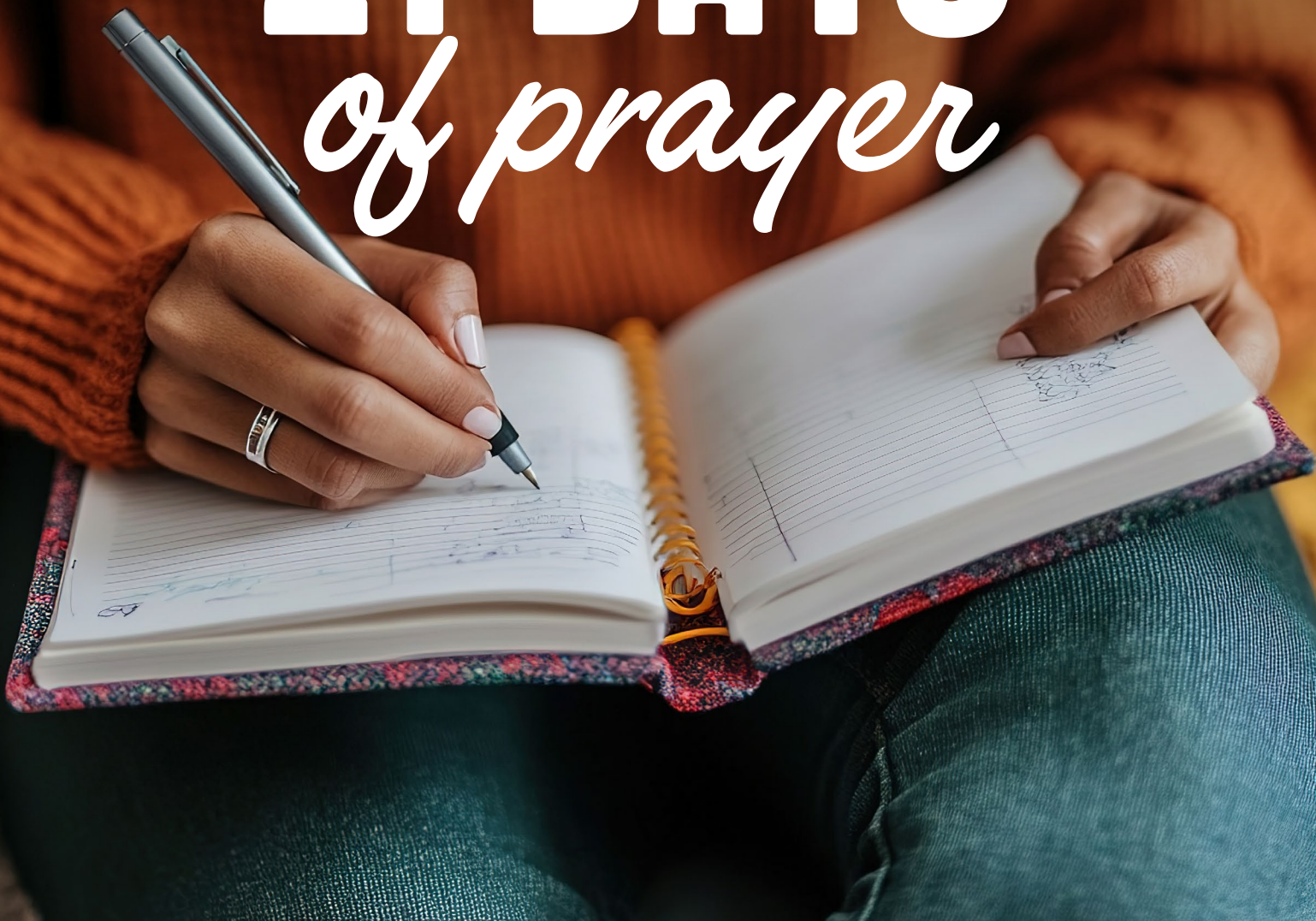




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EXPANDING OUR PRAYER LIFE:
PRAYER FOR OUR GROWTH, OUR CHURCH,
AND OUR NEIGHBORS



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WEEK 1:
PRAYING FOR OUR GROWTH



WELCOME TO WEEK 1: GROWTH

Asking God to Help You Grow

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Romans 12:2

Praying to God can be like talking with a friend who knows you better than you know yourself. Someone you can be open and totally honest with who says, “It’s okay, I can take it, just get it off your chest!” And while it may sometimes feel like a one-way conversation, God is not just listening, He is actively responding.

This week, we’re asking God to help us glorify Him through the activities we participate in, the people we encounter, and the challenges we face. While God often speaks to us through people and circumstances, we often miss these interactions because we are not looking for them. As we pray, we’ll ask God to help us become more intentional about seeing Him moving in the everyday landscape of our lives so that we might feel His presence more fully each day.

