

PRAYER GUIDE: PRAYING THROUGH THE WORSHIP SERVICE

A time of intercession for the Sunday Morning Services

Our purpose is to come boldly before the throne of God to uphold our Pastor, worship team and the entire worship service this morning. We want to pray as the Holy Spirit leads us. In particular, the following areas will be covered. Please follow the pattern of intercession as outlined below. Times are flexible, but the majority of time should be spent praying for the Pastor and his message from the Lord. Please continue to pray protection for these leaders following the service – pray for God's peace and no harassment of the enemy

ABC's of Public Prayer – Pray Aloud (so everybody can hear you), Briefly (so everybody can pray) and Clearly (so everybody can understand you.) Taken from Old Paths, New Power by Daniel Henderson

Frontline Workers:

[5 minutes]

"For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness." Psalm 84:10

For each one involved in Frontline Ministry to be filled with God's love and grace For each one to show the love of Jesus to those who come

Worship:

[5 minutes]

"I will sing of steadfast love and justice; to You, O Lord, I will make music" Psalm 101:1 For the worship leader/team to be filled with a fresh anointing of God's Spirit That the leader/team would lead the congregation into higher praise and deeper worship For a spirit of praise and worship to be released in the hearts of the people That the Lord would be pleased and glorified through the true worship of His people

The Offering:

[3 minutes] "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7 For the congregation to give joyfully and liberally For all the financial needs of the church to be met For the financial needs of the people to be met (Luke 6:38)

The Pastor/Sermon:

[15-20 minutes]

"May my teaching drop as the rain, my speech distill as the dew, like gentle rain upon the tender grass, and like showers upon the herb. For I will proclaim the name of the LORD, ascribe greatness to our God!" Deuteronomy 32:2-3

That the Pastor's mind be at peace, centred upon the Lord, and free of distractions That the Pastor would speak the Word boldly in the power of the Holy Spirit That the Word he preaches would go forth unhindered, reaching its appointed goal

The Congregation:

[5 minutes]

"Let us go to His dwelling place; let us worship at His footstool!" Psalm 132:7 That the minds of the people will be attentive and their hearts open to receive God's Word That the people will not only hear the Word but put it into practice in their lives That the needs of the people will be met (encouragement, healing, direction, instruction) For commitments to Christ, That people would be saved!

Overall Service:

[3 minutes]

"Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!" Psalm 95:6 A fresh showing of the Holy Spirit's activity working in and among His people God's agenda over man's agenda Sound equipment/computers/internet work without hindrances All parts of the service to flow together proclaiming what God wants to say to His people

That people would be saved!

Simultaneous Nursery/Children's Ministry:

[5 minutes]

"Let the children come to Me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 19:14

For workers to be prepared, encouraged, and directed by God's Spirit

For protection of children during their classes

That children would learn to love and serve God faithfully

That their special needs would be met and that God's truths would be instilled in their hearts and minds