

PRAYER GUIDE

CENTER POINTE TO Christian Church



"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen."

Ephesians 3:20-21

WELCOME

We are in the midst of an unimaginable journey with God. We believe He is doing immeasurably more to draw people closer to Himself through our church. We desperately want to seek His heart for lost and hurting people. We want to be the beacon of hope and healing that He designed His church to be. And we believe that vision starts on our knees, praying for our church family, our community and the impact we can have around the world.

This is an exciting time at CenterPointe Christian Church. We want to be lock-step in line with God's heart for His people. During the Imagine More Campaign, would you join your church family in 15 days of prayer from March 1 – March 15?

HOW TO USE THIS PRAYER GUIDE

READ

Read the scripture aloud. You may also find it helpful to look it up in the Bible and read the surrounding verses to better understand the context. YouVersion is an easy-to-use, online Bible.

REFLECT

Read the reflective thought that explains the Bible passage and ask yourself how the passage applies to your life.

PRAY

Communicate with God. Have a conversation with Him like you would a friend. Listen as much as you speak.

APPLY

After reading through the day's prayer guide, write down any thoughts or ideas that apply to your growth as a follower of Jesus or to your involvement in the Imagine More campaign.

Imagine More 24 Hours of Prayer Event March 16, 2024

Following 15 days of seeking God's heart for His church, we will host 24 hours of prayer beginning with a prayer walk around our property at 8:00am Saturday, March 16. Register for the Imagine More 24 Hours of Prayer event on our Church Center App.



MARCH 1

READ

"And we are confident that he hears us whenever we ask for anything that pleases him. And since we know he hears us when we make our requests, we also know that he will give us what we ask for." 1 John 5:14-15 (NLT)

REFLECT

During the next fifteen days, we'll be asking God to let us see things the way He sees them, to understand how much He loves those that are still far from Him, to become passionate about the unlimited potential CenterPointe Church has through the power of His Holy Spirit.

PRAY

Thank God for being there even though you can't see Him. Acknowledge His amazing power. Pray that His will is done in the lives of the people of CenterPointe. Pray that each of us will fulfill the potential that we have and that we would not rely on our own power but God's power to turn the world upside down.

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"But when you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you, and pray to your Father in private. Then your Father, who sees everything, will reward you. When you pray, don't babble on and on as people of other religions do. They think their prayers are answered merely by repeating their words again and again. Don't be like them, for your Father knows exactly what you need even before you ask him!" Matthew 6:6-8 (NLT)

REFLECT

No matter what you learn about the principles of prayer, always remember that prayer is primarily a personal, intimate communication with God. God longs for you to spend time with Him and for you to be brutally honest with Him. He waits, He sees, and He rewards. Your reward may be the understanding that God actually knows your heart and hears your desires. It may be that as you pray you sense Him changing your heart and desires.

PRAY

Ask God to teach you how to pray more faithfully and honestly. Practice being still and hearing from Him. Thank God for CenterPointe and ask Him to show you how you can help fulfill our mission to help people move closer to God and each other with Jesus Christ as the center.

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"Joshua told the people, 'Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do amazing things among you." Joshua 3:5 (NIV)

"Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me." Psalm 51:10 (NLT)

REFLECT

Throughout the Bible we see God's people being set apart or dedicated for special purposes. This always includes repentance. God wants us to come to Him in humility; to repent and ask forgiveness for those things we do and think that are opposite of His ways. We have a higher purpose; higher than just having a more comfortable, convenient, or "cool" place to come each week. We are driven by the idea of people that are far from God finding their way home. If we are to make steps in that direction, we must start with repentance in our own lives.

PRAY

Ask God to clearly show you those areas of your life where you aren't following His ways. Ask Him to forgive you and to "be transformed by the renewing of your mind." Pray for God to work in the hearts of all those that currently attend CenterPointe; that He would show us our brokenness and give us His vision for a better way.

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MARCH 4

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"Pray like this: Our Father in heaven, may your name be kept holy." Matthew 6:9 (NLT)

REFLECT

Our God is holy and we must do everything in our power to represent His name well. For some strange reason He trusts us to represent Him to those that don't yet follow Him. Our actions either glorify His name or give Satan another opportunity to distort how other's view Jesus. Let's hold on to what is right and be an accurate example of Jesus to our corner of the world. May His will truly be done here and now at CenterPointe!

