

Church Family,

Thank you for joining me on the 21 Days of Prayer journey last month. I have heard many stories of God moving within and beyond our church family.

February is full of ministry opportunities for you and your family. We're looking forward to seeing what God will do through everything we've included in this month's edition of the Cross Church Circle. Thank you for your partnership in prayer throughout the year as we join together, calling for God to move in ways unexpected! Your prayers play a significant role in all that God will accomplish in and through our church this month and in the year ahead.



Let's go, church!

Nick Floyd Senior Pastor Cross Church

Preparing to Pray

- Lord, thank You for my Cross Church family.
- Lord, I pray that You will be glorified in my life in the month ahead.
- Lord, help me trust You fully with all I have going on in my life.
- Lord, fill me with Your Holy Spirit today.

Praying the Scriptures

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7

Prayer

Lord, thank You for the opportunity to bring my worries and concerns to You in prayer. I pray for Your help in releasing my fears and anxieties into Your hands and trusting that You have a perfect plan for my life – even when things are difficult. I pray that You will fill my heart with peace and guard my heart and mind from worry. Thank You, Lord, for Your steadfast love and plentiful redemption.

Prayers for February

1. Freedom Weekend

Freedom Weekend is an experience for 7-12th grade students across our campuses to grow closer to Jesus, grow in community, and have fun with their friends! The weekend (February 7-8) will consist of engaging worship, breakout sessions, and lots of fun! Freedom Weekend is at our Springdale Campus.

- Pray for our students as they reach out and invite their friends to join us this year.
- Pray that we see many students respond to the gospel.
- Pray for students to connect with our Student Ministry beyond this incredible weekend.
- Pray for the safety of our students, Dream Teamers, and staff.
- Please pray for good (warmer) weather!

2. Love NWA

Love NWA is where we challenge our church family to focus on showing love to our community. This year, we ask you to engage in spontaneous acts of love across NWA. You could serve a neighbor, spontaneously pay for someone's meal, etc. There are no limits to what you can do! Additionally, we will host a food drive on Sunday, February 16, to support Feed 479.

- Pray that through these various acts of love carried out by our members, our church can demonstrate the love of Jesus to our community.
- Pray the people of NWA will see Cross Church as a place of love.
- Pray for Feed 479 as we seek to meet the needs of those in our community who face food insecurity.
- Pray that many in our church family will join us in our food drive this year.
- Pray that those who visit Feed 479 will respond in faith as the gospel is shared!

3. Cross Church Counseling Ministry

The Lord is doing some amazing things through our Cross Church Counseling Ministry. Our Counseling Ministry exists to provide a safe and caring environment to discover Christ-centered answers to personal struggles and relational challenges. We provide counseling and care help, both pastoral and professional, to members of Cross Church and the Northwest Arkansas community. We serve all people - individuals, married couples, and families - through our various avenues of counsel and care.

- Please pray for all those who provide counsel through this ministry that they will be full of wisdom, strength, and compassion, be grounded in the Word, and apply biblical principles appropriately as they seek to help those who are suffering.
- Please pray for all the individuals, married couples, and families who seek help through the Counseling Ministry so that they will find the healing they seek in Jesus.
- Pray for those who reach out for help from the community, that this pathway into our church would result in them finding a place to call home, and they would meet a loving Savior and church family.
- Pray for our partner, Living Well Counseling (Arkansas Baptist Children and Family Ministries), as they endeavor to provide Christ-centered professional counseling in an industry that is increasingly becoming unfriendly to Christianity. Pray they would flourish and grow.

4. BREAKTHROUGH

BREAKTHROUGH is an exciting event for our Cross Church Preteen Ministry held Friday, February 28, at our C3 building on our Fayetteville campus. This event aims for preteen students to encounter Jesus Christ, grow in their walk with Him, grow in community with other students, and have a lot of fun!

- Pray that our students will succeed as they invite their friends to BREAKTHROUGH.
- Pray that many students respond to the gospel.

- Pray for the safety of our students, staff, and Dream Team as they engage in this weekend event.
- Pray that this event will help connect students and their families to our church.

5. Cross Theological Seminary

We are excited to let you know that the Cross Theological Seminary faculty will take students on mission trips nationwide! We have a team going to New Orleans (February 4-10) and another to New York City (February 15-21). Students will learn from experienced church planters and faithful missionaries in these cities while participating in hands-on mission work.

- Pray for the safety of our faculty members and students while they are away from NWA.
- Pray that God would use them in more incredible ways than they can imagine.
- Pray for students to develop a passion for missions that will profoundly affect their future ministries.
- Pray that God would call some to be missionaries when they graduate.

Final Moments of Prayer

Lord, I pray that You will call many to salvation through the various ministry events our church engages in this month. Lord, I ask that You give us the next generation at Cross Church – for Your glory. I pray the people of NWA will know that Cross Church is a place of love and that our doors are always open to them. Use our church, Lord, to bring hope and healing to many by the power of the Holy Spirit.

