



1. Focus your prayers on the daily topic listed in this guide. Meditate on the day's biblical passages and let the Holy Spirit speak to you through them.

2. Pray through this guide until God unmistakably provides our church with the pastor He has chosen to lead His people.

3. Continue to pray for the members of our pastor search committee (listed below).

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40 DAYS OF PRAYER:

Day 1

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 3:5-6

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the church to wholeheartedly trust the Lord while searching for a pastor. Pray for the search committee to trust the Holy Spirit's leadership.

Day 2

Scripture Reading: Revelation 2:1-7

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the church to return to her first love, Jesus Christ. Pray for the church and search committee to hear the Spirit clearly throughout the pastor search process.

Day 3

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6

Prayer Prompts: Pray for unity and peace in the church while searching for a pastor. Pray for a strong sense of unity among the search committee as they review and discuss potential pastoral candidates.

Day 4

Scripture Reading: John 15:1-8

Prayer Prompts: Pray for church members to continually abide in Christ and produce much fruit that glorifies the Father during the interim period. Pray for members of the search committee to remain close to Christ.

Day 5

Scripture Reading: John 14:6 (Who's Your One?)

Prayer Prompts: Pray for your one. Pray that your one will see that Jesus is the only hope for a lost and dying world. Pray for boldness to share the gospel with your one as the opportunities arise.

Day 6

Scripture Reading: John 15:16-17

Prayer Prompts: Pray for a season of fruitful ministry as the church prepares for her next pastor. Pray for the search committee to be blessed with answered prayers.

Day 7

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 29:11-13

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the search committee and the church to hope in God and seek Him wholeheartedly with the realization that He is in control of the church's future.

Day 8

Scripture Reading: Psalm 139:23-24

Prayer Prompts: Pray for members of the search committee to have hearts that are pure as they work through the pastor search process. Pray for our future pastor to maintain a pure life before God.

Day 9

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 6:10-11

Prayer Prompts: Pray with the understanding that searching for a pastor is primarily a spiritual process, so spiritual warfare will be present. Pray for God's protection on the search committee and the church.

Day 10

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 2:1-2

Prayer Prompts: Pray for your future pastor and his family to be strengthened by the grace of Jesus Christ. Pray that our future pastor will be a faithful disciple-maker.

Day 11

Scripture Reading: James 1:5-8

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the search committee to seek God's wisdom as they review resumes and prepare to contact potential pastoral candidates. Pray for church leaders to seek God's wisdom in the interim period.

Day 12

Scripture Reading: Acts 16:14 (Who's Your One?)

Prayer Prompts: Pray for your one. Perhaps Lydia's story gives you hope for the salvation of _____. Ask the Father for courage to share the gospel message with _____.

Day 13

Scripture Reading: Acts 2:41-42

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the church to reflect the six elements of a healthy church both in the interim period and when the new pastor is called serve (worship, discipleship, ministry, fellowship, evangelism, and prayer.)

Day 14

Scripture Reading: Revelation 3:1-6

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the church to be filled with life through the Holy Spirit. Pray for the church to be strengthened to carry out the vision God has for her.

Day 15

Scripture Reading: John 13:34-35

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the search committee and the church to be obedient to Christ's command to love one another. Pray the church's Christ-like love will be seen by the world.

Day 16

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 3:20-21

Prayer Prompts: Pray the power of Christ would be known in and through the church and that all glory would be given to Him throughout the pastor search process.

Day 17

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:4-6 (Who's Your One?)

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the light of God's glory to shine in the life of _____. Pray for the spiritual blinders of darkness to be removed and that _____ will see the beauty of Jesus.

Day 18

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 4:1-5

Prayer Prompts: Pray for our future pastor to faithfully preach the Word of God. Pray the Lord gives the church a hunger of the Word of God and receptivity to the sermons that are preached by the new pastor.

Day 19

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 13:17

Prayer Prompts: Pray for our future pastor to faithfully shepherd the church and for members of the church to willingly and joyfully place themselves under his servant leadership.

