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LET'S BUILD

Prayer Guide

Eph 3:20-21

Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Introduction

Crossing Family,

Thank you for joining us in studying the Bible and praying about the BUILD Campaign. We are excited to see what God does as we look to expand our campus. This will enable us to reach more people with the good news of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

How To Use The Prayer Guide

Take a few minutes each day—on your own or with your family—to read the daily Scripture. Spend time in prayer, and complete the simple task for the day. We know life can be busy, so we have created small, intentional steps that build on each other to help you slowly develop a lasting habit of prayer.

Use this time to be with the Lord. Let Him speak to you and transform your heart as you take these steps of faith. And remember—you're not doing this alone! Our whole church is walking through this together. If you have questions, reach out to someone and have a discussion.

You'll find Scripture readings and prompts for 5 days each week. If you miss a day, don't worry — the weekend is a perfect time to catch up! This is not about perfection; it is about taking the leap and learning to live a life of prayer.

Blessings,



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A Prayer For The Reader

Heavenly Father,

We are **overwhelmed by Your faithfulness** to us as a church. What a blessing it is to be called “yours” and know that you chose us before we were formed. That knowledge strikes us to the core. You are the very reason breath is in our lungs. **You are intimately powerful.**

Dear Jesus, You are intimately present. We can draw near to You with confidence, all because of Your saving grace. What a **friend** we have in You.

Dear God, may this prayer guide soften our hearts towards you. May each day's prompt challenge us to press in to You. In 1 Samuel, Hannah drew near to You in surrender and plea. She was **faithful** to worship You, **even** while she was waiting. Dear Jesus, teach us through this prayer guide to press into Your presence in the waiting. For we know that You're always working, and we live by faith, not by sight.

Nehemiah rebuilt Jerusalem. **Nehemiah lived with the courage of knowing who You are. May we do the same.**

For we know that You are our God who goes before us and behind us. You call yourself “merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin...” (Exodus 34:6-7). This is who You are! Wonderful Counselor. Everlasting Father. Mighty God. Prince of Peace.

We love you, Lord, and may Your grace fall on us today.

Amen.

Week 1: Do you care?

Oct
27

Scripture: Luke 19:10

Pray: Lord, thank You for coming to the Earth to seek ME out - a sinner, a lost one. The gift of Your Son has changed everything. I pray for those who have yet to accept Your gift. Would You continue seeking them and use me to show them Your light? Amen.

*Write a
prayer*

Oct
28

Scripture: James 4:6

Pray: Lord, rid me of any pride in my heart. Mold me to become more like You and to care about the things You care about. Amen.

Oct
29

Scripture: Matthew 9:36

Pray: Lord, thank You for caring for us and being our shepherd. Thank You for the direction You give when I'm lost. Point my heart towards You and soften my heart for Your people. Amen.

Write a
prayer

Oct
30

Scripture: 2 Peter 3:9

Pray: Lord, Your patience is a gift! I pray for those who haven't come to repent yet. Let me be a light for You to my neighbors in the hopes that they will turn to You. Amen.

Oct
31

Scripture: Matthew 28:18-20

Pray: Lord, help me to take this command personally and seriously. Teach me to be a disciple that makes disciples. Thank You for giving me Your Holy Spirit that makes transformation happen. Amen.

Week 2: Before the God of Heaven

Nov
3

Scripture: Jeremiah 33:3

Pray: Lord, what a grand promise You've made to us! I want to know You deeply. Thank you for this gift of talking intimately with each of us. Amen.

Challenge to strengthen your prayer life: Consider sitting with the Lord today in silence while listening for what He wants to reveal to you about Himself. Make sure to write down what He shares with you so that you can store that treasure in your heart.

What did
God share
with you?



Nov
4

Scripture: Ezra 8:23

Pray: Lord, thank You for hearing our prayers and answering them in Your due time. Convict me when a matter is at hand that I should fast over in order to hear You more clearly. Amen.

