you to also be witnesses "in Samaria", that is, cross-culturally. Every race, every culture and every language has the same right as you to be saved from their sins.

- Pray that God will give you the desire to preach his word to everyone, regardless of race and color.
- Pray that in every culture, the message of salvation is presented.
- Pray that God will train you to go to other cultures to carry the message.
- God does not discriminate against people and if you are in bondage due to that, pray for the Lord to break you free so you can go and present the message of salvation to every race, language and culture.
- Pray every day to be filled with His Holy Spirit and who can be trained, to go and preach cross-culturally.

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Week 5

Day 38 —Praying to be trained by the Holy Spirit to witness to the ends of the earth.

‘But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, **and to the ends of the earth ...**’

Acts 1: 8d.

“To the ends of the earth” implies internationally. The last commandment given by Jesus here on Earth reveals the power and the will of God to fulfill the work of world evangelization.”

- Pray to receive power; that the Holy Spirit come upon you and you can be witnesses to the ends of the earth.
- Pray for there to be people who can accomplish mission work around the world.
- Pray that God equip you with power and that you can go to win the lost in your own country.
- Pray for the countries which have not been won for Christ.
- Pray for the countries in the 10/40 window.
- Pray for the Creative Access Areas so that taking the message of salvation would be allowed by authorities in these areas.
- Pray that through the different media streams of World Evangelism , our world is reached for Christ.

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Week 5

Day 39—Praying for the fulfillment of the Great Commission .

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations”

Matthew 28:19.

“The great Commission is essential to understanding our mission. “The Mission of the Church in the world extends to all mankind, because Jesus Christ came to the world to save all who invoke his name. As God’s people we have the privilege and the responsibility of sharing the good news of the Gospel. The passion of every Christian is to take every opportunity to invite people to believe in Jesus Christ.”

- Pray that there be people committed to comply with the mandate of making disciples in all nations.
- Pray that Christians may be responsible for sharing the Good News.
- Pray that every opportunity to bring people to Christ will be taken advantage of.
- Pray for those who have not wanted to commit to make disciples.
- Pray that His people can teach others that Christ is the center of their lives.
- Pray that your children recognize that Jesus called His disciples to carry its message to all Nations and to teach her how to know him and live according to his will.

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Week 5

Day 40 —Praying for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon his people .

“When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit ...”

Acts 2:1, 2, 4.

“The Mission of the Church in the world extends to all peoples because the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, was poured out for all mankind. It is our mission to present the Gospel of Salvation through Jesus Christ to every person on Earth. We have the power of the Holy Spirit to go into the world to proclaim the Kingdom and participate with God in the building of His Church.”

- Pray that your lives are sanctified and may be filled with the Holy Spirit.
- Pray that new lives are sanctified.
- Pray for God to move in the midst of all those who don't know Him.
- Pray that you may be God's instrument to win the lost.
- Pray that Christ bring spiritual and physical healing.
- Pray for our world to be moved by the Holy Spirit to repent of its sins.
- Pray for your churches and communities to be motivated to seek the presence of God.

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- Pray that God pour out His peace all over the world and that it can be seen through transformed lives.
- Pray that the peace of the saving presence of God be experienced by every group on Earth.
- Pray for the leaders of the Governments of all Nations to hear the voice of God to guide their people.
- Pray that his Word may reach across race, language and nation.
- Pray that new congregations are touched by the Holy Spirit and to carry the word of God in a bold and wise way.
- Pray for children, orphans and those afflicted by wars and the AIDS epidemic.
- Pray that future generations may see God as the center of their lives.

“if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

2 Chronicles 7:14–15

