# Missional Prayer

# Praying God's Great Mission

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Christ working through us

# CONCERT OF PRAYER for Grace Chapel

# Grace Chapel exists to fulfill God's great mission by Christ working through us.

This is the vision the Lord has given to the leadership at Grace Chapel. We desire for God to carry out this vision in the lives of the people who gather at Grace, the local community we are part of, and the far reaches of the world in which He has placed us. Jesus said, "My house will be called a house of prayer." Grace Chapel is part of God's house. Our hearts are the temples in which God dwells. We desire for the followers of Christ who come to worship together, to learn together, to be transformed together, and to be in a concert of prayer together, humbly asking our Lord that His presence would saturate the hearts and lives of the people here. That His glory would shine through the lives of this community.

What we desire is being in the Presence of God. When in the Holy of Holies with Him, our hearts are impacted. We get to experience His righteousness, peace, joy, love, unquenchable hope in life, and His blessings. We can be in His Presence like this anytime we desire; praying His will and awaiting His answer. This is not something that should be embraced out of obligation or as some badge you've earned after being on a prayer team. Our Lord desires to do great and mighty things in each of us.

Praying is strategic to being in union with Him; one with Him. This is a key place where we meet God. He will inspire, encourage, direct, and empower us. He will not fail us. We must enter into prayer with a long-term view of never giving up on the Lord answering our prayers. Too often, we spend most of our praying time asking for our needs and wants. This prayer process will help us to pray God's will and purposes. He wants everything for us, and around us, that will draw us closer to Him and His will for the sake of all eternity.

We desire to unleash a multitude of Prayer Partners who will pray God's will for us and our community. We desire to provide a tool to equip Prayer Partners for effectual prayer. We desire to foster a Concert of Prayer; people praying for Revival (the Saturation of the Presence of God) continuously and together.

Let's unleash this weapon of God in our lives, families, churches, and city. We are asking you to engage with the faith that God will transform our lives and church and impact those outside of Grace Chapel. We anticipate, as a result of being part of this Concert of Prayer ministry, you will experience His mighty and irresistible presence more than ever before. We believe that God will manifest Himself and foster our hearts being Saturated with His Presence.

If the Lord is leading you to pray more for our community, both inside and outside of Grace Chapel, then we would invite you to commit and engage in prayer for a length of time: perhaps three-six months or longer. You are invited to pray in one-hour segments for as many segments as you desire per week. A website will be provided where you can commit on a calendar. Our prayer is your heart would draw deeper into experiencing God's presence, so God may be honored and glorified, as we play a role in building His Kingdom.

Included is a Prayer Model that you may choose to follow. Not following is fine, but we ask you to pray the prayers written in this Concert of Prayer Guide so we become a symphony to the Lord, joining with other believers in the Denver Metroplex.

We pray you feel pulled by God to engage in this Concert of Prayer. We ask that you would enroll at <u>pastorsforrevival.org</u>. We hope that all Prayer Partners will send us what they see God doing. We will send out feedback to all who are part of this movement of God. We will also send updates, which are meant to inspire and encourage you in this prayer process.

Remember, prayer is not just communion with God, but union with God. It is pouring out our lives, thoughts, and longings before God and receiving the power, character, mind, heart, and authority of Christ Jesus. He desires to fill us, take possession of us, and then transform us from the inside out. Prayer is spiritual power flowing from our union with God.

At this point, please continue to the Prayer Guide which will lead you within this process.

# **CONCERT OF PRAYER GUIDE**

"Therefore I exhort you first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions and giving thanks be made for all men, for kings, and all who are in authority, that we made lead a quiet and peaceful life in all godliness and reverence." 1 Timothy 2:1

#### We also know that God desires us to:

"Pray in the Spirit on all occasions." Ephesians 6:18

The goal of the Concert of Prayer is that we experience the saturation of God's presence in us, our church, and our city. Saturated means being full of the Spirit: pure, blameless, holy, and exhibiting godliness in our lives. When we are in His presence and one with Him, He will reveal His heart to us so we can powerfully pray. We also know He has already given us much of His will and desires in Scripture.

