

Prayer → Spirit → Jesus → Power

“And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.”

~ 2 Corinthians 3:18

“To live without prayer being woven into every part of every day is stupid, foolish, senseless, or is an evidence that your belief in the existence of the Creator, who has said we are to call upon Him, is an unsure belief. Common sense Christian living takes place in an atmosphere where prayer is as natural as breathing, as necessary as oxygen, as real as talking to your favorite person with whom there is no strain, as sensible as reaching into the bag of flour for the proper supplies for making bread”

Edith Schaeffer

“A church with rich history, flawless music, powerful preaching, amazing childcare, a paid-off mortgage, and stellar attendance but sleepily operating out of the resources of the flesh instead of prayer is headed toward tragic inconsequentiality”

Dane Ortlund

Church Prayer Gathering

Wednesday May 3, 2023

6:30-7:30 PM

Welcome

Call to Worship: (based on Philippians 1:9-11)

Leader: It is my prayer that your love may abound more and more

People: May it abound with knowledge and all discernment, so that we may approve what is excellent...

Leader: ...That you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ

All: ...That we may be filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God

Prayer

Song: *There is a Redeemer*

Bible Teaching (*Ephesians 3:17-21*)

Rev. Charlie Phillips

Group Prayer Time

(Take the liberty to move through these needs as you feel led.)

Target Groups

“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...” ~ Matthew 28:18-19a

~ Spend time praying for people in your target groups

- For God to cause a breakthrough in a coming conversation
- For the Spirit to surprise you by bringing conviction in someone far from God
- For the Spirit to convict you of your lack of joy in evangelism

Confession

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. ~ Psalm 51:10-12

~ Spend time confessing sin and acknowledging the need for his mercy and forgiveness

- For living as though the Holy Spirit is irrelevant
- For apathy in your prayer life
- For a lack of conviction in godly living

Thanksgiving

“Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.” ~ Psalm 136:1

~ Spend time sharing the many reasons you’re thankful to God (for His grace, love, sustenance, etc).

- For the incredible amount raised for missions via the offering in honor of Loyd Strickland
- For new conversions via Target Group ministry
- For the birth of Lily Jane Peake

~ Feel free to share your personal reasons for thanksgiving.

Supplication

Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. ~ 1 Pet. 5:7

~ Pray for:

- Susan Fifer, Chris Swanson, and Rita Shockley as they undergo treatment for cancer
- Mary Beth Peake and her kidney stones
- Daily Waters as he experiences pain in his ears
- Paula Blackwell as she continues to recover

~ Feel free to share your needs.

(7:25) Concluding Corporate Prayer

(7:26 PM) Song: Holy, Holy, Holy

Benediction

☞ 5/03 Hot Spot: *Culver’s*

(The next prayer gathering will be **August 2nd** at 6:30 pm)