Challenge to strengthen your prayer life: Consider fasting from a meal today, and instead of eating, spend that time intimately in the Word with Your Father. Or, instead of a meal, fast from social media, streaming, or TV and spend that time intimately in the Word with Your Father.

Nov
5

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Pray: Lord, lead me in conversation with You today. Nudge my heart to turn back to You when my thoughts wander. Amen.

Challenge to strengthen your prayer life: Spend the entire day talking with the Lord, just as you would with a friend.

Nov
6

Scripture: Colossians 4:2

Pray: Lord, thank You that I get to talk to You! I'm grateful that You made a way for me to know You so deeply through Your Holy Spirit. I'm rejoicing in that gift! Amen.

Challenge to strengthen your prayer life: Be extra watchful today for things to be thankful for. Give thanks to God for each thing and then share what you're thankful for with those around you. Thanksgiving is contagious, so be the one to start the thanksgiving train in your circle.

Nov
7

Scripture: James 5:16

Pray: Lord, humble me and give me the courage to acknowledge when, where, and how I have gone wrong. You know that it isn't always easy to do this, but the healing that will come from confessing is beyond worth it. Go before me and bring to light the darkness of my heart! Amen.

Challenge to strengthen your prayer life: If the Lord is nudging you to confess something in your heart, do what the scripture says and seek out someone you look up to in faith to confess. Ask them to pray over you!

Week 3: Plan on Purpose

Nov
10

Scripture: Proverbs 16:3

Do: Commit your day to the Lord. As you go through the tasks you have to do, ask the Lord to guide you through it. Look for the opportunities He gives you to pray about something, to talk to someone you normally wouldn't, or to step outside your comfort zone. If you ask Him to be the ruler of your plans, He will!

Pray about it while you go.

Nov
11

Scripture: James 4:8

Do: Take the scripture seriously today! Because we are human, we won't be perfectly purified until Jesus returns. So look deep today and ask the Lord to purify your heart and right your mind where you are blind.

Pray about it while you take a walk.

Nov
12

Scripture: Mark 10:51

Do: As you make plans, ask the Lord for them. Think ahead to what you'll need in the next few weeks and ask Him for it! He wants to hear your requests. He wants to give you the pure desires of your heart.

Pray about it while you sit down with your calendar.

Nov
13

Scripture: Colossians 3:23

Do: Everything that you do today, take it seriously as you are doing it directly for the Lord. Honor Him and give Him praise through each thing.

Pray about it as you check off your to-do list.

Nov
14

Scripture: Joshua 24:15

Do: Evaluate! What's the most important thing to you? Where do you spend most of your time? Do those answers reflect your desire to serve the Lord, or do they show you that you're really compelled by serving the things of this world?

Pray as you evaluate what your life reveals you actually serve, and ask the Lord to bring the truth to light.

What did
God reveal
to you?

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Week 4: “Come, let us build”

Nov
17

Scripture: Psalm 127:1

Pray for the Church: Lord, soften the hearts of those in our community to want to know You more deeply. Build Your Kingdom here on earth! Let it be Your will for Your Church to expand. Amen.

Write a
prayer
for the
church



Nov
18

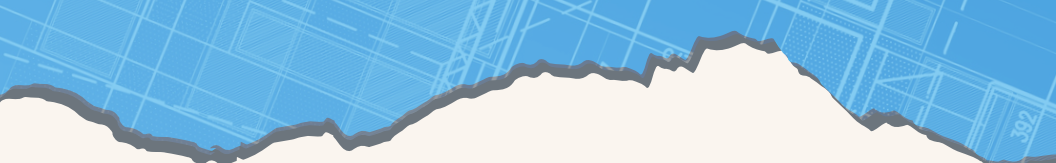
Scripture: Matthew 7:24

Pray for the Church: Lord, build the maturity of the Church by reminding us of Your words and nudging us to practice them. We grow to be more like You when we do as You say. I pray the Church humbles themselves and grows deeper maturity with You. Amen.

