

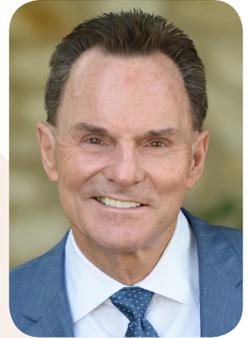


Dear Cross Church Circle,

Welcome to 2018!

As the intercessors for our church and ministry, I want to call upon you to remember and practice what you have committed to do in this ministry:

- Pray 30 minutes for our church weekly
- Pray with us in agreement by using the prayer guide I send you monthly
- Establish your 30 minutes at the same time wherever you may be around the world



I have included the topics below for your information and accountability.

Beginning January 1, we will again have *21 Days of Prayer* together as a church. This has been a significant spiritual marker in the lives of our members and the life of our church. Each day, you will be able to participate in our brief time in the Word at 6:30 a.m. via Facebook Live or phone at (563) 999-1422. You can also sign up now for daily texts by sending "21days" to 313131. Join us, and lead the way for others!

Due to the great need for strengthening marriages, we are going to have a one-night marriage conference this year. Our *Northwest Arkansas Marriage Conference* will be on Friday, January 26, from 7-10 p.m. We are taking a break from our annual men's conference this year in order to allow husbands and wives to experience this conference together. We also encourage college students and single adults who want to learn about the marriage experience to attend. Please pray for this evening, plan to join us, and pray for Dr. Nick and Meredith Floyd, Dr. Jeff and Julie Crawford, and Jeana and me as we lead the *Northwest Arkansas Marriage Conference*.

Thank you for praying with us,

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Ronnie Floyd



Circle

January 2018 Prayer Guide

Preparing to Pray 🕒 (8 Minutes)

Give God praise for who He is

- Praise God for His holiness: there is no one like You.
- Praise God for His greatness: there is no one greater than You.
- Praise God for His love: there is no one more loving than You.

Give God thanksgiving for what He has done

- Thank God for His provision for you (name one way He has provided for you).
- Thank God for His presence with you (name one way He has been with you).
- Thank God for His blessing of people in your life (name one person He has given you in your life).

Confess your sins to God

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."
1 John 1:9

- Confess specific sins, mistakes, and ways you believe you have not pleased God in your life.
- Ask God to give you the power to turn from these poor choices in your life.
- Receive God's grace, forgiveness, and love.

Rely on God's power completely

"Be filled by the Holy Spirit." Ephesians 5:18

- Confess to God you cannot live victoriously without Him.
- Give God your mind, will, emotion, body, spirit, tongue, attitude, actions, past, present, and future.
- Ask God to fill and control your entire life, empowering you with His powerful Holy Spirit.

6 Major Prayer Needs to Focus on this Month 🕒 (20 Minutes)

1. Speak to my family, our church, our nation, and me in these 21 Days of Prayer from January 1-21, 2018.

"If only you would bless me, extend my border, let Your hand be with me, and keep me from harm, so that I will not experience any pain.' And God granted his request." 1 Chronicles 4:10

- Jesus, help me to begin 2018 by seeking You first and empower me to focus on specific ways I can pray for my family, our church, our nation, and myself in these days of focused prayer.
- Oh God, call thousands of people to seek You in these 21 Days of Prayer. Seek Your face. Seek Your will. Seek You in Your Word. Seek Your power. Seek Your works in and through our lives.
- Oh God, intervene with Your favor in my life, in my family, in our church, and in our nation.
- Dear God, enlarge our opportunities and influence for Your name and Gospel through my life, through my family, through our church, and through our nation.
- Father in Heaven, only through Your power am I able to walk through the opportunities You bring my way, opportunities You bring to my family, opportunities You bring to our church, and opportunities You bring to our nation. Lord, help us represent You in the highest manner.
- Lord God, You alone can keep me from harm, so guard my life from harm, guard my family from harm, guard our church from harm, and guard our nation from harm.

- Father, remind me and help me to participate daily and fully in these *21 Days of Prayer*, praying through the daily text messages (by texting “21 days” to 313131) and participating daily either through Facebook Live at 6:30 a.m. or by phone at (563) 999-1422.
- Oh God, may these 21 days lead to a mighty move of God in my own life, spiritual revitalization in our family, revival in our church, and spiritual awakening in Northwest Arkansas and beyond through our nation and to the world.
- Lord Jesus, do what only You can do in these 21 days! You can do more in a moment than we can do in a lifetime!

