



# MONTH OF PRAYER

Digital Guide



**One of the most loving things you can do for your neighbor is pray over them. This month, we're setting aside dedicated time to prayer walk our neighborhoods and ask God to bring repentance, renewal, radical devotion, and revival.**

## **What is prayer walking?**

“Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, just as I promised to Moses.”  
Joshua 1:3

Inspired by God's promise to Joshua, we can walk the victory of Jesus into every part of our neighborhoods and cities. Prayer walking is an easy way to profoundly impact your community.

Simply gather with your Home Group or friends and family and begin walking around your neighborhood, praying over the houses you pass. As you pass others on your journey, ask if there is anything specific in their lives that you can pray for.

## **How should I pray?**

Use the five types of prayer as a guide as you prayer walk. Contextualize these prayers to the places you're walking and the people you meet.

### **Five Types of Prayer**

- 1. Praise** – telling God how great He is
- 2. Thanksgiving** – thanking God for what He does and gives
- 3. Lament** – talking to God about what feels hard, hurtful, or wrong
- 4. Confession** – telling the truth about you sin
- 5. Request** – asking God for something

### **Ideas for Prayer Walking**

[HolyGround App](#) – map your prayer walks. Watch your neighborhood and streets get covered in prayer

**Family Activity** – Prayer Chalking. Draw encouraging words, pictures, or Scripture on the sidewalk as you walk your neighborhood!

# Prayer Guide Week 1

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## PRAYER POINTS

- Pray against forces that seek to destroy the Church of Jesus Christ.
- Ask God to forgive where our nation has failed to follow His commands.
- Ask the Lord to humble us and heal our land as we seek His face.
- Pray with expectancy that the Lord's kingdom would come.

## Tips for Prayers of Repentance

Spend time in silence before God. Sometimes, the best way to approach repentance is to simply be silent before God. Take three deep, slow breaths. Close your eyes if that helps you to relax into your breathing. Let your intent be to rest your whole self into God, knowing you are safe with Him like a newborn is with its mother. Allow Him to speak to your heart and show you the areas in your life that need to be changed.

## REPENTANCE DANIEL 9:3–19

To begin our Month of Prayer, we ask God to forgive our sins, the sins of our country, and to show us mercy. In this week's passage, Daniel asks God for the forgiveness of Israel using the word "we." Although there is no evidence that Daniel is guilty of the sins of Israel, that doesn't stop him from repenting on behalf of the nation with fasting and sackcloth and ashes. As you walk this week, ask God to forgive the sins of our nation. Be specific. Ask the Holy Spirit to show you what to seek forgiveness for concerning our nation.

# Prayer Guide Week 2

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## PRAYER POINTS

- Thank God for the opportunity to pursue renewal in your community.
- Ask God to make us a people who look like Jesus.
- Pray that God would take our hearts, our minds, our eyes, our mouths, our hands, and our feet as a dedication to Him.
- Ask God to give us a passion for His presence, His Word, and His people.

## Tips for Prayers of Renewal

Prayer cards are a simple but effective way to keep your prayers top of mind throughout the day. Write down your prayers on index cards and carry them with you in your pocket or purse. You can pray over the cards whenever you have a few minutes, or you can use them as a reminder to pray for specific people or situations.

## RENEWAL EPHESIANS 5:1–17

This week, we ask God to bring renewal to our church. Renewal usually precedes revival. In short, renewal is simply when the church is the way God intends it to be. It involves an awakening to and reprioritization of the Lord's will for His people.

We see the idea of renewal in Ephesians 5:1–17. In this passage, Paul admonishes believers to wake up and rise from the deadness of their former ways. There's a call to imitate God, to understand and pursue His will. As you pray this week, ask the Holy Spirit to awaken the Church—God's children—that she might be the way God intends her to be: consumed with the Lord's will and His kingdom come.

# Prayer Guide Week 3

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## **RADICAL DEVOTION** ISAIAH 6:1–8 ROMANS 12:9–13

### **PRAYER POINTS**

- Ask the Lord to reveal places where your own faith has become stagnant.
- Ask the Spirit to reveal where fear or complacency have prevented you from faithfully following Jesus.
- Pray that as individuals and as a church, we would be filled with courage and endurance to faithfully follow Jesus in making disciples.
- Ask for specific opportunities or assignments to step into what God is doing in our homes, in our communities, and around the world.

We have a tremendous capacity to live radically when we have been provoked by something great. We want a war to fight, an adventure to join, an epic story to be a part of, and we will give everything when we find it. One of the primary reasons Christians can be frustrated, disappointed, or bored is that we haven't accepted the invitation to follow Jesus and are settling for loose affiliation and event participation. We need a fresh encounter with God to be provoked by His holiness that creates a hunger for His glory. This week, we pray that the Lord would stir us up to be biblically faithful, spiritually alive, and joyfully sent followers of Jesus in our community, actively participating in what God is doing in the world.

### **Tips for Prayers of Devotion**

Pray through Scripture. Choose a passage of Scripture that speaks to you and use it as a starting point for your prayer. You could ask God to help you understand the passage or to apply it to your own life. You could also pray for the people and situations mentioned in the passage. A helpful starting place for this practice is to pray through each phrase in The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9–13).

# Prayer Guide Week 4

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## PRAYER POINTS

- Ask the Holy Spirit to convict us of sin.
- Ask God to increase our evangelistic fervor and lead our neighbors to conversion.
- Pray for increased affection for Christ and joy in the Lord.
- Ask God to transform both yourself and your community.

## Tips for Prayers of Revival

Pray with others. Prayer can be even more powerful when you do it with other people. Find a friend, family member, or small group to pray with on a regular basis. You could pray for each other's needs, the needs of your community, or the world. Commit to joining one or more of the weekly prayer meetings at the church on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday mornings.

## REVIVAL ACTS 2:1–47

From the time the followers of Christ gathered to wait in Jerusalem for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit until today, revival has come when God's people pray fervently and without ceasing. This week, we pray for the Holy Spirit to move in our communities and families the way we see Him move in the early church in Acts 2. We pray that awe would come upon every soul, all who believe would be unified, needs would be met, and the Lord would add to our number daily those who are being saved.

# Resources

**Below are various resources to guide you through this month of prayer.**

## **Apps**

- [Holy Ground](#) – this app tracks the route that you prayer walk on a shared map so that everyone can see what streets have been prayed for
- [Unreached of the Day](#) – pray for unreached people around the world
- [Lectio365](#) – pray the Bible everyday day
- [Inner Room](#) – an app that turns your mobile phone into a portable prayer tool
- [Dwell](#) – immerse yourself in the Word

## **Books**

- [Praying Like Monks, Living Like Fools](#) by Tyler Staton
- [Praying the Bible](#) by Donald Whitney
- [On Prayer](#) by E.M. Bounds
- [With Christ in the School of Prayer](#) by Andrew Murray

