



## Dear Prayer Warriors in our Cross Church Circle Ministry,

One thousand thank yous for praying for our church weekly. Your allocation of 30 minutes of focused prayer for our church is pivotal to the blessing of God for Cross Church.



For example, think about these answered prayers:

- Blessing and growth through the opening of our new Fayetteville Campus
- Blessing and growth of Easter Weekend
- Transition of the events occurring in North Korea in relationship to the security of the United States
- Ongoing provision of God's blessings upon our church financially
- Extraordinary blessing of God upon some of our focused church events

How blessed we are at Cross Church! Thank you for praying us through.

As we find ourselves in the month of May, we are facing many challenges ahead of us. From the National Day of Prayer on May 3, to special Sundays like Senior Recognition and Parent/Child Dedication, to preparing for the tremendous challenges of summer in the church, we need you to pray like it matters. Prayer does matter. Prayer changes things, but even more, prayer changes us! Again, thank you for praying everything through.

We enter this month of May praying about many things with our Cross Church summer emphasis, *BY FAITH*.

By faith we pray now in agreement,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronnie Floyd". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being more prominent.

Ronnie Floyd



# Circle

## May 2018 Prayer Guide

### Preparing Ourselves to Pray 🕒 (8 Minutes)

#### Confession and forgiveness of our sin.

*"But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ the righteous one. He himself is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours, but also for those of the whole world."* 1 John 2:1-2

- Thank God that when we sin, we have an advocate (one who comes to our aid, an intercessor) for our sin—Jesus Christ, who atoned for our sins and the sins of the entire world.
- Confess to God not only your gratitude for forgiveness, but also confess your sins and receive His forgiveness in a refreshing way.
- Ask God that every person in Northwest Arkansas, America, and the entire world may hear the story of how Jesus died for their sins.

#### Fill me, walk with me, and lead me, Holy Spirit.

*"I say then, walk by the Spirit and you will certainly not carry out the desire of the flesh."* Galatians 5:16

- Lord, right now, I surrender to You my entire life; every part of me I give to You.
- Lord, fill me with the Holy Spirit of God, controlling every part of my life.
- Lord, walk with me as I walk in step with You, so I will not fulfill my own will and flesh, but Your will alone.
- Lord, lead me to walk in Your way, in Your power, and Your future for my life.

### Six Specific Prayer Requests for May 🕒 (20 Minutes)

#### 1. We pray for our summer needs **BY FAITH**.

*"For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith, just as it is written: The righteous will live by faith."* Romans 1:17

- **BY FAITH** we ask You, Lord, to lead and anoint all of our preaching pastors this summer as they teach Romans 1-5 in this summer series, **BY FAITH**.
- **BY FAITH** we ask You, Lord, to open the doors and call hundreds of children and hundreds of teenagers to our Children's and Student Camps this summer and provide for their needs so they will be able to go.
  - June 11-14 - Kidz Camp: Camp Siloam, Siloam Springs, Arkansas
  - June 24-29 - High School Beach Camp: Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
  - July 9-12 - Middle School Camp: Sky Ranch, Oklahoma
- **BY FAITH** we ask You, Lord, to pour out Your Spirit upon Summer Freedom Sunday Morning, July 1, on each campus in each worship service as we celebrate the freedom we have in America.
- **BY FAITH** we ask You, Lord, to use our Fireworks and Baptism at the Crosses on Sunday, July 1, to impact the lives of people for the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- **BY FAITH** we ask You to call our members and attenders to be faithful in Small Groups and Worship Services when they are here this summer, as well as serve in a Cross Church ministry with faithfulness weekly or seasonally.
- **BY FAITH** we ask You, Lord, to call upon our people to honor You with at least the first tenth of all God has given to us and give resources back to God this summer through our church weekly, regardless of where we are.
- **BY FAITH** we ask You, Lord, to provide \$6 million through our people during the fifteen weeks of summer from Memorial Day Sunday, May 27, through Labor Day Sunday, September 2, which funds the entire Ministry Budget during the summer, plus provides \$200,000 in scholarships for all summer camps.

## **2. BY FAITH, we pray for the advancement of the Gospel of Jesus in our region, across America, and the entire world.**

*"But You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come on you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Acts 1:8*

- **BY FAITH** oh Lord, please give us a way and strategy to tell every person in our region about Jesus Christ and His good news in the Gospel.
- **BY FAITH** oh Lord, lead our people to participate in community ministries this summer that will share the love of Christ.
- **BY FAITH** oh Lord, bless the ministries of our COMPASSION CENTER in Springdale and our HOPE FOR THE CITY in Fayetteville—supplying their needs so we can meet the needs of all people with compassion in the highest level.
- **BY FAITH** oh Lord, call children and families to be a major part of our VACATION BIBLE EXTREME 2018 on July 9-12. Lord, may many of these people come to Christ and the rest be disciplined to follow Jesus.
- **BY FAITH** oh Lord, call people to the campuses of Cross Church this summer and empower our preaching pastors with Your anointing and the opportunity to invite people to follow Jesus as Lord and respond publicly.
- **BY FAITH** oh Lord, move upon the hearts of our people to join us in leading and ministering on these mission ministries in North America and the world.
  - May 29 - June 7 - Marshall Islands Mission Journey
  - June 14 - 18 - Chicago Mission Journey
  - June 16 - 22 - San Francisco Mission Journey
  - July 5 - 14 - Israel Trip
  - July 15 - 21 - Haiti Mission Journey
  - July 21 - 27 - Washington, DC Mission Journey
  - July 25-30 - Guadalajara, Mexico Mission Journey
- **BY FAITH** oh Lord, use, empower, and keep safe our thousands of missionaries in North America and across the world, many of which are in very difficult and dangerous places.

