

21 DAYS OF PRAYER

January 9 - 29, 2023

HOW SHOULD I PRAY?

We don't have to follow a specific formula to talk with God, but practicing different ways to pray can help us find deeper purpose and connection to Him through our prayer time.

To get started, this is a simple model you may want to use today in prayer. As you pray, focus on the process the model reveals, giving yourself time to pray intentionally. If your mind wanders, use the model to restore your focus. The goal is simply to get comfortable praying and for your prayer life to become more natural, effective, and enjoyable. To make your prayer time even more meaningful, you may pray silently, out loud, or by writing your prayer in a journal. The most important step is committing to regularly entering God's presence through prayer.

You may be familiar with The Lord's Prayer which is often recited in churches or at religious events. Jesus provided this model as an outline to teach us how to pray in a way that connects us to God, aligns our priorities with His, and helps us live dependent on Him.

The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13 NLT)

Pray like this:

Our Father in heaven, may your name be kept holy.

May your Kingdom come soon.

May your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us today the food we need, and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven those who sin against us.

And don't let us yield to temptation, but rescue us from the evil one.

PRAY

Here is another simple model. If you can remember the word PRAY, you can improve the quality of the time spent with God in prayer.

- PRAISE: Praise God for who He is. Begin your prayer with thanksgiving.
- REPENT: Confess your sin to the Lord and walk away from it.
- ASK: Pray for yourself, other people, and whatever is on your heart.
- YIELD: Pray that you don't yield to temptation and that you will yield to God's Spirit. Yielding is saying "Yes" to God.

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PRAYER GUIDE

Use this prayer guide as a tool to pray for our federal, local, and church leaders and for Generations Church as we pursue our mission.

Leaders of Our Country, State, & County

- President Joe Biden & Vice President Kamala Harris
- U.S. Senators: Thom Tillis, Ted Budd
- U.S. Representatives: David Rouzer
- Governor Roy Cooper & Lt. Governor Mark Robinson
- State Representatives Frank Iler, Representative Charles W. Miller
- State Senator Bill Rabon
- Brunswick County Mayors and other town elected officials
- First Responders: Police, Firefighters, Emergency Services
- Brunswick County School Board, Teachers and Staff

Leaders of Our Church

- Pastors: Troy Knight (Lead Pastor); Clay Weed (Teaching Pastor), J.P. Hanna (Executive Pastor), Wyatt Klein (Online Pastor)
- Staff Ministry Leaders
 - Worship & Production (Melanie Moore, Landis Yarovyy, Christian Ashmore, Erika Grace, Kohl Hanna)
 - First Impressions (Jenny Klein, Jessi Adkisson)
 - Family (Tabitha Knight, Connie Costa, Kelly Jo Hanna, Kris Bailey, Connie Williams)
 - Groups (Aaron Evans)
 - Connections (Julie Steele)
 - Missions (Amanda Pittman)
 - Celebrate Recovery (Leanne Walley)
 - Office, Building & Support (Lisa Holland, Becky Ingold, Dave Wages, Megan Ayala, Greg Kinberg)
- Board of Directors (Diane Moffi, Jeff Bantle, Nick Kaplenski, Robert Jameson, Tom Lamb, Tony Young, Troy Knight)

Generations Church Mission

Reaching people far from God and helping them become fully devoted followers of Christ, one step at a time.

- Pray for those who do not yet know God to be saved.
- Pray for each person who attends GC online or in person to take their next step.