

Prayer Calendar 1

January 2019

- 1- **Father, may we prioritize prayer in our personal lives and the life of the church. May we see how important it is to You and seek You, that relationship with you in prayer in everything.**

1 Thess 5:17 Pray without ceasing

Isaiah 56:7 ...for my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations.

Philippians 4:6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

2 Chron 7:14 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- **May we praise You, LORD, throughout the day for You alone are exalted above all things. We lift our hands, we raise our voices in thanksgiving. You satisfy us, Jehovah.**

Psalm 138:1-2 I will praise You, O LORD, with all my heart; before the "gods" I will sing your praise. I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

Psalm 100:4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

Psalm 63:4-5 I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul will be satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

- 3- **Bless our children/youth, may they hear Your voice, learn your truths, and choose to follow You.**

Eph 6:1-3 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right, "Honor your father and mother"-which is the first commandment with a promise- "that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."

Jeremiah 29:11 For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

1Tim 4:12 Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.

- 4- **Protect us, Father, from the enemy. May we be alert to his schemes, and resist him.**

James 4:7 Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

1 Peter 5:8-9 Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith,

because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

Eph 6:10-11 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take our stand against the devil's schemes.

- 5- **Help us, Lord, to rest in You, trusting in You alone and not being shaken by our circumstances.**

Psalm 91:1-2 He who 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.

Isaiah 26:3 You will keep in perfect peace him whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you.

Psalm 112:7 He will have no fear of bad news; his heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

- 6- **We lift up our seniors to You, Father, bless and strengthen them as they wait on You, and use them for your glory as they put you first.**

Isaiah 40:31 But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

Galatians 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Numbers 6:24-26 The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.

- 7- **Lord, we pray for our pastor and his family.**

Eph 4:1-2 As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

Acts 20:28 Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God which he bought with his own blood.

Eph 6:19-20 Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

- 8- **May we humbly see ourselves in light of You, Lord, and repent from our sin.**

Isaiah 6:3-5 ...Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; they whole earth is full of his glory. At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke. "Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty."

Prov 28:13 He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

Romans 2:4 Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness leads you toward repentance?

- 9- **Grow our church, Lord. Build us up spiritually and numerically, enlarge our territory and sphere of influence through our obedience to You. Mature us in our faith, give us a hunger for You.**

1 Chron 4:9-10 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.

Acts 2:42-47 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common...praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

1 Peter 2:2 Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

- 10- **We pray for the homeless, broken, and those in bondage to addictions, Father. Be near to them and set them free. Burden our hearts for them, open our eyes to see how we can be a blessing to these around us.**

Lam 2:19 Arise, cry out in the night, as the watches of the night begin; pour out your heart like water in the presence of the Lord. Lift up your hands to him for the lives of your children, who faint from hunger at the head of every street.

Jeremiah 32:17 Ah Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you.

Matthew 11:28-30 Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

- 11- **LORD God, fill our worship team with your thanksgiving, joy and praise. Equip them with Your Holy Spirit as they lead us in worship, remind them and us that this is an offering to You. Bring more musicians to join us and share the gifts you've given them.**

Psalms 9:1-2 I will praise you, O LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonders. I will be glad and rejoice in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Psalms 33:3 Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy.

1 Chron 16:29 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name. Bring an offering and come before him; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.

- 12- **Father, may we seek Your kingdom, Your purposes above our own plans or agendas. Guide us today as you did Philip when he spoke to the Ethiopian (Acts 8:26-40), and may we obey You as You show us what you are doing.**

Prov 16:9 In his heart a man plans his course, but the LORD determines his steps.

Matt 6:33 But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

John 5:19 ...I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.

- 13- Move among us, Lord, as you did in the stories we read in the Bible. You are able to do more than we ask or imagine, may we decrease and You increase. For your glory, move, as we call out to You.**

Habakkuk 3:2 Lord, I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds, O LORD.

Renew them in our day, in our time make them known in wrath remember mercy.

Eph 3:20 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, forever and ever! Amen.

John 3:30 He must become greater; I must become less.

- 14- Creator God, we intercede for marriages today. May we honor you with our marriages and show the world something different, not conforming to our culture. May we selflessly serve one another. Give us unity and oneness as we follow You individually and as a couple.**

Romans 12:2 Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is- his good, pleasing and perfect will.

1Cor 13:5 (Love) is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

Romans 15:5-6 May God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

- 15- LORD, we lift up our leadership team, strengthen them with power through your Spirit and ground them in your truth. Our deacons as they minister to our church. Our members who are planning and serving, add to them and raise up more leaders among us. May each know your deep, wide love so that they'd be able to show it to those they serve.**

Eph 3:14-19 For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge- that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Titus 2:1-2 You must teach what is accord with sound doctrine. Teach the older men to be temperate, worthy of respect, self-controlled, and sound in faith, in love and in endurance.

- 16- Father, may we lift you up in our community (among our family, friends, neighbors, workplaces, and schools) because you love them and gave your Son for them. You are**

patient with us and long for all to come to repentance. You draw all men to Yourself as we lift you up.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

2 Tim 2:3-4 This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

- 17- Give us a hunger for Your Word, Lord, that we'd study it and memorize it. For your Word penetrates us and changes us, equipping us. Show yourself to us as we keep your commands and love you.**

Heb 4:12 For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

John 14:21 Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.

2 Tim 3:16-17 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

- 18- May we love you wholeheartedly, not fearing men or doing things to please men, but only You. May we obey you and be overcomers of this world through our faith.**

Col 3:23-24 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.