PRAY

Thank God for trusting you with such a huge responsibility. Ask Him for the strength and wisdom to represent Him well. Ask Him to let those in your life who are far from Jesus see Him through your relationship with them. Commit to using your time, money, and talents to being a tangible expression of Jesus in their lives and making CenterPointe a place where they can find Jesus.

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"Your commandments give me understanding; no wonder I hate every false way of life. Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path. I've promised it once, and I'll promise it again: I will obey your righteous regulations." Psalm 119:104-106 (NLT)

REFLECT

God has given us the amazing gift of knowledge through the Bible to understand who He is. As we spend time in it, we get to know Him, what He wants us to do, and His vision for our lives. Being a follower of Jesus isn't a state of being or a title; it's a journey. Through each of our spiritual journeys, we are transformed and equipped to make a difference in the world around us.

PRAY

Thank God for the Bible and connecting with you through it. Ask Him for the courage to follow the path that it outlines for your life. Ask Him to give you a "me too" attitude when sharing His truth and grace with those around you. As you love the people in your life, ask God to help you commit to sacrificing your hopes, dreams, and desires on their behalf.

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"Such things were written in the Scriptures long ago to teach us. And the Scriptures give us hope and encouragement as we wait patiently for God's promises to be fulfilled. May God, who gives this patience and encouragement, help you live in complete harmony with each other, as is fitting for followers of Christ Jesus." Romans 15:4-5 (NLT)

REFLECT

There are a lot of challenges before us today: as a church with the Imagine More campaign and in our individual lives with the countless challenges we face daily. We certainly need hope, encouragement, and patience. One of the awesome things about the Bible is that it's full of stories of broken ordinary people stepping out in faith to do and endure things they never thought possible. Commit today to read the Bible daily if you're not already doing it. Whether it's one verse or one chapter, read it and ask God to help you apply it.

PRAY

Thank God for the hope, encouragement, and patience that come from reading the Bible. Ask Him to help you to be faithful in reading and applying it to your life. Continue to ask Him what steps you need to take to be faithful in your actions, finances, and relationships.

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"Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see." Hebrews 11:1 (NLT)

REFLECT

If you read through the rest of Hebrews 11, you'll read story after story of people that did crazy things based on a confidence in things they couldn't see. Faith always leads to action. And when they acted God showed up. God responds to faith. When we have faith in His word, we can pray believing that He hears every prayer, whether spoken or unspoken.

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What is God asking you to do? Ask Him.

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"These trials will show that your faith is genuine. It is being tested as fire tests and purifies gold—though your faith is far more precious than mere gold. So when your faith remains strong through many trials, it will bring you much praise and glory and honor on the day when Jesus Christ is revealed to the whole world. You love him even though you have never seen him. Though you do not see him now, you trust him; and you rejoice with a glorious, inexpressible joy." 1 Peter 1:7-8 (NLT)

REFLECT

Joy is a mark of true faith in Jesus. Have you experienced that joy - a joy that is greater than your circumstances - a joy that only God can give you? When we meet with Jesus by praying, reading the Bible, and pursuing other spiritual disciplines like fasting and giving, we can experience that kind of joy. Let God fill you today. Joy does not come from our circumstances or what we possess; it comes from who we trust!

PRAY

Ask God to help you keep your focus on Him, to help you put self-interests aside and to go all-out serving Him and others, so that you can be filled with His "inexpressible joy." Ask Him to help CenterPointe experience this kind of joy as we surrender ourselves to His faithful leading in every area of our lives.

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"And whoever wants to be first among you must be the slave of everyone else. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:44-45 (NLT)

REFLECT

When you consider that Jesus left a perfect home in heaven for a life on an imperfect earth, you have to wonder why. What motivated Him? You did. Did He come to be served? No. Did He come to serve? Yes. Did He come to sacrifice His life for us? Yes. Let the significance of these truths bring us to the same place where Isaiah said, "Here I am, send me" (Isaiah 6:8).