King David gives us understanding about praying because many of his Psalms are prayers. Remember David was the only man honored by God as "a man after God's own heart." To have effectual prayer, it requires seeking God's heart; an attitude that it is all about Him, not us. It's about His Kingdom and His will being done. It's about our relationship with the Lord, intimacy with Him, of being one with Him. Having a deep love for God and communing with Him, opens the door to effectual prayer as He cares for His child. Let's begin this prayer time by putting ourselves in His presence and entreating Him to come and manifest Himself.

#### **PRAYER PROCESS:**

- Prayer Preparation
- Prayers of Confession
- Give Thanks
- Praise/Adore Him
- Praying Scripture
- Prayers for the Colorado Front Range and for the Grace community
- Listening Prayer
- Intercessory Prayer
- Personal Prayer

Note: As you look at these verses, make them your supplications to the Lord. Feel free to utilize all or some of these Scriptures, not only in this section but also in the following sections.

#### PRAYER PREPARATION

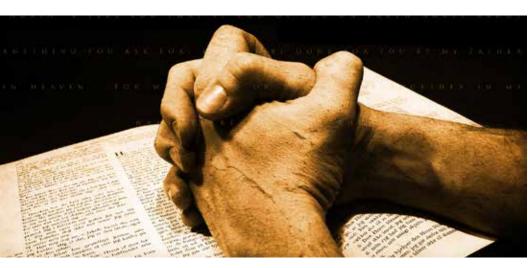
In 1 Timothy 2:1, our Lord exhorted us to, first of all, make supplications. Supplication means to make petition, to call, to ask, to plead, and welcome Him to come and hear, listen, and answer His child – you. Take time to reflect on the following Scriptures of calling out to God to come, hear, and answer. Here are some verses that reinforce this idea from David's hand, our most prolific prayer model.

Psalm 4:3 - "Know that the Lord has set apart the godly for Himself; the Lord will hear when I call to Him."

Psalm 5:2-3 - "Listen to my cry for help, my King and my God, for to You I pray. In the morning, O Lord, You hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before You and wait in expectation."

Psalm 17:1 - "Hear, O Lord, my righteous plea; listen to my cry. Give ear to my prayer — it does not rise from deceitful lips."

Psalm 27:7 - "Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful to me and answer me."



Psalm 28:1 - "To You I call, O Lord my Rock; do not turn a deaf ear to me. For if You remain silent, I will be like those who have gone down to the pit."

Psalm 28:2 - "Hear my cry for mercy as I call to You for help, as I lift up my hands toward Your Most Holy Place."

Psalm 30:1-3 - "I will exalt You, O Lord, for You lifted me out of the depths and did not let my enemies gloat over me. O Lord my God, I called to You for help and You healed me. O Lord, You brought me up from the grave; You spared me from going down into the pit."

Psalm 55:2 - "Hear me and answer me. My thoughts trouble me and I am distraught."

Psalm 55:16 - "But I call to God, and the Lord saves me."

Psalm 69:16 - "Answer me, O Lord, out of the goodness of Your love; in Your great mercy turn to me."

Psalm 86:1 - "Hear, O Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy."

Psalm 86:3 - "Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I call to You all day long. You are forgiving and good, O Lord, abounding in love to all who call to You."

Psalm 86:6 - "Hear my prayer, O Lord; listen to my cry for mercy."

Psalm 88:1-2 - "O Lord, the God Who saves me, day and night I cry out before You. May my prayer come before You; turn Your ear to my cry."

Psalm 119:145 - "I call with all my heart; answer me, O Lord, and I will obey Your decrees."

Psalm 141:1 - "O Lord, I call to You; come quickly to me. Hear my voice when I call to You."

Psalm 143:7 - "Answer me quickly, O Lord; my spirit fails. Do not hide Your face from me or I will be like those who go down to the pit."

Psalm 145:18 - "The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth."

