



FOCUSED LIVING PRAYER GUIDE

Summer 2012

“Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus”

Heb 12:1-2

“So I run straight to the goal with purpose in every step.”

1 Cor. 9:26

In a few weeks, much of the world will be caught up in watching 11,000 athletes from 205 nations participate in 300 events at the 2012 Olympic Games in London, England. They will run, jump, swim, pedal, stroke, throw, leap, balance, dive, shoot, punch, kick and tumble their way to victory or defeat. As you watch the coverage note well one very powerful principle: for every minute an athlete performs in **public** they train thousands of hours in **private**! These men and women think nothing of the time, grind, sweat, pain and injuries it will cost their lives in **private** for a few fleeting moments in **public**. Their race is won in private before it is ever run in public. As you train for your own 'life race' this summer, let's remember that it's not about our outward **performance** but our inward **passion** to pursue and enjoy time alone in intimate fellowship with our King, Creator and Father. It's not about **trying** harder, it's about **trusting** Him more. It's not about accomplishing our **goals**, it's about experiencing His **grace**! It's not about **self-improvement** but the **Spirit's movement** as He transforms us more into the image of Christ. Let's purpose to make this summer one of *“training with our King and Coach so that our progress will be evident to all”* (1 Tim 4:7,15).



Ministry Praises and Requests:

OUTREACH

June 12 - Wired outreach event in Lexington. We will view the Louie Giglio video, “Indescribable” and have a discussion afterward. Pray for 50% unbelievers in attendance.

June 13, 20, 27 – Perry and David will facilitate Evangelism training as part of Columbia Crossroads Church Summer Academy.

June 23 – a group of men including Perry and Andy Garrett and Scotty Mills will host a “Shoot Out” event where guys will be challenged to consider what they are aiming at in life.

MEN'S FORUMS

Pray that the principles raised by the *Resolution for Men* book which is being used by each of the forums this summer will provoke life transformation. That men would take their role as fathers and husbands as seriously as God does.

DISCIPLESHIP

Continue to pray for wisdom about how FLM can best facilitate and promote disciple-making in Columbia. Pray for Perry, Peter and David as they set a day aside (**Friday, June 15th**) to ponder this.

DAYBREAK CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER

Pray for David and Perry as they finish writing the training manual for the male volunteers. A couple more sessions and this should be complete.

MISSIONS

July 7-14 – Guatemala – Bill Manley, Derek Gowdy, Terry Rhodes, and David Andes minister with Global Community Health and Evangelism

July 13-20 – Costa Rica – The Salter family ministers with a team from Grace Point Church

Personal Praises and Requests:

BOWERS FAMILY

Perry: Next eight weeks: Rest; reflect; repent; refresh; read; write; rekindle; recalibrate; renew; release; refocus;

Janet: be energized by the Spirit as she 1) stays with her mom (dementia) each month and attends a dementia seminar; 2) ministers to Perry's mom (declining memory and balance) and 3) has grandma duty herself in August.

Joy and Eddie Centurion: Very full summer of ministry and another baby girl due the first week of August.

Megan and Marc Hunsaker: Change is on the horizon. Wisdom to follow God's lead.

ANDES FAMILY

David – I hope to take advantage of the different pace in the summer (i.e. not as many “preps” each week) and “sharpen my saw blade” by reading several books I have been wanting to get to. I want to be open to what God wants to teach me as I work through the *Resolution for Men* with the forums.

Katherine – Managing the summer agenda for two active boys. Clear thinking about work/home balance this fall.

Austin (14), Cameron (9) – Both boys have the privilege of attending “away from home” summer camps. Pray for their safety and openness to embrace new experiences. Austin – Victory Junction June 17-21; Camp Burnt Gin July 6-11. Cameron – Victory Junction July 12-15.

SALTER FAMILY

Please pray for reliance on the Lord as our entire family travels to Costa Rica for a church missions trip July 13-20. There are 41 people going so pray that the team relationships will be God honoring throughout the trip.

Teena is beginning to have consistent muscle related headaches again. Please pray for relief and patience for her.

Also, please pray for us as we lead a college bible study at our church this summer.