



# Circle

**Dear Prayer Warriors,**



I am most grateful you are with me, fighting spiritual warfare through prayer daily. We are warned in Scripture that our enemy will do all he can to distract us from the work of God. Let's join together in Jesus' name and through the blood of the Lamb of God to resolve we will not concede Northwest Arkansas to the enemy's domination.

Prayer based upon the Word of God and done in agreement with God's people is our greatest weapon to overcome the enemy. Herein, we the Cross Church Circle, agree in prayer. Jesus wills for all to be saved and come to a knowledge of His Truth. In these days of division and deep polarization in America, we the Church must rise to always walk in unity with one another and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

April is a critical month in the life of our church. I have poured over each of the requests below deliberately and specifically in prayer. Please be faithful with me to use this prayer guide for 30 minutes at least once a week.

Thank you for standing with me in intercessory prayer for Cross Church,

Ronnie Floyd



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April 2017 Prayer Guide

## Preparing Yourself to Intercede in Prayer 🕒 (8 Minutes)

**Praise God for three of His great qualities.**

**Thank God for three things He has done for you this past week.**

### Confession of Personal Sin

*"To Him who loves us and has set us free from our sins by His blood..." Revelation 1:5*

- Confess Jesus' love for you and that He has set you free from your sin.
- Confess specific sins to Jesus, receiving Jesus' blood to cover these sins.
- Confess to Jesus that you want to live free not just from the penalty of sin, but also its power and pleasure.

### Receive the Filling and Fullness of the Holy Spirit

*"...walk by the Spirit..." Galatians 5:16*

- Pray: "Lord, I surrender all of me to all of You; fill me with the Holy Spirit."
- Pray: "Lord, I want to walk by the Spirit and be in step with Him always."
- Pray: "Lord, I want the fullness of the Holy Spirit in my life, every moment, every day."

## Interceding Together for These Specific Needs 🕒 (20 Minutes)

**1. Fill, empower, and anoint Dr. Ronnie Floyd, our pastor, with the Holy Spirit of God as he leads our church, proclaims God's Word, writes, and provides spiritual leadership and guidance across America.**

*"For promotion comes neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God is the Judge: He puts down one and sets up another." Psalm 75:6-7*

- Sovereign God, You alone raise up Your leaders for a season. If You desire to do this with our pastor, do it in our region, Arkansas, across America and the world. We pray, may God's sovereign will be done and empower him for any task You have him doing.
- King of Kings, as Pastor Floyd and the team here at Cross Church lead, we ask you to fill him, empower him, and anoint him whether he is planning, leading, praying, preparing, preaching, teaching, or in his relations with others.
- Holy Spirit of God, direct Pastor Floyd with spiritual insights to share with others through preaching, leading, and writing.
- Lord, we call upon You to lead Pastor Floyd as he begins to write and complete his next book by July 1 of this year, working toward a release date in mid-2018.
- Father in Heaven, as our pastor is called upon to do many things, please continually provide him the needed spiritual discernment and wisdom.
- Our Providential Protector from all evil and harm, we pray God, for Your protection spiritually and physically upon Pastor Floyd and Jeana, Nick and Meredith, Josh and Kate, and all of their grandchildren: Peyton, Parker, Jack, Reese, Beckham, Norah, and Maya.
- Lord Jesus, we call upon You to use Pastor in these upcoming engagements beyond Northwest Arkansas:
  - April 3-4 – Larger Church Roundtable, Williamsburg, Virginia

- April 4-6 – Family Research Council Board of Directors Meeting, Washington, DC
- April 25 – Evangelism Engagement Workshop Equipping Senior Pastors, North American Mission Board, Columbia, South Carolina
- May 1-3 – Mega-Metro Pastors’ and Wives Conference, Watercolor, Florida
- May 3 – Speaking at National Day of Prayer Donor’s Banquet, Washington, DC
- May 4 – Assisting at National Day of Prayer at the United States Capitol Building, Washington DC
- May 16-17 – 21st Century Evangelical Leader’s Summit, Washington, DC
- Other pending engagements God opens up in this season.

## **2. Ask God with us to raise up and call the man God wants to lead our Cross Church School of Ministry.**

*“He called you to this through His gospel.” 2 Thessalonians 2:14*

- Lord God, please raise up and call the person You desire to lead our Cross Church School of Ministry.
- Father of Light, illuminate who You desire to fill this position and reveal it to Pastor Floyd, Pastor Nick, and Pastor Ben.
- Lord, until then, lead Dave Kinney during this interim season, along with Pastor Floyd, Pastor Nick, and Pastor Ben.
- Father, we pray for students for our upcoming 2017-2018 year that begins in August—call men and women here to be equipped and prepared for life, ministry, and gospel advancement globally.