2 Timothy 2:22 - "Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart." (NIV)

Response:			
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#### PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

"This, then, is how you should pray:
'Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be Your name,

Your Kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us

from the evil one." Matthew 6:9-13 (NIV)



Oh, most merciful Father, forgive us for we have sinned. Forgive us Lord for...

- How we have neglected You and not thirsted and hungered for You
- Not standing up for our faith and holding firm
- Not loving You the way You have loved us
- Loving the world and allowing it to take Your place
- Lusts, envy, pride; living as though we don't need You
- Lack of trust in You and not relying on You and Your power
- Grieving and quenching the Holy Spirit because of disobedience
- Apathy, complacency, and self-indulgence
- Not loving and living the truth
- Not loving one another
- Living our spiritual life with our lips and not our hearts and lives
- Not seeking You with all of our hearts
- Our nation not staying with our spiritual roots

# **Personal Confession**

How can we think that the Lord would hear our prayer if we regard sin in our hearts?

"If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear." Psalm 66:18 (NKJV)

"If we claim we have not sinned, we make Him out to be a liar and His Word has no place in our lives." 1 John 1:10 (NIV)

We must seek sincere forgiveness, not give a casual apology. God hates sin. If we harbor sin, it will hinder His work in us, including hearing and answering our prayers. Stop right now and consider:

"Test me, O Lord, and try me, examine my heart and my mind." Psalm 26:2

Rest before Him now and confess your sins. Record your sins and seek forgiveness.

Remember, "No one who lives in Him keeps on sinning. No one who continues to sin has either seen Him or known Him." 1 John 3:6

Praise God for His forgiveness in 1 John 1:9 "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

Take careful notice of your patterned sin and seek God's forgiveness.



Now consider forgiving anyone who has sinned against you.

"If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." John 20:23

Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another.

"Forgive as the Lord forgave you." Colossians 3:13

As you have sought forgiveness and have forgiven, the Lord has given you a pure heart. You now can move into the presence of God, and He hears your prayers. Remember...

"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16

Thank you, Lord, for dying on the cross for me, paying for my sins, and forgiving them. You are now before God. He desires to hear your prayers and intercessions. Submit your heart before Him.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God." Matthew 5:8

#### **GIVE THANKS**

In David's prayers, we often find that they are conversational between him and God. One thing he declares is thanks to God, but not in a general way. He gives thanks for rescuing him, protecting him, saving him, delivering him, and many other things. We often pray without carefully observing whether God has answered our prayers. To have this intimate relationship, it means that you are giving thanks for not only being saved, but how God has worked in you and what He has done for you and through you. Here are some verses that reflect this idea of thankfulness. You will find in 2 Corinthians 4:15 that thanksgiving is to overflow to the glory of God. May that resound from your heart. At the end of these verses, please stop and give the Lord thanks for what He has done and is doing in your life, and be specific. Have a great time honoring the Lord.

Psalm 107:1-108:1 - "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever... Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and He delivered them from their distress. He led them by a straight way to a city where they could settle. Let them give thanks to the Lord for His unfailing love and His wonderful deeds for men, for He satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things... Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and He saved them from their distress. He brought them out of darkness and the deepest gloom and broke away their chains. Let them give thanks to the Lord for His unfailing love and His wonderful deeds for men, for He breaks down gates of bronze and cuts through bars of iron..."

"Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and He saved them from their distress. He sent forth His Word and healed them; He rescued them from the grave. Let them give thanks to the Lord for His unfailing love and His wonderful deeds for men. Let them sacrifice thank offerings and tell of His works with songs of joy..."

"Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and He brought them out of their distress. He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed. They were glad when it grew calm, and He guided them to their desired haven. Let them give thanks to the Lord for His unfailing love and His wonderful deeds for men. Let them exalt Him in the assembly of the people and praise Him in the council of the Elders."

Psalm 118:4, 19-21, 28-29 - "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever. Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love endures forever.'"

"Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter. I will give You thanks, for You answered me; You have become my salvation..."

