



Guide for 10 Days of Prayer

Thank you for joining us in our effort to pray and seek God over the ten days between the time Jesus historically ascended to heaven and the celebration of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came down from heaven and the Church was born. Please take time in this hour you have committed to pray to both listen for God and speak to Him.

Begin by taking a few minutes and listening to God. Prayer is a conversation and we want to let God begin and posture ourselves in a position to listen and receive from Him. Read the following passage and then stop to listen to what God may say to you through these words and His Spirit.

Acts 1:6-14

6 Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

7 He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority.

8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

9 After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

10 They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them.

11 "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

12 Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city.

13 When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James.

14 They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

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On the night Jesus was arrested and taken to trial, He asked the disciples to pray. They kept falling asleep. When Jesus came back to them, He asked: "Couldn't you keep watch with me for one hour?" During this hour you have signed up to pray, you may fight distractions, sleepiness and interruptions in your mind or your environment. It's okay! Do your best; take times to pause, stretch, read Scripture; meditate on God's truth. And if you fall asleep, you're in good company- the disciples did too! Push in to this hour of prayer and know that Jesus is right beside you!

☑ Pray by asking God to help us as individuals and a church to better understand our relationship with the Holy Spirit and how to live under the influence and power of the Spirit.

☑ Pray for God to send an awakening to His Church around the world, but specifically in the United States. Ask God for a revival that will turn the world upside down like it did following Pentecost.

☑ Pray for Grace Fellowship to be a church that engages with our community and brings light to dark places so the gospel changes people's lives. Next pray for all churches in Kingsport to embrace the mission of Jesus to make disciples.

☑ Pray for the families in our church. Our enemy seeks to destroy families, so pray over parents who are raising children. Pray for children and teens to embrace truth and turn away from evil. Pray for those who foster children and those who work with adoption agencies.

☑ Pray for our Elementary, Middle and High Schools in the city and county as the school year comes to an end over the next two weeks.

☑ Pray for the lost in our city and ask God to help us reach people with the gospel where we live, work and play. Ask God to give you a heart that is sensitive to the needs of others and to be unashamed to share His truth when given the opportunity.

-- Pause to listen for God's voice and anything He may --
desire to bring to your mind to pray for.

Psalm 46:10

He says, "Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

☑ Pray the ministries and missionaries we support around the world. Ask God to give them fruitfulness in their ministries, especially as many serve among unreached people groups.

☑ Pray for our elected officials to govern in a way that allows freedom and peace to prosper, so we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness (1 Timothy 2:1-4)