CELEBRATION CITY 21 DAYS OF PRAYER

PRAYER CALENDAR | JANUARY 1-21

"Lord, teach us to pray..." Luke 11:2

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Pray, asking the Lord to help you pray faithfully during these 21 Days of Prayer. Ask to have a deeper prayer life, to hear God's voice better, and to grow closer to God.	Pray for your family. Pray for each member individually. Pray for any family members who may not have a personal relationship with Jesus. Ask the Lord to be honored in your home and family.	Pray for your neighbors. Pray for their needs. Pray for opportunities to show Jesus to them.	Pray for your teacher, If you are homeschooled, pray for your parents to have wisdom and all they need to teach you well. Pray for them to have rest, too.	Pray for your principal and for all leaders of the school system. Ask God to help them know how to lead the schools the best way for children to be safe and to learn. If homeschooled, pray for your administrators.	Pray for those who are with you in your classes. Pray for any individual needs the Lord may show you. Pray to be a light for Jesus in your class(es). Ask the Lord to help you do the best in all of your learning.	Pray for your church teachers. Ask God to help you learn more about Him and to help your church teachers. Thank God for your teachers and ask Him to bless them and their families.
Pray prayers of praise today. Praise God for who He is—Creator, Savior, Father, Helper, King of All, and all the things you can think of! Praise God for all He does for you!	Pray for your pastors and church leaders. Ask God to give them His plan for leading the church and for reaching people for Jesus. Pray for their families. Thank God for your pastors and church leaders.	Pray for missionaries all over the world. Pray for their families. Pray for their safety. Pray that God will provide all they need to tell others about Jesus.	Pray for our nation. Thank God that we live in a country where we can freely worship Him. Ask God to forgive our nation when we do not honor Him. Pray that our hearts will turn toward God and His ways.	Pray for our nation's leaders: our President, Governors and all government leaders. Ask the Lord to touch their hearts and to give them wisdom to lead our country in ways that will honor Him.	Pray for your mayor and the city leaders. Pray that your city will be a place that honors God in all things. Pray for business owners in your city. Ask God to bless your city.	Pray for policemen, firemen, and other emergency responders. Ask God to help them as they serve us and to protect them from harm.
Pray today thanking God for dying on the cross so we can be forgiven and become His children. Praise God for rising from the dead so we live in power and have everlasting life!	Pray today, asking God to forgive you for things that are not pleasing to Him. Ask Him to clean and purify your heart. Ask God to help you make wise decisions and live to glorify and honor Him.	Pray today to have a greater love for the Bible, God's Word. Ask Him to give you under- standing and help you to do what it teaches. Ask God to help you memorize Bible verses.	Pray for those who are sick. Name those you know of who need healing. Pray for all those in the hospital today. Thank God for hearing our prayers for help.	Pray for elderly people. Pray for grandparents, etc. Pray for those in the nursing homes and assisted living homes. Pray that if any do not know Him as Savior that they will come to know Him soon.	Pray for any problem you may have or anything that is on your heart. Ask God to give you peace and to help you. Thank God for always being with you. Thank Him for always loving and helping you.	Pray for our church. Ask Him to help us to always seek Him with our whole hearts. Pray for us to love Him and others with all our hearts soul, mind, and strength. Finally, thank God for land and pray for a building.

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About PRAYER and FASTING

Our Church of Celebration family will be kicking off a church-wide focus on prayer and fasting on January 1, called "21 Days of Prayer and Fasting." The adults have Prayer Journal Guides, and we are providing a Prayer Calendar for CCity Kids. We'd like each kid to set aside time to pray each day for the things listed on the calendar. Talk to your family about taking time to pray and about fasting. Here's more information for you:

WHAT IS PRAYER?

Prayer is simply talking to God and listening to Him. Prayer should always begin and end with praise to God for who He is. God wants us to talk with Him. This is the way we get to know Him better! Prayers do not have to have big or fancy words. We should talk to God just like we talk to our best friend—because He is our Best Friend. We want to show Him honor and love in our prayers, and we also want to thank Him in our prayers.

WHEN SHOULD I PRAY?

One of the most wonderful things about prayer is that we can pray anytime and anywhere because God is always with us. But, it is also important to set aside a special time to pray to God. When we do this, it becomes a habit. It's nice to begin the day with this special time of prayer. It will make your whole day better when you begin it with prayer. Ask God when would be the best time for you to set apart to pray. You might like your family to help you find a time that will work well for you each day.

WHAT IS FASTING?

One person described prayer and fasting like cleaning out old toys that might no longer work or that you may have outgrown so that you can make room for new ones. When we pray, we clean our hearts and bodies as we make time to connect closer to God and to His Word, the Bible. By doing this we make room to receive new gifts from Him. So when we fast, we give up things that we like (food, games, tv, etc.) and we are reminded that our relationship with God is the most important thing of all.

HOW DO I FAST?

We do not recommend that kids skip meals, but you may like to give up a favorite food or treat for these 21 days. Another way to fast is to give up some of the time and energy that is usually spent watching TV, playing video games, using the computer or phone and instead choose to spend time praying, reading the Bible, and serving others.