"You are my God, and I will give You thanks; You are my God, and I will exalt You. Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever."

Isaiah 12:4 - "In that day you will say: 'Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name; make known among the nations what He has done, and proclaim that His name is exalted.""

1 Corinthians 10:16 - "Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?"

1 Corinthians 15:57 - "But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

2 Corinthians 4:15 - "All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God."

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

2 Corinthians 9:12 - "This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God." (NIV)

We have so much to give thanks for - salvation redomntion

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atonement, health, life, friends, family,	protection, deliverance,
and freedom to worship. Add personal	I things the Lord is doing
in your life:	

# PRAISE/ADORE HIM

When we have love for someone, isn't it easy to praise them. adore them, and honor them; telling them what they mean in our life? That is true with the Lord, as well, But, it shouldn't come from empty, memorized words, but rather from your relationship with Him. Our Lord is magnificent, awesome, and personal. The way David does this in Psalm 86 is wonderful: "/ am devoted to You... You are my God... You are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to You... no deeds can compare with Yours... all the nations You have made will come and worship before You... they will bring glory to Your name... You are great and do marvelous deeds... You alone are God... for great is Your love toward me." These are not empty words from David. They intensely walked together daily. We must understand that praise is an overwhelming principle in David's Psalms. Praise for God is mentioned more than 340 times in Scripture. David's praise is personal, coming from the depths of his heart. As you consider the following verses, make it personal. At the end, praise Him beyond the verses you have seen. (NIV)

Psalm 148:1-14 - "Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the heights above. Praise Him, all His angels, praise Him, all His heavenly hosts. Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, all you shining stars. Praise Him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies. Let them praise the name of the Lord, for He commanded and they were created. He set them in place for ever and ever; He gave a decree that will never pass away. Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths, lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do His bidding, you mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars,

wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds, kings of the earth and all nations, you princes and all rulers on earth, young men and maidens, old men and children. Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted; His splendor is above the earth and the heavens. He has raised up for His people a horn, the praise of all His saints, of Israel, the people close to His heart. Praise the Lord."



Psalms 150:1-6 - "Praise the Lord. Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens. Praise Him for His acts of power; praise Him for His surpassing greatness. Praise Him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise Him with the harp and lyre, praise Him with tambourine and dancing, praise Him with the strings and flute, praise Him with the clash of cymbals, praise Him with resounding cymbals. Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord."

Exodus 15:2 - "The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation. He is my God, and I will praise Him, my father's God, and I will exalt Him."

Psalm 34:3 - "Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt His name together."

Psalm 99:5 - "Exalt the Lord our God and worship at His footstool; He is holy."

Psalm 99:9 - "Exalt the Lord our God and worship at His holy mountain, for the Lord our God is holy."

Psalm 107:32 - "Let them exalt Him in the assembly of the people and praise Him in the council of the Elders."

Psalm 145:1 - "I will exalt You, my God the King; I will praise Your name for ever and ever."

Matthew 15:8 - "These people honor Me with their lips, but their hearts are far from Me."

1 Timothy 1:17 - "Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen."

# PRAISE: Honoring and remembering the characteristics of our God

- Lord, You are magnificent and mighty, demonstrated throughout the ages.
- You are light, love, and life itself.
- You are all powerful, all-knowing, and are everywhere at all times.
- You are eternal, unchanging, and perfect.
- You are infinite, three-in-one, and majestic.
- You are merciful, righteous, wrathful, and just.

- You are gracious, patient, tender, and forgiving.
- You are faithful and pure.
- You are our Creator and Sovereign Lord.
- You are the Good Shepherd.
- You are peace and love.
- You are full of glory.
- · You are holy.

What other praises do you have?
That You are shepherding me.
That You demand real relationship.
The You are the hope of Heaven.

#### PRAYING SCRIPTURE

The written Word of God gives us so much to pray for. We get to understand what God's will is by submitting our hearts to His truth. Take time to pray for some of the amazing truths for God's people.

