

## Pastoral Prayer Partners:

The following list is designed to give you a specific, scriptural and strategic prayer focus for each day of the month as you intercede for your pastor, their wives, and the church.

1. Pray that your pastor will live in the context of prayer; pray that the love your pastor's wife has for the Lord and the church will be contagious to her children (1 Thess. 5:17; Prov. 31:23). Pray that our church family will be counted worthy of the calling of God (2 Thess. 1:11).
2. Pray that your pastor will be a man of moral purity; pray that your pastor's wife will have a forgiving spirit toward wrongs and misunderstandings in her life (1 Peter 1:16; Eph. 4:32). Pray that our church family will fulfill all the good pleasure of God's goodness and the work of faith with power (2 Thess. 1:11).
3. Pray that your pastor will be a consistent and faithful intercessor; pray that your pastor's wife will have an understanding spirit when her husband is called away unexpectedly for emergencies (Rom 1:9; 1 Cor 13:4). Pray that God's grace will enable our church family to glorify the name of Christ (2 Thess. 1:12).
4. Pray that your pastor will build quality relationships with lost people; pray that your pastor's wife will guide her children to be understanding toward the needs of church members (1 Cor. 9:22; Phil. 2:4). Pray that the Father will comfort the hearts of our church family and that He will strengthen us in every good word and work (2 Thess. 2:16-17).
5. Pray for your pastor to be effective in leading your church to become a house of prayer; pray that your pastor's wife will find great joy and contentment in being the wife of the pastor (Luke 19:45; 1 Tim. 6:6). Pray that the hearts of our church family will be divinely directed into the love of God and into the patience of Christ (2 Thess. 3:5).
6. Pray that your pastor will truly be a man after God's own heart; pray that your pastor's wife will guard time for solitude, prayer and Bible study (Acts 13:22; Luke 10:38-42). Pray that our church family will be effective in sharing our faith by acknowledging every good thing within us in Christ Jesus (Philemon 6).
7. Pray that your pastor will be a man of personal integrity; pray that your pastor's wife will speak words that are wise and kind (Psalm 78:72; 1 Peter 4:10). Give thanks for the grace which God has given our church family (1 Cor. 1:5).
8. Pray that your pastor will have keen spiritual discernment; pray that your pastor's wife will have the freedom to exercise the spiritual gifts that are unique to her (Col. 1:9-10; Rom. 12:4-6). Give thanks to God because He has enriched His people through speech and knowledge (1 Cor. 1:5).
9. Pray that your pastor and his wife will daily be filled with the Holy Spirit; pray that your pastor and his wife will love God with all their hearts (Eph. 5:18; Deut. 6:5). Pray that our church family will come to know the Father more intimately through a spirit of wisdom and revelation in Him (Eph. 1:17).
10. Pray that your pastor will be a genuine spiritual leader in his home; pray that your pastor's wife will guard her tongue against inappropriate conversation (Eph. 6:4; Prov. 31:26). Pray that we will have a greater understanding of the hope to which we have been called (Eph. 1:18).
11. Pray that your pastor and his wife will consistently receive affirmation and encouragement from fellow believers (Heb. 10:24). Pray that we will come to know how glorious and rich our promised inheritance is as God's holy people (Eph. 1:18).
12. Pray that your pastor will have deep insight into the Scriptures; pray that your pastor's wife will foster a healthy atmosphere in the parsonage (2 Tim. 2:15; Prov. 31:27-28). Pray that we will know the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power (Eph. 1:19).
13. Pray that your pastor will preach with great anointing and power; pray that your pastor's wife will have a secure understanding of her personal value to the Lord (1 Cor. 2:1-5; Prov. 31:10). Ask the Father to strengthen His people with His might through His Spirit in the inner man according to the riches of His glory (Eph. 3:16).
14. Pray that your pastor and his wife will have wisdom in making decisions (James 1:5; 1 Peter 1:16). Pray that Christ will dwell in our hearts through faith; that we will be rooted and grounded in love (Eph. 3:17).
15. Pray that your pastor will have a renewed sense of God's call on his life; pray that your pastor's wife will find personal fulfillment in her daily routine (Eph. 4:11-12; Prov. 31:18). Pray that we will be able to comprehend the width, length, depth and height of the Father's love (Eph. 3:18).
16. Pray that your pastor and his wife will bear the fruit of the Holy Spirit; pray that your pastor and his wife will continue to grow spiritually (Gal. 5:22-23; Eph. 4:15). Joyfully pray for our church family, knowing that He who has begun a good work in us will complete it (Phil. 1:6).
17. Pray that your pastor will guard time for his family; pray that your pastor's wife will find a healthy balance in the diversity of responsibilities she fulfills (Eph. 5:25ff; Prov. 31:13-22). Pray that the love within our church family will abound in knowledge and discernment (Phil. 1:9).
18. Pray that your pastor will live a life of obedience to God; pray that your pastor's wife will be the recipient of support and respect from her family (1 Sam. 15:22; Prov. 31:28). Pray that our church family will value that which is good and excellent (Phil. 1:10).
19. Pray that your pastor will have a deep love and intense hunger for the holy Word of God; pray that your pastor's wife will be characterized by inner beauty (1 Peter 2:2; Prov. 31:30). Pray that our church family will be sincere and without offense (Phil. 1:10).
20. Pray that your pastor will daily position himself to hear the voice of God; pray that your pastor's wife will not experience undue pressure to overextend herself to fill vacancies in the local church (Mark 1:35; 1 Cor. 12:14). Pray that our church family will be filled with the fruits of righteousness by Christ Jesus to the glory and praise of the Father (Phil. 1:11).
21. Pray that your pastor will maintain well-ordered priorities; pray that your pastor's wife will exercise flexibility amidst unpredictable circumstances in her life (Phil. 3:13-14; Prov. 16:9). Pray that our church family will be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding (Col. 1:9).
22. Pray that your pastor will faithfully instruct and disciple other men; pray that your pastor's wife will develop quality relationships with other women in the church (2 Tim. 2:2; Titus 2:3-5). Pray that our church family will have a walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him (Col. 1:10).
23. Pray that your pastor will seek God's vision for the church; pray that your pastor's wife will be marked by modesty, godliness and good works (Matt. 16:18; 1 Tim. 2:10-11). Pray that our church family will be fruitful in every good work (Col. 1:10).
24. Pray that your pastor and his wife will give others wise counsel; pray that your pastor and his wife will practice effective time management (Ps. 1:1-2; Eph. 5:15-16). Pray that our church family will increase in the knowledge of God (Col. 1:10).

