

PRAYER GUIDE

DAY 1 – Pray for the courage and strength to participate in the 21 Day Fast on some level. Father, open me up to your leadership over the next 21 days. Pray for our church to experience supernatural breakthroughs during this season of fasting.

DAY 2 – Pray for God to create spiritual hunger in His people and draw them to passionate prayer. God has to grant people the genuine faith and fervent desire for prayer. We cannot produce a genuine prayer movement on our own. (Philippians 2:13)

DAY 3 – Ask God to bring deep conviction of sin, spiritual brokenness, a holy fear of God and genuine repentance at Rivers Crossing. There will be no revival without these elements and only God can produce them in His people. We cannot program or work up genuine brokenness and repentance. (2 Corinthians 7:10)

DAY 4 – Pray for deep cleansing, genuine repentance, and spiritual power to engulf our leaders. Revival and spiritual awakening are extremely unlikely without a mighty move of God in our leaders. Renewal is absolutely crucial to a move of God in our day! (Ephesians 6:14-20)

DAY 5 – Pray that God will bring loving unity in our church. We want everyone to know that God is alive at Rivers Crossing. Jesus said “By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” (John 13:35)

DAY 6 – Pray for God to fill us with a passion to see people saved. Only God can give a genuine burden for people without Christ. Until we consistently pray for the lost, intentionally invest in them and lovingly invite them to follow Jesus, a revival won’t happen. Be sure you are constantly praying for many lost people by name. (Romans 9:1-3)

DAY 7 – Pray for our 10 in 10 church planting vision to plant 10 churches or campuses in the next decade. Great revivals produce an explosion of new churches. (Matthew 28:19)

DAY 8 – Pray that God will call people into ministry, missions and Christian service. We desire to be a training and sending church. We can only start as many churches as we have church planters to start them. (Matthew 9:37)

DAY 9 – Pray that God will pour out His Spirit like a mighty purifying flood. Ask God to purify our motives as we pray for spiritual awakening and revival. Our motives must be solely for the glory of God and the increase for the kingdom of God. (James 4:2)

DAY 10 – Pray for addictions to be broken. Addictions can be broken in 21 days. Pray for the ministry for Celebrate Recovery. You cannot enjoy the fullness of life in Christ when you are bound by addictions. (2 Corinthians 3:17)

DAY 11 – Pray for a hunger for God’s word for our church. At this halfway point, most of us are thinking about what will eat after the fast! This is the time to press in and ask God to give us a hunger for and an honoring attitude toward His word. (Matthew 5:6)

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DAY 12 – Pray for God to work in marriages at Rivers Crossing. God honoring marriages should be the norm for Christians, not the exception. Outdo one another in showing honor within your marriage. (Ephesians 5:33)

DAY 13 – Pray for doors to be opened for Gospel centered relationships. God supernaturally opens doors into people's lives for the good news of Jesus to be heard. Pray for thousands of doors to be opened in our community so that the gospel may go forth. (Colossians 2:2-4)

DAY 14 – Pray that God will reveal spiritual gifts to our church body. God has gifted his church with spiritual gifts to minister to each other and reach the world for Christ. Ask him to reveal your spiritual gift(s) and ask him for new gifts. (1 Peter 4:10, 1 Corinthians 14:1)

DAY 15 – Pray for the culture of honor to be strong in our church. A person who honors God first will in turn honor those around them. Ask for Jesus to move miraculously in our church as we seek to honor Him. (Mark 6:4-5)

DAY 16 – Pray for Rivers Crossing's local, national and international missions effort. God is doing amazing things through Joshua's Place, the church plants we support, our church planting partnership in Guatemala and child sponsorships through Lemonade International. Pray for favor, impact and protection on all of our missional efforts. (Acts 1:8)

DAY 17 – Pray for family ministries at Rivers Crossing. Pray for a continued strong partnership between families and the church. Pray for each family to move forward in becoming fully engaged followers of Christ. Pray for students to continue to lead students to Christ and to be leaders in our local schools. Pray for kid's hearts to be opened to hear God's word that is active and alive.

DAY 18 – Pray for Rivers Crossing to stand against Satan and resist his attacks. Satan is like a lion seeking to devour followers of Jesus. (James 5:8-9) Pray that we stand against him in the full armor of God. (Ephesians 6:10-20) Pray the words that Jesus taught His disciples to pray: "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one." (Matthew 6:13)

DAY 19 – Pray for God to propel us toward a generous lifestyle. God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9:7) Ask God to increase your capacity to give to His church and missions in 2018 so that we can reach the least, that last and the lost.

DAY 20 – Pray for spiritual growth at Rivers Crossing through weekend services, community groups, the Discipleship School and personal discipleship.

DAY 21 – Reflect on what God has done during this fast and thank Him. As God moves in our personal lives and in our church, we must give thanks regularly for the goodness of His grace. Stop and thank him now for both the blessings and challenges in your life. (2 Corinthians 4:15)