Day 20

Scripture Reading: Joshua 1:9

Prayer Prompts: Pray for each member of the search committee to have an overwhelming sense of God's presence and guidance as they work through the steps of the pastor search process.

Day 21

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:16 (Who's Your One?)

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the Father to give you the faith to obey Him in all things so _____ can experience firsthand a life that has been transformed. Ask the Father for continued wisdom and discernment as you pray for and share the gospel.

Day 22

Scripture Reading: James 4:1-12

Prayer Prompts: Pray for church members to humble themselves before the Lord and seek His cleansing power in order for revival to come. Pray for the search committee to continually submit to God's will.

Day 23

Scripture Reading: John 17:20-23

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the church to be unified so that the world will be impacted with the gospel and the Father will be glorified. Pray for the search committee to be unified in their decision making.

Day 24

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 2:15

Prayer Prompts: Pray for a pastor who is able to rightly divide the Word of God. Pray for the search committee as they listen to sermons of potential pastoral candidates.

Day 25

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 33:3

Prayer Prompts: Pray that a burden for deep and urgent prayer permeates the church not only as we seek God's will for a pastor, but also as we seek God's vision for the church.

Day 26

Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 3:1-7

Prayer Prompts: Pray for our next pastor to be a man who exhibits Christ-like character both publicly and privately. Pray for our future pastor's family as they transition to a new work.

Day 27

Scripture Reading: Colossians 3:12-17

Prayer Prompts: Pray for our church to grow in love toward one another. Pray for unresolved conflict to be worked out and for reconciliation among any broken relationships in the church.

Day 28

Scripture Reading: Romans 10:1-3 (Who's Your One?)

Prayer Prompts: Pray for _____ to be awakened to God's offer of salvation, and to see the futility of anything other than Jesus as a hope for eternal salvation.

Day 29

Scripture Reading: Revelation 3:14-22

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the church to fight against lukewarm spirituality. Pray church members repent of a lukewarm spirituality and become filled with a zeal for Jesus and His Kingdom work.

Day 30

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 10:19-25

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the church to be committed to biblical worship. Pray for the search committee to be confident that they are following God's will as they make decisions regarding our future pastor.

Day 31

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 5:1-4

Prayer Prompts: Pray that our future pastor shepherds the church in a biblical and Christ-exalting manner. Pray for our future pastor's walk with Christ.

Day 32

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 5:5-7

Prayer Prompts: Pray for mutual respect and humility between the church and our future pastor. Pray for the church to follow the leadership of our future pastor.

Day 33

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 5:8-9

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the search committee to remain humble before God and that they will not be anxious, but trust God's leadership. Pray that the church will stand firm against the schemes of the devil.

Day 34

Scripture Reading: Colossians 1:13-14 (Who's Your One?)

Prayer Prompts: Pray for _____ to be rescued from the domain of darkness and to be transferred into the kingdom of God. Pray for patience and endurance as you share Jesus.

Day 35

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

Prayer Prompts: Pray that in times of discouragement, the search committee and the church will seek the Lord diligently and have confidence that He is at work bringing the church and future pastor together.

Day 36

Scripture Reading: Colossians 1:24-29

Prayer Prompts: Pray that when the time comes to extend a call to our next pastor, God will make it unmistakably clear to the future pastor and church. Pray for the Lord to work powerfully in the church to make disciples.

Day 37

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 2:24-26

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the search committee to discern if potential pastoral candidates possess the biblical qualities of a servant of the Lord. Pray for the church to affirm these qualities in our future pastor.

Day 38

Scripture Reading: Galatians 6:9

Prayer Prompts: Pray for the search committee to not grow weary in their work. Pray that the search committee and the church will be able to see God's hand at work bringing us and our future pastor together.

Day 39

Scripture Reading: Mark 10:21-22

Prayer Prompts: Pray that the Father will show _____ the futility of pursuing things and cause him/her to seek the greater treasure that only Jesus can provide. Pray that Jesus will be treasured more than anything this life and in the life to come.

Day 40

Scripture Reading: Matthew 28:18-20

Prayer Prompts: Pray for our church to be a Great Commission church that makes disciples. Pray that our future pastor will be a Great Commission leader.