25. Pray that your pastor and his wife will manage their finances wisely; pray that your pastor and his wife will have an effective partnership in ministry (Prov. 31:13-16; Rom. 16:3-4). **Pray that our church family will joyfully live with patience and longsuffering (Col. 1:11).**
26. Pray that your pastor will exercise marital faithfulness that is motivated by Christlike love for his wife; pray that your pastor's wife will have a love and devotion for her husband that is second only to her love and devotion for the Lord (Eph. 5:22-25). **Thank the Father for qualifying our church family to partake of His inheritance (Col. 1:12).**
27. Pray that your pastor will minister from the overflow of a consistent daily walk with God; pray that your pastor's wife will have a gentle and quiet spirit (Col. 4:2-4; 1 Peter 3:4). **Give thanks to God for the work of faith within our church family (1 Thess. 1:3).**
28. Pray that your pastor will be filled with the compassion of Jesus; pray that your pastor's wife will be patient with people (Matt. 9:36; 1 Cori. 13:4). **Thank God for the labor of love within our church family (1 Thess. 1:3).**
29. Pray that your pastor will daily grow in Christlikeness; pray that your pastor's wife will have a willingness to be in the background when necessary (1 John 2:6; Prov. 31:23). **Thank God for the patience of hope within our church family (1 Thess. 1:3).**
30. Pray that your pastor will be broken, humble and blameless before God; pray that your pastor's wife will have opportunities for joyful laughter (Ps. 51:17; Prov. 17:22). **Pray that the Father will completely sanctify our church family (1 Thess. 5:23).**
31. Pray that your pastor will have a pure heart before God; pray that your pastor's wife will have a supernatural supply of strength and support for her husband (Matt. 5:8; Prov. 31:12). **Pray that our church family's whole spirit, soul and body will be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ (1 Thess. 5:23).**

### Please pray for us...

Pray at all times in the Spirit with every prayer and request, and stay alert in this with all perseverance and intercession for all the saints. Pray also for us, that the message may be given to us when we open our mouths to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel (Eph. 6:18-19)

Finally, pray for us, brothers and sisters that the Lord's message may spread quickly and be honored as in fact it was among you (2 Thess. 3:1)

- Charles Spurgeon was once asked what was the secret of his success. He replied, "My people pray for me."
- The preaching of the Word to a prayerless congregation falls at the very feet of the preacher. It has no traveling force. It stops because the atmosphere is cold, unsympathetic, unfavorable to its running to the hearts of men and women. Nothing is there to help it along... It takes prayer in the pulpit and prayer in the pew to make preaching arresting, life-giving, and soul-saving (E. M. Bounds).
- People in the pew praying for the preachers are like the poles that hold up the wires along which the electric current runs. They are not the power, neither are they the specific agents in making the Word of the Lord effective. But they hold up the wires along which divine power runs to the hearts of preachers... They make conditions favorable for the preaching of the Gospel (E. M. Bounds).
- If you desire to grow in the likeness of Christ, do not pray for a preacher who will entertain you with a clever new topic each Sunday. Plead instead for a man of principle who will preach against sin and for truth without compromise, until his people repent and turn from their evil ways (William Gurnall).
- The spirit of prayer in a congregation begets an atmosphere surcharged with the Spirit of the Highest, removes obstacles and gives the Word of the Lord right of way. The very attitude of such a congregation constitutes an environment most encouraging and favorable to preaching... helped on by the warmth of souls engaged in prayer (E. M. Bounds).
- Every Christian ministry needs a burden-bearing team of prayer warriors. The effectiveness of any such ministry will depend upon the godliness of the team and the power of prayer that is marshaled behind it. Blessed is that person or ministry that has not only enlisted the aid of prayer partners but has intercessor-watchmen who carry a continual burden for the ministry (Wesley Duewel).

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# Daily Prayer Guide



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**Thirty Days of Prayer Focused on  
Interceding For Our Pastors,  
Their Wives, and Our Church**

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