## **3. Call out to God for the members of our Ministry Team who serve our five campuses.**

*“But as for you, exercise self-control in everything, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.” 2 Timothy 4:5*

- Lord, we pray for each of these men and women to exercise self-control in every area of their life, endure the hard times, do the work of winning others to Jesus Christ, and fulfill the ministry they have been called to do in the highest manner.
- Lord, lead us to pray for them specifically as we call out their names to God:

### **Executive Team**

- Dr. Nick Floyd, Teaching Pastor and Leads All Staff
- Ben Mayes, Executive Leader of Finance & Operations

### **Fayetteville Campus**

- Phil McMichael, Campus Pastor
- Clif Anderson, Minister of Small Groups
- Nick Bethea, Children’s Pastor
- Jennifer Francis, Director of Preschool & Women’s Ministries
- Luke Harper, Minister to Students
- Brandon Kennedy, Minister of Evangelism
- Jill Langham, Administrative Assistant to Nick Floyd
- David McKinney, Worship Pastor
- Brian Mills, College Pastor
- Shane Schauer, Associate Worship Pastor

### **Fayetteville East**

- Dave Kinney, Campus Pastor & Interim Director of Cross Church School of Ministry

### **Pinnacle Hills Campus**

- Buster Pray, Campus Pastor
- Jeremy Dixon, Associate Student Minister
- Mollie Duddleston, Director of Ministry Operations and Women’s Ministries
- Billy Hardesty, Associate Children’s Pastor
- Jeniffer Johnson, Director of Preschool Ministries
- Forrest Knight, Associate Worship Pastor
- Jamie Lantzsch, Minister of Pastoral Care

- Lee Larry, Associate Minister of Assimilation & Special Projects
- Adam Miller, Minister to Students
- Brad Noblitt, Worship Pastor
- Chris Plunkett, Minister of Discipleship & Young Adults
- Travis Young, Children's Pastor

### **Neosho Campus**

- Ed Upton, Campus Pastor

### **Springdale Campus**

- Clint Smith, Campus Pastor
- Johann Acuna, Associate Worship Pastor
- Tim Bottoms, Worship Pastor
- Heath Bryant, Children & Family Pastor
- Chuck Butler, Minister to Students
- Scott Carter, Assistant Minister of Missions
- Pablo Daut, Minister to Hispanics
- Brian Dunaway, Director of Communications & Technology
- Micah Farish, Associate Minister to Students
- Becky Fletcher, Administrative Assistant to Clint Smith
- Charlie Foster, Minister to Senior Adults & Pastoral Care
- Gina Franzke, Director of Women's Ministries/First Impressions
- Jesse Garcia, Associate Minister to Students
- Keith Harmon, Marriage & Family Pastor
- Andy Jennings, Millennial Pastor
- Greg Jones, President, Shiloh Christian Schools and Minister to Adults
- Sandra McCoy, Assistant Director of Communications
- Jennifer McCroddan, Director of Preschool Ministries
- Gayla Oldham, Personal Assistant to Dr. Ronnie Floyd
- John Phillips, Creative Video Director
- Doug Sarver, Minister of Global Missions
- Eric Vaughan, Director of Compassion Center Northwest Arkansas

## **4. Appealing to God for the financial needs of Cross Church to be met in every area.**

*"Bring the full tenth into the storehouse so that there may be food in My house. Test Me in this way," says the Lord of Armies. "See if I will not open the floodgates of heaven and pour out a blessing for you without measure." Malachi 3:10*

- By FAITH in Christ alone, oh Lord, we come to You in prayer and agreement that You will direct each one of our members and attenders to honor You with at least the first ten percent of all they have been blessed with financially. Together we also ask that each of our Cross Church family members and regular attenders honor You with special offerings even above this first-tenth of all You entrust to us.
- God, we stand on Your Word, knowing that we should faithfully give at least the first ten percent and above to Your Church.
- We bless You and agree with **Deuteronomy 14:23, "The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives."** (The Living Bible)
- Lord, we want to put You first in everything, including all the resources You have entrusted to us, because You have given us all we have and it belongs to You alone.
- Holy Spirit, convict us that the FULL TEN PERCENT as mentioned in Malachi 3:10 includes not just annual salary, but bonuses, stock, property, interest earned, dividends earned... ALL resources. Empower us to obey You and Your Word specifically and generously.
- Oh God, once we give to Cross Church at least the first ten percent of all You entrust to us, may we give over and above offerings for Your special causes.
- Grant us, oh God, the ability to give as we did last year and even more, over and above our first tenth to our Easter Offering for North American Missions, the Annie Armstrong Offering.