Nov
19

Scripture: Hebrews 3:4

Pray for the Church: Lord, we see that You are actively building the Church. We are growing in number weekly both at The Crossing and nationwide! Thank You for hearing our cries for the expansion of Your army of people here. We pray for continued growth in Your Church! Amen.



Nov
20

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prayer for
the church



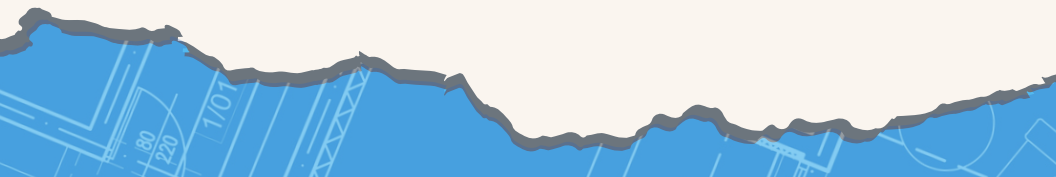
Scripture: Ephesians 2:21-22

Pray for the Church: Lord, we know that additional space at The Crossing is really about making more room for communion with You. Would You bless this project? We desire for more people to be able to come and hear Your Word and worship You with us. Amen.

Nov
21

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 16:13-14

Pray for the Church: Lord, while I am taking this scripture to heart, I am also praying this over the staff, Elders, and leaders of The Crossing. I pray that You keep them strong in the Spirit through every tribulation that comes their way. Protect them from the enemy and guard their hearts to remain doing everything in the love of Jesus. Use those You've put into place to lead us to expand Your Kingdom. Amen.



Week 5: What do you have?

Nov
24

Scripture: Proverbs 3:9-10

Reflect and Pray: What do you have that you're holding back and don't want to surrender to the Lord? Pray about this! He promises that if we surrender *everything* to Him, He will take care of us. Our cups will be overflowing. Maybe not in the physical sense, but our hearts and souls will surely be full. Really pray about the things He is bringing to the surface for you. Have you committed everything He's asked of you?

What is
God asking
you to
surrender?



Nov
25

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

Reflect and Pray: The Word speaks for itself. We suggest you read all of Corinthians, chapter 9, if you want! Have you given cheerfully or reluctantly? Allow your honest answer to show you the true state of your heart. Take some time today to sit and meditate on this scripture.

What's
your honest
answer?



Nov
26

Scripture: Acts 20:35

Reflect and Pray: We are not building to make the church look better or bigger just for the sake of being bigger. We are building to make more space for the weak, the broken, and the lost. We are building to make room for the Kingdom to grow! Like the scripture says, it's better to give than to receive. We want to challenge you to consider this - there are plenty of things you might "receive" on a regular basis. Things like subscriptions, luxury items, or even a daily cup or coffee at Starbucks. What if, for a time, you chose to deny "receiving" these things so that you could instead give to Kingdom advancement in a greater way? Pray on this! Ask the Lord to reveal if you've tried to shortchange what He's asked of you.

*Is there
something
God's
nudging
you to
sacrifice?*



Nov
27

Scripture: Psalm 100:4

Reflect and Pray: Wow! The Lord has MOVED these last few weeks. It's amazing to see His people stretching themselves for His glory! Today, let's give thanks to God for all the good you've witnessed Him do.

What are you thankful for?

Nov
28

Scripture: Hebrews 13:15-16

Reflect and Pray: The money we have given and have committed to give are such important sacrifices and gifts to the Lord. However, something that's an even more important gift is our efforts to speak about Him! When we profess His name and share His goodness with those around us, it pleases Him. How will others know about the goodness of God if we don't share? Keep sharing about Him! Sacrifice talking about other mundane things to instead talk about our Savior and how He's changed your life. Reflect today on how the things you talk about could be more centered on Jesus!

How can you share more about Jesus?

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