PRAY

Thank Jesus for coming to earth to serve you and ask Him for the strength to serve and love others like He did. Ask Him for a clear vision of how you can help others through serving at CenterPointe. Ask Him to help your response to His love and service be the same—to love and serve.

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"This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins. Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other. No one has ever seen God. But if we love each other, God lives in us, and his love is brought to full expression in us." 1 John 4:10-12 (NLT)

REFLECT

Did you catch that? The best way for people that are far from God to see Him is for those of us who are followers of Jesus to love each other. As imperfect and messed up as we are, He still uses us to be His representatives. If CenterPointe is going to be anything meaningful, we must sacrificially love others with a humble attitude.

PRAY

Thank God for the people in your life who have shown you His love, those people that were part of your journey to something better - to freedom. For many of us those people have been people we've bumped into at CenterPointe. Pray that God would continue to lead us to be a church that passionately, recklessly, sacrificially, shares His message of freedom with the hurting world around us in a relevant way.

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"Everyone was gripped with great wonder and awe, and they praised God, exclaiming, "We have seen amazing things today!" Luke 5:26 (NLT)

REFLECT

To see God do great things you must ask Him to do great things. Have you seen God do great things in your own life, or in the lives of others? It is an amazing thing to see God work in our lives. Let's expect God to work in a remarkable way through Imagine More.

PRAY

Ask God to prepare and strengthen you in the coming days, and to help you to surrender your life completely with a believing and faithful heart. Seek help to be strengthened by His word and ask to be ready for greater things to be done.

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"But God is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much, that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead" Ephesians 2:4-5 (NLT)

REFLECT

God loved us even before we knew Him. He was merciful to us before we asked for His mercy. His love joined us together with His Son, our Savior Jesus. Through His gift of the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, we are alive with Jesus.

PRAY

Thank God for His mercy to you. Praise Him that He made you alive and continues to guide and protect you. Ask Him to help dedicate you to love, serve, and honor Him for all of your life.

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"This one who is life itself was revealed to us, and we have seen him. And now we testify and proclaim to you that he is the one who is eternal life. He was with the Father, and then he was revealed to us." 1 John 1:2 (NLT)

REFLECT

Jesus has had an impact on your life and you have an unique story to tell because of how He's impacted your life. Share your story with those God sends your way and to those you intentionally seek out in your community.

PRAY

Thank God for how He has impacted your life. Ask Him to help you tell others of your story, and to teach you how to declare the truth of Jesus' gospel to a world full of broken people.

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"And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him." Romans 12:1 (NLT)

REFLECT

God has forgiven us because He loves us as His children. He wants us to give up our right to living only for ourselves and live for Him. We are daily fighting the battle between the Adversary and the Advocate. Jesus says, "Come follow Me." Plan how to make a deliberate commitment to following God's way - the way of peace and joy.

PRAY

Ask God how to walk in His ways. Seek out how to be filled with His Holy Spirit so that you can be more receptive to His will.

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"Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. 'For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." 2 Corinthians 9:6-7 (NLT)

REFLECT

God loves when we give quickly once the opportunity presents itself. All we have belongs to God and He calls us to be good stewards of these resources. Generosity flows naturally from the hearts of those who love Him. Think of how you can cheerfully give as an act of gratitude for God's love and mercy.

PRAY

Ask God to direct you about what to give, and how to give generously. Thank God for the gift He has given of His Son, and how He has made an eternal difference in your life. Ask God how you can make an eternal difference in your living and your giving.

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IMAGINE MORE

The Imagine More initiative is a recognition that our church family is growing. CenterPointe has tripled attendance on Sunday mornings in just three years. Throughout the week, our meeting rooms are full every day and every evening with people just like you, seeking to grow and know God in a personal way.

The Imagine More initiative will fund a larger worship space, allow us to expand and upgrade our children & youth programs, and create flexible meeting spaces and community gathering areas both inside and outside of our church.

Our church leaders have been praying, preparing and planning, and it is time to step out in faith as God leads us to IMAGINE MORE. Looking at all that God has done and is doing at CenterPointe Christian Church, can you imagine even more?

24 HOURS OF PRAYER

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