



# Overflowing WITH *grace & glory*

A WEEK OF  
PRAYER

*Joy*

MON-THUR, APRIL 14-17

**7:00-7:30pm** AT JOY

# Before we start...

Thank you for joining us during this week of prayer. One of our 5 Stone objectives is to increase our time of prayer. When God's people come together in prayer, armed with the promises of God, there is tremendous power that is made available.

The following two Scriptures have been the theme of many of our Sunday services and our week of prayer will be influenced by them as well.

**Romans 15:13** <sup>(NKJV)</sup> Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Ephesians 1:6-8** <sup>(CEB)</sup> and to honor his glorious grace that he has given to us freely through the Son whom he loves. We have been ransomed through his Son's blood, and we have forgiveness for our failures based on his overflowing grace, which he poured over us with wisdom and understanding.

Charles Spurgeon, a 19<sup>th</sup>-century Baptist preacher, said,  
***"Prayer is nothing but taking God's promises to Him and saying, 'Do as you have said.'"***

Our goal for this week and the purpose of this booklet is to help us pray in a way that is both focused and concentrated. Jesus knew that the biggest problem wouldn't be finding people with needs, but finding people willing to spend time taking God's promises to Him and saying, "Do as you said."

Thank you for being willing!

With Joy,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pastor Brian Lohr". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

# The Format

## WELCOME & DIRECTION 7:00pm

- We'll start at 7:00pm with a short encouragement from Pastor Brian giving the direction and theme of the evening.

## PRAYER 7:00pm

- People pray differently; some like to walk, others kneel and others like to sit. Please make yourself comfortable to pray however you'd like.
- There will be music playing and it may be too loud for some and not loud enough for others. Music is played to allow private conversations with God.
- When you pray: be bold, pray out loud, dig in, don't be afraid and mean business!

## CLOSING 7:25-7:30pm

We will gather together at the front where Pastor Brian will lead a closing prayer, followed by a corporate worship song.

## DISMISSAL 7:30pm

We will dismiss promptly at 7:30pm.

## Communion

Communion will be available every day, "self-serve" style. You'll find a basket of disposable communion sets on a wooden stool as you walk into the Sanctuary. Take one, find a seat and receive communion at your discretion. Please use the trash receptacle nearby to discard your cup.

## Take Note

- Be respectful
- Keep conversations in the lobby area
- Silence phones
- We won't be taking prayer requests during this time of prayer, however, your requests are important, read and prayed over when submitted following our standard Connect Card completion process.

**Monday:** APRIL 14, 2025

## Today we pray

AN OVERFLOW OF GRACE AND GLORY

### Big Idea:

When it comes to anything in life or prayer, we must remember that God is our source! He is our source for joy, peace and hope. Tonight, we gather with confident hearts, asking God to open the eyes of our hearts and the hearts of the people of Joy, so that we all can experience His overwhelming grace and glory.

**Romans 15:13** <sup>(NLT)</sup> I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.

**2 Corinthians 3:18** <sup>(NKJV)</sup> But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

**Galatians 4:19** <sup>(NKJV)</sup> My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you.

## Our Prayer Focus:

- ☐ Take a few moments to express your gratitude to God for everything good in your life
- ☐ Transformation of believers
- ☐ That our eyes are open
- ☐ That people would experience the tangible presence of God

**Tuesday:** APRIL 15, 2025

## Today we pray

EYES OPEN, HEARTS AFIRE

### Big Idea: On the road to Emmaus

After the crucifixion, two of Jesus' followers encountered Him while on a journey but didn't recognize Him at first. When their eyes were opened, they realized it was Jesus and said, 'Didn't our hearts burn within us as He explained the Scriptures?' Within the hour, they returned to Jerusalem. Tonight, we pray for our eyes to be open and hearts on fire!

**Luke 24:13-35** <sup>(NIV)</sup>

**Psalms 39:3** <sup>(NIV)</sup> My heart grew hot within me. While I meditated, the fire burned; then I spoke with my tongue.

**Jeremiah 20:9** <sup>(NIV)</sup> But if I say, "I will not mention his word or speak anymore in his name," his word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot.

**Ephesians 6:19** <sup>(TLB)</sup> Pray for me, too, and ask God to give me the right words as I boldly tell others about the Lord and as I explain to them that his salvation is for the Gentiles too.

## Our Prayer Focus:

- ☐ Pray that eyes will be opened and hearts set on fire
- ☐ Pray that God's people will be bold as a lion
- ☐ Pray for people you know to be awakened to God, their eyes opened and discover a freshness with God
- ☐ Ask God to give us a heart for those that are lost and far from Him

GRACE WITHIN, GLORY WITHOUT

**Wednesday:** *APRIL 16, 2025*

## Today we pray

GRACE WITHIN, GLORY WITHOUT

### Big Idea:

God loves us, cares about us and has done a mighty work of grace “IN” us. We need to remember the plan of God is always bigger than us. He loves the world and He wants to do a mighty work “THROUGH” us.

**John 16:24** <sup>(TPT)</sup> Until now you've not been bold enough to ask the Father for a single thing in my name, but now you can ask, and keep on asking him! And you can be sure that you'll receive what you ask for, and your joy will have no limits!

**Matthew 5:14, 16** <sup>(NKJV)</sup> “You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

**1 Corinthians 3:16** <sup>(NLT)</sup> Don't you realize that all of you together are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God lives in you?

## Our Prayer Focus:

- ☐ During this time of prayer, ask God to mold our heart to be more like His
- ☐ Pray that we would be alert and attentive to the opportunities we have.
- ☐ Pray that our Sunday services will be full of the Holy Spirit drawing people to Him
- ☐ Pray that every barrier a person who is far from God has would be broken down

## Today we pray

KINGDOM COME

### Big Idea:

Corporate prayer is a powerful way to approach God's throne. In times of trial, the early church gathered and lifted their voices to Him. Tonight, we will unite in prayer and pray the Lord's Prayer together.

### Our Prayer Focus:

The Lord's Prayer

**Matthew 6:9<sup>(NKJV)</sup>** In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.

- ☐ Our first focus is God

**Matthew 6:10<sup>(NKJV)</sup>** Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.

- ☐ Your Kingdom and will over mine

**Matthew 6:11<sup>(NKJV)</sup>** Give us this day our daily bread.

- ☐ Bread and provision for today

- ☐ You are enough

**Matthew 6:12<sup>(NKJV)</sup>** And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

- ☐ I thank you that I'm forgiven, help me to forgive others in the same way

- ☐ Examine my heart and my ways

**Matthew 6:13<sup>(NKJV)</sup>** And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one

- ☐ thank you for spiritual armor that stops the plans of the enemy

**Matthew 6:13<sup>(NKJV)</sup>** For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

- ☐ It all belongs you!

- ☐ You are worthy!



**Celebrate with us**

**Good Friday Service**

*4:00pm on April 18*

**Easter Sunday Service**

*10:00am on April 20*

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