- Grant us, oh God, faithfulness to give over and above the first tenth to our weekly *Reaching Our Mission Offering*, which meets the needs of our Cross Church School of Ministry, our church planting efforts in North America and the World, and further support to missionaries and more.
- Grant our Fayetteville congregations the continual passion and sacrificial commitment to giving over and above their first tenth to meet the entire \$6 million need, over three years, to see the new Fayetteville campus completed in a healthy way financially. Commitments are now: \$5,412,719. Gifts to date since November 6, 2016 are \$1,127,373.
- Lord God, grant us the desire to leave a legacy upon our death by leaving our church at least the first ten percent of our estate to Cross Church and to take actions now to see it done.
- Father, we ask You to free Cross Church from anything financially, materially, or physically that restrains us from being all You desire us to be.
- In Jesus' name, we ask You to fulfill Your promise to open wide the heavens and empty out blessings until we have no more needs. We trust You!

## 5. Pray that Cross Church will supernaturally prioritize in the vision and heart of our church that our #1 priority is Reaching Northwest Arkansas for Jesus Christ.

*"From one man He has made every nationality to live over the whole earth and has determined their appointed times and the boundaries of where they live. He did this so they might seek God and perhaps they might reach out and find Him, though He is not far from each of us." Acts 17:26-27*

- Father, upon the authority of these words from the Bible, we believe that God has brought every person to live in Northwest Arkansas with the purpose of seeing them be saved.
- Father, raise up our church, renewing some old ways and creating some new ways, to reach them with the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Father, help us to know and strategize together to saturate each city in this region by penetrating them with the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Father, mobilize our people to see this vision and accomplish this task each day we are given.
- Father, give each of us a personal burden to see every person in Northwest Arkansas come to Jesus Christ; even praying for every one of our neighbors in Northwest Arkansas.
- Father, make us like Paul as recorded in **Romans 10:1, "Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God concerning them is for their salvation!"**
- Father, place in me and upon me, a deep desire for each person in our region to meet Jesus Christ personally.

## 6. Pray passionately and convictionally with us now for Passion Week and Easter Weekend, April 9-16.

*"He is not here! For He has been resurrected, just as He said. Come and see the place where He lay." Matthew 28:6*

- Lord, we ask for Your power and might to lead us in this season and to see all that God wants to do in the eight days of Passion Week and Easter Weekend.
- Lord, we ask You to demonstrate Your glory and power, encouraging the saved and saving the lost during these eight days between Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.
- Lord, we ask you to use Pastor Floyd and Pastor Nick as they prepare to teach from April 9-14. Empower them as they teach beginning with Palm Sunday services, the weekday luncheons held at Pinnacle Hills, and the Friday night *"Reflecting on the Death of Jesus Christ"* service at Springdale, on the subject of, **"Six Lessons About Leadership We Learn From Jesus In The Last Six Days Of His Life"**
- Lord, we call upon You to call thousands to attend one of our 15 Easter Weekend Services on April 15-16 across our five campuses. We ask that You will encourage all those who know Christ already and call others who have never known Christ personally to salvation in Jesus.
- Lord, lead our Worship Leaders from each campus as they work with Pastor Floyd and Pastor Nick in planning all services. As well, guide them and anoint them as they plan the Friday evening experience of worship with our combined campus choirs singing with the Northwest Arkansas Symphony strings. Our service will be *"Reflecting on the Death of Jesus Christ,"* held at our Springdale Campus.

- Lord, *open doors in businesses, corporations, multi-family housing communities, and other venues during this entire week for our annual Easter in the Community.* Be with our staff team as they lead in special 30-minute bible studies during Easter week... *taking Easter into our community.*
- Lord, please right now, prepare the hearts of people in Northwest Arkansas, opening the door of their hearts and opening doors for them to be invited by our Cross Church family to attend an Easter weekend service. Pray that this experience changes their life forever. Use OUR people to invite and bring hundreds of people with them on this weekend.
- Lord, we pray for a powerful spiritual anointing and sustaining physical strength upon our pastors who will preach during these 8 days, from Pastor Floyd and Pastor Nick who will preach 10 times, as well as Pastor Doug Sarver, Pastor Pablo Daut, and Pastor Ed Upton, who will preach on Palm Sunday and on Easter Sunday.
- Lord, we pray Your blessings upon each of these services during Easter Weekend:

### **Saturday, April 15**

- Springdale – 4:00 p.m.
- Pinnacle Hills – 5:30 p.m.
- Fayetteville – 5:30 p.m.

### **Sunday, April 16**

- Springdale – 9:15 & 10:55 a.m.
- Pinnacle Hills – 9:15 & 10:55 a.m.
- Fayetteville – 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.
- Fayetteville East – 10:30 a.m.
- Neosho – 9:00 & 10:45 a.m.
- Español (Springdale) – 10:55 a.m.

## **2-Minute Wrap Up** 🕒 (2 Minutes)

- Ask God in these final two minutes for each one of these six requests to be met for His glory!