## **3. BY FAITH, we pray God will fulfill this biblical promise in my life and in my church.**

*"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 pain.' And God granted his request." 1 Chronicles 4:10*

- **BY FAITH** Jesus, help me to seek 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.
- **BY FAITH** oh God, intervene with Your favor and Your blessing in my life, in my family, in our church, and in our nation.
- **BY FAITH** oh Lord, enlarge our opportunities and influence for Your name and Gospel through my life, through my family, and through our church.
- **BY FAITH** our 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, and opportunities You bring to our church. Lord, help us represent You in the highest manner.
- **BY FAITH** oh Lord God, You alone can keep me from harm, so guard my life from harm, guard my family from harm, and guard our church from all harm and attacks.

## **4. BY FAITH, we ask God in agreement to meet the financial needs of Cross Church.**

*"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** Holy Spirit, convince our people that God's will is best for each of us, and to honor Him with at least the first tenth of all He gives to us financially.
- **BY FAITH** Holy Spirit, confirm Your provision for us as we walk in obedience to God and His Word regarding giving of the resources He has entrusted to us.
- **BY FAITH** Holy Spirit, remind us daily that God owns absolutely everything and we own absolutely nothing.

- *BY FAITH* Holy Spirit, empower us to practice outrageous generosity toward Your Church, Your work, and all people.
- *BY FAITH* Holy Spirit, encourage us with Your peace, Your power, and Your provision at all times.
- *BY FAITH* Holy Spirit, as our Cross Church people live this out, please use them to meet our 2018 Summer Program of Giving need of \$6 million with each of us giving systematically and faithfully, regardless of where we are located each week.
- *BY FAITH* Holy Spirit, we trust You and the Father's care for us personally and collectively.

## **5. BY FAITH, we ask God to bless the United States of America.**

*"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord—the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!" Psalm 33:12*

- *BY FAITH* we ask You to mercifully bless and give favor to the United States of America.
- *BY FAITH* we ask You, dear God, to move America in a new and fresh way to return to You.
- *BY FAITH* we ask You, oh God, to give godly leaders to the United States of America in the all areas of our nation, locally, regionally, statewide, and nationally.
- *BY FAITH* we ask You, our God, to call men, women, students, and children to serve our nation in many ways; but Lord today most specifically, we pray they be raised up to serve our nation in politics and the military.
- *BY FAITH* we ask You, our God, to bless the businesses of our nation economically so that all people in our nation will be blessed economically and as a result, be a blessing to the entire world.
- *BY FAITH* we ask You, oh Lord, to secure our nation from all evil and harm within our nation and from outside our nation.

## **6. BY FAITH, we ask God for the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 3, to become a catalytic spiritual movement across America.**

*"Making every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace." Ephesians 4:3*

- *BY FAITH* oh Lord, we ask You unify Your Church in America so the Church in America can call our nation to unity on the National Day of Prayer.
- *BY FAITH* oh God, we ask You to move upon our people here at Cross Church to participate in a National Day of Prayer observance in our region on May 3.
- *BY FAITH* oh Lord, we ask You to move each of us to make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit personally in our families, churches, workplaces, and communities.
- *BY FAITH* oh God, we ask You to bless the laypersons and staff persons who serve in leadership and service roles in various National Day of Prayer observances regionally, statewide, and nationally.
- *BY FAITH* oh Lord, we ask You to use and anoint our pastor, Dr. Ronnie Floyd, as he leads the entire nation to observe the National Day of Prayer.
- *BY FAITH* oh God, we ask You to use and anoint our pastor as he leads the National Observance of the National Day of Prayer in Statuary Hall in the United States Capitol in Washington, DC, on Thursday, May 3, at 7:30 p.m. EDT/6:30 p.m. CDT.
- *BY FAITH* oh Lord, we ask You to lead our pastor in all of these things and situations he is responsible for and leading during the week of the National Day of Prayer in Washington, DC:
  - May 1 - National Day of Prayer Celebration Dinner, Ronald Reagan Building
  - May 2 - National Day of Prayer Men's and Women's Prayer Gathering, National Community Church – Miracle Theatre
  - May 2 - National Day of Prayer Board Meeting
  - May 2 - National Day of Prayer Reception and Evening Gathering at the Museum of the Bible
  - May 3 - Fox and Friends media interview
  - May 3 - National Day of Prayer observed at the White House, Rose Garden
  - May 3 - National Day of Prayer First Amendment Luncheon
  - May 3 - National Day of Prayer Region City Observance on the West Lawn, White House

- May 3 - National Day of Prayer National Observance, including television and media broadcast, from the United States Capitol at 7:30 p.m. EDT/6:30 p.m. CDT, which can be streamed live on [nationaldayofprayer.org](http://nationaldayofprayer.org) or seen on television via the DAYSTAR TELEVISION NETWORK, and other venues, and experienced live with others at our Cross Church Fayetteville Campus.
- May 4 - Christian and Israel Solidarity Event at the Embassy of Israel in Washington, DC
- All media interviews related to the National Day of Prayer
- *BY FAITH* oh God, we ask you to anoint and bless everyone who will participate in leading the National Day of Prayer National Observance, including UniVoice, The Brooklyn Tabernacle Singers, Priscilla Shirer, Sammy Rodriguez, H. B. Charles Jr., and Frank and Sheri Pomeroy.
- *BY FAITH* oh God, we ask You to use the thousands upon thousands of observances of the National Day of Prayer as a catalytic spiritual movement across America to usher in the revival of the Church and the next Great Spiritual Awakening in America.

## **Your Final Two Minutes in Prayer for Cross Church** 🕒 (2 Minutes)

- Pray through each of these six general requests again, thanking God in advance for answering our prayers together.
- Call out to God the name of one member of Cross Church right now and pray for them specifically.