How to Pray:

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DAY 1

Prayer Prompt:

Take some time to list one (or more) areas in your life where you would like to grow in your spiritual walk this year. Pray for the courage to make changes, wisdom to face new challenges, and that the Lord will provide ongoing guidance in the new year.

Action Steps:

- Write your response in the space below.
- Go to the [WCSG Prayer Wall](#) and ask the community to pray for you in this area of growth (you may post anonymously if you are uncomfortable identifying your name).

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DAY 2

Prayer Prompt:

List an area of your life where you don't trust the Lord. Spend some time praying for the faith, hope, and strength to trust in Him, even when you find it difficult to do so.

Action Steps:

- Write down what you struggle with most when it comes to trusting God and tell Him honestly why you find this area so challenging.
- Go to the [WCSG Prayer Wall](#) and pray over two prayer requests that someone else posted. Indicate you prayed for them on their post.

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DAY 3

Prayer Prompt:

Think of a person in your life who is the best listener. This could be a family member or close friend. Take some time to thank God for that person and pray that He will bless them this week.

Action Steps:

- Write your response in the space below.
- Read the [Good News](#) blog post titled “[Not Always What We Want \(But Always What We Need\)](#).” Does anything about the post speak to you in some way? If so, write it in your journal.

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DAY 4

Prayer Prompt:

Prayerfully talk to God about how you spend your time. Are there any activities or commitments that are getting in the way of your spiritual health or relationship with Jesus? Ask God to show you if you need to make changes to your routines or schedules.

Action Steps:

- Identify what activity presents the biggest barrier to your spiritual health in the space below. Write a note to God asking Him to boldly show you how to address this challenge.
- Go to the [WCSG Prayer Wall](#) and post a prayer request about anything weighing on your heart today.

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DAY 5

Prayer Prompt:

When you are cleaning your home, ask God who you are preparing your home for. Who would He have you welcome into your space this week?

Action Steps:

- Read Luke 10:38-42. What is your take away from this story? Write your response below.

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DAY 6

Prayer Prompt:

Take some time to pray for your closest family members. Pray that each of them would know the Lord's presence and peace in their lives. Ask God if there is a family member you can reach out to and encourage today.

Action Steps:

- Write your response in the space below.
- Send a text to one of the family members you identified letting them know you prayed for them today.

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DAY 7

Prayer Prompt:

Talk to God about your personal practice of Sabbath. How do you already incorporate periods of rest into your week? Prayerfully consider how you might add more rest into your life.

Action Steps:

- If you live with others, chat with them about how you might incorporate more rest together as a family and what this “rest” might look like (ie, turning off electronics for a period of time, setting aside a day to do devotionals as a family, etc).
- Go to the [WCSG Prayer Wall](#) and pray over two prayer requests that someone else posted. Indicate you prayed for them on their post.

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WEEK 2:
PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH



WELCOME TO WEEK 2: CHURCH

Praying for The Church

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 5:16

While prayer is a chance to grow in our personal relationship with God, it is also an opportunity to deepen our commitment to the body of Christ by recognizing and supporting the needs of our church family. It can be easy to think that everyone else “has it all together,” but the reality is that all of us live in a broken world that manifests itself in ways we cannot always see or know. This week we are using our prayers to serve others in love by looking outside ourselves and asking for God’s grace to be poured out on the members of our individual church communities.

How to Pray:

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DAY 8

Prayer Prompt:

Ask God to hear the cries of people sitting in your church who are silently struggling with a challenge or sin they feel is beyond their capacity to overcome. Pray that the Holy Spirit will give them peace and empower them to resist temptation, to seek help from their church leaders, and to trust that God loves them and offers help and comfort.

Action Steps:

- Write this prayer below and use it whenever you learn about someone facing a spiritual battle they feel helpless to overcome.
- Go to [WCSG's Prayer Wall](#) and pray over two prayer requests that someone else posted. Indicate that you prayed for them on their post.

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DAY 9

Prayer Prompt:

Thank God for the pastors and staff who lead your church. Pray that they have the rest they need from their work and that they will feel loved and encouraged by the members of their congregation.

Action Steps:

- Write down your response in the space below.
- Go to the [WCSG Prayer Wall](#) and post a prayer request for a pastor or staff member from your church.

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DAY 10

Prayer Prompt:

Take a walk around the church property (or picture it in your mind) and pray for the neighboring homes and businesses. Pray for each of them to have their needs met and to know Jesus. Ask God how your church family might serve as ambassadors for Christ to these area neighbors.

Action Steps:

- Write your response in the space below.
- If a business is near your church, stop by or mail them a card letting them know you are grateful for their presence in the community and that you are praying for them this week.

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DAY 11

Prayer Prompt:

Think about a group you belong to, such as a small group, Bible study, or ministry you serve in. Pray that God will equip the group to fulfill its purpose and mission and that He will carry each member through any struggles or needs they may be facing.