We pray that the Body of Christ would be holy, blameless and pure, full of the Spirit and overflowing with the Fruit of the Spirit, exhibiting the fullness of God in them (becoming like Jesus):

- That we would exhibit the Fruit of the Spirit most of the time (Galatians 5:22–23):
  - » Having a joy and peace that passes all understanding, no matter my circumstance.
  - » Having a love for God that is full of affection and passion for His presence.
  - » Having a faith that moves mountains and heals my broken heart as well as others' hearts.
  - » Having a patience that is long-suffering and steadfast without a selfish agenda.
  - » Having a meekness/humility and mildness that cares for God's people naturally.
  - » Having a goodness that comes from an upright heart.
  - » Having a gentleness from moral goodness and integrity.
  - » Having self-control (being without excessiveness in thought, action, or feeling).
- That we would experience every spiritual blessing (Ephesians 1:3).
- That we be full of good deeds and godliness (Matthew 5:16).
- That we would powerfully proclaim the Good News (Romans 10:15).
- That we live humble lives before God (Micah 6:8).
- That we crave God's presence (Psalm 51:11).
- That we live out Your love and love others as You have loved us (1 John 4:19).
- That we would love You, Lord, with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength (Luke 10:27).
- That our daily lives would be full of passion and purpose for His Kingdom (Matthew 6:33).
- That we have one hope in us for the return of Jesus (Titus 2:12).
- That we live daily for Your Kingdom and Your glory (1 Corinthians 10:31).
- That we love one another deeply, not out of obligation, but in unconditional love (1 John 4:19-21).

- That the poor and down-trodden be served, developed, and made strong in You (Psalm 74:21).
- That widows and single parents would be covered and cared for to fulfill their purpose in You, and that orphans would be shepherded and blessed (James 1:27).
- That we would bear Kingdom fruit: 30, 60, 100 times more (Mark 4:8).
- That harvesters for the Kingdom be raised up in my community, including me (Matthew 9:37–38).
- That oneness in You, Lord, and oneness in our church be realized and fulfilled (John 17:20–23).
- That we have hearts yearning only for You, every day (John 7:38).
- That we would repent of sin and live for Your Kingdom in all we do (1 John 1:9).
- That You would help us fulfill Your desire to live holy, blameless, and pure lives, not out of human effort and perfection but by continually walking in the Spirit (Galatians 5:25).

# **Concert of Prayer for the Colorado Front Range**

Saturated with the Presence of God, saturated with His Divine Presence – God is calling us to a daily life of being full of His Presence, saturated, full of Him, including to overflowing. This means that we are so full of our God that we are full of His purposes, full of the Holy Spirit, and thus, full of His power, grace, faith, wisdom, and love. As a result, we will exhibit His godliness to the full in us and through us.

Therefore, we pray that You would open the doors for this message of the Gospel and loving You wholeheartedly and that people would be drawn to it:

- That the churches on the Front Range would become Saturated with Your Presence.
- That at least 1,000 pastors would be "on fire for God" because they are Saturated with God's divine presence and are thus consumed with His purposes and engaging His power in their ministries.

- That 200,000 existing Christians would become Saturated with the Presence of God and be consumed with sharing His love and purposes with others.
- That 500,000 new believers fall in love and follow Jesus with a burning desire to be saturated by Him.
- That we would see supernatural transformation taking place in the people, churches, and their cities – just as in Acts and the Great Awakenings in the 1700–1800s.
- That His power would be exhibited in all the ways He desires being recognized by the world as God's work.
- That we see deep repentance and turning to the Lord like never seen before.
- That we see and experience the beauty of united hearts in the Church and between churches.
- That we would seek to love the Lord with all of our hearts, at all cost, to glorify Him.



# **Prayer for Grace Chapel Community**

We are a missional church where all of us participate in God's great mission by loving God, loving others, and making disciples, wherever we are.

Grace Chapel exists to fulfill God's great mission by Christ working through us.

