



# PARISH CHURCH

## PRAYER GUIDE

### ***“Our Father Who Is In Heaven”***

- Adoration, praise, thanksgiving, love and affection for the God who loves us as His own children.
- Acknowledgement and thanksgiving that we know Him as Father chiefly through the testimony of the Son. In Christ, we see a Father who is *in heaven* and must punish sin, and we see a loving Son who absorbed that punishment on the cross that we might no longer be enslaved to sin, yet cry out as sons and daughters “Abba, Father”.
- Humbly celebrate the fact that though we were once far off we have been brought *near* by the blood of the cross. (Ephesians 2:13; Hebrews 4:16)

### ***“Make Your Name Holy”***

#### ***In Lafayette***

- Pray for the Lord to *Hallow His Name* among the people of Lafayette through the lives and ministries of faithful brothers and sisters throughout the city.
- Pray for the Lord to use Parish Church, as one voice among many, to call men and women to faith and faithfulness in the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Pray that Parish Church would be a preserving and flavoring influence (salt) in our community, as well as a beacon of light to those who are walking through dark season(s) of life. (Matthew 5:13-16)

#### ***In Me***

- Pray the Lord would give us a deep desire to grow in holiness, through an ever increasing desire for the fruit of the Spirit to be expressed in our lives.
- Pray for the Lord to give us a deep and abiding love for His Word as it reveals the great and glorious God whom we serve.
- Pray the Lord would show us, daily and specifically, the high cost of following Him and offering our bodies as a living sacrifice so that we may be holy as He is holy. (Rom 12:1-2; I Peter 1:15)
- Pray for the Lord to work through us to lift high the name of Jesus so that He may draw men and women to Himself. (John 3:13-16)
- Pray for the Lord to grow us in holiness, by His grace, in such a way that people might see our lives and glorify our God who is in heaven. (Matthew 5:16)

### ***“Your Kingdom Come, Your Will Be Done”***

#### ***Around The World***

- Pray for the Lord to make great His name in those giving their lives for the Gospel all over this world. Pray for missionaries, pastors, and lay leaders fighting on the front lines of the heavenly battle for souls all around the world.
- Join your prayer with the saints throughout history, “*Come Lord Jesus*”. (Rev. 22:20-21)

#### ***Lafayette***

- Pray for the Lord to work through Parish Church to accomplish His Kingdom will in Lafayette as it is in heaven. Pray for the Lord to use this Parish in powerful ways in the lives of the people of Lafayette.

**Me**

- Pray the Lord would grant us the grace to surrender every goal, ambition, and activity that does not align with His kingdom work and will for our lives.
- Pray for the Lord to show us where our lives (and family) fit in the kingdom work we are doing in Lafayette and through Parish Church.
- Pray for the Lord to make us an instrument in the Redeemer's hand to bring about revival in Lafayette.

***“Give Us Today Our Daily Bread”***

**Parish Church**

- Pray for God's continued provision of the necessary financial means to grow and flourish as a church on mission in Lafayette and around the world.
- Pray for the wisdom to steward our resources well as we adjust to our new building and bring on more program and ministry staff.
- Pray for the children of our church as we start children's church and continue to grow this vital ministry throughout the year.
- Pray for the future leadership of the church. Pray for the Lord to work in the hearts and minds of the men and women He will use in specific ways to lead our people to be salt and light.
- Pray the Lord would continue to grow us in number and in relationship as a church body. Pray for the Spirit to work in us to maintain the spirit of unity and the bond of peace. (Eph. 4:1-3)
- Pray for the Pastor's family as the Lord works in them and through them to serve Parish Church.

**Me**

- Pray for God to equip us with every measure of grace we need to put sin to death, grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus, and serve Him with our whole life. Pray for the Lord to show us specific ways in which we can grow in each of these areas.
- Pray for the Lord to give us contentment in His provision, a discontentment with this world, and a longing for your heavenly home.
- Pray for the Lord to mature us in the spiritual disciplines as we read His Word, pray, and work alongside the people of God at Parish Church.

***“Forgive My Debt”***

- Pray for the Lord to assure us of His love and grace in our lives daily. Pray also that, in His love and grace, He may convict us more and more of remaining sin and grow us daily in righteousness.
- Pray for the strength to confront ongoing sin patterns in our lives and the courage to pursue real accountability in the pursuit of holiness with other brothers and sisters in Christ.

***“As I Forgive My Debtors”***

- Pray for the Lord to give us a heart of hospitality, love, and mercy to all those who need Christ however difficult, different, or hurting they may be. Pray for the Lord to help us love our enemies and serve those who are weak, helpless, and hurting.
- Pray for the Lord to give us deep desire to walk in forgiveness and grace with those in the body of Christ at Parish Church. Pray for God to give us the desire to actively pursue the unity of spirit and the bond of peace at Parish Church.

***“Keep Me From Evil”***

- Pray for the Lord to keep back the work of the enemy and to remove every obstacle that exalts itself above the knowledge of God. Pray for the Lord to equip us with every weapon of our heavenly warfare necessary to stand firm in the faith and bring every thought captive to the Lord Jesus. (II Cor. 10: 4-6, Eph 6:10-20)