

Week of September 14 Prayer Guide

Preparing Your Heart (5 minutes)

Take some time to be still before the Lord. Quiet your heart before the Lord and get your mind ready to pray. Also use this time to welcome God and His presence. Invite Him into your time of prayer. Some practical ideas are to sit in silence or take deep breaths. You can also say something like:

"Holy Spirit, I invite You to this time of prayer."

"Lord, I'm here for You. Speak, I am listening."

Worship and Thanksgiving (5 minutes)

Use these five minutes to think of the many things that have been good from the day. Then begin to thank God for those things. You can also use a gratitude journal and write down things you're grateful for. Begin to worship Jesus for who He is and all that He has done for you.

Confession (5 minutes)

Take this time to reflect on the last 24 hours. Did anything happen that directly impacted you? Are there any areas of your life that have been dishonoring to God in thoughts, actions, or words? Bring those to God, confess to Him, and ask Him to restore the areas that are broken or don't reflect His character. Receive His vast love, forgiveness, and grace towards you.

Ask (15 minutes)

Personal

Who, or what, is on your heart today? Spend a few moments talking to God about anything personal in your heart that you'd like to share with Him before you move on to the next section.





Local

- Go through the <u>Crossroads Prayer Wall Requests</u> and pray for the needs within our family of faith.
 Be sure to click the "Pray" button to let us know you prayed for the listed need.
- Pray for clear guidance and direction as the Celebrate Recovery ministry continues to grow, especially in discerning which "issue-specific" Open Share Groups should be launched next to best meet the needs of the community.
- Pray for the Celebrate Recovery worship team, asking God to raise up and provide additional musicians who are both skilled and spiritually grounded to support the ministry through music.
- Pray for newcomers in recovery, that they would be filled with faith and hope. Ask God to silence the spirit of doubt that often tells them change, healing, or lasting sobriety is impossible. Pray they would believe that transformation is truly possible through Christ.

National

- Pray for strength, rest, and spiritual renewal for all Celebrate Recovery leaders, sponsors, and volunteers nationwide, that they would not grow weary in doing good.
- Pray for churches hosting CR to remain supportive and engaged, recognizing the powerful role recovery ministry plays in community transformation and discipleship.
- Pray for unity and humility among CR leadership teams across the country, that they would lead with grace, servant hearts, and a commitment to the mission of recovery through Christ.

Global

Indonesia

- Pray for believers to boldly demonstrate and proclaim the grace and love of Jesus Christ.
- Pray that the government would take substantial steps toward promoting tolerance and religious freedom across the country.
- Pray for the country, which has been hit with many kinds of disasters one after another. People are traumatized, in fear, and spiritually anxious. There is great need for spiritual assurance as well as material relief.
- Pray that the Indonesian church may grow in seeing this as a God-given time to comfort, encourage, and bring hope.

Supporting Scripture

And lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age. - Matthew 28:20b

Finish by thanking the Lord for meeting your request. Meditate on what He may want you to take away from your time of prayer.