2. Engage college students, single adults and all the couples in our church and beyond in the Northwest Arkansas Marriage Conference on Friday, January 26, from 7-10 p.m.

“To sum up, each one of you is to love his wife as himself, and the wife is to respect her husband.” Ephesians 5:33

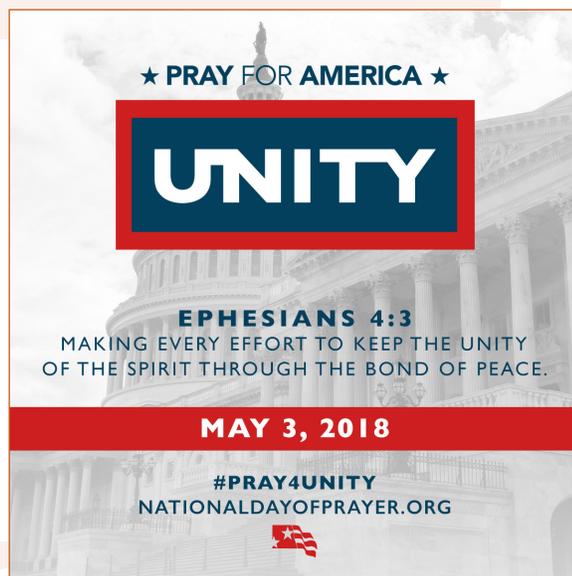
- Oh Lord, call college students, single adults, and couples of all ages to rally together, celebrate marriage, and learn about marriage on Friday, January 26, from 7-10 p.m.
- Heavenly Father, give us humble hearts to learn more about marriage and be willing to change what is needed in our lives to make marriage more meaningful and fulfilling.
- Lord Jesus, You are the secret to marriage. As we move closer to You, we will move closer to our mate.
- Dear Lord, I appeal to You, prepare me for what You want to teach me in this three-hour conference on marriage.
- Father, empower Dr. Nick and Meredith Floyd, Dr. Jeff and Julie Crawford, and Dr. Ronnie and Jeana Floyd as they teach and talk about marriage. Lead them as they prepare to help and guide us. Give them grace in this season of their lives and marriages.
- Lord, use this marriage conference way beyond our Cross Church Family, extending it across Northwest Arkansas and this region. Empower me to invite other people to join us, whether they be followers of Yours or not. Use this conference to reach people for Christ and help people with their marriages.

3. Trust God to lead the leaders of America through these critical times of decision making.

“For I know the plans I have for you”—this is the Lord’s declaration—“plans for your well-being, not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.” Jeremiah 29:11

- Lord, we trust You to convict our nation’s leaders of Your desire for them to work together in unity for the well-being of our nation.
- Sovereign Lord, we appeal to You alone to give our nation a future and a hope.
- Spirit of God, move upon the leaders of our nation to work together toward resolving the following issues for the welfare of our nation:
 - Tax reform
 - Healthcare reform
 - Immigration reform
 - National security
 - Religious liberty
 - Sanctity and dignity of human life
 - Terrorism nationally and globally
 - Other issues that arise in 2018

- Lord and Defender, we appeal to You to protect the leaders of our nation and their families, as well as the members of our military nationally and globally, and all the first responders in our nation.
- Father, we #PRAY4UNITY in America and all efforts to forward unity and pray for unity on Thursday, May 3, 2018.



4. Provide for our church as we give to You, O Lord.

"On the first day of the week, each of you is to set something aside and save in keeping with how he is prospering, so that no collections will need to be made when I come." 1 Corinthians 16:2

- God, may all our people begin this year to give at least the first tenth of all God has given to them weekly, walking in complete obedience to Your Word. For those who are giving, bless them in their obedience to Christ.
- Lord, convict and lead all of us to increase our weekly commitment to financial stewardship in 2018.
- Lord, miraculously and supernaturally eliminate all financial debt for Cross Church now or by the end of the year 2020.
- Father, raise up our people to give additional monies weekly to our *Reaching Our Mission* offering, which funds our Cross Church School of Ministry, church planting throughout the nation and the world, as well as ministry opportunities here in Northwest Arkansas.
- God, only You can bless and meet the needs of Your people, so we ask that You do so generously for all of our people who give.
- Thank you, Lord, for answering our prayers relating to our church's financial needs, for You are more than able to meet these needs to Your Glory.
- Lord Jesus, Provider of All, bless all of our people financially in 2018 in a powerful and bountiful manner.