Action Steps:

- Write the name of each member of your group in the space below and specifically name them as you say this prayer today.
- Read the [Good News](#) blog post [“God Will Never Let Go of Your Hand.”](#) Does anything about the post speak to you in some way? If so, write it below.

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DAY 12

Prayer Prompt:

Pray for the needs of the children in your church community; that they have a curiosity and hunger to know Jesus and that their walk with Him will continue as they grow. Pray for the parents, grandparents, and adults in their lives; that God will use them to point them closer to Christ.

Action Steps:

- Write this prayer in the space below.
- Think about the children in your own life and what activity you can do together that will help them to grow closer to Jesus. Write three ideas down in the space below.

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DAY 13

Prayer Prompt:

Pray for the older adults in your church; that God will protect them from experiencing loneliness and depression through relationship with others in the church. Pray for their spiritual, emotional, and physical health and that each of them can continue to be active in the community.

Action Steps:

- Read 2 Corinthians 4 in your Bible or online. What is God saying to you in this chapter? Write your answer in the space below.
- If you know of an older adult in the church, seek them out after service this Sunday to let them know you were thinking about them this week.

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DAY 14

Prayer Prompt:

Think about someone in your life who does not attend church. Pray that God will nudge them in some way to open their heart to the possibility of going to church while also compelling someone they trust to extend an invitation they will accept. Pray this even if this person is you.

Action Steps:

- Write your response down in the space below.
- Go to the [WCSG Prayer Wall](#) and using initials only (ie, “J.B.” or “M.S.”, etc), ask the group to pray that this person finds themselves thinking about going to church this month.

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WEEK 3:
PRAYING FOR OUR NEIGHBORS



WELCOME TO WEEK 3: NEIGHBORS

Loving Our Neighbors

*The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world,
and all who live in it.*

Psalms 24:1

Jesus tells us to love our neighbors, and prayer is a powerful way we can care for friends, strangers, and even enemies. While we often cannot see the burdens they carry, people— regardless of age, nation, ethnicity, gender, political affiliation, or even religion— desperately need His love, comfort, and guidance just like we do. This week we will be expanding our prayers to cover people locally and around the world so that they will experience God's incredible grace in whatever way they need it most.

How to Pray:

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DAY 15

Prayer Prompt:

Take a walk or drive through the area where you live. Pray for the people that live in the homes that you pass; that God will provide for whatever it is they need, that their hearts will be filled with peace, and that they will come to know Jesus if they have not yet met Him.

Action Steps:

- Write this prayer in the space below.
- Go to the [WCSG Prayer Wall](#) and pray over two prayer requests that someone else posted. Indicate that you prayed for them on their post.

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DAY 16

Prayer Prompt:

Think about the leaders in your life. It may be church leaders, local officials, or national leaders. Lift them up in prayer and ask God to help them maintain humility while being faithful to Him and to the people they serve.

Action Steps:

- Write down the names of specific leaders that you prayed for today in the space below.
- Think about the areas where you lead and consider how you can be faithful to God and maintain humility in your leadership. Write two ideas below.

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DAY 17

Prayer Prompt:

While you are out and about today, look for a stranger in the community who stands out to you for whatever reason. As you pray, lift that person up and ask God to make His presence known to him or her in some positive way this week.

Action Steps:

- Write a short note below about the stranger you noticed today. Why do you think God wanted you to see this person? Write your response down.
- Go to the [WCSG Prayer Wall](#) and post a prayer request for whatever is on your heart today.

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DAY 18

Prayer Prompt:

Take a moment to pray for the missionaries around the world; that they will continue to have strength and boldness to continue sharing the Word of God. Also pray for their restoration physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually.

Action Steps:

- Write your prayer in the space below.
- Read the [Good News](#) blog post [“Praying for His Kingdom.”](#) Does anything about the post speak to you in some way? If so, write it below.

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DAY 19

Prayer Prompt:

Pray for the service providers you encounter this week. Think about store employees, delivery drivers, first-responders, healthcare providers, educators, and childcare staff. Pray for a spirit of calm and peace for each of them during their busy days caring for others.

Action Steps:

- Write this prayer in the space below.
- Make a point of sharing a smile with people you encounter in the community today.

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DAY 20

Prayer Prompt:

Pray for people who are displaced by circumstances such as warfare, wildfire, or other situations that are beyond their control.

Action Steps:

- Write out your prayer in the space below.
- Go to the [WCSG Prayer Wall](#) and pray over two prayer requests that someone else posted. Indicate that you prayed for them on their post.

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DAY 21

Prayer Prompt:

Ask God to open your eyes to the needs of your own city or community that you are gifted to interact with. Be alert to the causes or ministries that move your heart and consider taking the next step to put your faith into action.

Action Steps:

- Identify three causes/ministries that tug at your heart and write them below.
- Read Matthew 6:5-15 What stands out to you in this section? Write down your response..

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