



A Call To Prayer - New City Covenant Church The Week of November 13th, 2022

***“Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving.”
-Colossians 4:2***

Greetings, New City Covenant Church,

Thank you for participating in our call to prayer effort together as a church family. As we gather this November from across the Twin Cities and beyond, we find ourselves in an unprecedented season in which focusing on God is vital. Let us together ask God to guide this new chapter at New City. We hope this weekly prayer guide will help us to, as the Psalmist says, “...lay (our) requests before (the Lord) and wait expectantly.”

This guide is not rigid - use it as you see fit.

This week, beginning on November 13, 2022, we gather to focus on our **relationships that focus “Out” (think, Up, In, Out)**. That is, our relationships with who God is calling us to outside the church and into the world.

This guide includes a daily Scripture focus that you may read once or several times daily. It also has a list of general and specific prayer requests and finishes with a liturgy that we want to encourage you to pray silently or out loud daily. Be blessed as we continue this journey together, seeking the Lord for a holy vision.

Weekly Bible Readings

The readings below are inspired by the [Covenant Book of Worship](#) Lectionary Selection. Add them to your daily reading or engage them in a way that works best for you.

- Monday: [Psalm 16](#)
- Tuesday: [1 Samuel 2:1-10](#)
- Wednesday: [Isaiah 65](#)
- Thursday: [Isaiah 12](#)
- Friday: [Matthew 25:14-30](#)

Weekly Prayer Requests

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in **Jerusalem** and in all **Judea** and **Samaria**, and to the **end of the earth**.”

– Jesus (Acts 1:8)

The above verse shows us Jesus is on mission and tells us to join Him on mission as we go about our lives. Together as a church we are praying for our relationship with God, and for the people closest to us in our “Jerusalem,” then for new people we meet in our “Judea and Samaria”, and we then pray for those spreading the gospel “to the ends of the earth.”

Imagine what God will do, the people He will reach, and the power you experience when we keep praying!

PRAYER GUIDE FOR MY WEEK

Monday: Grow in Jesus

- I pray my love for God grows as I hear from God through reading His Word today.
- I will tell God what is on my heart today.

Tuesday: Go with Jesus (My Jerusalem)

- I pray for those by name in my life who do not yet know Christ.
- I pray for courage to lovingly speak the gospel should the opportunity arise today.

Wednesday: Gather to Jesus

- I pray God would give me opportunities to invite those in close proximity to me to experience Jesus in community - perhaps through invitation to a New City service on

Sunday, or maybe even listening to a podcast or reading a book together that may open the doors of a conversation.

Thursday: Meet New People (My Judea/Samaria)

- I pray I would be open today to meet the new people God may be bring into my life.

Friday: Global Outreach (the ends of the earth)

- I pray for these people serving in national or international outreach:
 - Those missionaries that may be connected to New City.
 - Those Christian leaders, friends/colleagues that I know serving around the world.

Saturday: Our Worship Service

- I pray for our worship service tomorrow that all visitors and church family would feel welcome by myself and the rest of the church family.

Sunday: Come and Worship!

Closing Prayer and Benediction

Together We Pray:

Mighty and compassionate God, you come to us in our great joys and in our crushing sorrows, and in the everydayness in between. We know you love all people as a mother and father love their children. Now we are grateful that you give us the privilege to pray for an even wider circle of persons in their needs, and simply because they are and have come into our field of vision. You ask us to bring what we have – our good intentions, our mixed motives, our sinful natures, our half-hearted commitments – and we pray that in our fragile world, our violent world, our impoverished world, we might plead that what is broken will be made whole again.

Send us into the world and send us down our own streets—to the poor with good news of food, shelter, and promises of relief from poverty's wounds; to those bound up for one reason or another with actions that liberate, that set them free; to those without hope or insight with reminders of bright visions and eye-opening revelations abiding in our Companion and Savior Jesus Christ and in the always fresh winds of the Holy Spirit.

And keep us tuned to your constant call to us to seek and work for justice in our small and large worlds that one day all your children will find and relish peace.

-Adapted from Prayers Public and Personal – Nelson, 2010

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or imagine, to him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen - Ephesians 3:20-21