5. Prepare and propel our Fayetteville Campus as we open our new campus on Sunday, February 11.

"Now to Him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us—to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen." Ephesians 3:20-21

- Oh Lord, as we plan for the opening day of our new campus on Sunday, February 11, we ask that all final details and preparations will make this possible, clearing all obstacles and opening all doors and opportunities.
- Dear Lord, we pray for You to lead our staff team as we prepare all details for launch day and beyond on this new campus.
- Oh God, empower our people who are part of our Fayetteville Campus to invite hundreds of people to join them in the initial days of this exciting launch from February 11 and beyond.
- Jesus, You are the Savior of the world, draw all those who are spiritually lost in our region to hear the gospel and be transformed by God's grace and power.
- Holy Spirit, ignite Dr. Nick Floyd in a new way for this campus and give our entire Fayetteville staff team wisdom in all decision making. Lead them in all preparations of every ministry on campus for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

6. Anoint our Pastor, Dr. Ronnie Floyd, as he leads our church, proclaims Your Word, and provides direction for the National Day of Prayer.

"But he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is perfected in weakness.' Therefore, I will most gladly boast all the more about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may reside in me." 2 Corinthians 12:9

- Holy Spirit, anoint Pastor Floyd as he leads our church, proclaims Your Word to us and across America, as well as provides strategic direction for the National Day of Prayer.
- Lord, perfect Your power through Pastor Floyd's weaknesses personally, and through these weaknesses exalt Yourself.
- Lord Jesus, give Pastor Floyd specific leadership for our church, our staff team, and church leadership as we move through this year and beyond.
- Father, as Pastor Floyd proclaims Your Word from the Bible, anoint Him with power from on High, immersing him with Your power in his preparation and then through his presentation of it to others.
- God, many decisions await Dr. Floyd as he provides direction for the National Day of Prayer, so we ask you now:

- Give him the power to do this for Your glory.
- Give him Your direction for the national observance that is held in Washington, DC. Give him direction on the content, personalities and order of the evening service as it forwards unity in America on May 3, 2018.
- Open the doors needed for the right location for this gathering to occur in the United States Capitol Complex.
- Clear all obstacles that exist to mobilize unified public prayer for America.
- Lord, please anoint Pastor Floyd as he engages daily at Cross Church and as he speaks and provides leadership in these early months of the year:
 - Preparation and study weekly
 - Preaching at Cross Church weekly
 - Speaking and leading the staff team of Cross Church
 - During the *21 Days of Prayer* in and for our church
 - January 15 – Speaking at the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration, Little Rock, Arkansas
 - January 22 – Speaking at the Alabama Baptist Evangelism Conference, Montgomery, Alabama
 - January 23 – Speaking/Leading the National Day of Prayer Board of Directors Meeting, San Antonio, Texas
 - January 24-25 – Speaking/participating in the National Prayer Committee Gathering, San Antonio, Texas
 - January 26 – Northwest Arkansas Marriage Conference
 - April 8-11 – Pastor and Jeana lead the 2018 Mega Metro Pastors & Wives Gathering for churches with 2,000 or more in attendance, held this year in Washington, DC
 - May 3 – National Day of Prayer across America in thousands of gatherings as well as from our nation’s capital in Washington, DC
 - Opportunities and open doors You may create in these days, making clear what You want Pastor Floyd to do
- Father, please protect Pastor Floyd and Jeana daily, as well as the members of their family: Josh, Kate, Peyton, Parker, Jack, Nick, Meredith, Reese, Beckham, Norah, and Maya.

Final Wrap Up 🕒 (2 Minutes)

- As you name each of these six specific requests again:
 - BELIEVE God to honor and lead us as we pray as one.
 - THANK GOD in advance for answering our prayers.
 - ASK GOD to EMPOWER AND REMIND you to advance UNITY everywhere you go.