# **Our Four Expressions:**

#### COMMUNITY

- Everyone in our congregation sharing our lives and spiritual journeys in communities where we engage our families and culture together.
- Being a regional community resource center to bless people socially and spiritually.

#### **TRAINING**

- Becoming like Jesus in Spirit-led personal transformation through coaching, mentoring, and discipling.
- Being a training center to multiply missional living for other believers and churches.

#### **PRAYER & WORSHIP**

- Living every hour of every day as worshipful people who continually pray for God's wisdom, will, and intervention for His glory.
- Being a gathering space for movements of prayer and worship.

#### **COMPASSION & JUSTICE**

- Informing, equipping, and mobilizing our people to address biblical injustice locally, regionally, and globally.
- Being a regional hub for informing, mobilizing, and networking to address biblical injustice.

# **Leadership and Staff**

That the men and women who lead the people in this community would be abiding their lives in Jesus. Pray for protection from the enemy and spiritual warfare that is present. Pray that they would lead this community by the Spirit's power and leading. Specifically pray for the staff and Elders at Grace:

### **Elders:**

Brian Moe, Chairman Neil Holsteen, Vice Chairman Ric Barreth John Zivojinovic, Senior Pastor

Jeff Bennett Jerry Cole Nick Berard Dave Bidwell

Mark Seccombe

# Staff:

Adam Brewer, Junior High Pastor • IT Manager

Ann Caprioglio, Financial Administrator

Anne Chiappini • Volunteer

Barbara Spinder, Guest Relations Coordinator

Carey Holm, Women's Director

Christie Holle, Office Manager • Adult Ministry Assistant

Dave Waderich, Facility Manager

Donna Cook, Senior Pastor Executive Assistant

Eric Larsen, Media Services Director

Jamie Tressen, Children's Pastor

John Zivojinovic, Senior Pastor

Kimi Larsen, Children's Ministry Assistant

Lisa Holsteen, Worship Arts Assistant

Lowell Friesen, Men's Director • Congregational Care

Nancy Ruby, Congregational Care

Pam Willecke, Nursery • Childcare Director

Ron Brenning, Marriage and Family Pastor

Sarah Brenning, Preschool Director

Sarah Prosise, Student • Outreach • Singles Ministry Assistant

Scott Leggett, Worship Arts Pastor

Sean Newman, Administration and Communications Pastor

Steve Whitlock, Singles Pastor • Elevation

Susan Beck, Business Administrator

Tim Hayes, Adult Pastor

Tim Nielson, High School Pastor

Nathan Ziehnert, Worship Leader

# **Marriages and Families**

That marriages would experience healing, growth, and unity. That husbands would love their wives and wives support and respect their husbands. That the family unit would be building on the foundation of God in their home.

# **Singles**

That singles would find their life in Christ and His sufficiency for their lives. Pray singles would seek God's presence and be salt and light in a world that uses singleness to gratify the flesh.

### Youth

That youth would have a passion to grow deeper in their relationship with Christ. That they would make choices that reflect their love for God. Pray they would follow Christ and not the pressure that comes from the world's influences and their peers.

### Children

That the children would grow in their knowledge and faith in Christ. That during these early years, there is a foundation being built in their hearts on Christ. That their parents and church body set and live the example of being on mission with God.

# **Outreach**

Has a variety of different ways to build relationships and serve the homeless, jobless, fatherless, unborn, poor, and hurting people around Denver.

#### Ministry Partners:

Alternatives Pregnancy Center - offers meaningful alternatives to abortion

Christ's Body Ministries - feeds the hungry physical and spiritual food

Collaborative Foster Care of Arapahoe, Couglas, and Jefferson Counties - recruits, trains, certifies, and supports foster families throughout the metro-Denver area Denver Street School - brings hope to at-risk youth through quality education

DenverWorks - job preparation services and placement to unemployed

*Emerge Family Connections* – offers hope and healing for families caring for children from hard places

North Littleton Promise – builds life-giving relationships with immigrant kids and their families and mobilizes local partners to transform the northeast Littleton neighborhood through Christ

Open Door Ministries - meets needs/makes disciples in the urban community

Packs of Hope - Provides for children in foster care.