Deut 10:12-13 And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God ask of you but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in obedience to him, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to observe the LORD's commands and decrees that I am giving you today for your own good?

1John 5:1-4 Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves the father loves his child as well. This is how we know that we love the children of God: by loving God and carrying out his commands. In fact, this is love for God: to keep his commands. And his commands are not burdensome, for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith.

- 19- Father, we intercede on behalf of our singles, widows/widowers, and orphans. Give them peace as only you can give, set them in families. Put them on people's hearts, remind them of your unfailing love each morning.**

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

Psalms 68:6 God sets the lonely in families, he leads out the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.

Psalm 143:8 Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I entrust my life.

- 20- Help us to love one another well, unify us as you are one so they world will know we are your disciples.**

John 17:20-23 My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one- I in them and you in me-so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

Psalm 133:1 How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

John 13:34-35 A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.

- 21- Strengthen our connect groups. May we encourage and sharpen one another, seeing the importance of being together. Lord, help us to walk in the light as You are in the light.**

Hebrews 10:24-25 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Prov 27:17 As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.

1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

- 22- Lord, we lift up our governments to You. Brevard, Rosman, Transylvania County, our state government and the federal government. Show us how to pray for people in authority, these you have established for this time. May we be faithful to intercede for them and you move their hearts as water in your hand.**

1 Tim 2:1-2 I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.

Rom 13:1 Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.

Prov 21:1 In the LORD's hand the king's heart is a stream of water that he channels toward all who please him.

- 23- Give us wisdom, O Sovereign God, to be good stewards of all you have given us. Our finances, our building, our resources, our gifts/talents. We call out to You, we want our lives to be built by You.**

James 1:5 If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

Psalms 127:1 Unless the LORD builds the house, its builders labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain.

Jer 33:3 Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.

- 24- Today, we intercede for our children's teachers and nursery workers. May You use them to prepare the way for the little ones to come to You, removing the obstacles and raising a banner for them of not only your Love but a heart for all peoples. Bless our teachers with knowledge and insight so they know what is best in each situation. Raise up more workers to join us.**

Luke 18:16 But Jesus called the children to him and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

Isaiah 62:10 Pass through, pass through the gates! Prepare the way for the people. Build up, build up the highway! Remove the stones. Raise a banner for the nations.

Philippians 1:9 And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ.

- 25- Dear Lord, produce the fruits of the Spirit in our lives through Your Holy Spirit. May we abide in You and Your words abide in us that we'd bear much fruit. We need you Father, make us more like you. We want to walk in the spirit and not in our flesh.**

Galatians 6: 8-10 Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

Galatians 5:22-26 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

John 15:5 I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

- 26- We want to experience revival, Almighty God. Revival in our own hearts, in our families, our church and community. Move in our county, draw near to us as we draw near to You. We want to rejoice in you; revive us again as your scripture says, grant salvation to the people in our area. Just as the Spirit hovered and began to bring life to a place that was dark and empty, do it again...brood over us, breathe in us, bring LIFE.**

James 4:8-10 Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

Psalm 85:6-7 Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you? Show us your unfailing love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

Genesis 1: 2 Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

27- Give us a heart for missions. Teach us to pray, burden our hearts with compassion from You, send us out to teach and share your Word. May it spread through this region and many come to know You.

Mark 6:34 When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

Acts 13:47 For this is what the Lord has commanded us: "I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth." When the Gentiles heard this, they were glad and honored the word of the Lord; and all who were appointed for eternal life believed. The word of the Lord spread through the whole region.

Colossians 4:5-6 Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

28- Thank you, Father. We overflow with thanksgiving. There is no one like you, All Powerful, Creator God, who stoops to relate to us, who rides across the heavens to help us, who saved us by giving us your only Son.

Rom 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Deut 33:26 There is no one like the God of Jeshurun, who rides across the heavens to help you and on the clouds in his majesty.

Colossians 4:2 Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.

29- Father, we pray for the men of our church. May they be the spiritual leaders you've made them to be for their families, remembering that You are fighting for them and they need only to be still, trusting in You. May they be like Hezekiah who removed the high places, laying aside things in their lives that have exalted themselves above You. Help them to take every thought captive making it obedient to Christ. May they also hold fast to You, Lord, and you give them success.

Exodus 14:14 The LORD will fight for you; you need only to be still.

2Kings 18:5-7 Hezekiah trusted in the Lord...He held fast to the LORD and did not cease to follow him; he kept the commands the LORD had given Moses And the LORD was with him; he was successful in whatever he undertook.

2Cor 10:5 ...we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

30- Now, we pray for the women of our church. Holy Spirit, remind them of what Jesus said, of Your truths, when the enemy is speaking lies in their heads. Give them your peace and cast out fear. Give them strength and perseverance to

do your will without complaining so they shine as stars. May they fear You alone and be praised and rewarded.

John 14:26-27 But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

Philippians 2:14 Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe, as you hold out the word of life...

Prov 31:30-31 Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Give her the reward she has earned, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

31- May we be a forgiving people, not holding grudges or becoming bitter. Remind us of the importance of forgiveness and of your forgiveness to us. May we not become bitter or angry at You Lord because of circumstances or things that happen to us but let them go in prayer and thanksgiving knowing you are maturing us through it, and we are participating in your sufferings.

Matt 6:14-15 For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

1Thess 5:16-18 Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

James 1:2-4 Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

1 Peter 4:12-13 Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed.