



# EASTER

AT COLLEGE PARK

## 21 Days of Prayer

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Do you talk with God as you talk with a friend? Do you share what you're thrilled about? Pour out your pain? Stop and listen?

Prayer wasn't given to us as a formula but as a language. And, like any language, we learn best through practice. Our hope is that our 21 Days of Prayer, and accompanying guide, will draw you nearer to the Lord as you intentionally, consistently, and authentically pray.

In this guide, you'll find simple ways to grow your prayer life in the twenty-one days leading up to Resurrection Sunday. The weekly themes of care, creativity, and connection are accompanied by key verses, prayer points, and resources. Use it on your own, or with a group, as you prepare your heart for the resurrection of our King.

# WEEK 1

**PRAYER THEME:** Care

**KEY VERSES:**

- “Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world” (James 1:27).
- “But if anyone has the world’s goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God’s love abide in him?” (1 John 3:17)
- “Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing” (1 Thess. 5:11).
- “Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves” (Phil. 2:3).

**PRAYER POINTS:**

- Pray through the fruit of the Spirit.
- Pray for [our elders](#) by name, asking God to help them care well for our people.
- Consider asking a friend, neighbor, or waiter how you can pray for them.
- Ask God to show you a specific way you can care for an elderly or homebound friend, family member, or church member. Then, take action!
- Pray that you would come to a deeper understanding of God’s love and care for you.

**PRAYER RESOURCE:**

- **Book:** [Praying the Bible](#) by Donald Whitney
- **Website:** [Harvest Prayer](#)
- “This website is one of my personal favorites. I have used many of their resources over the years and the daily newsletter on prayer is a good, daily reminder to pray.”  
-Don Bartemus, Pastor of Compassion
- **Article:** [“P.R.A.Y. - A Prayer Acronym for Daily Life”](#)

# WEEK 2

**PRAYER THEME:** Creativity

## KEY VERSES:

- “Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ” (Col. 3:23-24).
- “For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do” (Eph. 2:10).

## PRAYER POINTS:

- What burden is the Lord placing on your heart? Pray for creativity and adaptability in responding to that burden in a way that demonstrates Christ’s love.
- Pray through the hardship of this year—what new lessons has the Lord taught you?
- Pray for God’s help encouraging others in the unique ways he has gifted them.
- What new mission could you prayerfully join?
- Go to [yourchurch.com/global](http://yourchurch.com/global) and pray for one of our missionaries. Consider joining a Barnabas Team (groups that meet regularly to pray for specific missionaries from College Park).
- Pray for those you know who work in a creative arts vocation (Ex. artists, musicians, writers, etc.). We all have opportunities to use creativity in our jobs, but pray for these people specifically, that God would be glorified in the art they create.

## PRAYER RESOURCE:

- **Book:** [A Praying Life](#) by Paul Miller | [Read a Book Review](#)
- **Website:** [Strategic Renewal](#)
- “Daniel Henderson, the president of Strategic Renewal, is a great resource on worship-based praying. The digital resources he provides on this website have been transformative.” -Don Bartemus, Pastor of Compassion
- **Article:** [“3 Ways to Maximize Your Commute Time This Week”](#)

# WEEK 3

**PRAYER THEME:** Connection

**KEY VERSES:**

- “A friend loves at all times and a brother is born for adversity” (Prov. 17:17).
- “Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ” (Gal. 6:2)
- “Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up! Again, if two lie together, they keep warm, but how can one keep warm alone? And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him—a threefold cord is not quickly broken” (Eccles. 4:9-12).
- “No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you” (John 15:15).

**PRAYER POINTS:**

- Prayer for our new members.
- Pray for deeper discipleship in students and children.
- Pray for the hospitality culture of College Park Church on Sundays
- Pray for our community. Ask God to show you one specific way you can serve others in your local area this week.
- Pray for your single friends and family members, that they would have rich, godly community and trust God’s good plan for their life.
- Pray for your friends and family members who are married, that they would have clear communication and deep unity.
- Pray for those you know who have recently moved or will move in the near future. Ask God to bring them close friendships and connections in their new home.

**PRAYER RESOURCE:**

- **Book:** [\*The Pray! Prayer Journal: Daily Steps toward Praying God’s Heart\*](#) by Dean Ridings
- **Website:** [Crosswalk](#)
- **Article:** [“Is Your Prayer Life Stuck in a Rut?”](#)

For more resources on prayer, visit  
**cpcresources.net**