Project 1.27 - Trains and supports adoptive and fostering families

Providence Network - provides opportunities to overcome addictions

Purple Door Coffee - mentor relationships to at-risk youth

Save Our Youth - Transforms lives of at-risk youth through mentor relationships.

Whiz Kids Tutoring - helps improve the lives of disadvantaged kids through academic tutoring, positive mentoring relationships. and spiritual nurturing.



Pray for Denver to be transformed as individuals, Sunday School classes, and other metro area churches join together to be Christ to those who are homeless, jobless, fatherless, unborn, poor, and hurting.

#### **Global Missions**

Countries/people groups/missionaries to go to one of our focus areas:

Sichuan Province of China The Forgotten Triangle - Niger, Benin, and Burkino Faso North Africa - Tunisia

#### LISTENING PRAYER

Most often, when we pray, we are busy doing the thinking and the talking. We are to pray "in the Spirit on all occasions", so praying Scripture and praying the will of God is consistent. The Lord desires to reveal things to us, giving us thoughts we are to pray, apply personally, or do. We advocate that God wants to reveal to you His personal will, purposes, and love for daily life. He also desires to heal our hearts of wounds and sin patterns. He desires to do this for us while we are alone with Him, worshipping. If we are talking and thinking, we are not listening. He is going to reveal, not just things to you, but also how to pray and what to pray. It can be regarding you or those for whom you are interceding. You must rest before Him and focus on the name of Jesus. You are going to experience a lot of "noise" in your mind...just continue to stay focused on Jesus. Don't allow yourself to be distracted. Listen for messages that He has for you, record godly thoughts, Scripture verses that come to you. You may even be stimulated by asking God a question or telling Him a problem. Remember, whatever is revealed by God will be consistent with Scripture. Enjoy this time in silence and union with God.


# **INTERCESSORY PRAYER**

List the people God has laid on your heart for prayer. Please consider praying that God would fix people's problems is good, but shallow. Praying for people that they move close the presence of God through and within their circumstance praying that they grow in their love for God and their mature exhibited in their lives is being Kingdom-minded. Intercedir for someone before God is an incredible opportunity and a demonstration of love. Make this part of your listening pray as well. What does the Holy Spirit impress upon you to pray this person? Praying for these people's needs is also imported Enjoy blessing these people with your prayers!	r to e; rity ng er, y for
PERSONAL PRAYER  The most important thing God wants for your life is that yo	u
are saturated with Him. He wants to bless you in every way possible that doesn't distract you from being saturated by I This is a great place to be praying about the things God wat to do in you and through you. Always remember that you a fitting into God's plans; He is not fitting into yours. He has gand mighty things for you to be and do; taking many different shapes and forms. Enjoy the privilege of presenting all your petitions before Him.	ints re great ent

#### **CLOSING**

"I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in Me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in My name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask Me for anything in My name, and I will do it." John 14:12–14 (NIV)

Isn't this a beautiful picture? The Lord is telling us that if we have simple and complete faith in Him, we will be like Him and do even more of the things He did. Why? Because of His power resulting from our total faith in Him! Prayer is union with God, and in that union with God, we become like Him and care about what He cares about...thinking the things He thinks...pursuing what He wants pursued.

"You give me Your shield of victory, and Your right hand sustains me: You stoop down to make me great." Psalm 18:35

It is in our union with Him that He touches us to make us great in His eyes. Remember, He is sovereign, all powerful, all knowing, and everywhere. You can have confidence when you ask, He will do it! Have a new expectation of what God is going to do through your prayer life. It's going to be different and more. If you continue in the process of being in union with Him, daily being Saturated by His Presence, and never giving up – He will answer!

# In closing,

"To Him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before His glorious presence without fault and with great joy - to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all the ages, now and forever more! Amen." Jude 24-25



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