

FOCUSED LIVING PRAYER Feb-March 2017

When Jesus commanded His men in the Great Commission to “make disciples” (Matt 28:18-20) He was calling them...and us... to enroll in “**Math 101.**” The word used for “disciples” is ‘*mathētēs*’ from which our word ‘*mathematics*’ is derived. He challenged His men to help each other follow His precepts, principles, priorities, passion, practices and love for people in the power of the Holy Spirit. As our math teacher, Jesus calls us to deep spiritual growth using the same basic mathematical functions that we use every day! He calls us to...



ADD Christ like character, attitude and actions to every situation or relationship;

SUBTRACT anything that keeps us from loving Him or living life His way;

MULTIPLY our lives by serving, loving, caring and encouraging others so that we do not

DIVIDE our families or church families.



Ok....time for your weekly math quiz!

- 1). What specifically do you want the Holy Spirit to **ADD** in your life to make you more like Christ today?
- 2). What attitude, action or thought needs to be confessed so that the Lord can **SUBTRACT** it now?
- 3). How will you trust God today thereby **MULTIPLYING** His impact on others through you?
- 4). Where are you **DIVIDING** your marriage, family or church family with words or actions?

How did you do? I got a C+! Good thing Jesus grades on a curve by His grace. Hey, the next few times you balance your checkbook or use a calculator let's remember to pray for each other as we step forward in faith to “**mathetes**” the men God puts in our lives. It may seem insignificant but....it all adds up!

Ministry Prayer & Praise

FORUMS Pray for Perry, German, David, and Derek Gowdy as they weekly facilitate the 8 forums in the greater Columbia areas. The purpose of all the forums is to provide an environment where men can hear the Gospel and explore what it looks like to live it out in their daily lives as ALL IN men.

DISCIPLESHIP Pray for the 50 men participating in our GRIP Spring season of discipleship. Pray that each man would have an internal spiritual motivation to follow-through on action points related to his Key Relationships and his Key Resources. Pray that each man would pass on to his family and GRIP partner what God is showing him. Finally, pray that each man would take tangible next steps with his friend who is not yet in Christ.

DAYBREAK FLM continues to provide the tracks for mentoring of boyfriends who come into Daybreak Pregnancy Center. Prayer for open doors and open hearts.

FINANCES God has generously provided in 2016. May we steward His provision wisely for the expansion of His Gospel in Columbia and beyond.

CORE Praise for a wonderful time of fellowship and focus during our annual Board “Core” retreat in Georgetown. Two key action points coming out of this meeting are 1) A young married evangelist to join our team? 2) Best way to share and leverage the story of the racial unity we are experiencing as a staff?

CALENDAR

Sundays German Wright preaches at Daily Living Ministries (DLM).

February 24 “Friday Night Live” service at DLM

March 6 GRIP Gathering

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March 26 FLM Core Meeting at Daily Living Ministries

March 30 Daybreak Banquet

April 3 GRIP Gathering

Bowers' Family Prayer

Perry –

- Wisdom and compassion to be at my brother Kenny's side as he walks his beautiful bride, Rachael, through chemo as she fights very aggressive cancer.
- Grow more in the area of intercessory and fervent prayer.
- Praying each day for the grand kids as Janet and I work through the book "Kingdom Prayer" by Tony Evans.
- I would take every opportunity to love and share the Gospel with my mountain biking buddies.

Janet - Claiming "Do not be anxious for anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Phil 4:6-7 Also, join with me in prayer for some family and friends who are struggling with serious health and relational issues.

Joy & Eddie – Wisdom, patience, energy, consistency and grace as they parent Lulu, Ezra, Ezequiel, & Elenor (Nel). Pray for relief from this flu season.

Megan & Marc Thankful for repaired heating system in the single digit temps of Michigan. Praise for Marc's progress in the doctoral program. Wisdom and grace in parenting Hannah and Logan.

Andes' Family Prayer

David and Katherine– The first quarter of this year is a “pressing reset” season for Katherine and I. We are assessing our capacity and rhythms of life in many areas and looking to balance needs inside out nuclear family as well as the demands of extended family concerns (mainly aging parents). Pray that we would “be of good courage”, “walk by faith and not by sight”, and “make it our ambition to please Him” (2Cor 5:6-9).

Austin(18) – Pray that his clear thinking and calm emotions would be restored. Sometimes he is out of his mind and we pray for his spiritual protection from any satanic footholds.

Cameron(14) – Pray in this principle for Cameron: “Today's choices lead to tomorrow's opportunities”. Join with us in praying for a couple close friends. Praise for the possibility of a mentor in Cameron's life.

Wright Family Prayer

German and Sandra - Balance and boundaries in family and ministry. Upgrades to house, travel and vacation time. Greater wisdom, strength and ability to minister into the lives and needs of others. Expanded prayer life. Specifically related to Daily Living Ministry, we ask for preparation and release with current support for the desire and need for greater support in ministry. Passionate coordinators for Media Ministry, Sound Technician, Graphic Design, Administrative Assistance, Musician and Director. Favor with lease holder for building expansion.

Caleb

Praise God for getting Caleb through 4 years at Liberty University. Prayers for provision and direction on culminating events: graduation travel and celebration; transition from college life to the “real world”; clarity and focus on his search for a position in the work force.